

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2016

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#### 2016 Christ Church Vestry and officers

**Senior Warden:** Joe Smith

**Junior Warden:** Joe Citro

**Treasurer:** Sid Neely

**Clerk:** Emma Tucker

**Class of 2017:** Charles Floto, Meredith Baker (Todd Litchfield), Joe Citro, Randy Norton

**Class of 2018:** John Payne, Ruth Kroeger, Gregg Porter, Carol Knight

**Class of 2019:** Chase Adams (vacant since Nov.), Olivia Brickey, Amber Gove, Joe Smith

# MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 24, 2016 ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Christ Church + Washington Parish held under extraordinary circumstances\* was called to order at 12:18 pm by Rector Cara Spaccarelli on January 24, 2016. She thanked the 100-plus hearty souls for coming out post-blizzard to worship and gave the opening prayer. Registrar Carolyn Johnson called the roll.

*(\*Under normal circumstances, the annual meeting would have been between the two services; however, Snowzilla created blizzard conditions anything but normal. Nearly two feet of snow fell on Capitol Hill between Friday and Saturday. The meeting hour was changed, allowing time for the sun to shine and the sexton to clear the sidewalks.)*

## **Appointment of Parliamentarian.**

The Rector announced that Charles Floto was appointed parliamentarian and was armed with a copy of the bylaws.

## **Minutes of 2015 Meeting.**

The minutes of the 2015 meeting were approved by the members.

## **Vestry Candidates**

The following candidates were presented for election to a three-year term: Olivia Brickey, Amber Gove, Chase Adams, and Joe Smith. Cara opened the floor to nominations from the floor. Mike Grace moved to close the floor for nominations; John Payne seconded the motion and all members agree.

## **Treasurer's Report and Stewardship Campaign**

Paul Laymon presented the Treasurer's report and budget. He outlined for the parish the sources of income for the church: offerings, rental, building use, fundraising and investment income. Due to generosity of the members, Laymon reported that CCWP ended FY 2015 with a \$90,000 surplus.

The surplus will be important this year, Laymon said, because he predicts that expenses will exceed income, due to loss of income during the parish hall renovation, set to begin in April and last until mid-September. Additionally, this year's budget includes an increase in personnel expenses — money used to hire a part-time minister for children, family and youth and for salary increases.

Nevertheless, Laymon said, "We enter 2016 in reasonably strong financial shape, and we will end 2016 in reasonably strong financial shape."

## **Rector's Report.**

Cara Spaccarelli began her report with gratitude to Carolyn Cheney and Randy Norton for their hard work as co-chairs of the successful capital campaign. She also thanked Cathy Weber for her work and many hours spent updating the Christ Church history, and Joe Citro, junior warden, for spearheading the steeple and finial repair project. Cara announced that CCWP received a \$45,000 grant from DCPL (DC Preservation League) to repaint and repair the cornices and she reported that Tricia Lyons, our new minister for children, family and youth, has settled in nicely. Cara reported that the Organ Committee, led by Dave McCahan, has selected Casavant Frères from Saint Hyacinth, Quebec, to build the Christ Church organ, and the Parish Hall Renovation Committee, led by parishioner-architect Greg Holeyman assisted by parishioner-commercial contractor Greg Selfridge, is in the final stages of negotiations with Bruno Clay Contractors.

The year included many challenges, the Rector said, including a database switch, significant staff medical leaves and the demands of running a church office.

As far as the parish hall renovation schedule is concerned, the Rector reported that demolition will begin after Easter, April 27. From demolition to completion, the project will take about sixteen weeks. The parish hall bathrooms will be under

construction for eight of those weeks. She expects coffee hour will continue, on the front lawn, as will Grill and Chill in July. Portable restrooms will be set up on the front lawn.

Cara posted the architectural rendering of the renovated parish hall on the bulletin board and provided this synopsis of the project: In place of the stage we will have a two-story structure for new meeting space. The bottom half will feature a door and "frosted glass" (in fact, a giant, expensive decal) for private meetings; the top will be an open mezzanine.

As far as plaster repair and painting in the sanctuary are concerned, the Rector said that these projects will occur when the old organ is removed. The Organ Committee will find a buyer for the old organ, if possible. Otherwise, we will have to pay for its removal.

Much of the past year has been focused on project management, the Rector said, and she is proud of what we have accomplished and how we have done it. However, it has taken its toll and some of the areas of formation and pastoral care that a priest typically attends to have not been tended well because of being otherwise occupied. She will take an 18-week sabbatical this summer for spiritual renewal (per her contract, three weeks for every year served, 15 weeks, plus three weeks of vacation). A sabbatical offers time to create space from church mentally, physically and spiritually.

Near the time of the Rector's sabbatical, Tricia Lyons will be ordained priest. The church will add time to her contract because she will take over preaching, celebrating the Eucharist and emergency pastoral care.

Sabbatical time is a perfect opportunity for parishioners to take advantage of opportunities for leadership and ministry, such as helping with administrative tasks, volunteering to preach and hosting home groups, the Rector said. She noted that Greg Holeyman will regularly visit the church to ensure the renovation project is on track.

At this point, parishioners broke into small groups for five-minute brainstorming discussions: what would you like to see happen during the summer given the sabbatical and construction period? Here are some of the comments generated by the groups:

- Grave rubbing at Congressional Cemetery.
- Quiet day — allows parishioners to be on sabbatical but still in a community.
- More structure for the 20s & 30s group.
- Bible study.
- Congregant preaching — with *guidance* . . .
- Good chance for parishioners without kids to get to know Tricia.
- Possibly go to one service in August.

### **Vestry Election**

The Rector reported that the slate was approved by the parishioners.

### **Closing Prayer and Adjournment**

Before Cara closed the meeting, Carolyn Johnson took the opportunity to publicly thank her for all that she has done at CCWP. The members wholeheartedly agreed and responded with a standing ovation.

Cara led the closing prayer. A motion to adjourn was offered and accepted. The 2016 annual meeting of Christ Church + Washington Parish was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Mallonee Schlimm, Clerk

# REPORTS OF THE MINISTRIES

## CARE OF THE MONEY AND ASSETS

### Care of Property.....Joe Citro, Junior Warden

In many ways, being the Junior Warden at Christ Church is like being the owner of a house. Almost always things are breaking down and in need of repairs. For example, major plumbing repairs are needed from time to time. The church yard needs TLC all the time. And thanks to Dave McCahan and Kevin Lindsay, the yard is getting that care and looks the best it has looked in many years. Fire extinguishers need to be checked annually to be sure they are ready to use if needed. And of course there is the matter of having the heating and cooling systems working efficiently in the appropriate season.

Also, there is the need for substantial repairs and improvements from time to time. Almost two years ago, the metal spires (sometimes referred to as steeples) reached a point where they were worn down and not properly secured. They needed to be replaced quickly because of the danger they posed to members and guests walking close to our church building and parish hall. Three contractors were asked to evaluate the spires and to make proposals for replacement.

One of the contractors considered was Wagner Roofing of Hyattsville, Maryland. This firm has been in business for over a hundred years. It has a good reputation and has done work on many historic properties, including the National Cathedral. It was awarded the contract and started work in the fall of 2015. It took down the old spires, replicated their design, and had them in place that fall. Wagner was also hired to repair and paint other decorative elements atop the church, work lasting into 2016. I do not think it is an exaggeration to say that the exterior of the church looks the best it has looked in a long, long time.

In closing, I want to thank members of the Property Committee for their efforts last year to keep Christ Church looking good and functioning properly while I have dealt with a serious health issue.

### Stewardship Campaign for 2016 .....Anne McGhee Curry, Stewardship Chair

The Stewardship Campaign's theme for this year was an appropriate one for Christ Church Washington Parish. The "Open Hands, Open Hearts, Open Doors" campaign was conducted over four weeks from October 16- All Saints Sunday, November 6, 2016. During that time, three parishioners shared their own personal stories and connection to Christ Church with the entire congregation on Sunday mornings. The result was many listened and answered the call to make Christ Church a priority in your lives. Your giving allows us to continue the Church's ministry and mission for the coming year.

None of this would have been possible without the devoted volunteers who orchestrated the mailings and wrote thank you notes and staff for providing support from beginning to end.

So where are we? The numbers: we received 105 pledges for a total of \$341,828. Well done. This will help the vestry prepare a realistic and responsible budget for 2017. Thank you for your generosity.

**Treasurer's Report..... Sid Neely**

2016 was a good year. We have much for which to be grateful, especially the generosity of the congregation.

The vestry started the year with an operating budget that anticipated a shortfall of \$50,000. By year end, instead of a shortfall, we had an excess of over \$18,000. Most of the good news came from revenues being higher than expected. However, part of the apparent improvement was due to staff not being available. That led to lower payroll costs.

In addition to daily operations, we had the building renovation and the new organ to fund. Since the work is being done now but the pledge payments are arriving over a three-year period, we obtained a \$600,000 line of credit with an interest rate of prime plus .05% from National Capital Bank. After drawing on the line for 12 months, the balance will become a term loan for a period of 48 months. The loan will allow us to complete the parish hall renovations and the organ installation before all the Capital Campaign pledge payments are received. We are ahead of plan for Capital Campaign collections and now expect to pay off the bank loan ahead of schedule.

The budget for 2017 has been approved by the vestry for a shortfall of \$10,500. We will be able to meet that need by using the overage from 2016, thereby avoiding dipping into our savings.

Our systems continue to be well maintained by the talented and conscientious. From the record keeping of Carol Itskowitz to the eagle eye of our Finance Committee chair, Russ Mawn, we could do no better. Special acknowledgement needs to go to our rector, Cara, for a natural business acumen not commonly found among the clergy.

<b>Budget for 2017</b>			
<b>Income</b>	<b>2016 Budget</b>	<b>2016 Actual</b>	<b>2017 Budget</b>
Building Use	22,000	33,021	40,000
Designated and Other Gifts/Grant	5,000	19,541	9,000
Fundraising Events	15,000	26,538	10,000
Income from Programs	5,000	3,152	3,500
Income on Investments	18,000	19,352	14,000
Offerings	365,000	389,276	390,000
Rector's Discretionary Fund Gifts	3,000	6,096	3,000
Rental Income	77,000	72,300	70,000
Diocesan Grant	0	0	20,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>510,000</b>	<b>569,276</b>	<b>559,500</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administrative	23,000	22,613	29,000
Communications/Advertising	5,000	4,585	5,000
Diocese	48,000	48,265	48,000
Fundraising Costs	5,000	7,730	4,000
Major Capital Projects	0	6,470	10,000
Music Expenses	13,500	12,071	13,500
Outreach Expenses	15,000	23,872	15,000
Parish Programs	12,000	9,844	10,000
Personnel Expenses	344,000	291,857	335,000
Property Expenses	28,000	49,659	30,000
Property Insurance	12,500	14,360	14,500
Rector's Discretionary Fund	3,000	6,096	3,000
Rental Property Taxes/Expenses	19,000	20,873	19,000
Utilities	28,000	24,532	26,500
Worship	4,000	8,262	7,500
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>560,000</b>	<b>551,089</b>	<b>570,000</b>
<b>Net Income (Deficit)</b>	<b>(50,000)</b>	<b>18,187</b>	<b>(10,500)</b>
<b>2017 Budget Notes:</b>			
Administrative costs increased due to purchase of a copier, expected to save \$10,000 over next 5 years.			
Actual personnel cost increase will depend on the hiring of the assistant minister and when they start.			
Actual Diocesan funds to help us hire an assistant minister will depend on whether we hire a priest or lay person.			
Projected 2017 Deficit of \$10,5000 will be paid from overage from 2016.			

## Christ Church+ Washington Parish Accounts BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	12/31/2016	12/31/2015
<u>Investment Real Estate (Assessed Value)</u>		
612 G Street, SE	887,240	837,830
614 G Street, SE	750,550	702,670
616 G Street, SE	733,160	682,390
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,370,950</b>	<b>\$2,222,890</b>
<u>Financial Accounts</u>		
National Capital Bank - Interest Checking	134,562	228,192
Morgan Stanley - Stock Transfer Account	-	4,171
State Street - Unrestricted	148,262	147,923
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$282,824</b>	<b>\$380,286</b>
<u>Restricted Capital Campaign Accounts</u>		
NCB Capital Campaign	8,329	476,638
Capital Campaign Stock	3,093	-
NCB Savings 3245	30,807	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$42,229</b>	<b>\$476,638</b>
<u>Christ Church Endowment</u>		
Diocesan Investment Fund: Principal Account	326,873	310,824
Episcopal Church Foundation - State Street Bank	285,178	279,832
Treasury Direct	-	12,000
Diocesan Investment Fund: Reinvestment	11,517	3,261
Transfer between accounts (from Treasury Direct)	12,892	-
Direct Investment in Equities	223,386	190,604
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$859,846</b>	<b>\$796,521</b>
<u>Other Long Term Funds</u>		
Diocesan Investment Fund - Jane Dennison	172,099	165,261
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$172,099</b>	<b>\$165,261</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$3,727,948</b>	<b>\$4,041,596</b>
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<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	2,252	48,679
Capital Campaign Loan - NCB	170,000	-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$172,252</b>	<b>\$48,679</b>
<b>NET ASSETS/EQUITY</b>		
Restricted: Real Estate	2,370,950	2,222,890
Restricted: Endowments	859,846	796,521
Restricted: Dennison Fund	172,099	165,261
Restricted: Capital Campaign Projects	(234,787)	476,638
Restricted: Program Investment	80,000	80,000
Restricted: Children's Ministries	6,000	6,000
Restricted: Repair and Replacement Reserve	87,009	100,000
Restricted: Hageman/Beghe	-	1,094
Restricted: Organ	-	38,362
Restricted: Sabbatical	-	15,000
Restricted: Landscaping	-	6,470
Unrestricted	196,323	147,822
Net income	18,256	(63,141)
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$3,555,696</b>	<b>\$3,992,917</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$3,727,948</b>	<b>\$4,041,596</b>

**NOTES:**

Christ Church also receives income from, but does not control, the Bessie Wood Cramer Trust. It is valued at approximately \$300,000 and is maintained by Bank of America.

Our historic buildings & grounds and those of Congressional Cemetery are not included.

**Capital Campaign Project: Organ..... Dave McCahan**

The vestry, on January 10, 2016, authorized us to negotiate a contract with Casavant Freres, organ builder, located in St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada. On February 9, 2016 a contract was signed for the new organ, Casavant Freres opus 3814. This was the culmination of a five-year-plus study which considered multiple possibilities of organ restoration or replacement. After concluding that a new organ would be the best economical and musical solution to our needs a search was conducted which ultimately led us to select Casavant Freres. David McCahan, contact person for the parish, has maintained a close relationship with the builder, asking and answering questions as the building of the organ progressed. On December 6, 2016, we were notified by Pierre Drouin, Project Manager and Architect, that our organ was assembled and standing on the factory floor. The tonal regulation of the pipework could then proceed. The final regulation would, of course, be done in our church, once the organ is in place. A small delegation from the committee plans to visit and inspect the organ in March. The organ will be delivered to the church in late August 2017.

David McCahan, Convener; Members of Committee: Bill Woodward, Andrea Harles, Linda Mellgren, Carolyn Cheney, Kate Rebholz, Ed Warren, and Richard Thibadeau, ex officio.



**Capital Projects Budget Update .....The Rev. Cara Spaccarelli**

The Parish Hall and bathroom renovation was completed in 2016 and we are now enjoying our new space. The organ and sanctuary painting and plastering will be completed in 2017. Thanks to the volunteers and staff who have put countless hours into making these projects a reality this year. In particular, the church owes a great deal of gratitude to Greg Holeyman, Todd Litchfield, Dave McCahan, Sid Neely, Russ Mawn, Carol Itskowitz (bookkeeper) and Jennifer Baker Howard.

The following accounting covers 2015 through 2016:

**Income:**

\$682,120	Pledges/Gifts Received of \$978,385
\$140,000	Estate Legacy Gifts
\$ 41,562	Organ Fund/Organ-Designated
<u>\$ 394</u>	<u>Interest</u>
\$863,682	

**Expenses Paid**

\$363,440	Organ Payments (80%)
\$564,254	Parish Hall and Bathrooms
\$29,500	Architect
\$ 6,266	Permit Fees, Environmental testing
\$50,804	Fundraising Expenses (materials, consultant, etc.)
<u>\$ 2,284</u>	<u>Bank Service Fees</u>
\$1,016,548	

**Upcoming Bills at completion of Parish Hall and Bathrooms**

\$2,000	Architect Remaining
<u>\$12,500</u>	Last Bill Bruno Clay – Just finished Jan.2017
\$14,500	

**Remaining to be paid on Capital Campaign:**

\$90,280	Organ
\$2,000	Electric work for Organ
\$40,000?	Plaster and Paint
\$3,000?	Furniture for meeting room
<u>unknown</u>	<u>Bank Fees (Loan Interest)</u>
\$ 135,280 + Bank Fees	

## Capital Projects Budget (as of 12/31/2016)

	Mar. 2016 budget	Current	Difference/note
Organ	454k	456k projected	2k
Parish Hall & Bathrooms & Sound	546k	570k +18k (remaining + estimate for furniture)	42k
Painting and Plastering	40k	40k projected	Bid several years old
Architect Fees	32k	32k	
Campaign Fees	50k	51k	1k
Contingency	70k	10k (remaining)	
Bank Loan Fees	0	15k (estimate)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,192,000</b>	<b>1,192,000</b>	

Income Source	Original Budget	Mar. 2016 Budget	Difference
Capital Campaign	933k	978k	44k
Restricted: Organ	30k	39k	9k
Estate Legacy Gifts	140k	140k	
Unrestricted Savings	22k	22k	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1,125,000</b>	<b>1,178,000</b>	<b>52k</b>

Reasons for 42k overage in parish hall/bathrooms:

6k in permitting fees/environmental testing/DCRA required testing (required)

15k for rebuilding walls because of crumbling interior (required)

15k for adding insulation to walls (Vestry elected)

5k for improved audiovisual

1k for various items

### Loans

In order to manage cash flow for the projects, we needed to take out a loan. To minimize interest payments paid on the National Capital Bank loan, the Vestry decided to take loans from our operating funds and from the Jane Dennison Fund. We will save all additional capital campaign funds that come in the first three quarters of 2017 to pay the anticipated bills during that time. After all bills are paid, we will begin to pay back the loans. The Vestry has committed to paying the loans back in the following order as pledge funds are received: National Capital Bank, Jane Dennison Fund, Operating Funds. We anticipate taking another draw from our bank loan in April/May 2017 to pay the anticipated bills in the summer.

Current Loans (as of December 31, 2016)

\$170,000 – NCB Bank Loan

\$30,000 – Operating Funds

Anticipated Loans (as of January 15, 2017)

\$500 – NCB Bank Loan

\$30,000 – Loan from Operating Funds

\$160,000 – Loan from Jane Dennison Fund (funds used to pay down NCB Bank Loan)

**Historic Congressional Cemetery ..... Bev Ward**

Representatives to Cemetery Board-Sharon Bosworth, Shawn Freeman, Bev Ward

The mission of the Association for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery (APHCC) is to serve the community as an active burial ground; to conserve the physical artifacts, buildings, and infrastructure of the cemetery; to celebrate the American heritage represented by those interred there; to restore and sustain the landscape, protect the Anacostia River watershed, and manage the grounds as an accessible community resource. The Association for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery has a long-term lease with Christ Church to manage the property.

The cemetery had a banner year in terms of fundraising in 2016, bringing in a record \$1.1 million, nearly \$100,000 over budget. This enabled the cemetery to put \$85,000 toward a matching endowment fund held by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and dedicate \$85,000 toward the restoration of the historic front gate which will begin in early 2017. Site sales were strong, as was attendance at the myriad events, concerts, 5k races, festivals, and even movie nights. The Soul Strolls twilight tours of the cemetery, which highlight people of note buried in the Cemetery, sold out over two weekend in October with more than 1,200 attendees enjoying actors and actresses portraying some of the more interesting ‘permanent residents.’

As Board Chair, Kelly Crowe has done an excellent job of developing the board and focusing on fund raising. Kelly is cycling off the Cemetery board in spring 2017 after two terms. Christ Church representatives on the board, Sharon Bosworth and Bev Ward, are also cycling off this spring after serving two terms. Their replacements on the cemetery board will be named by the Vestry. Sue Urahn will become Board Chair. The committees established during 2016, Building and Grounds, Preservation, Development, Finance and Dog Walkers, are all working well.

There are approximately 1,500 traditional sites still available. The first columbarium, installed during 2014, has been very successful. A second columbarium will open soon. Information about purchasing either type of site is available by contacting Margaret Puglisi at [202-543-0539](tel:202-543-0539) or at [mpuglisi@congressionalcemetery.org](mailto:mpuglisi@congressionalcemetery.org). General information about the cemetery and seasonal events is available at [www.congressionalcemetery.org](http://www.congressionalcemetery.org).

If you have not yet visited Congressional Cemetery, it’s a fascinating historic site. Walking tours conducted by trained docents are available every Saturday at 11:00am from April through October. In addition to staff and contractors, the cemetery’s maintenance is supported by volunteers from the United States Armed Forces, the Boy Scouts, local gardeners and many local groups who have “adopted plots” where they plant flowers, water and weed.

# CARE OF THE PEOPLE

## **Adult Education/Lifelong Learning .....The Rev. Cara Spaccarelli**

Adult Forum: For most of 2016 we did not have adult forum. The decline in attendance in 2015 led to deprioritization of this ministry in 2016. In addition, the renovation and sabbatical both hampered an investment in this ministry this past year. In 2017, along with the changes to Sunday School, we will be offering more adult forum series as we invest in an education hour for all ages at 10am.

Friday Night Flicks: This year the weekly Friday night movie series was the Lent program and explored the theme of courage and atonement in film. The films were excellently curated by Paul Laymon, Joe Smith, and Jackie Barber. Attendance was about 20 people each week.

First Friday Book Group: Barbara Laymon continued to lead a monthly spirituality book group, exploring how to live more faithfully in everyday life. The group meets on the first Friday for dinner and discussion. In the summer, a group selected the books for the year - Attendance is around 10 people each time.

Sunday to Monday Series: In January of 2016, seminarian Serena Sides led a series of interviews that occurred during worship exploring the theme of faith and work. Participants in this series included: Joe Smith, Charlie Bolden, Barbara Laymon, and Kirsten Sloan

Men's Spirituality: Meeting on Saturday mornings in the Church kitchen, this group eats and talks. All men are welcome to join the group at 9:00 AM on Saturday mornings for sustenance both physical and spiritual. The group has also traditionally coordinated the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner. There is no formal chairman of this group , rather informal shared leadership, including but not limited to Mike Grace, Gerry Connolly, Bob Conly, Dave McCahan, Keith Lopes, Doug Ross, John Pontius and Paul Laymon.

Formation of Committee: In 2016, a subgroup from the Vestry put out a survey to the parish on adult education. A group of people, convened by Randy Norton, agreed to serve on an adult education committee to vision adult formation/education at Christ Church. This committee continues to work together and hopes to generate some vision and programming in 2017.

## **Fellowship .....Jennifer Baker Howard, Parish Life & Office Manager**

Fellowship in 2016 had unique challenges due to the construction and renovation of the Parish Hall, beginning immediately after Easter in mid-March until the end of August. Despite the issue of space to host events and gather as a congregation outside of worship, the sense of community of Christ Church remained strong and was strengthened by the people who worship here. These events were made possible by volunteers who shepherded them from planning to execution. It takes a lot of work and effort to organize these events (especially without the use of the Parish Hall) and we are deeply grateful to the volunteers who coordinated and assisted with these events.

- St. Brigit's Celebration – Michael Lawyer and members of the Brew Crew
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper –The Men's Spirituality Group
- Valentine's Day Dinner and Movie – Vicky and Joe Smith; Paul Laymon
- St. Patrick's Dinner and Auction –the 2016 St. Patrick's Planning Committee: Carolyn Cheney, Anne Curry, Mike Grace, Jennifer Baker Howard, Lisa Nickerson, Vicky Smith and Emma Tucker; decorations/set-up Linda Mellgren, Andrea Harles, and many volunteers
- Easter Reception - decorations/set up: Linda Mellgren and Andrea Harles
- Pentecost Picnic – Carol Knight

Grill and Chill – many volunteers  
 Kick-off Sunday/Parish Hall Celebration  
 Trivia Night  
 Thanksgiving Potluck – Carol Knight  
 St. Nick's Dinner and Christmas Sale – Carolyn Cheney and many volunteers  
 Christmas Eve Reception – Linda Mellgren and Andrea Harles  
 Sunday Coffee Hours – Various congregants

I want to give a special acknowledgement to the Office Volunteers who stepped in to assist in making sure the communications and duties of the central hub of the church were consistent and seamless. Particularly over the summer with the renovation and during Cara's Sabbatical, the Office Volunteers were invaluable. The Office Volunteers during 2016 were: Tuesdays - Anne McGhee Curry and Lynne Mallonee Schlimm; Thursdays - Vicky Smith and Kathy Watson.

**Liturgists .....Gary Abrecht**

The Liturgists' primary function is to set up for each of the parish's worship services, assist Cara during the service, and clean up afterwards. We also meet most months to study liturgy and help plan the worship life of the parish. On a weekly basis, members care for the linens, vestments, and vessels, and keep the brass rails shining. For those more familiar with a traditional Episcopal parish structure, the Liturgists encompass the duties often performed by an Altar Guild, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, and a Worship Committee. To learn more about becoming a liturgist, please talk with Cara or one of the Liturgists.

In 2016 Jenifer Gamber agreed to take on the role of acolyte coordinator. She held a training session for them and we have seen an increase in the number of services with acolytes.

The Liturgists:

Gary Abrecht (convener)  
 Eleanor Billington  
 Charlie Bolden  
 Carolyn Cheney  
 Jenifer Gamber (coordinator of acolytes)  
 Joe Howard  
 Janice Knopp  
 Keith Lopes  
 Randy Norton  
 Gregg Porter  
 Karen Wilson Román  
 Doug Ross  
 Lynne Mallonee Schlimm  
 Joe Shaffer  
 Paul Shinkman  
 Kirsten Sloan  
 Michael Stroud  
 Vicky Smith  
 Bill Woodward

The Acolytes:

Aiden Chalk\*  
 Shelby Denton  
 Zachary Denton  
 Chase Dettman\*  
 Max Giesecke  
 Sebastian Giesecke  
 Jonas Howard  
 Kelly Mac Garrigle  
 Aman Aine Porter  
 Sally Harris Porter  
 Colin Román  
 Quinn Stroud  
 Katherine Cosgrove

\*New liturgist or acolyte in 2016.

Outreach activities in 2016 included the following:

*Monthly Outreach Programs:*

- Homeless Lunches - This Outreach program relies on congregants signing up to purchase and deliver lunch supplies for the first Sunday of each month. Following the 11am service, parishioners make the sandwiches/bagged lunches and another group of volunteers deliver the bagged lunches to the CCNV shelter on Capitol Hill. In 2016, we made approximately 1,100 bagged lunches. Thank you to the families/individuals who purchased the monthly supplies, the parishioners who made the lunches after the services, and the volunteers who delivered the lunches to the shelter.
- Laundry Love – This initiative provides two free loads of laundry and complimentary laundry supplies to homeless and low-income people at a laundromat in Ward 8 on the first Sunday of the month. From March – December 2016, we washed 867 loads of laundry; the average cost of laundry was \$4.72 per load. The busiest month was September when we did 122 loads of laundry. New in 2016 was a ticketing system to ensure that we treated patrons fairly and equitably and helped manage the crowds. We look forward to continuing this vitally important ministry for our neighbors in need. Thank you to the MANY volunteers who assist with the program either by attending or supporting it financially.

*Special Projects:*

- Rebuilding Together, April 30, partnered with Lutheran Church of the Reformation - Purpose: Rebuilding Together Washington DC is an initiative to help homeowners in need fix and bring their homes up to code, address safety issues, and improve their living surroundings. Coordinated by Joe Thompson and Russ Mawn and many Christ Church volunteers who joined Reformation volunteers for a day of service to assist a family in need of renovation and repair to a house so they can “age in place.”
- Habitat for Humanity, Oct. 15, Ivy Hill Work Site - Coordinated by Joe Thompson and Christ Church volunteers, this was a very labor-intensive day of work on a site that will eventually be a home for a low-income family. The volunteers dug ditches and assisted with the pavement masonry and are to be thanked for their day of service.

*Partnership with Capitol Hill Group Ministry:*

- CHGM Grill & Chill, July 13, coordinated by Ruth Kroeger – Christ Church invited families who are working with CHGM to attend this event for fun, food, and fellowship. We had outstanding attendance and we appreciate the volunteers who helped with set-up/clean-up, brought extra food for the dinner potluck and assisted with the art & craft projects to keep the kids entertained. We look forward to continuing this event in 2017.
- Backpack and School Supply Drive for CHGM, July-August – This summer Christ Church parishioners donated 12 backpacks and many school supplies (coordinated by Carol Knight) to CHGM’s annual Backpack and School Supply Drive.
- CHGM Family Night and distribution of the Thanksgiving Baskets, November 21 – We are proud to contribute over 50 baskets that donated by Christ Church members for families who needed a little bit of assistance during the holiday season. Much gratitude to the many, many volunteers who donated baskets, brought food to the potluck and helped with the arts & crafts projects. Basket collection coordinated by Carol Knight; dinner event and activities coordinated by Ruth Kroeger ; additional thank you to Megan Wilson and Girl Scout Troop 6518 for their assistance)

*Refugee Crisis and Resettlement Assistance:*

- Outreach Speaker Nouf Bazaz, Director of the Crossroads Program of the International Cultural Center, spoke at a forum on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> to provide some insight into the refugee resettlement process in the Washington Metropolitan area. The Crossroads Program supports the resettlement of refugees in the Washington DC Metropolitan Area and the myriad of issues they face. (coordinated by Gaye Whyte and Eleanor Billington)

- The Spring Time Change Fund was collected and donated in support of the Crossroads Program and approximately \$680 was donated to this program.
- Outreach Speaker Master Dong made a presentation about his outreach work in the Syrian Refugee Camps in Turkey on Sunday, May 8th. (coordinated by Joel Spangenberg)
- The Fall Time Change Fund was collected and donated to Master Dong/Home Do Inc's efforts in the Refugee Camps and over \$900 was donated to Master Dong/Home Do Inc.

**Children's Ministry .....Anna Laymon, Interim Dir, Religious Education for Families**

We started 2016 thrilled to have the Rev. Tricia Lyons on board half-time to lead our family ministries. We knew that we needed to re-evaluate particularly our Sunday morning set-up and recruit more teachers and engagement to serve our 100 children under 12 here. Unfortunately, Tricia's health prevented her from making much progress in this area during the time she was here. Fortunately, Mary Miller Flowers stepped up in August, recruited a large number of teachers, chose a curriculum, held a training, and helped the church launch a Sunday School program in September. In October, Cara held two parent meetings to discuss possible changes to the Sunday School morning program. Parents understood the challenges of having two Sunday School hours (9am and 11am) and supported a move to 10am. There was concern with engaging children in worship now that they would be in the pew for the whole service at 9am and 11am. We chose to have a children's worship service for PK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade during the 11am service (when the most families currently attend). Building on the efforts that happened in fall of 2016, we completed our move to the new program described below.

**Program Overview**

On January 15th, 2017, we began exciting new Sunday morning programming for our children. Our **Sunday School** classes, which are now offered during the 10am formation hour, feature the *SPARK* curriculum for our younger learners and the Connect curriculum for our tweens, ensuring a developmentally appropriate, creative, and interactive approach that *ignites* the imagination and faith of our children. Divided by grade and led by a rotating team of eighteen volunteer teachers, our children meet in the following groups: **Little Lights**--PK/K; **Bible Blazers**--1st-3rd; and **IGNIS**--4th grade and up. During the 11am service, **Children's Chapel** is held for kids from PK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, while our children in grades 3 and up are encouraged to attend worship. The nursery, led by skilled and certified caregivers, is open for children under the age of 5 during the 9am service, and children under the age of 3 during the formation hour and 11am service.

In addition to our Sunday morning programming, our Children's Ministry offers many opportunities, both established and new, for families to engage in their faith at Christ Church, including: two **Christmas Eve pageants**, a **Children's Choir**, a **Youth Group**, and, returning in summer 2017 after the completed renovations of the Parish Hall, **Vacation Bible School**.

**Program Details**

**Little Lights**, the Sunday School class for our PK/K children, consists of prayers, a kid-friendly Bible story, games, and crafts, all chosen by the teachers each week based on the SPARK curriculum guide. Core volunteers for this group include: Marissa Schmauch, Katya Brewer, Anne Fletcher, Charlie Boldon, Carrie Miller, and Eleanor Billington.

**Bible Blazers**, the Sunday School class for our 1st-3rd graders, consists of an opening activity related to the story for the day, circle time during which the children gather on the carpet and read the Scripture story together, each student having his or her own Bible, and a game, craft or activity to illustrate the story and apply it to their lives. Core volunteers include: Ellen Psychas, Mary Miller Flowers, Amber Gove, Cathy Weber, Robbie Curry, Stephen Bellum, and Ann Norwood.

**IGNIS**, the Sunday School class for tweens grades 4 and up, uses the lectionary based curriculum Connect to consider how to apply the Scriptures – and the Christian faith – to their lives, which, as middle schoolers, is increasingly complex. Jenifer Gamber, a former Christian Education director, leads IGNIS each week with the help of long-time parishioner Paul Laymon,.

Outside of Sunday mornings, Ivy and Mark Malone have begun a **Youth Group** for the tweens of Christ Church that meets once a month to foster community between our middle-schoolers. The creation of a youth group reflects our church's shifting and expanding membership, and is an exciting development for our children's ministry that will, we hope, become a cornerstone of our programming.

**The Children's Chapel** is a child-centered worship for kids in PK-2nd grade that uses song, prayer, and the core stories of the Bible to engage our children in the liturgy. Interim Director of Education for Families, Anna Laymon, runs the Children's Chapel each Sunday with the help of musicians Ed Gamber and Emma Tucker.

Under the direction of Susan Holmes, the **Children's Choir** continues to be a wonderful opportunity for our children to engage together, learn about the liturgy, and participate in the service.

For the fourth year, we hosted two **Christmas Pageants** on Christmas Eve. The "Come As You Are Pageant," which is held during the 4:30pm service and is intended for our littlest children, was as popular as always, with dozens of costumed children helping to tell the Nativity story. The scripted pageant, held during the 6:30pm pageant and intended for children in 1st grade and up, featured eighteen of our young thespians and musicians and, for the first time, included the participation of the St. Petersburg Men's Ensemble as the three Magi.

**Looking Ahead**

As Christ Church grows, so too does our Children's Ministry. The goal of our Children's Ministry is to ensure a deep, rewarding engagement across all generations of the congregation, and with the addition of a Children's Chapel and a Youth Group to our Children's Ministry, we are more grateful than ever to the 20 volunteer parishioners who, together, make Christ Church a dynamic and child-centered place to worship. As we look forward, we will continue to try to strengthen and expand our established programs, with a particular focus on connecting the Children's Ministry to the church's Outreach Ministry.

**Music Ministry..... Richard Thibadeau, Music Director**

Not submitted due to medical leave

# CARE OF THE PARISH

**Rector's Report.....The Rev. Cara Spaccarelli**

This past month I celebrated my seventh Christmas at Christ Church. I am proud about the many things we have accomplished together, while also anticipating the work of the next few years in deepening our relationships with one another and with God. In the next few years, I see us developing a comfort with talking about our lives with one another, not just the travel plans or various activities, but the things that inspire, grieve, and sustain us. I see us being able to support each other in exploring our faith - whether that's offering a listening ear or encouraging questions. I see us deepening our walk with one another and intentionally reaching out to the many new residents looking for community who are moving into our neighborhood. God has a purpose for this parish community in this time and place, and I'm looking forward to being a part of it.

Construction/Sabbatical/Staffing - that pretty much sums up 2016 from the Rector's point of view. Besides the general preaching, worship, and pastoral care that I do, much of my other time was spent on the parish hall construction, preparing for sabbatical, being on sabbatical, and dealing with the staffing changes that have occurred over the year. No need to say anything more about construction as it is addressed in another section.

Sabbatical - My sabbatical was wonderful and refreshing, and I definitely feel that it has strengthened me for returning to minister with you. For the parish leadership, the sabbatical time gave an opportunity for people to step up in new ways in pastoral care, in preaching, in fostering community, and countless other ways. Some changes that were made in preparation for this time are being continued. We will continue to have a lay preachers' group, though participants will change each year. In particular, I am grateful for the ways that many people stepped up during the sabbatical when Rev. Tricia became too ill to return. The church - that is the people of this congregation - continued the ministry of this place. Thank you.

Staffing - For the entire 2016 year, we have been short-staffed due to serious illnesses, my sabbatical, and a staff change. Months 1-2 - no music minister or parish administrator. Month 3 - no parish administrator. Month 4- no children's minister, Months 5-6 - no rector, Months 7-8 - no rector, no children's minister, Months 9-11 - no children's minister, Month 12 - no music minister. It is difficult to make progress programmatically with so much transition, as the work generated from these absences is split between the remaining two program staff (whoever they are). We have been assisted in navigating these absences by temporary employees and volunteers - we are so grateful for both. Going into 2017, we are grateful for Anna Laymon who is serving as our interim children's minister, and Dave McCahan and Jan Eisenbarth who are filling in for Richard as he continues his medical treatments. A search for a new children's minister continues with the hope of hiring someone in February, though they may not start for a few months. The diocese has offered us financial support to make this position more substantive with the hopes of drawing more applicants.

As we move into 2017, I'm excited to spend more time focused on formation, both in preparation for teaching and in the development of small groups and small group leaders. I'm excited to hire another program staff position to help us grow our ministries. Most of all, I'm excited that I will not be learning about HVAC systems, insulation, and DCRA building codes.

**Senior Warden's Report..... Joe Smith**

To say the least, 2016 was an interesting and eventful year for our congregation, and we survived intact!

When I began my term as Senior Warden in February, we had just completed a successful Capital Campaign, and I expected parish hall construction issues to take up most of my Senior Warden time. I knew Cara would be taking her sabbatical, but the church had hired a half-time priest who would be our principal celebrant and preacher during Cara's absence. She would also have some time to minister to parishioners in need.

No sooner did Cara start her sabbatical than we faced a minor crisis as our half-time priest resigned because of health issues. Christ Church members stepped up to take responsibility for our life together. We brought in supply priests for a few services, but others were handled by our own Rev. Mary Miller Flowers. Attendance remained steady and people continued to support the church financially, so we weathered the storm and emerged a stronger community.

Nonetheless, we all felt relief and gratitude when Cara returned and we resumed our busy and fulfilling life together. 2016 turned out to be a year of unexpected blessing. We ask for God's continued blessings through the coming year.

## **CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE VESTRY**

### **Anne Fletcher**

In 2002, my husband, Chris, and I moved to DC from the NY/NJ metro area so that I could take a job with the federal government. We've lived in Capitol Hill since 2005 with our two kids-- Sophia (age 8) and Nathan (age 5). Both Chris and I were raised Catholic, and we visited many churches prior to choosing to visit Christ Church in 2012. We came to our first service (at 8:00 AM!) in 2012, and finally found the perfect fit. We are regular attendees of the 9:00 AM service, where we can be found in one of the back pews on the right hand side of the church. I feel a tremendous amount of gratitude that we found Christ Church, and I'm thankful that we have such a warm church community in which to raise our kids. It would truly be an honor to have an opportunity to serve the church as a member of the vestry.

### **Todd Litchfield**

Our family moved to Capitol Hill from Farmington, CT in the Fall of 2015. Driven in part by my wife Rachel's (Abrecht) desire to return to her roots and also to take advantage of all the opportunities city life has to offer, we took a leap of faith and made the move. Along with our move came the opportunity to make a career change, and I have been working in real estate ever since. Christ Church welcomed me with open arms and Rachel is thrilled to be back in the church where she was raised. After being a volunteer fire fighter in CT for over 13 years, I was searching for new opportunities to serve in our community and I have found that at Christ Church through the annual Rebuild Together project, assisting with the parish hall renovation, and of course the truly selfless act of brew crew volunteering. I look forward to many years getting to know everyone and supporting our community here at Christ Church. You will generally see us and our two boys, Benson (4) and Noah (2) at the 11 o'clock service.

### **Beth Mullin**

When my husband (Jim Sandman) and I moved to Capitol Hill in 2015, we began looking for a church home. We knew we found one a few minutes into our first service at Christ Church. Although a lifelong Presbyterian, I felt immediately drawn to the warmth of the church and the history and beauty of the service. I was an active member in our Chevy Chase DC church, where I served as an elder and deacon, taught classes for children and adults, and even wrote and directed a Christmas Pageant. I am also an environmental lawyer. I look forward to coming to know the Christ Church community as we work together to deepen our faith and share God's love.

### **Erik Winchester**

I guess you could say I came to Christ Church through a long and winding path. I was baptized at All Saints Memorial Church (Episcopal) in Navesink, NJ but grew up attending mostly Methodist and Presbyterian churches as we moved around the US as a military family. After moving to Capitol Hill in 1999, I explored a variety of churches on and off over the years before finding myself more often drawn to Christ Church. I think the openness, sense of community and overwhelming welcoming and caring Christian spirit of Christ Church kept me coming back, and now I attend church with my wife Sylwia and our daughter Sybilla. I look forward to serving the parish and finding more ways to engage with our community.

Vestry Candidate (two year term: January 2017-January 2019)

**Mary Miller Flowers**

I grew up in the Philadelphia suburbs, the daughter of two United Methodist pastors who are originally from the Mid-West. I met my husband, Ben Flowers, in 2006 in Atlanta, where I had been living for many years after attending both undergrad and graduate school at Emory, and working for the Carter Center on an initiative in Liberia, West Africa. Ben and I lived in Liberia for some time before relocating to DC where we have been since 2008. We joined Christ Church in 2009 where we have been active in outreach and education programs over the years. I was ordained to the priesthood in 2016. I am currently working on criminal justice reform as a part of a large human rights-focused foundation, and am keeping my eyes open for opportunities to transition into parish ministry when possible. We have two wonderful kids, Grace, age 5, and Andrew, age 3.

**Christ Church + Washington Parish**  
**List of Voting Members for the 2016 Annual Meeting**  
**January 29, 2017**

Abrecht, Gary  
 Abrecht, Mary Ellen  
 Abrecht-Litchfield, Rachel  
   Benson  
 Adams, Chase  
 Aman, Sally  
 Anderson, Lloyd  
 Andrews, Paul  
 Auberger, Marcia  
 Avett, Claire  
 Avett, Reid

Baker, Mark  
 Baker, Meredith  
 Ball, Kimberly  
 Barber, Jackie  
 Barnes, Lawrence  
 Barton, Lisa  
**Bason, Amy**  
**Bason, Tamlin**  
 Bellum, Stephen  
 Bergin, John  
 Bevans, Paul  
 Billington, Eleanor Steele  
 Billington, John  
 Blackwood, Robin  
 Bolden, Charles  
 Bolden, Jackie  
 Bonyun, Meredith Mino  
 Bosworth, Sharon  
 Bressler, Caroline Parker  
 Bressler, John Wellington  
 Brewer, Christopher  
 Brewer, Katherine  
 Brickey, Olivia  
 Broers, Nancy  
 Brooks, Alison  
 Burger, Charles  
 Carrillo, Andrew  
 Carrillo, Trisha  
 Chalk, Kenneth  
 Cheney, Carolyn  
 Citro, Constance  
 Citro, Joseph  
 Clavel, Lise

Colman, Jamie Lynne  
 Conly, Robert  
 Connolly, Gerard  
 Connolly, Marian  
 Cosgrove, Sean  
 Crawford, Michael  
 Crusey, Kimberly  
 Curry, Anne  
 Curry, Robert

Dahlman, Anthony  
 Denton, Don  
 Denton, Jean  
 Denton, Shelby  
 Denton, Zachary  
 Dettman, David  
 Dettman, Louise  
 Dix, Brian  
 Duncan, John  
 Duncan, John Jr  
 Duncan, Marcia

Earhart, Farleigh

Farrow, Margaret  
 Farrow, Mark  
 Fiala, Anne  
 Fiala, Eric  
 Flakker, Harrison  
 Flakker, Tara  
 Fletcher, Anne  
 Floto, Charles  
 Flowers, Benjamin  
 Flowers, Mary Miller  
**Free, Charles**  
 Freeman, Shawn  
 Fritzel, Chuck

Gant, Mary Martin  
**Gamber, Edward**  
**Gamber, Jenifer**  
**Gauvin, Dionis**  
 Gethin, Laurie  
 Giesecke, John  
 Giesecke, Stephanie

Gilles, Joanne  
**Goldberg, Jasper**  
 Gove, Amber  
 Grace, Ann  
 Grace, Michael

Harles, Andrea  
 Harles, Charles  
 Hash, Michael  
 Hatch, Sarah  
**Head, Brittani**  
 Heitger, Lindsay  
 Heitger, Nick  
 Hughes, Dorothy Hughes  
 Hughes, Peter Christopher II  
 Hermann, David  
 Hickey, Liesl  
 Hickey, Timothy  
 Hoff, Brittany  
 Holeyman, Greg  
 Holmes, Susan  
 Howard, Jennifer Baker  
 Howard, Joseph  
 Humbert, Jenny  
 Humbert William  
 Humphrey, Carole  
 Hussey, Sandra

Jackson, Helen  
 Jacobs, John Patrick  
 James, William  
 Jameson, Booth  
 Jameson, Jennifer  
 Jameson, John  
 Jenkins, Thomas Sr  
 Johnson, Carolyn

Keating, Kirsten  
 Kennedy, Alison  
 Knight, Carol  
 Knopp, Janice  
 Kotis, Linda  
 Koudelka, Karla  
 Kroeger, Ruth

Kuskowski, Andrew  
Kuskowski, Jennifer

Lawyer, Michael  
**Laymon, Anna**  
Laymon, Barbara  
Laymon, Paul  
Lester, Inez  
Litchfield, Todd Eric  
Lopes, Keith  
Lowe, Mary Frances  
Lyons, Andrew  
Lyons, Elizabeth

MacGarrigle, Ellen Fain  
**MacGarrigle, Kelly Virginia**  
**Malone, Ivy Williams**  
**Malone, Mark**  
Marzen, Moira  
Mawer, Randall  
Mawn, Russell  
Mawn, Russell Jr  
McCahan, David  
McCarthy, Conor Justin  
McCarthy, Emily Biskey  
**McClain, Wallis**  
McClellan, Chandler  
McClellan, Jessica  
Langston  
McGonigle, Sarah  
Podmaniczky  
Mellgren, Linda  
Menefee, Jake  
Menefee, Sydney  
Miedema, Allison  
Miedema, Stephanie\*  
Miedema, Virgil  
Miller, Carrie  
Miller, Jason  
Mitchell, Thomas  
Moore, Linda\*\*  
Mottley, Lew  
Montgomery, Jack  
Mouta-Bellum, Carla  
**Muench, Kris**  
Mullin, Elizabeth Duncan

Neely, Sidney  
Neibeling, Rachel

Nickerson, Heather  
Nickerson, Lisa  
Norris, Alice  
Norton, Linda  
Norton, Randall  
Norwood, Ann  
Novak, Jodie

O'Brien, Alden  
O'Brien, Celia  
O'Brien, Lydia  
  
Palmer, Joyce  
Parker, Erin  
Parker, Nick  
Pascuzzo, Christopher  
Philip  
Payne, John III  
Payne, John IV  
Pezzarossi, Carolina Modlin  
Kobek  
Pezzarossi, Nicolas Joseph  
Pipes, Ashleigh  
Pipes, Benjamin  
Pollock, Jennifer Purdy  
Pollock John Robert  
Pontius, Ruth  
Porter, Gregg  
Porter, Sally Harris  
Psychas, Ellen

Ray, Jonathan  
Rebholz, Jason  
Rebholz, Kate  
Rees, Joseph  
Rimensnyder, Nelson  
Robinson, Doris  
Roman, Edgar  
Ross, Douglas Neville  
Ross, Karen Elaine Lesley  
Rubio, Charles

Sanderson, William  
Sandman, James Joseph  
Saunders, Sherry  
Schillinger, Emily  
Schillinger, Ian  
Schlimm, Lynne Mallonee  
**Schmid, Stephanie Laura**  
Shaffer, Joseph

Shea, Jan  
Shea, Richard  
Shinkman, Paul  
Shinkman, Sarah  
Singer, Paris Suzanne  
Skidmore, Jesse  
Skidmore, Natalie  
Sloan, Kirsten  
Slopey, Jordan  
Smith, D. Joseph  
Smith, Randolph  
**Smith, Thomas**  
Smith, Victoria  
Sousa, John Philip IV  
Spaid, Barbara  
Spangenberg, Joel  
Stadel-Bevans, Cheryl  
Stroud, Michael  
**Svejkosky, Joseph**  
Sylvester, David  
Sylvester, Kit  
Symington, Duncan  
Symington, Emily  
Symington, John  
Symington, John Jr.  
Symington, Margaret

Taylor, David  
Taylor, Ryan Joseph  
**Thornley, Mary**  
Tucker, Emma  
Turkiewicz, Jean  
Two Bulls, Robert\*\*  
Tyler, Mary Beth

Verret, Jill  
Verret, JW  
Vielmo, Kelly  
Von der Lippe, Sarah

Wagner-Smith, Wendy  
**Wallner, James**  
**Wallner, Kimberly**  
Ward, Beverly  
Warren, Edward  
Warren, Marcia  
**Watson, Kathy**  
Weber, Andrew  
Weber, Cathy Hurst  
Welch, Lauren

Wells, Barbara  
Wells, Thomas  
Wenham, Rita  
Whittaker Navez,  
Christine\*\*  
Whalley, Judy  
Whyte, Gaye  
Williams Sharron, Ayasha  
Wilson, Christopher  
Wilson, Megan  
Wilson Roman, Karen  
Winchester, Erik  
Winchester, Sylwia  
Woodward, William  
  
Yost, Holton  
Yost, Morey

Young, Anna Proctor  
Young, Frank  
  
Zappala, Jordan

**Associate Members**  
**(5 new + 16 existing)**  
**Anschuetz, Carol**  
Carolan, Jessica  
Carolan, Michael  
Fulkerson, Tonya  
Jerbi, Monica  
Kilbourn, Linette  
Kilbourn, Scott  
**Legge, Christopher**  
**Legge, Priscilla**  
Metzger, Nancy

Metzger, Norman  
**Samaan, Angela**  
Sears, Keri  
Selfridge, Greg  
Sharron, Matthew  
**Simon, Albert**  
Thompson, Lynn  
Thompson, Joseph  
Titus, James  
Vogel, Lucie  
Wright, Monroe  
Zimmerman,  
Stephen

**\*Non-Resident – Member**

**\*\*Non-Resident – Priest**

Summary of Comings and Goings in 2016

**Baptism (not of Voting**

**Age (13)**

Bason, Charles Arthur  
Billington, Ruth Frances  
Brewer, Adam Bo Gang  
Chicoski, Matthew Whitaker  
Hughes, Peter Kühne  
McClellan, Abigail Chambers  
Montgomery-Vielmo, Cardel  
Montgomery-Vielmo, Raine  
Montgomery-Vielmo, Ravyn  
Pollock, Cooper Wesley  
Skidmore, Sophie Karine  
Skidmore, John Thomas  
Wallner, Quinn Wright

**Baptism Adult of Voting Age (2)**

Skidmore, Jesse  
Skidmore, Natalie

**Added by Request (16)**

Bason, Amy  
Bason, Tamlin  
Gamber, Ed  
Gamber, Jenifer  
Gauvin, Dionis Macy  
Goldberg, Jasper  
Head, Brittani  
Laymon, Anna  
McClain, Wallis  
Muench, Kris  
Smith, Thomas  
Svejkosky, Joseph  
Thornley, Mary  
Wallner, Kimberly  
Wallner, James  
Watson, Kathy

**Transferred in from other**

**Parishes (3)**

Malone, Ivy Williams  
Malone, Mark  
Schmid, Stephanie Laura

**Lost by Death (2)**

Burks, James  
Pontius, John Frederick

**Added by Being of**

**Age (16) to Vote (1)**

MacGarrigle, Kelly Virginia

**Reactivated (1)**

Charles Free

**Declared Inactive (9)\***

Allison, John  
Baldwin, Valerie  
Eager, Laura Rose  
Fischer, Stephanie  
Leitner, Patricia  
Luck, Howard  
Raynaud de Fitte  
Stephane-Emmanuel  
Rees, Patrick  
Rimensnyder, James  
Woodward, Mary

**Transferred Out (6)**

Bergin, John  
Empsall, Diana Church  
Fairbrother, Gerry  
Sulliivan, John  
Sullivan, Sally Devine  
Sullivan, Nora

**Made Associate Member (5)**

Anschuetz, Carol  
Legge, Christopher  
Legge, Priscilla  
Samaan, Angela  
Simon, Albert

**Transferred to Associate  
Member (0)**

**Confirmations/Reception (0)**

**Children Added (3)**

Barton, Keira Mariella  
Gauvin, Merritt  
Wallner, Graham (B)

In keeping with the canons of the Church and the current Christ Church Bylaws, voting members must: 1) be 16 years old one month before the meeting, 2) attend worship regularly, 3) contribute to the parish in a manner recorded by the treasurer or known by the Rector 4) be recorded in the parish records as baptized.

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In order to be listed as a voting member of Christ Church, you must be made a member. Priests are always members of the last parish where they were laypersons. For more information about church membership, please talk with the Rector

**Associate Members** are active congregants at Christ Church contributing to the life of the parish but are not officially members (1) by their own request, (2) have not officially joined but have filled out a pledge card, and/or (3) are members and active at another Episcopal church.

**\*Declared Inactive** indicates (1) they have not been active members in the last year or (2) requested removal from membership rolls. Those who did not request removal from the membership roles are still officially members; however, they are not active members for voting purposes.

**Summary**

Members of voting age added	=	21
Members of voting age lost	=	<u>18</u>
Net gain/loss of voting members	=	+03

As of January 1, 2016, Christ Church reported 304 voting members. As of January 1, 2017, the total number of voting members is **307** as a result of the **net gain of 3** listed above.

Respectfully submitted, Cara Spaccarelli, Rector, and Carolyn Johnson, Registrar