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Let your light so shine before men
that they may see your good deeds
and praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16



*Our long-time friend, Archbishop-Elect,
Stephen Kaziimba, will be visiting Light of
Christ Church October 7th & 8th.*

*A congregational gathering and cookout
will take place Tuesday, October 8th at 4:30
p.m. with Bishop Stephen doing a teaching
on "Living Out Your Faith."*

Please join us.

Senior Warden's Message

During his annual visit, Bishop Guernsey called a meeting with the Vestry. He had three objectives in mind to discuss with us.

1. Our Rector needed to go on medical leave as soon as possible.
2. The Vestry must take action to ensure Light of Christ was liturgically covered.
3. An Acting Senior Warden needed to be found. He also gave us his assurance that we shall have his strong support and assistance.

Over these past months, I've been praying for this congregation which is so dear to me. I've asked Him how I could be helpful. Well, I certainly didn't expect the response He gave to me! Many of you will remember Bishop David Bena. As we experienced the heavy seas of separation from the Episcopal Church and began planning to establish our own Anglican Church facility, he enjoyed comparing us to "The Little Engine That Could." By God's grace, strong leadership, wonderful talented congregants giving their time, and a giving congregation, our goals were achieved. We trusted in the Lord.

I, too, am taking a leap of faith. We're facing many challenges in the months ahead. The Lord has already provided by bringing the Rev. Ed and Susan to us. They've put their retirement on hold in order to serve us during Mike's medical leave. Mary, our Deacon, is ready, willing and able to assist. The Vestry is prepared to do their share.

I have every confidence the Lord will guide us through this period of uncertainty. He will make our paths straight.

With your help and support, working together, we will once again be that "little engine that could."

Barbara Seed

Psalms 19:14



Seven students are enrolled in the NNKCS and are exploring many Montessori activities to develop:

1. Fine motor skills: everyone worked on sorting various objects using tongs, scoops, and spoons.
2. Awareness of various shapes: the students manipulated puzzles, the shape box and cylinders.
3. Physical coordination: the students played outside and enjoyed soccer.
4. Music: the students sang songs such as "Kumbayah" and "Down in My Heart."
5. Crafts: the students created a caterpillar by stringing Cheerios on a pipe cleaner and gluing on googly eyes.
6. Focus and concentration.
7. Always putting away their work and cleaning up after themselves.
8. Respect for self and others.

Leslye McDade-Morrison



IT'S COMING...

Soon you will see a new bulletin board in the Parish Hall, but this will not be just any board....it will be a PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING board where we hope you will post the answers to your prayers!

As you pray, please take note of how your prayers are answered. Then, on a 3x5 card, write out a short praise for that answer. Then bring them to post on the board. We hope that these postings will be great encouragements to one another and to visitors who come to Light of Christ! – (from your Intercessory Prayer Team)

Here is some encouragement to look for answers - from Sarah Young's devotional Jesus Calling:

March 23 - I am a God of both intricate detail and overflowing abundance. When you entrust the details of your life to Me, you are surprised by how thoroughly I answer your petitions. I take pleasure in hearing your prayers, so feel free to bring Me all your requests. The more you pray, the more answers you can receive. Best of all, your faith is strengthened as you see how precisely I respond to your specific prayers. Because I am infinite in all My ways, you need not fear that I will run out of resources. Abundance is at the very heart of who I AM. Come to Me in joyful expectation of receiving all you need--and sometimes much more! I delight in showering blessings on My beloved children. Come to Me with open hands and heart, ready to receive all I have for you.

Psalm 36:7-9 English Standard Version How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light. Psalm 132:15 English Standard Version I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread. John 6:12-13 English Standard Version And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. My Prayer Lord, it is always good to speak to You. Thank you for always hearing my prayers and that your Holy Spirit guides me in my words. You love is steadfast. You are the fountain of life. You bless me with abundance continually. I place my trust in You.

Jeanne Hickey





WyldLife Update

The school year has finally begun! We have been busy spending time with kids, going to their sporting events, and hosting our first events at our new location, The Brick House! We ended summer with a game night, pictured above. We were thrilled with the turn out! We also hosted a movie night as well. We had our first WyldLife club and campaigners of the school year and had six new students show up, which is a huge answer to prayer!

At club this week I got to share the story of Zacchaeus, which is one of my favorite stories in the Bible. It's my favorite because it offers us a clear picture of the invitation Jesus extends to each and every one of us! We can stay up in the tree and continue to gain more and more knowledge *about* Jesus, or we can respond to his invitation to come down out of the tree, to walk along with him on the road and actually *know* Jesus. Sharing this story with middle schoolers is especially fun because we draw out the scene and they get a visual representation of Jesus' invitation. We then moved into a new part of our club that we are giving a try that we are calling "table time." Each grade level goes with their leader for dessert and a time to talk about the message heard earlier in club. It was so much fun to sit with our students and ask them if they were in the tree or on the road with Jesus. We got some awesome answers!

Please be praying this month for the opportunity to meet new kids and build deeper relationships with the students we already know. Pray for our four leaders: Laura, Kristi, Angelique, and Riley. Please also pray that we would have opportunities to disciple our students who are ready to dive deeper into their faith. Thank you for your support and prayers, we are so grateful for you!

Laura Rociborski



IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Acolytes

- Oct. 6 Ed Feddeman
Oct. 13 David Gwaltney
Oct. 20 Constance McDearmon
Oct. 27 David Gwaltney

Lesson Readers

- Oct. 6 Charlaine Andrulot
Oct. 13 Ed Feddeman
Oct. 20 Howard York
Oct. 27 Jeanne Hickey

Eucharist Ministers

- Oct. 6 Suzy Norman, Lucy Logan
Oct. 13 Constance McDearmon, Suzy Norman
Oct. 20 Tony Blackstone, Lucy Logan
Oct. 27 Constance McDearmon, Tony Blackstone

Ushers

- Oct. 6 Constance McDearmon, Anna Brennan
Oct. 13 Tom and Alison Kimmitt
Oct. 20 Doug and Courtney Ludeman
Oct. 27 Chris Cralle, Bill Tracey

Greeters

- Oct. 6 Howard and Lynne York
Oct. 13 Bonnie Odend'Hal
Oct. 20 Julie Pritchard
Oct. 27 Doris Myers

Altar Guild

- October Anna Brennan, TBA

**Nursery will be closed until
Further notice.**

Counters

- October Courtney Ludeman, Jan Beckett



Coffee Hour

We need volunteers for 2019. Please continue to sign up in the parish hall or call/email Joyce.

Altar Rail Ministers

- Oct. 6 George Beckett, Agnes Burke
Oct. 13 Steve Proctor, Marion Mitchell
Oct. 20 Jim Conley, Constance McDearmon
Oct. 27 Walt and Phyllis TeStrake

Vestry Person on Duty

- Oct. 6 Dave Peresluha
Oct. 13 Ernie Proctor
Oct. 20 Barbara Seed
Oct. 27 Alison Kimmitt

October Birthdays

- Oct 1 Mary Swann
Oct 7 Doug Ludeman
Oct 10 Ben Ward
Oct 12 George Semerjian
Oct 20 Jim Sanderlin
Oct 21 Melinda Floom

Happy October Anniversaries!

- Oct 9 Suzy and Bob Norman
Oct 14 Ed and Carolyn Costello
Oct 17 Barbara and Dick Seed
Oct 23 Susan and Brooke Read

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants named above, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Those who leave
everything in
GOD'S HAND
will eventually see
God's hand in
everything.

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The Merry Point Bible Study, led by Mary Swann, has been meeting for the past 10 years at the home Donna Soule. In July 20 of us celebrated Donna's 80th birthday with a luncheon in her honor in the cozy pub room at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury.

