

## CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## OCTOBER 2023 - CHRONICLE

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# It's good to be back!

It's good to be back! I look forward to sharing my Sabbatical adventures with you in the weeks and months to come, especially during the Advent Soup Suppers, beginning on November 28. Although I'm sure I will be integrating my Sabbatical experiences into my preaching, the Soup Suppers will provide an opportunity for me to share pictures and videos and a more in-depth look at my visits to Canterbury Cathedral, the Rievaulx Abbey ruins, and Christ Church Naples (on Nov 28); the American Cathedral in Paris, Sainte-Chapelle, and Chartres



Cathedral (Dec 5); old Episcopal Churches in Virginia, New York, and Oregon (Dec 12); Holy Trinity Cathedral in Auckland, New Zealand, Hobbiton, and the College of St. John the Evangelist (Dec 19). In the meantime, I'm thrilled to say that we have successfully launched our 9:30 AM Joy Mass service. Thank you so much for your prayers and for helping to spread the word; and please continue doing both! This ministry is crucial for the health, vitality, and future of our congregation; and I especially want to thank the Joy Mass coordinators Robin Cardona and Vickie Patton for their initiation and faithful leadership.

Speaking of fabulous leaders, I remain deeply grateful for Mother Lesley and her solid leadership during my Sabbatical. After a well-deserved break, Mother Lesley plans to return to Christ Church next week, just in time for our Stewardship BBQ on Saturday October 14 at 12:30 PM in Lewis Hall. I hope to see you all at the Stewardship BBQ as well when I'll be sharing more exciting plans for this next program year. I'm curious to see where God is now leading our parish in this post-Sabbatical season. Onward and upward!

## Joy Mass Family Service —

a glorious, wondrous, fulfilling day! Look at all of the happy kids and adults in these photos!





# COFFEE HOUR By Lynne Bean

I want to let all of you know about a campaign I have envisioned to refresh and give new life support to our coffee hour following the 10:30 service each Sunday. I am calling it "Food-4-Fellowship." Here is a little history related to our 10:30 coffee hour. Prior to Covid, I had approximately 33 steady coffee hour hosts I scheduled quarterly to serve on teams of 2-3, when possible, to cover coffee hour each Sunday. For each Sunday our hosts chose what food they would serve, they shopped, prepared, and brought it to church on their assigned Sunday. They were also responsible for set up and clean up. This was leading to burn out. Covid gave all of us a break from this routine. Following Covid, several people approached me saying they would like coffee hour as it had existed prior to Covid. Unfortunately, my list of hosts had diminished due to deaths, people moving and others moving on in age. I decided to use a sign-up sheet like the one the 8:00 folks use. We even split it up into actual food categories and to include volunteers to set up and clean up. Thankfully we have had some dedicated regulars sign up to help with this endeavor. The area which has been most difficult to cover has been clean up. I strongly believe that our hosts who plan, shop, prepare and deliver food for coffee hour should not also have to clean up, or even set up. I was hoping that when the sabbatical ended and after we had our Welcome Back Sunday our coffee hour sign-up sheet signups would increase. Unfortunately, that has not been the case. Several Sundays I have had to announce, during coffee hour, that there are not



enough people signed up to host coffee hour the next Sunday and beyond. Following the last vestry meeting, Fr. Daniel and Peg went to the kitchen to bring the vestry items there and discovered the 10:30 coffee hour had not been cleaned up, which they, along with Elizabeth Harper Lawson, proceeded to do. A few Sundays ago, Fr. Daniel asked the question "What brings you joy?" My answer to myself was being able to worship at Christ Church, and sitting at coffee hour seeing everyone enjoying our fellowship. Our coffee hour supports three of our core values: Fellowship, Hospitality and Outreach. This is who we are, and I am passionate about keeping it going. This is a chance for all of us to get together and create teams I can schedule. I will have an easel placed between the Heritage Room and Lewis Hall with sign-up sheets for three teams: Set up, Food, and Clean Up. There will be a contact list for all volunteers so that we all can keep in communication with each other when needed. I have volunteers to give to a "coffee fund" to assist with food expenses for those on a tight budget. We have a beautiful kitchen to work in, and I am hoping we can make this new approach work. Otherwise, we will have to settle for a pot luck once a month, the Vestry serving when there is a  $5^{\text{th}}$  Sunday, and coffee and tea the other Sundays. Please sign up and help keep our coffee hours going.

Lynne Bean - Coffee Hour Coordinator.

### ASSOCIATE PRIEST — Pastor Jeri Gray-Reneberg

## The Harvest

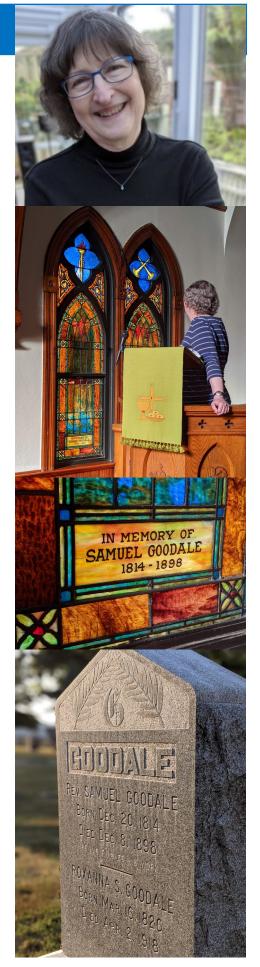
On Friday, September 29, the world was treated to the sight of the "Harvest Moon," the last supermoon of 2023. The evening before, Perry and I happened to be in Kensington, Kansas (where his mother and siblings live with their families), at Perry's brother Jamie's farm, waiting for him to return from the soybean fields where he was harvesting by the light of that moon. We waited and were eventually rewarded by his presence. I was able to take a planned photo of Perry with his three siblings and their 92-year-old mother.

Our two-week trip to Nebraska, Kansas, and Southern California seemed to have "harvest" as its theme. Early in our trip, we spent two full days driving from cemetery to cemetery as we located and took photos of family gravestones for our genealogy studies, standing next to our ancestors' last resting places. A memorable day for me was the day we visited Columbus, Nebraska, where I was thrilled to discover the gravestone of my third great-grandfather, The Rev. Samuel Goodale, whose last position was as the rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Columbus, and whose gravestone is inscribed with the phrase, "He has finished his work."

The day we drove to Columbus was a Wednesday, and I learned from the woman who answered the phone at Grace Episcopal Church (still an active parish in the Diocese of Nebraska) that Wednesday is the only day someone is always there for any length of time. The quilting group and the Bible study meet on that afternoon, so the church is open. I told her of my connection to the parish and when we arrived, they generously shared with me a scrapbook and an anniversary book (with several mentions of my ancestor, who was both the founding priest and later again the rector). One of them also took us to the nave, where I stood in the pulpit and looked to my immediate right to see the memorial window dedicated to Father Sam. It was heartwarming to walk in the footsteps of my mission priest ancestor, who was born in Massachusetts, received his M.Div. in 1841 at the Episcopal Seminary in New York City, and whose "work" included starting several parishes along the Platte River in Nebraska.

Perry and I attended a wedding, saw friends and family, and concluded our trip by flying to Los Angeles, where we spent time with Linden, Mom, and my sister Janell and her husband Larry. Janell gave both Mom and me a surprise handmade gift in memory of my Dad – a pillow decorated with two of his ties. My pillow has Dad's "Luther Rose" tie, which I remember him wearing at many of the Lutheran church conventions that he organized (he was a meeting planner) over about 30 years, first as a member of the Bishop's staff, then as an independent professional. It was a reminder that Dad had also faithfully completed his work. More harvest.

Perry and I also have personal news to share. In March of 2024, our daughter Wren and son-in-law Erik will make us grandparents, and



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Linden will be an aunt – another kind of harvest! We received a package from them two days before we left: a bottle of wine of a varietal called Dolcetto, with a creatively worded label, as an announcement that they are expecting their own "little sweet one" (the English meaning of the Italian "Dolcetto") in the spring.

The day that I initiated a video call from Nebraska with my mother to show her the graves of her parents, grandparents, and second great-grandparents, she also received a call from Wren about their news. I think the experience of being a link in the chain of ancestors and descendents was a little overwhelming for her, and she was teary. But they were happy tears. For some of us, our "work is finished," and for many of us, we are still busy doing whatever it is God is calling us to do. But we're all part of God's harvest, whether we are just being planted, in the middle of the growing season, close to being harvested ourselves, or remembering (as we notably do on All Saints' Day) those who have been gathered into God's generous barns, their season now over.

I was excited to hear about the first Sunday of the new Joy Mass, after all the planning that went into that service, and look forward to attending and seeing the engagement and joy in the response of the children. I think those of us in one stage of the growing cycle benefit greatly from interaction with those who are in other stages.

And it's good to be home. Please join me in praising the "Lord of the harvest"!



FOOD FOR PEOPLE had a really good month, even if we had two first Sundays. I turned in 61 pounds which brings our total for the year to 521 pounds. So are totals are looking good for making the goal that I set for this year, keep it up. The term "shelf safe" seemed to help in the types of donations we received.

Anything that can stay on the shelf for a couple of weeks or longer is pretty much nonperishable. AND I forgot to add last month that someone donated a really nice can opener. That is a real treat.

Stay safe

Bev

### What is the Choice Pantry

One of the features of the new Food for People building is the Choice Pantry which is set-up similarly to a grocery store, with access to a wide variety of food options, so that households can choose which foods they want based on familiarity with the foods, cultural needs, and dietary restrictions. It is stocked with fresh fruits and vegetables meat and dairy (much of which is provided by local producers), canned goods, pantry staples like pasta and beans, pet food, and household goods such as diapers and soap.Volunteers are always on hand to answer questions and to assist with bagging groceries.

## Stewardship Hymn for "Rooted in Abundance" 2023



"You Shall Go Out with Joy" was written by Steffi Karen Rubin and was published in 1975. The words are based on Isaiah 55:12. The tune is *Trees of the Field*, written by Stuart Dauermann. Both text and tune were written for the Liberated Wailing Wall, the touring singing group of Jews for Jesus.

We will be singing together this hymn throughout our 2023 Stewardship season, beginning at the BBQ kickoff on October 14 where we will learn it together. If you'd like a head start, here is a YouTube link that you can listen and sing-along with this festive and joyful song!

#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHBzoaZ6JGI

Paraphrasing only verse 12 from Isaiah 55–a chapter rich with invitation, comfort, and wisdom–Steffi G. Rubin (b. The Bronx, NY, 1950) wrote "The Trees of the Field" in 1975. Verse 12 refers to the "going out" from Babylon, the Israelites' return from exile. More generally, and certainly as seen through New Testament eyes, the passage sings of the joy resulting from God's salvation, a joy so far-reaching that even the "trees of the field will clap their hands" (Psalter Hymnal Handbook, 1988; www.hymnary.com).

"The song's popularity is no doubt due to the Jewish-style music by Stuart Dauermann (b. Brooklyn, NY, 1944). Both text and tune were written for the Liberated Wailing Wall, the touring singing group of Jews for Jesus. It was first published in *Scriptures to Sing* (Lillenas, 1975). The infectious tune with its syncopations and hand clapping makes it a winner among contemporary Scripture choruses.

Dauermann was a senior staff missionary and music director of Jews for Jesus from 1973-1989; he also directed the Liberated Wailing Wall for five years. Educated in music theory (BA) and music education (M.M.) at the Manhattan School of Music, he also completed a master's degree in missiology at Fuller Theological Seminary in 1992.

"Since December, 1991, [he] has served as rabbi at Ahavat Zion Messianic Synagogue, Beverly Hllls, CA. He is Senior Scholar of Messianic Jewish Theological Institute in addition to directing the Spiritual Life Track of this graduate institution. Stuart is Founder and President of Hashivenu, a Messianic Jewish think-tank, with the mission statement, "Toward a Mature Messianic Judaism" (www.hymnswithoutwords.com/hymns).

Source: Psalter Hymnal Handbook (www.hymnary.com)



You shall go out with joy And be led forth with peace The mountains and the hills Will break forth before you There'll be shouts of joy And all the trees of the field

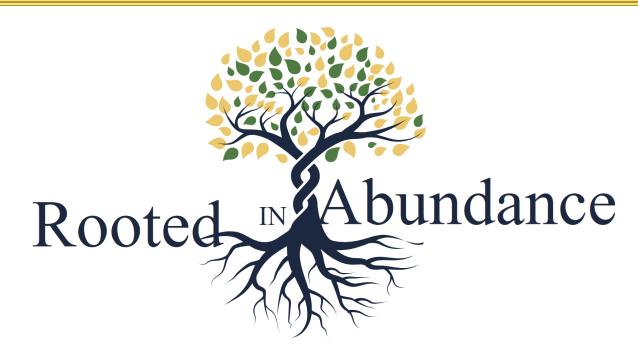
Will clap, will clap their hands

### The Trees of the Field

And all the trees of the field Will clap their hands The trees of the field Will clap their hands The trees of the field Will clap their hands While you go out with joy

Words: Steffi G. Rubin Music: Stuart Dauermann Words and Music (C) 1975 Lillenas Publishing Company.

"Let us join in the song of praise and thanks for what God has done!"



2024 Stewardship BBQ Lunch Saturday, October 14 | Gather at 12:30 p.m. Lewis Hall | Christ Episcopal Church

## **RSVP** BY OCTOBER 8, 2023

Sign-up sheets available in the Heritage Room or send an email with subject RSVP to: <a href="mailto:chiral.com">chiral.com</a>

"... blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream ... "Jeremiah 17:7-8a



Have you placed a bid for one of the many baskets on display in the Heritage Room? Successful bids will be announced at the Stewardship BBQ.



Gubbio "Newest member of the Worship Committee"

## From the Senior Warden Steven Preston

### The Rich Diversity of God's Family!

In speaking of himself as the Good Shepherd, Jesus told his followers: "I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd." (John 10:16 NRSV) This may also bring to mind another of his teachings about sheep, where he leaves the 99 secure in the fold, and goes out to seek and to find and to return the one that was separated from the flock.



As followers of Christ, we are called to think as he thought, and to do as he did. We should seek out those who are not in the fold, who may be different from us, who may think differently from us, who may be alienated from us, and, with humility and openness, bring them into relationship with God through Christ, and into the Body of Christ.

This seeking needs to begin within ourselves and within our family of faith. We must look deeply into ourselves to see our limitations and understand our biases. We need to root out that which keeps us seeing others as less than ourselves, rather than just being different from us. We must clear our vision so we can see others as they truly are, not as we wish them to be.

Laying out a challenge to us all, at its August 2023 meeting the Diocesan Board of Trustees adopted the following Diversity Statements for the Diocese:

#### Diocesan Commitment to Diversity

Covering the northern one-third of the state, The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California seeks to represent the rich diversity of our region in its leadership at all levels. We also acknowledge that our churches sit on land where indigenous peoples have lived for millennia. We believe that all people are created in God's image, and that we are created to be in community with one another. Therefore, we know we are most fully the Church God desires us to be when we actively work to include all.

We recognize that our tradition and our diocese have actively ignored and/or sidelined the voices of many in our broader communities, and therefore we commit ourselves to seeking leaders among historically underrepresented and marginalized communities in our denomination, such as (but not limited to) indigenous peoples, women, racial or ethnic minorities, individuals self-identifying as LGBTQIA+, veterans, individuals with disabilities, economically disadvantaged groups, first-generation immigrants, or people with any intersections of these descriptors.

#### Shorter Diversity Statement

We are a community rooted in the promises made at baptism to "seek and serve Christ in all persons, honoring our neighbor as ourselves," and to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." As such, diversity, equity, and inclusion are core values of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California and are embraced as key practices to thriving and faithful life as the Church.

I have suggested to our Vestry that we consider adapting these statements for our parish, and that the shorter statement be included on all materials, including worship bulletins. Vestry is considering this suggestion, and it is my hope and prayer that in time we can adopt such Statements to guide and

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undergird Christ Church's presence to the community, especially to those "historically underrepresented and marginalized" with whom we live. This may involve some reflection and self-examination by all of us, as we all seek to live into this challenge.

**STEWARDSHIP:** *"Rooted in Abundance"* A fun time is planned for the kick-off of our Stewardship Campaign, with a BBQ Luncheon on Saturday, October 14th, starting at 12:30 p.m. in Lewis Hall. There is news of the Luncheon and Auction elsewhere in the *Chronicle*. Please give serious thought to how you can support God's work through Christ Church with a new, renewed, or increased pledge for 2024.

**LEADERSHIP SERVICE:** Another form of Stewardship is lay leadership. It's not too early to begin thinking about whether you are called to stand for election to the Vestry at the Annual Meeting in early 2024. Please speak with Fr. Daniel, other clergy, the Wardens, or current Vestry members if you need information on what is involved in this central leadership role in our parish.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Our Leader for the post-10:30 Coffee Hour, Lynne Bean, is working on revising our coffee hour ministry, by forming separate teams of members to set-up, clean-up, and bring food. The goal is for each team to serve only once a month. A few have been doing so much up to this point, and they're getting tired! In order for this vitally important ministry of outreach, hospitality, and fellowship to thrive, we need more people to step up and serve. Please contact Lynne (707-822-6086), or sign up at the food table in Lewis Hall.

DIOCESAN E-NEWS: Sign up for this weekly newsletter at https://www.norcalepiscopal.org/#signup.

**BELOVED COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEWSLETTER:** A very useful resource for the broader social justice activities of the Diocese and the National Church. Sign up here: <u>https://bit.ly/BCRnewsletter</u>.

Within every challenge lies opportunity! The task is to find the opportunity and to fulfill it!

Steve Preston, Senior Warden





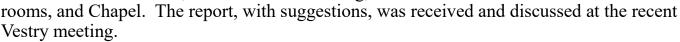
Centering Prayer Tuesdays 6:30 pm | In person and on Zoom

Covid protocols are: Full vaccination is recommended, masks are OPTIONAL for those who are fully vaccinated, and masks are expected for those who are not fully vaccinated. Seating is distanced.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82639812032

## From the Junior Warden Jim Hendry

During the month of September, Father Daniel and the Wardens met with our Church's regional insurance company representative to answer questions and provide information to assist in the review of our insurance coverage. We toured the entire Church campus, including basement and bell tower, the Education Building, Choir/Zander



The front porch of the Transfiguration House has been completed with the recent application of stain to the porch.

After receiving notice of rodent droppings in some of the Education Building rooms a few weeks ago, I spent one week setting and checking traps in the rooms to no avail. I also vacuumed all of the rooms to make sure all droppings were removed. Vicki and John Patton also cleaned and sanitized the nursery, toddler and Godly Play rooms! Discussion followed at the recent Vestry meeting and as a result the buildings used by our Joy Mass participants were inspected by Humboldt Termite and Pest Control. The report with suggestions for improvement was received and will be accomplished.



The sign for the Chapel of the Merciful Savior, previously on the lawn near the Chapel, has been removed and reinstalled at the corner of 15th and G Streets.

A new ceiling light and wall switch has been installed for the newly painting of Mary Magdalene in Lewis Hall.

And a new robing room has been created for the Choir, now located in the Education Building next to the Father Doug Library. This new location makes robing and disrobing much easier for choir members who used to have to robe in the chilly

Choir Room. A mirror has been installed in the room for the choir.

Just a reminder, don't forget the Stewardship Luncheon BBQ will be on Saturday, October 14th at 12:30. Hope to see you all there!







## Replace single use paper napkins with reusable cloth alternatives:

Cloth napkins can add a nice look to your dinner table, while reducing greenhouse gases and water usage. Throw soiled napkins in with the rest of your laundry. Avoid ironing by line drying or folding promptly from the dryer.

Did you know it takes about 10 ounces of water and emits 10 grams (about 1/3 ounce) of greenhouse gas to make one paper napkin? In other words, using 3 paper napkins per day for a year will require 86 gallons of water and emit 10.95 kilograms (about 24 lbs) of greenhouse gas. Annual usage of one cotton napkin emits only 1.8 kg (about 4 lbs) of greenhouse gas and requires about 7 gallons of water.

Greenhouse gas emissions and water usage go down each time you use a cloth napkin. Buying napkins at thrift stores or resale shops can really add to the savings!

### Christ Church Eureka Green Team • Mission and Vision Statement

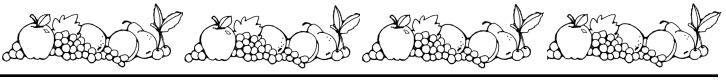
In fulfillment of Diocesan Resolution R1-2022, General Convention Resolution A087, and our church mission statement, the Christ Church Green Team promotes care for the earth and its resources as God's gifts for sustaining life. We strive to minimize the environmental footprint of the parish and its people by honoring the land and practicing mindful stewardship of our planet and its resources. As Christ Church Eureka, we seek to provide a carbon neutral presence by the year 2030.

## FRESH PRODUCE SUNDAY OCTOBER 15

Fresh Produce Sunday is October 15. Baskets will be placed at the back of the nave to collect donations of fresh produce which will be blessed and then taken to St. Vincent de Paul's



dining facility on Monday morning. Thank you parishioners for remembering to help each month with your gifts of potatoes, carrots, apples, oranges, bananas, lettuce, onions, cabbage, kale, avocados, peaches, kiwis, and, and, and....





# Quilters+

The day: Wednesday, October 11 The time: 9:30 AM The place: Lewis Hall

Our next Quilters + meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11 at 9:30 am in Lewis Hall.

We will be working on blankets for local foster children and prayer quilts for our parish. No experience needed. Supplies will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

We need to build up a completed supply of both the blankets and the quilts. Your help is appreciated.

You can bring your own project to work on. Come and enjoy conversation, snacks, and working together.

Questions? Call Peg Gardner 443-9627 or Belinda Zander 442-4222.



# Vestry Page

## YOUR VESTRY

#### CLASS OF 2023:

Jim Hendry Junior Warden

Steve Preston Senior Warden

Belinda Zander

#### CLASS OF 2024:

Robin Cardona

Steve Cole

Elizabeth Harper-Lawson

CLASS OF 2025:

Roni Carlson

Heidi Erickson

Joan Stewart

**Rector:** The Rev. Dr. Daniel London

> **ARCHDEACON:** The Ven. Pam Gossard

> > **CLERK:** Peg Gardner

**TREASURER:** Bob Hines

Assistant Treasurer: Thomas Swanger

Minutes of the most recent Vestry meetings, Outreach, and Financial Reports are always posted on the Lewis Hall bulletin board. **SEPTEMBER 24TH MEETING:** At its regular meeting, after an opening prayer by Fr. Daniel, he led a "Check-In" time, an opportunity for Vestry members to share recent events in their lives.

The Financial Report through August was reviewed and received. Two reimbursement requests from Fr. Daniel were presented. Fr. Daniel was excused from the meeting and Senior Warden Steve Preston assumed the chair. After discussion led by Treasurer Bob Hines, Vestry approved reimbursing additional Sabbatical expenses that exceeded the Sabbatical Budget, including paying \$1,800 of the expenses via the Rector's Continuing Education line-item, with a projection from Bob that the Fund would be out of deficit before the end of the year. (Monthly \$500 transfers continue from the General Operating Fund into the Rector's Sabbatical Leave Fund.) An additional reimbursement for replacing the nonfunctioning clothes washer at the Transfiguration House (Rectory) was also approved. Fr. Daniel was summoned to return, and he assumed the chair again.

Vestry approved the minutes of the August 27th Vestry Meeting and the written reports from the Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Green Team, Joy Mass Team, and Stewardship Committee.

Fr. Daniel expressed his delight in rejoining Vestry after his Sabbatical, and reported briefly on some of the highlights. He plans full presentations about his Sabbatical experiences at the Advent Soup Suppers. He also reported on his preparations for the Joy Mass that begins October 1st, seeing it as a major focus moving into the fall.

Senior Warden Steve Preston distributed copies of a "Thank You" card from Mtr. Lesley to the Wardens and Vestry, thanking us for our support while she was Sabbatical Priest, and for the "wonderful sendoff on my last Sunday as your Sabbatical Priest." Steve shared that the 75" TV and wheeled stand (funded by the ECS grant) were assembled and ready for the Joy Mass.

Junior Warden Jim Hendry reported on preparing the Education Building for Joy Mass use. He reported that evidence of rodents has been found throughout that building, and in the Zander Building and the Chapel. Traps have not caught anything. Volunteers have been cleaning, and A1 Cleaning will be deep cleaning the hallway carpet in the Ed. Building. Humboldt Termite will be coming to inspect all three buildings. He also reported his plan to reinstall the refurbished Chapel sign at the corner of 15th and G Streets, as Vestry had approved.

Archdeacon Pam Gossard was not present to report, as she and Paul are on a pilgrimage to Scotland.

Robin Cardona reported on the preparations for the October 1st start of Joy Mass, including that the outdoor banner for the H Street side of the church is installed and the yard signs for use around the Chapel to welcome and direct people into the Chapel are ready. The 75" TV and wheeled cart are also ready. Bids from A1 Cleaning Service showing greatly increased costs for weekly cleaning of the Chapel, courtyard restrooms, nursery, and toddler room were considered and postponed to October's meeting. Volunteers will do the cleaning in the meantime.

Steve Preston and others reported on the plans for the Stewardship BBQ Lunch and auction on Saturday, October 14th at 12:30 pm in Lewis Hall.

The Green Team offered two motions. One was to create a "Creation Care Fund for designated/restricted donations and other designated/restricted funding to pay for environmentally related expenses at Christ Church Eureka." Vestry approved this motion. The second motion was to authorize using the Diocese-approved contractor for our Carbon Neutrality Needs Assessment; that we self-fund the full \$2,500 cost (payable to the Diocese); and that we use Redwood Coast Energy Authority's free but less thorough assessments for Smullin House and Transfiguration House if that was an extra cost with the contractor. Vestry approved a modified motion that the net proceeds of the Stewardship auction be applied to funding the \$2,500 assessment, with the understanding that the Diocese would be asked to subsidize any balance.

Robin Cardona reviewed plans for collecting donated pet food for the Humboldt County Animal Care and Control shelter on October 1st and 8th. There was brief discussion of requests from staff and some lay leaders that we consider hiring a Sexton; Vestry agreed to refer this to Fr. Daniel and the Personnel and Finance Committees.

Peg Gardner reported that the refugee Afghani family St. Alban's was sponsoring was relocating to the Sacramento area since diligent efforts to find housing for them here were fruitless. Christ Church, St. Francis, and St. Alban's are sending Project (Re)Start bins with them so they can begin furnishing the apartment that is waiting for them.

Fr. Daniel reported that we expect a Bishop's Visit next year, possibly in July, and that we will ask the Bishop to dedicate the Sts. Martha and Mary Courtyard. He also reported that we have received the second icon written by David Tschoepe for the Chapel (of Jesus, Mary, Martha, and a resurrected Lazarus).

Vestry received and briefly discussed the recently done Insurance Inspection Report from Church Insurance. Fr. Daniel reported on a request from the Missioner for Disaster Resilience for Christ Church to host a Disaster Preparedness Expo to be conducted by the Blue Lake Rancheria. There was enthusiastic agreement to the idea. He also reported that he is initiating a request with the Diocese for a Mutual Ministry Review, which is a standard part of post-Sabbatical procedures.

Senior Warden Steve Preston shared Mtr. Lesley's recommendation that further review of policies, procedures, and job descriptions be done by a smaller Vestry Committee. At Fr. Daniel's suggestion, it was agreed that we begin with a review of Job Descriptions by the Personnel Committee.

Fr. Daniel and Steve Preston reported that the Diocese is requesting to use Christ Church as a "remote location" for the April 27, 2024 "Fearless Faith Revival" that will be at St. John's in Roseville. The Diocese will provide all technicians and equipment. Vestry members were in agreement with this idea. Peg Gardner reminded Vestry that we would staff the 5th Sunday Coffee Hour on October 29th. Finally, due to Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve, Vestry decided to reschedule its November and December meetings to the 19th and 17th respectively.

After a very full and productive meeting, and only ten minutes overtime, Fr. Daniel closed the meeting with prayer and a dismissal.

#### The next Vestry meeting will be on Sunday, October 22nd at 1 pm in the Pierson Room.

Steve Preston Senior Warden



## CHORAL EVENSONG to celebrate the Feast of All Saints

Wednesday, | November 1, 2023 6 o'clock in the evening

Please join us as we worship together and honor the Saints who have gone before with a Choral Evensong on the Feast of All Saints. This service of sung Evening Prayer provides a contemplative atmosphere in which to experience the sacred traditions that have inspired countless souls throughout the ages. The service is interspersed with scripture, prayer, and music and will be led by Fr. Daniel and members of the Christ Church Choir.

### All Saints' Choral Evensong Necrology

We invite you to submit the names of your loved ones who have passed away on the All Souls Remembrance Card available at the back of the nave.

The cards can be returned to the basket on Sundays in October. You can also bring the card to the church office during regular business hours; Tues, Wed, & Fri, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. All names need to be submitted to the office no later than Sunday, October 29. "The Necrology," a list of the departed from our lives, will be published in the Evensong Bulletin.

The names of our parishioners that have died since All Saints 2022 will be read as part of the service.

## **October Pet Supply Drive**

The Vestry approved the first two Sundays of October (Oct. I & 8) to honor St. Francis of Assisi (Feast Day - October 4) and serve God's creatures by welcoming contributions of dog and cat food to be donated to the Humboldt County Animal Shelter. The county's animal control officers, the shelter itself and their rescue partner Redwood Pals Rescue have seen an increase in requests for assistance with pet food. These requests are coming from low-income individuals who are struggling to make ends meet as well as those that are currently homeless. In Humboldt communities, there are very few resources to assist with pet food.

Donations can be brought to the collection baskets in the Heritage Room.

Preferred Brands: Purina Kitten Chow Canned/Wet foods Less Preferred Brands: Ol' Roy Alpo Kibbles n Bits Kirkland brand cat food





LAY MINISTRY By Marty Vega

It's always nice to have visitors to our worship services. Even nicer is to welcome them, help them feel at home and ensure we can contact them later. Our Welcome Bag ministry does exactly that: each bag is filled with several brochures containing information about our church and campus, a copy of our monthly Chronicle and a luscious locally made candy bar. Our ushers hand them to visitors and at the same time encourage them to sign our guest book. Our visitors are also asked to join us for coffee and fellowship. Several visitors looking for a church home have returned here, where they felt a warm welcome. The Ministry group makes sure we have a good supply of bags for each service and Belinda would love to hear from you and answer any questions.



Here are a few more of our ministries. When you consider them, think about learning something new OR adding your expertise and skills to the group.

Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers Altar Guild Choir Coffee Hour 8am Coffee Hour 10:30am **Contribution Counters Eucharistic Visitors Green Team** Joy Mass Team

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October Birthday Wishes



Watch over your child, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Catherine Mace	10/02	Ava Bennett	10/17
Elizabeth Harper-Lawson	10/04	Jeri Gray-Reneberg	10/21
Cathy Nickalou	10/08	Michael Tipton	10/21
Felix Cardona	10/09	Albert Martinez	10/24
Cindy Denbo	10/12	Earl Morgan	10/28
Karen Childers	10/15	Bob Hines	10/28
G. Barrett Mace	10/15	Richard Baker	10/28



O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Fred & Jacqueline Moore	10/01
Daniel Hafer & Steven Preston	10/10
David Powell & Alexandra Blouin	10/10
Merry & Dan Phillips	10/25



Did we miss your special day? The staff apologizes for our time perception disorder with any omissions of birthdays and anniversaries. Send your special day information to: christchurcheureka@gmail.com We want to acknowledge and celebrate your special day next year!



## The October 2023 Cycle of Prayers

for our Diocese and the Anglican Communion

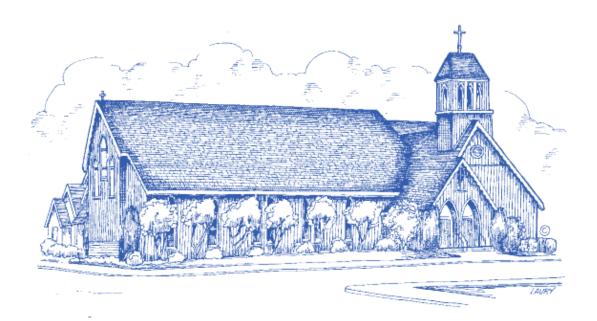
Please pray for the diocese, congregations, and clergy listed below on the Diocesan and Anglican cycles of prayer as well as those prayers requested by our Bishop, Dean and Diocesan Search & Transition Committees.

Every Sunday, the Diocesan Transition Committee requests that we pray for our bishop.

Look graciously on your Church and our bishop, The Rt. Rev. Megan Traquair, as she so graciously and ably serves as a caring, faithful pastor for your people, guiding and supporting us in our ministries during this time of Covid-19 and beyond.

Every Sunday in August, The Very Rev. K. Lesley McCloghrie, Dean of our Semper Virens Deanery, has asked us to pray for the people of St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Arcata.

Intercessor: We pray for the congregations of our deanery, this month for the people of Christ Church Eureka, as they reflect on what they learned during their recent Sabbatical season and discern what God is now calling them to be. We pray especially for all those who are participating in their new Joy Mass family service (on Sundays at 9:30 AM), that they all may grow closer to Christ who makes our joy complete (John 15:11). Amen. People: Lord, hear our prayer.



#### October 1

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Trinity Episcopal Church, Sonoma The Rev. Canon James M. Thomas, Jr., Priest-in-Charge The Rev. Canon Stephen Brannon, Rector Emeritus

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church in Japan The Rt. Rev. Luke Ken-ichi Muto, Primate and Bishop of Kyushu

#### **October 8**

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. George's Episcopal Church, Carmichael The Rev. Dr. Ray Hess, Priest-in-Charge The Rev. Robert Olsen, Deacon

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East The Most Rev. Hosam Naoum, Primate and Archbishop in Jerusalem

#### **October 15**

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. James Episcopal Church, Yuba City The Rev. Richard Laughman, Priest

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of Kenya The Most Rev. Jackson Ole Sapit, Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya

#### October 22

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. James Episcopal Church, Lincoln

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of North and South Korea The Most Rev. Peter Lee Kyeong-ho Presiding Bishop of Korea and Bishop of Seoul

#### October 29

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church, Chico The Rev. Dr. William Stromski, Interim Rector The Rev. Tammy Smith-Firestone, Assistant Priest

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of Melanesia The Rt. Rev. Leonard Dawea Archbishop and Bishop of Central Melanesia

#### November 5

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. John's Episcopal Church, Petaluma The Very Rev. Daniel Green, Rector The Rev. Laurie Warren, Deacon

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of Mexico The Rt. Rev. Enrique Trevino Cruz, Primate and Bishop of Cuernavaca



If you wish to offer prayers daily for the church in the world, our Anglican Cycle of Prayer has a daily list of diocese and clergy who would benefit from your prayer ministry. This list can be obtained via this website: https://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx. If you do not have a computer, I would be glad to make a copy of the 2023-2026 Anglican Cycle of Prayer for you. Deacon Anne.

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