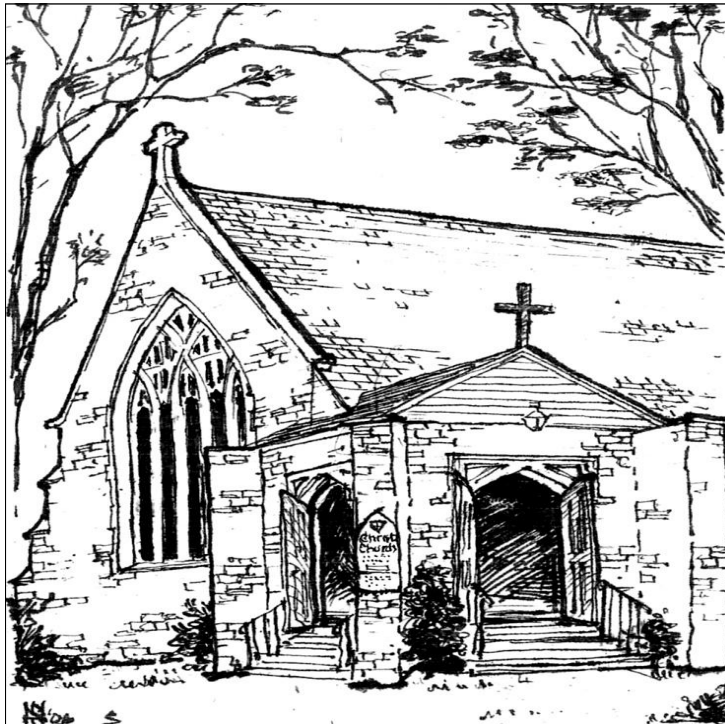


ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2011

February 5, 2012

Christ Church Parish Plymouth, Massachusetts



Seeking Christ in Ourselves,

Serving Christ in the World

*The mission of Christ Church is to strive for unity with God and all people
in our homes, the Parish, the community and the world through Jesus Christ.
We pursue this mission through prayer, worship and Christian formation;
by proclaiming the Good News by word and example;
and by promoting justice, peace, healing and love.*

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AGENDA

1. Welcome: The Rev. David Fredrickson
2. Clerk Certifies a Quorum
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3. Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting
4. Report of the Officers:
 - i. Senior Warden – James Stanne,
 - ii. Treasurer – Janet Reid-Howe,
including Presentation of the 2012 Budget
 - iii. Junior Warden, James Elksnin
5. Reports
6. Report of Election Results
7. Motion to Adjourn

Christ Church Parish Annual Meeting for 2010 February 6, 2011

Vestry Members: Peter Trenouth, Senior Warden; James Elksnin, Junior Warden; Nancy Powers, Clerk; Janet Reid-Howe, Treasurer; Sandra Burgess; Pamela Claughton; Greta Couter; Jeff Hetrick; Diane Holbrook; Peter Keane; Mary LeSeuer; Tom Nordquist; Robert Pflock; Rev. David Fredrickson, Rector, Rev. Helen Trainor, Deacon

Following a worship service and a period of fellowship, the meeting was called to order by the Senior Warden, Peter Trenouth. Rev. Dave Fredrickson offered the opening prayer.

At the Senior Warden's request, a quorum was certified by the Clerk. The Senior Warden also asked that anyone who had not previously signed the Parish Record Book to do so.

The first order of business was the election of new Vestry members, and Diocesan and Deanery Representatives. Peter Trenouth, Senior Warden, read the proposed slate of candidates for each position. He then asked if there were any nominations from the floor. As there were none, Connie Melahoures moved that the nominations be closed. Mary Bell seconded the motion, which passed. As there was only one person running for each position, Connie Melahoures moved that the Clerk cast one ballot for the slate, as presented. Mary LeSueur seconded the motion, which passed.

Senior Warden's Report / Peter Trenouth:

Peter's report was presented as written and submitted.

Peter thanked the three retiring Vestry members, Sandy Burgess, Robb Pflock, and Tom Nordquist, for all their hard work and devotion to Christ Church. He also thanked all the committee and ministry members for their continuing work for the church.

Rev. Dave Fredrickson thanked Peter for his devoted work as Senior Warden. He is very grateful for Peter's help and friendship during his first year as Rector of Christ Church.

Tokens of appreciation were given to the retiring Vestry members.

Peter added a special thanks to Melissa Matinzi for putting together the Annual Report.

Clerk's Report / Nancy Powers:

The Clerk's report for the Annual Meeting of February 7, 2010 was presented. Mary LeSueur moved to accept the report as written. Mary Bell seconded the report, which passed.

Treasurer's Report / Janet Reid-Howe

The Treasurer's report was presented as written and submitted.

Janet Reid-Howe presented the 2011 Budget to the parish. She highlighted the following items:

Expense Items:

While there was an increase in the amounts budgeted for some categories, the over-all amount budgeted for 2011 is \$5,000.00 less than last year because the amount of our Diocesan Obligation has been reduced.

Clergy:

Reimbursable expenses for travel and mileage (\$500.00), and continuing education (\$300.00) for the Deacon have been added.

Ministries:

Christian Education:

The new position of Church School Coordinator is being filled by Su D' Ambrosio.

Worship:

There is a slight increase in the amount budgeted for the music program.

The total Expense Budget for 2011 is \$353,270.00.

Income Sources:

Pledges / Regular Giving

The targeted amount budgeted for 2011 is \$200,000.00, although the amount pledged is currently \$165,000.00

Investment Spending:

Janet noted that our total investments are down by about \$19,000.00

Having presented the Vestry-approved 2011 Budget to the parish, Janet answered questions posed by parish members.

Donna Eddy moved to affirm the 2011 Budget as presented and discussed. Donna Lawrence seconded the motion, which was passed.

Janet thanked Brad Bradley for all the help he has given to her throughout the year. She also thanked the weekly counters and Donna Lawrence, who records the income each week.

Janet also asked for a volunteer to balance the checking account each month.

Ministry Reports:

Donna Lawrence moved to accept all the ministry reports as written. Mary Bell seconded the motion, which passed. Peter thanked all report writers and all parishioners who so faithfully and tirelessly participate in the parish's ministries.

Rector's Report / Rev. Davis Fredrickson:

Rev. Dave Fredrickson thanked everyone for their fellowship and support throughout his first full year as Rector of Christ Church Parish. He feels that we have worked together to find some much needed stability and that are ready to begin the challenge of building our future.

To begin this building process, Father Dave feels there are six critical areas on which we need to focus in order to strengthen our identity as a parish. These areas are: worship; pastoral care;

community life; outreach; education; and evangelism. Father Dave asked parishioners for suggestions for ways in which each of these critical areas could be improved.

Worship

- * Instructed Eucharist for newcomers who have never been in an Episcopal church
- * More information in the service leaflet
- * More outdoor services in the summer
- * An Easter sunrise service
- * Ways to attract and involve young people
- * Copies of sermons on our website

Pastoral Care

- * Pastoral Care teams and phone chains to help those in need
- * Driving the homebound to church
- * Company for the homebound
- * Better communication about who needs help, which is not limited to illness
- * Do we feel as though we are caring for each other? How can we communicate our needs to one another?
- * When parishioners call for flowers or to be on the prayer list, ask if we can help in other ways.
- * Development of support groups, such as caring for elder parents, bereavement, a parish nursing program,

Community Life

How do we share community life?

- * Sponsorship for newcomers
- * Gentle kindness to one another
- * Creation of small groups
- * Bread Ministry
- * Ways to know about, and respond to, the needs of others
- * Name tags

Outreach

- * Becoming involved in, and collaborating with, community organizations
- * Food pantry
- * Establish an Outreach Committee to look beyond existing programs, such as a jail inmates program; advocacy groups; nursing homes
- * Providing a place for different groups to meet
- * Having our youth groups meet with other youth groups - combined community projects

Education

- * Learning about other faith traditions / visiting other churches
- * Christian education for our youth is the responsibility of every parish member. Support Su D'Ambrosio in her new position as Church School Coordinator
- * Short-term religious classes (4-5 weeks), perhaps at night
- * Current events discussions - Where is God in the news?
- * What is working for other churches and why is it working?

* How do we as Episcopalians think about important issues?

Evangelism

How we can share our relationship with Christ with others:

- * Visibility in the community
- * “Make a noise like a church” - create an identity
- * Physical presence out front
- * Be better pastors to each other
- * Take the initiative to welcome newcomers
- * Website updating
- * Newspaper articles every week
- * Establish out identity
- * Music as a way of inviting new people to join us

Father Dave also mentioned that attendance at services, which had been down over the last couple of years, is going back up.

As far as pledging and our budgetary expenses are concerned, there is a huge gap between what it costs to run a church and what we are actually pledging. We need to commit ourselves as a parish to closing that gap.

Rev. Helen Trainor / Deacon

Helen spoke about her past work creating a sustainable ministry structure in her parish. It is a very exciting program that encourages parishioners to give joyfully of their time and talent, as well as creating new parish leader. She is excited to be working on this project at Christ Church.

Rev. Bill Underhill / Director of Acolytes:

Father Bill is requesting wardrobe help.

As there was no more business, Arthur Powers moved to adjourn the meeting. Mary LeSueur seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

A closing prayer was offered.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy H. Powers, Clerk

2011 Senior Warden's Report

Over the past year the Vestry has been extremely focused on the structure for sustainable ministry. The conception of this plan was the topic of the Vestry Retreat in May and culminated with the presentation of the plan at the Leadership Retreat in December at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion, MA. The Vestry's decision to hire Helen Trainor as Director of Ministry Development will facilitate the growth of this new leadership structure.

There has been much discussion this year about how to best utilize the Hall House. At a meeting after church in June many members presented great ideas for various uses of the Hall House. These ideas were grouped into 8 categories and left in the Parish Hall for 2 consecutive Sundays for members to vote. The top 3 choices, in this order, were 1) a thrift store, 2) church school and youth needs, and 3) hospitality. An ad hoc Hall House committee was formed and a collaborative decision was made for how the space would be used. Four of the 1st floor rooms are being converted into a thrift store under the watchful eye of Rob and Denise MacLean. The 2nd floor of the Hall House, under the supervision of Su D'Ambrosio, has been transformed into classroom space for the older youth and a youth lounge. The kitchen and 2 other adjoin rooms are being used by Hall House Hospitality under the direction of Priscilla Palombo.

The Christ Church Thrift Shoppe at Hall House will be opening mid to late spring of the year. I want to thank Rob and Denise MacLean, Ted and Barbara Widmayer, Jim Hester, Don Legg, Kim Corners and Phil Walter for their extraordinary efforts in this undertaking. Not only is this committee organizing the opening of this shop, but they also ran the estate sale which will contribute to the start-up of the store.

Christ Church is blessed to have many volunteers who willingly give of their time and talents for special projects throughout the year. We've all enjoyed pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and a talent show, hot dogs on the lawn on the 4th of July and Thanksgiving Parade days, playing together in the golf tournament followed by bidding against each other at the auction, concerts by our chancel choir and other community musicians, cooking corn-on-the-cob and barbequed chicken at the Waterfront Festival, the St. Nikolas Tea, and the Christmas Pageant. All of this happens because of hard work, cheerfully done by our parish members.

I'd like to recognize the volunteers from our parish who work hard all year to make our weekly worship services possible. The greeters, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Guild members, Acolytes, hymn pickers, counters, healing ministers, teachers, child care providers, singers, musicians, and worshippers. Their enthusiasm and dedication help each service run smoothly.

Christ Church also has a very dedicated, hard working staff: Joy who runs our office, Jae who cleans the church, Joe who is responsible for an exceptional music program, and Su for her work with the youth. We continue to be blessed with their commitment.

In addition, the dedication that the vestry gives helps to keep the Church administration running smoothly. They continue to give their time, on more than a monthly basis to keep the mission of the Church organized so that we represent a united front to the parish and community.

Finally with Helen as our deacon and Dave as our priest we have a strong spiritual guidance that continues to steer our church family toward our goal of "seeking Christ in Ourselves, Serving Christ in the World."

Respectfully Submitted,

A. James Stanne, Senior Warden

2011 Junior Warden's Report

This is my 4th year as Junior Warden, and it has been by far the easiest to date. *That is* not to say there is any end to cardboard, dead refrigerators, and storm debris that pile up on the campus. But something happened when Jim Stanne became Senior Warden: at least a third of what I would usually expect to do vanished. You can't stop him or his group of helpers. As a result I have a much shorter recital of items to note.

The key change for the Parish Hall has had the desired effect of stopping pilfering and roaming throughout the building. Joe Dudzinski initiated the church office reorganization that has streamlined the appearance and efficiency of the space. The choir rehearsal room is up to his standards as well: fresh paint and a new wall shelf for sheet music. Someone mentioned to me using some duct tape to extend the life of the side chapel kneelers, but on inspection it looked like it would take more than a roll to do the job, so we contracted to recover them with a durable upholstery fabric similar to that in the rest of the sanctuary. Outside the church on the courtyard side, the roof drain system for the leader closest to the lower parish hall doors was replaced with two 55 gallon dry wells and the bamboo that infested all of those side beds was removed. Those beds as well as the entire courtyard are up for design improvement in the coming year, and I hope there will be people interested in joining the Building and Grounds Committee to make those designs for the church, and also to prioritize capital improvements to the carpeting, roofing, and what I will expect as a wild card: how the Hall House will respond to increased usage.

Respectfully submitted
James Elksnin

2011 Annual Report Worship Ministry

“The worship of God especially as expressed in our weekly worship is an attitude by which we live. The focus of the Worship Ministry is to design and implement worship of the whole people of God.”

Liturgically, 2011 settled into a routine rhythm of celebrating the seasons of the church year.

Hymn Picking, Liturgy Planning, and Liturgical Arts Committees

Due to small participation, The Hymn Picking Committee was phased out of service. Joe was willing to take on the full responsibility for hymn selection. Input is still welcome.

Liturgy Planning met only occasionally to plan liturgy based on the lessons and themes for each of the Sunday services and seasons. New music and ideas are sought to keep the liturgy fresh and lively and to encourage congregational participation.

Members who served on the Hymn Picking and/or Liturgy Planning Committees this past year include Thomas Nordquist, Su D’Ambrosio, Sash Erskine, Constance Melahoures, Joseph Dudzinski, and Dave Fredrickson.

Service Highlights

Epiphany - New Year began with our Epiphany service on Sunday, January 8th.

Lent - Our usual Shrove Tuesday Talent Show and Mardi Gras celebration followed the popular blizzard pancake supper prepared by the Men’s Group. There were the two Ash Wednesday services. During Lent, the liturgy took on a more somber tone with the use of the Penitential Order and Great Litany.

Holy Week/Easter Services – For the second year, the EfM community members prepared Wednesday’s service based on the *Tenebrae*, a service of readings and candle lighting, taken from the *Book of Occasional Services*. The service was enhanced by chanting and psalm singing led by Joe Dudzinski. On Maundy Thursday, the altar was stripped bare. For services through Good Friday, hymns were accompanied by flute and recorder or sung a cappella. Attendance was high at most services. The children’s interdenominational Good Friday service drew a good crowd, as did both Easter Sunday services.

Easter Season - The Prepared Communion Class led by teacher, Becky Metzger with the assistance of Fr. Dave and Robin Nielsen was presented on May 1st. The young people led a mini-instructed liturgy.

Bishop Harris visited our parish and celebrated at the 10 AM service on Sunday, June 5th.

Pentecost – For the church’s birthday on June 12th, readers read the gospel in many languages at all three services. The sanctuary was decorated with red, orange, and yellow streamers with the dove hanging from the center of the nave.

Our Church School/Graduate Recognition celebration was held on Pentecost.

Fall – Church schoolteachers commissioned on September 11th, Church School Registration Sunday.

On October 2nd, we celebrated St. Francis with our annual blessing of animals, real and stuffed, inside at the 10 AM Sunday service. Fortunately, the animals were well-behaved. There were no accidents!

On All Saints Sunday, November 6th, a choral evensong service of remembrance was held to honor all the saints who have passed on, especially those within the two years since Fr. Dave has been with us. This was followed by an art show with a remembrance theme and reception in the Hall House. Thanks to Tom Macy, Tom Nordquist, and Priscilla Palombo for organizing the service, art show, and reception.

Blessing of the turkeys took place on November 20th.

Advent/Christmas

Advent I, our Jesse tree was decorated and parishioners had the opportunity to make their advent wreaths after the 10 AM service.

Advent II, we had our Advent Lessons and Carols service with music by the Chancel Choir and other parish musicians.

On Advent III, we blessed the gifts to be distributed to the DCF children.

On Advent IV, a service of Lessons and Carols was led by Don & Debbie Hill at the Saturday, 5 PM service.

Our two Christmas Eve services were well attended. The Annual Christmas Pageant under the direction of Su D'Ambrosio at the 4 PM, was, once again, a hit.

Thank you!

Thanks to all of the people named for their participation and leadership in the activities listed in the above report.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance E. Melahoures
Chairperson

2011 Annual Report Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Lectors lead us through the weekly reading of God's holy word and through the prayers. Eucharistic ministers assist in the serving of Holy Communion. Individuals may serve as lectors only, Eucharistic ministers only or may serve in both capacities.

On Saturday, March 5th, a training workshop, led by Helen Trainor and myself, was held for our lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.

In 2011, the following served as lectors and/or Eucharistic Ministers - Robert Bradley, Judy Bradley, Sandra Burgess, William Carroll, Linda Garrone, Kristine Holmes, Liz Hester, Donna Lawrence, Fang Chi-Lee, Mary LeSueur, Constance Melahoures, Jeffrey Metcalfe, Robin Nielsen, James Stanne, Cynthia Sykes, Nadine Timberlake, Peter Trenouth, Philemon Walters, and Louise Woodruff. Donna Trowbridge and Barbara Whidmayer were added to the team.

Thank you!

Thanks to all of the people named for their participation and leadership in the activities listed in the above report.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance E. Melahoures
Director

2011 Acolytes Annual Report

Acolytes are person who assist the clergy in the performance of public worship. For the most part our acolytes are children and teens form 4th grade through high school. Older youth and adults would also be welcome to serve as acolytes. Indeed, some adults assist in those roles now, mostly when Sunday school classes are in session, such as at the opening half of the 10 am service. We would welcome more in all age categories.

2011 was a transition year for this ministry. After many years as Director, Connie Melahoures left it to be able to concentrate in other areas. She did much to build and maintain it in good order. Father Dave asked me to take it on, which I was glad to do for a limited time, and he found an assistant for me in Kris Holmes, who has been most helpful. We began in mid-May. Several training sessions and meetings were held, and we discovered how busy these young people are, but also how loyal and able they are in their service. We have been stressing that theirs is a very helpful ministry. Acolytes help the services go smoothly, performing many important duties. It is also a learning opportunity and gives them the experience of real participation the worship of the Church. We have given each of them a copy of an Acolytes Manual to assist their learning.

The following young people served faithfully during the past year: Riley Alexander, Alex Bakutis, Maria D'Ambrosio, Rosa D'Ambrosio, Clay Drew, Damon Hetrick, Emma Keane, Steven Legg, Maria Mello, Sam Porter, Kelsea Reid, and Anna Smith. We are grateful for their service. Alex "retired" during the year and was honored for his ten years of service at the Sunday 10 am Eucharist. He has offered to continue to help as needed. Several parents and adult friends have helped cadre for the acolytes' vestments. Our thanks to Amy Anderson, Eliza Burnham, Kris Holmes, and Kay Porter. I am also grateful to the Eucharistic Ministers and chore members who have served acolyte functions while our acolytes have in Sunday school classes (first part of most Sunday services).

In this new year, we invite other youth, teens and adults to join this ancient and valuable ministry. Please contact Fr. Dave, Su D'Ambrosio, Kris Holmes or myself if you are interested.

Respectfully submitted,
William Underhill, Director

2011 Altar Guild Annual Report

As co directress of our Altar Guild, I have to say, and I think the Altar Guild ladies of Christ Church would agree that as we continue working under the rector ship of Fr. Dave has been most enjoyable. We are very blessed to have Dave as our rector who always takes the time to express his appreciation for the work we do in the Altar Guild with his kind words and praises.

The Altar Guild is responsible for all that pertains to the Altar - setting out in the Sanctuary and Altar all the sacred elements and vessels necessary for our Priest to prepare and set the Lord's Table for Holy Communion. There are special duties that are fulfilled by the members of the Altar Guild who are divided into our five teams, rotating on a biweekly basis. At present we are 14 members strong. There is always a particular team on Altar Guild duty especially to prepare for the 3 major weekend services. The Saturday 5:00 service is set up at the foot of the stairs close to the congregation with our small freestanding altar. The Sunday 8:00 service now takes place in the intimate Mary Chapel. And as always the 10:00 takes place in the main sanctuary. We have begun to master the placement of books, tables and chairs necessary for each service, with each service having its own style and purpose.

Each assignment begins on Saturday morning with the arrival of our altar flowers to be arranged and brass vases and collection plates polished. Beautiful silver chalices and plates (patens) are carefully and reverently set out with the appropriate piece of linen cloth - linen being the most special fabric of all - only the best for our Lord Jesus. The bread (body of Christ) and wine (blood of Christ) to be consecrated are replenished with each communion service. Candles and candleholders are maintained. The Altar Guild member pays close attention to the color used for vestments and church hangings according to the season or special service. For example blue is used during the Advent season, purple the Lenten season. White is always used for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals. We gathered twice for special brass and silver polishing before Easter and Christmas. A group from the Altar Guild attended the annual Cape and Islands Deanery luncheon and program. Christ Church is truly blessed with the dedicated Altar Guild members. The fellowship is so welcoming when each group meets on Saturday morning to prepare the altar and flowers for the weekend services. Each person brings their own talents and we all assist each other. What a special calling these ladies bring to Altar Guild.

I wish to thank the members of our Altar Guild for their commitment and dedication - Kristel Nielsen, Alice Babson, Wynn Gerhard, Kristine Holmes, Shin Ru Tang, Robin Nielsen, Ellen Nordquist, Wendy Buffinton, Stephanie Legg, Liz Hester, Marge Carter, Debbie Carter, Diane Harrison, Hazel Rigby. A welcome, Barbara Widmayer and thank you for her calling to clean all our liners for our services. Thank you all for all you do and share!

In Thanksgiving for God's many blessings.
Faithfully submitted,

Robin Nielsen and Kristine Holmes

2011 Annual Report Liturgical Arts Committee

The Liturgical Arts Committee with the guidance of Father Dave and the Liturgy Planning Committee provides the decorations or props to enhance the lessons, gospels, or stories for particular service or church season. The committee participants vary depending on the need of the particular special effects.

This committee uses various skills of many folks (adult and children alike) of the congregation. Following is a list of a few of the people who help the committee on a regular basis.

Tara Noyse
Clare Brady
Ellen Nordquist
Tom Nordquist
Jan Reid – Howe
Patty Reid - Howe
Cynthia Sykes
James Elksin
Jae Johnston

Unless the special effect is a very large undertaking the cost to the church is negligible. Most of the cost is absorbed by the purchaser and is under \$50. A lot of the materials used are loaned for the particular service. Services performed are usually donated.

This past year, the Liturgical Arts committee provided enhancements for:

- Baptism Banner
- Easter – Special Reredos
- Pentecost - Flames
- All Saints Day Saints Banners
- Advent Banners Interior and Exterior

Also thanks to Cynthia Sykes we have a special rack to keep the various reredoses accessible.

There are no regular meetings. Sash attends the Liturgy Planning meeting as possible and holds scheduled and impromptu Liturgical Arts committee meetings when necessary.

Respectfully Submitted

Sash Erskine

2011 Music Program Annual Report

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Music remained a vital and integral part of parish life and worship in 2011. Music Ministry has about 60 active members. The Chancel Choir has 30 active members and 36 when holiday guests join us. We range in age from 16—86. Sadly, the chancel choir lost Cindy Clark, a new choir member in 2011. Don and Debbie Hill continue to lead music at the 5 pm Service once or twice a month, the recorder ensemble occasionally plays even as a duet, and the children's music groups have had as many as twenty singers and players but still need a larger group for weekly rehearsals. **Su D'Ambrosio will be working to build upon the dedicated group of young musicians already serving, but it takes faith-filled decisions by parents and youth to choose music ministry at Christ Church over so many other choices.** Su and the youth musicians lead 5 pm music on the fourth Saturday of each month, and at Family Eucharist Sundays. They also produce a wonderful Christmas Pageant.

Tom Nordquist, Doris Johnson, Matt Mello, and Brent Metcalfe also add to our services and concerts. **I hope parishioners of all ages know that Su D'Ambrosio and I will make use of your gifts whenever you are able to share them. But also know that your parish community really needs and values a regular and steady commitment.** As St. Paul speaks of the Body of Christ and its members, I paraphrase saying that **we are at our best when the whole body is present.**

Music Ministry's primary goal is to lead music for Liturgy. We do so by offering the congregation a variety of music styles for worship. It is important to mention that a hymn or song that isn't your favorite may truly inspire another parishioner. Also note that newcomers to the parish have commented that our energetic and diverse music is one of the reasons they stay at Christ Church. All are welcome to offer a hymn or song suggestion, email me at jduzdinski@hotmail.com or via the contact page on our music website listed above. **Be assured that I will continue to work for a liturgically sound but eclectic repertoire for worship.** The Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion, of which we are a part, is a world church and we have a responsibility to represent that in our prayer and song.

Our Music Series 2011 hosted the Valentine Concert and Dinner, the Scholarship Musicians' Recital and Dinner, a Summer Recital, the Songs for Two Concert and Dinner, the Music Festival/Oktoberfest, and the Evensong of Remembrance. The music series, through these events, and other donations from parishioners, advertisers, and one sponsor, took in \$7,551. in 2011. This money was used to produce the music series, to offer scholarship awards to youth musicians, and to provide professional guest musicians for special holiday services. 2010-2011 Scholarship Musicians, Maria D'Ambrosio and Collin Holbrook were each awarded \$500. In Spring 2011. 2011-2012 Scholarship Musicians, Riley Jayne Anderson and Natalia Castro have already received \$250 and \$200, respectively. Riley and Natalia will perform a solo recital in early Spring 2012 where they will be awarded what remains of their scholarship money. These students serve the parish music program in multiple ways for several months as is required by their scholarship covenant. **Over 400 guests have attended the Music Series in 2011. Have you? For many, it is their first experience of our community.**

This past Palm Sunday, the music program presented the Sung Passion according to Matthew by Orlando di Lassus, making use of the chancel choir, soloists, string players, and youth musicians. Similarly, Easter Sunday, Lessons and Carols for Advent, and Christmas Eve showcased the best we could offer God and the community with anthems by Handel, Ord, Rachmani-noff, Rutter, and a lively spiritual or two. **It is really a gift to celebrate these feasts**

with 40 musicians in the chancel, including a string quartet with principal players from the Plymouth Philharmonic.

Our first Evensong of Remembrance was held in November and organized by Tom Macy and others. The service drew a congregation of 80 people and allowed all who came to recall and honor their loved ones in music and worship. Don and Debbie Hill offered a well-performed Contemporary Lessons and Carols on the third Saturday in Advent to a congregation of 35 people.

Personally, it has been challenging to lead a good music program without an accompanist, someone to play so that I may conduct. It has also been rewarding to see and hear what our volunteer ministry can achieve. I look forward to our continued growth and honor the dedication of so many good and talented people who serve in music ministry.

Thank you for raising your voices Sunday after Sunday, for your support of music ministry at worship and at concerts, and for the many good things that are yet to come.

Respectfully,

Joseph Dudzinski, music director

2011 Children's Music Ministry Annual Report

The Children's Music Ministry consists of *Choristers*, a singing group for young children age 4-8, *CC Singers*, a group for older children age 8 and up, and *CC Band*, instrumental students of all ages and abilities. *CC Band* has been a less-structured group as there are fewer wind and string players this year. Joe has created many opportunities for our several piano students to share selections during services as well as on Christ Church Music Festival concerts. Our singing groups have been meeting regularly on Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings and have prepared musical offerings for every Family Sunday this year. *CC Singers* has also provided music for the Saturday 5:00 pm services once per month. The following students have participated this year:

Choristers: Clara Anderson, Anna Smith, Ellie Smith, Maggie Smith, Harrison Keane, Emma Keane, Matthew Mello, Toni Mello, Maria Mello, Maria MacAllister, Harry Morini, Finola Morini, Rosa D'Ambrosio, Callie MacInnis, Liz MacInnis, Mia Galvam, Isabelle Wehbe and Emma Metzger. Maria D'Ambrosio is our accompanist.

CC Singers: Rosa D'Ambrosio, Emma Metzger, Anna Smith, Maria Mello, Toni Mello, Matthew Mello, Natalya Edson, Liz MacInnis, Callie MacInnis and Maria D'Ambrosio, accompanist.

We do not have a formal budget, but are supported through the Music Ministry budget. Our expenses this year have been:

Children's Music Ministry Director Stipend: \$2500

Membership to the *Chorister's Guild*: \$60

Respectfully submitted

--Su D'Ambrosio

2011 Church School Spring/Fall Annual Report

In January of 2011 I took on the role of Church School Coordinator. My main goals were to establish a consistent, sequential Church School curriculum, communicate regularly with Church School teachers and families, ensure adequate and appropriate space for Church School classes and to follow-up with new families, Baptism families as well as families that register but stop coming. We started the school year in September with a year-long calendar that lists all Church School weeks, Family Sunday weeks, special events and holidays as well as the dates for VBS 2012. I met with Church School teachers in the spring and in November 2011 and maintain regular, weekly contact with them through Church School. Tara Noyes has agreed to coordinate our new Family Sunday format and we ran our first Family Sunday on October 30 as well as an Advent Wreath Session for families on November 27. Family Sunday was moved to the last Sunday of the month to coordinate with our church school curriculum and church holidays and has a stronger focus on participation in the service as a family unit.

I am still working on establishing a volunteer system for our Come Join the Circle curriculum for students pre-K through grade 3. We have had several new members participate and look forward to the growth of this program. We are currently brainstorming ways to motivate students in grades 11 and 12 to continue with Church School and will implement some suggestions in 2012.

Our current Church School teachers are: Karen Guerra, Mary Bell, Cynthia Sykes, Becky Metzger, Angelyn MacInnis, Ellen McTigue, Tara Noyes, Kim Corners, Jamie Depathy, Missy Matinzi, Rev. Dave, Kim Fraser and Bill Finn. Regular helpers include: Tami Edson, Tina MacAllister, Barbara Smith, Sarah Talbot, Roberta Reed and Stephanie Legg. Their dedication and contribution to the youth of Christ Church is tremendous and they all deserve our thanks and appreciation! We have about 76 regular students attending and are have added several new families this year.

Respectfully submitted
--Su D'Ambrosio

2011 Vacation Bible School Annual Report

Vacation Bible School was in session from July 25 through July 29 8:45 am to 12:00 pm. The theme for VBS 2010 was SonRock Kids Camp. There were 15 students age 3 through 10. The Adult assistants were: Amy Anderson and Dennis and June Smith. Junior assistants were Riley Anderson, Rosa D'Ambrosio, Anna Smith, Maria D'Ambrosio and Lexi Noyes. Each day consisted of free play with various games in the room, music, a story, a craft, a snack, outdoor play and worship with Rev. Dave. Our final worship was a sharing time for parents, friends and relatives with special refreshments. Tuition was \$35/student or \$75 family max. and we gave several scholarships. Nobody is turned away because of inability to pay. The income from tuition covers most of the cost of the program. The balance is made-up from the money available for VBS in the church budget.

Respectfully submitted
--Su D'Ambrosio

2011 Confirmation Class Annual Report

The Confirmation class is taught by Fr. Dave and Missy Matinzi. After reviewing previous curriculums, it was decided that the class would be expanded to a 2 year course, beginning in 9th grade and continuing through 10th grade culminating with Confirmation by the Bishop. This would be the first class to experience the new process.

The first year focused on looking at the big picture of religion and faith, looking at the various forms of religion around the world beginning with the mythology of the Greeks and Romans, touching on Islam Buddhism and other Eastern religions before looking at the history of Christianity, the Anglican Church and the Episcopal Church. The second year is being spent looking at the Bible in the first half of the year and forms of prayer and spiritual practice the second half of the year. The class and teachers will be attending the Confirmation retreat in March at the Barbara C. Harris Camp & Conference Center in New Hampshire, and Confirmation will be in early May at the Cathedral in Boston.

Because of the 2 year focus on the Confirmation process, 9th graders joined us in September to begin the process. Missy is teaching this group, using the Youth Alpha program for part of the year to look at God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. She will also be going over church history with the group. Dave is working with the second year students, using the I Know my Bible curriculum. Bill Finn is assisting with the classes this year. The class meets every Sunday except for Easter and Christmas. On Family Sunday, the entire class spends the hour together getting to know each other and discussing issues/topics that come up in class.

2011 Annual Report Education for Ministry (EfM)

Jean Bove and Sandra Burgess who finished their 4th year, were presented with their graduation certificates at the June service honoring all our high school and college graduates.

Classes were resumed in the fall with four continuing parish members –Kim Corners, Jeff Hetrick, Peter Keane, Robert Pflock, and one non-member, Donna Eby. New student, Priscilla Palombo was welcomed to make the sixth member.

EfM is a four-year theological education program in which participants study the Bible, church history and modern theology. Based on the premise in our Baptismal covenant that we are all ministers, the EfM program helps each student to recognize and develop their skills and calling to serve as ministers of Christ. All of our graduates are serving or have served in leadership positions at Christ Church and / or participate in our outreach programs in the church and in the community

Sponsored by the University of the South, the class is led by trained mentor, Constance Melahoures. Classes meet weekly for discussion and theological reflection. Students pay a fee (\$340) to participate and may commit to one year at a time. Scholarships are available.

Submitted by

Constance Melahoures
Mentor

2011 Outreach Annual Report:

Christ Church Food Pantry

Challenging Times

Anyone wondering how the Plymouth community is faring in this difficult economy time need only ask our volunteers: all of us know that during Christ Church Food Pantry hours, we are very busy (Tues and Thurs 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., Saturday 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.), and there is always a line out the door before the Pantry opens. Volunteers whose shift occur towards the end of the month, before our next order has arrived, often must tell our clients that the supply of perishables – meat, eggs, and cheese – is gone, and the clients see that the shelves of canned and boxed foods have large empty spots. **Pam Claughton**, who places our monthly orders, tries to keep up with demand by increasing the amounts of order supplies, but late in the month, we've often had to use our funds to shop at local super markets and discount stores. Despite several food drives and fundraisers throughout the area, the South Shore Community Action Warehouse, from which we can obtain free food on Mondays and Wednesdays, has itself often been low on supplies, although they always generously urge us to take what is available. The painful reality is that food programs throughout Commonwealth are experiencing an unprecedented need, and CCFP is facing high demand on a weekly basis. Lost jobs, the high cost of food, and the inability of those with low-paying jobs to meet basic needs, are all contributing to this demand.

A Community Partnership

CCFP has been blessed that during such challenging times, we have had willing support and gifts from so many, beginning with **Christ Church Parish** itself. Not a week goes by without donations being dropped in the basket at the church front door or left at the Pantry itself. Our parishioners know that Christ calls us to support the church's outreach mission and serve the needy in our community with gifts of food and/or funds, as well as giving time as volunteers to help out in the Pantry. Beyond the parish, we have this year received donations of food from both the **First Baptist Church of Plymouth**, whose pastor, **Rev. Jeffrey Jones**, is also a regular FP volunteer, and **The Church of the Pilgrimage**, where long-time FP volunteer, Joyce Ashley, is a member. Before closing its food pantry, **Otis Air Base** chose CCFP as one of the few area food programs to receive its remaining supplies. The postal workers of Plymouth were again part of a national effort by USPS workers to collect canned foods along their routes, and CCFP received the second largest allotment from that drive. Throughout the year, but particularly at Thanksgiving time, we received donations – both funds and canned or boxed foods from youth sports teams, schools at all levels – from pre-schools to high schools and teachers' groups, as well as area businesses, and concerned individuals who know about CCFP but are not members of our parish. This year, as it has for the past two years, The Market at Pinehills, donated a case (100) of its beautiful and durable red shopping bags that made packing, distributing, and carrying our annual Thanksgiving dinners much easier for volunteers and clients alike. The Plymouth Lions Club gave CCFP \$2000 the week before Thanksgiving, which helped to fund the last-minute purchase of items to complement the donations already made by parishioners and others for the dinners distribution. CCFP volunteers include many parishioners but also individuals from the community who want to help.

Special Events

Every month, CCFP submits orders to the **Greater Boston Food Bank** for several hundred pounds of free or low-cost food. CCFP works closely with GBFB throughout the state Legislature's budget season to advocate for sufficient funds for the Massachusetts Emergency Food Program (MEFAP), through which the state provides nutritious food and locally-grown products to more than 800 emergency food providers, including our Pantry. Every year, the program is threatened by proposals for major funding cuts, but due to the advocacy efforts of

GBFB and its member agencies, level funding has been maintained. As part of this advocacy, CCFP Coordinator, Betsy Stengel, invited **Senate President Therese Murray**, who represents the Plymouth area, to visit our Pantry. The invitation was accepted, and in May, President Murray, a staff person, and GBFB CEO, Catherine D'Amato spent a half hour viewing our setup and asking questions about our clients, the need for funding, and support from the community for CCFP, which is the largest pantry in the area. In April, GBFB held its annual gala dinner which included a video of clients at several food pantries discussing their lives and the importance of their pantry in meeting the needs of their families. GBFB asked CCFP to find a client willing to participate - not an easy request, given that many people are reluctant to speak publicly about their financial challenges and the need to rely on a food pantry. Fortunately, we identified an extraordinarily articulate and attractive young single mother, Nadia Harris, who is employed but also pursuing a degree in criminal justice to improve her ability to provide for her two sons and herself. Betsy Stengel also spoke on the video about how CCFP operates and how important GBFB supplies are to us. CC was pleased to have its major outreach program featured on the video that was seen by some 500 guests at the gala and was on the GBFB website.

CCFP 2011 – Numbers and Service

This year CCFP experienced a significant increase over 2010 in the number of clients served and meals provided. From January and every month thereafter through November (the last month for which data is available), we helped *at least* 100 more clients per month than we had the same month in 2010. The MA Episcopal Diocese provides a formula by which parishes calculate the number of meals provided to clients: total number of clients for the year x 3 meals a day x 4 days (how long the Diocese estimates the supplies would last). Based on this formula, CCFP provided **65,484 meals** in 2011, compared to 57,564 in 2010 (that year's data includes December). Given the increase in demand and the amount of supplies distributed, it is probably more accurate to estimate that the food lasted 5 days, in which case through November, CCFP provided **81,857 meals**. That is a lot of additional food for a medium-sized pantry to supply. To meet this demand, we ordered and volunteers unloaded **30,523 pounds of food** from GBFB. That meant a lot of strong backs, arms, and people willing to take time from their busy schedules to restore our supplies. At Thanksgiving, CCFP provided dinner fixings to almost 300 individuals. In 2011, CCFP received \$12,134.12 in donations, which helped to purchase food as well as a new refrigerator. The donations included a large number of memorial gifts for David Denekamp and David Fall. CCFP's account balance in January, 2012 is 10,978.74, which will be needed as we face another year that will surely be challenging in terms of meeting the increase in need in our community.

Our Volunteers

Three volunteers share with me the "leadership" of CCFP: **Pam Cloughton**, who orders supplies, tracks our budget, and represents the Pantry on the vestry; **Jennifer Keane**, who serves as back-up for Pam and me, and organizes the Thanksgiving dinner distribution; and **Wendy Buffington**, who coordinated the volunteer scheduling and provided last-minute substitution at the pantry when a volunteer couldn't make a shift. Needing more time for her family, other volunteer activities, and herself, Wendy is stepping down from this role at the end of 2011. In addition to their special duties, took regular shifts as volunteers. CCFP's regular volunteers in 2011 were:

Joyce Ashley	Jean Johnson	Eileen Paris
Mary Bell	Rev. Jeffrey Jones	Randy and Sue Pond
The Blanchards	Zach Metzger	Deb Sinn
The Bott family	Mary Lou O'Connell	Sharon Sloman
Jen DeCost	Suzanne Obin	Caroline Stone
Marcella Dos Anjos	Cindy Sullivan & family	Matthew Folger

Amy Galvam
Diane Harrison
Maria Husted
Cherranne Johnson
Jean Johnson

Linda Warner
The Wicks family
Barbara Widmayer
Barbara Wojtkiewicz
Sam Layton

Anthony Valero
Greg Edson

Respectfully submitted
Betsy Stengel, Coordinator

2011 Family to Family Annual Report

The parishioners of Christ Church reached out with love and generosity to our less fortunate neighbors once again. The Family to Family gift program this year provided Christmas presents for 50 area children ranging in age from one month to 18 years. Barbara Stevenson orchestrated the gift drive and James Eikhorn delivered the gifts to the Department of Children and Family Services for distribution.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Stevenson

2011 Annual Report Overnights of Hospitality

When the star in the sky is gone.....The work of Christmas begins:

*To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry.....*

Howard Thurman

Forty-three members of Christ Church, some of whom served more than once, volunteered to chaperone or provide a meal in the Overnights for Hospitality program for the five weeks in which we hosted in 2011. The Overnights of Hospitality program which is operated by the Plymouth Taskforce for the Homeless, provides emergency sheltering for single homeless men during the winter months. Christ Church is one of six congregational hosting sites. This is the eighth year in which we have participated. We are thankful for those who volunteered and welcome anyone who would be willing to join us. Our volunteers for 2011 include:

Chaperones

Thomas Bott
Anita Chase
Christine DeGowin
William Finn
Scott Ferguson
David Fredrikson
Ken & Alice Heckman
Peter Keane
Tom Macy
Jeff Metcalfe
Brent Metcalfe
Les Telless
Bob Timberlake
Peter Trenouth

Meal Providers

Mary Bell
The Bott Family
Wendy Buffington
The Burgess Family
Pamela Claughton
Jamie Depathy
Liz Hester
Doris Johnson
Jennifer Keane
Donna Lawrence
Fang Chi Lee
Mary LeSueur
Ellie Massie
Tara Noyes
Priscilla Palombo
Bobbie Perry
Nicole Perry
Caro & Peter Peterson
Phil & Deedee Walters
Jennifer Whidden
Barbara Widmayer

We are always looking for new volunteers to serve in this vital outreach ministry. Contact us for further information and/or to volunteer.

Submitted by

Barbara Wojtklewicz, Site and Chaperone Coordinator
Ellen Nordquist, Meal Coordinator

2011 Pastoral Care Annual Report

The Pastoral Care groups consisting of Kris Holmes, Donna Lawrence, Bobbie Perry and Peter Trenouth have been busy serving our homebound and infirmed member. It is our responsibility to bring them news of the parish and Holy Communion so that they feel a part of our church family.

This year we held 127 services. Mary Le Sueur and Alice McCracken have visited our hospital and homebound people as needed.

It is important for families to notify the church or one of us if their family member moves to a new location. The Right to Privacy Act forbids facilities from disclosing this information. We have lost some of our people and feel badly when we can't reach them. Please help us in this matter.

Donna and I and Father David meet often to go over our prayer list and try to keep it updated. Be sure to call the office to add or to remove names as needed. Helen Trainor helped us organize a prayer call list. Alice McCracken starts this after a call from Joy. She will start the call as special prayers are needed. Ellen Nordquist sends cards for us to remind them they are not forgotten.

If any of you would like to be part of this group, talk with Father David or one of us and we will work with you. You can just be a visitor and call on these folks from time to time or be trained to bring them communion. It is a most satisfying ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbie Perry

2011 Knitting Ministry Annual Report

The Knitting Ministry has had a busy year. Those knitting baby blankets for our baptism baskets and prayer shawls for those who are ill or lost a loved one are Jackie Giaccaglia, Alice McCracken, Ella Place, Bobbie Perry, Sally Robertson, Jeffrey Roche, Elaine Shurtless, and Elizabeth Telless.

There is always room for more to join us when we meet the last Friday of each month. We will be happy to teach you if you do not know how.

This year we gave out 15 baby shawls for baptisms and 57 to folks as the need arose.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbie Perry, Coordinator

2011 Christ Church Columbarium Annual Report

I would like to begin by acknowledging how fortunate we at Christ Church are to have an earthly place to call home for eternity. Thanks to the original generosity of Walter Ivan Flocken, Jr. and Norma Bright Flocken and their family the first phase of the Christ Church Columbarium was installed in March, 2001 and formally dedicated on August 18, 2001. At the end of 2010, we were at capacity.

The time to expand had come. In 2011, Christ Church added Phase II which provides for an additional 24 niches. Once again Armento Liturgical Arts provided expert workmanship and cooperation and James Elksnin provided a tasteful and seamless installation. Based on the cost of unit, the Vestry voted to approve the recommendation of the Columbarium Committee and set the fee for any niche in Phase II at \$700 per niche. Niches may be reserved with a deposit of \$250. The Columbarium ministry is self-funding with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of each niche going to a fund to provide for the next phase.

During 2011, Kathleen Winslow Budd, Mildred A. Dupuis, Florence Young, William J. Young, G. W. Joseph Higgins and Cynthia Clark joined fellow parishioners and friends to rest eternally in Christ Church Parish. May we remember and pray for all those inurned and their loved ones and may they hold us in their prayers from their special place.

The Columbarium Committee consists of at least three and no more than five members including the rector, a warden, and the head of the columbarium committee. We are pleased to have Melissa Matinzi join the committee. The committee meets only as needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Woodruff
Chair

2011 Planned Giving Committee Annual Report

The Planned Giving Committee was inactive in 2011, though expects to introduce a program to the parish in 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Blair, William Driscoll, Mary LeSueur, Chair

2011 Endowment Committee Annual Report

The purpose of the Endowment Fund is to provide a reservoir of support that will assure the long-term financial health of Christ Church as its people carry out their mission as expressed in the mission statement. The Endowment Fund Committee periodically meets with the investment manager and reviews the performance of the investments on behalf of the Vestry. The 2011 committee has included *Dave Frederickson*, Rector, *Jim Stanne*, Senior Warden, *Janet Reid-Howe*, Treasurer, *Bill Driscoll*, *Adrian Massie*, *Cindi Sullivan* and *Mary LeSueur*.

In 2011 quarterly meetings (1/26, 4/27, 7/27 & 10/26) were held with our portfolio managers, *Todd Johnson* and *Sue Rourke*, 1620 Investment Advisors Inc. At the October meeting *Todd & Susan* reported that the stock market (and thus our portfolio) experienced a volatile, uncertain third quarter though added that “bonds” had had positive returns. In January 2010 when 1620 Investment Advisors took over the portfolio under their management its value was **\$949,079**. As of December 31st, its value was **\$859,235**. Approximately **\$106,206** was withdrawn during the year for budgetary needs.

The remainder of the church’s investment portfolio remains in the hands of the diocesan investment committee.

Two members of the investment committee, *Bill Driscoll* and *Cindi Sullivan*, stepped down from the committee at the end of 2011. Both have been valued participants for several years and will be missed.

Bob MacLean and *Ted Widmayer* have agreed to replace them. *Bob* and *Ted* worked in the investment field until retirement just as now do *Bill* and *Cindi*.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LeSueur, Chair

2011 Stewardship Task Force Annual Report

To follow is the annual report for the 2012 campaign (during 2011) along with a note of thanks.

The Members: Our team consists of 5 members: Peter Keane (Chair), Ellie Massie, Donna Lawrence, Kim Corners, and Connie Melahoures. Dave Fredrickson ad hoc member.

The Theme: “Grant us strength and courage to love and serve the Lord.” (BCP, pg 365).

The Goal and Benefit: Receive \$220K in pledges for 2012 by end Q112. The money is used to fund the 2012 budget which our parish needs to run our church(church budget is roughly \$350K/yr). If we reach our goal it allows us to draw a sustainable amount from our investments. We have not been meeting our goal in recent years, and as a result have been drawing a bit too much from our investment portfolio.

Meetings held: 7/7/11, 8/29/11, 9/12/11, 10/3/11, 10/26/11, 12/13/11, 1/31/12

Summary of overall campaign plan:

Similar to last year, we used a more traditional campaign consisting of a series of i) Direct Mailings (3), ii) Stewardship Speakers (4), iii) emails, iv) Parishscope articles, v) bulletin updates, and vi) Coffee & Conversation at The Pinehills w/Dave F.

Key Stewardship campaign dates:

- Oct 16: Stewardship Sunday kick-off. Stewardship Sermon by Dave.
- Oct 17 (week of): First direct mailing: Parishioner letter (Priscilla Polumbo) with Christ Church brochure. Brochure explains who we are what we do.
- Oct 24 (week of): Second mailing: Treasurer letter (Janet Reid-Howe) with Christ Church budget pie charts (both an expense chart and an income chart).
- Oct 31 (week of): Third mailing: Rector letter (Dave Fredrickson) with pledge card. Pledge card also has volunteerism check boxes on reverse side.
- Nov 20: In-gathering Sunday. There was a special pledging blessing service held. Pledge cards were gathered in their own separate baskets (including church school "pledges". Extra food/drink provided afterward.
- Oct 24 - Nov 13: Stewardship speakers weekly on these Sundays.

Results to date (through 12/31/11):

As of 12/31/11 we have ~\$150K on 89 pledges (avg \$1,685), which is \$70K short of our goal. There are still ~35 pledgers that pledged ~\$35K in 2011 that have not pledged for 2012 yet. There are also ~50 “regular givers” that do not “pledge”, which total ~\$20K/yr. Of note, so far we have 13 new pledges, 31 increases pledges, and 9 decreased pledges.

Stewardship TF Budget:

The Stewardship TF spends ~\$750 a year. This money is mainly spent on postage, office supplies, and food/drink for In-Gathering Sunday.

A note of thanks from me:

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

It my pleasure to serve as your Stewardship Task Force Chair for a second year. On behalf of our team, I'd like to take a moment to thank the many folks who helped make this year's campaign possible.

First of all I'd like to thank our Stewardship TF team members. Thank you to Kim Corners, Donna Lawrence, Ellie Massie, and Connie Melahoures, and our "ad hoc" member Rector Dave Fredrickson. Great job again this year! Thanks for the "fun" and the friendship. Couldn't do it without you.

Thank you Priscilla Polumbo, our treasurer Janet Reid-Howe, and our Rector Dave Fredrickson, each for writing a letter for our three direct mailings to parishioner's homes. I appreciate the extra effort and personal outpouring it takes to write these missives!

Another thank you goes to the direct mailings team. They fold/stuff/post all the mailings! Thanks goes to Marge Carter, Mary Bell, Ella Place, Bobbie Perry, Alice McCracken, Fran Armstrong, Mildred Aguia, Hazel Rigby, and Diane Harrison. I apologize if I left anyone out. And of course a big thank you to Joy (our office admin) for helping to coordinate this entire effort.

Finally, a big thank you to you my fellow parishioners. Thank you for your generous offerings of financial support to our church, which is vital to our parish life.

We are always looking for feedback and for volunteers. We would like to do a different kind of campaign for next year and would welcome new blood and ideas. Please feel free to contact me or anyone on the task force at any time.

Peace,
Peter Keane
Stewardship Task Force Chair

2011 Healing Ministry Annual Report

During communion prayers are available in the Mary Chapel at the 10AM service. Through prayer, laying-on of hands, and in asking for God's presence, Healing Ministers offer comfort, support, peace and renewal to help toward inner harmony and courage in facing life's trials.

At this time there are six members of this ministry: Connie Melahoures, Cynthia Sykes, Donna Lawrence, William Underhill, Peter Trenouth, and Caroline Stone. Information is shared through email. There is no treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Stone

2011 Women's Guild Annual Report

An increasing number of Christ Church women meet for friendship, programs of interest and refreshment on the second Friday of each month. Programs have included: "Are You Okay", K 9 Services, Library Services, Games, Videos and lecture relating to other churches and the Holy Land, and presentations of requested topics. A donation of \$2.00 is used for supplies and food, and meetings are often in members' homes. The lamp of Presence is supported in memory of departed members. Recording Secretary, Hazel Rigby, Treasurer, Shirley Maichle, Coordinator, Caroline Stone

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Stone

Evening Woman's Group

January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011

Income:

Meals	1902.25
Pie Sales	216.00
Parade	283.00
Retreat	3731.00
Total	<hr/> 6132.25

Expenses:

Outreach:

Christmas and Thanksgiving	262.40
Golf	85.00
Wine	50.00
Potato salad	210.00
Pies (general fund)	170.00
Coalition for Homeless	100.00
Coffee	250.75
Retreat	4441.50
Retreat Dep 2012	452.00
Bert's Dinner	66.06
Speaker	100.00
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Evening Woman meet the first Wednesday of the month. We share a meal made by the hostess and talk about outreach projects that we can do. January we had Deborah Rudolf, ESQ talked about wills, estate planning, health care proxy. February we had a great meal at Cynthia Sykes for Valentine's day. March we had game night. May we went out to Bert's for a great dinner. June we were at Bobby Perry's for "What's In the Box" and a Yankee swap game. July we had a great meal and fellowship out at Connie's beach house. In August we met on Sampson's Pond for more fellowship. September and October we had great meals at church. November we made apple pies in the Hall House and sheared a great meal. December we went to Connie's house and had our Christmas party with our Yankee swap. And of course we cannot forget about our

wonderful retreat in September with our leaders Helen Trainor and Maureen McMann. I would like to invite ALL the woman of the church to join in our fun and fellowship.

In His Name,

Donna Lawrence

2011 Hall House Hospitality Annual Report

A potential revenue generating venue.

Establish fee for usage:

- Meeting/Conference (presentation wall above fireplace)
- Reception
 - Bridal
 - Memorial Services
 - Funeral
 - Graduation
 - Baptism
 - Confirmation
 - Teas
 - Concert
 - Exhibit
- Ministry Meeting

The Hall House dining room and parlor can comfortably accommodate thirty people for a light affair type reception usage. Forty to fifty people could be accommodated by opening the kitchen area. A seated function can accommodate ten people.

Would the Hall House hospitality come under general parish hospitality with a line time for each; one for general parish hospitality and one for Hall House hospitality? How would larger group requests be handled if the parish hall and kitchen were needed? Would a committee be required? Functions and usage of Hall House would require a schedule.

I submitted a \$500.00 new line item for Hall House hospitality. This is initially for a fresh coat of paint for the dining room parlor, kitchen and bathroom; for marketing and to purchase kitchen items for full functional use.

The history I have for the Hall House is a reception held after the Evensong service and Art Exhibit this past fall for which there were approximately fifty people. I volunteered to host and donate the reception for sixty people. I volunteered to host the reception after Ann Chase's funeral for forty people.

There is potential to generate revenue.

Respectfully submitted,
Priscilla Palombo

2011 Greeters/Alms & Oblation Annual Report

I would like to thank the following who have ushered: Patti Bakutis, Mary Bell, Susan Benea, Marion & Tom Bott, Clare Brady, Priscilla Coyle, Pam Claughton, Donn Eddy, James Elksnin, Bill Finn, Kim Fraser, Glenn Gonsalves, Jeffrey Hetrick, Liz & John Hester, Peter Keane, May LeSueur, Donna Lawrence, Scot Marcosa, Tina, Steve & Mia MacAllister, Ella Place, Nancy & Arthur Powers, Hazel Rigby, Kthy Rust, Jill Tassinari, Les Telless and Holly Williams.

I am especially thankful for all the work done by Adrian Massie.

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Morrison

2011 Newcomers/Welcoming Annual Report

An old ministry being resurrected!

As potential new parishioners and visitors attend any one of the three services, they are being recognized and asked to fill out the visitor's card available at each pew and put it in the collection plate.

The process presently in place is the visitor will be contacted by the priest by the following Wednesday. The priest will put a copy of the card in the Newcomer's mailbox for follow up that same week by delivering a loaf of bread as a welcome token.

I have met in two meetings with parishioners who have offered suggestions of how to make a potential newcomer feel welcomed. Some have shared their experience as a newcomer. Some suggestions made:

- One person at each service to be available to speak with the visitor
- Name badge to be worn
- Information about our ministries or make our ministries available on the website
- Invite the visitor to coffee hour and introduce the (available only at the 10 am)
- Periodically host a tea or dinner for newcomers
- Mail a note or card to the newcomer after a few months.

Welcome folders are available for newcomers.

I submitted at \$200.00 new line item for Newcomers. This is to purchase bread dough and wrapping and to host a social. I have no history and strongly suggest a committee be established.

Respectfully submitted,
Priscilla Palombo

Treasurer Report: 2011 Year End Report

Statement of Fund Balances

Affirm Budget for 2012

Janet Reid-Howe's report was presented as written and submitted.

I want to thank the Investment Committee, the Budget Committee, and the weekly counters for all their hard work. Special thanks to Donna Lawrence for all the recording she does and to Sue & Brent Metcalfe who coordinate the counters and go to the bank each week. I'm truly grateful that Robert Bradley faithfully continues to assist me with treasurer's responsibilities.

I highlighted several aspects of the 2011 Budget, which had been previously approved by the Vestry.

Please note that there are certain items that are not included in the regular budget because they are not paid for by parish donations. These "in and out" items go into a supplementary budget. Two of these items are the Food Pantry and the Music Series which are funded entirely by specific donations, many of which come from outside the parish. Altar flowers are paid for by specific donations as well. New prayer books and hymnals are purchased when donations are given for them. Vacation Bible school and Sunday morning coffee hour funds also fall in this category. The Director of Ministry Development for 2012 will be added as a line item to the supplementary budget as this is a time limited contract. The vestry voted to fund this \$50,000/year position plus pension for the implementation of CCP new ministry structure. Pension is based on 18% of total clergy compensation (TCC) required for clergy.

On October 24, 2011, I met with Richard W. Kershaw and Robert Bradley for the purpose of conducting an examination of the Statement of Financial Position and the related Statements of Activity and Cash Flow, of Christ Church Parish, at December 31, 2010 with a review of year end December 2009. Systems of internal control, insurance protection, policies and procedures were inspected and reviewed in accordance with the audit guidelines of the "Manual of Business Methods in Church Affairs" and the internal audit procedures outlined under Canon 17, Episcopal Diocese "Audit Guidelines". The Audit findings found the aforementioned financial statements presented fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Christ Church Parish at December 31, 2010, 2009 and results of operations for the years then ended. The recommendation of the audit committee was that a record of valuable contents i.e. silver, gold, stained glass windows, brass, computers, etc. be updated and maintained with photographs and cost replacement value estimated as well. The audit findings were presented to the vestry and submitted to the Diocese Parish Audit Coordinator and all requirements were considered complete for 2010. The vestry will work on the recommendation of valuable content in the coming year.

Expense Items

This year there will be a few increases and adjustments in the budget line items according to actual expenses for 2011. Contractual items, such as copier service/lease agreements and computer/technology increased where cost of service increased. The vestry approved a 5% salary increase for the Administrative Assistant, Sexton, & Church School/ Children's Music Coordinator. The proposed 2012 Music Program increase of \$5,300 including Director's salary was approved by the vestry.

Our Diocesan assessment will remain the same for 2012. The assessment amount a parish pays is based on a formula set by the Diocese which is then applied to the parish's expenditures. This

year the Diocese identified a Bishop's Trust, Abby Jackson Fund belonging to CCP that has not been touched for about 20 years. The Vestry asked for \$5,400 and this was directly credited to our Diocesan Assessment. This cut down on administrative time and cost.

Income Sources

Pledges and regular giving were in the amount of \$177,538 against the \$200,000 budgeted amount which is up from 2010. The amount budgeted for pledges and regular giving will be \$220,000 in the 2012 budget.

Fund raising brought in \$25,324, minus expenses, \$10,900, and net profit \$14,424.

In order to balance the 2011 operating budget, \$106,356 was used from our investments. In the 2012 budget \$98,000 has been budgeted for the same purpose.

The Portfolio Report shows transfers that were made for budgetary items.

Please note: With our new structure, there will be a consolidation of line items and categories changes for 2012 year end reporting. A handout will be available at the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Reid-Howe

PASSAGES

Baptisms

Noah Charles May
Abigail Lee Matinzi
Ryan Anthony Stanne
Ryan Michael Tolley
Sara Belle Deacon
Annabelle Leah Ouellette
Brenton Cade Cozzone
Finley Mae Hoban
Holly June Kane
Parker Stone Maloney
Graham Patrick Lanning
Campbell Anastacia Lazer
Louisa Evangeline Stevenson
John Clardy Stevenson
James Dennis Riley

Weddings

Kristen Marie Maichle and Michael Louis Gianfrancesco
Lizabeth Cline and Randy Labossiere
Tricia A. Rice and Richard A. Wood
Amy Jane Baldwin and Scott Michael Tavares
Kristen Hope Spencer and James Jeffrey MacLean
Nichole Colleen Noble Hepinstall and Nathan Michael Young

Burials

David A. Furtado
Jean W. Senter - Member
Alice J. Jones
David B. Fall
Lillian V. Booth - Member
Kathleen Winslow Budd – Member
Mildred A. Dupuis - Member
Lois E. Cotter - Member
Constance A. Gomes
Florence Young - Member
Ruth M. Tessier - Member

Paul V. Lovely
Rose Collas - Member
Jacqueline Goldrick
Irene V. Caldwell
Anne O. Chase - Member
Ryan B. Nicotri
John M. Williams
Cynthia E. Clark - Member
Cheryl L. Marcosa
Daniel S. Whelan – Member

Memorial Service

Joseph Higgins

New Members

William H. Allen
Ed and Koko Bickford
Amy Brown
Irene Caldwell
Brian and Erin Codgan
Robert and Lynn Debbs
Marian Donovan
William and Deidra Ferguson
Leslie Herin and Carlton Williams
Leigh Lench
Tom Macy and Maggie Peterson
Karl and Tammy Miller
Randy and Sue Pond
Sarah Talbot
Michael and Katalina
Theodore and Barbara Widmayer
Marian Woodward
John and Drew Wright

Confirmations

There were no confirmations in 2011.

STATISTICS

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Average Saturday/Sunday Attendance	200	172	163	137	147	145
1 Lent	215	208	167	134	134	143
Palm Sunday	276	266	266	223	225	197
Easter	415	419	391	391	483	415
Pentecost	275	183	218	152	158	174
All Saints	245	169	207	192	187	205
1 Advent	239	206	178	140	211	213
Christmas Eve 4 p.m.	288	228	161	160	160	160
Christmas Eve 10 p.m.	137	157	165	175	205	180
Christmas Day	28	40	30	17	22	35
Total Christmas Services	453	425	356	352	387	375
Home Communion	99	105	89	109	81	127
Church School Enrollment	92	TBD	-	66	-	-
Baptisms	31	15	20	20	20	15
Weddings	3	5	9	8	4	6
Funerals	22	21	25	15	20	21
Confirmations	4	5	8	5	6	0
Receptions	0	0	2	0	0	0
New Members (Unofficial)	-	-	7	-	35	29
New Member – signed the By-Laws	19	2	9			

