

SERVING TODAY

Eucharistic Ministers:

8:00 a.m. Terry Morgan
 10:00 a.m. Beth Rufo, Mary Charlotte Buck

Prayer Ministers:

Acolytes:

8:00 a.m. Catherine Rosen
 10:00 a.m. Roger Bourland, Zoe Payne-Taylor
 Heather Youngman, Bailey O'Neal

Lectors:

8:00 a.m. Holly Jarrell-Marcinelli
 10:00 a.m. Jan Burkholder, Danny Scherwatzky

Prayers of the People:

8:00 a.m. Holly Jarrell-Marcinelli
 10:00 a.m. Jan Burkholder

Ushers:

8:00 a.m. Ed Bogusz
 10:00 a.m. Mary Cuticchia, Reed Valleau,
 Jim Walker, Michael Calhoun



THE SUNDAY PROPHET

The Parish of Christ Church
 Andover, Massachusetts

November 22, 2009

It is the Vision of Christ Church to be an open, welcoming Episcopal congregation living the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In the power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to nurture our spiritual growth through worship and prayer, learning and teaching, support and service. We aspire to put God's love into action within our own lives, in our congregation and in our world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome visitors and newcomers! Please visit our Welcome table in the Narthex Lobby and join us in the Parish Hall following the service for refreshments and fellowship. And if you fill out a red card in the pew, we will be in touch to welcome you in a more personal way.

Thank you for participating in the annual pledge drive, *The Grace of Giving* - Volunteers are continuing to make calls and visit as many of you as we can over the next few weeks. So far, we have received 153 pledges totaling \$356,851 toward our goal of \$546,000. That's 65% of the goal so far. We appreciate your pledge. Everything we do at Christ Church depends upon the generosity of each one of us!

UTO Ingathering- Today we will be collecting our *United Thank Offering* boxes and envelopes. Every cent collected from these boxes go to helping women worldwide. Boxes and envelopes are available in the Narthex. Thank you for helping support women and children worldwide.

Private Tour of the C. B. Fisk Organ Shop today at 3 p.m. - View a model of Christ Church built to scale and see where our new organ, Opus 137, is being designed and built. If you would like to carpool, meet at Christ Church at 2 p.m.

Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service will take place at Christ Church on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:30 p.m. The sermon will be given by the Rev. John Zehring, Senior Pastor at South Church. A reception will follow the service.

Tickets for the Annual Vestry Gala are still available. The St. Nicholas Dinner and Auction will be held on Saturday, December 5th. Vestry members will be selling tickets at coffee hour after services for \$25 each which includes dinner. The Social Hour and Silent Auction will start at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Dinner will be followed by a live auction and entertainment. Please plan to join us for a really wonderful evening. If you

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OUR STAFF

Rector	The Rev. Jeffrey Shilling Gill
Assistant Rector	The Rev. Adam J. Shoemaker
Minister of Music	Barbara A. Bruns
Asst for Membership Development	Mary Ann Lennon
Dir. of Communications	Deborah K. Moskal
Church School Coordinator	Liz Dietz
Vergers	Catherine Rosen
Dir. of the Children's Center	Christy Harvey
Head Manager, Thrift Shop	Frances Jennings Dodson
Business Manager	Maria L. Chan
Sexton	Mark Pomerleau
Sunday Sexton	Ian Bates, Peter Novello

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would like to attend the gala and need a ride please contact Iris Roskell at 978-470-1035 or iroskell@comcast.net.

Gifts for Needy Children - The Christmas stockings will be hung in the Parish Hall next Sunday, November 29. So please remember to stop by and pick up the name of a child. Wrapped gifts should be returned by December 13. Those who will be away Thanksgiving weekend may contact Allen Townsend at allentownsend@comcast.net or 978-475-9575 to reserve a name. Wrapped gifts as well as unwrapped mittens should be returned by Sun., December 6. Thank you!

Service of Advent Lessons & Carols - Sunday, November 29 at 5 p.m. Sung by the Parish Choir and St. Cecilia Choristers. Anthems by Palestrina, Ord, Ravenscroft, Wood, Lindley, Willcocks and Mendelssohn. Bring family and friends to this beautiful, candlelight service to begin the season of Advent!

The hymnal supplement, "Wonder, Love and Praise", will soon be found in our pews!! If you would like to order a copy "in loving memory of" or "in thanksgiving for" a loved one, order forms are available during Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall. The hymnals are \$15 each.

Christmas Eve Pageant Rehearsal! — All participants will sing at today's rehearsal. Speakers should be learning their lines. There will be no rehearsal next Sunday, November 29th. Rehearsals will resume on Sunday, December 6th. Speakers should have their lines memorized. Animals will practice their entrance. Please contact Karen Vigurs-Stack at 978-409-2024 or kvigurstack@comcast.net if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

Advent Wreath Making Workshop - next Sunday, November 29th after the 10 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. Wreath frames and candles will be available for purchase as well as greens and fabric. Please RSVP to Kathleen Bates on or before Wednesday, November 25th at 978-682-6108 or aikmbates@verizon.net or kathleenb@isotope.com.

Christmas Greens - Pick up your pre-ordered greens on Friday, December 4, from 4 to 8 p.m. Bring the kids and enjoy hot chocolate or apple cider with us by the fire. (You can even stop by for a visit and a chat if you don't have greens to pick up!)

J2A Babysitting - Do Your Holiday Shopping or Plan That Quiet Get Away Lunch...with a little help from J2A Youth Group. Sat, Dec 12 (12 -5 p.m.) and Sat, Dec 19 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.), the J2A Youth Group will provide childcare and activities at Christ Church. \$6/hr~1 child; \$10/hr~2 children (same family); \$12/hr - 3 children (same family). Adult supervision pro-

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 22, 2009 *United Thank Offering Ingathering*

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 AM Coffee with the Rector
- 9:45AM Childcare/Church School
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour
- 11:15 AM Pageant Rehearsal
- 11:30 AM Youth Groups
- 3:00 PM Christ Church Parishioners to tour CB Fisk, Gloucester

Monday, November 23 - Glebe House Office Closed

- 9:00 AM Christ Church Children's Center/Kitchen
- 7:00 PM Prayer Group/North Chapel
- 7:20 PM Andover Choral Society/Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 24, 2009

- 7:00 AM Bible Study/Meeting Room
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting/Parish Hall
- 2:00 PM Bible Study/Parlor
- 3:30 PM Angel Choir
- 4:30 PM St. Cecilia Choristers
- 5:30 PM Carnegie Hall Schola

Wednesday, November 25, 2009

- 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist & Healing/North Chapel
- 10:00 AM Shawl Knitting Ministry/Parlor
- 10:30 AM AA/Parish Hall
- 7:30 PM Al Anon/Parish Hall
- 7:30 PM Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Thursday, November 26, 2009 - Office closed

Friday, November 27, 2009 - Office Closed

- 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Robert Goodwin

Saturday, November 28, 2009

Sunday, November 29, 2009 *1st Sunday in Advent*

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 AM Coffee with the Rector
- 9:45AM Childcare
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist
- 10:00 AM Children's Wreath-Making Workshop
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour
- 11:30 AM Advent Wreath Workshop/Parish Hall
- 11:30 AM Youth Groups
- 5:00 PM Advent Lessons & Carols

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Thanksgiving Dinner for *Neighbors in Need*

Basic Dinner Items

- Turkey—Frozen
- Potatoes (5 pound bag)
- Fresh Vegetables—Squash, Broccoli, Onions, Celery, Carrots, Yams, etc.
- Fresh Fruit
- Rice – *Canilla* or *Carolina* (NOT *Uncle Ben's* or *Minute Rice*)
- Canned beans, especially Green Pigeon Peas
- Stuffing Mix and/or Stuffing Ingredients
- Cranberry Sauce and/or Cranberries
- Gravy
- Dessert, or
- Pie ingredients—Apples, Squash, Pumpkin, Pie Crust Mix, Evaporated Milk.

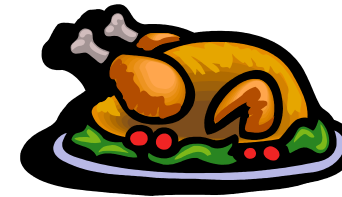
Optional Items

- Coffee or Tea
- Cream
- Shelf stable 1% milk
- Salad makings
- Desserts—pie, cake, cup cakes, or cake mix
- Baking supplies—Butter, Sugar, Flour
- Canned vegetables, preferably low sodium
- Bread or Rolls
- Nuts
- Candy
- Candles
- Napkins

vided at all times. **RSVP is required** – no drop in available. Sign up sheets available on the Parish Hall bulletin board and or reply by email. For more information, contact Emily Ishihara at ehishihara@gmail.com or Kathleen Bates at kathleenb@isotope.com (Cell 508-243-1624).

Advent Goodies and Greens - Christ Church parishioners have ALWAYS enjoyed homemade treats from our annual Christmas fair. (Let's face it; we LOVE to eat delicious things!) SO, even though we are not having a fair this year, do not despair. We will have an "Advent Goodies and Greens" sale in the parish hall after the services on Sunday, December 13. It will also be the perfect time to pick up holiday plants such as poinsettia and cyclamen for giving or decorating your own home, especially if you missed the pre-orders. Come and enjoy what your fellow parishioners have for you!

Calling all Christ Church bakers! We know that there will be too many disappointed parishioners if they cannot buy your homemade jams, candy, breads or cakes, so...Fire up your ovens and get to work, because on Sunday, December 13, we will have an "Advent Goodies and Greens" sale after both services. You may drop off your packaged donation any time between 9-11a.m. Saturday morning, Dec. 12, so we can price them and set up the table to be ready to go after the 8a.m. service the next day. Please contact Nancy Haak at haakn@aol.com or 978-475-7407, or Louise Valteau lvalteau@verizon.net or 978-470-8065 if you have questions.



***Neighbors in Need* is still in need of at least 50 more meals.** Please consider purchasing a Thanksgiving dinner or two for our neighbors in need. Please put the turkey in a plastic bag and all other food items in a sturdy box. No frozen foods this year ~ fresh vegetables and fruit are very much appreciated! A complete grocery list is on page 4 of today's *Sunday Prophet*. Deliver your meals to the Childs' garage at 244 South Main Street in Andover anytime tomorrow **Monday, November 23rd**.

It is important for *Neighbors in Need* to know how many meals will be provided. Please contact Julie at 978-475-6475 or juliechilds@comcast.net to let her know if you are participating and how many meals you are able to provide. Thank you in advance from The Childs' Family, Childs Design and Construction and *Neighbors in Need*.