

October
2016



TOGETHER

A word from our Assisting Priest

Presbyterian minister Bruce Larsen tells of a young woman from Angola in West Africa who began attending his American congregation. One day, she went to a church-sponsored meeting on evangelism. There were all sorts of pamphlets, mission strategies, and demographic studies handed out — all designed to get the unchurched church.

Because of the rapid and expansive growth of Christianity in the young woman's former country, she was asked how that had occurred. The woman replied, "We don't give any pamphlets to people; we don't have any. We just send one or two Christian families to live in a village. And when people see what Christians are like, they want to be Christians themselves."

One of the most important roles of the Church is to form us as followers of Christ so that others can come to know Christ as well. We do this through worship, educational programs, fellowship and service to others. Through this involvement, we are equipped to reach out to those beyond our walls and welcome them into the faith and fellowship of Christ. And, as an Episcopal Church, we have some unique things to offer others who are seeking Christ.

As is true of all Christians, we understand our supreme authority to be God as revealed in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. And while one of our means of knowing God in Christ is through Scripture, it is unique to Anglicans that our understanding of Scripture is never separated from tradition and reason.

We are a sacramental Church, which affirms that God's presence can be made known to us in the seemingly ordinary: from bread and wine to one another. We are a liturgical Church, a hallmark that we are part of a community that goes back to the earliest centuries of the Church. We preach the good news of God's love for us in Christ, not using our faith to frighten or coerce but to welcome and renew. While fully acknowledging sin and evil, we are assured that neither is the first nor final word. The Episcopal Church has much to offer Christianity.

This is the time of year when we specifically focus on stewardship, and parish members are asked to consider their commitment to the Church — a commitment that is lived out in financial support as well as involvement in the parish and in the community. Our stewardship commitment results from our profound sense of gratitude to God. It grows out of what we want to do for God because of what God has done for us in Christ. It also represents the value we place on our parish and our faith tradition, and the desire that our parish will be there to continue to welcome others into a faith that has welcomed us.

It is within the life of the Church that we grow in our faith, develop our gifts and receive the grace to carry out the ministries to which each of us has been called. Please prayerfully consider what you are able to give to the Church of the Holy Spirit in terms of money, time and talent, so we can continue to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through both word and deed. And, formed as Christians through the grace of God and our life together in the Church, may we, too, become the sort of people who make others want to be Christians.

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ADULT EDUCATION

Our last adult education class conducted by Mother Liza will be **Sunday October 2nd** - "Hallmarks of Anglican Spirituality". Meet in the Parish Hall from 9:00—9:45. Thank you Mother Liza for informative and enlightening classes during Father Adam's sabbatical.

Adult Education classes will resume once Father Adam returns. Stay tuned for future announcements and details.



YOUTH BRUNCH—Sunday October 2nd- Every first Sunday of the month the Youth Group hosts a brunch. Please attend the Youth Brunch in the Parish Hall just after the Sunday 10:00 am service. Come and join the fun!

WOMEN'S LUNCHEON Thursday October 6th at 12:00. We resume meeting the 1st Thursday of the Month. Circle the date on your calendar and plan to join us! Bring a sandwich to share (or not). Chips, drink, and dessert are provided. The October committee is Sue Stevens - chips, Dilys Smith- paper fireworks, Sandy Marshall or Betty Yearling - milk, and Fay Cole - center pieces. Let's fill more than two tables! Remind each other often and reach out to "new" women. All they may just need is your personal invitation.

MEN'S LUNCHEON Wednesday October 19th at 12:00. Bring your bag lunch and join the fellowship in the Fireplace Room.

**Sharing a meal is a wonderful way to meet new people and catch up with others.
Please join us and bring a friend.**

THE LABYRINTH WALK at 10:00 A.M. on **Friday, October 21, 2016** in the Church of the Holy Spirit Parish Hall focuses on the **True Joy of Spiritual Life**.

Join us for our guided monthly walk that features meditative music of Argentine and Brazilian composers selected by Darlene T. Hagon, Director of Music. Rev. Anne Koehler offers theological reflection and Dr. Margaret Rappaport guides the walk in keeping with Veriditas best practices.

When we walk the labyrinth we seek God's indwelling presence. While walking, we may experience contrasting forces: love and compassion on one hand and boundaries and limitations on the other. We meditate in order to reconcile these opposites into renewed synthesis that aligns us with God. We find spiritual maturity as we imagine ways to hold opposing forces within ourselves in a harmonious way. By achieving balance, we find peace, and with it, the ability to joyfully participate in our own lives.

CAPE COD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

It's about the end of the Cape Cod tourist season. That means different things to each of us. To those who have been doing all the lower wage jobs that make tourist's vacations pleasant, it means that they will be laid off or perhaps full-time jobs will become part-time. All the housekeepers and janitors, the waiters and waitresses, the shelf stockers, baggers and cashiers, and all the others who help keep tourists coming back to the Cape for their vacations now have to turn their attention to ways to put food on their tables. The answer for many will be one or more of the food pantries across the Cape, including **Hands of Hope**, a ministry of the Cape Cod Council of Churches and one of the ministries CHS helps support through our contribution via the Outreach Committee.

According to Director Cathy Driscoll, during the past year, **Hands of Hope** served 86 households containing 194 individuals who visited the pantry 2,830 times and received 2,930 bags of food. During the Holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas, 257 food baskets were distributed and 632 children were provided with Christmas gifts. Many local food pantries also provide emergency financial assistance. **Hands of Hope** provided help to 46 households with 162 members all accomplished with a paid staff of 1 full time and 1 part-time paid staff member plus 67 volunteers. All are welcome to volunteer or contribute to this important ministry.

Janet & Bob Winter, CHS CC Council of Churches Delegates, Fr. Bill Heuss, Public Policy Committee

THE ANGELICA CENTER FOR SPRITUAL LIVING- October & November Program

CONTROVERSIES AT THE FRONTIER OF ETHICS, MEDICINE AND CULTURE

During October and November, The Angelica Center for Spiritual Living is sponsoring four of our nation's leading thinkers in the field of ethics who will share their insights on a variety of important and fascinating topics. In the morass of much of our public discourse, this series promises a welcome time to revisit the foundations of integrity essential to any society

We have this special opportunity thanks to our own parishioners, Tom and Cynthia Murray. Many thanks to them for helping to make this series possible.

Note: All events are held Saturday afternoons 2:00 – 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. The suggested donation for each talk, as you are able, is \$20 and, for the entire series \$50. These donations help cover costs. Refreshments will be served. Please contact Tom Dewing to make your reservations: by mail, st.dewing@verizon.net phone 508-255-2656

October 8: Eric Juengst: “And Who Are Your People? Personal Identity and Tribalism in 21st Century Genomic Medicine”. Eric Juengst has spent most of his professional life pondering the significance of the human genome. Eric was the first chief of the Ethical, Legal and Social Issues Program for the US Human Genome Project, created a thriving research program at Case Western Reserve University, and now directs the Center for Bioethics at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

October 22: David H. Smith: “Wonder, Love, Praise and Decisions at the End of Life”. David H Smith has had a distinguished career in Religious Studies and Bioethics at Indiana University and Yale. He ran the Poynter Center at Indian University for over twenty years and was the founder of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics.

November 5: Jamie Lindemann Nelson "Sex and Sensibilities: Medicine, Ethics and Gender as Choice". Jamie Lindemann Nelson is Professor of Philosophy at Michigan State University and a very influential and prolific author with deep interest in literature, the family, and sexual identity.

November 12: Tom Murray "On the Future of Sport: Values, Meanings, and Performance Enhancing Drugs". Tom Murray is President Emeritus of The Hastings Center, a leading Bioethics research institute. Tom has a decades-long interest in the ethics of performance-enhancing drugs in sport. He serves currently on the Ethics Board of IAAF, the world’s governing body for Athletics.

SHEPHERD GROUPS—Sunday October 16th —Newcomers Welcome!

- Brewster/Dennis: Check Sunday Bulletins for host location and time
- Eastham-Wellfleet: 5:00 at the home of Kathy Musser, 570 Sunken Meadow Road, Eastham 774-207-0703
- Orleans: 5:30 at the home of Rick & Ann Paris, 57 Woodsneck Road, East Orleans 508-255-3583

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Vestry has formed the Nominating Committee and given it its charge in preparation for the Church of the Holy Spirit’s next Annual Meeting, January 2017. Appointed to the Committee were Joan Kirkby, Sandy Marshall, Gilbert Merritt and Anne Moronta. Also appointed to the Committee was outgoing Vestry Member, Warden Rick Paris.

At the Annual Meeting, the parish will elect one Warden for a two year term, a Treasurer and a Clerk, each for a one year term, four Vestry-at-large members, each for a two year term and one Deanery Representative.

Anyone interested in making suggestions for the open 2017 positions is encouraged to contact a Nominating Committee member.

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

DONATION DROP OFF at PARISH HALL**

Tuesday October 11th 12:00—3:00
Wednesday October 12th 9:00 —2:00 and 5:30—7:00
Thursday October 13th 9:00—2:00
Friday October 14th 9:00—12:00 NOON (firm!)
**Please do NOT leave donations outside!



We need **CLEAN** adult and children's clothing, shoes and boots in wearable condition. White Elephant items such as small appliances in **WORKING** order, small furniture, books, DVDs, CDs, children's toys, art, frames, linens, tools.

We cannot accept

TVs, computer equipment, luggage, LP records, food, live plants, golf or ski equipment.

ACTUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, October 14th 4-7 & Saturday, October 15th. 9-Noon

CLEAN UP

Saturday October 15th—NOON

MANY HANDS MAKE WORK LIGHT AND FUN! SIGNUP SHEETS IN PARISH HALL & RECEPTION

Please signup to help, sort and price donations, work at the actual sale on Friday evening and Saturday morning and clean up on Saturday at noon (NEED PICKUP TRUCKS AND VANS too!)

Questions? Call Fay and Ike Cole at (508) 255- 9542 or pebblepoint@comcast.net

CHS GALLERY

This month we have the pleasure of showcasing the art of three talented 17 year old Nauset Regional High School students. All three artists are looking forward to showing their work together and displaying how their different styles complement each other.

Hanna Sweeney is incredibly passionate about art and currently compiling a portfolio in hopes of continuing her artwork and art education. Her artwork is often centered on the metaphorical and inspired by real events, people and emotions.

Isabelle Eastman, a dedicated artist both in and outside of school, is also a dedicated musician and a longtime member of the Cape Cod Youth Symphony. She has been playing violin since the age of five, and finds that music greatly influences her art.

Julia Telman's art centers on ceramics, with a specialty in wheel throwing. Julia has been wheel throwing since her freshman year and believes that clay is her refuge during stressful school days. She hopes to continue her work after high school,

Please sign up to exhibit/sell your art/craft in the gallery for one month in 2017. The sign up sheet is in the Reception room. Questions—contact Sharyn Laughton 509-255-7277 or artoff@comcast.net

HEATH MINISTRY COMMITTEE

The Health Ministry Committee is returning and holding an organizational meeting on Thursday, October 13 at 4 p.m. in the Library. With renewed energy and ideas, we invite everyone interested in learning more to please attend. You do not need a health care background.

However if you should have a background in occupational therapy, physical therapy, nutrition, psychology, nursing, medicine, or pharmacy, bring your expertise... Or are you a caregiver with experience to lend? Are you someone who is called to caring for all?

In the past, committee activities have included the monthly Healing Prayers Service, Health Equipment Maintenance, Parish Nursing, Home Evaluations related to health care and Parish Wide Health Education.

We look forward to your contributions in defining & developing a mission for CHS today. Please join us on October 13th.
Ann Pike-Paris

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Attitudes About Giving

There are at least three kinds of giving:

- You might give because you *have* to, and you do it grudgingly.
- Or you may feel that you *ought* to give and do it out of a sense of duty and that is better than not giving at all.
- But giving that comes from joy, to express *thanks* and comes from one’s heart is the best sort of giving. Because God is the giver of all, you might think of giving as sharing what has been given to us.

For our stewardship campaign this fall, we are going to provide messages that describe **"How and why I give."**

The following was written by one of us.

Why I give.

I give because God has given me the example through His son of how He wants me to live; not for myself, but for others.

I give because my existence, every good thing that I have experienced in my life, and every material thing that I have are an unsolicited and free gift from God, the most important of these being His son. I want to do what I can, monetarily and in my relationships with others, to give back to God.

I give because I feel really good when I do, and it somehow increases my awareness of other giving opportunities that are put in my path.

I give because I have complete trust that my pledge to CHS will not be wasted, but will be used effectively both to build up the church community and to help those in need.

And finally, giving is one way of expressing my thankfulness to God and the church for supporting me and encouraging my faith - through its community of people, its varied church services, its intelligent and talented clergy, its educational programs, and its beautiful facility and grounds.

At the end of October you will be receiving a pledge packet and your opportunity to decide how you will support the financial needs of The Church of the Holy Spirit in 2017. In the meantime, think about **why you give ...** and if you would be willing to share “Why you give” with the parish, contact Cynthia Murray.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS Sunday November 6th at 2:00 a.m. —Turn you clocks back 1 hour when you retire for the evening on Saturday November 5th.



ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 8th

If you are unable to get to the polls and cast your vote on Election Day, watch for information in the news about new ways to vote early or by using an absentee ballot.



NOVEMBER 19TH—CHRISTMAS BAZAAR—SAVE THE DATE

Preparations are underway for the annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 19th. Join St. Martha’s & Kimball Guilds on Monday mornings as they create beautiful items to sell. Please gather your "no longer wanted treasures" to donate to the White Elephant Bazaar sale. **AND PLEASE....**plan on making something for our Food Table or Cookie Walk.



39th ANNUAL HOLIDAY ANTIQUES SHOW AND SALE - SAVE THE DATES!

Friday, November 25th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday, November 26th, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

25 dealers from the New England area will gather in the CHS Parish Hall offering a wide range of choice antiques. In June you received a letter asking for your support of this longstanding CHS fund raising tradition.

Please join us and help to make our 39th year the best yet!

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer to help make this show a success, please contact Debbie Meguerdichian, Chair at (508) 255-8819.

JUSTICE & PEACE

A special thanks to all who patronize our FAIR TRADE products in the Parish Hall including 6 kinds of organic chocolate and even more regular and decaffeinated coffee, whole bean and ground. By buying FAIR TRADE products you protect the environment, prevent small farmers from being exploited by corporate monopolies and support our local faith-based Massachusetts worker owned Equal Exchange small business.

Questions: See Fr. Ken. (413-478-5719 or ksbcampbell@verizon.net)

November 4-5th - The Martin Luther King Action Team is co-sponsoring a 2 day Racial Justice Training Workshop at the Federated Church of Orleans in conjunction with the police chiefs of the lower/outer Cape. MLK Action Team is also looking for youth to help plan the MLK Day event next January. For more information please see Fr. Ken.

Sunday, November 20th - Interfaith Thanksgiving Service that will include Muslim, Jewish, Christian and Native American participants. Details will be provided in the November newsletter.

The Youth Outreach Hospitality Action Team recently gave \$1,000 to Lower Cape Outreach Council (LCOC) to help "at-risk youth", especially LGBTQ. YOH is also working with Nauset Together We Can to find a drop in center for at-risk youth on the lower/outer Cape. Contact Brooke Eaton-Skea (brookees50@aol.com or 774-279-3454 or Fr. Ken.

The Refugee Support Team is supporting Syrian and African refugees in Worcester through Concordia Lutheran Church and working on a visit to Cape Cod by some of these new Americans! We have also written to President Obama and Congress supporting an increase in refugees for 2017, especially Syrians. For more information please contact The Rev. Rod MacDonald at rodmac.ret@gmail.com or 774-323-3989.

Dr. Sharon Leder and Fr. Ken are in the process of forming a Cape Cod Chapter of the Network of Spiritual Progressives founded by Rabbi Michael Lerner. If interested please contact Sharon at Sharon.teichmangallery@gmail.com or 508-896-2395.

Garden Parties We held our fifth and last Garden Party of 2016 on September 23rd to put the gardens to bed for the winter. A big **THANK YOU** to all who joined us in the fun and fellowship of keeping **OUR** church grounds beautiful. Please remember that donations to the **St Fiacra Memorial Fund** are a good way to support our church gardens by helping pay for professional landscaping services and gardening supplies.

Memorial Garden The refreshing of the Memorial Garden has been completed with new plants, the addition of more seating and a beautiful water feature. Our designer, Shannon Goheen of Second Nature Gardenworks, did a wonderful job of not only replanting but also encouraging us to add the seating, water feature and coloring of the lower wall. Indeed, this garden is a respectful area for our departed loved ones' ashes and a great space for meditative reflection.

Rectory Upgrade The Rectory upgrade has been completed and is available for Father Adam and Lori's return from sabbatical. The master bath and kitchen were gutted and totally upgraded with new floors, plumbing, cabinets, and appliances. The former summer sun porch was converted into a four season solarium and a marvelous deck was added to the back of the Rectory. Regrading of the new entrance and front lawn will be completed in late October/early November.

CHS Scholarship Award The 2017 Scholarship Award from The Church of the Holy Spirit is open to all CHS seniors with a desire to further their education at college or a trade school. Students received a letter outlining the requirements which include academics, Christian ministry and community involvement plus letters of recommendation.

This \$1,000 Scholarship Award comes from our Trust Fund for Scholarship administered by the CHS Scholarship Committee. Contributions to the fund are encouraged. Mark them "CHS Scholarship Fund" Attention: Treasurer.

The Scholarship Committee



*Entered into Eternal Life
Vivian Stacey*



**THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
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Highlights of the **SEPTEMBER 15, 2016** Vestry Meeting

- The vestry accepted, with regret, the resignation of Dr. Margaret Rappaport as deanery representative.
- Steve Koehler reported that things were overall on track for August and that the internal audit has been completed.
- The Youth Group will be continuing with their brunches on the first Sunday of the month. They are also planning a pumpkin carving and spaghetti supper on October 21 and a movie and pizza night on December 16.
- Share the Blessing is looking into working with Together We Can, a community group addressing the needs of youth at risk.
- The Building and Grounds committee reported that irrigation has been installed in the Memorial Garden and two new teak chairs have been donated. They also reported that the Library door will be unlocked daily to permit access and a third set of corner boards has been installed on Galley West.

Rick Paris informed the vestry that Shernette will no longer be able to give CHS any weekday time for cleaning. We have now hired Sparkle Edge to evaluate what is needed and to provide 6 hours a week of cleaning.

Respectfully submitted, *Victoria C. Hutchens, Clerk*

FOOD 4 KIDS Jesus said, *Let us first feed the children.* Mark 7:27.

A gentile woman had just approached Jesus to ask that he heal her daughter, but Jesus responded not to that request, but as above for he said " Let us first feed the children".

(spoiler alert) Jesus then told the woman she could go home, because he had also healed her daughter.

I thought a lot this week about the priority Jesus put upon feeding the children. I also thought about what we who have been working in the Food for Kids program have done for the last two months. Four years ago a small group of volunteers got together and started to do what Jesus asked them to do, that is start feeding kids. In this the fourth year of this program, every day Monday to Friday from the close of schools in June till the reopening of the schools in September approximately twenty or more volunteers cook, pack and send out nutritious food for kids from Harwich to Provincetown.

Leading the team this year were three hard working women; Ruth Campbell, who has done this before, and two very young women Joy Pye and Joan Howe's granddaughter, Misha Boomer, who then took over most of the day to day operations of the program, to give Ruth a break. Joy supervised the cooking and preparation of food in the kitchen and sent it downstairs to be filled with fruit, cookies, milk and other goodies then packed and sent out for distribution under the direction of Misha who also ordered the food and supplies. These three women led a large group of others with skill, patience and dedication.

As a result, on average as many as 700 children were fed each day. It has been estimated that when the final numbers are in over 30,000 meals will have been provided for hungry children on the Lower Cape, supporting their good health in body, mind and spirit. I am sure that these children will long remember that people do care for and provide for those in need with support and love. The parishioners of CHS are very proud of what our volunteers did and we owe them our great gratitude.

Getting back to Jesus... Matthew 25:35-46 reads in part, *Come you that are blessed by my father---I was hungry and you fed me (and the people asked) When Lord did we ever see you hungry and fed you? The Lord responded, I tell you when ever you did this for the least of these, you did it for me.*

Richard O'Hara

PARISH OFFICE CORNER

WELCOME HOME! The Lintons will return to Cape Cod the first week of October and Fr. Adam will resume celebrating the Eucharist the weekend of October 8th/9th. **THANK YOU** to Mother Liza and others for your wonderful ministry to our parish while Fr. Adam and Lori were on sabbatical.

TOGETHER DEADLINE: The Deadline for the NOVEMBER issue is **Monday, October 17th.**

SATURDAY EUCHARISTIC TIME CHANGE November 5th - services will begin at 4:00 until Mid-March.



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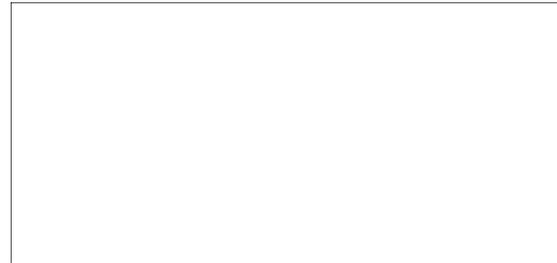
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***Our mission as The Church of the Holy Spirit is
to proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord,
welcome all people and serve one another with love.***

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

October

(Refer to detailed articles)

- October 2nd—Youth Brunch
- October 2nd—Adult Education
- October 6th—Women’s Luncheon
- October 8th—Angelica Center Event
- October 12th—13th—Rummage Sale Set-up
- October 13th—Health Ministry Committee
- October 14th –15th—Rummage Sale
- October 16th—Shepherd Groups
- October 19th—Men’s Luncheon
- October 21—Labyrinth Walk
- October 22—Angelica Center Event