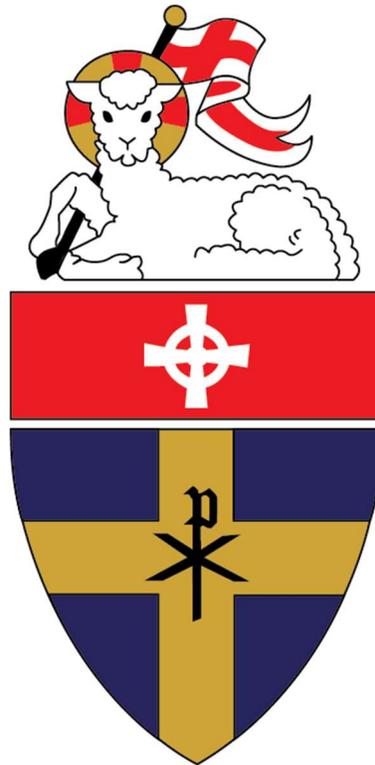
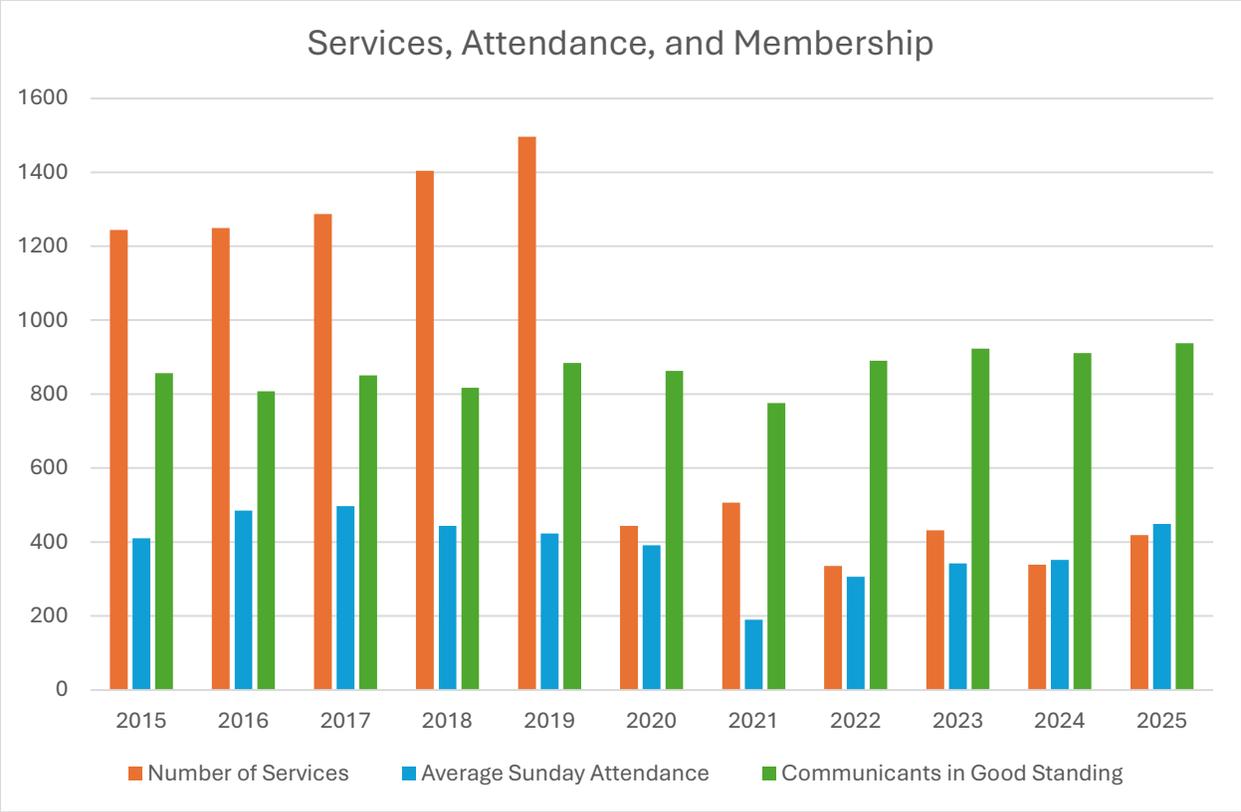


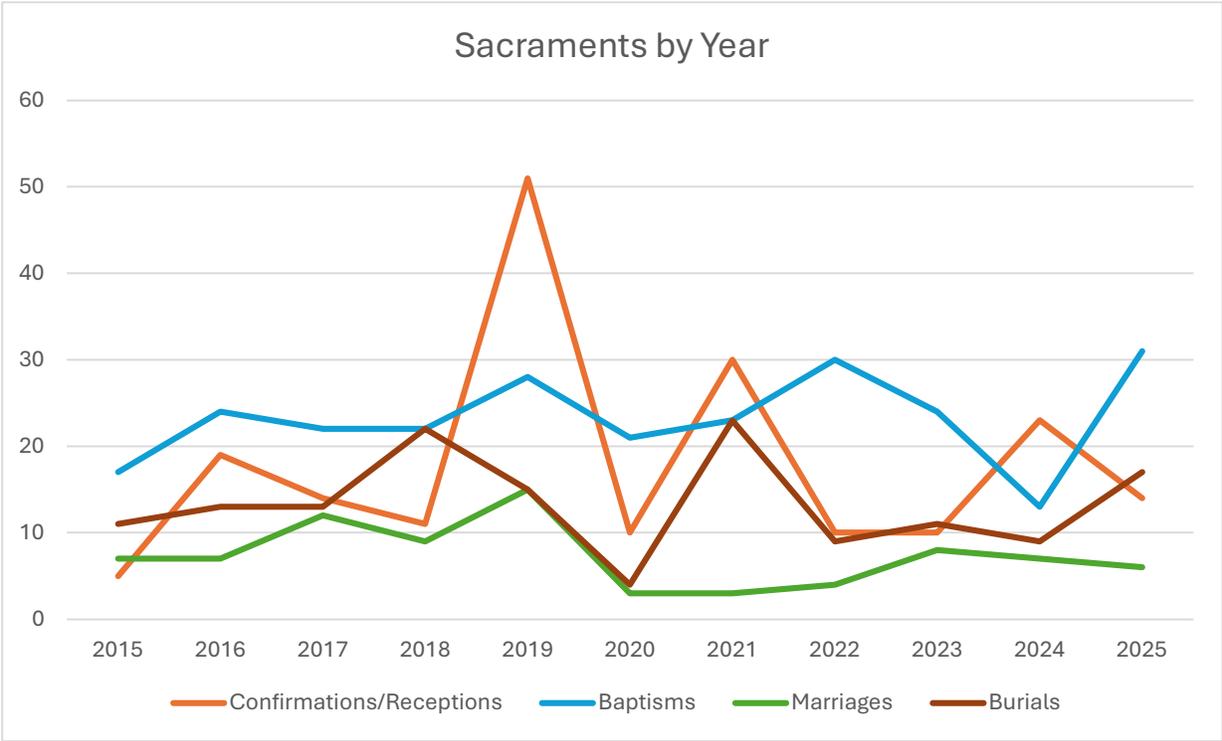
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025



Christ Church, Georgetown
209th Annual Parish Meeting
February 8, 2026



Total Membership for December 31, 2025: 1,745



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CHRIST CHURCH, GEORGETOWN

208th Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2025

208th Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

The 208th Annual Parish Meeting was held on Sunday, February 2nd, 2025, with parishioners having assembled in the church, the Rector, Timothy A.R. Cole, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m. and commenced with prayers, including prayers for the faithful departed of the parish, who had died since the 207th Annual Meeting.

Appointments

The Rector appointed Miss Babs L. Hough to serve as Secretary, Mrs. Molly Peacock to serve as Parliamentarian, and Mr. Brent T. Minor, Mr. Dick Thompson, and Mr. Alan Coker to serve as Tellers.

Presence of a Quorum

The Rector directed the Congregation to review the requirements and read the requirements to qualify as a voter and raise their hands if they qualified. The presence of a quorum was established.

Minutes

The Rector asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 207th Annual Meeting and approve them as distributed. Mr. William Courtney motioned to approve the minutes. Mrs. Isabel Kunsman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Retiring Vestry Members

The Rector thanked the retiring members of the Vestry, Ms. Kit Thomson, Mr. Brent T. Minor, Mr. Robert Zirkelbach, and Mr. Michael Zampella, for their faithful and dedicated service and said that it had been a pleasure to serve with all of them.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Mrs. Molly Peacock, Chair of the Nominating Committee, delivered her report on behalf of the Committee. Mrs. Peacock said she was honored to chair the nominating committee. She noted that Committee membership was approved by the Vestry and met in December. At their meeting, they prayed for God's guidance in choosing a slate of nominees for the Vestry. They listened to God's guidance for them and chose the following nominees to the Vestry: Mr. John K. Yasuda, Mr. Michael Miller, Mr. Tyler M. Thompson, and Miss Babs L. Hough.

After asking the nominees to stand, the Rector opened the floor for additional nominations. There being none, the Rector called for a motion to close the nominations. Mrs. Shelley Stewart motioned to close the nominations. Mr. Brent T. Minor seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The Rector then called for a motion to instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees to

serve a three-year term as Vestry members. Ms. Kit Thomson motioned to instruct the Secretary. Mr. Neal B. Herman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Report by the Rector – The Reverend Timothy A. R. Cole



We meet today to look back on what I hope you will see was an amazing year last year here at Christ Church. The reports are all encouraging in so many ways so I won't refer to them all here too much except to say that the growth we are seeing is, I believe, due to three things: first the outstanding work of our staff and volunteers (who I will say more about later), secondly the quality of our worship, (which is characteristic emphasis of Christ Church historically), but it is also due to our determination to be a Church that welcomes people from a wide spectrum of views, that leaves our inevitably various politics at the door, and that seeks to base our unity in our relationship with Christ before our opinions

about how, as Christians we should act in the world.

As someone who has spent over 20 years in the military, I have seen how it is possible for very different people to be united in a common purpose and to be bound by bonds of affection despite many differences of outlook and upbringing. As we move forward into 2025, I can see that it will be more important than ever that we stand by what we are trying to do here. The key is our acceptance that our own view, however sincerely and passionately held, may not be the only possible Christian one that can be held. Certainly, as long as I am Rector we will hold to our mission statement and continue to respect people's different perspectives. If the Church is a ship of faith, then I think it actually needs us all to spread its sails wide enough to truly catch the wind of the Spirit that drives Gods will forward in the Church and in the world. If we all thought the same, God would have a lot less sail to work with.

In this coming year, if we continue to do what we are doing, I think God has even greater things in store for us. The Parish Hall is almost finished, though, as anyone who has had anything to do with elevators will not be surprised to learn, the elevator may take another month to complete. The Grand Opening will be on Sunday April 27th following a single service at 10.00am in the hope that the whole congregation can gather to celebrate this great achievement. We will be revealing an amazing Bicentennial Tapestry created by the Royal School of Needlework in London, we hope, to unveil a new portrait of the much loved parishioner Boyden Gray in whose memory the main Auditorium will be named, and we will see revealed all the improved facilities for all our various ministries and the new opportunities that are opened up for the life of our parish. The new facility will take time to bed in and for activities and use to build up, but I think it will provide a really significant shift in gear for a great deal that we do internally and in terms of our support to, and connection with the wider community. I want to sincerely thank all of you who have so generously supported our Capital Campaign so far. To raise over \$8 million is an astonishing achievement and a testament to the incredible generosity of a relatively small number of people.

The only reason it is not well over \$9 million (as we had long thought it was!) is because a bequest to pay for the new organ sadly fell in probate. That has set us back quite a bit and leaves us with a further \$2.5 M to raise and we must pray that someone or some people will step forward and make the organ project the success it so very much needs to be. This will be a huge enhancement to our worship and also complete the renovation of the Church building by adding beautiful case work where there is currently poor-quality pipes or just empty space. Excellent music, worship and liturgy is a central part of what we do, and the new organ will ensure that we will be able to offer our very best to God Sunday by Sunday for several generations to come. If the spirit is the wind that drives our ship of faith, then our worship, liturgy and music are those sails that spread so wide that God is able to fill them with the spirit's full strength and enable our ship of faith to make strong headway across the ocean of our lives and the life of our world.

As you will hear, the Vestry themselves, under the leadership of Brent Minor and Charlie Ingersoll have stepped up to drive this last and vital part of this amazingly successful campaign. If all of us join in in this last phase, I remain supremely confident that what we are doing will provide the Church with a foundation that will project the ministry and witness and growth of this congregation forward far into the future. If you have not yet joined us in this great purpose I pray you will in the months ahead.

We are growing. We are also developing a more accurate database which is why the numbers do not yet quite show the real growth that is happening. This is because we have been removing people who have moved away long ago or who have not been active here for some time and, thanks to our administrator Duane Roth, this upgrading our database makes our numbers more real even if they look rather static on some measures. Anyone who is coming to Church can see however, that the number of new families and young people coming into the life of the church is manifestly increasing, and we are so grateful to God for all that he is doing here. I feel genuinely privileged to have lived to see this day.

My thanks to the following groups of people:

First, on the financial side, to our Stewardship Team, especially their chairs, Ed Stewart and Sheila Ward who have, as you will hear, overseen the most successful Campaign ever here; thanks to the Capital Campaign Team, Catherine Onnen and David White who carried this tremendous work last year and to Brent Minor and Charlie Ingersoll and our Vestry for taking it on from now and to bring it home. My thanks also to those who invest our money so effectively, especially Terry Collins, J.D. Lytle, Ellen Martin, and to our new members Chip Oat and Molly Peacock who make up our Investment Committee. Our Endowment continues to outperform many investment funds and provides substantial amounts of money to support our operational budget and our capital projects each year. That we have no deferred maintenance is largely due to this income and our successful Stewardship Campaigns. Between them, they let us use untaken endowment draw each year to keep our buildings in good order.

My thanks to those who administer and manage our operational budget; our Vestry, and especially our Treasurer, Chad Thorley, who does far more than be the treasurer. He is a constant support in so many areas. Thanks also to our Director of Administration, Duane Roth. Both he and Chad have worked sacrificially to manage our budget, our property and the huge project so well.

Most of all though, I want to thank each of you who have contributed to these tremendous efforts. Please do check your pledge statement for last year as we know that several checks have been lost in the snow and the post and, for one reason or another, \$176,000 has still to come in from last year's pledges. Of course, people's circumstances change, people lose jobs or get sick, but if those things haven't happened to you, please fulfill your pledge for 2024. It's a promise worth keeping if you possibly can.

While Financial health is a significant indication of spiritual health, it is in the other areas of ministry that it makes possible, that we really see the inward spiritual growth that is leading to outward growth in our Church family.

We now have five outstanding members of staff engaged in ministry. Tom Smith continues to lead a music ministry that is, I think, the best in DC. Thanks to him we have a truly outstanding choir and music program that makes our worship one of the reasons people are drawn into the life of our Church from all around. Tom has also had a lot to do to ensure the new Organ, when it comes in the summer, will be exactly what we need and will deepen and enhance our music even more.

Chrissy Casey, our Youth and Families Minister, leads a superb team of Sunday School Teachers, and it is a delight to see our Sunday School and the number of young families coming here growing almost week by week. Chrissy supports our Mission Committee, and also with Rick Shewell, our Feeding Ministries which now include lunches at GMC and Saturday Night Suppers at Mt. Zion Church in Georgetown as well as the feeding ministry partnership with The Church of the Atonement, an African American Episcopal Parish in Southeast Washington. She also supports our new Seasoned Lunch Club, the Women's Retreat and the Wind Down Wednesday's women's group.

Tiffany Clark, ceased to be our Assistant Lay Minister and on January 11th this year she became our brand-new ordained Deacon and Assistant to the Rector (applause). Tiffany has been part time since the beginning of the Academic Year as she studies at Seminary, but she still did outstanding work last year. She led on Adult Formation including different Forums, she conducted two retreats, provided excellent lay leadership training for our lay leaders and instigated and supported many of our wonderful 13 Parish Groups which have so deepened the life of our parish over the last few years and provided, I think, one of the main engines of the growth we are experiencing.

Our Associate Rector, Nate Huddleston, continues to do a fantastic job running our New Members courses, and supporting the Men's Group, the Men's Retreat, Stewardship, our Young Professionals, as well as reaching out to some of our teenagers, conducting a large youth confirmation class last year and leading the Mission Trip last summer.

In June 2024 we also welcomed our brand-new priest, Karin Ekholm, who has taken on our Youth Ministry, our Women's Bible Study, and who leads on our Daily Worship and on the care of the Elderly and Housebound. She also is now the Prior of our Acolytes Guild and leads on the Youth Acolytes and Lectors at the 9:00 a.m.

This is a genuinely gifted and varied ministry team with very different but complimentary gifts to bring to bear. I think we are most blessed to have them, and I believe the growth we are seeing is, in no small part, due to that great breadth of skills they offer.

We are supported by an equally excellent administrative team. As well as producing a clean audit, our Parish Administrator, Duane Roth continues to preach and teach the good news of our new database system called Realm. He is patient and persistent in everything he does and evangelical in bringing us into the 21st Century in this area. He has been key in supporting the building project and has liaised with the contractors and the neighbors for whom our big project has unavoidably been a considerable inconvenience. Duane has also supported the Stewardship and Capital Campaigns as well as the Treasurer, Vestry and Rector in all financial matters.

In Duane, together with Tonika, our Parish Administrator, our Sextons and our brand-new Parish Engagement Coordinator, Katie Everette who will be the manager of the new hall when it opens, I think we have some really great people to support our church's ministry and our Parishioners into this new year.

Worship, as I say, remains at the heart of what we do and the single most important aspect of the life of our Church. As well as the music I mentioned, our Worship Guilds are the bedrock on which our worship rests and one of the main ways that people can serve in the life of the Church. My thanks to Shelly Rogers and Alice Parrish who lead our Altar Guild and to Randall Stewart who leads the Lector Guild. I remain grateful to Brent Minor and Alan Cocker for their continued faithful leadership of the Ushers, to Doris Dixon and Christy Thorley for their leadership of the Flower Guild, to Rebecca Houston for leading the Chalice Bearers Guild and to Marshal Ginn who has just taken over from her. Thanks also to Andy Sigler and all on the Live Stream Guild, who live stream our services and make them available to people who can't get to church. A precious extension of the worship into pastoral care is seen in the Flower Ministry, led by Anna Brooke and Christy Thorley who continue its truly wonderful and so much appreciated ministry of delivering the altar flowers to the sick and the homebound and to those who we just felt needed a boost.

In all, I believe we have over 200 people who support worship at different times including those who lead the Daily Offices and support Weddings and Funerals. It is a real sign of service and faith in any parish when so many are so engaged in the worship of the Church.

My thanks also to Sheila Ward and Stephanie Green who lead the St Francis and Creation Care Guilds. Their care of animals and the environment are close to the heart of so many of us who are blessed with pets we love and who enjoy the blessings of God's beautiful creation.

Alongside all these are all the leaders of our many Parish Groups and committees that make up the vibrant life of this church. Not to forget our Thrift Shop under Lucy Canon, that has been closed this year but will open again on April 27th when we formally open the new parish hall. Students everywhere will rejoice!

I really must conclude, but I can't do so without thanking our Vestry, those whose terms are up, and those who are continuing, for their great support, cooperation, wisdom and leadership in the last year. Most of all

I would reiterate my sincere thanks to Scott Campbell our Senior Warden and to Isabel Kunsman our Junior Warden. They have both been truly outstanding and have been a tremendous support to me, and to the whole parish during 2024.

Finally, I want to thank all of you and all those who worship in this Church and take part in its vibrant common life. Every week new people are coming here. 13 new people have come and registered their interest in joining Christ Church in the last month alone. This is because they have heard about us from friends and parishioners that this is the Church to be part of. All that is down to each one of you, talking about what you have found here and to your commitment, fellowship and service.

I am sincerely grateful to God to be here and to be your Rector. I believe Christ is the Captain of our ship of faith, but I am, with all the lay leadership very proud to be on his quarterdeck and pray that I, the wardens and the vestry and all of us will be open to his word of command in the coming year so that the sails remain full and the ship sails on to wherever the captain of our hearts and souls and lives, sends us.

Senior Warden Annual Parish Address - *Scott Campbell*

It is my honor and privilege to report to you on the state of our historic church which is spiritually and financially sound. With another year of growth in Church attendance and in all the varied programs, retreats, groups, and services now being offered, Christ Church is ascending to new heights in all that it does for this parish and community.

All over the world, Christian Churches are struggling with attendance. We see secularization overcoming many faiths and political activism occupying many churches. Yet, steadfast, Christ Church remains committed to focusing on the inspired teaching and transforming presence of Jesus Christ.

We spend hours in worship, in pastoral care, in study, in Christian fellowship, and in our kitchen and on cold streets preparing and serving food for the desperate and homeless. Our parish community attracts people of different political loyalties who worship together, respect the right of others to hold opposing views, and honor codes of civility. People come to our doors for worship, reflection, and Christian fellowship, for spiritual growth and choose not to be focused here on political activism... they choose when here not to be distracted from what Jesus is asking us to do in our heart of hearts.

At Christ Church, politics stops at our door.

It isn't that we don't care, it is simply that we care to practice our politics elsewhere while worshipping God and helping others. Increasingly today, people are coming to Christ Church for a break from intense partisan politics... for a place of reverence, peace, and a connection with God. And a few might even say, as in the 31st Psalm, "in you Lord I have taken refuge...be my rock... into your hands I commit my spirit...deliver me, Lord My faithful God."

As a result, we have become a magnet for many individuals and families. As I pointed out earlier, it is no secret that Christianity and the Episcopal Church are on the decline in church membership and

attendance. When I was a boy in 1950, 57 per cent of Americans attended church regularly. According to Gallup, 20 years ago an average of 42 % of American adults attended church religiously (no pun intended). Today that number is sadly 20 percent and declining. Since 2012, the average decline in Episcopal Church membership has been approximately 40,000 adults per year.

But there is good news right here in our church, and I am pleased to tell you about it. We are an exception and doing something very right. Bucking the trend, we have added over 150 new members over the last 18 months. Our Stewardship Campaign reached a record high this year with \$1.6 million pledged by over 410 families. At the same time our Capital Campaign to refurbish our aging Parish Hall has brought in over \$9 million in pledges.

The Parish House reopens shortly as a spectacular venue for expanding our church life, educating our children in large fresh classrooms, celebrating marriage, remembering the departed, and providing a place for non-profits that actively serve people in our community.

When you wander around our website, you will see an amazing and growing assortment of religious services, young and old group activities, healing and caring times and places... captured there is truly a wonderful institution reflecting God's love in abiding Christian fellowship.

I am impressed by all we do here especially with children and young people. Christ Church is reaching out to our children and offering them a different, more profound, inspirational worldview than the ones they may encounter on social media. At this time, at this hour, this may be our most important, impactful, and consequential mission of all.

The Young Professionals have enjoyed an incredible success and as its numbers grow, young church members are bringing friends... just one of the amazing successes engineered by Father Nate.

I was deeply moved to learn of another new group initiated this year and lead by Mother Tiffany: Grief Share. Focused on healing, it is helping a good number of parishioners and others work through heart-breaking moments, though fear and depression and loss of a loved one.

In addition to all that it does, Christ Church is there for the lonely and the suffering helping them alleviate the pain and to transition to a better day of new life and cherished memories.

So, Christ Church, thanks to the inspired and thoughtful leadership of Tim Cole, for which we are very fortunate and deeply grateful, is ascending to new heights. And we are doing this despite the persistent trends of secularization and religious decline in America. We are ascending... ascending thanks to our gifted and hard-working Clergy, our new Deacon, our new seminarian, our famed music director, our skilled church administrator and a dedicated staff.

Just as importantly, is the selfless, generous, gracious gift of our volunteers' precious time and tireless efforts to make our church beautiful, sacramental, welcoming, educational, consoling, caring, uplifting ... a truly remarkable place. That is my report. Thank You and God Bless you and Christ Church.

Reports on Finance, Budget, and Stewardship

The Rector introduced Mr. Thorley, Treasurer, to give a report on the budget, stewardship, and investments for 2024.

Mr. Thorley thanked the Rector and said his report would be short because things are good in terms of finance and budget. 2024 was financially a strong year for the church. The parish is in excellent financial condition. Mr. Thorley thanked the congregation for their financial contributions to the annual fund and the capital campaign. He said his report would focus on the annual fund and operating expenses this year.

Year over year, we have relied too much on our endowment income. Our endowment performs well and we had an excellent stewardship year. We would like to close the delta and we are getting close to that. Year over year, the goal is to increase pledges to cover expenses.

Prudent fiscal management has resulted in a surplus for the year. We have about \$120,000 in pledge revenue that did not come in last year, but there are some outstanding checks and some still in the mail. Mr. Thorley reminded the congregation to fulfill their 2024 pledges as it would be helpful to close out the books.

As it impacts all of us, inflation impacts the parish in some ways and has been budgeted for this year. While the surplus projected for the year is very small, we don't anticipate inflation causing us to be in the red. We also budgeted for COLA increases for the staff, as recommended by the Diocese.

With that, Mr. Thorley said his report was concluded. He encouraged everyone to look at the figures printed in the annual report and said he was happy to answer any questions after the meeting.

The Rector thanked Mr. Thorley for his report and for his work that helps make the church strong and able to do ministry. He also thanked Mr. Ed Stewart, Mrs. Sheila Ward, Mr. David White, Mr. Brent Minor, and Mr. Terry Collins for their work on the stewardship committee, investment committee, and capital campaign. The Rector noted that they are also present and could answer questions.

Changes to Bylaws

The Rector invited Mr. Scott Campbell, the Senior Warden, to speak about the proposed changes to the bylaws. First however, he asked for a motion to suspend the rule requiring a thirty-day notice for changes to the bylaws. To pass, the motion would require a two-thirds majority.

Mr. Tom Crocker motioned to suspend the rule requiring a thirty-day notice.

Mr. Robert Zirkelbach seconded the motion.

The Rector asked for those in favor and then those opposed to raise their hands. No one opposed the motion. The motion to suspend the rule unanimously passed.

Mr. Campbell said that the changes to the bylaws were drafted by two lawyers in our congregation, Mr. Tom Crocker and Mrs. Molly Peacock. The purpose of the change is to propel Christ Church from the

19th century into the 21st. The Church was founded before corporate laws, so now it is time to incorporate as a 501c3 and get all of the legal protections of that status, especially with the new parish hall opening.

Mr. Campbell turned to the amendment to the bylaws and said that one change they made, on advice from counsel, was to include two boilerplate pieces of wording in submitting the application to the IRS. It's included not because we want to get rid of assets anytime soon, but because it makes it easier for the IRS to check things off. Not adding additional language also means it will get approved sooner.

Mr. Campbell read the proposed change to the bylaws:

It is proposed that Amendment XI to the Bylaws of Christ Episcopal Church of Georgetown set out below be adopted and approved by vote of the members in good standing of Christ Church and made an integral part of the Christ Church Bylaws along with any necessary, non-substantive accommodating language added to the text of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI - CONFIRMATION OF CHARITABLE PURPOSES ONLY

Section 1. The Parish is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, religious, educational purposes, within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("Code") and U.S. Department of the Treasury Regulations ("Regulations") as they now exist or as they may be amended (or any corresponding provision of any future Federal income tax law). More particularly, the Parish's purposes include conducting Christian religious, worship services, providing other Christian religious and educational services consistent with the Parish's mission, and conducting other charitable work.

Section 2. In the event the Parish dissolves, the Vestry shall, after payment of, or due provision for, all liabilities of the Parish, dispose of all of the assets of the Parish for one or more exempt purposes to any other organization or organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may be amended (or any corresponding provision of any future Federal income tax law) and which is exempt from taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may be amended (or any corresponding provisions of any future Federal income tax law). Any such assets not so disposed of may be disposed of by the Superior Court for the District of Columbia for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes, as contemplated in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, as amended, and are consistent with the purposes of the Parish.

Mr. Campbell asked for any questions. No questions were asked.

Mr. Stephen Ray Mitchell motioned to adopt the amendment to the bylaws.

Mrs. Vicki Campbell seconded the motion.

The amendment to the bylaws was unanimously approved.

Other Business

The Rector asked whether there was any further business to be brought forward. There was no other business brought forward.

Installation of Vestry members.

A service of installation was held for the newly elected Vestry members, who were presented by the Senior Warden, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. Campbell presented the elected members to The Rector. The Rector confirmed that they had been appointed in accordance with the Bylaws, that they were willing to serve, and that the Congregation had elected them. The Rector then commissioned the new Vestry members and prayed over them and for the Church.

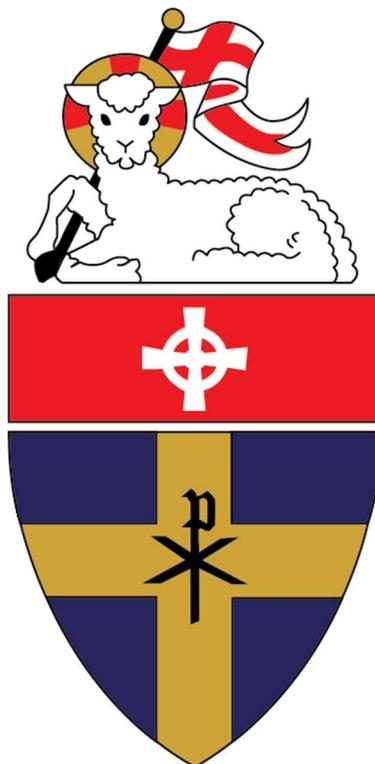
Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Neal B. Herman motioned to adjourn the 208th annual parish meeting. Mrs. Isabel Kunsman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Babs L. Hough, Secretary



MINISTRY UPDATES



Liturgical Ministries at Christ Church

Acolytes Guild – Anne Grambsch

The word "acolyte" comes from the Greek *akolouthos*, meaning "one who follows," and this ministry traces back to the early church. Indeed, acolytes are mentioned as a minor order (along with porters, lectors, and exorcists) as early as a letter of Pope Cornelius to Fabius of Antioch in 252. Today, acolytes continue this ancient tradition as lay ministers who assist clergy in leading worship, carrying symbols of faith, and helping create the beautiful liturgy that draws people to Christ Church week after week. The crucifer leads the procession at the start of each service and for the proclamation of the Gospel. Acolytes light the altar candles that illuminate the sanctuary and accept the offerings of the people. They also serve as torch bearers for some services and bring bread, wine, and water to the altar to be sanctified by the clergy for Communion. Acolytes work alongside the clergy, choir, and the many dedicated parishioners who support our liturgies including the Altar Guild, Ushers, Lectors, Flower Committee, and Chalice Bearers. Together, this worship team facilitates an experience for worshipers that lifts their spirits and connects them to God in a very meaningful way.



Looking to the future, we will continue to work closely with other worship support groups to share information and ideas so that we can support each other effectively. We continue to develop new training materials, including a complete set of annotated bulletins and timed references to videos of Christ Church services not only to help acolytes understand their tasks but also how these tasks fit into the

liturgies. And we are continuing to look for new ways to engage some of our older youth in the principal services, as well as remaining open to any parishioners who wish to explore serving as an acolyte.



The acolyte ministry offers lay parishioners opportunities to participate in worship leadership, grow in liturgical understanding, and build confidence through service. Serving as an Acolyte is a wonderful way of giving back to the Church, and we want to make it easy and meaningful for parishioners to serve. We offer ongoing training and coaching opportunities to current acolytes as well as for those wishing to join the Acolytes Guild.

Our Parish is blessed to have, and I am continually honored to work with, a great team of adult acolytes who appreciate their role as worship leaders and the responsibility that comes with serving. As always, I want to thank Marshall Ginn and Ana Clark who continue to serve as incredible deputies and for their willingness to help in many ways.

Altar Guild – *Alice Church Parrish and Shelley Church Rodgers*

In 2025, the Altar Guild was honored to set the Lord's Table for 208 Sunday services. Baptism activity was up sharply from the prior two years with 30 baptisms compared to 10 baptisms in 2024 and 10 baptisms in 2023. Based on these numbers, we can say with pride that Christ Church is thriving. We also had 6 weddings and 16 funerals in 2025.

Whether a Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer, the Altar Guild's ministry is responsible for organizing all church and chapel services. Our Guild cares for the altar, vestments, vessels, altar hangings and linens of the parish. The Altar Guild supports the celebration of the Liturgy, setting the altar for the Lord's supper by putting out the vessels for the Eucharist before services and cleansing and putting them away afterwards. We work in teams to keep Christ Church, Georgetown's historic silver bright and the linens fresh.



During the first half of 2025, the Parish Hall was under construction and the Chapel was used for Sunday School and other functions. With the Chapel unavailable for worship, the Guild helped to organize the evening Holy Eucharist and Evensong services in the main sanctuary until June of 2025, when we could use the Chapel again. When the new organ was being installed, our services moved to the new C. Boyden Gray Auditorium and the Altar Guild set up a small sacristy in the kitchen of Linthicum Hall.

There are 28 Altar Guild members, including one new member, Nicole Kroeger, daughter of Tracey and Ted Kroeger. We give thanks to those who have stepped down this year for their dedicated service: Marlin Dohlman, Christine Emery, Katy Handley, and Maureen Straut.

The Altar Guild held three meetings in 2025, twice in conjunction with the silver polishing that always occurs prior to Easter and Christmas. The Altar Guild is in charge of the coffee hours following the 11:15 AM service in the month of January. We enjoyed a joint social with the Flower Guild at the Rectory on May 13, 2025.

All who serve on the Altar Guild must be Communicants in Good Standing of Christ Church, Georgetown. The official invitation to join the Guild comes from the Rector.



If you are interested in learning more about joining the Altar Guild, please contact Alice Church Parrish (alicecparrish@gmail.com) or Shelley Church Rodgers (shelleyrodgers8@gmail.com) whose terms began January 1, 2024 and run through Pentecost, May 24, 2026.

We are very pleased to announce Krista Anderson and Lesly Bell will be our successors.



Chalice Bearers and 8:00 am Eucharist Servers – Marshall Ginn

In addition to the many parishioners who are supporting our liturgies such as acolytes, ushers, altar guild members, livestream operators, and flower guild members, we are lucky to have a dedicated group of individuals who serve as lay chalice bearers and who serve the Altar at the 8:00 a.m. Eucharist. I am especially grateful for the service of Ana Clark and Nancy Taylor Bubes, as well as other lectors who join me in helping at the 8:00 a.m. services.

With the addition of a Subdeacon at the 11:15 a.m. and other principal liturgies, the lay Chalice Bearers are primarily supporting the 9:00 a.m. Eucharists. And they do so with great dedication and commitment to this important ministry. Lay Chalice Bearers are still used at 11:15 a.m. and other principal services at times, and their participation is welcome and deeply appreciated. I want to thank Guy Martin, Susan Davies, Rebecca Houston, Terrell Fuller, Rupert Hammond-Chambers, and Ana Clark who serve in this way.

Flower Guild – Doris L. Dixon and Christine T. Thorley



The Flower Guild has had a wonderful year as our church embraced a full and busy schedule. We have the privilege of preparing altar flowers for all services during the Liturgical year. We are fortunate to have a committed group who generously give of their time and talent. Our Guild comprises eighteen (18) dedicated Active Members. In addition, there are seven (7) Sustaining Members (Active Members who have moved from active to sustaining status and assist as needed throughout the year). Five (5) of our newer Active Members attended the Floral Arranging Workshop at the Washington National Cathedral in February of 2025. We are delighted to announce we have six (6) parishioners who have joined us this year as trainees, and we expect they will become active members of the Guild in 2026.

Each week during the year, teams of two arranged flowers for the altar (except during Advent when only greens are used and Lent when the altar is bare) and ushers' boutonnieres are prepared for each service. In addition, we worked with sixteen (16) families to honor their loved ones with beautiful altar flowers for their funeral services. Our members worked in large teams to realize the vision of engaged couples to create memorable wedding floral decorations for six (6) very special weddings, including one that was featured in the Washingtonian Magazine. Floral arrangements were made for the Baptismal Font for thirty-one (31) baptisms to welcome the newly baptized, and these arrangements were given to the families to take home following the service.

Our Flower Guild's work for Easter and Christmas glorified these most important celebrations of our Christian faith with overflowing expressions of seasonal joy. Floral arrangements were made for celebrations in Keith Hall and Linthicum Hall on several occasions throughout the year, to include Lessons and Carols, the Grand Reopening of Linthicum Hall, joyful receptions honoring the ordination of two priests, Trinity Sunday, Mother's Day flowers, Homecoming, and stewardship receptions. On April 15, the Flower Guild conducted a floral workshop for its members, and on May 13, the Altar and Flower Guilds enjoyed a festive cocktail reception in the Rectory hosted by Tim and Lorraine Cole. We anticipate adding trainees as openings occur in 2026.



Flower Visitors Ministry – Anna M. Brooke and Christine T. Thorley

After the last service each Sunday, the altar flowers are rearranged into small bouquets and delivered to parishioners in the greater DC-Maryland-Virginia area, selected by the clergy. The Clergy takes the time each week to personalize each delivery with a handwritten note of well wishes to accompany the 4-7 flower vases we deliver. The church flowers bring part of the beauty of our worship services into people's homes as a tangible blessing during struggles as well as triumphs. During the 10 weeks of Lent and Advent we take a break as there are no altar flowers.

In addition to our regular Sunday work, we worked with flowers from 16 funerals and 6 weddings, giving us more offerings to share with those among our parish family. We are grateful to all of our volunteers (around 10 active members), without whom we would not be as successful, particularly, our avid lead delivery assistant, Barbara Chang. We added Flower Ministry volunteer sign-up to Realm. Without the work of the clergy to identify recipients and write messages, our work would have less impact. Our success is also due in part to the wonderful donations of vases we regularly

receive and depend on from the Christ Church community. In 2025 we delivered a total of 276 flower vases—averaging 23 per month. Volunteers are always welcome.

Lectors Guild – *Randall Stewart*

With the purpose of providing two readers for the 11:15 services of Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist, as well as the 5pm Evensong, the Lectors Guild serves an important role in the liturgical life of Christ Church. The Guild is also occasionally called upon to provide readers for feast days, as well as Christmas and Holy Week.

The Lectors Guild grew to 38 members this year. We have welcomed Logan Dobson, Ben Duffy-Howard, Solveig Gold, Joshua Katz, Virginia Mentz, and Kimberly Schmidt to our roster, while also welcoming back some returning members.

Livestream Guild – *D. Andrew Sigler*

From its desk by the Gethsemane window at the rear of the church, the Livestreaming Guild facilitates the streaming of principal liturgies and other offerings to the church's website and its YouTube channel. On a weekly basis, this allows those who cannot attend church in person to participate live in the 11:15 services of Holy Eucharist and Morning Prayer, certain Sunday Forum presentations, other lectures, and services of Choral Evensong from October to May. Weekly services are viewed live by a small but dedicated number, with dozens more typically following up later on YouTube. Special services, such as the Solemn Requiem Mass for All Souls' Day and the three services of Lessons and Carols offered from Advent to Epiphany, are viewed hundreds of times. Thus, in a real sense, the Livestream Ministry is Christ Church, Georgetown's portal to the wider world.

I am pleased to report that the guild has implemented a protocol to livestream funeral liturgies when requested. On the other hand, our membership ranks have diminished by one-quarter over the last year, so I invite anyone who regularly attends the 11:15 service to consider joining the guild if you have time and talent to offer. The multiple screens and illuminated buttons on the livestream console may appear intimidating at first glance, but all our members have managed their responsibilities capably after one training session. Any livestream guild member would be happy to talk with prospective members.

I would like to close by expressing gratitude to all our members, particularly Will Andersen, Jim Cannon, and Dusty Riddle for volunteering so frequently. Special thanks are also due to Jim Cannon and to Ben Duffy-Howard for their flexibility in handling funeral services. I am very grateful to Mother Tiffany Clark for handling technical aspects of the livestream ministry on a weekly basis, and to Director of Administration Duane Roth and Organist and Choirmaster Tom Smith for their frequent assistance.

Music – Thomas P. Smith, Organist and Choirmaster

The primary focus of the music program at Christ Church, Georgetown is, as it has been for generations, the preparation and performance of beautiful, finely crafted music for the glory of God and the edification of the worshipping community week after week. With a strong choral tradition at its core, the music program continues to serve as a valuable tool for outreach, evangelism, education, and formation within the parish community, the diocese, and beyond.



The Choir of Christ Church

The Choir of Christ Church is composed of some of the region's finest professional singers. Drawing upon the very best the Anglican tradition has to offer, this group of 13 voices offers a broad array of choral literature spanning many centuries – from plainsong to the works of living composers. The Choir sings each Sunday at the 11:15 a.m. service – Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer – and for special liturgies throughout the year: Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, the Great Vigil of Easter, Ascension Day, Thanksgiving Day, a Solemn Requiem Eucharist for the Feast of All Souls, services of Lessons and Carols for Advent, Christmas and Epiphanytide, and the various liturgies of

Christmas Eve and Day. A quartet from the Choir sings at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist each Sunday. On occasion, additional singers are added as required by the literature at hand.

The Choir also sings the distinctly Anglican service of Choral Evensong on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of the month, October through May, at 5:00 p.m. Christ Church is one of a handful of parishes in the U.S. to offer this beautiful, contemplative liturgy with such frequency. Given the steady increase in attendance at Evensong over the course of the past few seasons, it is safe to say that Christ Church has one of the most robust and consistent Evensong congregations of any parish in the nation. The service, which is followed by an opportunity for fellowship and refreshments in Keith Hall, draws dozens of parishioners, many visitors from other churches in the region, and even a goodly number of individuals who do not consider themselves church-goers, but who find beauty and peace within the liturgy.

A New Organ and Sound Systems

During the summer of 2025, a new, fully custom digital organ, built by R. A. Colby, Inc. of Johnson City, Tennessee, in collaboration with the Walker Technical Company of Center Valley, Pennsylvania, was installed in the Church.

The Colby/Walker organ features a handsome, four manual, draw knob console, beautifully carved casework and non-speaking pipe façades in four locations, and an antiphonal division at the west end of the nave. In conjunction with the arrival of the organ, two new, state-of-the-art sound systems – speech reinforcement (PA) and digital acoustical enhancement – were installed.



The cumulative effect of this multi-faceted project, funded through Christ Church's *Third Century Campaign*, has already proven to be



transformative. The new organ and sound systems will support and, indeed, greatly enhance the rich liturgical and musical life of the parish for decades to come.

I offer my deepest and most sincere thanks to all who have supported the organ and sound system project through gifts to the capital campaign, and, in particular, to parishioners Bill Brubeck, Guy Martin, Bethany Mentz, and Kevin Vasco, whose considerable gifts of time and talent have been truly invaluable.

Additional words of thanks...

I extend sincere thanks, also, to two groups of dedicated parishioner-volunteers:

To those who participate in Christ Church's Livestream Ministry, especially Andy Sigler, chair: Thank you for helping us share the liturgical and musical offerings of the parish with a much broader audience. Your evangelism through technology is bringing new people into the life of the Church week after week.

To those who participate in Christ Church's Hospitality Ministry, especially Doris Dixon and Brent Minor, co-chairs: Thank you for all you do to prepare such lovely post-service receptions. Your efforts, most of which take place behind the scenes, have furthered the parish's reputation as a place of Christian fellowship and warm hospitality.

It is a great joy and privilege to serve as Organist and Choirmaster in this parish. I am deeply grateful for the support and encouragement of the clergy, my fellow members of the staff, and you, the faithful of Christ Church, Georgetown.

Ushers Guild – T. Alan Coker and Brent T. Minor

The Ushers Guild organizes coverage for most liturgical services including Sundays at 8, 9 and 11:15 as well as Choral Evensong and the many additional services associated with Christmas and Easter. We also assist with funeral liturgies held at the church. Ushers usually serve once a month depending on the service requirements.

By the end of 2025, a total of 36 people served as members of the Ushers Guild. The continued growth in attendance at the 9 a.m. service has required additional staffing and we now regularly schedule 4 ushers for that service.

As a result of the increase in numbers, some services now take longer to complete. In particular, the 9 a.m. service was extending into other activities (such as Bible Study and Adult Forum) that normally follow it. The Ushers Guild has worked with the clergy to identify ways to speed up the service beginning with the communion release process. So far, this quicker process has proven successful.



Ushers serve an important role as they are often the first to welcome congregants to the church. An usher is stationed in the vestibule to greet attendees at each service. In addition to distributing service leaflets, ushers handle the plate collection and manage the communion release. The Head Usher records the attendance for each service.

Ushers also monitor activity in the pews to provide for the safety of the congregation as well as to ensure a peaceful service. The ushers work closely with the security guards to address any difficult situations that might arise.

The Ushers Guild hosts an Appreciation Dinner each Spring. In addition to reviewing updates to the Guidelines, we take time to honor the contributions of the ushers from all services.

Our church is blessed with a strong and reliable corps of volunteers who serve as ushers. As always, we welcome those who would like the opportunity to serve Christ Church in this capacity.

Children and Youth

Musical Formation – *The Reverend Andrew J. Stump, Associate Priest*

An exciting new addition to our offerings for children began this fall with our Musical Formation programs. Each Sunday, immediately following Sunday School, all the children of the parish now have the opportunity to spend an additional hour in fellowship and fun. Divided into two age groups, children deepen their faith, grow in confidence, and learn to work together in a joyful, creative environment. Keith Hudspeth leads a class of younger students in a program organized around Music & Movement, helping the children to explore their growing voices together. John Murton leads the older students, called the Melody Makers, in a more formal and worship-focused class, encouraging them to see their voices and talents as meaningful contributions to the life of the church.

Nursery Care – *The Reverend Andrew J. Stump, Associate Priest*



Open from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Sunday, our nursery is available to all children 4 months old and above. This year has been busy, with an average of 13 children each week filling the first floor of the parish hall with a joyful (and sometimes not-so-joyful) noise. We bade farewell recently to three beloved members of our nursery staff, and we have joyfully welcomed the presence of many young women from the parish to help in their absence.



Sunday School – The Reverend Andrew J. Stump, Associate Priest



Godly Play (Age 3 through 1st Grade)

Divided into two age groups (“Caterpillars” and “Butterflies”), students of the Godly Play curriculum explore stories from the Old and New Testaments through a Montessori-inspired approach. Teachers walk students through the Biblical narratives with the use of models and toys that invite the students to probe spiritual questions for themselves. Teachers: Debbie Casey, Emily Dobson, Lilly Gross, Taylor Gross, Anita Kunsman, Stephanie Park, and Eva Stump.



Spark (2nd–4th Grade)



Students in the Spark Lectionary curriculum follow the regular pattern of the church year, engaging in discussion with teachers and one another about the same Gospel lessons read in church each Sunday. Teachers engage students on a creative and intellectual level, with crafts that help to deepen their connection to the stories that shape their burgeoning Christian identities. Teachers: Babs Hough and Molly Peacock.



Connect (5th–6th Grade)

The class for our oldest Sunday School students, Connect invites students to seriously engage with the whole story of God’s relationship to humanity. Reading, discussion, and hands-on activities create a learning environment for deeper theological reflection and investigation for students who are ready to take the next step on their journey of faith. Teachers: Anita Cox and Emma Perkins.

Liturgical Ministries (Grades 6-12) – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector* Youth Acolyting



This year marked a season of growth and greater stability for the Youth Acolyte ministry. We welcomed six new youth into the acolyte teams, strengthening both participation and leadership among our young people. The acolyte schedules were also restructured to run for the entire program year, providing clarity, consistency, and easier planning for families. Our youth acolytes serve faithfully at the 9:00 a.m. service each Sunday, offering a visible and meaningful witness to their commitment to worship and to the life of the parish.



Youth Ministry – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector*

Youth Ministry had a vibrant and formative year, marked by growth, service, and deepening community.

The summer mission trip to Charleston, South Carolina brought together over 25 youth and adult leaders for an unforgettable week of service, prayer, and relationship-building. The trip offered students the opportunity to serve others while also growing in self-confidence, empathy, and faith.



The Cathedral Breakfast Club continued to expand, now meeting twice a month on Tuesday mornings. This early-morning gathering has become a meaningful touchpoint for students, offering food, fellowship, and faith before the school day begins.

Through mission, discipleship, and consistent presence, the Youth Ministry continues to form young people who are grounded, thoughtful, and engaged in the life of the church.

Mission and Outreach

Feeding Ministry – *Rick Shewell and the Reverend Andrew J. Stump, Associate Priest*

The Feeding Ministry of Christ Church, Georgetown, continues to be a beacon of hope, love, and service in our community. This year, our local community saw a significant increase in need, and our efforts expanded to feed and care for the most vulnerable among us. We celebrate the continued growth of our ministry, including our ongoing partnerships and the tireless dedication of those who give their time, resources, and hearts to this mission. We thank each and every one of you for answering Christ's call to serve.



Soup Kitchen

On the second Sunday of every month, our dedicated volunteers prepare and deliver nearly 1,000 meals annually through our partnership with the Salvation Army Grate Patrol. These meals provide sustenance and dignity to the vulnerable women and men living on the streets of Washington, DC.

Volunteers prepare hearty soup, make sandwiches, and assemble lunch bags, which are distributed by additional volunteers on the Salvation Army Grate Patrol van. Our ability to serve is only as strong as our volunteer community. If you have a willing heart, we

have a place for you—no cooking experience required. Come be part of something that truly changes lives.

GMC Lunches

Every Sunday, Christ Church volunteers prepare lunches to distribute to guests of the Georgetown Ministry Center, totaling more than 2,500 meals annually. With five rotating teams ensuring a consistent food supply, this ministry is a testament to what we can accomplish when we work together. Keeping our pantry stocked remains a challenge, but our dedicated “shoppers” have met this need with remarkable commitment, ensuring that every meal is lovingly prepared and delivered.

GMC Extends

Another of our programs in partnership with the Georgetown Ministry Center, GMC Extends provides Christ Church the opportunity to serve those in need within our own walls. This initiative provides warm, home-cooked meals to 25–30 guests per night during the winter months, when food and shelter are needed most. Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of our volunteers

and donors, Christ Church parishioners prepared nearly 300 of these meals in 2025, offering not only food but also a sense of community and care. To help sustain this vital ministry, we invite you to contribute financially or join our team of cooks. To donate, visit www.christchurchgeorgetown.org and select “Feeding Ministry” from the Fund dropdown box.

Saturday Night Suppers

Each Saturday evening, Mount Zion United Methodist Church welcomes 60–80 unhoused guests for a warm meal and a moment of fellowship. Christ Church volunteers have the privilege of serving on the first Saturday of even-numbered months, providing homemade entrees, side dishes, and desserts, as well as purchased meal staples. Whether you can cook, serve, or simply offer a kind word, your presence makes a difference. The gratitude on our guests’ faces is a powerful reminder of why we do this work. We encourage more parishioners to experience this transformative ministry in the coming year.

Food Pantry

The Episcopal Church of the Atonement in Southeast Washington operates a Food Pantry and Food Hub to combat food insecurity in the community. On the second Tuesday of each month, fresh produce is provided, complete with suggested recipes.



Christ Church volunteers assist by repackaging bulk shipments of vegetables into family-size portions, ensuring that nutritious food reaches those who need it most. With roles available for volunteers of all ages, from 16 to 80, this is an opportunity for all to serve.

Join Us in 2026

As we reflect on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for the compassion and dedication of our Christ Church community. But the need continues, and there is always more we can do. If you have not yet joined us in this mission, we invite you to become part of something greater than yourself. Let us continue to walk in Christ’s footsteps, feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, and serving those in need. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ. Together, we are making a difference—one meal, one smile, one act of kindness at a time.

St. Francis Guild – Sheila Ward

The St Francis Guild, which consists of about 16 participants, 11 of whom are members of Christ Church, was not very active in 2025. We corresponded occasionally throughout the year via email about animal welfare related matters. In February we held our only official meeting of the year via Zoom with 9 attendees. We had hoped to host a mini-course on the book *For Love of Animals* by Prof. Charles Camosy but were unable to find someone to lead us in this endeavor. In April, as part of Earth Day activities, we assisted Christ Church Mission Partner Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy with a clean-up day devoted to removing the English ivy and non-native honeysuckle vines that threaten the native flora in the park. In July the Guild shared coffee hour hosting duties with the Prime Timers group. The Guild did not make any grant requests to the Mission Committee this year on behalf of any partner organizations. To learn more or to join the St. Francis Guild's email list, please be in touch with Guild Chair Sheila Ward (sheilaward@fastmail.fm).



Missions Committee Report – Cristina Foran (Chair) and Tom Hastings (Vice Chair)

On behalf of the Missions Committee, it is a joy to share our 2025 activity and grant recommendations with you. We are deeply grateful for the faithfulness and generosity of this parish, which make it possible for Christ Church Georgetown to extend Christ's love far beyond our walls.

This year, we reviewed 16 mission partner applications, prepared in a clear and thoughtful format (with special thanks to Fr. Andrew for making them so beautiful and easy to engage). Each award represents lives touched, communities strengthened, and hope made tangible.

Overview

For 2025, the Vestry-approved missions budget totals \$170,000. That is \$20,000 more than last year, a 13.3% increase, and a remarkable testament to the parish's commitment to God's work in the world. We do not take this growth lightly; rather, we receive it with humility and gratitude.

Discernment Process

The committee approached this work prayerfully and deliberately. In reviewing each application, we focused on:

- Alignment with the ****Five Marks of Mission****
- The depth and history of partnership with Christ Church, Georgetown
- Demonstrated impact, sustainability, and organizational stewardship
- Thoughtful and faithful use of financial resources

Through conversation, prayer, and careful reflection, we sought to steward these funds in a way that honors both the generosity of this parish and the urgent needs of the communities our partners serve.

2025 Recommended Allocations

Bishop John T. Walker School for Boys - \$40,000

Georgetown Ministry Center - \$32,000

Help with Compassion - \$12,500

Mpambara-Cox Foundation, Inc. - \$11,000

Friends of Honduras USA - \$9,000

Seabury Resources for Aging - \$9,500

Jubilee Jobs - \$7,500

Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre - \$7,000

Free Minds Book Club & Writing Workshop - \$7,000

West Africa Province of the Society of Jesus - \$6,000

Breadcoin - \$5,000

East Partnership for Theological Education - \$5,000

Luke Alliance - \$5,000

The John Wesley Institute - \$5,000

El Porvenir - \$4,000

Mesa Global - \$4,500

****Total Recommended Distribution: \$170,000****

Closing

We believe these recommendations faithfully reflect who we are as a church: a community committed to proclaiming the Good News, responding to human need with loving service, seeking justice, building relationships, and caring for God's creation.

Thank you for the trust you place in the Missions Committee and for your continued generosity. It is an honor to serve alongside you in this shared calling.

Thrift Shop Guild – Lucy Cannon

The Thrift Shop Guild provided roughly \$12,000 of financial support from the sales of donated items during its 2025 operations to charitable organizations defined under Section 501(c)(3) of



The Internal Revenue Code.

These funds were obtained solely from the proceeds of the Thrift Shop sales to support eleven (11) local charities and also to support activities of The Episcopal Diocese of Washington DC: Diocese Memorial Scholarship Fund and The Episcopal Church Women, and for The Christ Church Georgetown Discretionary Fund.

The Thrift Shop reopened and resumed full operations in April 2025 upon the completion of the renovations of Linthicum Hall.

Focused Areas of Ministry

Men’s Ministry – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector*

Men’s Ministry at Christ Church Georgetown continues to be a place where authentic community, spiritual depth, and genuine friendship take root. This year was marked by both consistency and growth, with multiple entry points for men at every stage of life.



The annual Men’s Retreat was once again a highlight of the year, bringing together 22 men for a weekend of prayer, conversation, laughter, and shared experience. The retreat continues to be a cornerstone of the ministry, offering space to step away from the demands of daily life and attend more closely to God and one another.

This year also saw the launch of the Men’s Prayer Breakfast, establishing a steady rhythm of prayer, scripture, and conversation in the early hours of the day. What began as an experiment has quickly become a meaningful gathering for men seeking depth, accountability, and encouragement in faith.

Monthly Men's Happy Hours rounded out the calendar, providing relaxed, welcoming spaces for connection and hospitality. These gatherings have been especially effective in drawing newer members into the life of the church and strengthening relationships across generations.



Together, these offerings reflect a ministry that meets men where they are, values presence over polish, and continues to grow quietly and faithfully.

New Members Program – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector*

The New Members Program experienced extraordinary growth this year, marking one of the most significant seasons of welcome in recent memory. A spring class of 25 was followed by a fall class of 55, making this the largest year on record for new members at Christ Church Georgetown. These numbers represent not only growth, but deep engagement and genuine commitment.



Approximately 95 percent of new members are pledging, a remarkable sign of spiritual investment and shared responsibility for the mission of the church. New members are not simply joining in name; they are stepping fully into the life of the parish.

Equally important has been the intentional integration of new members into worship, fellowship, service, and leadership across the church. Many have quickly become involved in guilds, ministries, small groups, and parish events, strengthening the fabric of the community as a whole.

The success of the New Members Program this year reflects a culture of hospitality, clarity of expectation, and a shared desire to belong to something rooted, faithful, and alive.

Women's Ministry – *The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest*

The women of Christ Church met monthly at Millies, Spring Valley for drinks and casual conversation through the winter and spring, enjoying the opportunity to connect across generations and services as we pursue our life together. We culminated our program year with the women's retreat in a lovely home on the shores of Cambridge, MD. This thoughtfully crafted weekend fostered deeper relationships amongst the women who attended as we alternated between soul-deep Scripture reflections and playful hilarity in our various recreational activities. Fine food, beautiful outdoors, and secrets shared over the fire-pit rounded out a weekend of wonder over the works of God in our lives.

Starting in the fall, our monthly gatherings grew in number and in quality of connection as we shifted to the more intimate venue of hosting each other in our homes. Father Tim and Lorraine Cole graciously hosted the first of these gatherings at the rectory, followed by another at the home of Mother Tiffany Clark. Among many positive outcomes, these gatherings have become opportunities for visitors, guests, and newcomers to get to know other members of the parish and integrate more fully into its life.

Young Professionals Ministry – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector*

The Young Professionals Ministry continues to flourish as one of the most dynamic and relational ministries in the parish, offering a compelling blend of faith, friendship, and adventure.

For the second year in a row, the Aspen Ski Trip provided a shared experience that combined recreation, community, and awe at God's creation. The trip has evolved into a defining tradition, strengthening bonds and deepening relationships among participants.



This year's Progressive Dinner drew over 40 young professionals, filling homes with laughter, conversation, and the simple grace of shared meals. The evening embodied the heart of the ministry: hospitality that builds real community.

Adventure and fellowship extended beyond the city with a White Water Rafting Trip to West Virginia, where 15 young professionals spent the day navigating rapids and deepening friendships along the way.

A major development this year was the launch of Ember Nights, a twice-monthly Bible study designed to engage faith in an accessible, thoughtful, and communal way. Ember Nights has quickly become a spiritual anchor for many, offering space to wrestle with scripture, ask honest questions, and pray together in the midst of busy lives.



Through creative programming and intentional leadership, the Young Professionals Ministry continues to form meaningful Christian community and draw new energy into the life of the parish.

Formation

Bite-Sized Bible Study – *Megan Murton*

Bite-Sized Bible Study continues to meet on Sundays 10:15-11 for a concentrated discussion about a short Scripture passage. Sessions are led by a rotating cast of volunteers; all are welcome to take a turn at leading, though the role most often falls to one of the three organizers (Megan Murton, Julia Ainsley, and Matthew Fredericks). To remove any barriers to participation, the group requires no preparation except by the leaders and begins with everyone reading that week's chapter aloud. The aim in each discussion is to promote not only an intellectual understanding of the passage but also a practical application of it in our lives. In 2025 the group covered selected Psalms and started working through the Acts of the Apostles, which is ongoing in 2026. The group has elected to take a brief hiatus in early 2026 so that members, who continue to be primarily parents of young children, can attend Mother Tiffany's Spiritual Parenting course.

The new Music Formation offerings for children have been very helpful in promoting attendance by parents of school-age children who are too old for the Nursery. In 2026 we would hope to see more people commit to regular attendance. We would also emphasize that the group is not exclusive to parents and welcomes anyone whose schedule does not accommodate the Monday or Thursday Bible Studies but who wants to make group engagement with Scripture a regular part of their discipleship practice.

Camino Pilgrimage – *The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest*

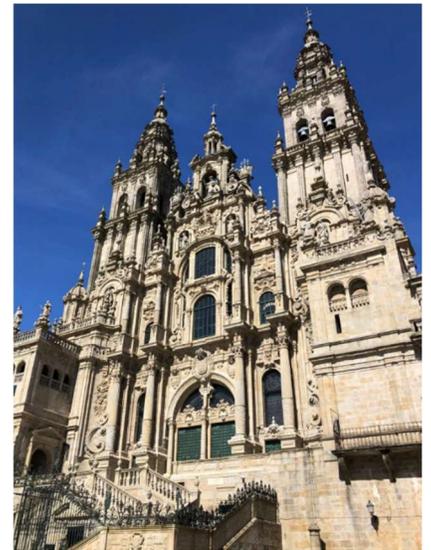


▼ In May of 2025, a hearty group of 13 CCG pilgrims set off from the village of Porto, on the border of Portugal and Spain, to walk the 75 mile path to Santiago de Compostela. Covering an average of 12 miles a day, they traversed through medieval villages, fertile fields and verdant vineyards, rolling hills and occasional rocky terrain. Medieval stone crosses and chapels provided pausing points to rest and pray along the way. Yellow arrows embedded in cobblestones or emblazoned on walls pointed the way. Led by Mother Tiffany Clark, the pilgrims bookended each day with the daily offices and with reflections on their own lives as a form of spiritual pilgrimage, dropping in and out of conversations and occasionally stopping to savor the fine local fare as they progressed together towards their destination: the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela.

The breathtaking sight of the Cathedral, along with the overwhelming experience of pilgrims' mass complete with the famously enormous thurible swinging over a congregation 2,000 strong, proved secondary to the gift of having completed this pilgrimage together.

Lent Retreat – *The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest*

In March of 2025, the parish held its second spiritual retreat in Lent at the Virginia Mae Center (formerly College of Preachers) at the Washington National Cathedral. Brother Lain Wilson, a former CCG parishioner and now a monk with the Society of Saint John the Evangelist, led themed talks around the life of prayer as experienced in the garden imagery of Scripture. Parishioner John Murton led Ignatian-themed prayer exercises and sonorous singing; seminarian



Eleanor Andersen provided visual prayer stations using fine art, Scripture passages, and prayer prompts; parishioners Sophie Dolamore and Austin Schafer lent their musical accompaniment to Taizé chants and canticle singing during the daily offices; Drue Clark lent artistic leadership to a contemplative charcoal fingerpainting exercise, and Lesly Bell, Adriane Connerton, and Ana Clark served up a fine-dining experience between the stone fireplace and stained-glass windows of the refectory. Around 20 parishioners stayed at the VMC for the duration of the retreat weekend, settling into the serenity of its surroundings and savoring quiet talks and the luxury of stillness before God. An additional 20 parishioners joined in for a day-long retreat on Saturday, dipping their spiritual toes into the experience of guided prayer and deepened spiritual awareness.

Parish Forum – *The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest*

In spring of 2025, the Sunday Forum continued its alternate form of meeting on fourth Sundays of the month, as renovations continued on the Parish Hall and Keith Hall was otherwise being used for Sunday School. The series focused on Applied Christianity, looking at a number of everyday issues through the lens of *Missio Dei*. Dr. Ernest Clark led discussions around Incarnation and the Church, Evangelism and Outreach, Children and Family, and Work and Creativity, drawing real-life applications for living as participants in God’s mission for the world.

The fall of 2025 brought a shift in the forum, both in style and in location. Meeting up in the C. Boyden Gray auditorium, the renamed “Parish Forum” combined the conviviality of coffee hour with the intentional learning of adult formation as it took an interactive look at our liturgy—the underlying theology and intent of its various parts, and how it gives shape to our way of living in the world. The series, entitled *Living Liturgy*, brought in renowned liturgists Derek Olsen and James Farwell, forum favorites such as Frank Wade and Ernest Clark, and a fresh face, James Catford, CCG’s 2026 Lent Retreat Speaker.

Seminarian Lay Committee – *Sophie Dolamore*

We congratulate Eleanor Andersen for completing their time as seminarian at Christ Church in April 2025! Eleanor is expected to graduate from VTS in May 2026.

The Committee was made up of a small but mighty group of four CCG parishioners, meeting monthly during the academic term at our homes or VTS campus, over a meal. We were honored to have been able to support Eleanor in many aspects of their journey toward priesthood, and to have witnessed their confidence grow.

There is no seminarian at Christ Church for this academic year 2025/26, so the Committee has paused it's convening for now.

Sunday Morning Mini-courses – *The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest*

The start of a new program year in fall of 2025 saw an addition to formation offerings at the 10:00 hour. In addition to the Parish Forum, a series of short courses offered applied discipleship to focused areas of life. The first of these was a 5-week New Member’s course led by Father Nate Huddleston, which welcomed and introduced 50 new members to the parish. The second was a 3-part course entitled *Setting Things in Order* led by Mother Tiffany Clark, which offered practical and spiritual guidance in how to prepare for death, with the intent of leaving behind a peaceful inheritance. This course was surprisingly well attended and received, indicating the care and intentionality with which our parishioners approach the subject. The final short course in the fall was a practical and inspirational 3-part series on *Engaging our Partners in Mission* led by Father Andrew Stump, which brought in representatives of key ministries in our community to which CCG contributes both financially and through volunteer service.

Thursday Morning Bible Study – Ernest Clark and Virginia Mentz

The Thursday Morning Bible Study group is growing in number and knowledge. The class comprises students of varying degrees of biblical knowledge but similar degrees of enthusiasm for learning more about God's Word. In the spring, we tackled the longest book in the Bible, the Psalms, also known as the Prayer Book of the Bible. Last autumn, Luke's second volume of the story of salvation for all, the Book of Acts, led to many profound insights. It is much more than a history book! The group is eagerly looking forward to studying the book of Revelation, which promises to be a challenging yet rewarding study.

Women's Bible Study - The Reverend Tiffany A. H. Clark, Associate Priest



The spring Women's Bible Study, led by Mother Karin Eckholm and seminarian Eleanor Andersen, worked its way through the first half of the Book of Exodus, incorporating art with a focus on God's acts of redemption on behalf of His people. In the fall, the study shifted back up into

its happy home in the Memorial Room and incorporated a good number of new participants. Mother Tiffany Clark led the group through a challenging but rewarding study of Isaiah, considering its prophecies from the cultural/political context in which they were given, their fulfillment in the coming of Jesus Christ, and their ongoing relevance to the people of God today. The warm camaraderie, intellectual rigor, and devotional depth of the group help participants in their ability to read, understand, and relate to God in Scripture.

Parish Groups

Faith 2.0 – Adriane Connerton and Anna Troutman

Faith 2.0 concluded its third year as a Parish group tailored for young professionals and newcomers to Christ Church, offering an opportunity to connect with others and get to know Church life in a contemplative, accessible way over coffee and breakfast. We met on Sunday mornings during the first half of the year in the inter-service hour. Our time together focused on welcoming new members with fellowship and working through a condensed Lectio Divina practice using the lectionary of the week, focusing on the Psalms. Faith 2.0 not only sought to

meet the spiritual needs of young professionals but also to provide a place for those new to Christ Church to connect with community in a casual space.

This group began in December 2023 during Advent in the chapel, and concluded our time together in August 2025, folding into other ministry groups including the Young Adults ministry.

Grief Group – *The Reverend Andrew J. Stump, Associate Priest*

A quiet, but deeply impactful, ministry of Christ Church, the Grief Group meets biweekly on Tuesday evenings from the fall through Ash Wednesday. In a confidential and intimate setting, participants are given space to speak honestly about loss, listen to others walking similar paths, and encounter Christ's presence in the midst of grief. The Grief Group also serves as a meaningful bridge to those outside our parish. More than half of those who attend are not Christ Church parishioners, allowing us to extend compassionate care to the wider community, embodying Christ's love in a tangible way and often becoming a first point of connection for those who might not otherwise enter the doors of a church.

Going Deeper – *John Murton*

A new addition to the range of formation activities at Christ Church, *Going Deeper* is a group where fellow disciples explore the range of perspectives and practices within the spiritual formation space, benefiting from the wisdom of those who have gone before us who desired deeply to apprentice in the Way of Jesus. Our bi-weekly meetings have been loosely structured around an exploration of six traditions in church history that Richard J. Foster identifies in his book *Streams of Living Water*: the contemplative tradition, the Holiness tradition, the Charismatic tradition, the Social Justice tradition, the Evangelical tradition and the Incarnational tradition. At each meeting we explore something of the scriptural paradigm for these traditions before discussing some of the practices associated with it – practices we are then encouraged to build into our lives before the next meeting. Meeting over dinner, our meetings are characterized by a commitment to complete disclosure with fellow members of the group, sharing the life-changing work of the Spirit in our lives, and the many difficulties and challenges we all continue to face in living out our calling as children of God.

Keeping Faith – *John Gilstad and Philip Morrison*

A small group of parishioners “of a certain age” that meet, generally monthly, over potluck dinner, with the purpose of keeping and deepening faith, as well as friendships, while navigating mid-life and later joys and challenges. The group attempts this through discussion of somewhat challenging theological literature.

During spring, 2025, the group continued “God, Man, and Satan”, a study by Roland Frye of *Paradise Lost* and *Pilgrim's Progress*. For autumn, 2025, and continuing into 2026, the group is reading St. Augustine's *Confessions*, sometimes considered second only to the gospels and the

epistles of St. Paul as a foundational document of the Church. The autobiographical first half of *Confessions* has provided grist for sometimes surprising comparisons and contrasts between current-day challenges and those of the Bishop of Hippo in the 4th century.

We look forward in 2026 to continuing the core group and also to welcoming fellow parishioners, on a path we are in the process of continuously discerning, and for help with which we are most grateful, again, to Tiffany Clark.

Light on the Hill – *Kelsey Carlson*

Now in its second year, Light on the Hill is a small-group Bible study designed to be a place of encouragement and truth for parishioners in various stages of life, including those balancing demanding careers, newly married couples, individuals starting families, and those who are single. Many members of the group work on Capitol Hill, within the Administration, or in politically adjacent professions, and gather with the shared intention of building one another up in Christ while navigating the unique pressures of these positions. The group meets with the purpose of turning to God's Word for strength in times of doubt, reminding one another of His faithfulness, and growing together in faith within an intimate, supportive setting.

Participants receive the Scripture reading and reflection questions in advance and are encouraged to think about them independently, prior to each gathering, allowing group time to be focused on thoughtful discussion and fellowship. While the group remains intentionally small to preserve its sense of closeness, there is a hope to expand participation to foster greater consistency and connection.

During the fall season, Light on the Hill met five times, including three Bible study gatherings, a cocktail party at the Rectory, and a happy hour, reflecting a balance of spiritual formation and connection. The group was formed in 2024 following the participation of parishioners Kaleigh and James Langnes, Carley and Derek Fisher, and Kelsey and Buckley Carlson in the New Members course. Looking ahead to 2026, the group hopes to welcome additional participants and discern a sustainable rhythm that supports meaningful engagement amid the demands of busy schedules and political jobs.

New Parents – *Emily Taylor*

In September, the New Parent's Group began its monthly Saturday morning potluck brunch gatherings—sometimes at a local park, often in someone's home. With each gathering, anywhere from 10-20 parents drop in, with babies and toddlers in tow, and connect with each other around this shared season of life in a low-key atmosphere. The group has become a source of encouragement, community, and crowd-sourced wisdom for parents figuring out how to juggle the complexity of careers, marriages, and lifestyle changes along with growing in faith and parenting

their ever-evolving young children. Emily Taylor serves as group leader, with clergy support from Mother Tiffany Clark.

Prime Timers – *John Walker*

With a desire to deepen and enrich their understanding of God's work, the Prime Timers delved into the chronology of the Book of Common Prayer. From the Tudor upheavals to the Scottish Episcopal Church's pivotal influence on our America liturgy, the group took quite a ride through history with experts Dr. James Farwell, Dr. Derek Olson, and Rev. Eric Bailey. A highlight of the series was Father Tim's discussion on the Scottish influence on the creation of the American Book of Common Prayer.

All our speakers made the historical shifts feel incredibly alive and vivid. The group also connected personally with the CCG leadership through the spiritual journeys shared by Father Tim, Father Nate and Seminarian Eleanor Anderson. By the conclusion of the sessions, members gained a deeper understanding of the BCP as a living document that reflects our deep history, beliefs, and teachings.

Spiritual Life Group – *Molly Peacock and Lesley Lilly*

The Spiritual Life Ministry continued its bi-weekly offerings throughout spring of the program year, meeting from 3:30 to 4:30 on Sunday afternoons just before Choral Evensong. This small but vital ministry of the parish, led by Molly Peacock, offered contemplative reflections on elements of curated Psalms, Canticles, and other prayers from the Daily offices. In the fall, it shifted its timing and venue to zoom gatherings on Friday mornings in Advent, with Lesley Lilly joining the leadership team. Implementing the practices of Lectio Divina and of silent, Centering prayer guided participants deeper in their ability to encounter and hear from God. Doing this in community with each other offered gentle accountability, mutual encouragement, and helpful guidance as all sought to grow in prayer.

The Gathering – *Janis Buchanan*

The Gathering Group meets monthly at a parishioner's home from 6-8:30 p.m. Over the last year the group has grown, and we typically have 15-20 attending on a given night. The evening begins with a fellowship hour. Members bring hors d'oeuvres to share with the group and the host provides wine and drinks. The program begins at 7 p.m. and we focus on personal spiritual development. Tiffany Clark facilitates the program. To date, we study books, one chapter at a time, and then discuss how it relates to God and our lives. Discussions can be quite personal. We are currently studying *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth* by Richard Foster.

Hospitality

Docents Committee

Participants in Christ Church's Docents Guild offer a warm welcome and in-depth guided tours to visitors and passersby – most frequently on Saturdays which drew large-than-usual crowds to Georgetown, including the Garden Tour in May. Training and guide resources are provided to those who are interested in serving in this ministry.

Hospitality Committee – *Doris L. Dixon and Brent T. Minor*

The Hospitality Ministry Committee helps to coordinate receptions after Choral Evensong services and other special events at the church. In 2025, receptions were coordinated for 19 Evensong services as well as for an ordination service and a Faith and Foreign Policy event.

The committee's primary role is to organize the refreshments, welcome participants to the event, help with cleaning up, and to "pass the hat" when appropriate. Church staff purchase the food, set up Keith Hall for the events, and assist with cleaning up. Not only have these events raised funds to offset costs through contributions, but they have also eased the burden of organizing events on already-stressed CCG staff.

The Committee also continued to coordinate the parish groups assigned to provide treats for the reception following the 11:15 service. Currently, 19 different groups and guilds provide light refreshments with each taking one month. Smaller groups are combined for their monthly assignment to ensure that they are not overburdened.

Those who attend the receptions seem to appreciate the opportunity to gather as a church family in a relaxed and casual atmosphere where they can meet new people and strengthen their bonds with fellow parishioners. Many attendees of the Evensong services are often not members of Christ Church, so these receptions offer a chance to engage visitors in a meaningful and personal way.

Doris Dixon and Brent Minor continued as co-chairs in 2025 and are assisted by a small group of volunteers, most notably Lucy Cannon. Additional volunteers are always welcome and should contact the Parish Office if interested in joining the committee.

We Celebrated the Ordinations of Tiffany A. H. Clark and Andrew J. Stump



Finance Reports

Treasurer's Report – *Charles Thorley*

I am deeply grateful to the congregation and to the Vestry for the trust you have placed in me and for the opportunity to continue serving as your Treasurer. Over the past year, the parish has once again been blessed with strong financial stewardship, and I am pleased to report that we remain in sound and stable financial condition.

The leadership of the parish gives heartfelt thanks to each of you for your faithful generosity - through your annual pledges, your support of the Capital Campaign, and your ongoing commitment to the life of this community. Because of these gifts, we are now experiencing the tangible results of your faithfulness, including a renewed parish hall and a new organ that enriches our worship and sustains the excellence of our music ministry.

From a financial perspective, the parish continues to rely on endowment income to supplement operating revenue, as pledge income alone has not yet fully covered annual expenses. This remains an important area of focus. Encouragingly, the most recent stewardship season was again very strong, and we will continue to work to strengthen pledge support and ease long-term dependence on the endowment in the years to come. Through careful oversight and conservative spending, the parish again ended the year with an operating surplus, as the full allowable endowment draw was not required.

The parish again has ample cash reserves, and all financial obligations continue to be met without concern. Outstanding pledges are being received, and any remaining balance will be addressed during the current fiscal year, with endowment draws again taken only if necessary. As is typical, we project such draws would be necessary in June and December of this year. We have also made continual gains in closing out our fund-raising efforts related to the Capital Campaign. There is some money left to raise but we are hopeful that in the year ahead we can close this gap.

Inflation once again continues to affect parish operations, as it does our households. Anticipated cost increases have been responsibly incorporated into the current fiscal year budget, and we remain committed to managing expenses with care and restraint. I am grateful to report that we were again able to provide Diocesan-recommended cost-of-living adjustments for our staff, while continuing to fully support the parish's ministries of worship, music, pastoral care, outreach, and mission.

As always, I am happy to serve as a resource and to answer any questions you may have regarding the parish's finances. Thank you for your faithfulness, your generosity, and for the privilege of serving this parish. We have much to be thankful for and to look forward to this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. (Chad) Thorley
Treasurer

Operating Budget	2025 Budget	2025 Actual *	2026 Budget
Revenues			
Plate	\$325,501	\$320,653	\$333,001
Pledge	\$1,645,000	\$1,560,443	\$1,730,000
Endowment Draw	\$828,787	\$614,394 **	\$989,070 ***
Other Revenue	\$166,500	\$322,117	\$206,100
Transfer to Reserves	-\$240,000	-\$214,000	-\$240,000
Total Revenue	\$2,725,788	\$2,603,607	\$3,018,171
Expenses			
Ministry	\$1,448,768	\$1,329,060	\$1,595,699
Administration	\$441,901	\$485,670	\$490,290
Property	\$545,450	\$485,622	\$611,600
Outreach	\$189,300	\$187,793	\$188,300
Diocesan Pledge	\$100,000	\$115,000	\$115,000
Total Expenses	\$2,725,419	\$2,603,145	\$3,000,889
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$369	\$462	\$17,282
*2025 Actuals have not yet been audited.			
**With sufficient cash reserves, not all allowed Endowment Funds were taken.			
***Includes a 5% draw of the average Endowment balance for the last three years plus \$100,000 from the untaken 2025 draw if needed.			

Investment Committee Report – Terence Collins

Members of the Investment Committee are Terence Collins, Chairman, John Lytle, Ellen Fishwick Martin, Chip Oat, and Molly Peacock

The Endowment Fund of Christ Church, Georgetown is managed by the Christ Church Investment Committee. The Committee sets the investment policy and manages the portfolio through investments in low-cost index funds and managed mutual funds. The Fund is broadly diversified among all asset classes and investment styles with strict asset allocation targets.

The Endowment Fund supports the operating costs of the Church and its outreach activities. Each year, funds are transferred from the Endowment Fund to the Church’s Operating Account. The amount of the transfer is determined by calculating 5% of the average of the Endowment Fund’s last 3 year-end total values. In 2025, \$614,393 was transferred from the Endowment to the Operating Account.

In 2025, the Endowment Fund had a total return of 12.4% and a year end value of \$19,391,376. After strong gains the previous 2 years, the stock market initially sold off on tariff concerns but later recovered with solid returns in the mid teens. Bonds also performed well as yields stabilized and rates eased and the fixed income sector returned close to 8%.

The Endowment Fund had a maximum allocation of 75% to stocks, as it has for the past 3 years, and this has benefited the total return of the Endowment Fund.

Since 1982, the Endowment Fund has grown in value from \$776,753 to the present \$19,391,376. Over these 43 years, the Endowment Fund also has transferred \$15,928,104 to the Church's Operating Account.

Stewardship Committee Report – *The Reverend Nathan G. Huddleston, Associate Rector*
The 2025 Stewardship Campaign stands as a powerful testament to the generosity and faithfulness of the parish. Under the theme **Love Made Visible**, the campaign raised approximately \$1.7 million from over 400 pledging households, providing the foundation for the church's worship, ministry, and outreach.

This year presented real challenges. The parish lost several significant pledges due to deaths and relocations, moments that were felt both personally and financially. Yet in the midst of those losses, the parish was buoyed by an extraordinary response from new members who stepped forward to pledge, as well as long-time members who increased their giving.

Stewardship this year was not simply about meeting a goal, but about a shared conviction that generosity makes visible the love of God in tangible ways. The campaign's success reflects a parish that understands stewardship as spiritual practice and communal responsibility.

This work was made possible by a deeply committed Stewardship Committee, whose leadership, time, and care sustained the campaign throughout the year: Kelsey Carlson; Barbara Chang-Wai-Ling; Taylor Cortright; Michael Dean; Logan Dobson; Emma Downey; Tom Finnigan; Andrew Franklin-Murphy; Brent Franklin-Murphy; Gene Hiigel; Ryan Keyes; James Langnes; Kaleigh Langnes; Elizabeth Lawson; Guy Martin IV; Josh Randle; Creighton Reed; David Roehrenbeck; Duane Roth; David Shepard; Ed Stewart; Andrew Stifel; Ben Stratton; Ryan Swanson; Dick Thompson; Dyanne Vaught; Frank Waikart.

Their faithful leadership continues to shape a culture of generosity rooted in gratitude and trust.

2025 Operating Annual Fund Pledgers for 2026

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Third Century Campaign – Brent T. Minor and Charles Ingersoll

The Third Century Campaign is coming to a completion after four years. We embarked on an ambitious goal of raising \$10.5 million to transform and to restore our Parish Hall, replace our organ, and place our mission work and care of the Church's physical property on a more firm and lasting foundation.

As of the writing of this report, our Third Century Campaign has raised more than \$9.6 million in gifts and pledges from more than 220 parishioner families. We are truly humbled and grateful for this generous outpouring of support.

The renovation is now completed, the organ is installed and the Parish Hall is reopened. – and we now have a new center for outreach, growth, fellowship, and community service.

We remain about \$1 million short of our building and organ fundraising goal. We have reached out to all the parishioners one final time and to those who have not yet pledged to see if we can close the 1 million shortfall. The vestry has used a line of credit to pay for the organ and parish hall renovation and donations are being used to pay down the line of credit.

We are truly grateful for the tremendous support from all the many parishioners who gave toward this ambitious goal of \$10.5 million dollars.

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