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From the Rector

The Lord bless you and comfort you, the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and grant you peace. This benediction is said in many forms but the intent is always the same; we are calling God to watch over you and confirm you in all that you do. These words are designed to bring a peace to your soul in a world where chaos rules.

It does not take much to be filled with dread and fear as we watch the multitude of newscasts daily. We are surrounded by news designed to excite rather than illuminate. The old adage holds – if it bleeds it leads! What we are exposed to in these visual or audio sound bites is but a distorted vision of something that may have merit to know but for the most part it is designed only to tease you into staying tuned!

Our Lord, on the other hand, is reminding you that he is staying tuned into you and your situation in life to help keep you focused, not just on the distorted sound bites of life as put forth by the media outlets but on the paths of life you are required to walk. Your life is yours and what comes with it is not distorted but actual in time and space. Your senses tell you the story and in real time you respond – fearfully or joyfully.

The prayer is simple, it is a reminder that God's intention is for you to face life with confidence and with a peace that passes all understanding. This peace removes the doubt and replaces it with the knowledge of things hoped for.

Recently, almost daily, death by violence terrorizes our society. Politicians argue about how to address it and we are left to face it realizing that no law passed will accomplish what we are by grace and common sense are supposed to do to stop the violence. We can only lay down our hatred and fear by trusting that God has the ability to grant us the courage and the peace of mind and soul necessary to focus on life rather than death – light instead of darkness.

When we look at the cross we see that Jesus understood this. In spite of the pain and the fear he feels he puts it all to rest as he asks his father to forgive those whose hatred and fear put him on the cross. It is a peace that passes all understanding. It is a peace that he conveys to his disciples and ultimately to you and me. The hands of God have been placed upon us in our baptisms and the arms of God, through the Holy Spirit, surround us as we walk fourth into this chaotic world.

God is watching and shedding tears for the pain we all must suffer but his comfort and peace are granted us so that we may have the confidence to understand that no one can take from us our wills and his support, love and peace which gives us the power necessary to overcome our fear of death and dying. Therefore, I again remind you, the Lord is blessing you with comfort as he lifts his countenance upon you giving you strength in a peace that passes all understanding both now and forever. Amen

William Rex†, Interim Rector



WNDITW/ WADITW

Hint: “We’ve Never Done.../We’ve Always Done...”



How often have you heard those phrases? Those statements come in in a number of different forms, and are frequently delivered somewhat sarcastically, and usually dismissively, as a push to do something new. We have a stereotype of people who really believe them as out-of-touch, die-hard, traditional, older member who can't see the ridiculous nature of basing decisions mindlessly upon patterns of behavior in the past. Of course, the people taking the opposite stance are, as we all know, with-it, flexible, forward-thinking, younger (at least in spirit) people who fully recognize the ridiculous nature of basing decisions upon the past.

In any church discussion involving doing something, invariably one (or both) of these gets declared, either with emphasis or sarcasm depending on whether we are emphasizing a point or ridiculing one. Asserting the negative of what we actually think, in the right tone of voice is a common and useful, albeit less than honest, technique in discussion. Words like hide-bound,” can get used (or thought) here (although if we're being Christ-like we only say those last to ourselves-it's only a venial sin if we don't call people that out load.)

The reality is that we need to have solid and rational reasons for making choices. In this particular topic, the opposing principles are a) we should be ruled by tradition, or b) we should be ruled by innovation. And just to be clear, WADITW and WNDITW are actually the same principle.

In formal logic, they have the great title of *argumentum ad antiquitatem*-appeal to antiquity or tradition. Let's keep doing what, in one way or another, we've always done.

Appeal to tradition is, arguably, the second worst possible argument for a choice of actions.

So, what's the alternative to doing it the traditional way? Change, of course! Change happens. “When you stop changing, you die.” Why did bug-

gy whip makers go out of business; where is Polaroid; where are Pan Am, Blockbuster Video, etc. They are all examples of what happens when you can't handle change. Interestingly, those examples were all major innovators. They were perfectly capable of change, but they innovated themselves into a dead end.

The opposite of WNDITW/WADITW is WNDITWSWM (we've never done it this way, so we must!) or WADITWSWHTS (we've always done it that way so we have to stop!) Remember my saying that appeal to tradition is the second worst way of making a decision? We'll *argumentum ad novitatem* (argument for novelty) is the worst. At least with tradition we have experience and data to make judgements with. We can see where we went right or wrong and go from there.

Serious engineers have three fundamental principles that overlay all decision making. First, “If it ain't broke, don't fix it,” and second, the “Law of Unintended Consequences.” There are **ALWAYS** unintended consequences, usually not what we wanted. Remember Murphy—whatever can go wrong, will!

I've been through a lot of discussions about future directions, and many of them boil down to little more than appeal to tradition and/or novelty. Yes, I've heard both arguments used to the same end.

Some things to keep in mind: a) all traditions were once novelties, and b) all winning (not the same as successful) novelties eventually become traditions. If your novelty wins out, what will you do when it becomes tradition? Those who are committed to novelty are often the most rigidly traditional when someone suggest changing their new tradition. E.g. isn't it time to do Rite II at 8 AND Rite I at 10:30? I'm sure you've heard half of that argument. Let's at least be equal opportunity trouble-makers.

People rarely use these fallacies directly, but we build them in as hidden arguments. There is a time to do and a time to refrain from doing, but neither of these attitudes are valid.

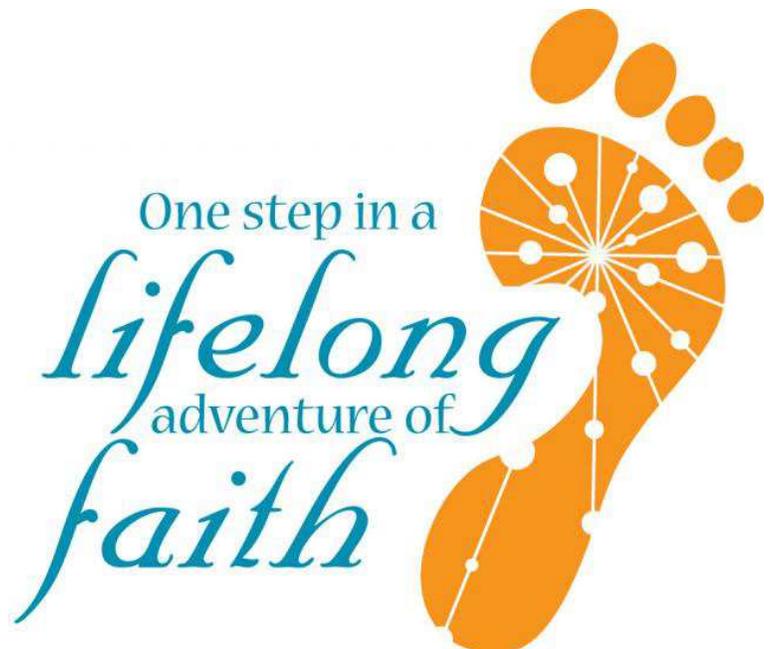
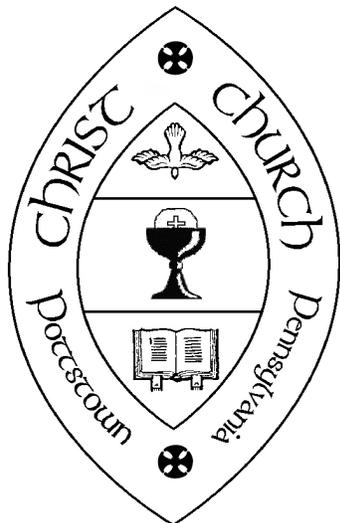
Bob Gross, Rector's Warden

Confirmation

On 12 June, Bp. Edward Lee Confirmed Rachel Bricker, Greg McFadden, and Heather McFadden, and Re-affirmed Amy Yanalavage in their faith in Jesus Christ and in the Episcopal Church. The nature of Confirmation is such that we recognize it as a corporate act on the part of the people as well as the bishop. To emphasize that, in an action similar to that in the ordination of priests, he invited the congregation to join in the Laying on of Hands.



The Confirmation followed a two-year class led by Warren Holohan, Judy Shelly, and Candace Woessner.



Streetwise



Last month I introduced controversial content into in our exploration of how God acts to change the institutional church. I described how my compatriot, Aretha, and I were introduced to the fact that our employer, Glide Memorial Methodist Church and its spinoffs, The Glide Foundation and Glide Urban Center, were starting up new ministries to address the needs and hopes of the homophile community of San Francisco. I ended by sharing how Phyllis, a new member of the staff, explained to us that what we admired about her, her self-presentation and her competence, were based on our shared gender as women. Our sexual preferences were simply different from hers and the many others coming in to develop their ministries. I learned by having many encounters with persons who were willing to share their stories with me. I want to introduce a few learning-full experiences in the next few months. What is God saying to His church? How is God changing the institutional church? Or, is He? Is he saying, “Don’t bother?”

Mike was a gay man whose primary concern was the safety of the boys and young men who hung around the “meat rack.” It was two blocks down from our office. It took me months before I dared to walk past it. The meat rack is the name of the location where older men drive by and invite youths to get in their cars for a tryst.

Mike often brought boys into my office and just left them with me. I could seem busy with paperwork, or I could acknowledge their presence and carry on a conversation. Every one of these boys, aged 6 to 25 years, was a throw-away or a run-away kid. Their parents or guardians wanted nothing to do with them or actively abused them. They felt they could never go home, and should never return to their previous “protectors.” Life at home was too dangerous and life on the streets was too cruel. Their option was to stand along the wall until beckoned to a car. Until each predatory adult grew tired of them, these boys and young men became the predators’ pets. They were bathed; dressed to suit the preference of the predator; wined and dined; given gifts; taken to the opera or the theater or the ballgame. Then suddenly they were thrown out. Most of the youths saw their previous predator pick up a different youth within the week. Once back on the street, they waited for the next invitation from another predator.

Each of these boys demonstrated a mixture of vulnerability and bravery that was appealing to me. I really wanted to listen and to hear. They poured out their hearts. They told me their stories. I know that some exaggerated details. What kid doesn’t? Most of them tried forcefully to make me love them. Their fragility and neediness was scary. All I knew was to be there; to honor the mishmash they offered to me; to inquire about what seemed important and necessary, especially if it was a missing part of the conversation. Draw them out.

All of these youths identified themselves to me as being homosexual. I don’t know enough to accept or reject their claims as accurate. If I accept who they think they are, then I have to respect that something happened to or became known to them so that they self-identify as GLBTQ rather than heterosexual. And should it matter? Does it matter? Most important, does it matter to God?

What I am certain of is that the nature of God is Love. What I believe deeply is that we, The Body of Christ, are to love God and our neighbors. We are the Church. We are the institutional church. And one of God’s purposes is always to challenge each of us to love Him and our neighbors at least as much as we love ourselves. And when I contemplate the boys and youths hanging on the meat rack, I know deep in my heart that God loves each and every one of them. The issue is how I love them enough so that they glimpse God’s love for them.

**Robin Robb†
Deacon**

Adler & Hearne Concert

Christ Episcopal Church Monday, August 22. Potluck at 6pm, Concert at 7pm. Free-will offering in lieu of admission charge.



From Texas' upper east side in the rural arts hamlet of Winnsboro, award-winning performing songwriters Lynn Adler and Lindy Hearne (self-proclaimed "organic song farmers") tour nationally, serving up seasoned original songs mixed with fresh harvests of homegrown music in a spirited and soulful genre they define simply as "Texas Folk," with subtle jazz and blues overtones.



For further information, contact Ginny Slichter, JBSGummy@aol.com or 610-804-7534.

Our Gang

Our Gang is celebrating our first year of getting together socially.

We have enjoyed theater at Steel River, visiting several area historic sites, played miniature golf, and eaten at many restaurants in vicinity. We have made friends, helped and supported one another, and shared our joys sorrows with one another. We have gotten together at least once a month in the past year. average about 20 -25 people at our events.



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In May, we went to Steel River's *Fiddler on the Roof* and afterwards to Cutillo's for dinner. In June, we are going out for lunch at Red Lobster. More activities are in the works for July and August.

There is no membership fee, no required number of events to attend, we want adults to join us if they are interested in the event and want to be with us. All are welcome!!

Coordinators are Barbara Ackerman (early service) and Sue Rhoads (later service)

Children's Music Program



With Phyllis Mitchell

Instruments and Music Provided

Begins Tuesday, September 5, @ 4 p.m.

Christ Episcopal Church

316 East High St., Pottstown, PA 19464

Free for All Kids K-12

**Contact: Edie Shean-Hammond, Director of Education
Christ Episcopal Church @ esheanhammond@gmail.com or
call the church: 610-323-2895 & leave a message**

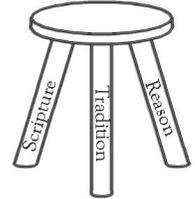


Collect for the Election of a Rector

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on Christ Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall call our new rector, that we may receive from you a faithful pastor, who will care for the people of this congregation and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Deployment Office Profile Part II

7. *How do you engage in pastoral care for those beyond your worshipping community?*



- a. We pray for those on our prayer list which includes many beyond our congregation.
- b. People from the community occasionally attend our healing services.
- c. Second Chance Thrift shop volunteers befriend and pray for those who come to shop.
- d. Members of our parish serve as spiritual directors, retreat leaders, prayer ministers and participants in community ministries (e.g., one member leads a Bible study for a local boys boxing club, others visit prisoners at Graterford Prison, serve with the Pottstown Cluster Food Pantry and support abused women and women with breast cancer).
- e. Our prayer chain consists of about 50 members, with a single point of contact that edits and sends email to all members when a request for prayer from anyone is received. Members of the chain include some from outside our congregation.
- f. We often befriend and help disenfranchised people in the community and sometimes get involved beyond our expertise.
- g. We have recently begun hosting an Alcoholics Anonymous group.
- h. We are blessed to have a Vocational Deacon who works with the Pottstown faith-based community around issues related to social justice. Due to her influence, Christ Church has grown in our awareness of the needs of our community and our response to them. Her contacts led to our hosting of the Longest Night Service and she has been vital to the formation of the Advocacy and Missions committee. We have had three Vocational Deacons assigned to us in the past years. While each one has been different in his approach and “jobs,” we have come to appreciate the learning and growth a Vocational Deacon brings to our common mission. Christ Church is honored to have a postulant to the Diaconate as one of our members. We support him by encouragement, consistent prayer and the underwriting of some of his program costs.

8. *Describe your worshipping community’s involvement in either the wider Church or geographical region.*

- a. Christ Church began and continues to sponsor and work with the Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities, which provides food, security, clothing, household assistance, supportive services and referrals, case management and housing stability, and an opportunity for individuals living in poverty to participate in an education and support program.

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- b. Daughters of the King participate in regional semi-annual assemblies. One member serves as President of District III DOK.
- c. We cooperate with St. Gabriel's, Douglasville, on semi-annual Quiet Days.
- d. Members in the recent past have served on Diocesan committees and ministries.
- e. Girls Friendly Society members and leaders attend regional gatherings, including international conventions.
- f. "Our Gang" is a social group that plans monthly gatherings and events for senior members.
- g. Our prayer ministry training includes people from 4 churches and 2 dioceses.
- h. We participate in the Valley Forge Deanery.
- i. Our vacation Bible School includes four participating congregations of other denominations.
- j. Choir members participated in the Community-wide Christmas festivities.
- k. Members of the congregation participate in monthly cleanup of Pottstown parks and actively participate in support of the Pottstown Latino community.

9. Tell about a ministry that your worshipping community has initiated in the past five years. Who can be contacted about this?

- a. *Living Compass Wellness* curriculum involves the whole congregation in intentionally balancing spirituality with all of life.
- b. Prayer Ministry Training prepares competent prayer ministers to pray with individuals during each Sunday Eucharist and in greater depth when requested. Training covers several levels, from a basic listening and prayer course to more in depth sessions.
- c. Monthly congregational meetings between services on first Sunday of each month, provide discussion of current issues in the Parish.
- d. The Advocacy and Mission Committee seeks out and reviews new missions and outreach for the parish, particularly with regard to need and our ability to act. It particularly focuses on use of a recent bequest.

10. What is your practice of stewardship and how does it shape the life of your worshipping community?

- a. Stewardship is viewed as managing all of our time, talent, and finances to the glory of God
 - b. For our pledge campaign, over several Sundays in October/November lay people give talks from the pulpit to share stewardship principles as they have experienced them
 - c. Although giving has gone down this year, we are debt-free and able to focus on funding mission
 - d. People give generously of time, money, and talent when inspired by a cause that they support
 - e. Fundraising events are expected to have the added function, whenever possible, of evangelism, by making the parish more visible to the community. We have a number of fund-raising activities, including ones which also provide a service to the community.

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- i. A major Pottstown event and one of our larger fund-raisers is the monthly (May-Sep.) Antique Car Show at which Christ Church provides food and drink to the attendees. We also pass out water during parades.
- ii. We have an annual Church Bazaar and Craft Show that attracts many people from the community both as vendors and buyers. Most members of the church participate in the event making it a real team effort

11. What is your worshipping community's experience of conflict? And how have you addressed it?

- a. Like everyone else, we do not like conflict and try to avoid it. Christ Church is proud of being friendly but we are just beginning to learn to confront honestly and fairly. We love each other deeply but communications between Vestry and Rector and Vestry and congregation have sometimes been insufficient or incomplete. Parishioners, and occasionally Vestry members, sometimes feel blind-sided and excluded from the decision-making. Despite best intentions and thoughtful deliberations, rationales for changes are often not well communicated, which creates an undercurrent of anger and mistrust. Monthly congregational meetings, an expanded newsletter, a weekly e-bulletin, and the creation of a People's Warden are all efforts to improve communication and address conflict quickly.
- b. Christ Church has benefited from Diocesan-provided mediators at Vestry meetings and Parish-wide meetings in the past.
- c. During our last pastoral vacancy, we did an in-depth study of our congregational history during the Adult Forum (25 + attending each session). Patterns and sources of conflict became apparent as did blessings and challenges. From that, we realized that the times of greatest conflict were also times of greatest spiritual growth and church activity.
- d. We have had three public healing conferences with the Rev. Dr. Russ Parker (from the Church of England), including one on "Healing Wounded Churches" and one on "Blessing." While several attendees expressed progress toward healing after each conference, it is not clear how much permanent improvement was made.
- e. Congregational meetings between services replace the study topics of Adult Forum on the first Sunday of each month. Current parish concerns, situations, and plans are discussed. See 12(e) below for a more complete description of Adult Forum and congregational meeting.

12. What is your experience leading/addressing change in the church? When has it gone well? When has it gone poorly? And what did you learn?

- a. Historically, most changes introduced at Christ Church have gone quite well when the congregation was well informed of the rationale.
- b. We employed our first woman as Priest-in-Charge in 2014. The Adult Forums prior to her arrival included background on the theological and historical role of women in ministry. With a few exceptions, she was welcomed warmly and greatly appreciated by the parish.
- c. We began having formally trained Prayer Ministers in 2010. During that time we have trained over 30 lay people in prayer ministry, including some from other parishes. The prayer ministry is highly valued by both the prayer ministers and those who come for prayer. The program continues to grow.

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d. Several congregational leaders, including the Wardens, participated in Transforming Congregations (a Diocesan program) in 2012.

e. In 2014 we began a new two-year Confirmation class. The response from co-teachers, students, Vestry, and the congregation as a whole has been very positive. Volunteer adults from the congregation bring lunch for the class (which meets after the 10:30 service) and serve as mentors for the students. Fund-raising for class mission trips has been outstanding.

f. Christ Church has long had an active Adult Forum, frequently lay led. It is both a venue for biblical education and discussion, as well as a true forum where controversial church related topics can safely be discussed and debated, and offers the congregation a place to make their feelings known to one another and to the church leaders. The forums are a significant venue for communication and education regarding change. On most Sundays Adult Forum is a traditional study group. Examples of topics are exploring parallel Gospel writings, Living *Compass Wellness* program, and many others.

g. Overall, Christ Church is very open to change when it is understood and viewed as theologically and practically appropriate. When everyone is included in the process, the change is owned and endorsed.

h. Historically, we have weathered huge changes. Initially we were a very Low Church congregation with a Vestry of community movers-and-shakers. The changes brought on by a post-WWII society moved us to develop a booming Sunday School and youth program in the 50s. Then we became Anglo-Catholic and more socially involved with the community in the 60s through the 80s, and then moderated liturgically with growing lay participation and leadership in the 90s.

Habemus Episcopum Novum

We have a new Bishop—The Rt. Reverend Daniel George Polycarp Gutierrez, canon to the ordinary in the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande, was elected March 12 to be the next bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. He was elected on the fourth ballot, receiving 100 votes in the lay order and 133 in the clergy order, and was consecrated on July 16.

From Bp. Gutierrez: “I give thanks to Christ, through Him, all things are made new. We begin a new and hopeful journey in this beloved place. I am humbled and grateful that you have allowed me into your lives. I will never take for granted this sacred trust you have placed in me. I offer myself to you as a loving shepherd, caring servant, and faithful sojourner.

“My excitement is in you and the possibilities to come. We have numerous gifts in this diocese and together we will build the Kingdom of God, hand in hand, hand by hand. Let’s work together so the Diocese of Pennsylvania is known as the ‘come and see’ diocese. A place we encounter God through prayer, community, liturgy and service. Where we lift the dignity of humanity and show how we love one another. A place where Christ is reflected in one another.”

Bp. Gutierrez will make his first visit to Christ Church on August 11 at 11am.



Search Committee Update

We continue to meet every other Tuesday, beginning with prayer & bible reflection. We just completed a discussion with Jackson Haas around discerning God's will in our process. Some highlights - We must remind ourselves to ask: What does Christ require? How is Christ revealed? So, not what we require; not what our wants reveal. We must trust God is leading us. We must resist impatience and anxiety and above all, PRAY ALWAYS. Finding the right Rector is a daunting task but, with God, it will be accomplished in His way, in His time.

If you have any thoughts or comments for us, please send them to the search committee e-mail or share them personally with any member.

Prayers, please!



Sue Furman



Contact the Search Committee

The Search Committee now has its own email address—
search@christpottstown.com.

July Congregational Meeting Topics

**Walking School Bus
Search Process**

**Thoughts on Stewardship
Support for 1st Baptist Church**

Fund Raising With Redner's Tapes—How Does It Work

When you shop at Redner's, use your Redner's **Pump Perks/ 1% Save-A-Tape** card. Each time you purchase at Redner's your receipt will be designated as a 1% Save-A-Tape customer receipt. Turn in your tapes at church in the Redner's box. When we have enough tapes for a meaningful rebate, they will be turned in to a local Redner's manager. Please don't save them up; tapes over two years old become invalid. In about eight weeks we will receive a check for 1% of the total amount of the tapes submitted.

Note: you must swipe your card at the time of purchase or the tape will not be valid for the rebate.



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Go to Church, Live Longer

Many Americans say they attend church because it helps them stay grounded and gives them spiritual guidance. A new study suggests that regular attendance may also help increase their lifespan. A recent survey of 75,000 female nurses indicated that women who attended church regularly had a 33% lower death rate during the study period than those who never went. Lower rates of attendance had lower benefits.

<https://www.google.com/search?q=going+to+church+could+help+you+live+longer&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8>

Is Anybody There?

Ever wonder if anyone is paying any attention to what we do? Could be!

The following is from the Sound-Off column of the 14 June copy of *The Mercury*.

“I’d like to give a good shout-out to Christ Episcopal Church. At the last car show, I always hit their hotdogs, and I noticed their water station for dogs. I want to thank them for doing that and for a group of people that have vision. Things like this make a town and bring in the quality of people we want. So again thank you Christ Episcopal Church for the great work.

Bill The Cat Guy”

Prayer Chain

James 5:16 Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

To refer a name to the prayer chain, please email Stephanie Laidig at stephanielaidig@aol.com



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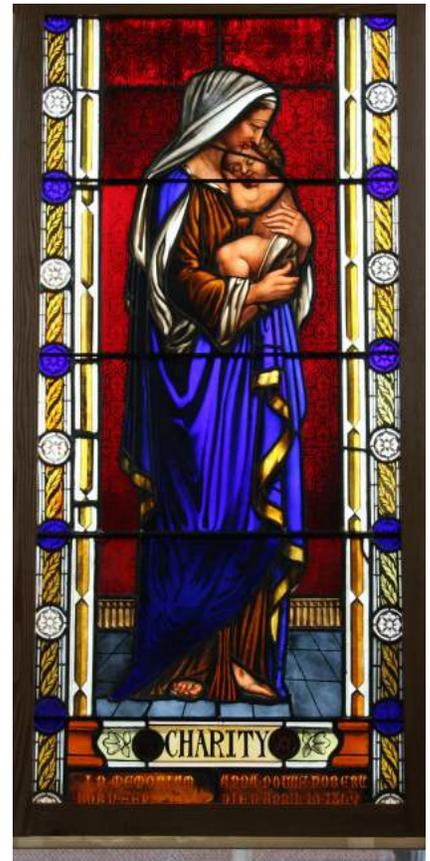
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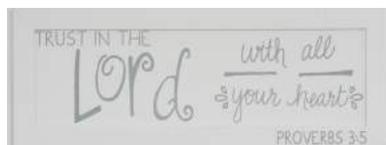
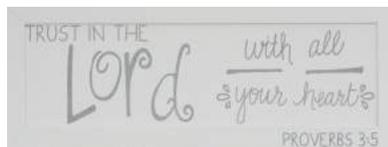
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Faith, Hope, and Charity

Our three newly refurbished stained glass windows are now installed in the Great Room. The three were installed over the altar either at the time of construction of the church (1876) or shortly after. A few years later, the reredos was installed, overlapping the windows, and the part of the building on the opposite side of the wall from the altar was constructed, making their placement over the altar unworkable. The windows were removed and for unknown reasons, were not installed elsewhere. They have been in our basement for well over a century. During Fr. Morton's tenure, we came up with several alternative plans for reinstalling them, but primarily financial reasons (the windows needed serious repair) the project did not get started. The conversion of the former Choir Room into the current Great Room provided the incentive to get them repaired and rehung. The reconstruction and hanging was managed by our Property Committee and done by Winslow Stained Glass of Limerick, PA.



In addition to the windows, five elegant scripture quotations were installed by Bill and Miriam Spade to cover the holes from the old heating ducts.



Useful Links

Episcopal Questions and Answers

<http://stgeorges.wordpress.com/seekers-and-visitors/episcopal-q-a/>

Diocese of PA Parish Events

<http://www.diopa.org/parish-events>

Diocese of Pennsylvania <http://www.diopa.org>

Episcopal Church in the US

<http://www.episcopalchurch.org/>

Online *Book of Common Prayer*

<http://www.bcponline.org/>

Anglican Communion

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/>

SPCK—Society for Promoting Christian

Knowledge <http://spckusa.org/>

Bible Gateway <http://www.biblegateway.com/>

Liturgical Calendar

<http://www.lectionarypage.net/CalndrsIndexes/Calendar2016.html>

Anglicans Online <http://anglicansonline.org>

Alpha <http://www.alphausa.org>

Anglicans Online USA

<http://anglicansonline.org/usa>

Daily Prayer and Worship Resources Online

<http://oremus.org/index.html>

Episcopal Veterans Fellowship

<http://evfellowship.org/>

Habitat for Humanity

<http://www.habitatmontco.org/>

Recycling in Montgomery County (including hazardous waste)

<http://www.montcopa.org/index.aspx?NID=637>

General Convention Reports

<http://library.episcopalchurch.org>

Society of Archbishop Justus

<http://justus.anglican.org>

Project Canterbury (Anglican History)

<http://anglicanhistory.org>

Anglican Communion News Service

<http://www.anglicannews.org/>

SAMS—Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders

www.sams-usa.org

Episcopal News Service

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7 8:00 am Holy Eucharist - I 9:15 am Nursery 9:15-12 9:30 am Holy Eucharist - II 10:45 am Congregational Meeting	8 Community Meal 7:30 pm Book Study	9 9:00 am Finance Committee 10:00 am Tuesday Book Study	10 9:00 am Holy Eucharist & Healing Service 6:00 pm Advocacy and Mission	11 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	12 9:00 am Bible Study	13
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