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Rector's Column

Beloved in Christ,

When I was growing up, my father and I used to travel to Vermont to ski and to garden and to hike in the woods. Passing over the rich earth, which sprung back after each step, we would come to enormous granite boulders, rounded and smooth, which had been left behind by the retreating glaciers of an ice age. Writing of that landscape, the poet Adrienne Rich reached deeper into the earth, recalling "the stone foundation, rockshelf further forming underneath everything that grows." ("Transcendental Etude")

I found it comforting, when I was small, to think of that stone core to the world, the quiet grace of stability which allows all other life to flourish on it. That's the sense for me of all those old images of Christ: the solid rock, the sure foundation, the one true thing on which we can base our lives. It reminds us that the world in which we live is a place of order, not of randomness—and that the order is not one we create. Economic fluctuations, war, political polarization—these can make our lives difficult, but they do not threaten

nor undermine the God who gives us life. Only we can do that, in our own lives. Take away the core, and we come apart at the center. Let it be, and those things which are good will flourish on it.

I suspect that there is a similar core in each one of us, a place of essential personhood which is the image of God in us, the threshold we reach when we manage to touch the divine. For years, I experienced that place as a stubborn, unyielding, obdurate obstacle to grace: that part of me which would not yield itself to the transforming power of God. Now, however, I have come to see it differently: as the part of myself which will not change because it is reality of my being: the part where what is human in me can touch what is human in Christ, the origin and source of renewed life.

This understanding of human nature is by no means uncontroversial. Writing in the

Times this week, David Brooks commented that some psychologists are moving in the direction of discounting the idea that each of us has a unified "character" entirely. "As Paul Bloom of Yale put it ...in *The Atlantic* last year, we are a community of competing selves. These different selves "are continually popping in and out of existence. They have different desires, and they fight for control—bargaining with, deceiving, and plotting against one another."¹ This sounds to me like imagining that we are each a Mt. Olympus, with our own communities of devious Greek gods. But the key issue here is the nature of character.

Most philosophers and ethicists speak of character as something we craft for ourselves from the education we are given and the choices we make. Books like William Bennett's *The Book of Virtues* are based on the idea of

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formation: that you can read a child stories in which people act in ethical ways, and the child will be trained to behave that way himself. Now, I happen to believe that, while personal choice makes this by no means a sure bet, a child who has been raised in a consistent context of high ideals is more likely to become an ethical adult than one who has never heard of the possibility of inner strength, but this is not the inner core I was talking about.

The key thing about that core identity is that it is *given*, not formed: that part in us which even unfavorable external circumstances cannot strip away. It is the ground of all true resistance to the unholy, the thing which lets a seamstress see that she does not need to surrender her seat on the bus, the thing which lets a person raised to be a slave strive to be a free person, the thing which gives a soldier the courage to resist committing atrocity, which allows each one of us to be more than a puppet pushed around by the agendas of other people. The image of God in us.

The sculptor Jesus Moroles writes, "I worked in marble and limestone and then when I got to granite, it was so consuming that I got lost in it. Then I realized I had found something that was actually fighting back and resisting. I really liked that struggle." What Moroles found in stone is what each of us is called to find in our own lives: that part of ourselves that fights back and resists when we attempt to deform it or shape it or make it anew. Find *that*, and if it is also the part of you which reaches out for more life, more connection, more love, more gentleness, then you have found the rock on which Christ asks you to build your life, the part of you adversity cannot quench, the "rockshelf further forming underneath everything that grows" in you.

Blessings and grace,

Deborah+

¹ Brooks, "Where the Wild Things Are," October 19, 2009.

VESTRY NOTES

—Robin Brown, Clerk

*Regular Meeting of
September 21, 2009*

Treasurer's Report (Kathryn Brennan)

There will be interviews for a permanent part time bookkeeper in early October. Putting envelopes in the service bulletin for donations to the food pantry has resulted in a significant increase in donations. The budget for 2009 is on track, but the vestry was reminded by Vestryman Finance Committee Chair Don Edwards that the numbers include a budgeted withdrawal from our investment funds that cannot be sustained.

Diocesan Task Force on Restructuring

The Rev'd Frank B. Crumbaugh, III offered the vestry a report from Diocesan Task Force on Restructuring. His presentation centered on the issue of the Diocesan Fair Share. Only 27 out of 160 parishes pay their full fair share asking. He encouraged the Vestry to consider a budget that would attempt to pay increase our pledge to the diocese to 75 percent of our fair share asking. Fr. Crumbaugh suggested that if Christ Church took a stand that it would encourage others. The discussion centered on the benefits that the parish receives from the Diocese, including training and screening postulants for the priesthood, the work of the Bishop, administrative tasks, publications, interim ministers, benefits for retired clergy and missions.

Committee Reports ***Property Committee***

Jonathan Gloster and Ed Beckles submitted a report for the Property Committee. Property has accomplished an outstanding amount with very little money, thanks to volunteers. The major

projects underway currently are the removal of the copper beach tree from the courtyard (because it is dead and a hazard) and the replacement windows for the basement. These emergency projects are expected to exhaust the remainder of the annual property committee budget.

Stewardship

(Penelope Lattimer)

Penelope Lattimer offered a preview of the annual stewardship campaign. All members of the Vestry were encouraged to fill out pledge cards so that the campaign could state that the parish leadership had committed to the opportunity to participate 100 percent participation.

Rector's Remarks

(The Rev'd Dr. Deborah Meister)

Dr. Meister reported with sorrow the death of long-time parishioner Joan Scarder, and reported that the turnout for her funeral was amazing. This has been a pastorally-heavy month, with numerous emergency hospitalizations, and many home and hospital visits.

Preparation for the start of the church school year was intensive. Spaces were prepared for the Godly Play program and the new contingent of Journey to Adulthood. An additional sofa was purchased for the Rite 13 room, because this year's class is larger.

The Rector has also been working on strengthening the Parish's connections with the work of the Rutgers Chaplaincy. Dr. Meister also participated in the Clergy Homecoming Day at the Diocese.

With opening of the new church year, formation activities have been very strong. Church school for all ages is up and running, with strong participation. There has been a forum on General Convention, and Dr. Meister has taught the first session of Building the City of God.

Dr. Meister also participated in the final session of the Clergy Leadership Project.

Deacon's Remarks

(The Rev'd Peter Cornell, Deacon)

A written report was submitted. Deacon Cornell has continued to do an extraordinary amount of work on the Auditorium, and was a vital part of the volunteer effort that created the new Godly Play room. He also assisted at Joan Scarder's funeral.

Old Business

NJ Historic Trust Grant

(Paul Ambos)

Warden Ambos reported that the paperwork for the grant is on its way. We can proceed with architect Annabelle Radcliffe-Trenner and start planning things.

Closing Prayer & Adjournment

(The Rev'd Dr. Deborah Meister)

*Regular Meeting of
October 12, 2009*

Penelope Lattimer opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes for the September 21, 2009 Regular Meeting were approved with minor typographical corrections. There was no correspondence.

Treasurer's Report

(Kathryn Brennan)

The search for a permanent part-time bookkeeper will be completed this week. Vestrymember Finance Committee Chair Don Edwards and Treasurer Brennan have conducted final interviews. Vestrymember Edwards expressed gratitude to Treasurer Brennan for her diligence and energy in taking the lead in this process.

Third quarter donor statements have been prepared. Treasurer Brennan raised the issue of the cost of mailing statements four times a year if people don't pick them up at church. The consensus after discussion was that we should become more forthright about making sure that donors who are here regularly pick up their statements. The third quarter statement was considered essential for keeping pledges on track. The annual cost of mailing the state-

ments is approximately three hundred dollars a year.

Committee Reports

Finance

(Don Edwards)

There are no major budget problems. The staff and the committee chairs have shown considerable budget discipline in 2009. The finance committee will shortly begin work on the 2010 budget. The draft budget will be presented to the vestry in December, so that it can be accepted in January, for presentation at the annual meeting. The major challenge facing the committee will be to find the cost savings to reduce the draw on the investment account. Exactly what the target is will be clarified in the months to come.

Stewardship

(Penelope Lattimer)

Vestrymember Lattimer praised the speakers who have given stewardship testimonies this season, as well as Rector Emeritus Joan Fleming, who has given a very generous contribution. The church has so far received 55 pledges totally \$144,486. This is coming together more slowly than it did last year. This coming Sunday (October 18) will be a Christening, and then the stewardship season will be concluded on October 25 with testimonies from Warden Ambos and Warden Sirjue. There will be a targeted telethon later in the year to try and persuade people who are still missing to pledge. Our budget depends on knowing in advance what people plan to give.

This was followed by a discussion of various strategies to get people on board. Warden Ambos pointed out that there has been a resolution from General Convention supporting tithing as the standard. Dr. Meister reaffirmed the definition of tithing offered on Sunday by Reverend Murphy (Megan Adames' father). Tithing should be regular, proportional and enough to be slightly uncomfortable.

Rector's Remarks

(The Rev'd Dr. Deborah Meister)

Dr. Meister attended one meeting each of the Boaz and Hall fund boards. She also attended a meeting of rectors of "leadership parishes," and was moved by how many parishes have balanced their budgets by eliminating outreach. She expressed her pride in the extensive outreach programs at Christ Church.

The Parish Choir is to be commended for an excellent performance of the Lord Nelson mass.

Welcome to Denise Simmons, a parishioner at Grace Church, Plainfield, who will be doing an internship with Christ Church as part of the discernment process. She hopes to become a priest.

The major upcoming events include the conclusion of the Stewardship Season (Sunday, October 26), International Night (October 24) and Jazz Vespers (November 1 at 4 p.m.). Looking forward, the choir will perform the Messiah at the State Theater on December 6 at 3 p.m., and Lessons and Carols will be on December 20 at 4 p.m.

Deacon's Remarks

(The Rev'd Peter Cornell, Deacon)

A written report was submitted. Deacon Cornell has been doing an extraordinary amount of work on repairs to the walls of the Auditorium. Many, many thanks are due to him for his efforts. There was a broad discussion of ways to get people involved in this project.

**HOLY EUCHARIST WITH
MUSIC AND MEDITATION**
is offered every **Wednesday from
12:15-12:45 p.m.** in the Clarke
Chapel. This service is fully
accessible for parishioners and
community members who use
walker, canes, or wheelchairs.
All are welcome.

NJ Historic Trust Grant

(Paul Ambros)

Warden Ambros reported that the grant paperwork has been signed and mailed.

Annual Meeting Appointments

Preparations for the Annual Meeting are under way. Megan Adames, Penelope Lattimer, Peter Murphy, and Ed Beckles will be going off vestry and were appointed by the Rector to the Annual Meeting Committee, together with an additional committee member to be named. Warden Ambros will serve as parliamentarian. The annual meeting committee will be nominating 4 new vestry members, 1 people's warden, 6 delegates to the Northern Convocation, and 3 deputies and 3 alternates to the Diocesan Convention. Dr. Meister offered some recruiting advice and guidance.

Closing Prayer & Adjournment (The Rev'd Dr. Deborah Meister)

WELCOME, DENISE

This fall, we will welcome among us **Denise Simmons**, who hopes to attend seminary next year in preparation for the priesthood. Denise was placed here by the Diocesan Commission on Ministry, which assigns their applicants to parishes other than their home parishes in order to broaden their understanding of the church and to offer them opportunities to lead in different ways and in a different context. Denise will be participating in many of the ways that a seminarian would, however, she has not yet started her seminary studies, and so comes to us with a different level of knowledge and training. I hope that you will make her welcome!

This is what Denise says about herself: My name is Denise Simmons. I was born in Paterson. I graduated from Dartmouth College in 1986. I am married to Mike Simmons. We celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary on October 7, 2009. We have 3 children: Celeste

16, Michael Jr. 13, and Ian 9. I now reside in Plainfield. I attend Grace Church Plainfield and have been a member for 19 years. I enjoy reading, singing, sewing, and knitting. I am grateful for the opportunity to work in your parish as I continue on this wonderful journey. I look forward to getting to know you.

MEN'S MINISTRY

—*The Rev. Peter Cornell*

The Men's Ministry met for Bible study on October 11th at 9:30 a.m., and continued with the study of parables in the Gospel of John according to the study guide from the Lambeth Conference. This month we explored the parable of Jesus walking on the water to the disciples crossing the sea to Capernaum. The group discussed how this story was a metaphor for how people are prone to fear from the turmoil of nature, whether from natural causes or our own doing. But clearly in this instance, Jesus was unaffected by the storm and the seas, and His presence makes the way safe for the Disciples and completes the trip. The study guide had us compare this story with the Exodus story, and reflect on and explore the common aspects (water, people on a journey, the power of the Lord to protect) and how both inform our own spiritual journeys today.

The Men's Ministry Bible study meets on the **second Sunday of each month, at 9:30** as part of our adult education curriculum. We will continue with the Lambeth program through January. Please see **Deacon Pete Cornell** for the study materials, and plan to join us. We always have an interesting and expansive discussion from the perspective men on a journey in community and communion with Jesus.

FOOD PANTRY CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2009

Please note that this is a generic calendar—assignments were not available at press time.

November 4 (Wednesday)

A.M.—MCFOOD pickup: Sandy Heinlein

November 10 (Tuesday)

8:30 a.m.—Unloading truck(s) from Hillside

November 11 (Wednesday)

A.M.—MCFOOD pickup: Sandy Heinlein

1:00 p.m.—Bagging

6-7 p.m.—Distribution

November 18 (Wednesday)

A.M.—MCFOOD pickup: Sandy Heinlein

1:00 p.m.—Bagging

6-7 p.m.—Distribution

November 19 (Thursday)

6-8 p.m.—Bagging

November 20 (Friday)

9-10 a.m.—Distribution

November 21 (Saturday)

9-10:30 a.m.—Bagging

10-11:30 a.m.—Art with kids

10:30-11:30.—Distribution

November 25 (Wednesday)

A.M.—MCFOOD pickup: Sandy Heinlein

1:00 p.m.—Bagging

6-7 p.m.—Distribution

November 27 (Friday)

9-10 a.m.—Distribution

November 28 (Saturday)

9-10:30 a.m.—Bagging

10-11:30 a.m.—Art with kids

10:30-11:30.—Distribution



WISH TREE ANGELS

will be made this month so we can help needy kids in New Brunswick celebrate Christmas! The schedule will be announced in early November.

Parish Announcements

WALK FOR ELIJAH'S PROMISE

The "Gobble for Good" Turkey Trot 3-K walk will be at 2 p.m. on November 8 at Buccleuch Park on Easton Avenue. Registration begins at 1 p.m. There is no fee to register, but participants are encouraged to register in advance and raise funds. Elijah's Promise's goal is to raise \$50K to provide food for those in need. Today they serve over 400 meals per day, as a result of a 22 percent increase last year. You can visit www.turkeytrot.dojiggy.com/ or download registration forms at www.elijahspromise.org. A 3-K is not very long, so almost anybody can do it, young and old.

LOOKING FOR A GOOD RETREAT OR CLASS?

The Parish Staff post current listings from a wide variety of monasteries, retreat centers, and educational institutions on the bulletin board near the 5 Paterson doorway. Drop by and explore them. You might find something that could change your life.

BUILDING AN ETHICAL ECONOMY: THEOLOGY AND THE MARKETPLACE

The 2010 Trinity Institute will be held **January 27-29** at Trinity Wall Street. Guest speakers will include **Rowan Williams**, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Sir Partha Dasgupta**, Professor of Economics at Cambridge University; and **Kathryn Tanner**, Professor of Theology at the University of Chicago Divinity School. Enrollment information is at <http://www.trinitywallstreet.org/faith/institute/2010/>.

ANTI-RACISM CONFERENCE

Register now to attend this conference that will discuss Church's Role in Building a "Post-Racial" America. The Keynote Speaker will be Byron Rushing. Mr. Rushing's long service in State Government, as Representative from Massachusetts, and in the Episcopal Church, as an outspoken advocate for human rights, civil rights, peace and justice, will inform his address. Mr. Rushing is uniquely qualified to move comfortably back and forth on the secular-sacred continuum. He will focus on anti-racism strategies in both church and state, and the conference may be expected to address some of the more controversial issues around racism in society such as affirmative action, educational testing, access to employment in such key public service professions as the police and public health. Sponsored by the Anti-Racism Commission.

Date: Saturday, November 21.
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: (reduced from \$15) \$5 including lunch. Location: Trinity Cathedral, 801 W. State St., Trenton, New Jersey. Visit the Diocesan Website at www.newjersey.anglican.org for an online registration form.

GIFTS FOR LIFE

—Deborah+

Gifts for Life, an offering of the international development wing of Episcopal Relief and Development, allows you to celebrate holidays or significant milestones by working to reduce global poverty. Their new catalog is available at: www.erd.org/giftsforlife.

You can order a goat for a family, dig a well for a village, or help a family displaced by disaster!

THE KNIT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

—Deborah+

Each year, the Seamen's Church Institute gathers together the good will and talents of knitters from across the Episcopal Church and other denominations to make warm clothing for seamen who serve (often in poor conditions) the needs of international shipping. Many of these sailors are from warm countries, and simply do not own clothing that can keep them healthy in the cold weather of the North Atlantic.

If you would like to help, please go to:

<http://blogs.seamenschurch.org/free-patterns/>

to obtain the patterns for this year, as well as the address for your finished work. (They particularly need Mariner's Scarves and Mariner's Helmets.) And then know that a sailor somewhere is giving thanks to God for the work of your hands!

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

—Mary Angely Johnson

The Fundraising Committee of Christ Church wishes to thank every one who participated in making this annual event successful. We especially thank the families that prepared all the tasty dishes and desserts representing the diverse cultural background of our families here at Christ Church.

Thanks go to our ticket sellers, set-up and clean-up crews, food handlers, entertainment hosts, and, of course, the Fundraising Committee members for dedicating valuable time towards this event.

Music Ministry

EVENSONG THIS FALL

—Mark Trautman

Evensong has begun again, and we're off to a great start. In addition to our usual organ recitals, we are also featuring chamber music, soloists and more.

We offer this contemplative service of abbreviated Evensong each week during the academic year. The service lasts about 20-25 minutes and does not include a sermon.

On **Sunday, November 15** the Parish Choir will celebrate a special organ vespers in honor of the 100th birthday of composer Felix Mendelssohn with the organ students of the Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers. **Jazz Vespers** returns again on All Saints' **Sunday, November 1** with **Mack Brandon**, our own **Benny Barksdale**, and members of the Meg Hanson group.

I hope you will consider making this service an occasional part of your week; give it a try!

SPECIAL MUSIC AT CHRISTMAS

Our Lessons and Carols and Christmas Eve services will be augmented by instrumentalists as in years past. **John Sheridan** will be joining us again for Lessons and Carols, and will play the harp for excerpts from Benjamin Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols* with the women of the Parish Choir and the St. Cecilia Ensemble. Majestic Brass will join us again on Christmas Eve with our own **Scott Whitener** and his talented colleagues. Will you consider a donation to our Christmas music? Donations may be given as memorials or thanksgivings. Please make checks payable to *Christ Church Music Endowment*, and mark them "Christmas Music." Gifts may be mailed to the parish office or put in the collection plate.

CHOIR SEASON OFF TO A GREAT START

—Mark Trautman

It's hard to believe that our choir season is almost three months into the academic year!

Parish Choir

Congratulations to the Parish Choir on a wonderful concert on **Sunday, October 11**. The choir joined the New Brunswick Chamber Orchestra for its final concert honoring the Mendelssohn-Haydn anniversary year. We are truly blessed to have such fine, talented singers. Special thanks to our own **Diana Whitener** and **Giulia Utz** as well as guest soloists **Jack Zamboni** and **Brandon Gaines**. We are now busily preparing for Handel's *Messiah* and the State Theatre and Lessons and Carols.

Canticum Novum

Our all-volunteer choir sang for the first time on **Sunday, October 18**. They did an excellent job and were joined by members of the St. Cecilia Ensemble. Anyone wishing to sing in this choir may join us on **Monday evenings at 7:30** in the sanctuary; no previous experience is necessary.

St. Cecilia Ensemble

The St. Cecilia Ensemble has been rehearsing regularly on **Sundays at 9 a.m.** in the Auditorium. They have joined the Youth Choir and the Parish Choir for various anthems and are scheduled to join with the New Brunswick Chamber Orchestra for *Messiah* this year.

Youth Choir

The Youth Choir sang for the first time on **Sunday, October 11**. Quite a number of new singers have joined the group, and they did a great job leading worship! This is

an excellent musical and liturgical experience for young elementary children. Please contact **Renata Koumendouros** for more information.

MUSIC AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY EVENSONG SERIES

Free concerts at 4 P.M.

with Vespers

Fall Series

November 1

JAZZ VESPERS

Mack Brandon, Benny Barksdale,
and more

November 8

Nick Cutroneo, guitarist
Hartford CT

November 15

Mendelssohn Anniversary
Mason Gross/Rutgers organists

November 22

Collegium Musicum
of Rutgers University

November 29

Andrew Filippone, trumpet
Sue Kim, piano

December 6

MESSIAH

(State Theatre, 3 P.M.)

Tickets required

December 13

Gloria Kiernieski, alto
Monmouth Junction, NJ

December 20

LESSONS AND CAROLS
Christ Church Choirs

A Series of Retreats September 2009 – January 2010

sponsored by the Right Onward Vision Committee ~ Spiritual Renewal Initiative

Young Adults Retreat

Leaders: The Reverend Gregory Bezilla, Chaplain of the Episcopal Campus Ministry at Rutgers University, based at Canterbury House, New Brunswick and the Reverend Dr. Deborah Meister, Rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick
Take some time apart with other young adults, ages 18 through 35, to reflect together in an atmosphere of prayer and quiet to enjoy God's love for us and renew our love for God.

When Saturday, November 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Cost No cost, continental breakfast and lunch provided
Where St. Andrew's Church
121 High Street, Mt. Holly, New Jersey 08060
609.267.0225
Deadline Register by Friday, October 23

Deepening Spirituality Retreat

Leader: The Reverend Edmund Zelle, Rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Wenonah, New Jersey
Explore a wide array of sacred practices in spirituality, including walking the labyrinth, making and praying with Anglican prayer beads, imaginative prayer, centering prayer, and praying with scripture. This retreat is designed to be informing to the widest range of participants who seek to deepen and widen their meditative life.

When Saturday, November 14 from 9a.m. to 3 p.m.
Cost No cost, continental breakfast and lunch provided
Where Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
11 North Monroe Avenue, Wenonah, New Jersey 08090
856.468.0290
Deadline Register by Friday, October 30

Overnight Silent Retreat: A Sampler of Prayer

Leader: The Reverend Ann Holt, Priest Associate at Calvary, Flemington
Prayer comes in many forms, silent and spoken, private and communal. Our time will explore several ways of listening to God including the writing of our own Advent Collects. The practice of "Resting in God" will help us Prepare the Way of the Lord and face the busy holiday season ahead with equanimity, perspective, and calm! The serene setting of the Convent, with an opportunity to share worship with the Sisters, is a perfect place to begin the new Church year.

When Friday, December 4, from 5 p.m. to Saturday, December 5 at 4 p.m.
Cost \$25, overnight accommodations, dinner, continental breakfast, and lunch provided
Where St. Marguerite's Retreat House, Community of St. John Baptist
82 West Main Street, Mendham, New Jersey 07945
973.543.4641, ext. 100
Deadline Register by Friday, November 13, overnight registration is limited. Please register early.
Register By email to spaige@newjersey.anglican.org, or phone Sarah Paige at 609.394.5281, ext. 10.
Simultaneous translation into Spanish is available upon request for all these offerings.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Call Sally Edwards (609.395.1467) and Julia Utz (732.545.6262) when you have made a substitution.

Please note the deadline for names changes in the Sunday Leaflets is noon on Wednesdays. **Intercessors**, please be in church and pick up the Intercessor three-ring binder before the Prelude starts. If you're later than that, we have to get a substitute from the congregation.

	Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22	Nov.29	Dec. 6
8:00 AM	<i>All Saints</i>				<i>1 Advent</i>	<i>2 Advent</i>
EM	Bruce Rydel	Jose Castillo	Rod Neaveill	Joan Borden	Bruce Rydel	Jose Castillo
L/P	Margaret DeMatteo	Patricia Warren	Ruth Neaveill	Meegan Adames	Peter Clarke	Sheila Cooper
CB	Syl Pratt	*****	Sheila Cooper	*****	Denise Simmons	*****
U	Sheila Cooper	Evangeline Guy	Don Braun	Beverly Briggs	Evangeline Guy	Sheila Cooper
U	Elfrida Gooding	Pat Lowe	Sarah Braun	David Briggs	Debra Lowe	Margaret DeMatteo
10:30 AM	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Teaching Sunday</i>			<i>1 Advent</i>	<i>2 Advent</i>
EM	Sally Edwards	Penny Gordon	Artie Phills	Andrea Cunnell	Chris Davies	Sally Edwards
L	Mel Garber	Ashlinn Stansbury	Alexandra Harbour	Eve Johnson	Molly Newling	Andros Thomson
I	Jonathan Gloster	Gigi Ager	Victoria Harbour	Jennifer Murphy	Liz Roberts	Cathy Whitener
CB	Molly Newling	Allie Graham	Sandy Heinlein	Mary Nelson	Rod Neaveill	Molly Newling
U	Kenreic VanLoo	Joseph Ambrosio	Thelma Fergusson	Molly Newling	Kenreic VanLoo	Chris Davies
U	Marva VanLoo	Matthew Ambrosio	Mel Garber	Peggy Smith	Marva VanLoo	Mel Garber
U	Wendy Benjamin	Patrick Ambrosio	Martha Golfphin	Richard Travers	Laurel Evans	Martha Golfphin
U	Chris Davies	Laurel Evans	Hansford Kilkenny	Wendy Benjamin	Thelma Fergusson	Hansford Kilkenny
G	Betsy Thomas	Robin Brown	Nancy Cornell	Carol Erickson	Annette Johnson	Betsy Thomas
Acolytes						
S	Alexandra Harbour	Oluchi Egekeze	Kabir Golfphin	Sam Kuldinow	H LaPorte Burns	C LaPorte-Burns
C	Adam Hess	Chioma Egekeze	Emma Chant	Victoria Harbour	Graig Fergusson	Adam Hess
T	H LaPorte-Burns	Joanna Kuldinow	Ashlinn Stansbury	Kendall Beckles	Alexandra Harbour	Victoria Harbour

Eucharistic Minister Lector Psalmist Intercessor Chalice Bearer Usher Greeter Server Crucifer Torch

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist with Music, Rite I
9-9:30 a.m.—Youth choir rehearsal
9-9:30 a.m.—St. Cecilia Choir rehearsal
9:30-10:20 a.m.—Children's Sunday School, Rite 13, J2A, Senior High Bible Study, Adult Sunday School
9:00 a.m.—Men's Ministry (*second Sunday of the month*)
9:45 a.m.—Parish Choir rehearsal
10:30 a.m.—Choral Holy Eucharist, Rite II, followed by Coffee Hour
4:00 p.m.—Choral Evensong
Concerts

Monday through Friday

7:30 a.m.—"Open" AA meeting for men and women in the Auditorium.

Monday

9:00 a.m.—7 p.m.—Boaz Open Clinic
7:00 p.m.—Boaz Board (*third Monday of the month*)
7:15 p.m.—Lyme Disease Support Group (*second and fourth Mondays of the month*)
7:30 p.m.—Canticum Novum Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.—Narcotics Anonymous
7:30 p.m.—Vestry (*second Monday of the month*)

Tuesday

9:00 a.m.—7 p.m.—Boaz Open Clinic

Wednesday

12:15 p.m.—Holy Eucharist in the Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.—Food Pantry (*last three Wednesdays of the month*)
7:30 p.m.—WomenSpirit
7:30 p.m.—Property Committee (*first Wednesday of the month*)

Thursday

9:00 a.m.—7 p.m.—Boaz Open Clinic
8:00 p.m.—Parish Choir Rehearsal

Friday

9:00 a.m.—Food Pantry (*last two Fridays of the month*)

Saturday

9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.—Boaz Open Clinic
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