ST. CHRISTOPHER BY-THE-RIVER

AUGUST 2018 NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

When you received your second-quarter statements, I hope that you took a few minutes to read the mid-year report from your Stewardship Committee. We are in good financial shape and are grateful for your generosity in supporting the various ministries that we share as a parish. You will also have received a single-page survey. We hope that you will take a few minutes to respond to the questions and return the survey to church by September 9th. The survey can be returned by mail or dropped off in the labeled box you will find in the Narthex.

Over the past few years we have moved from a deficit to a balanced budget. We have addressed the many delayed maintenance issues of our church building. We have improved offices, increased safety, provided two universal access bathrooms, and transformed our Children's Chapel. Thanks to the generosity of Matthew Figgie and the Figgie Foundation, we are installing an elevator that will serve all three levels of our church. When completed, our entire church building will be accessible to everyone, regardless of health and mobility challenges. We will soon begin a major riverbank preservation project with our neighbors, thanks in large part to a federal grant from the EPA. (Many thanks to Irene McMullen, who got the ball rolling for us!)

By this time next year, we will be "set". All of the primary needs of our parish will have been addressed. Now is the time for us to begin to dream – to dream with God and to dream with each other about what might be next for St. Christopher's as we move more deeply into what our Presiding Bishop has called "the Way of Love."

During this program year (September – May) the Vestry and your Stewardship Committee will be asking you to complete a few more surveys. These will focus on ministries and programs within the parish as well as opportunities to serve the needs of those beyond this parish.

We will also offer a variety of ways to gather with each other in conversation. With the abiding presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit, I know that we can discern the new place that God is preparing for us to step into. This is an exciting time in the life of the Episcopal Church – and an exciting time in the life of St. Christopher's. Together, we can build on the faithfulness of those who have gone before us and leave a legacy of love and faithfulness for those who will follow.

I look forward to seeing you all on Rally Sunday. (Sunday School registration and first classes begin at 9:00) We will have **one 10:15 worship service** followed by our traditional cook-out. Bring your family, your appetites, and your surveys!

With much love,

Ann+

Junior Warden's Report

By Charley Marston

August is generally a quiet time around St. Christopher with everyone, hopefully, enjoying summer vacations. This is creating a window for us to do numerous projects in and around the church.

Most importantly is the new elevator. After analyzing competitive bids, the Vestry has chosen to ask David Novak to oversee its installation. Once again, he will be back with his professional crew, preparing for the elevator to be delivered and installed.

Also discussed by the Vestry, at the May meeting, was the desirability of having the elevator deliver people to the second floor, in addition to the fellowship hall, downstairs. John Brown, our architect, actually had made a drawing for that possibility, but we had not thought it fiscally feasible due to its estimated $20,000.00 to $25,000.00 extra cost. The elevator project has never been possible using funds from our capital campaign. Fortunately, the Figgie Foundation has provided us with the encouragement and funding for the project. At a recent meeting with Matthew Figgie, we shared with him our contractor's plans and the Vestry's desire to take the lift to the second floor. Recognizing that in future years there will be many occasions when a second floor lift will be a necessity, Matthew authorized the extra installation and the additional funds for its completion.

The project will get underway immediately. It will be halted in September as to not interfere with the Bargain Box preparations and sale, and then resume with the expectation of completion by

mid November.

While the choir is on summer break, we will be replacing the old worn our carpet in the practice room on the second floor. Also, we will be fixing outdoor steps and gutters on the church and the Rectory.

Thank you everyone who is helping with all of this activity, especially Matthew, whose interest and generosity is an inspiration to us all.

Vestry Meeting (April 25, 2018)

By Irene McMullen

Present: Mother Ann, Elise Bennett, Becky Everett, Mary Holmes, John Irwin, Charley Marston, Sean McMillion, Irene McMullen, Mary Murray, Jim Pender. Guest: John Brown, Architect.

The meeting came to order at 6:00 PM. Mother Ann led an opening prayer.

John Brown spoke about the elevator project. The elevator project will cost about $150,000, which will be generously underwritten by the Figgie Foundation. The electrical needs for the elevator will be worked on by YES Electric, starting on Monday. John Brown will go to Columbus to get the state level approvals needed. Drawings should go out to contractors by next week. It will take about two weeks to get bids back, and John Brown will create a bid comparison worksheet. Gable Electric will be building the elevator. There will be an alternate in the bid package to allow for an elevator up to the second floor. We hope to have the elevator in by September. There will be some ongoing inspection and maintenance costs in future years.

Regarding the riverbank preservation project, the Village of Gates Mills will be letting the contract, and CRWP will be overseeing the project. John Irwin will try to get a list of completed projects which others might view.

On May 10, 2018, at 6 PM, Dr. Brian Wilbert, Diocese Archivist, will come to speak at St. Christopher's and offer advice regarding the archiving project.

The Children's Chapel project is almost complete. The altar may be delivered next week.

Elise Bennett moved approval of the March 28, 2018 minutes, as amended. Mary Holmes seconded the Motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

John Irwin asked the Vestry to think about updating the audiovisual equipment in the church. The Vestry will consider this need at a later date.

Mary Holmes led a discussion regarding the Executive Summary. We are living in an area where there will be an increase in the number of young families in the future. We should study this Summary and discuss what it means for future planning.

Mary Murray went over finances and the March 31, 2018 Balance Sheet. She opened an account at Key Bank for the church and is working on moving funds over from US Bank. Utility costs, especially for gas, have gone up recently. Mary will look into alternate suppliers.

John Irwin will invite the Diocese Social Media expert to a Vestry meeting.

Mother Ann led a closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Vestry Meeting (May 30, 2018)

By John Irwin, M.D.

Present: Sean McMillion, Elise Bennett, Becky Everett, Mary Holmes, John Irwin, Mary Murray, Jim Pender.

Guest: John Brown, Architect.

The meeting came to order at 6:00 PM. Dr. Irwin led an opening prayer.

John Brown spoke about the elevator project and presented a summary of the three bids that have been received from contractors. David Novak bid $137,179 for the project. Manorbrook Holmes bid $143,773 and Keith Arian Construction, Inc. bid $150,119.

An extensive discussion ensued regarding each of these bids noting various allowances and differences between the bids. David Novak's bid being the lowest and also given that Mr. Novak has done very good work for the parish recently including the Children's Chapel project, Mr. Brown suggested that he meet with Mr. Novak to discuss the bid specifics further including timing of commencement and conclusion of the project. A final decision regarding the selection and the details of the contractor will be deferred until following Mr. Brown's meeting. It was the general feeling of the Vestry that Mr. Novak's bid was most attractive but additional questions regarding timing, the possibility of extending the elevator to the second floor, issues relating to electrical work, a possible exploratory excavation in the basement and work that may be necessary on the sprinkler system will be addressed by Mr. Brown who will report back to the Vestry as soon reasonably possible. Mr. Brown was thanked for his efforts and excused from the meeting.

Dr. Irwin then reported briefly on the status of the Riverbank Restoration project with contractor selection and specification as to the designs of the project to occur in June, 2018. The project is moving ahead with the bidding and contractor selection process generally in accordance with the anticipated timeframe. All landowners appear to be in consensus regarding moving forward. Photographs of similar completed projects in Willoughby and in Hunting Valley were distributed and reviewed by the Vestry.

The children's Chapel project now is essentially complete with the addition of the altar, beautifully crafted by David Novak. We are awaiting the installation of the "Lords Prayer" artwork in the next few days.

Additional updates were presented regarding Mother Ann's schedule and worship services during her absence. The status of the Stewardship Committee, the Archive Project, the Vineyard for Bellwether Farm and finally the plans for the Fourth of July Parade including the Cotton Candy machine and participation by Cub Scout Pack 165 were also reported and discussed.

The Treasurer, Mary Murray, then reported on financials and noted that this will be an audit year which occurs every three years in accordance with diocesan rules. We continue to anticipate that we will end 2018 with a balanced budget subject as always to continued fulfillment of pledges and gifts.

There being no further business to come before the Vestry at this time, Dr. Irwin led a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

NEMAC Meeting (April 24, 2018)

By Linda Webb

Attendance: Rev. Rose Anne Lonsway, Grace, Willoughby; Rev. Chris McCann, St. Lukes, Chardon; Jean Spangler, St. Lukes, Chardon; Rev. Rosalind Hughes, Epiphany, Euclid; Bob Thompson, Epiphany; Rev. Aaron Paul Collins, Good Shepherd, Lyndhurst; Peter Batcheller, St. Christophers, Gates Mills; Linda Webb, St. Christophers; Andrew Spiesman, St. Andrew, Mentor; Conrad Galayda, St. Andrew, Mentor; Larry Ross, Rev. Stephen Secaur, St. Bartholomew, Mayfield Village; Sandy Pavick, Christ Church, Geneva; Eric Sylor, St. James, Painesville; Vanessa Nielsen, St. Peters, Ashtabula; Laura Neilson, St. Peters.

Opening Prayer. Rosalind Hughes

Elections. Passed; New NEMAC group chair, Bob Thompson. New secretary, Linda Webb.

Minutes. Minutes for the meeting on January 22, 2018 were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. Chris McCann reports that our account contains $1,214.00. $200 is allocated for refreshments. This amount will be documented and/ corrected at the July meeting. An appeal will be made to Susan Leishman for $3,000. $450 is coming back from Good Shepherd due to lower than anticipated attendance at the Lenten suppers. [See "Old Business" "Four-Church Lenten Study" below.]

New Funding Request. Conrad Galayda of St. Andrew described the parish's efforts to help an undocumented single mother and her two boys. Both LLCN Willoughby and SNAP [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program] were mentioned as resources.

Old Business

Priest Exchange. Rosalind Hughes and Stephen Secour shared their positive experiences exchanging priest responsibilities during alternate sabbatical weeks at each church.

Easter Vigil. The event at Epiphany was meaningful and energetic, including a study of Abraham and Isaac — and also singing of "Dem Bones". The Bishop attended. Steve Secaur offered to host the vigil next year, including the possibility of a fire pit. Chris noted that host parishes seem to provide the most attendance. The goal is to increase participation, emphasizing interaction among others whose lives may be very different. Combining for services helps prevent over-committing resources and burnout in smaller parishes due to the amount of work needed to do these services individually.

Live Streaming and Phelps Street. The Facebook live streaming effort by Meghan Carlson at St. James ran into a challenge; Modern music is under copyright and subject to licensing fees when posting online. The assumption is that anything from the hymnal is not subject to licensing. Also, in the next few months, two sets of companion-participant Phelps Street neighbors will meet to share their stories.

Sanctuary Efforts. Laura, an undocumented immigrant of fifteen years and her two sons, one of whom was born in the U. S. are being helped with interim housing and other support through St. Andrews. Despite having no criminal background, Laura — not a dreamer — was stopped by the police in the fall of 2017. She was reported to immigration authorities with deportation planned in mid-summer. Now she as a non-functioning car. The parish holds monthly concerts to obtain funding support for food and utilities. Musicians donate their time; Laura cooks Mexican food. Approximately $900 is donated per content. Laura is now working with the help of a parishioner to make and sell candy. Metro Health System is providing health care coverage for ninety days. Conrad will take ideas from NEMAC back to the church.

Four-Church Lenten Study. The NEMAC-funded study and light supper program [Good Shepherd, St. Albans, St. Barts and St. Andrews] during Wednesdays in Lent went well, however attendance was only twenty-seven participants according to Paul Collins whose parish hosted the event. [Funds will be returned.]

CRU NEMAC Host Site Planning. [An update was not provided.]

2018 Forum on Anti-Bullying. [An update was not provided.]

New Funding Requests. For the St. Andrew's sanctuary project, it was suggested that Rev. Lisa O'Rear submit a formal request NEMAC for funding. [That information was passed on to Lisa post-meeting.]

Diocesan Council News. Rose Anne reported for Rev. Ann Kidder. The Council is promoting the concept of becoming a "beloved community", leading an initiative throughout the Diocesan community. Not solely focused on racism, the effort also promotes the idea of getting along; this topic will be the focus of the May clergy conference.

Around NEMAC

Epiphany

- Planning for summer vacation/youth programs is underway.
- There is a feeding program.

Good Shepherd

- On Easter Sunday 4/1 , one child was baptized.
- On Sunday 4/29, Bishop Mark Hollingsworth will be baptizing one infant and two adults, confirming three people — and receiving one adult into the church.

Grace

- The annual Soup & Chili Cookoff was held in March.
- The church continues to source a new administrative assistant.
- There was a blessing of the bikes. Eagle and Boy Scout programs are ongoing; wonderfully, one boy wants to earn a "God" badge.
- The church continues to support the McKinley Meals program and has a monthly table at the Willoughby market in-season.
- Project "Little Feet" is ongoing at two schools and provided new shoes or boots for 90 elementary students.

St. Andrew

- There will be a mini art and music summer camp for high school kids.
- Lisa and Andy are working on communication skills within their community.

St. Barts

- The parish will be conducting a fall, 2018 Chili Cookoff.

St. Christophers

- Two Easter egg hunts were held after Easter services.
- On Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings some parishioners are working their way through *The Bible Challenge*, reading one excerpt each from the Old and New Testaments.
- Several Lenten simple suppers were held at the church.
- The church semi-annual bargain box will be held on Friday, April 27.
- Homilies are now being recorded and posted to the church website.

St. James

- There will be an old-fashioned high tea on May 12. Clare McMillan will discuss her latest novel.
- A “pork and pierogis” event will be held this fall.
- Phelps Street volunteer companions have taken ten weeks of training to support the program effort of fostering curious, compassionate listening.
- As noted above, the live streaming effort has had a financial challenge.

St. Lukes

- The church is sponsoring a float during the Maple Fest parade.
- In an effort to make fishers of people, fish crackers in bags will be given out.
- In July, there will be a cardboard boat regatta at Punderson, including a free picnic.

St. Peter

- A catered mother-daughter banquet is planned for May 10.
- CSAs (Community Supported Agriculture shares) will be sold in conjunction with the community garden.
- There will be a St. Peter/Paul Festival in June.
- The church held a walk with Jesus after Easter services and a play during holy week including guitar musicians.
- The church sponsored a labyrinth during Lent, borrowing a portable labyrinth from Trinity Cathedral. The search was for the status of the cross, and then the process was reversed.
- Unfortunately, there was a septic backup issue in the basement on 01/18/2017; this has prevented the church from serving indoors. However instead they plan to grill outside during the summer.

All Parishes in our NEMAC Group

- The Flocknote initiative [www.flocknote.com] is ramping up across our parishes.

Closing Prayer. Seven Secour, at approximately 7:15 p.m.

Next Meeting. July 25, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Grace, Willoughby

Stewardship

Thank you to all who have donated toward our 2018 stewardship Campaign.

Allgood, Dwight M., Jr. & Mrs. Joan
Alpers, Ms. Marcia
Bailey, The Rev. Deacon Lydia & Mr. Thomas
Batcheller, Mr. Peter & Mrs. Sandra (Sandy)
Battles, Mr. Ramon & Mrs. Jane E.
Beeman, Mr. Richard E.
Bennett, Mr. Lawrence (Larry) & Mrs. Elise C.
Bixler, Charles F., III (Fred) & Mrs.Virginia
Blossom, Mr. C. Perry & Mrs. Pamela (Pam)
Bole, Mr. Richard (Rik) & Mrs. Mary Wick (Mary)
Boswell, Mr. Louis (Lou) & Mrs. Helga
Brachna, Mr. Gabor (Gabe)
Broome, Mr. J. Scott & Mrs. Karee L. Weikel-Broome
Brown, Mr. John T. & Mrs. Deborah
Champ, Mr. William (Bill) & Mrs. Cynthia
Cicirello, Mr. Salvatore (Sal) & Mrs. Helen
Clark, Mr. Charles (Charlie) & Mrs. Nancy
Collister, Mr. Daniel (Dan) & Mrs. Lorinda (Rindy)
Conley, Ms. Sally K.
Costello, Miss Linda M.
Cotton, Ms. Laura
Currutt, Mr. Dennis & Mrs. Charlene
DeBaz, Dr. Baz & Mrs. Mona
Della Ratta, Mr. Ralph M. Jr. & Mrs. Rosalie
Dickenson, Mr. David, II & Mrs. Frances
Doyle, Mr. William (Bill)
Eakin, Mr. Jeffery (Jeff) & Mrs. Judy
Ellis, Lloyd & Eva
Everett, Morrie & Diana
Everett, Mr. Chandler H. & Mrs. Marsha
Everett, Mr. Chandler P. & Mrs. Rebecca (Becky)
Feller, Mrs. Anne
Figgie, Mr. Matthew
Fisher, Mrs. Lynne
Fisher, Ms. Marilyn
Gallop, Ms. Susan
Gnandt, Mr. Dale
Goss, Ms.Katharine (Kathy)
Hargrave, Miss Janet T.
Hauserman, Mr. David (Dave) & Mrs. Darlene
Henry, Mrs. Nicole (Nicki)
Hoyt, Doug & Cally
Ianni, Ms. Teri
Irwin, Dr. John & Mrs. Nancy C.
Jones, Mr. Clarke & Mrs. Whitney
Kidder, The Rev. Ann & Mr. Theodore G. (Ted)
Klinginsmith, Michael (Mike) & Dr. Gretchen Fisher
Lee, Mr. Ron & Mrs. Cornelia
Liljedahl, Mr. Kurt & Mrs. Mary Anne
Long, Dr. Bruce
Loth, Mr. Jerry R. & Mrs. Gladys
Lowe, Annette
Malm, Mrs. Tillie
Marston, Mr. Charles S. (Charley) & Mrs. Susan C.
Marting, Mr. Michael & Mrs. Leslie
Matthews, Mr. Thomas (Tom) & Mrs. Paulette
McCoy, Mr. William (Bill)
McMillion, Mr. Sean M. & Mrs. Lindsey A.
McMullen, Mr. Daniel J. & Mrs. Irene H.
Meyers, Mr. Edward (Ed) & Mrs. Frances (Fran)
Miller, Mrs. Barbara W. (Barb)
Miscko, Mr. Ronald (Ron) & Mrs. Carolyn E.
Morgan, Mrs. Shirley
Morris, Mr. Warren & Mrs. Elizabeth (Betsi)
Murphy, Mr. Brian & Mrs. Cynthia P. (Cindy)
Murray, Mr. Lawrence (Larry) & Mrs. Mary G.
Pender, Mr. James (Jim) & Mrs. Katherine (Kathy)
Pistell, Mr.Timothy (Tim) & Mrs. Linda (Lynn)
Pucell, Mr. Anthony (Tony) & Ms. Christina (Chris)
Rankin, Mr. Roger F. & Mrs. Alison A.
Redmond, Sandra
Reynolds, A. William (Bill) & Mrs. Joanne (Jo)
Reynolds, Mr. Timothy M. (Tim) & Mrs. Mary
Sarkisian, Mrs. Francine (Fran)
Schmidt, Mr. Daniel & Mrs. Courtney
Smith, Mr. Lawrence C. (Larry) & Mrs. Carol
Storer, Mrs. Dolores (Dede)
Syverson, Robert (Bob)
Thatcher, Mr. Peter
Thomas, Mr. Bruce & Mrs. Katherine W. (Kitty)
Thorpe, Mr. Donald (Don) & Mrs. Susan (Susie)
Todd-Lorenz, Ms. Loni
Tone, Mrs. Elizabeth (Betty)
Trebar, Mr. Robert (Bob) & Ms. Renee Kolecki
Treco, Mrs. Diana D.
Tuttle, Ms. Jan
Vail, Mr. Thomas V. H. Sr. (Tom) & Mrs. Iris
Van Hoek, Mr. Cornelius J. (CJ) & Mrs. Bradley T.
Ventimiglia, Mrs. Linda & Mr. Frank
Vilas, Kathleen L. (Kathy)
Warren, Mr. Russell (Russ) & Mrs. Doris (Dori)
Webb, Ms. Linda
Weitzel, Mr. Robert (Bob) & Mrs. Jeanette (Jean)
Wolf, Mr. David & Mrs. Alison
Wright, Mr. Brian J.
Zimmerman, Mrs. Lydia

Faith Development

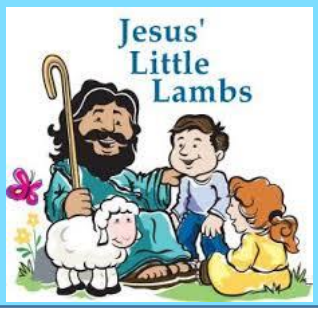
By Peggy Reda, Director of Sunday School

A welcome now to one and all!!!

Join us in celebrating the first day of Sunday School for 2018-2019 on Rally Day!!!

Sunday School for all school aged children will resume at 9 am on Sunday, September 9th with exciting activities for the children.

Nursery care available for children < 3 years old at 10:15 am service.



Fellowship and Parish Picnic follow the 10:15 am service.

If you are new to Sunday School or have questions, please contact Peggy Reda, Director of Faith Development at 440-773-2518 or prseverin@aol.com.

Sadly, we had to say good bye to the Daly family in July. They are starting anew 'Back East'. Good Luck Heather, Brendan, Austin, Elsbeth and Bridget. Thank you for all your contributions of time and talent to St. Christopher's.

Choir

Members Needed and Welcome!

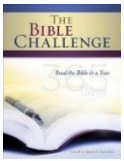
by Yuri McElliot

If you are interested in joining our choirs, we would love to have you! Please contact me or any choir member and we'll be happy to talk to you about it. Our fall schedules are;

Sunday, Sep 9	**9:30am Adult choir Sunday morning rehearsals resume**
Sunday, Sep 16	**9:00am Handchime choir rehearsals resume**
	11:20am Junior choir rehearsals resume
Wednesday, Sep 26	**7:00pm Adult choir Wednesday rehearsals resume**

We are excited to begin the fall schedule and would be very happy if you could join us.

Ault Forum



Bible Challenge Discussion groups are meeting on Thursdays at 6PM and Sundays at 9AM.

Feel free to join in at any time. Contact the office or Mother Ann if you need a book

The readings for August are:

Aug 1 Jeremiah 19-21, Psalm 53, Heb 9
Aug 2 Jeremiah 22-24, Psalm 54, Heb 10
Aug 3 Jeremiah 25-27, Psalm 55, Heb 11
Aug 4 Jeremiah 28-30, Psalm 56, Heb 12

Aug 5 SUNDAY
Aug 6 Jeremiah 31-33, Psalm 57, Heb 13
Aug 7 Jeremiah 34-35, Psalm 58, James 1
Aug 8 Jeremiah 36-38, Psalm 59, James 2
Aug 9 Jeremiah 39-41, Psalm 60, James 3
Aug 10 Jeremiah 42-43, Psalm 61, James 4
Aug 11 Jeremiah 44-45, Psalm 62, James 5

Aug 12 SUNDAY
Aug 13 Jeremiah 46-47, Psalm 63, 1Pet 1
Aug 14 Jeremiah 48-49, Psalm 64, 1Pet 2
Aug 15 Jeremiah 50-51, Psalm 65, 1Pet 3
Aug 16 Jeremiah 52, Psalm 66, 1Pet 4
Aug 17 Lam 1-2, Psalm 67, 1 Pet 5
Aug 18 Lam 3-4, Psalm 68, 2 Pet 1

Aug 19 SUNDAY
Aug 20 Lam 5, Psalm 69, 2 Pet 2
Aug 21 Ezekiel 1-2, Psalm 70, 2 Pet 3
Aug 22 Ezekiel 3-4, Psalm 71, 1 John 1

Aug 23 Ezekiel 5-6, Psalm 72, 1 John 2
Aug 24 Ezekiel 7-8, Psalm 73, 1 John 3
Aug 25 Ezekiel 9-10, Psalm 74, 1 John 4

Aug 26 SUNDAY
Aug 27 Ezekiel 11-12, Psalm 75, 1 John 5
Aug 28 Ezekiel 13-14, Psalm 76, 2 John
Aug 29 Ezekiel 15-16, Psalm 77, 3 John
Aug 30 Ezek 17-18, Psalm 78:1-39, Jude
Aug 31 Ezek 19-20, Ps 78:40-72, Rev 1

Guild

Board Member for 2018-19

President:	Sue Marston	**Bldg/Grounds**:	Sally Conley
VP Programs:	Becky Everett	**In Reach**:	Charlene Currutt
VP Bargain Box:	Carolyn Miscko	**Library**:	Rosalie DellaRatta
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Assist Treas.:	Fran Meyers	**UTO**:	Sandy Batcheller

Members at Large: Laura Cotton, Polly Bixler, Nancy Irwin, Tillie Malm, Ginny Negrelli, Fran Sarkisian, Jean Wallace

Be on the lookout next month for a list of Guild Events for the upcoming year.

Bargain Box!
Next Sale: Sep 28, 8-4

Help is always needed AND welcome for Bargain Box. Our next sale is approaching quickly!

Contact Carolyn Miscko for a schedule of workdays or watch the weekly News Notes.

Rally Sunday & Church Picnic

Coming September 9th! Mark your calendars and watch for a sign-up sheet to be posted at the end of the month!

August Birthdays

1 Carol Smith
5 Joey Inkley
6 Cecile Murray
8 Donna Bixler
9 Lynne Fisher
12 Connie White
13 Jeff Eakin
14 Patrick Hoeflinger
15 Peter Batcheller
Frank Ventimiglia
16 Mary Murray
18 Sarita Frith
20 Marcia Alpers
22 Luke Mitchell
Maddie Pucell
24 Charlie Broome
Warren Morris
28 John Weber
31 Jane Chisholm

July 4th

Thank you so much to the Irwins for providing the cotton candy machine and cotton candy as well as the popcorn!! Also thank you to the Coles for manning the Cotton Candy machine! St. Christopher's made many a child happy that day.

Carillon Concert

St. Paul's

St. Paul's Carillonneur David Osburn will hold a Carillon Celebration on Friday, August 3, at 7 p.m. on the Lawn. Come and sit amidst St. Paul's gardens and enjoy selections on the theme of *Summer Flowers: A Concert of Bell Botanicals of All Kinds*. Bring a chair or blanket and some dinner or snacks and invite your friends! *The rain date is the following Sunday, August 5, at 7 p.m.*

THOSE WHO SERVE

AUGUST 2018 ROTA

August 5th

8:00 EM: Peter Batcheller
LR: Jeff Eakin
AG: Sue Marston

10:15 EM: John Irwin
LR: D. Hauserman/ Rik Bole
AG: Mary Murray
Ushers: Brian Wright & Rik Bole
Hospitality: Sue Marston/Diana Everett

August 12th

8:00 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Teri Ianni

10:15 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Neal Lee
Ushers: Ron & Neal Lee
Hospitality: Nicki Henry (Looking for helper)

August 19th

8:00 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Sally Conley

10:15 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Marcia Alpers
Ushers: Kurt Liljedahl
Hospitality: Linda Webb/Neal Lee

August 26th

8:00 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Judy Eakin

10:15 EM: TBA
LR: TBA
AG: Jean Ramsey
Ushers: Dave & Darlene Hauserman
Hospitality: Paulette Matthews/Peggy Reda

Sermons Are Online

Missed church on Sunday? Want to hear the sermon again?

We now have our sermons available on line. There is a link to our YouTube page on our website: http://stchrisbytheriver.org/sermons-2/

Check it out and subscribe to the YouTube page!

Food Pantry

In ***AUGUST***, we are collecting SCHOOL SUPPLIES!

Volunteer Opportunities

Blessed Are We Dinner
Friday, August 17th
Meet at St. Christopher's at 4PM
Contact the office if you plan to help out.

Food Pantry
Saturday, August 18th
Our Savior Lutheran Church
Call the office if you wish to volunteer.

Vestry 2018

John Irwin	Senior Warden
Charley Marston	Junior Warden
Irene McMullen	Clerk
Mary Murray	Treasurer

Class of 2020
Becky Everett, Mary Murray, James Pender

Class of 2019
Mary Holmes, John Irwin, Irene McMullen

Class of 2018
Elise Bennett, Charles Marston, Sean McMillion

Northeast Mission Area Council Representatives
Peter Batcheller, 2017 & 2018
Linda Webb, 2018 & 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
We are collecting School Supplies! 			1	2 5 PM Evening Prayer 6 PM Bible Challenge 8 PM Riverside AA	3	4
5 XI Pentecost 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Challenge 10 am Nursery 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	6	7 9:30 Staff Meeting	8	9 5 PM Evening Prayer 6 PM Bible Challenge 8 PM Riverside AA.	10	11
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We welcome you to join us:

Sunday, AUGUST 5th – Pentecost XI
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, AUGUST 12th – Pentecost XII
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, AUGUST 19th – Pentecost XIII
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, AUGUST 26th – Pentecost XIV
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II