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OUR MISSION: To know Christ as we serve others, proclaim God's love, and grow in The Spirit.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !!

FIFTY YEARS OF GROWING IN THE SPIRIT.....



On Sunday, **September 13, 2015**, we begin a year of celebration leading up to our big bash a year from now. CHS started at the Clinton Community Center, sponsored by our mother church, Calvary, in Flemington, NJ. Father Phil will introduce a series of live oral history interviews with long-time parishioners during the sermon. That same Sunday afternoon we will host a community **Fun Fest** — a day of fun, food and games, and hope that many of our neighbors will attend.

Come one, come all! Dress casually, even for church, so you are ready to enjoy the Fest. Kids, bring your backpacks for a blessing as you start a new school year. Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

Have outdoor games such as croquet, badminton, ring toss? Bring them along to add to the fun. And don't forget your favorite lawn chair.

NEXT UP: • LASAGNA DINNER **October 3** • DAVE LOCKART in concert **October 17** • ALL SAINTS POTLUCK with bonfire and spooky stories **November 1** • And on dates to be determined: an art and spirituality session, a one-day retreat, a movie night and, weather permitting, a trip down the Delaware on a barge. Watch for

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From the Rector's Desk

Happy Autumn, Friends!

We are racing into the new season! Here is the [link](#) to a brochure I have sent out to a variety of church leaders, some of whom will be joining us on **September 9-10** for a two-day conference sponsored by The Associated Parishes for Liturgy and Mission, the group whose inaugural meeting I attended last Spring.



One of the major ideas about the program, "Becoming the Story We Tell," is that we start with an assumption that there *is* a story to tell and we are the ones to tell it! This has to do with Jesus' passion to do God's will, which led to his greater "Passion"—his suffering and death; his life given up for the life of the world. His resurrection was God's vindication of that passion—a passion which now lives on in us. "Becoming the Story We Tell" is a process for re-entering the deep drama of the gospel, and restoring the connection between our baptism and our annual immersion in the story of Christ's Passion. The work we do as Church is supposed to foster reflection on story and sacrament. Our Church is purposed to strengthen us in communal discernment and spiritual conversation. Sunday worship is to focus on renewing us in our baptismal identity and calling. As we become the story we tell, we will find courage to live passionately as witnesses to Christ, and to invite others to learn the way of Christ with us. So many people hear a story about "Church" and think it is either cruel or irrelevant or both, and often as greedy and power hungry as the worst in our culture. It ain't so here. We have a story to tell. I encourage us to sink deeply into reflection about our own story, how it unites with the life, passion, death, and resurrection of Christ, and open our hearts to those who need the story told in their lives but just haven't been able (or thought they wanted) to connect the dots.

CONCERT AT HOLY SPIRIT: David Lockart & Qvinctus

October 17 at 7:30 pm

David Lockart and his male vocal group Qvinctus will perform in our sanctuary with a reception to follow in the parish hall. Dave taught voice and was choral director at North Hunterdon High School for more than 20 years. This is his first return to the area since his retirement to Delaware several years ago. We expect a good turnout from alumni and area families who fondly recall his easy spirit and kind manner, along with his ability to get our kids to sing at an extraordinary level.



The Deacon's Corner

Dear Seekers,

Many of you might know that I make a list every day of what I want to accomplish during that day. Sometimes I am able to cross off all the items on the list, but at other times, I have to transfer some of the events to the next day. It really does keep me organized. I suppose it is the teacher in me.

Well, I came upon a list most recently that spoke to me. It is titled:

My To Do List

Count my blessings

Practice kindness

Let go of what I cannot control

Listen to my heart

Be productive, yet calm

Just breathe

I love this list because I believe that it is attainable every day if we work and practice it. It will take time, but the benefits will be immeasurable to our emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual health.

— Also for your consideration —

Holy Spirited Readers

We are meeting again **Thursday, September 17** after a summer break. We will be discussing three diverse books: *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman; *When Books Went to War* by Molly Kamptill Manning; and Anthony Doerr's *All the Light We Cannot See*. Our discussions are lively, and you can join at any time.

We Care Meeting

We will have a We Care meeting between services (9 - 10am) on **Sunday, September 20** in the St. Martin room, across the hall from the parish office. We will be sharing updates about the needs of those in our community. Please plan on attending; it is important that we communicate as a group at least four times throughout the year. [If you are interested in joining us please talk to me or Susan Kane.]

Diocesan Prison Ministry meeting

Please consider in the days ahead the Diocesan Prison Ministry meeting that will be held on **Saturday, October 10** from 10 am until 3pm at Christ Church, Toms River. There will be guest speakers and lots of information about the different ministries that are happening in the diocese. The cost is \$10, which includes lunch from Panera Bread. You must register online at the diocesan website: dioceseofnj.org

Click on the title "News, Events, and Programs" and then there will be a pull down menu; go to "Ministry Institute" and look for the title "[Ministry Inside and Outside the Prison Walls](#)." Please see Deacon Johnine if you have any questions. Thank you.

Stamp Collection

Cancelled stamps are being collected to help the blind in the UK. There is a collection box below the dove in the Narthex. If you still get snail mail that has stamps attached, please bring the stamps to church and help others on the far side of the pond. Thanks to Gloria Jean Waller for this information.



Words From Our Senior Warden

I hope that everyone had a lovely and relaxing summer. As we head into fall, there is much going on at Church of the Holy Spirit. I wanted to headline the major activities; you will find more information on most of these elsewhere in this issue.

The Way of St. Paul—created to address the need for a new faith formation system that reflects our modern society.

Fun Fest September 13—a perfect venue to welcome the community surrounding us. This will be the first outreach event to include The Way of St. Paul .

Meals on Wheels—These wonderful volunteers have completed their first month with us — perhaps you would like to consider joining their ministry.

Lasagna Dinner October 3, 2015—another outreach to our community and others. Intergenerational.

Planned Giving, Holy Spirit Legacy Society October 18, 2015— A Town Hall meeting with the diocese's Chuck Watson, who will explain the initiative. Our own Deb Canty and John Rivers will be available for questions and planning. Lunch will be served. Contact Sally Bird, Chair of the Planned Giving Committee, for more information (735-0094 sally.bird@churchholyspirit.org)

Johnine's and Don's new chapter in life — A celebration will take place in **November** to recognize Johnine's tremendous support and good works in our church and beyond.

Mission Statement—the vestry approved changes to the CHS mission statement to avoid male-dominated language and accurately reflect the true nature of the divine trinity.

Web-Based Worship Schedule—we are still tweaking; this new method will streamline our weekly worship. Many thanks to Dave Dabour for his hard work! Join us **September 13** between the services.

Use of website/Facebook--intentional—whenever you have an event or news to share, please make sure John Rollins and Jan Paxton are the first to be informed. Under their care, our wonderful website is a model of clarity and timeliness for goings-on at CHS. Also consult the weekly emails, Sunday bulletins, and on-line calendar to make sure you don't miss anything. <http://www.churchholyspirit.org/> (and see page 10)

Fiftieth anniversary of CHS — a yearlong celebration of monthly events, culminating in a gala celebration on **September 16, 2016**.

We hope we can count on all of you to invite family and friends to all the events coming up. Finally, remember that all are welcome to attend the monthly vestry meetings. They are normally scheduled the third Sunday after the 10 am service. There will be openings for many new vestry members in January of 2016. Please, prayerfully consider if this is something you are called to do..



Mr. Fixit in Need of Volunteers

The County Mr. Fixit Program seeks volunteers to perform small safety and health-related home repairs for seniors and physically disabled residents of the county. For several years, CHS has worked with Mr. Fixit during our Good Friday Service Day. Help is needed with small electrical and plumbing repairs, installing or removing windows screens, repair or installation of door locks, glass panes, repair of stair railings as well as household chores. **Please contact Sabrina Baarda directly at 908-788-1358** if you can help. You set your own hours, where you want to work and the type of job you can do.

Words from our Junior Warden



THE WAY OF ST. PAUL

This issue contains lots of information on a new nationwide initiative. “The Way of St. Paul” is an ongoing partnership between The Diocese of New Jersey and Vibrant Faith Ministries, or VFM. VFM is a leading group of ministry professionals who care most about helping people experience God’s presence in the world. They’re passionate about rethinking Church with dynamic leaders, redesigning methods and models for the Church, and reimagining faith formation.

Ok, what does that all mean for CHS? It means that under the direction of our Diocese, we are going to participate in learning how to reach people in our community who need Christ **today**, in the 21st century. Many things in our lives are clearly different than they were just a few years ago. How we receive information may be the biggest. Who needs radio, TV, books or newspapers? Just give me a cell phone, let alone a tablet or computer. If that isn’t completely true for you, it certainly is true for our kids. And many of us have discovered that without this technology, we are now missing a lot.

So how do we engage our kids and other millennials in the life of the church so that we continue to grow, which is a natural thing for a church to do? CHS is one of 24 initial churches in our diocese that are examining this question. We meet monthly as a group with the other churches and then have a schedule of items to examine within our churches to discover who we are, where we are and how we can reach out to our communities and what kinds of programs (and how they can be delivered) are needed to bring new people into the church. See our website <http://www.churchholyspirit.org/> or that of the Diocese <http://www.dioceseofnj.org/> for more information.

All members of our vestry make up the committee in The Way of St. Paul. We will be needing information and help from you as we go through this process, which will take more than a few months, so when asked please take the opportunity to provide us with your ideas and review and comment on the ideas we bring to you.

I’d like to leave you with a quote from William F Buckley, Jr.’s *Nearer My God*:

How can we discuss ethical questions if we cannot bring up God? It is mostly the features of *this* world from which we take our satisfactions. The love of family, the company of our friends, the feel of the wind on the face, the excitement of the printed page, the delights of color and form and the sound: food, wine, sex. But there is that other life that only human beings experience, and in that life, and from that life, other pulsations are felt. They press upon us, in the Christian vision, one thing again and again which is that God loves us. The best way to put it is that God would give up His life for us and, in Christ, did.



Episcopal Walkers Unite!!

The next scheduled ramble of Hunterdon’s Episcopal Walkers will be **Saturday, October 3** (weather permitting, of course). Site to be determined; details will follow by email.

Meet at the bus parking lot next to Country Griddle in Clinton at 10:00 a.m. and we’ll carpool from there. Lunch afterwards for those who are interested.

If you wish to be notified when a walk is contemplated, let Vicki Brooks (752-3062) or June or Ed Filipski (735-5219) know. Thanks as always to Rev. Ann Holt of Calvary Flemington for spearheading these get-togethers and to the members of Calvary and St. Thomas’ who join with us for a pleasant romp (stroll?) in Hunterdon County and environs.

A Message from Our Treasurer



I hope everyone has had an excellent summer. Our Finance Committee continued to meet monthly during the summer to review our income and expenses. As we enter the final third of the year, here is an update on the 2015 budget.

Our primary sources of revenue are the pledge contributions we receive from those of you who made a pledge, plate contributions, and non-pledge contributions.

During the summer months, the rate of contribution of pledges fell behind schedule as it did in 2014. We are currently \$6,000 behind schedule; this is consistent with the prior year's performance. Due to the Spring Auction Gala results we are able to remain cash positive.

	Pledge
Year-to-date budget goal	\$122,500
Year-to-date actual contributions	\$116,000

Summary results of the 2015 Spring Auction Gala:

Net Receipts:	\$39,253
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 7,602</u>
Auction Profit	<u>\$31,652</u>
<u>Use of Funds</u>	
Fund The Need	\$ 5,300
Church Operations	\$26,352

Since the last Treasurer's report we have acquired a new tenant – Meals on Wheels. This rental revenue, approximately \$2,000 in 2015, will replace a portion of the rental revenue lost last year. We hope that this unbudgeted revenue stream, the remaining fund-raising activities and the fulfilment of the 2015 pledges will deliver the projected financial targets for this fiscal year.

On the expenditure side, the church staff and budget holders have been diligent stewards. The operating costs, which are mostly fixed, are being well managed.

If you are new to our church community and would like to make a pledge at this time, please contact our pledge clerk, Linda West. Likewise, if you made a pledge for this year and are unable to pay it or if there is a pastoral concern, please notify our senior warden, Katie Gnash.

Our church is a beautiful worship space that is supported by all of you in many ways – financially and with your time and talents. We would like to keep it running smoothly through the rest of the year and we thank you in advance for your participation in our mission.

An Important Reminder: Mark your calendars for the kick-off to introduce our new planned giving program, The Holy Spirit Legacy Society. So save the date - **Sunday, October 18 at 11:30 am** in Dove Hall. Lunch will be provided. Stay tuned for more information.

Report from the 78th General Convention

The Episcopal Church



June 25 - July 3, 2015 — Salt Lake City, Utah

The Episcopal Church (TEC) is the most democratically representative organization of any kind and at any time in the history of the planet. It has always been so since our founding during Colonial times. That means we have a lot of deputies per person: some ten thousand representatives of TEC gather every three years at a different location in the U.S. That also means we need a facility big enough to handle those numbers. In spite of Utah being thought of as Mormon-only country, the TEC presence there is significant among the non-Mormon population. Salt Lake has a huge convention center, so huge I logged many miles of walking every day. Hearings and legislative testimony began at 7:30 am every morning and plenary sessions followed daily Eucharist at 10 am. Evening hearings took place after dinner, so it was a full, packed, and intense nine days, plus travel. You can head over to the web for a roundup of actions taken: <http://www.generalconvention.org/>

Significantly, and of most importance on a visibility front, we elected the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Bishop of North Carolina, to become our Presiding Bishop (what we American's call an Archbishop). I highly recommend you listen to his sermon on one of my favorite saints in the modern era, Jonathan Merrick Daniels: <http://www.episcopalcafe.com/bishop-michael-curry-to-jonathan-daniels-pilgrims-keep-going/>

One of the major things that happens at conventions is the networking. I am thrilled to have made important connections with two national groups who can help us in our mission here on Haytown Road. The Episcopal Preaching Foundation (<http://www.preachingfoundation.org/>) is located in NJ, but has serious national reach and impact. Executive Director Rev. Diane Pike and I have a couple of projects in the works that will elevate the word proclaimed, and in particular the sermons you will hear on Sundays. And you will be blown away with what Rev. Chris Yaw has come up with on <https://www.churchnext.tv/>. Take a look at those resources! Yeah, looks like the embers are quickly going to fire up this year. Stay tuned.



LDS Temple



Salt Palace Convention Center



City Hall Rotunda

Music, Music, Music

Senior Choir:

For teenagers and adults. Members are expected to be consistent with attendance at rehearsals 9:30-9:45 am and 11:30-12:15 pm on Sundays and Sunday services. Various styles of music are sung and special services include Advent Lessons and Carols, Christmas Eve, and Easter. If interested, contact our director, Chris Williams (email: music@churchholyspirit.org)



Holiday Senior Choir:

Members of the congregation are invited to join the regular Senior Choir for practices during the Christmas and Easter seasons and other special occasions. Participants are asked to attend rehearsals for a few weeks in advance. This is a great way to participate with the regular choir if you can't commit to singing every Sunday.

Junior Choir:

For ages 7 - 14. Younger children are welcome if they prove to be good readers. Rehearsals are held weekly. During this time, practical singing skills, music reading skills, unison, two-part music and hand bell instruction are taught. Children sing at the 10AM service once a month. If you wish to sign up your child/children, click [here](#) to access the requisite form on the CHS website.

Special Organ Lessons

Interested in Pipe Organ studies: If you have 5 years of piano study, knowledge of scales and are interested in learning fundamental pipe organ music for the church, contact Chris Williams (email: music@churchholyspirit.org). There is a nominal cost for 30-minute lessons at church.



Episcopal Choir Camp

Ellie Curtin and I both attended the week-long Diocese of New Jersey Choir Camp in Cape May. It was so amazing in so many different ways.

We learned ten new choral pieces, such as "The Father's Love" and "Magnificat in D". We would always learn something new each rehearsal with the Directors of Music, Diane Caruso and Mark A. Trautman. My favorite song was "The Call of Wisdom".

I made so many new friends because there were 27 campers ages 10 to 21. The kids were from seven different churches. Besides singing we also went to the beach, had a scavenger hunt, had a talent show, and went to the boardwalk in Cape May.

On Thursday, our last day together as a group, we performed a service of Choral Evensong with Bishop Stokes giving the homily. I definitely want to go back next year.

Melissa Olsen

Bishop Stokes wrote about the camp in his weekly newsletter on July 31st, available on the Diocesan Facebook page, [Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey](#). Both girls had a fantastic time and learned so much. We are grateful beyond words for the support of our church family, especially Chris Williams and Fr. Phil.

Tricia Simpson-Curtin

Vacation Frisbee School



Vacation Frisbee School was held August 3-7. About 30 children and teenagers came to Church of the Holy Spirit for the week. Not everyone was a member of our church. It was fun to meet new friends and be with our church friends for the week.

Ultimate Frisbee was the theme for 2015. Father Phil taught us how to play this team sport and played many of the games with us. We learned to play fairly following the spirit of the game. We had

to solve our own problems and work them out. There are no referees. When one person feels like they are being fouled, they call it. If the person who is being called against feels like they did not foul, there is a turnover (redo of the last play). If the person who is being called against agrees that they fouled, they give up the frisbee to the other team. You have to be honest while playing the game. Father Phil taught us how to throw and catch a frisbee. We learned the backhand and the forehand throws. We also learned the pancake catch, the one-handed catch, the side rim catch, and the back rim catch. Father Phil's dog, Scout, was our mascot. We had dog Frisbees to throw for her to catch.

We learned that we are wonderfully made and that the most important things are the things we can't see, like love, air, and God. We now know how many bones we have in our feet and our hands. The week was a mix of learning and fun. We had a lot fun with water squirters and splash bombs.



John Zhang taught us to write our names in Mandarin. He taught us the symbols of love and the numbers 1 through 5. We learned that in the Chinese culture, you are a certain animal based on the year you are born. We made t-shirts to take home. We used fabric spray paint to paint a firework pattern on one side. On the other side we had a silhouette of a person or a dog catching a Frisbee. We wrote the Chinese symbol for our names on the shirts. We signed each other's shirts to remember our friends from this year's Vacation Frisbee School.



Miss Kiki helped us all week. She organized our snacks, she took care of the younger kids, and she would help us work out disagreements during the Ultimate Frisbee games. She helped us make our t-shirts. She showed us a little bit of Jesus by caring for us and showing us love.

We ate fruits and vegetables for snack each day. While not everybody liked all the snacks, everybody did like some of them. Over the week, we had apples, peaches, peppers, carrots, celery, cucumbers, kiwi, blueberries, grapes, corn, zucchini chips, grape tomatoes, cantaloupe, and watermelon.

We can't wait to come back next year because it was an awesome time!

Natalie and Jasmine Marlow

Facebook Evangelism: Don't just "Like"... "Share"!



With the enormous popularity of Facebook, we have a great opportunity for what I call "Facebook evangelism". This is possible by using the "Share" option built into Facebook's operating system.

But first, we need to get over our innate shyness in sharing what is great about our church. And second, we need to visit regularly our website www.churchholyspirit.org so sharing can take place.

It's almost legendary that we Episcopalians don't have any problem with sharing our thoughts about a great movie or our favorite restaurant. But there is a certain reserve about sharing what we love about our faith or the church in which we find expression of that faith.

Facebook helps melt that reserve. With a click of the mouse, we can "Share" a post about something happening in our congregation, which will then show up on our friends' news feeds, hopefully to give them a sense of the joy and wonder we have found.

We all have seen how well sharing works. Consider for a moment all the cute cat pictures, the photos of meals about to be eaten, and the links to online publications' articles of interest which arrive in our news feeds, shared by our friends.

Increasingly, images of beautiful prayers, words of inspiration, even cartoons poking fun at our vanities are being shared. It's all good.

But what is being shared about how Church of the Holy Spirit is helping to feed the hungry in our county? Or starting a contemplative prayer group? Or developing "commercials" to foster interest in those looking for a church? Items such as these and hundreds more can be shared if we take the next step: using the "Share" link on our web pages.

Every Holy Spirit News or Holy Spirit Events page has a "Share" link which enables Facebook users to promote that page to their personal news feed which then, depending on the privacy settings, will appear on their friends' news feeds. Try using it! Let the good news sharing begin!

Also, you can post items or comments to the Holy Spirit Facebook page. You have to be on Facebook and have "liked" our page, but then, where it says "What's on your mind?" you can add items. Of course, what you add should be relevant to our church family, and brief enough to be interesting and informative.

John Rollins



Be a CHS Reporter

Calling all would-be news reporters and camera buffs - if you are around the grounds or on a group event off-site, we'd love to hear about what you are doing, in words and pictures. Our goal is to energize our website so that visitors to the website get a good sense of what an active, thriving community of faith we are. Please help support the efforts of our webmasters John Rollins and Jan

Paxton and our parish photographer Dave Dabour with your own submissions. Email to webmaster@churchholyspirit.org. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Janet Wulster

Acolyte Corner

The fall overnight event occurred on August 21st and was a great success once again. There were 14 attendees with 13 overnights. Some of our Acolytes brought friends to stay with us too. The children reviewed the entire format and routine of the Acolyte program and we discussed "why" and "what" an Acolyte represents. After the training concluded there was the fun of "sardines" and making the bread used for the Host during Sunday services with Father Phil. Again a huge thanks to Fanta for staying the night as well. After finally settling down for the evening around 3 AM, the adults were able to relax for about 4 hours [naps in our future for sure]. Hope to see you all at our next one in 2016!

Jack Daniels



Sexual Misconduct Awareness Training Workshop

(9 am to 3 pm **October 3, 2015** at CHS Church of the Holy Spirit)

IF YOU WORK WITH CHILDREN AT CHS , YOU MUST ATTEND ONE OF THESE WORKSHOPS!

Sign in time is 8:45 a.m., Lunch at 12:00 p.m., Training til 3 pm. Pizza will be provided but attendees may bring their own lunch. There are nearby places to eat as well and the lunch is for 1 hour. Lastly, babysitting will be provided.

Pre-registration is required and can be done through the Diocesan Office link below -

October 3 — Church of the Holy Spirit, Lebanon- <http://tinyurl.com/o92ky54>

Other places that you may attend are -

September 19 — Church of the Advent, Cape May - <http://tinyurl.com/ln3qsmb>

October 3 — St. John's, Somerville- <http://tinyurl.com/nwwlb73>

October 17— All Saints, Navesink - <http://tinyurl.com/p5hlqy2>

October 24 — St. George's, Rumson- <http://tinyurl.com/ofqow3f>

Questions, contact Jack Daniels or Father Phil

Is There Food Today?

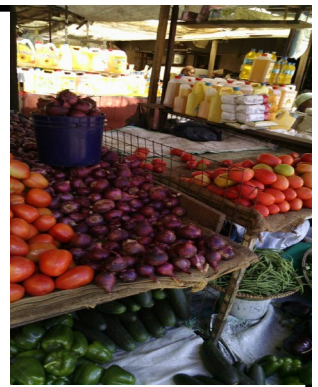
This is a question often asked by the hungry in Hunterdon County. Please help to answer it with a “yes”.

Are you aware that for the past five years a group from CHS called the Culinary Angels has been supplying approximately 80 meals twice a month to the people who ask the question? Meals are packaged into individual serving containers and delivered to the headquarters for Family Promise at the Flemington Presbyterian Church to be picked up on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The people who receive the meals were sheltered in church housing and are now on their own. They are working and trying to make ends meet, often by going hungry or eating nutrient-poor foods. Can you help your neighbors? During 2014, we were able to provide 965 complete dinners, and so far for 2015, the number of meals is 635.

There are several ways you can help:

- Bring a prepared meal to the church for packaging on the first or third Tuesday or the Monday that precedes it. Leave it in the kitchen refrigerator marked for Family Promise or Culinary Angels. Please date and indicate what your dish contains.
- You don't have to make an entire meal or a huge amount. Some suggestions: all types of casseroles — mac and cheese, pasta dishes, Mexican-style casseroles, vegetarian dishes, pot pies, soups.
- Main dishes could include meatloaf, meatballs, sausage and peppers, chicken legs, sliced turkey or pork.
- Vegetables/fruits: cooked vegetables that can be added to a main dish; fresh produce such as tomatoes, corn, beans, apples, oranges; frozen bags of veggies.
- Double-batch a meal when cooking for your family.

Please make sure you handle the food you bring in a sanitary way. Leftovers that others have touched or that have been left at room temperature are not something we want to use. As you can tell, it isn't that difficult to help our neighbors in need. Contact Joanne Warnowicz at 908-537-4422 or June Filipski [juned.fil@gmail.com] for more information.

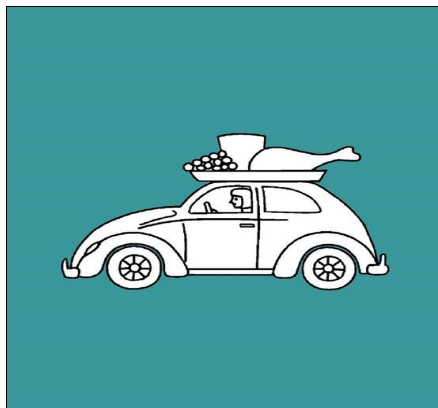


First Sunday Breakfasts — Can you Sign Up?

The [Sunday Breakfast Sign-up Sheet](#) is now ready in the Narthex for your “signature.” Plan ahead and select your month before someone else takes the spot. Dates for this year are: October 4, November 1, December 6, January 3, February 7, March 6, April 3, and May 1. There will not be a breakfast in either September (Labor Day weekend) or June (Sunday school picnic). Team up with some friends if you like. It's lots of fun that way. Questions? Email Carol Crawford-Jones at carolcj@prolog.net. Thank you.



Carol Crawford-Jones



Welcome to CHS, Meals on Wheels!!



Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, Inc. (MOWih) relocated its North County Nutrition Site from Allerton Methodist Church in Annandale to the Church of the Holy Spirit. The purpose of MOWih aligns with part of Holy Spirit's mission outreach to feed those in need. We welcome MOWih as they care for members in the local community. Opening site operations began on Monday, August 3rd, serving approximately 70 elderly residents in the northern section of Hunterdon County.

Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, Inc. is a private 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation, and as such is governed by a voluntary Board of Directors. MOWih's mission is to assist the homebound elderly/disabled of Hunterdon County to maintain their independence by enhancing their nutritional health, thereby avoiding unwanted institutionalization. Their vision is that no senior in Hunterdon County will go hungry or experience social isolation. In 2013, it celebrated its 40th anniversary serving the elderly residents of Hunterdon County. In 2014, MOWih served 51,888 meals and provided over 1,049 nutrition educational units. The agency is partially funded by the Title III Older Americans Act; United Way of Hunterdon County; multiple foundations; community and client donations; and fundraising.

Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon's consulting Registered Dietitian, Karen Fivek, designs the menu to provide one-third RDA (Required Daily Allowance) for each meal. The monthly menus are submitted to Nu-Way Concessionaires, Inc., their contractual caterer. The caterer daily prepares and delivers the food in bulk to each of MOWih's three nutrition sites: The Senior Center, 4 Gauntt Place, Flemington; the Hibernia Apartments, 25 South Main St., Lambertville and the Church of the Holy Spirit, Lebanon. The main office is located at 5 Walter Foran Blvd., Suite 2006, Flemington.

At each Nutrition site the hot food temperatures are maintained by steam tables, food warmers and ovens; and the cold food temperatures are maintained by refrigeration, freezer or ice packs until the food is apportioned by part-time staff and volunteers according to each client's dietary needs.

Meal deliveries out of the Church of the Holy Spirit are performed Monday through Friday with approximately nine volunteer drivers daily (out of approximately a total of 190 volunteer drivers) delivering individually packaged hot meals between the hours of 11 am to 1 pm to client's homes along nine specified routes throughout northern Hunterdon County. In addition to bringing the hot meal, recipients can elect to receive two cold-bag lunches for weekend consumption. The volunteer drivers also provide an assurance check; if the driver observes any unusual circumstances or conditions they will report to staff and the emergency contact person will be notified. If you have an interest in volunteering with Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, please call their main office at (908) 284-0735.

Eva Lesniak and Michelle Marlow

Buildings and Grounds

FROM THE GROUND UP!

Hope all had a relaxing and fun summer, a warm one, but no fires or floods to contend with here, thanks be to God!

Taking a look around, you might notice what needs work on the property, and what has been begun or completed, starting with our parking lot: a meadow had emerged there without permission. Erik Anderson agreed to lend a hand to John Higgins and get Mother Nature under control with spraying. Thank you Erik!! Weeds seem to have engulfed our gardens and beds so much that drastic measures of brush hogging, laying weed blocking landscaping fabric and mulching are in the works. By the time you read this much of that work will have been completed.

Indoors, take a look at the fresh coat of paint in our parish office, applied so expertly by Don Davis and David Garrabrant. Moving up the stairs and into the sanctuary, have you noticed the finished window framing of the custom molding created by Phil's very talented brother, Evan. Nice job, usual craftsmen! Thank you!

Thanks to Wendy Hallstrom for her great talent applied to the exterior wall by the front entrance of CHS. She explains the concept in her own words (below)

Respectfully, *Sharon Tripodi*



OUR WELCOME MAT IS RENEWED!

Father Philip has a vision – a vision for a beautiful new welcome at the entrance to our church. The crumbling tile work has been removed, and a replacement of steel, acrylic, paint and lights is in the works. I have been honored to work with Fr. Phil to help him complete his vision – a vision of the various forms of the Holy Spirit, our parish namesake. The Holy Spirit is found throughout the bible, from our Old Testament forefathers and mothers through the wonderfully vivid description of tongues of fire at Pentecost. Where does the symbology come from? Here are a few of the many verses in the bible attempting to describe the Holy Spirit, a presence more felt than seen.

Symbols of water and fire from the words of John the Baptist, Matthew 3:11, "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

The figure of the dove from Luke 3:22, "and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The symbol of breath (or wind) from John 20:22, "When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

The well known symbols of wind and fire from Acts 2:1-4, "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."



Neighbors Helping Neighbors (or The Little Wagon that Could...)

The Open Cupboard Food Pantry on Old Highway 22 in Clinton serves clients in northern Hunterdon County who are experiencing extended periods of unemployment or whose household income and benefits checks do not sufficiently cover their food needs for the month.

I visited with Executive Director Anne Underhill in August. She shared that **during this July alone**, Open Cupboard Served 211 families (**416 individuals**) in need, and distributed **12,054 pounds** of food, household paper goods, and cleaning supplies.

As we walked through the neatly organized, shelved aisles of the Food Pantry, Anne pointed out empty shelving bays where the Pantry desperately needs certain items. I wanted to share that short list with you in this issue of the Trumpeter, in hopes that members of the CHS community could specifically donate these items, placing them in the "Food Pantry Express" wagon in the Narthex :



- Toilet Tissue
- Canned Pea Soup, Canned Lentil Soup
- Canned Spinach, Potatoes, Beets
- Canned Pears and Canned Oranges

Anne shared with me that over their last fiscal year (from July 2014 through June 2015), the Church of the Holy Spirit donated 1,857 pounds of dry packaged items and canned goods to the Open Cupboard Food Pantry. Thank you in advance for your continuing donations. I look forward to sharing further updates.



Lasagna Dinner — Saturday, October 3

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Invite your family # friends # neighbors;

Bring your parents # grandparents # aunts and uncles.

Homemade lasagna (with meat or not) # limitless salad # garlic bread # dessert

Iced tea # coffee # soda # BYOB

\$10 per person contribution requested (12 and over)

Advance reservations are a must!

Signup in the Narthex or online at www.churchholyspirit.org

PULSE OF THE PARISH

Congratulations:

- George and Janet Wulster on the birth of their first grandchild, Minna Freya Grantham Wulster, born July 1st. The proud parents are son Charles Grantham Wulster and daughter-in-law Lexa Hillyer.
- Arden Olson on the birth of his third great-grandchild, Jaxon Roethler, born on August 16th.

We welcome into the household of God Skylar Madeline Reid who was "sealed by the Holy Spirit in **Baptism** and marked as Christ's own forever" at the 10 am Service on May 31st.

Congratulations to Adam Cagno and Zachary Mahon of the "We Celebrate" Communion Class who were presented and welcomed at the 10 am Service on June 21st.

Happy Birthday Wishes to Greta Tump, Holy Spirit's most senior parishioner, who celebrated her 95th birthday on July 12th. Greta was the organist at the 8 am Service at Holy Spirit for many years and her music was enjoyed and appreciated by all. She now resides at Independence Manor in Flemington.

Thoughts and prayers of comfort and healing for our parishioners and friends who have been experiencing extended and serious health issues over the summer.

The following son of the parish has passed into eternal life. May light perpetual shine upon him: Will Hooper, son and faithful caregiver of Frank and Joan, suddenly, on August 27th. Services held at CHS on Saturday, September 5, 2015

May the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Precious Thoughts: *"The best and most beautiful things in life cannot be seen, not touched, but are felt in the heart."* - Helen Keller

In Appreciation



Pastoral Care: I now know first hand that our WE CARE system works very well, having been on the receiving end for quite a while now. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the prayers, cards, flowers, meals and love. The past month has been tough but I hope to be back in the swing of things very soon.

Again, thank you to everyone for the love and caring you give to our wonderful faith community. You are a continued blessing and support to those in need.

Susan Kane

Altar Guild: "To set the Lord's Table" - Congratulations to Caroline Iler on her retirement from the Altar Guild this October. Thank you Caroline for all your help over the many years you served, especially with the Good Friday silver polishing! At this time the Altar Guild is in need of a few new members. If you feel called to serve on this "behind the scenes" ministry please contact me:

landgraf5@yahoo.com and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sue Landgraf

Hoosier Communiqué

Dear CHS Family,

First and foremost, the Tanzler family misses you all very much. CHS was our home for 12+ years, and there truly is "no place like home". Our two-car fleet left NJ on Thursday July 2nd after a full day power outage the day before in Hampton, which was only fitting. Julia and Stacy followed behind Jess, Molly and me and did a wonderful job drafting off us the entire way! We spent the night in Youngstown, OH and rolled into Fort Wayne mid-afternoon on the 3rd. Our first night in our new home wasn't until Saturday 7/11. Our family here is happy though, as they believe they can claim us as tax deductions. We still have months ahead of finishing things out, but everything moves a bit slower out here in Indiana. We still haven't sold the house in NJ, and I have so many moments every day (and middle of the night) when panic overrides. Please include us in your prayers - so that something happens quickly!

The morning and evening skies here are amazing. Sunrises and sunsets are so vivid - it is very therapeutic. We are blessed to be on a very large pond (Cliff would have loved it!) with no houses on one side and no development to the west--so very peaceful. Jessica and Stacy started school on Wednesday, August 12 (yikes) and we took Julia to Indiana University in Bloomington (~ 3 hours away) the following weekend for an early move-in on Sunday. She met with her nursing adviser and has a wonderful schedule...for a freshman! I have a feeling she is going to transfer to Indianapolis (IUPUI) her Junior year as that's where all the hospitals are. She actually almost accepted there - but it is a very urban campus. It won't matter two years from now as she will be in the hospitals 75% of her time. She received such a strong Spanish foundation at NHHS that she is graduating with a minor in Spanish. I will miss her dearly--she has been such a great example to her sisters, and a great shoulder for me. Fortunately, I have another brother and his wife and son that live in downtown Indy (who both graduated from IU) so they are a close safety net and know everything about the school (and a lot of stuff you shouldn't know!).

Stacy has had a difficult time. I moved at exactly her age to a different state - and I feel her pain. Fortunately she starts Show Choir with her High School next week and was just accepted to continue her vocal studies with Fernando Tarango at a local recording studio here--Sweetwater Academy. I know she will be great soon - I just wish I could show her a crystal ball that convinces her.

Jess announced that she loves it here so much more than NJ "because all the kids and adults are so much nicer"! She made a soccer travel team and the soccer team at Homestead High School here (2400 kids!!!). She is the striker on the JV team but sitting on Varsity (the coach told her there are many accident-prone players so she may get some play time). I have to admit that I just went to an amazing pot luck dinner for the team at the HS (...even after I had tried to outlaw them in Bethlehem Township as I always thought they ended up being pot "un-luck" - haha).

Along with two of my brothers and one sister (and their families) - we are the 18th "Stuczynski" in a 1.5 mile radius. The girls have never known what it is like to be in a "neighborhood", with streetlights and able to get anywhere on a bike (it's rather flat...)! I just have to teach them what "kick the can" is. It is wonderful saying "can you bike down to the store and grab some milk and eggs?". It is glorious to see them so happy to be able to come and go to their cousins' houses as they please. It is also VERY SAFE and picturesque. I have at least 3 nights a week when there are 18 waiting in a buffet line in my kitchen. I haven't had to do the dishes yet, which is always good.

BUT... I still need to make the official "moving on". I am coaching the girls to move forward and need to follow my own advice. It has become very difficult trying to help out Cliff's dad and his girlfriend (who we all miss dearly). He would like to move here but she is adamant about staying in NJ. Both are almost 90 years old and we were the only family nearby to help them out. Still very tied to NJ because of the house (more prayers needed). There are three Episcopal churches nearby and the one I feel would be the best place to call a "second home" is about 30 minutes away. Can we clone CHS????

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Hoosier Communiqué (continued)

I will always stay in contact - and thank you, Barbara Burton, for reminding me to send this out. We are very blessed to still have all of you in our lives! Love & Blessings to you all,

Sharon Tanzler

Here is the Tanzlers' new contact information: 1416 Cypress Spring Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46814-8897, Phone 260-387-7723 (home), 908-347-3425 (cell). Julia's mailing info [even college kids need a note] Julia Tanzler, Indiana University, 1000 North Fee Lane, Foster-Magee-Room 306, Bloomington, IN 47406-7501

New Ministry Schedule System

We will be changing the way worship participants are scheduled. We will be using a program dedicated to scheduling church ministries called Ministry Scheduler Pro. It has many benefits including: Flexible scheduling, online substitutions, easy communications (email and txt message), App for Android and Apple iOS, and automatic email reminders.

It may take one or two schedules to work out some of the bumps but the system looks good and has many nice features! The ministry schedule will also be posted on our website like it has in the past at the following link: <http://bit.ly/CHSMinistry>. This is also on the CHS website under Worship, Sunday Services.

To logon to the program go to <http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/chs>. You will need a login and password. If you don't know what yours is please contact me or the church office. You can also use your smart phone or tablet! Once you login online, you will be able to see when you are scheduled (including the schedule of other family members), the full schedule for everyone as well as the roster of other volunteers. You can also change your profile.

Dave Dabour

Sunday Sept 13 between the services (from 9:15 am to 9:45 am), we will meet in the parish hall, using the projector to run through the new web-based program used for scheduling Sunday ministries. This is a chance to fix issues and learn the input process and address concerns and limitations you may have experienced. We can also help you inputting your preferences directly. If this is not a good date for you, we are planning another mid-week session later in September. More on that later.

Beyond all those who currently participate in the services, anyone with an interest in any form of ministry on Sunday is urged to join us!

Philip+

Good News Home for Women Fall Activities



Annual Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the grounds at 33 Bartles Corner Road, Flemington. Come join us for a family fun-filled day. There will be games, a dunk tank, pony rides, face painting, food, vendor shopping, a silent auction and much more. Admission is free.

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Good News Home by helping us continue to help women become mentally sound, emotionally stable and socially adjusted., physically well and spiritually alive, free from the bondage of addiction.

If you can't attend, a donation is always welcome.

19th Annual Fundraising Banquet

The 19th Annual Fundraising Banquet will be held on **Saturday, October 23rd** at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, 88 Route 173 West in Perryville. The program, featuring Anthony Kearns, Hunterdon County Prosecutor, is called "Beauty From Ashes" and will be held from 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM. Tickets are \$65.00 for Adults, \$60.00 for seniors 65 and over, \$35.00 for Children 6-12 ,with a table of 10 discounted to \$585.00 Please RSVP to Robin@goodnewshome.net. Please try to attend this important fundraiser for one of the key ministries that CHS supports.

Sandy Burton

MARK YOUR CALENDARS TO HOLD THE DATES

September		October	
9-10	APLM Regional Conference: Becoming the Story We Tell [at CHS]	3	Episcopal Walkers
12	Good News Home Harvest Festival	3	Sexual Misconduct Workshop
13	Web-Based Worship Schedule 9:15-9:45	3	Lasagna Dinner
13	Fun Fest starting at 11:45	4	Breakfast between the services
17	Holy Spirited Readers	4	Blessing of the Animals 1:00 (rain or shine)
19	Dining With Friends (<i>changed from 9/12</i>)	10	Diocesan Prison Meeting
20	We Care Meeting	17	Dave Lockart Concert
20	Vestry Meeting	18	Planned Giving Meeting and Lunch
28	A Culinary Affair Goes Country — Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, 6:30—9:30 pm	18	Vestry Meeting
		23	Good News Home Fund-Raising Banquet

Access the on-line calendar for more information at <http://www.churchholyspirit.org/calendar.html>

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