



THE ELECTRIC EPILOG

Christ Church News

November 5, 2009

This Week's Inspirational Thought

I have a great need for Christ;
I have a great Christ for my need.
Charles Spurgeon 1892 +

PRAYER FOR OUR HEALING AT CHRIST CHURCH
Lord God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, come into our lives and into our community of faith at Christ Church with your loving, healing, transforming touch that we may be at one with you and with each other. Amen.

THE NUMBERS

Attendance at Saturday, Oct. 24, 5:00 pm	16
Attendance at Sunday, Oct. 25, 8:00 am	46
Attendance at Sunday, Oct. 12, 10:30 am	104
Pledge Receipts	\$ 5,492.85
Alleluia Campaign Receipts	\$ 1,714.00

Attendance at Saturday, Oct. 31, 5:00 pm	12
Attendance at Sunday, Nov. 1, 8:00 am	51
Attendance at Sunday, Nov. 1, 10:30 am	149
Pledge Receipts	\$ 9,937.91
Alleluia Campaign Receipts	\$ 3,414.00

Total Receipts Required to meet Monthly Operating Expenses **\$60,000**

This Week at Christ Church

Friday	11/6	7:00 pm	Board Room	Friends & Family of Incarcerated Persons
Saturday	11/7	9:00 am	Board Room	Bible Study
		5:00 pm	Main Church	Vigil Mass
Sunday	11/8	6:30 pm	Chapel	American Catholic Church
		8:00 am	Parish Hall	Gift Shop Open
		8:00 am	Main Church	Holy Eucharist
		9:15 am	Guild Room	Christian Formation: "Salvation History"
		10:30 am	Main Church	Holy Eucharist
Monday	11/9	12:30 pm	Main Church	Romanian Orthodox Church
		4:00 pm	Parish Hall	Family Promise
		5:00 pm	Guild Room	Family Promise
Tuesday	11/10	7:00 pm	Parish Hall	Alcoholics Anonymous
		9:00 am	Sunday School #2	Arts and Crafts
Wednesday	11/11	5:00 pm	Parish Hall	Family Promise
		10:00 am	Sunday School #3	Bible Study
		12:05 pm	Chapel	Holy Eucharist
		4:30 pm	Parish Hall/Kitchen	Amazing Grace Dinner
		5:00 pm	Parish Hall	Family Promise
		7:00 pm	Choir Room	Choir Practice
		All Day	Church Office Closed for Veterans Day	

New Church Office Hours The Church Office will be open to walk-in traffic and phone calls on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. The staff will be in the office Mondays working but the doors will be closed to the public and phone messages will be answered at 11:30 am and 3:00 pm.

Click on this link for past issues - <http://www.christepiscopallv.org/enotes/lister.php>

Thirty-Ninth Annual Diocesan Convention Highlights

The theme: *I Love to Tell the Story*

By JoAnn Roberts Armstead

Let me be the first to welcome The Rev. Bonnie Polley to Diocesan Council. When the Diocesan Budget proves too difficult to balance in time for the annual convention, Bonnie will be there to remind us that it is "a God thing." Also, congratulations to Bill Leonard who was elected President of Standing Committee. Bill, Bonnie and I ask for your prayers as we go about the business of the Diocese. Diocesan Council has primary oversight of the program and policies adopted by the Diocesan Convention, and the annual budget. The Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical Authority if the Bishop is unable to act as such. The Standing Committee functions with the Bishop in matters required by Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church and Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Nevada.

The Convention was held on October 23-25, 2009 at Harvey's in South Lake Tahoe and hosted by a regional group of volunteers under the leadership of Karen Lantz-Feith from St. Peters, Carson City.

The keynote speaker, The Rev. Terry L. Martin, aka Fr. Jake, is a charismatic story teller who entwined his shocking childhood story into his message on Evangelism, stating that *"Episcopalians have to practice the art of listening."*

During the three days we were touched by several worthy projects, to name a few: The campaign to raise \$30,000 to cover the cost of replacing the dome and cross on the Holy Family Chapel at St. Jude's Ranch for Children. To learn more about the dome and cross atop the bell tower or to donate, visit the St. Jude's website at www.stjudesranch.org. Nothing could be more worthy than donating the convention offering money to "at risk" kids and prisoner re-entry. Linda Edwards and her ad hoc committee had a chance to make new clergy spouses/partners welcome and to show how the Diocese appreciates the work of

clergy spouses; the Diocese sponsored a luncheon with a grab bag gift exchange.

To learn more about the specific topics outlined below, or the Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention in general, talk to your clergy and/or your elected delegates.

Convention Topics of interest: The Annual Budget, the Strategic Plan: Hispanic Ministry, Diocesan Deans: Five Deans were appointed by Bishop Dan Edwards, partnership with community schools; send a kid to Camp Galilee; Companion Diocese; and McAvoy Layne as *"The Ghost of Mark Twain."*

Notes from the Delegates:

"Convention is always a God time for me. I get to see friends that I have not seen in a year. I traveled with Jr. Warden Carole Mittwede. This was her first trip to Galilee and I loved showing her the camp. We also had a booth selling Episcopal "stuff" to raise money to send "at risk" kids to Camp Galilee. I was part of a committee asking that the offering money be given to at risk kids and prisoner re-entry. In 2010, the 40th Annual Diocesan Convention will be held in Las Vegas. St. Luke's and friends are the hosts.

By Deacon Bonnie Polley

Important Meeting

Please join Bishop Dan and several of our deacons at this important community organizing meeting. Faith groups across the Las Vegas Valley are meeting to address the economic crisis and find a way to bring our community together in a new and better way. We need the Episcopal Church at the table. Tuesday, Nov. 17; 7:00 p.m., at University United Methodist Church, 4412 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas.

Sermon Date /Title

Nov 8: "The Gospel Zone"

Nov. 15: "The DNA Of Our Faith"

Nov. 22: "Nov. 22, 1963, A Day In History"

Nov. 29: Bishop Dan Edwards will be with us at Christ Church for his annual visitation. The visit will include the Sacraments of Confirmation and Baptism and Reception into the Episcopal Church from the Roman Catholic Church. Please notify Fr. Vince O'Neill at the office (735-7655) if you are planning any of the above.

God Smiles.

As we begin our Stewardship Drive for 2010, search your heart for the many ways in which God smiles upon us. You will soon receive a letter in the mail. Included in this letter will be a proposed budget that outlines the bare essentials needed to operate Christ Church for the upcoming year. Please take time to read, to pray, and to respond to the request for your pledges of treasure, time and talent.

Calendar of Events for Fall 2009

ADVENT QUIET DAY, November 21, at Grace in the Desert led by the Rev. Mary Bredlau. Contact Rev. Mary at 464-8309 or cell 493-7048 to make your reservation.

The Christ Church Men's Fellowship group has been invited to All Saints' Church to join their men's group "Brotherhood of St. Andrew" for their meeting and breakfast. Contact Ed at 265-6099 to learn the details and to make your reservation.

Wednesday's Bible Study

"The Wednesday Morning Bible Study" lead by Fr. Bob McNaul will be studying the Book of Philippians during the 4 weeks of Advent. All materials will be provided. Wednesday Bible Study is held each Wednesday, 10:00 to 11:30 in room #3.

Fr. Vince's Biblical Limerick Corner

Eucharist

In each celebration of the Eucharist our redemption is renewed, relieved, and recelebrated in our midst. We are not only called to celebrate the Eucharist, but also to become Eucharist symbolized by the four actions of the celebrant – to take, to bless, to break, to share.

At the table as one we are fed,
with Christ's presence in sacred bread.
Our redemption renewed
in God's sacramental food.
To each other in Christ we are wed.

Help Feed the Hungry

OUR FOOD PANTRY IS BEING DEPLETED EVERY DAY AND THIS IS A REMINDER OF SOME LITTLE THING YOU COULD DO TO HELP FEED THE HUNGRY. SET ASIDE TWO CANS OF FOOD FROM YOUR PANTRY AND BRING THEM TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNINGS. YOUR SHELVES WOULD STILL LOOK FULL AND YOU WOULD BE DOING A SERVICE OF LOVE FOR YOUR FELLOW MAN.

"You give but little when you give of your possessions. ...For what are your possessions but things you keep and guard for fear you may need them tomorrow?" "You often say, "I would give, but only to the deserving." The trees in your orchard say not so, nor the flocks in your pasture. They give that they may live, for to withhold is to perish." (THE PROPHET by KAHILIL GIBRAN)

CORN.....BEANS.....TOMATOES.....
CARROTS.....TUNA.....
CORNED BEEF.....BEETS.....NOODLES

Parish Needs List

<u>NEED</u>	<u>COST</u>
Sign for corner of St. Louis and Maryland Parkway	\$ 2,500.00

**The Diocese of Nevada
presents:**

PREACHING 101

**At St. Christopher's Church,
Boulder City
Tuesday – Friday,
November 3-6, 10-13, and 17-20
Evenings 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.**

Preaching 101, however, is open to everyone – it includes classes on Holy Scripture, Biblical interpretation, theology, church history, the Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal, history of preaching and a preaching practicum. Clergy and lay professionals may receive continuing education credits. All classes are from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. The syllabus looks like this:

November 3.....	Old Testament
November 4.....	New Testament
November 5.....	Biblical Interpretation
November 6.....	Christian Theology
November 10....	Church History I (Pentecost – 1517)
November 11.....	Church History II (1517 – Present)
November 12....	Book of Common Prayer & Hymnal
November 13.....	The History of Preaching
November 17.....	Preparation for Preaching
November 18.....	Preaching Practicum
November 19.....	Preaching Practicum
November 20.....	Preaching Practicum

To register, send an e-mail to
frensdorff.school@gmail.com for confirmation

[Share a Ride?](#)

We are looking for parishioners who are available to provide rides to church for people who are not able to drive themselves. Currently we have a need for someone to be picked up in the east Twain area and also in the south Jones area. If you are willing to help please contact Carol Mittwede at Carolmitt@aol.com or by phone at 236-3818. Thanks! Carol

[Christ Church Service Schedule](#)

Saturday	11/7	5:00 pm
Sunday	11/8	8:00 am 10:30 am
Wednesday	11/11	12:05 pm
Saturday	11/14	5:00 pm
Sunday	11/15	8:00 am 10:30 am
Wednesday	11/18	12:05 pm
Saturday	11/21	5:00 pm
Sunday	11/22	8:00 am 10:30 am
Wednesday	11/25	12:05 pm
Saturday	11/28	5:00 pm
Sunday	11/29	8:00 am 10:30 am
Wednesday	12/2	12:05 pm

Stay Tuned!!

Christ Church is getting ORGAN – ized!!!

The day has finally arrived!! Our beautiful new Schantz organ will be delivered this coming Monday, November 9, 2009. There will be two semis arriving from Orrville, Ohio, in the morning and the Schantz crew of eight people will arrive around noon. The pipes, console, structural pieces, blowers, and wood facades of the organ will be unloaded into the nave and narthex.

The crew that is unloading and installing the organ is the same group of technicians who actually built the organ. It has already been assembled, pre-voiced, and disassembled in the factory before being packed up for shipping to its new home at Christ Church.

The various pieces of the organ will take up most of the sanctuary. The pews will be protected with packing blankets to ensure their integrity. The crew will work ten-hour days and will make sure that things are orderly for our Sunday services. The first few weeks, however, there will be some pieces still in the nave so we will need to sit up near the front of the church on Sunday.

The total installation and voicing (tuning) process will take approximately two to three months. The blowers will be installed in the narthex in what used to be a storage room across from the columbarium. The gallery organ, which consists of 51 ranks of pipes (approximately 3,190 pipes) will be installed in the newly expanded choir loft, and the antiphonal division, consisting of four ranks (244 pipes) will be located in the chancel on the epistle side. The antiphonal division will only be used during the hymn singing so we all are singing at the same time, without the delays that have been present for the past 47 years.

We, as members of Christ Church, will be able to come in and watch the process, however, we will need to stay in the front of the church. The crew will be very busy with the installation phase and we must stay out of their way. I invite all of you to come and watch the installation, as this is probably for most of us, a once in a lifetime experience.

Mark your calendars: The dedicatory recital for our new organ will be on Friday night, February 5, 2010. Alice Hohenthauer, our beloved organist of seventeen years, will be the featured organist. Dr. Paul Hesselink, a member of our organ committee and our organ consultant, and Ty Woodward, the west coast Schantz Organ representative, will also play a few selections.

Kathi Colman

Director of Music

Kids Corner

A big "THANK YOU" goes out to Linda Barnes, Debby & David Martin for the wonderful Hallow Day Party they put on for the youth here at Christ Church. There were games, food and a Haunted House. Everyone had a great time.



DAVID MARTIN



DEBBY MARTIN



LINDA BARNES



AMANDA, GRACI, LYNDSEE



PET SPIDER

Our Sunday School would like to welcome back Zandra Richardson. She has agreed to lead one of the classes each Sunday. With the time being changed back to 9:15 to 10:15, she is able to be there. Zandra also sings each Sunday in our choir. Rumor has it she also agreed to help teach the kids some of the old children's church hymns. We recently received a copy of children's hymns from Jim McCue, he had written his old parish in Canada that he attended and asked them to send him a copy. Thank you Zandra & Jim.

Thank You Readers on All Saints Sunday Nov. 1st

The readers were reading as if they were the characters themselves. They were Lyndsee Vargas, as Florence Nightingale, Richard Corson, as Jackson Kemper, Rusty Fortier, as Evelyn Underhill, Peyton Richardson, as Absalom Jones, Charlene McKenzie at 8:00, & Rusty Fortier at 10:30 as Harriet Tubman, and Joey Barnes, as Thomas Gallaudet.

Under the guidance of Fr. Vince O'Neill who was the narrator, everyone fulfilled their part with flying colors.

