



VESTRY'S VIEWS

As the days grow shorter and the winds pick up and blow around the falling leaves, I think about the fun I had as a kid jumping in the piles of leaves that were stacked against the cellar door of a neighbor. The house I grew up in did not have a front yard, only a sidewalk of concrete. So the neighbor's cellar door served as our yard for the leaves that fell from the two trees that poked through the sidewalk at the end of the block. Playing as a child is important, as research shows us. Mr. Rogers always said that the work of children is play. This is how children learn and grow, how they handle different situations and learn how to navigate through their emotions. We are all children of God and we should approach our learning about Him and his son Jesus Christ as children. Growing in Him, handling the different situations we are in, and navigating our emotions. He gives us the tools through His word. We just need to read them and make them ours to live by. Enjoy the fall as it builds towards the celebration of Thanksgiving and the birth of His son, Jesus Christ.

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VESTRY – 2016

Senior Warden	Elizabeth Winig	(01/2018)
Junior Warden	Mary Young	(01/2017)
Vestry Members	Susan Darcy	(01/2017)
	Richard Dauchy	(01/2018)
	Eugenia Browning	(01/2019)
Clerk	Eugenia Browning	
Diocesan Delegate	Mary Young	

PRAYER CONCERNS

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
The Right Rev. William Love, Bishop
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Daniel Herzog
Rev. Canon Clinton Dugger
Deacon Randolph Lukas
Pastor James
Brother Bill
Pope Francis
Fr. John
Deacon Peter
Metropolitans of Easter Orthodox Services
Bishops of Lutheran Synods
Archbishop of Canterbury
Missionaries
United States Government
President Obama
Governor Cuomo
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
Senator Kathy Marchione
Senator Charles Schumer
Congressman Chris Gibson
Supervisor Colleen Teal

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Ann DeVost	Kimberly Harrington
John & Teri Koepp	Richard Jones
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Scott	Katrina
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Janis	Jessi
Eric	Angela B.
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Al & Jeanne Mayer	Jane Garnsey
Don Tinney	Peter Guiler
Adrian	Sue H.
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Judy P.	Margaret
Nancy P.	Everett
U.S. Military – Evan and families	
Church of Our Saviour Parish/Vestry/Prayer Table and Saturday evening contemporary service	

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN:

Florence Stock
27 Canna Drive
Freehold, NY 12431

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 – Elizabeth Sheffer-Winig

3 – Jacob Gallucci

4 – Mary Young

17 – Anne Wever

21 – Janet Haley

24 – Rich Mayer

29 – Frank Tallett

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY

24 – Clinton and Virginia Dugger

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that we haven't included in past newsletters, please leave a note in the church secretary's mailbox in the office or email Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com with your date so that I can update my list.

Thank you

DOLLARS AND \$ENSE

Coming home from a meeting a few days ago, I saw one of those days when God's handiwork was all around me. It was the magic of His paintbrush. The sky was so very blue and it was delicately sprinkled with white puffy clouds. Then the hills came into view – with their riot of color. The dark green of the conifers against the bright blue of the sky with all the other colors – oh how gorgeous!

Mixed in between the greens against the blue sky, were the yellows and oranges mixed in with the reds. Words do not do it justice. The real reds were blends of pinks

and almost a fuchsia! The yellows weren't just a single shade but a joyous multitude of yellows. What an artist God is – His palette of colors is truly breath taking! And just think, He does this for **US!**

Sometimes, when I see the brilliance of the colors, I stop short and am reminded of all the gifts Jesus gave me. He gave His life for me. He left me a legacy of love to live by. I'm reminded of His gifts as we approach Advent. When I see God's magic around me, I say a short prayer of thanks for all He has done for me. I take lots of opportunities to pray. My coffee-prayer time is probably the best since it is a very quiet, special time.

Now that I've seen God's handiwork on the foliage, I know that winter is just around the corner. It's not that I don't like winter, but I don't like the grayness. When the sun cannot get thru all the clouds, the day just seems dull and sad. I guess I'm a sun person. The snowfall is beautiful and with it, the world becomes still. With the sunshine, the snow sparkles and everything looks clean and new.

Have I waxed poetic enough? I think so – I know my words just cannot describe the blessing God gives me every day.

As I've written many times, after the 8 o'clock service, we go to breakfast. You should come and join us some Sunday. Jimmie D's is the location just around 9 and believe me you can hear us when we're there. Lots of laughter, stories and just the best fellowship. A special start to our week – and with our parish family, it just adds a special blessing. Please join us – some have breakfast, some just have coffee!

Try it, I know you'll like it!

Susan Darcy

Thanksgiving

*Trees adorned in splendid
Hues of orange and gold
Autumn days grown shorter
North winds turning cold
Knowingly creation
Seems to be aware
God's promise of the seasons
Is proof that He is there
Verily creation
Invites us to recall
Now with a grateful heart
God has supplied it all*

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Stewardship Campaign

You should have received in person or in the mail an envelope with a tithes and talent questionnaire. If you have not, please contact the church office and we will get one to you. Once you have these items, please prayerfully complete them and return to the church so that the Treasurer and Vestry can work on a budget for 2017. Thanking you in advance.

Events around the Deanery

St. Luke's Church in Catskill will be holding an Art Show around the famous artist Thomas Cole who was a member of St. Luke's in the 1840's. From November 4th through November 6th, they will be having a variety of programs including food, art show, concert and service from the 1840's prayer book.

On December 5th The Men's Glee club will be presenting a Christmas concert

Christ Church in Hudson will be having a Taize service. Date and time to be announced

Check out each church's Website for more information.

Newsletter Deadline

The newsletter deadline for the December issue will be **Tuesday, November 15th.**

If you have any news to share, please send it to
Susan Darcy at susan@darcy-systems.com

or

Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com

or

leave a note in the secretary's mailbox in the church office.

Advent

Advent begins on November 27th. This is the first Sunday in the church year. It may be a little early to be thinking about the holidays, but what a wonderful time of year. We again will be having our gift tree with ornaments of gifts for others in our community. Be sure you take an ornament. The gifts will be delivered to the school on Monday, December 19th.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2017.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 1 – *All Saints' Day*
7:00 p.m. All Saints' Day Service

Saturday, November 5 -
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Service
Remember to turn your clocks back!

Sunday, November 6 –
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Rev. David Sutcliffe
8:00 a.m. Sunday School

Saturday, November 12 -
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Service

Sunday, November 13 –
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
8:00 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday, November 15 –
Newsletter deadline!

Saturday, November 19 -
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Service

Sunday, November 20 -
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Rev. Frank Lockwood

Thursday, November 24 – *Thanksgiving Day*

Saturday, November 26 -
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Service

Sunday, November 27 – *First Sunday of Advent*
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Advanced Planning

The Annual Meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 22, 2017.**