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The Trumpeter

Church of the Holy Spirit, 3 Haytown Road, Lebanon, NJ

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OUR MISSION: *to become Christ as we serve others, proclaim God's love, and grow in the Spirit*



John Rollins Photos: Rollins/Paxton Fall Garden

The only way through is through.

The better way through is together.

***The best way through together is
together in Christ.***

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From the Grumpy Rector's Desk

Dear Friends,

Who's not fried?

Seriously. We have gotten to another Advent in a worldwide pandemic, roiled by wave after wave of gloominess by the millions of tragedies around the world and at home. And who's not aggrieved by the abject folly of some that has made it worse for all. Every day seems to bring a new hoax, a new rumor, a new conspiracy, another fake treatment. Who is so silly as to ingest horse deworming medicine? Honestly! My usual first glance of grace offered amidst foolishness has moved beyond the mere eyeroll to a demeanor that is, quite literally, meaner. I'm on the verge of getting really mean, but most times settle for ornery.

We all want it to stop. Those with school-age children are thoroughly displeased. Those who find it hard to breathe with masks are uncomfortable, and every last person I meet is dyspeptic. And when a recent colleague-with-a-collar opined as to how they, "we introverts," just loved being locked up, I thought of buffing up my black belt skills in a nicely placed round-house kick. Cluelessness and denial seem to snuggle up under the same covers. Hope, on the other hand, isn't pretend. We can hold hope even as we see trouble for what it is.

So, yeah, fried. But still hopeful. This thing is long haul and while we might (oh yeah, that word "might" which is so weak now that we've overused it in too-early hope of being done with this virus) while we *might* be entering the end phase, there remains what to do in the long haul. More accurately, I should ask, what do we hope to become through, during, and after the long haul?

So a few items come to mind . . . to help us practice hope.

- † Tim Mulder, a newly retired priest and long-time buddy, is offering insight as he joins the Tuesday evening conversations about Christian identity and worship. He said he was impressed by the thoughtfulness of those attending. It would be really great if more thoughtful folks joined us either live or on zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87862182807?pwd=VmFPb1grZ3V4RXBtMllVRGhhR2l0UT09>
- † Wendy Hallstrom spent her time putting together two forms to get your input on how best to offer formation programs for our students. The link is [Fall 2021 - Sunday School Questionnaire - Church of the Holy Spirit \(churchholyspirit.org\)](https://www.churchholyspirit.org/fall-2021-sunday-school-questionnaire) and it would be *thoughtful and respectful* if folks went there and offered their perspective. Note there is one form for adults and another for youth.
- † Gary Scott, along with his day crew of Jim West and John Higgins, have been chugging through many a physical project. We have painting, classroom clean up, yard prep for winter, and other to-do's that may have your name on them. It would be *thoughtful and respectful* of people who are able to volunteer and come over to the property to help. If you can do so, please email a day when you can help at admin@churchholyspirit.net.
- † Alex Tartakofsky is trying to rebuild a choral program by doing a big but doable Bach *Magnificat* on Sunday Dec 19 with a chamber orchestra. We plucky voices are making progress thus far, but it would be thoughtful and respectful if other voices, all duly boosted up, would consider joining. Music and even a downloadable recording with your individual SATB part emphasized are available by request also at admin@churchholyspirit.net



† Deacon Dot and I continue with our Wednesday Townhalls through December. We gather with several families by house blessing route and meet to share experiences using the Barnabus Questions. If you can't make the Wednesday appointed for you and yours, *you are welcome (and it would be thoughtful and respectful)* to join any other Wednesday as the zoom link is the same: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87579031344?pwd=S2wvd001dXJ1R3VNWGpkc2Jzc2lsZz09>

The questions are here: <https://www.churchplanting.com/whos-your-barnabas/>

1. How are you?
2. What are you celebrating?
3. What challenges are you experiencing
4. What do you plan to do about these challenges?
5. How can I help you?
6. How can I pray for you?

† Dale Dabour and Marge Keller are working on two receptions: Friday Nov. 19th (Piano Recital) and Sunday Dec. 19th (Bishop's Visit). They could use your thoughtful and respectful help.

† **Prayers for the Long Haul.** It's a wee small book (76 pgs) I'll be finishing in time for December. It is a collection of original prayers, poems, aphorisms, and art. Look for the pre-order link in the weekly CHSNews email. It is my attempt at becoming less grumpy and more thoughtful and respectful.

THOUGHTFUL AND RESPECTFUL. You get the picture. To be honest, I often don't get the picture. But let's all rally for the long haul. Who we will become must include at the very least more thoughtfulness and respect.

In hope,

Philip+

Music Music Music

Dear Friends,

A reminder that my solo piano concert at the church is scheduled for **Friday, November 19th** at 7:00 pm at CHS (live only). All are of course welcome, and please bring your family and friends! It will be largely the same program that I will be playing at the International Beethoven Competition in Bonn, Germany, held December 1-10. The rounds of the competition will certainly be live-streamed. I will share that information on my Facebook page when I have it myself. As always, I very much appreciate your listening and your support. **Tickets:** \$20 per person. Children under 18 are free. Your receipt is your ticket. To order: [November 19 - Piano Concert - Church of the Holy Spirit \(churchholyspirit.org\)](#)



Yours,
Alexei Tartakovsky
Director of Music

Treasurer's Report



As of the end of September our financial results for 2021 are as follows:

	YTD	Budget YTD
Operating Revenue	\$ 301,033	\$ 208,478
Total Expense	\$ 222,003	\$ 247,598
Net	\$ 79,030	\$ (39,120)

A couple of notes regarding our finances:

- Our revenue number includes the funds forgiven from our PPP loan #1 and PPP loan #2. The total is \$49,415. These funds are currently in our Church Money Market account and technically have already been allocated for salaries for past periods in 2020 and 2021. We understand that these funds will not need to be included in our calculations for determining our Fair Share (now called Marks of Mission) for the Diocese for 2022.
- The expense line does not include the cost of the kitchen renovation. Through several donations, our expense will most likely be around \$5,000, with an upgraded commercial kitchen as a result. Once all expenses have been calculated, the final expense will be reflected in our Church financials.
- We expect to be entertaining bids for the replacement of both air conditioners in the first quarter of 2022. These units service all of the building with the exception of the Parish Hall and First Step.

Thank you to all for your continued support of CHS. Many of you have also given of your time and talent. We are especially blessed at CHS during this unpredictable time.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sally Bird, Treasurer

If you find any errors or omissions on your periodic statements or are new to the parish and wish to contribute, please contact Pledge Clerks Dave Marlow and/or Eva Lesniak. You will find their contact information on the last page of this newsletter, or you can email admin@churchholyspirit. They are the only CHS folks who know your financial contributions. And by the way, if you are an Amazon Smile member, any legitimate 501C3 organization that you designate for contributions does not cost you. It's Amazon's cost and you'll receive periodic notifications from them regarding what you've given.



Musings from the Senior Warden

My how the year has flown by. It's hard to believe that next week will be November already! It seems like just yesterday we were gathered for our summer 'Picnic Palooza' and reading our parables, poems, plays, prayers, and prose on the porch! Now our thoughts are turned to the holiday season, including All Saints Sunday, Thanksgiving and dare I even mention it — Christmas!



And with the end of the year fast approaching, I'm also wrapping up my second year serving as Senior Warden on the Vestry. And that being said, it's the perfect time to remind everyone that **Vestry elections are coming up in January!** And we want YOU! We are looking for a few good men (AND women of course!) to join our next Vestry class. If you feel called to serve, and/or have any questions at all, please feel free to contact me, Marianne Van Deursen (our incoming Sr. Warden) or Marge Keller. We would be most happy to have a chat and address any of your inquiries.

Personally, being on the Vestry has been such a wonderful and enriching experience. It has brought me closer to our CHS family and has allowed me to give back just a mere fraction of what CHS provides me. And although my term as Sr. Warden is ending, I will continue to serve as a member of the vestry. And I strongly encourage anyone who is interested to step forward and serve too. I guarantee it will enrich your life as well.

Wishing everyone health, happiness, and JOY in the upcoming holiday season!

Tracy MacGeorge

Hunterdon Holy Trail



HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ: For the second year six local interfaith churches are lighting up the night with love to retell the Christmas story from the Bible—in both English and Spanish—through a series of drive-through vignettes: The Hunterdon Holy Trail. The date is **Saturday, December 18th from 5:00-8:00 pm.**

Members of the general public are invited to drive to churchyards decked with holiday lights and populated by biblical characters. Visitors can start from any church and visit the churches in any order. All information, addresses and podcasts will be available soon at www.thehunterdonholyltrail.com.

Holy Spirit has been invited to be part of the trail this year. While the Hunterdon Holy Trail is free, members of the general public are asked to bring canned goods for local food pantries and monetary donations for Family Promise of Hunterdon County, a homeless shelter for children and their families, also called the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Guests may drive to churches in any order, and listen to podcasts (which will be found at <http://www.thehunterdonholyltrail.com>) to hear the story in English and Spanish with carols. Check the weekly news and CHS website after Thanksgiving for up-to-date details.

CHSchool

The CHSchool has a new administrator: Wendy Hallstrom. Wendy is taking over the reins from Judy Linger, who has done a wonderful job organizing and administering this program since its inception, with assists from Deacons Dot and Michelleslie and suggestions from many others over the past year or so. *Thank you Judy!*

Father Phil and the Vestry would like to continue with courses offered on the Zoom platform in conjunction with in-person classes — even after we return to post-pandemic conditions. To help with planning, we have developed two questionnaires for our Parish family. The first is primarily for adult “students,” with occasional presentations for the entire congregation. We’d like to know what topics our congregation is interested in — both religious and secular. The second questionnaire is for families with children to help guide us in planning Formation [Sunday School] going forward.

Both questionnaires have been sent out via e-mail blasts. If you have not yet completed them, please do so as soon as possible. The general link to CHSchool classes is [CHSchool - Church of the Holy Spirit \(churchholyspirit.org\)](http://CHSchool - Church of the Holy Spirit (churchholyspirit.org)). You’ll find more information about these and other offerings on that site as they are scheduled. Here’s what’s coming up, in addition to ongoing classes such as **Art with Whitney Wetherill** on Mondays and Wednesdays. For information on this class contact wwetherill@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS COOKIEPALOOZA - ON ZOOM

Saturday, November 13, 2021 1:00 - 2:30 pm,

Join our very own Andra Taylor for tips and tricks on how to organize a fun day of Christmas cookie baking with friends. For 35 years, Andra and her college friends have been getting together every year to bake Christmas cookies. Get tips and tricks for orchestrating a cookie baking get-together, including hints for baking day prep, how to organize the day and timing strategies. Andra will share how to store cookies, some favorite recipes and more. Bake along with Andra, or just watch her cookie baking demonstrations of a couple of her favorite recipes. Sign up for this fun class on the CHS School webpage.

BODY VISUALIZATION AND INTEGRATION—ON ZOOM

Monday, November 15th, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Dr. Jackie Manfre returns with a new presentation for our CHS School. Dr. Jackie will walk you through a body visualization and Integration session. You will be able to interpret your body signals and emotional/mental patterns in real time. You will be able to connect to and process blocks in the body that are present and ready to heal. Dr. Jackie loves empowering others to remember how magical healing can be. This session will give you a taste. Dr. Jackie’s bio is on the CHS website.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING INFORMATION SESSION - ON ZOOM

Monday, December 13th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Join me for an information session about the Order of the Daughters of the King. We will begin and end with prayer time to provide a short respite during the busy holiday season. I’ll explain about the Order, its work and membership and will answer any questions you may have about the Daughters of the King. This session is open to anyone in the Parish, but the Order itself is only for women. Sign up on the CHSchool webpage.

Wendy Hallstrom

SNAPSHOTS



(Left) - What weighty matters do you suppose Father Phil and his assistants were discussing?

(Right) Soup awaits pickup by those lucky souls who got their orders in by the deadline.

Eva Lesniak photos



(Above and right) This fortunate group bid and won seats at Marge Keller's Paella Dinner at the 2020 auction. We had to wait until this October to gather, but it was worth it! All — from tapas to Spanish wines to desserts (including a perfect flan not pictured) — was scrumptious! Thanks to attendee Janet Matz for the photos.

Branch of Jesse

"A shoot will spring forth from the stump of Jesse, and a branch out of his roots" Isaiah 11:1. Jesse was King David's father. The image of a branch growing out of the roots of Jesse points to a new king in David's line. We know that this is fulfilled in Jesus, the King of Kings, who is a descendant of Jesse.



During the Advent season, a symbolic Branch of Jesse will decorate our Narthex. The Branch is a representation that connects God's faithfulness through the Old Testament to the newness in the form of the birth of Jesus. Just as God gave us the gift of life through Jesus Christ, we will share this hope with others in our community through the giving of Christmas gifts.

Like last year, in lieu of wrapped gifts, \$25 gift cards will be provided for our friends at Freedom House (a half-way house for men) and their Family Afterward program, Good News Home (a drug/alcohol abuse treatment center for women), Anderson House (a half-way house for women), Cristo Rey, and Binnacle House (a group home for boys ages 13-18). In order to provide these gift cards, we are asking for monetary donations only. With these funds, we will purchase the 125 gift cards and distribute them to the recipients. There will not be any specific gift item requests -- the decorative tags on the branch in the Narthex will simply provide donation instructions.

Monetary donations can be made via check, cash, or PayPal. Please note "Giving Branch" on the check or on the envelope if donating cash. There is a secure black box outside the Church office for anyone wanting to drop off, or it can be mailed to the Church. If donating through PayPal, please follow the link on the CHS website and note "Giving Branch" on the item ID or note line. Please note: if using the PayPal link, \$1.01 is added to each \$25 donation to cover PayPal's service fee (e.g., to make a donation for 2 gift cards, the charge will be \$52.02.)

Please submit all contributions by Sunday, December 12th. If you have any questions, please contact Deanne Altom at 908-534-3425 (deanne.altom@gmail.com) or Michelle Marlow at 908-884-6932 (michellekmarlow@gmail.com).

Thank you for helping to make the holiday a bit happier for someone less fortunate!

Breakfast with Santa !

HO HO HO! You're on the Nice List !!!
For children and the young at heart

Sunday, December 12th

Between services, from 9:00—10:00 am

Dove Hall

Photo: Courtesy Seashell Santas



Special Services

A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING will be held on Zoom only on **Thursday November 25th** at 10:00 am. Watch for the link in an upcoming news blast. [A reminder that if you don't need your Thanksgiving ham or turkey this year Shoprite makes it easy to donate to the food pantry. Just ask your cashier if you have qualified.]

BISHOP STOKES VISITS on **Sunday December 19th**. Parish-wide confirmation and reception following the 10:00 am service



CHRISTMAS EVE:

† December 24th at 4:00 pm, Children's Service and Holy Communion. (Hybrid)

† The 7:00 pm service, also hybrid, will start with a carol sing, followed by Holy Communion at 7:30 pm.

† Father Phil will offer a meditation on Zoom ONLY at 11:00 pm.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE will be on Zoom only at 10:00 am.

W3K House Blessings

A POT-LUCK DINNER will kick off the W3K House Blessings on **Saturday, January 8th** at 5:00 pm. Watch for details in early January.

HOUSE BLESSINGS will begin on **Tuesday January 11th**. The last route is planned for February 1st. Father Phil hopes to complete any routes rescheduled due to inclement weather by February 5th. All routes will be scheduled on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays**. Weekday visits will begin about 3:30 pm; Saturdays will have a 9:00 am start time.

If you can volunteer to be one of **Fr. Phil's drivers**, please do so by email at Admin@churchholyspirit.net. To be sure your message is not lost, enter *W3K Driver* in the subject line. If you have never had the opportunity to spend several hours alone with your priest, now is your chance. The conversation is wonderful, the experience enlightening.

You need not be home to have your house blessed. Fr. Phil will leave Stewardship information for you to consider your estimate of giving for the 2022 calendar year. CHS depends on your giving of time and talent, as well as your dollars, to support our programs and missions.



Letters to the Women of Edna Mahan

AUGUST

I am writing this letter on my birthday. Reaching a milestone birthday has me thinking about what is important in life. Of course, at the top of my list are my wonderful wife and children. The Church of the Holy Spirit and the community I have found there have greatly enriched my life in large part because of our ministries at Edna Mahan. I have also thought a great deal about my faith in God that has never waived over all the years of my life throughout all of the adversities and successes. I did not think that it was possible for that faith to become stronger, but then I started to volunteer at Edna Mahan and found in many of you such an awesome faith in God that my faith did indeed become deeper and stronger. In many ways my faith moved from my head to my heart. I miss our Shawl Ministry and Bible study sessions.

I want to share with you some quotations from Julian of Norwich. She was a mystic and theologian who lived a solitary life. She was born in the 14th century and died in the 15th century. She wrote the earliest surviving book written by a woman. I hope that you enjoy them.

"All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well"

"For we are so preciously loved by God that we cannot even comprehend it. No created being can ever know how much and how sweetly and tenderly God loves them. It is only with the help of his grace that we are able to persevere in spiritual contemplation with endless wonder at his high, surpassing, immeasurable love which our Lord in his goodness has for us."

"Christ revealed our frailty and our falling,
our trespasses and our humiliations.
Christ also revealed his blessed power,
his blessed wisdom and love.
He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly when we are in greatest need;
he raises us in spirit
and turns everything to glory and joy without ending.
God is the ground and the substance, the very essence of nature;
God is the true father and mother of natures.
We are all bound to God by nature,
and we are all bound to God by grace.
And this grace is for all the world,
because it is our precious mother, Christ.
For this fair nature was prepared by Christ for the honor and nobility of all,
and for the joy and bliss of salvation."

Peace.

John Andrews

Letters to the Women of Edna Mahan

SEPTEMBER

THE BIG OAK TREE

A mighty wind blew night and day.
It stole the oak tree's leaves away.
Then snapped its boughs and pulled its bark
Until the oak was tired and stark.
But still the oak tree held its ground
While other trees fell all around.
The weary wind gave up and spoke,
"How can you still be standing, Oak?"
The oak tree said, "I know that you
Can break each branch of mine in two,
Carry every leaf away,
Shake my limbs and make me sway.
But I have roots stretched in the earth,
Growing stronger since my birth.
You'll never touch them, for you see,
They are the deepest part of me.
Until today, I wasn't sure
Of just how much I could endure.
But now I've found, with thanks to you,
I'm stronger than I ever knew.
— Johnny Ray Ryder, Jr. —

While walking, find a tree and claim it as your own. Seek it out when you are low and remember how deep your roots can grow.

Enjoy the beauty that fall brings,

Anne Simpson

Letters to the Women of Edna Mahan

OCTOBER

Dear Ladies,

Hard to believe we are already a third of the way through October. The leaves are slowly beginning to turn. Autumn is such a beautiful time to be savored after the heat of the summer months. I feel so blessed to be able to enjoy the changing seasons. Nature is truly wonderful.

Even the animals know we are heading towards winter. Many are developing their winter coats as they prepare to hunker down.

Let us enjoy these glorious days before winter arrives.

It has been so long since we have been able to gather together but I want you all to know the comfort your shawls continue to give. I spoke with someone in church only this morning who thanked me for the shawl I sent to his mother recently. He said it gave her great comfort. She has since departed this life but he wanted me to know her shawl remained with her. That has happened many times with our shawls and it give ME great comfort, too. Our Shawl Ministry is truly God's work. Saint Cypriot of Carthage said, "The Lord taught us to pray not only in words, but also in actions".

I pray that you all are keeping your spirits up in these trying times. Let us not dwell on the past but look to the future — and brighter days, for they certainly are coming.

I find it best to simply take one day at a time. I begin each day by promising myself to seek the joy. As I have said to many of you in the past, there is joy is EVERY day so long as we take the time to look. No matter our surrounds or circumstances, our Lord provides joy everywhere. We just need to look.

Sometimes we see the sun rise or set. Sometimes it's a kind word or a smile from a fellow human being. Please know that we all miss you so very much. You are in our thoughts and prayers until we meet again.

I leave you with a prayer from the New Zealand Prayer Book:

Holy and eternal God, give us such trust in your sure purpose, that we measure our lives not by what we have done or failed to do but by our faithfulness to you.

With love to you all,

Susan Kane

Since the Covid-19 pandemic began early last year, we have been unable to conduct our ministries at Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women. In October 2020 we began a monthly inspirational letter to the women so that they know that we are thinking about and praying for them. So far the prison ministry volunteers have been writing the letters, but anyone in the parish is welcome to do so. The women of Edna Mahan are our neighbors and need our support now more than ever. Please contact John Andrews andrewsjohnt@comcast.net if you are interested in writing one of the monthly letters or speak to Deacon Dot or Deacon Michelleslie.

We Care Group



A shout out to Susan Kane for her tireless hours and miles of travel in helping so many people with transportation to medical appointments, delivery of meals to food-challenged individuals and countless hours of telephone calls to comfort those in distress and arrange for help where needed.

Susan is stepping down from her very active position with WE CARE. Thank you, Susan, for your example to us of how we can be like Christ.

Deacon Dot will be the point person for WE CARE starting immediately. Should you or someone you know and love be in need of assistance from the CHS community, please contact Deacon Dot at dnhospador@optonline.net.

PRAYER SHAWLS NEEDED

We are looking forward to the day when we can resume our regular visits to the women of Edna Mahan to knit and crochet with them. We hope that day is imminent. In the meanwhile, because of the shut-down, there is a dearth of prayer shawls available to fill requests from families and friends of the parish. Before the pandemic, members of the shawl ministry (mostly the women at Edna Mahan) were knitting several hundred shawls and baby blankets every year. And they were so very much appreciated by recipients both near and far away. None of that yarn was wasted. But our supply of shawls is sparse, even given the effort of our CHS members who continue to ply their needles and crochet hooks diligently. If you would like to join us in this ministry or to request a shawl let Deacon Dot know.

GRAB A CAN !!!!

Thank you to all our parishioners who continue to be generous with contributions to the Food Pantry. As we have previously announced, our new slogan for the Pantry is, "Grab a Can." While you're shopping for your own needs, grab an extra can, or package, of something healthy for our community families. This can be anything from soup, cereal, vegetables and fruit, to pasta and sauce. Our parish has been so very helpful in the past, and we thank you for your continued patronage.



Suzanne and Katie Higgins

Vestry Elections

Mark your calendar for **Sunday January 23rd for the Annual Meeting**. In addition to reports by the various committees and missions, this is the time for the election of Vestry members. The Vestry is a group of church members committed to the well-being of the church and its mission. As a vestry member, you have the opportunity to discuss and plan the next program; to help support those programs already in place; approve the budget, oversee the way the finances are allocated, and help make decisions as to how we spend the funds we have received. Each Vestry member is expected to take responsibility for one, or more, of the programs which are planned. (This doesn't necessarily mean you do the work but rather make sure the program is implemented as planned.)

The term for new members is **three years**, during which time your area of responsibility may change. Current Vestry responsibilities include supporting care of church property; coordinating Formation; overseeing Fellowship events; and, arranging the monthly Vestry meetings. Check who's who on the bulletin board in the hallway outside Dove Hall.

Consider putting your name into nomination for the open positions. Or suggest another nominee. Speak to one of the Nomination Committee members if you would like more information or would like to be considered for election. Committee members are Tracy McGeorge, Marianne Van Duersen, and Marge Keller.

Pulse of the Parish

BIRTHDAYS

November				December			
Susan	Gerish	11	4	Natalie	Marlow	12	8
Alex	vanVeldhuisen	11	4	Holly	Warnowicz	12	8
Kristina	Cagno	11	5	Marilyn	Smetana	12	9
Philip	Carr-Jones	11	6	Raymond	Olsen	12	11
Jo-Anne	Cirafesi-Kane	11	6	Fanta	Fofana	12	15
Jean	Wallace	11	11	Tiffany	Daniels	12	20
Robert (Bob)	Jones	11	15	Barbara	Burton	12	21
Linda	Schroeder	11	15	Susan	Marcella	12	21
Trent	Marlow	11	19	GJ	Waller	12	25
Darla	Babcock	11	23	Ricky	Waller	12	25
Mirgia	Rivera	11	26	Janice (Jan)	Paxton	12	31
Charlie	Curtin	11	27	Sarah	Shive	12	31

Blessings to: Casey Carr-Jones and Scott Mastroianni on their marriage, September 11th
Patrick Querry and Kayla Marie married September 25th [Patrick is the son of Aimee Olsen and the grandson of Marge Keller]

In Memoriam:

- † Fran Houston Rittman, former member of St. Thomas and Holy Spirit, of ALS on September 9th.
- † Charles E. Tanzler, Sr., father-in-law of Sharon Tanzler, on September 24th. Sharon and her late husband Cliff and beautiful daughters Julia, Stacy and Jessica are part of his large, loving family. They were members of Holy Spirit (and before that, St. Thomas Alexandria) for many years before moving to the Midwest.
- † Theresa Goldstein, first cousin of Vicki's former husband, on October 5th
- † Marsha McCartney, sister of Judy Linger, October 20th
- † Margaret L. Phillips, grandmother of Devyn McGrew, October 29th

May light perpetual shine upon them, O Lord, whom you welcome as your faithful servants into eternal peace.

Ed Note: If you have had a recent life event that you would like us to publish in *The Trumpeter*, please send it to admin@churchholyspirit.net. We can't publish what we don't know—we would rather have duplicate information than none at all. Thanks very much.

Hold the Dates

November 7—Food for the Soul, Food for the Body

November 7 & 14 – Pick up and pay for your soup

November 19 – Alex’s Concert—Get tickets online; LIVE ONLY

November 25 – Thanksgiving Service on Zoom ONLY

December 4 – Overnight for Youth and Confirmands

December 12 – Breakfast with Santa

December 17 – Holy Trail

December 19 – Confirmation and Bishop’s visitation

Greening of the church

December 24 – Christmas Services at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm Hybrid

Christmas Meditation at 11:00 pm Zoom only

December 25 – Christmas Day Service at 10:00 am Zoom only

January 7 – ANNUAL REPORTS DUE FROM ALL COMMITTEES

January 8 – W3K Kick-Off Potluck Supper

January 11 – Start of House Blessing Routes

January 23 – Annual Meeting and Vestry Elections

February 13 – Consecration Sunday

Recurring Meetings

Tuesdays **6:00 am, Bible Study (check for location)

 **7:00 pm Preparation for whole parish reaffirmation on 12/19

Wednesdays **12:00 pm Noonday Prayer

 **7:00 pm Home Chats (through December)

Thursday **7:30 — 9:00 pm Monthly Vestry meeting, usually 3rd Thursday of the month. All welcome

 **6:00 pm — Theology on Tap—venue to be decided

Fridays **10:15 am, Second Friday Prayers with CSJB

 **4:00 pm — 7:00 pm, Virtual Chaplaincy with Deacon Michelleslie Call 908-442-8063 (GIB TONE)

Saturdays **6:30 pm Youth Group Meeting

Sundays **8:00 and 10:00 am, Virtual or in-person services (Eucharist can be delivered at home if requested).

 **12:00 pm — 6:00 pm, Virtual Chaplaincy with Deacon Michelleslie. Call 908-442-8063 (GIB TONE)

Meetings are held on Facebook Live and Zoom, and in person where noted. Links are posted on the CHS Website and by email in Thursday and Saturday’s CHS News. While you’re on the CHS website, see what else is going on — it is updated often. **Thanks to Marge Keller for keeping the monthly calendar updated. It’s an invaluable resource!** And speaking of the CHS News and Website, thanks again to the amazing Jan Paxton and John Rollins for all they do to keep the news updated. Their quiet ministry is just that: mostly unheralded and unnoticed. But they keep us all humming! Check it out! www.churchholyspirit.org

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