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My Call to Mission Work



By Mary Margaret Applin

Do you ever wonder why the same people go on the mission trip to the DR? Do they have to be asked?

In 2010, I went on my first mission trip. This summer, I am going on my fourth. Before that, I really wanted to go on the medical mission, but felt that because I wasn't THAT kind of doctor I wasn't qualified. When the first Bible school mission trip was organized, I felt that I had nothing to contribute. But, I really, really wanted to go on a mission trip! My husband went on a Lakota Mission and he came home transformed. I wanted that. He knew that and urged me to go to the first meeting. I had friends who knew me and had been on the trip before encourage me to consider it. This was not, and is not an exclusive group, handpicked for participation. The only person who has been turned down, as far as I know, is my own child because his father and I do not feel he is ready.

I was so scared the first year. My Spanish was only as good as I could remember from high school, but I was energized and ready to go. I had many emotional moments during that trip, partly from exhaustion (we ran two Bible schools a day) and partly from the overwhelming confirmation that there are more people in the world that have very little than there are those of us who have so much. One night, I cried openly in our evening gathering. I don't cry openly. I came home changed. Every aspect of my life was different.



Sunday, June 1 11:30 am @ Millbrook High School The next year, I was still soaring from the change in my heart. I committed to go again. I even convinced John to go. I was excited to do this with him. Unfortunately, I buried my mother two days before we left on our trip that year. I am thankful that I spent ten days away from home with fellow Christians, American and Dominican, who loved me and nurtured me when I needed it most.

Two years ago, I went on my last trip. Having had two such different experiences, I needed to nurture my soul even more. The opportunity to paint school rooms arose. I hate to paint, but I chose to. In the quiet, I listened for God. And, I heard him.

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Rector's Message

Dear People of Christ Church,

As the program year quickly comes to an end, I want to thank all of you, staff, Vestry, committees, parishioners, for helping Christ Church make the love of Christ known in the world around us. We have celebrated anniversaries of ministries, begun new ministries, and looked at ways to re-work ministries, all to help the people, the ministers of the church, be able to learn, worship, grow in our various ways of life. We have welcomed new people to the community and said farewell to beloved family and friends. I thank you for being a part of this past year.



The month of June used to be part of a long pause before fall, but now it seems to me like a doorway which we quickly walk through into the next program year. At our last staff meeting, we discussed the normal summer events in the life of the parish—the mission trip in June, Vacation Bible School in July, and the camps and vacations that go on. However, we also looked at the local school calendars only to see how fast the school year starts up again. Believe it or not, like it or not (my kids don't like it), school in some areas begins after the second week of August! The long-standing idea that Labor Day is the end of the summer has been pushed aside in many ways. Summer vacations of June/July/August have slimmed down by nearly a month.

The upside to a shorter summer break is that the Christian Formation staff will be looking at ways to take advantage of this change. We are not quite sure what this might look like, but it does offer opportunities for program and ministry development which were not available when people were out of town in mid- to late August. Of course, our challenge is getting the programs organized in a timely manner so everyone in the parish can know what is going on and participate. Please remember that our newsletter and website are the best way to keep up with our plans and the church calendar as we go through the summer.

Before we get to summer though, I hope that you will join us for the annual parish picnic which celebrates our parish family! I am not sure if there will be softball or kickball, but it's guaranteed to be a source of amusement for everyone. Bring a chair, enjoy the fellowship, and see who is in better shape – the adults or the kids! Faithfully,

The Rev. Webster Gibson, Rector

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Please note that Webster and Bridget will both be out of town from June 25 through July 1. Christ Church is fortunate to have retired clergy who will be available to the parish for services and pastoral emergencies. The Rev. David Bicking (cell 540-539-2199) and The Rev. Michael Mohn (540-665-8092) will be on call. If there is a pastoral emergency, please do not hesitate to contact them. Webster will be back in the office on July 2. Our parish nurse, Helen Zebarth, is also available.

Parish Weekend at Shrine Mont



Our parish weekend had a little bit of everything this year! We had sun and rain (fortunately more sun than rain). We had high drama as June Davies hiked up to the cross in record time for anyone over 90 years old! We had S'mores with marshmallows the size of baseballs. (No kidding! When the huge marshmallows were cooked too long, they were that big!). We learned from Kirk Gibson when he showed pictures of how they built the Cathedral Shrine's chancel and bell tower in 1924 gathering rocks from the mountain and rolling them up the scaffolding. We had fires, fellowship, worship, games, and plenty of food.

We had several "first-timers" to Shrine Mont and we hope we can have more join us next year!





Highlights from May's Vestry Meeting

- Apple Blossom chair sales amounted to \$2400 which will go toward funding the DR Mission Trip. As the mission trips do not draw from the operating budget, these fundraisers are critical. Thanks to everyone who made it a success!
- Stop Hunger Now was also a great success. \$5000 was raised and more than 60 volunteers showed up to pack 21,500 family meals.
- Two Planned Giving meetings took place in late April. The Vestry is in the process of establishing information and guidelines that clarify the options Christ Church has to offer in this area.
- The organ suffered a loss of functionality on Palm Sunday and is in need of repair. The Vestry is formulating a plan to secure and raise the funds needed and working with Dr. Kriewald and the repair company to determine the period of downtime when the organ can be repaired with minimal disruption to normal services.

Christian Formation

Sunday School News

Please celebrate with us on June 1st—our final Sunday of the 2013-14 Sunday School session! We will begin in our classrooms and finish with goodies and recognitions in the Commons. Don't be late! We will begin right at 9:30 am.

Our summer schedule begins June 8th. Throughout the summer, the nursery not be staffed but will remain available during the 10:30 am service for anyone who needs it during the Sanctuary service. Sunday School classes and Children's Chapel will take a summer break until we begin again for our fall session.

The Sunday School classes would like to thank and recognize the adult leaders who have worked so diligently with our children and youth in Sunday morning classes throughout the 2013-14 session. Our great team consisted of Sarah Browning, Beth Conrad, Julie Constantino, Cheryl Crowell, Bryan Gray, Martha Griffin, Kevin Lonabaugh, Polly Nelson, Brandi Vicchio, Amy Whipkey, Bill Wiley, and Betsy Young. Our Kindergarten-Grade 1 class and our Grades 2-3 class had the good fortune to have Emma Martin and Rosa Gibson, respectively, as youth assistants. As you see them over the next few weeks, please thank them in person for answering the call to this vital ministry!

Vacation Bible School



July 7—11 will be here sooner than we realize. *Weird Animals* is already beginning to roar for our week of worship, learning and fun! All children from ages 2 through current 6th graders are invited to be a part.

Neighbors, cousins, and friends are more than welcome! We would love to have youth who are currently in 7th grade, or older, serve as helpers in the classrooms and at games.

We will learn from New Testament stories about Jesus healing the lepers, reaching out to a Samaritan woman, washing the disciples' feet, dying and coming back to life and of Ananias helping Saul; enjoy snacks at the Critter Café; relax and play at Untamed Games; discover in the Imagination Station; and sing classic worship songs and brand-new praise songs.

Registration is underway. Registration forms are at the back of the Sanctuary and in the Tilford Room. Registration online is also available on the church website (www.christchurchwinchester.org).

What do we do at VBS? As with Sunday School, we tell and retell the stories of Jesus, our faith, and our ancestors in faith, each time repeating the story and building and expanding our relationship to it. We want our children and those from the community who are neither ours nor from Grace to know that, no matter what, God loves them unconditionally. It's worth repeating as many times as we can!

VBS needs your prayers and your support. Now is the time to volunteer your help, and we always need adult help in many ways. It takes all of a congregation, and in our case, two congregations, to make this huge outreach to our local children possible. Think and pray about how you are called to help. Contact Margery Wingenbach at 540-667-0386 or the Church Office (540-662-5843).

Christian Formation

Vacation Bible School Registration Form



July 7-11, 2014

Christ Episcopal and Grace Lutheran Churches
26 W. Boscawen Street
Winchester, VA 22601
Christ Church (662-5843) Grace Lutheran (662-6678)

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Student Name			
Birth Date	Age		
If applicable, school g	rade (just completed)		
Parent's name:			
Address	City	Zip	
Home phone #	Work or cell phone #		
Emergency contact & p	hone #'s (other than ab	ove)	
Brothers or sisters at	VBS (Names & Ages)		_

Reminder:

There is no Adult Forum, Daytime Adult Faith Study, or Women's Bible Study in June.

Worship

Special Needs 10th Anniversary Celebration

From Alix Cooper— "This service encapsulated so many things that have made this ministry so dear to my heart: the enthusiasm of the worshippers, their support of one another, the openness with which they share the ups and downs of their lives, the comfort they offer each other, the joyful noise they raise when we do music.

When we started ten years ago, a number of the worshippers were tentative about the whole process and some even seemed to recoil when we passed the Peace. Now they anticipate it and look you in the eye with an outstretched hand. I think we have all stretched ourselves and have come to realize that no one is going to judge another, that this is a safe place to worship and enter into communion in whatever way that works."



From Conrad Koneczny—

"I have been with this service since the beginning. What has stayed the same is our basic program, which is most unpredictable most of the time. This needs to be a consistent routine. What has changed, is that we are getting a much better participation from our congregation. Much more relaxed, open and sincere.

Why do I do this? A bunch of reasons. I have a daughter who is handicapped somewhat severely from an auto accident when she was only 16. She is now 49. Many of the same challenges - speech, coordination and memory. I understand the need for good communications and contact. That gave me motivation to begin. Also, I have grown to really look forward to these services. Many have become friends over these ten years. Often, and it is not that often, when I really feel down and come to one of these services, I get a great lift. If I think I have a row to hoe, think of these folks, and they do it with a smile. I think that very often when we communicate with folks and attempt to measure the sincerity of the communications, it very often is hard or even impossible to read. With our participants, I can assure you that what comes out of their communications begins in the heart and truly reflects their feelings. Just very refreshing to communicate and know what I am hearing is exactly what is meant."





Music

Special Needs 10th Anniversary Celebration

From Martha Roberson—

"It's wonderful to see how this group, which has been very consistent over the past ten years, has taken ownership of their service. They are very comfortable now leading prayers or directing music, despite change being challenging for many of them. I loved the excitement and energy that defined this celebration! It's a wonderful time to reintroduce this ministry to the Christ Church community."



Giving Thanks for the Singing and the Ringing

Let's all give thanks for those children, youth and adults who have served in our music ministry for the 2013-2014 choir season. Youth bell choirs and the children/youth vocal choirs have been a wonderful enhancement to our worship at Christ Church! When you see one of our members, please thank them for all the time and talent they have given to the glory of God. Indeed, we have all been blessed by their presence. Thanks be to God!

Thanks and recognition for service go to:

Gloria Ringers: Mary Margaret Applin, Katie Harvard, Kim Johnson, Carma Jones, Ellen Morgan, Polly Nelson, Katy Schain, Amelia Wheeler

Alleluia Ringers: John Applin, George Gibson, Evelyn Gibson, Rosa Gibson, Patrick Northrup, Allison Schain, Kathryn Schain

Alleluia Singers: Jack Applin, Olivia Cianciolo, Zoe Conrad, Conor Flaherty, Kaitlyn Flaherty, George Gibson, Kim Gronauer, William Harvard, John-Henry Herrington, Nicholas-Ryan Herrington, Lauren Pearson, Shea Pearson, Emilee Pifer, Lindsay Pifer, Jack Nelson, Patrick Northrup, Libby Raymond, Sean Raymond, Sarah Roberson, Laken Whipkey, Clarke Wiley, Molly Young Cantamus & Middle School Boys' Ensemble: Evelyn Gibson, Rosa Gibson, Shea Pearson, Allison Schain, Kathryn Schain, Emma Young; Jack Applin, George Gibson, Patrick Northrup

Kaitlyn Flaherty and Patrick Northrup will "graduate" from Alleluia Singers this year. Both Kaitlyn and Patrick have been members since this choir began seven years ago. Congratulations, Kaitlyn and Patrick!

Special recognition also goes to Rosa Gibson, who is a member of the Sherando High School graduating Class of 2014. Rosa has served in Alleluia Singers, Cantamus and Alleluia Ringers, since she and her family came to Christ Church seven years ago. Rosa has also served as Alleluia Singers Assistant Director and has always been willing to play flute for us. Best wishes and congratulations to you, Rosa!

Many thanks to you, parents, for supporting your child's participation in our music ministry! Soli Deo Gloria!

Calendar and Upcoming Events

Church Services

Sunday

Holy Communion Rite I 8:00 am Holy Communion Rite II 10:30 am

Wednesday

12:00 pm Pilgrim's Chapel (Healing Service 3rd Wed)

Second Monday

6:30 pm Special Needs—Sanctuary

Weekdays

7:30 am Morning Prayer Pilgrim's Chapel

Committee & Group Meetings

Many groups are on summer vacation June-August. Please see right column for groups meeting in June.

Adult Handbell Choir Thurs: 7:00 pm

Adult Choir Rehearsal Wed: 7:00 pm

Adult Forum Sun: 9:30 am

Alleluia Singers Sun: 8:45 am

Knit Unto Others 1st Mon: 7:00 pm

3rd Tues: 2:00 pm

Liturgical Bible Study Wed: 10:30 am

Men's Fellowship 2nd Thurs: 7:00 pm

Outreach Committee 4th Tues: 7:00 pm

Properties Committee 3rd Tues: 7:00 pm

Treasure Box Wed & Fri: 10 am-4 pm

Vestry 2nd Tues: 7:00 pm

Women's Bible Studies Tues: 10:45 - Noon

Wed: 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm

Daytime Faith Study 2nd/4th Thurs: 10:00 am

Youth Group Sun: 6:00-7:30 pm

Youth Handbells Sun: 5:00 pm

June

- 1 Last Sunday for Christian Formation Parish Picnic at Millbrook HS
- 2 Knit Unto Others at 7:00 pm
- 9 Special Needs Service at 6:30 pm
- 10 Vestry Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 14 Men's Fellowship Meeting at 8:00 am
- 17 Knit Unto Others at 2:00 pm Properties Committee at 7:00 pm
- 23 Shenandoah University Church Music Institute Service at Christ Church
- 24 Outreach Committee Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 25 Salvation Army Dinner



The Rector's day off is Friday. The Assistant Rector's day off is Monday.

Please note that Webster is on vacation
June 13-21 and on the mission trip June 22July 1. Bridget is on vacation June 24-July 5.
In the event of a pastoral emergency between
June 24 and July 1, please call

The Rev. David Bicking (cell 540-539-2199) or The Rev. Michael Mohn (540-665-8092).

Children's Chapel

No Children's Chapel for the summer!

Nursery

Our nursery will be open but unstaffed during the summer. Parents are welcome to use as needed during the 10:30 am service. It is on the

2nd floor of the Parish Hall

June Birthdays

1 Woody Baker, Jim Taylor 2 John Waller, Bernice Brown, Nancy Tabaka 3 June Davies, Jeannine Raymond 4 David Bicking, Scott Barnes, Emily Carroll 5 Sherri Dastjerdi Bryan Fairbanks, Calum Lewis 6 8 William Armstrong, Jr. 9 Amanda Matthiesen 10 Donald Netschke, Gerry Kiefer, Michaela Logan 11 **Evelyn Gibson** 12 Kay Jones 13 Madeline McKelway 14 Suzi O'Meara 15 Lillian Smith, Lauren Pearson 16 Gerald Crowell, Deborah Crawford 18 Sue Correll. Jim Wiedower 19 Dennis Bromley, Hannah Jacobsen 20 Lindsay Trant, Katherine Crawford, **Edward Crawford** 21 Suzanne Pettit 22 Conrad Koneczny, Christopher Francis, Frank Armstrong, IV 23 Kathryn Schain, Amy Minchew 25 Walter Jagiello 26 Bill Wiley 27 Stephanie Pearson 28 Lillie Rupert 29 Rusty Holland

Caroyln Griffin, Cameron Crowell

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Wedding Anniversaries

- 7 Bo & Eve Brown
- 8 Bill & Katy Wiley
- 9 Tim & Cathie Waldie
 David & Margery Wingenbach
 Tom & Lori Ellington
- 12 Bruce & Phyllis Allen Jim & Martha Griffin
- 13 Rob & Susan Ross
- 14 Bill & Sandy Armstrong
- Bob & Nancy MitchellDon & Betty MacDonald
- 19 Bill & Ann DruryNelson & Barbara Keech
- 20 Mark & Judy Pennypacker
- 21 Clay & Susan Morris
- Ashley & Betty Futral
- 28 Robert & Becke Bronson
- 29 John & Polly Nelson

Please Note:

We will publish birthday and anniversary information only with explicit permission. Please contact the church office if you wish to be added to or deleted from these lists.

Please keep the church office informed of any changes to your address, phone numbers and e-mail addresses.

Please let the office know the school addresses of our college students.



Look for Christ Episcopal Church Winchester and like us to stay up-to-date on the latest news!

Outreach

From the Cover...

When I returned home another journey began. I learned to discern the gifts that God has blessed upon me. That is why I am going again. I hope to go on the medical mission in January. And, no, not as a veterinarian, but as a Christian.

If you have supported this mission trip in ANY way, thank you so much from the very bottom of my heart. I have considered going on veterinary mission trips, and maybe one day I'll do that. The difference is that this opportunity is in my own community with people I love and a congregation that supports me. The bonding and love we share BEFORE the trip makes the mission much deeper for everyone involved.

We all contribute our own money. The Outreach Committee has graciously granted us \$1,000 from their budget. But, we also raise funds to make this attainable for anyone who wants to go. Hopefully, the money we raise alleviates some of the burden in the future.

The bottom line is that I go on this trip for purely selfish reasons. I want a deeper relationship with God. I find that I can do that in this setting. It challenges me and, each time, it enhances that relationship. Maybe you find the same in helping with WATTS, or preparing the altar, or singing, or giving flu shots, or knitting, or preparing coffee on Sundays. However you travel this journey, God bless you.

If you are interested in mission, opportunities are available. Why don't you consider participating in the upcoming medical mission trip in January? We are currently in the organizing stage.

It took years for me to be brave enough to venture into the unknown. There is a place for everyone. And, I welcome you to come along.

Mary Margaret Applin







Outreach

DR Mission Trip 2014

The team of thirteen people is preparing to go to the DR from Sunday, June 22nd, through Tuesday, July 1st. We will host the vacation Bible school (VBS) in Bani at the Church of the Transfiguration. We need your help through prayer, donations of supplies, and monetary support.

Supplies

We will be carrying our craft supplies to the DR with us. We would appreciate donations of the following:

- Crayola crayons size 24 pack
- Fiskars scissors for children
- crepe paper streamers in all colors
- colorful popsicle sticks
- coffee filters (basket)
- hole punchers
- foam decorative stickers, any shape
- thin sheets of craft foam
- straight straws
- basic plain white paper plates (9 inch)
- sidewalk chalk
- colored tissue paper

- paper or cardboard egg cartons
- colorful pipe cleaners
- construction paper
- earth tone colored cardstock paper
- self-adhesive wiggle eyes
- glue sticks
- plain white paper cups (10 oz-12 oz)
- rubber bands in all colors
- Sharpies
- clothes pins
- wax paper
- color design duct tape
- fruit bag netting

There is a display in the front lobby of the Parish Hall where you can see the crafts and leave supplies.

Mission Congregation in prayer: Our prayer and a reflections booklet Here is the prayer we ask all to pray:

Dear Lord of Missions: Be with us, travelers and supporters, as we engage in our call to mission to the Dominican Republic. Help us to be mindful of the oneness in Christ as we set out to spread Your love to many people, especially the children in Bani. Guide us as we try to show ways to preserve our world through our Bible School ministry and our everyday actions. Be our companion, guide and protector on this journey, and grant us the strength to be successful in our service to you. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Reflections Booklet

This year's mission trip will have a reflection book for everyone in the parish to use during the week of the mission trip. We ask you to hold the mission team in prayer. The mission trip does not just involve those on the trip; it also involves the congregation with participation in prayers of care, safety, and empowerment as the Bible school goes on in the DR. The prayers and thoughts of the congregation provide sustenance to those on the trip, which reminds us that we are all part of this ministry to the children in Bani. The booklets will be available the week before the team leaves on June 22

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Outreach

Using the Clergy's Discretionary Fund

One of the additional arms of ministry the parish offers is the parish discretionary fund for the clergy to help with various pastoral and basic economic needs in the parish and in the community. We work with local agencies to make sure those people seeking help are utilizing the resources around them. We also have had to implement our own practices to allow our resources to benefit as many people as possible. This



fund is managed by the clergy, not by a committee, and it is funded strictly through your donations to the discretionary fund, not through the operating budget. Through your generous support, in 2013, we were able to assist over 50 families with over \$1,500 in food cards. Through the discretionary fund, the clergy were able to offer financial assistance to over 53 individuals and families with items such as utilities and rent totaling over \$5,000 for the year.

If you would like to donate to the Discretionary Fund, please write a separate check with Discretionary Fund on the memo line. Please do not include other contributions with it.

By making donations to the discretionary fund or donating food gift cards (from Wal-Mart or Martin's, for example) for us to share, you help us to be an additional resource in the community where every bit helps, and people are very appreciative of the help. If you have any questions about this fund, please call the Church Office (540-662-5843).

Serving Meals with the Salvation Army



Once a month, a group of Christ Church volunteers purchase, cook, and serve an evening meal for residents and others at the Salvation Army shelter. This program has been ongoing for many years, and other area churches also participate.

The program at Christ Church is currently orchestrated by Kay Jones who schedules a group of parishioners for various tasks. Kay's husband, Bill, and Rob Ross are often the "shoppers" - making the trip to Costco prior to the meal and purchasing the menu that is decided with the Salvation Army staff. On the evening of the dinner, the meal is cooked and served by a small group of our volunteers at the shelter for a group of about 50 hungry people, including some children. In addition to cooking and serving, volunteers also have the chance to sit and visit with those enjoying the meal. Volunteers have also recently assumed clean-up duties, washing pots and pans after the meal. Kay is able to rotate volunteers so that each is scheduled to serve at the shelter only once or twice a year.

While many parishioners support the Salvation Army directly, the meal program relies on donations received in the special Salvation Army envelopes which are collected regularly at Christ Church. These envelopes can be found in the pews on Sundays. Please be generous in supporting this service and contact Kay Jones (wjones 146@comcast.net) if you can volunteer your time to cook and serve a meal.

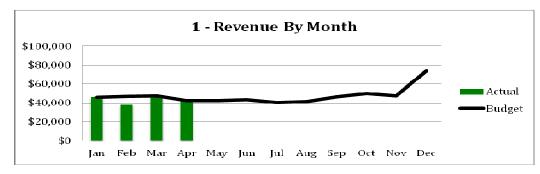
From the Finance Committee

Budget: Revenue is still down - by about \$9,800. Expenses are right on the budget number. The result is a year-to-date deficit of \$12,965 versus our planned budget year-to-date deficit of \$3,645. This really is the result of being behind in our expected pledged revenue, since expenses are on target.

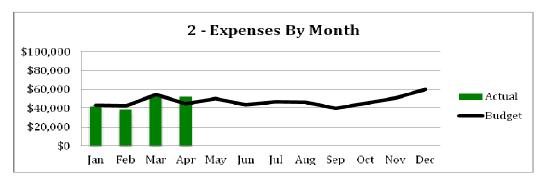
Below are three graphs that are presented to the Vestry each month. They show the budget for the entire year (line on graphs) and the actual results each month (bar on graphs).

Look at Graph 3. Notice that, in many months, our budget shows expenses EXCEED revenues! Sometimes, it is because expenses are high and sometimes it is because expected revenue in a month is low (low summer attendance results in lower revenues in July and August). This has been the pattern for many years and we budget accordingly.

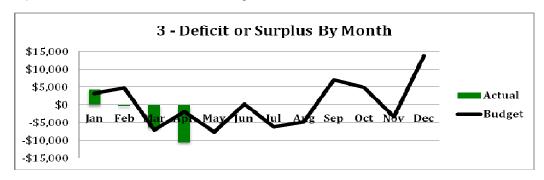
Looking ahead, we expect to be reporting a deficit for many months until revenues, usually strong at year-end, finally catch up with expenses and we break even for the year.



Revenue Actual bar ABOVE the line is good.



Expense Actual bar BELOW the line is good.



3) Deficit/Surplus Actual bar ABOVE the line is good.

Capital Campaign: We continue to receive pledged gifts to the Capital Campaign all the time. Each month, we have been trying to repay back our Endowment Fund. We currently owe the Endowment Fund \$260,000.

If you have questions about this financial information, please submit them by e-mail to Theresa Seitz at tseitz@christchurchwinchester.org

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Parish News

Properties Committee News



The Properties Committee is busy as usual heading into summer. The process is well underway to contract with a masonry company to make the necessary repairs to the exterior brick wall of the Smith Building. The condition of the wall has improved since the interior work was completed.

The city has planted the new trees along Washington Street. The committee is getting estimates to take care of two trees leaning badly behind the Baden Center. Some shingles will need to be replaced on the roof once the trees are removed.

The painting of the bell tower should commence soon.

Roger Zebarth is working with Dr. Kriewald on a project to build risers in the balcony so the choir can see Dr. Kriewald better.

Pam McKinley will serve as point-of-contact on three maintenance contracts (AireServ, Strosnyder, and the elevator company) to track routine maintenance.

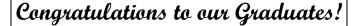
The next Properties Committee meeting is June 17, 2014.



Sunday, June 1 11:30 am @ Millbrook High School Join us for the annual Christ Church potluck picnic! The parish will provide beverages. Please bring a favorite dish to share. You may leave food in the Tilford Room kitchen during the service so you can go right to the picnic from church. Be sure to bring chairs or blankets to sit on at the field. We will have a softball game (kids vs. grown-ups) and kickball for all ages. If you have baseball/softball equipment, please bring it to share. In the case of rain, we will have the picnic at the church. Come join the fun! If you have questions, please call the Church Office at 540-662-5843.

The Men's Fellowship Group will have a special meeting in June. On Saturday, June 14, we will meet at 8:00 am in the Tilford Room to explore a new ministry focused on scripture and men's issues. Please join us!

Parish News



- **Maggie Martin**, daughter of Steve and Neile, graduated from North Carolina State University. She will start a job in Charlotte, NC in June.
- **Tim Shows**, son of Dennis and Deb Shows, graduated from George Mason University.
- **Katlyn Wall**, daughter of Dan and Jody, graduated from Shenandoah University with a Bachelor of Science degree in kinesiology with a minor in entrepreneurship.
- **Megan Conlin**, granddaughter of Wayne and Pam McKinley, graduates from Sherando High School in June. She will attend Lord Fairfax Community College to study nursing.
- **Rosa Gibson**, daughter of Webster and Rebecca, graduates from Sherando High School in June. She will attend Georgetown University in the fall.
- **Emma Martin**, daughter of Steve and Neile, graduates from Handley High School this spring. She is headed to the University of Tampa to study marine biology.
- Evan Schartow, son of Jeff and Chris, graduates from Millbrook High School in June and will attend James Madison University in the fall.

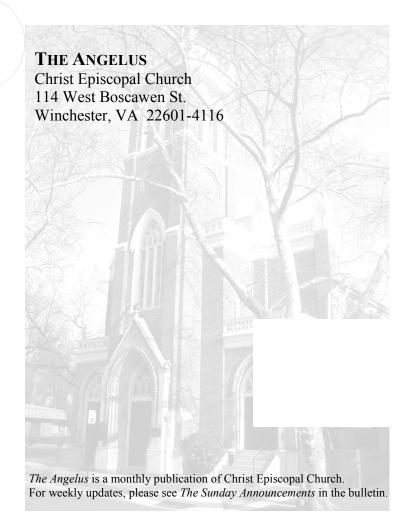
News from the Treasure Box

Volunteers of the Treasure Box gathered on May 19 at the Godfrey Miller House for a social hour, luncheon, and program to commemorate 55 years of this parish outreach ministry. There are currently 36 active volunteers who regularly give their time and talents to the ongoing operation of the thrift shop, which first opened in November of 1959 in the basement of the Old Rectory and moved to the current location in the Smith Building in 2002. Length of service honorable mentions went to Elaine Szuch and Nora Garber for volunteering for more than 40 years; to Carolyn Lewis and Elaine Davies for more than 30 years; 13 other women have volunteered between 10-26 years—all a testament to the dedication of these ladies to the Treasure Box mission, community service, fellowship among themselves and customers who enjoy the shop's familiarity and reputation for friendliness. The ladies also shared humorous highlights from customers such as the lady who purchased a dress for \$1.00 to wear for her 100th birthday party and a young man who was outfitted for his prom in proper formal attire for under \$10! Founded in 1959, the Treasure Box continues to donate yearly earnings to charities serving individuals in need of all ages within the church and community. Donations of clothing and accessories, books, toys, games, shoes, and household items are gratefully accepted during open hours Wednesday and Friday from 10-4.





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Parish Nurse Musings

Summer is travel time! Stay safe from identity fraud when you are traveling with these tips:

- 1. Alert your credit card companies when you are traveling so they do not suspect fraud when you use your cards in unusual places. Set up notifications with credit card companies so you can monitor charges to your accounts. Monitor your credit report regularly after your trip.
- 2. Make arrangements for your mail and paper. Have a friend take them in or place a hold with the post office. Put lights on timers. Do not announce your travel plans on social media. Lock up important paperwork
- 3. Only keep in your wallet what you will be using. Don't carry your social security card with you! Do not leave your wallet, passport, or valuables unsecured in your hotel room. Use a hotel safe or keep them with you.
- 4. Make yourself and a friend at home copies of your passport, credit card, plane tickets, hotel reservations, etc. Leave your itinerary with a friend.
- 5. Lock your smart phone with a password. Ask your wireless carrier for other tips.
- 6. Stay aware of your surroundings and beware of scams. "Shoulder-surfers" can steal your PIN number or log in credentials! Use ATMs only at banks.
- 7. Be careful using hotel computers and free Wi-Fi. Avoid accessing personal accounts or disclosing financial information on public computers.

Have a wonderful summer and great travel times. See you in church!

Your Parish Nurse, Helen