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THE MESSENGER

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RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

utumn or Fall, according to John Keats, is the "Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness." Each calendar season has its own distinctive characteristics, and autumn brings us to a time when the harvest is gathered in and the weather begins to change. Being aware of the calendar season helps us prepare for the changes that nature brings, such as wearing warmer clothing and clearing up fallen leaves.

We also need to recognise our own season of life. These life seasons might include: childhood, student life, raising a family, middle age, or retired. With each of these seasons we need to pay attention our need for both recreation and rest. We have been created by God, and he has set limits on our creatureliness. Finding an appropriate way to be re-energised and to rest is important for our physical, emotional and spiritual well-being.

As we note the changing seasons in nature, we might need to meet the needs and limitations our season of life. The Creator cares for his creation, and changing seasons, re-creation and rest are all part of his design.

Blessings,

Fr. Alistair ✠

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NOTES FROM VESTRIES PAST

CHRIST CHURCH FALLS ON HARD TIMES IN LATE 60S AND EARLY 70S

According to notes from the Vestry Book:

1965

January Annual Meeting was attended by 8 parishioners

1966

Vestry votes to shrink membership to 5 members, three vestrymen and two wardens

LADIES AUXILIARY LUNCHEON 1943

1967

April treasurer's report reveals the Rector is owed $300 but there is only $62.72 in the treasury; September treasurer's report lists $1600 due for bills with only $300 in treasury

1970

Rector owed three months' salary ($1800), Diocesan assessment has gone unpaid for several years

1971

Annual Meeting treasurer's report shows $1349 due for outstanding bills, rector owed $1516. It was at this meeting that the congregation voted to approve the motion to allow women to serve on the Vestry. Louise Slocum became the first female member of the Vestry. She was also the church organist for many years.

On a positive note, in 1971 a new rectory was constructed and a new priest, Fr. Clayton Knapp, was called to serve the parish. He and his family were the first occupants of the parish rectory. (They actually resided in the parish hall for a number of months until the new building was completed) The original rectory, consisting of a large farmhouse, barns and 80 acres of land, still stands and is located just a quarter mile or so to the west of the church on route 20 at the top of the hill on the left. It was sold in 1963 for $11,000 due to the cost of heating and upkeep.

CARRIAGE SHEDS EARLY 20TH CENTURY
(NOTE THAT THREE HAVE SINCE BEEN TORN DOWN)

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

36 dogs, cats, horses and a rabbit at the Blessing of the Animals. What a great day!

NANCY VOGEL'S BAPTISMAL SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

Nancy said "YES" to Jesus!

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PARISH SCHEDULE

Date	Acolyte	Greeters	Lectors	Joyful Journey Elementary	Joyful Journey Secondary
10/06/2019	John Weiler	Andrea & Bryan Salisbury	Linda & Bart MacDougall	Amy & Brendan Walsh	Phil & Jenna Sayles
10/13/2019	Sandra Weiler	Jane Weyers	Marge Cummings & Kim Corcoran	Amy & Brendan Walsh	Phil & Jenna Sayles
10/20/2019	Jayden Sayles	Youth Sunday	Jayden Sayles	Youth Sunday	
10/27/2019	Sharon Mericle	Phil & Jenna Sayles	Steve & Sherry Schrade	Amy & Brendan Walsh	Phil & Jenna Sayles
11/03/2019	Zach Sayles	Andrea & Bryan Salisbury	Sandra & John Weiler	April Kosier & Steve Schrade	Heather & Bob MacDougall
11/10/2019	CJ Palluti	Jane Weyers	Elizabeth Iseman & Sharon Mericle	April Kosier & Steve Schrade	Heather & Bob MacDougall
11/17/2019	Drew Palluti	Youth Sunday	CJ Palluti	Youth Sunday	
11/24/2019	Nellie Kosier	Phil & Jenna Sayles	Cal Weyers	April Kosier & Steve Schrade	Heather & Bob MacDougall

Date	Chalice	Altar Guild	DoK – Prayers of the People	Counters
10/06/2019	Elizabeth Iseman	Linda MacDougall & Cheryl Lennox	Deacon Debbie	Sharon Mericle & Cindy Creasy
10/13/2019	Elizabeth Iseman	Linda MacDougall & Cheryl Lennox	Elizabeth Iseman	Andrea Salisbury & John Weiler
10/20/2019	Elizabeth Iseman	Elizabeth Iseman	Sharon Mericle	Steve Schrade & Nancy Palluti
10/27/2019	Elizabeth Iseman	Elizabeth Iseman	Deacon Debbie	Laura Lucia & Judy Breitenstein
11/03/2019	Sharon Mericle	Sandra Weiler	Deacon Debbie	Phil Sayles & Andrea Salisbury
11/10/2019	Sharon Mericle	Sandra Weiler	Elizabeth Iseman	John Weiler & Nancy Palluti
11/17/2019	Sharon Mericle	Cindy Creasy & Marge Cummings	Sharon Mericle	Steve Schrade & Laura Lucia
11/24/2019	Sharon Mericle	Cindy Creasy & Marge Cummings	Deacon Debbie	Sharon Mericle & Judy Breitenstein

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BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Phil & Jenna Sayles	3 Jane Weyers	4	5
6 PENTECOST 18 **Bible Study – 9am** **Holy Eucharist – 10am** **Joyful Journey – 10am**	7	8 Paul & Theresa Munson	9 Joan & John Langston	10 Linda Dow	11	12 Christine Chandler
13 PENTECOST 19 **Bible Study – 9am** **Holy Eucharist – 10am** **Joyful Journey – 10am** Brendan & Amy Walsh	14 Jasmyne Hart	15 Judy Breitenstein	16 **Vestry Mtg – 7pm** Michele McKinley	17	18 **Rummage Sale – 4pm-7pm** Bobby Chandler	19 **Rummage Sale – 9am-2pm**
20 PENTECOST 20 **Bible Study – 9am** **Holy Eucharist – 10am** **Youth Sunday**	21 Cal & Jane Weyers	22 Billy McHugh, Amy Walsh	23 Stephanie McKinley	24 Debbie Beach, Adam Acevedo Denny & Chris Wolfe	25	26 **Fall Clean-up – 9am**
27 PENTECOST 21 **Bible Study – 9am** **Holy Eucharist – 10am** **Joyful Journey – 10am** **Book Club Meeting** Bob Chandler	28 Marge Cummings, Jim Featherstonhaugh, Chris Wolfe	29 Thomas Greer	30 Sharon Smith Lisa & Bill McHugh, Ryan & Kelly Powers	31		

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BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Daniel Menzies, III, Tim Fischer	2
3 ALL SAINTS Bible Study – 9am Holy Eucharist – 10am Joyful Journey – 10am Ryan Moses, Drew Palluti, Nellie Kosier Sharon & Bruce Smith	4	5	6 Sarah Langston Forbes	7 Cheryl Lennox, Zachary Therrion	8	9
10 PENTECOST 23 Bible Study – 9am Holy Eucharist – 10am Joyful Journey – 10am	11	12	13	14 Cindy Skala	15	16
17 PENTECOST 24 Bible Study – 9am Holy Eucharist – 10am Youth Sunday	18	19	20 Vestry Mtg – 7pm	21	22 Jenna Sayles	23
24 CHRIST THE KING Bible Study – 9am Holy Eucharist – 10am Joyful Journey – 10am	25	26 Cindy Creasy	27	28 THANKSGIVING Art & Camille Crandall	29 Jeffrey Hunt Raul & Janet Bastiani	30

RUMMAGE SALE

Clean out closets, organize the garage, and let those unused items find a new home at the Rummage Sale.

Friday, October 18: 4-7
Saturday, October 19: 9-2,
(bag sale 12 – 2)

Item Drop-Off 4 - 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 10/16 &
Thursday, 10/17
Please deliver items clean and in working order, no electronics.

Volunteers welcome. ✠

Christ Church is a worshiping community of friends, joyfully serving, encouraging and healing others in Jesus's name.

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