

Giving Back
 By Andrew Goldsmid

Sian and I have just returned from a wonderful Vacation in England and Portugal. The weather cooperated, we visited friends and family, spent time on a warm and sunny beach, but after 4 weeks we were happy to return home and enjoy the fall season in Indiana. This year it seems fall is lasting longer than usual with colors more vibrant and intense than we've seen for some time and it comes together as we enjoy being 'Back home in Indiana.'

At St. Paul's our memorial garden is a blaze of color from the mums that have been lovingly planted and tended. On Sunday morning we've enjoyed a rich variety of visiting priests. The Parish Life Commission organized a wonderful Saturday afternoon picnic with warm and sunny weather to enjoy time together outdoors. The sacrament of Coffee Hour has returned on the second Sunday of the month, and it seems to me that Sunday morning attendance is on rise as people return or dare, I say it, new folk discover us.

For me returning home is a good time to count my blessings and give back to the church and community that have been so generous to the Goldsmid family. Most people associate the word 'giving back' with money, but I would remind you that giving of one's time and talents is equally if not more important. So please explore these opportunities to serve by talking to a vestry member and thinking of what you might enjoy doing to celebrate and support St Paul's.

Andrew.



News from the Vestry/Search Committee

The members of the Search Committee were VERY busy this past month: updating our website, updating our Parish Profile and posting a new Priest-in-Charge ad in the Episcopal News Service website. We look forward to sharing some good news in the VERY near future.....

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Fall Back!

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS—CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES!



Daylight Savings Time Ends Nov. 6

Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00 AM Sunday, November 6, meaning if you want to be at church on time, be sure to set your clocks *back* one hour on Saturday night before you go to bed.

Parish Life

Church Picnic



We had glorious weather and great food for our annual Church Picnic Saturday, October 15. It was a beautiful afternoon and everyone enjoyed visiting and catching up. We can't wait till next year!

Baptism Reception November 6th

We will celebrate Dusty Anderson's baptism with a cake and punch reception after the service on November 6th. Please plan to stay after and fellowship with Dusty on this very special occasion.

Christmas Baskets for our Shut-Ins

On Saturday, December 10th at 11 am in the Parish Hall, we will assemble Christmas goodie baskets for our shut-ins. After a light lunch, we will head out to deliver the baskets. All parishioners are invited and welcome to help with this wonderful tradition. Our shut-ins have contributed so much to our parish over the years, and this is just a small way of giving back and showing them love. If you have any questions, contact Shelly Bell.

Outreach Opportunities

If your life's mission is to be the hands & feet of Christ, we have some opportunities for you!

UTO In-Gathering November 20

As a way of nurturing the habit of giving daily thanks to God, the United Thank Offering (UTO) promotes making thank offerings to support mission and ministry throughout the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion in the developing world. Please use the little blue boxes on the information tables or UTO envelopes to designate your offerings. Our in-gathering asking God's blessing on these gifts will be on Sunday, November 20th. For more information please contact Vicki Gust (812-350-1906).



Love Chapel's Christmas Feast Give-away (formerly known as the Christmas Pantry) will be very different this year. Pantry guests will pick up their Christmas basket at the pantry over a 4-week period (November 28 – December 22). We will be needing volunteers to help gather the donated food items into baskets the first weeks of November. Look for more information to come. St. Paul's will once again be providing the cans of green beans for the baskets.

ERD –

Episcopal Relief & Development is partnering with the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida to provide food relief to people affected by Hurricane Ian, which caused extensive damage in Florida at the end of September.

Hurricane Ian, a Category 4 storm, killed 109 people and caused an estimated \$60 billion in property damage. Two million people were displaced by the hurricane and the widespread flooding and damage made it difficult for people to access basic needs like clean water and food.

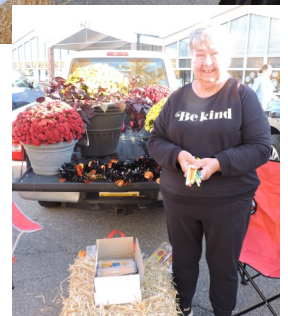
The Diocese of Central Florida, with Episcopal Relief & Development's support, is meeting the need for increased demand for food among people displaced by the hurricane. In addition, they will also be working with their neighboring dioceses to store and distribute supplies as needed.

Thanks to the generosity of our St. Paul's parishioners, we gathered \$805 to go towards the Hurricane Ian Relief in Florida. ***If you meant to donate, and haven't yet, please get that check in ASAP. Outreach will add some monies to this amount and send a check out in early November.***

Schmitt Trunk or Treat

Andrew Goldsmid and Nancy McKinney had a blast handing out candy at the Schmitt Trunk or Treat. We were parked between Harry Potter and the Pirates with a trunk/ truck with seasonal fall flowers borrowed from the memorial garden.

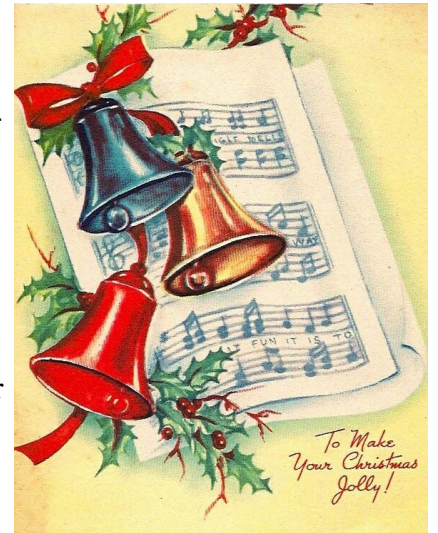
Schmitt expected 250 Trick or Treaters, but the weather was perfect, and the numbers were double what they expected. We ran out of pencils and erasers after an hour, but our candy lasted the entire event! We snapped a few photos but mostly we stayed busy handing out candy and enjoying the kids!



Various and Sundry

Not Too Early to Think About Christmas Plans!

We have some special things planned for the Christmas season and you might want to mark your calendars now. The St. Paul's Christmas Concert will return after taking a few years off during Covid. The concert will be December 4th at 3pm. We are very excited that a choir from Schmitt Elementary School plans to participate! Please contact Michelle Farnsworth, our Interim Music Director, (248-921-5314) or Lalith Parnavitana (812-447-8875) if you have suggestions. Please keep the date free and invite your friends, neighbors and family to attend this joyous celebration heralding the Christmas season.



Additionally, we are happy to announce that Rev. Kathy Thomas, our former Interim Rector, will return to St. Paul's to celebrate our Christmas Eve services at 4 pm and 7:30 pm. Christmas Day will be a Morning Prayer service led by our Worship Team.

Church office closed

Kathi will be using up some vacation days by taking the first Thursdays of November and December off. She will also be out of the office on November 23 and 25 to travel out of town for Thanksgiving. The church office will be closed on these dates.

Is Coffee Hour Really the Third Sacrament?

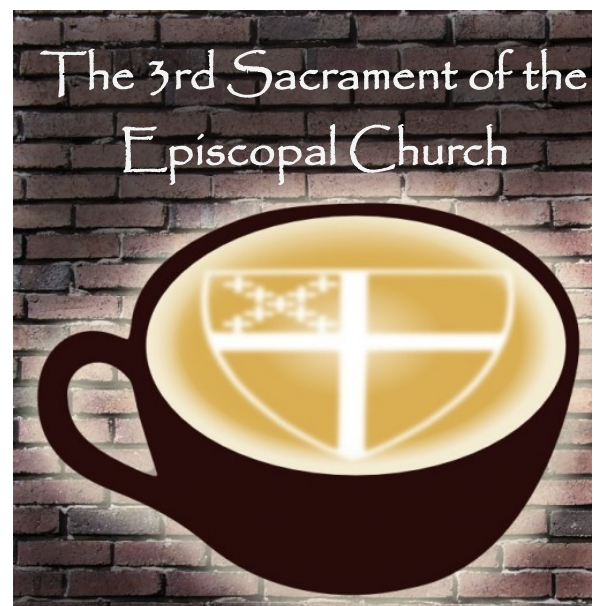
By Nancy McKinney

On Oct. 9, we welcomed back Coffee Hour, and it was indeed most welcome. Interestingly, Rev. Joan Smoke, the officiant, referred to it as "the Third Sacrament" which got us all thinking. Following the main Sunday service at most Episcopal churches is this peculiar and rather friendly gathering with a highly creative name: Coffee Hour. As if the title doesn't give it away, it is an informal get-together of parish friends and family to catch up over a cup of coffee and warm conversation.

Covid put a halt to Coffee Hours, but thanks to Shelly Bell, we were able to start again, although electing to schedule ours for the Second Sunday of each month rather than weekly. The importance of these gatherings cannot be underestimated. Most Episcopal parishes are small like ours and include generations of extended families. These people are godparents to each other's children, sponsors at confirmation, etc. Given the depth of relationship, it is easy to understand why Coffee Hour is so important.

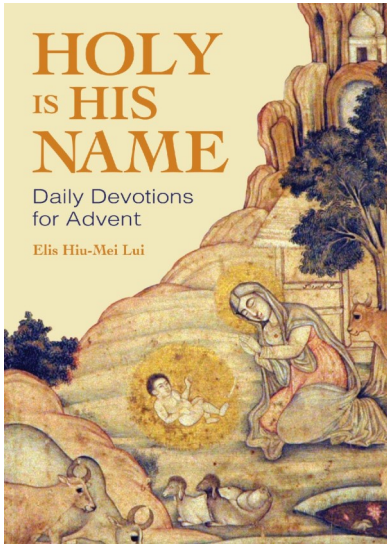
By the way, Episcopalians officially recognize only two sacraments, Baptism and Holy Communion, as those handed down by Jesus. Five more are highly regarded, and some Episcopalians also recognize them as sacraments: Confirmation, Marriage, Ordination, Confession (Reconciliation), and Holy Unction (Last Rites).

Our next Coffee hour will be November 13th after the 10:15 service — you don't want to miss it!!



Formation

Advent Plans



While St. Paul's will not be having a formal Advent program this year, we would like to recommend a booklet by **Forward Movement** for Advent reading. Holy Is His Name: Daily Devotions for Advent explores four songs (canticles) is the first two chapters of Luke as preparation for Christ's birth. **Forward Movement** also has an Advent calendar with daily ideas for prayer and thoughtful actions which is available. If we purchase these as a group, we would get a discount so if anyone wants to order a copy of the book or the calendar please call or email Melissa zur Loye (812 603-0762 or zurloye@comcast.net) by November 7th.

Prayers for Special Days in November

All Saints' Day November 1 (BCP 245)

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Veterans Day November 11 (BCP 823 #25)

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgiving Day November 23 (BCP 246)

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



VESTRY**Minutes from October 11, 2022**

Present: Shelly Bell, Bill Garber, Andrew Goldsmid, Vicki Gust, Frank Guthrie, Nancy McKinney, Barb Parker, and Kelli Thompson.

Attending on Zoom: Julia Abedian

The meeting began at 6:30 pm with a prayer by Bill.

Procedural Business

There was a quorum. The September minutes were approved, motion by Vicki, second Barb, carried.

The next meeting will be Nov. 8th.

Search Committee Report

Barb presented the rationale for the new priest and reported that the Search Committee had unanimously proposed that an offer be made to a candidate. After discussion, the vestry approved the candidate. Motion made by Barb, seconded by Kelli, carried. Salary and other financial arrangements will be spelled out in the Letter of Agreement, which Frank will finalize.

Financial Report

Frank noted that pledges were short for the month, but that the budget was balanced. He reported that the Web Site work has been paid, as has the work on the trees.

Buildings and Grounds

Bill reported that the new blinds for the robing room have been purchased and will be installed. He and Andrew discussed the basement inventory, especially the work done by Nick Firestone. Several items remain.

Marketing

Julie and Kelli said the new Web Site is up and running.

Outreach

Barb noted that envelopes for Episcopal Relief and Development are in the pews and money collected, with additional monies from the church, will be sent for Hurricane Ian relief.

Andrew announced a new outreach project: Trunk or Treat at Schmitt Elementary. It will be held Thursday, October 27 from 5:30 to 7 pm. Andrew and Nancy will participate, and an announcement will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for further help. Andrew reminded of the Dec. 4th Christmas Benefit Concert for Love Chapel. Vicki noted that UTO contributions will be collected Nov. 20. Frank suggested using that date also for pledge renewals. ACTION: Both of these activities and the deadline will be published in the bulletin. Frank agreed to write the pledge letter to be reviewed at the Nov.8th vestry meeting.

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Parish Life

Shelly reminded of the Parish Picnic Saturday, Oct. 15. Feedback on the 2nd Sunday Coffee Hour was extremely positive. Shelly said a reception and/or luncheon is planned for Nov. 6 in honor of Dusty Anderson's baptism that day. She noted that Christmas Baskets are scheduled to be prepared Dec. 10 at 11 am in Parish Hall.

Worship and Welcoming

Kelli reported that all positions are filled on the Altar Guild. The moving of the lectern has worked out well. Planning and Officiating worship is set for October and November. The Christmas Eve Services are planned for 4 and 7:30 pm. Christmas Day service is proposed as 10:15 am Morning Prayer, also to be available on Zoom. Vestry members commented on the "Invite, Welcome and Connect" booklets available for reading and study.

Nancy reported that coffee mugs have been presented this summer and fall to Dorcas Miller, Dusty Anderson, Rev. Mary Taflinger (and Chris), McClain and Jill Clotfelter, Stephanie, and Rev. Joan Smoke (and spouse). Mugs are to be sent to Rev. Hallett, who also served three times.

The meeting adjourned following prayer by Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy McKinney, clerk



Employee Schedules

For November we welcome the Rev. Don Jones who will celebrate all four Sundays with us. He will pre-side over the Baptism of Dusty Anderson on November 6th during our All Saints' service. We are excited that our former Interim Rector, Rev. Kathy Thomas, will be joining us to celebrate on Christmas Eve this year for two services (4pm and 7:30pm).

Kathi Whipker, Parish Administrator, is in the office Tues/Thurs from 7am –10am and Friday from 7am to 3pm. She will work remotely on Monday as well. She can be reached by cell (812-603-5028) or email (stpaulscolumbusin@gmail.com) if needed.

Michelle Farnsworth, Interim Music Director, is looking for cantors and song leaders to begin singing on Sunday mornings. She can be contacted on her cell: 248-921-5314 if you are interested in volunteering for this.

Financial Summary

September 2022: YTD Actual Revenue is \$111,387 as compared to the budget of \$109,500 for a favorable difference of \$1,887. YTD Actual Revenue is \$111,387 as compared to the previous year of \$104,377 for a favorable difference of \$7,010. YTD Actual Expenditures are \$106,738 as compared to the budget of \$121,126 for a favorable difference of (\$14,388). Budget and actual do not include investment income or rector search, which have not been used so far in 2022, except for \$572 rector search expense.

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| 1 Holly Woods | 15 Paul Elliott |
| 9 John Settle | 18 Kelli Thompson |
| Sarah DeLap | Matthew Thompson |
| 10 Nancy Ardizone | 21 Deborah Elliott |
| 11 Don Wools | 24 Frank Guthrie |
| 12 Amy Roth | |



NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAYS

November 2022 Service Schedule

If you are unable to serve as assigned, please find a substitute & let Kathi know.

Date & Time	Acolyte	Lector	Greeter/ Usher	Teller	LEV	Live Stream
Oct. 30 10:15 am	David Thompson	David Thompson Ken Erickson	Frank Guthrie Lalith Paronavitana	Frank Guthrie Ken Erickson	John Settle	Kelli Thompson
Nov. 6 10:15 am Baptism Today	John Settle	Nancy McKinney John Settle	Chuck & Tina Boddie	Andrew Goldsmid Bill Garber	Roxie Garber	John Settle
Nov. 13 10:15 am	Chuck Boddie	Chuck Boddie Dorcas Miller	Frank Guthrie Dick Weaver	Frank Guthrie Dick Weaver	Cindy Overmyer	Steve Talbert
Nov. 20 10:15 am	Nancy Morris	Cheryl Paronavitana Ken Erickson	Lalith Paronavitana	Bill Garber Ken Erickson	Roxie Garber	Lalith Paronavitana
Nov. 27 10:15 am	Chuck Boddie	Nancy Morris Nick Firestone	Andrew Goldsmid	Andrew Goldsmid Nick Firestone	John Settle	Andrew Firestone



November 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 30 Holy Eucharist 10:15 Rite II Rev. Steve Giovangelo In Person & Livestream	31 	Nov. 1 9am — AA	2 5:30 pm — Finance	3 10am Bible Study 1pm—Bridge Group Church office closed	4 9am — AA	5 Diocesan Convention
6 All Saints' Holy Eucharist & Baptism 10:15 Rite II Rev. Don Jones In Person & Livestream	7	8 9 am — AA 6:30 pm Vestry	9	10 10am Bible Study 1pm Bridge Group	11 9 am — AA	12 Parish Hall Reserved— Cheese Balls
13 Holy Eucharist 10:15 Rite II Rev. Don Jones In Person & Livestream 11:15 Coffee Hour	14	15 9am — AA DEADLINE December Venite	16	17 10am Bible Study 1pm—Bridge Group	18 9am — AA	19 Search Committee
20 Holy Eucharist 10:15 Rite II Rev. Don Jones In Person & Livestream	21	22 9am — AA	23	24 Church office closed	25 9am — AA	26
27 1 ADVENT Holy Eucharist 10:15 Rite II Rev. Don Jones In Person & Livestream	28	29 9am — AA	30	Dec. 1 10am Bible Study 1pm—Bridge Group	2 9am — AA	3

Sunday services can be accessed on our website (stpaulscolumbus.org)—click the Facebook icon.
 Zoom meetings use Meeting ID 291 212 0372 Password: church

OUR MISSION:

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IS A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.

WE BELIEVE IN GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL THE WORLD.

THAT BELIEF IMPELS US TO MIRROR GOD'S LOVE WITH GENEROSITY AND KINDNESS, ALWAYS RESPECTING THE DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN BEING, AND TO STRIVE FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE AMONG ALL PEOPLE.

Meetings

Finance Committee
Wednesday, Nov. 2, 5:30 pm

Vestry
Tuesday, Nov. 8, 6:30 pm

Vestry Officers

Senior Warden	Andrew Goldsmid
Junior Warden	Shelly Bell
Treasurer	Cindy Overmyer

Vestry Members

Commission Liaison

Julie Abedian '23	Communications/ Marketing
Shelly Bell '22	Jr. Warden &
Bill Garber '22	Buildings & Grounds
Andrew Goldsmid '24	Sr. Warden & Outreach
Vicki Gust '22	Worship & Formation Li- aision
Frank Guthrie '24	Finance
Nancy McKinney '24	Clerk & Newcomers
Barb Parker '23	Asst. Treasurer, Outreach, & Search Comm.
Kelli Thompson '23	Communications/ Marketing

Did you know

gratitude...

- Shields you from negativity
- Makes you at least 25% happier
- Rewires your brain
- Eliminates stress
- Heals
- Improves sleep
- Boosts self-esteem and performance
- Enhances the law of attraction
- Improves relationships

Office Notes: The deadline for Venite information and articles is the 15th of the month. If you wish, you may leave a message concerning schedules to serve, etc. in the gray book outside the office, call the office (812-372-7869), or send an email to: stpaulscolumbusin@gmail.com. Thank you!

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