

The Church of Our Saviour

Practicing God's Graciousness



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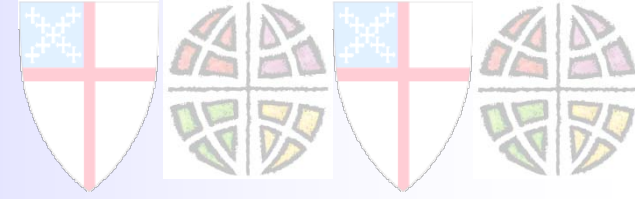


Annual Parish Meeting
January 31, 2010

Opening Prayer

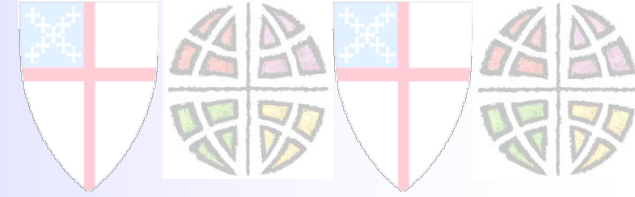
Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(BCP p 818, For a church convention or meeting.)



Agenda

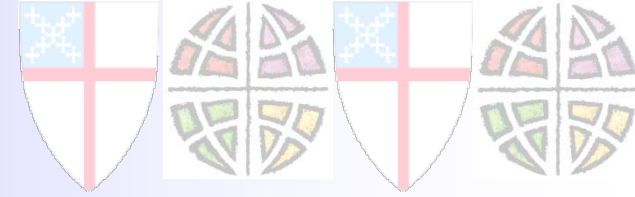
- **Appointment of Meeting Secretary**
- **Elections**
- **Reports and Presentations**
- **Recognition**
- **Election results**
- **Prayer and adjournment**



- **Susan Dufrain is appointed as meeting secretary.**
 - * **Confirmation of a quorum**
- **Voting eligibility**

Just a reminder that only communicants in good standing are eligible to vote at the annual meeting. Pursuant to the Parish by-laws...

“In this parish, a communicant in good standing is a baptized member of the Church of Our Saviour, a giver of record to the ministry of this Parish, who has received Holy Communion at least three times in the past twelve months, ... regardless of the member’s personal denominational identity as Episcopal or Lutheran.”

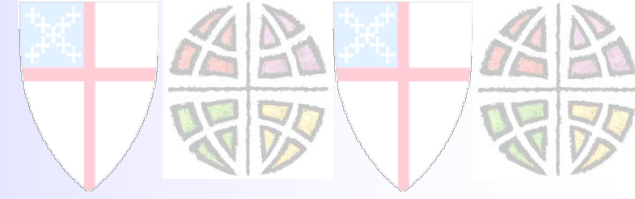


Approval of Minutes from the 2008 Annual Parish Meeting

Elections:

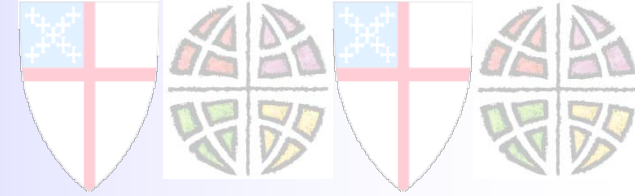
- **Vicki Earle and Jim Fugate are appointed as Tellers**
- **Election procedures**

**Distribution of ballots
Call for nominations from the floor
Collection and counting of ballots**



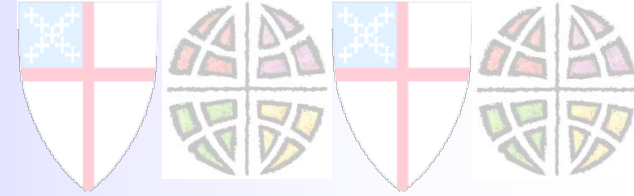
Treasurer's Report

Sharon Dalrymple and Trish Shaffery



2009 Cash Flow (Jan-Dec)

Category	Income
Beginning Balance 1/1/09	\$62,060.96
Additional Interest (2008)	\$22.76
Deposits Made	\$169,310.26
E-Scrip Income	\$256.53
CD & Savings Interest	\$494.54
TOTAL	\$232,145.05
Checks Paid Out	\$175,316.38
Ending Cash Balance 12/31/09	\$56,828.67

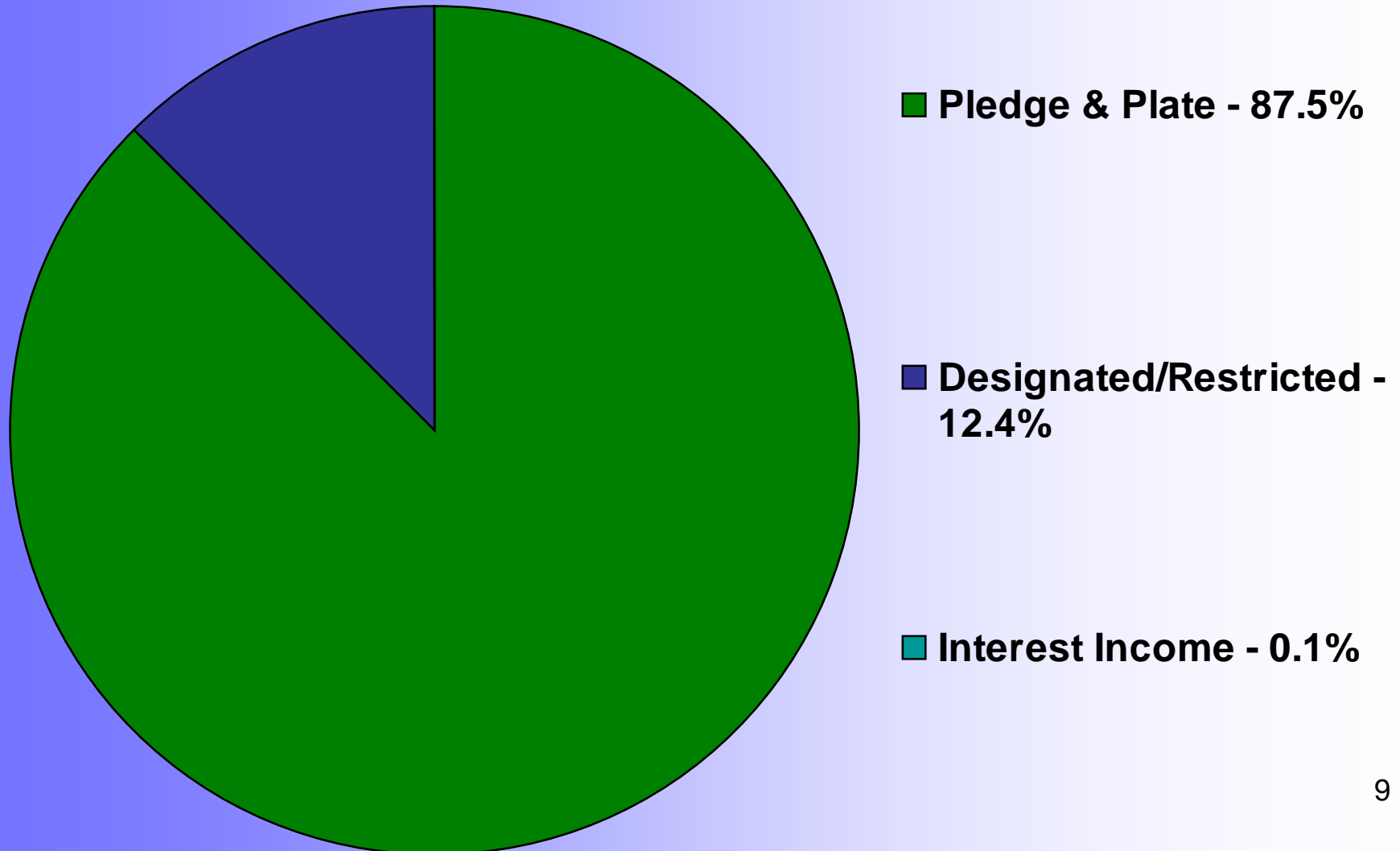


2009 Budget vs. Actual Income & Expenses (Jan-Dec)

Category	Income	Expenses
Operating & Non-Operating		
Budget	\$175,105.00	\$169,357.00
Actual (Funds report)	\$169,300.00	\$159,412.00

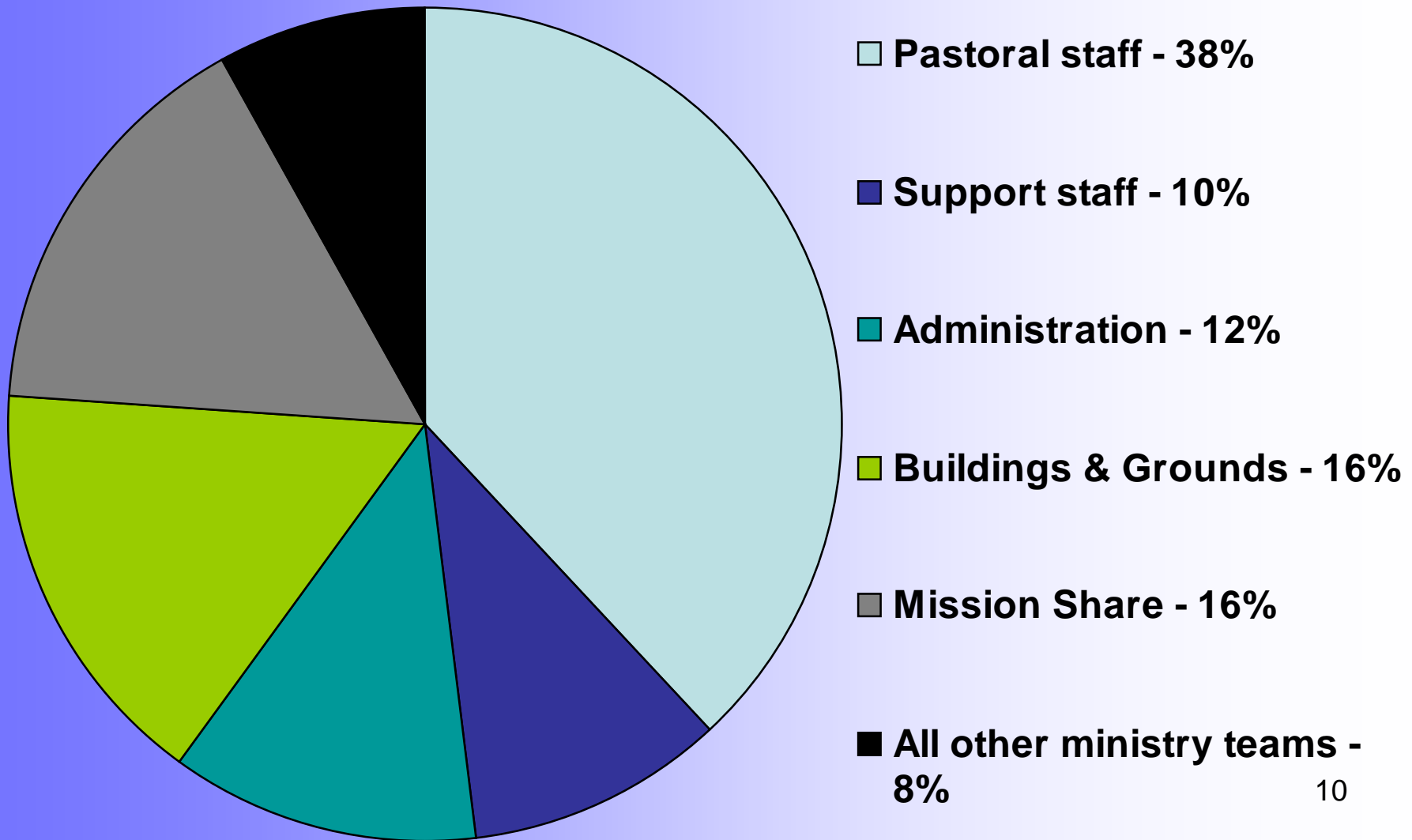
2009 Actual Income Distribution (Jan-Dec)

2009 Total Income: \$156,380



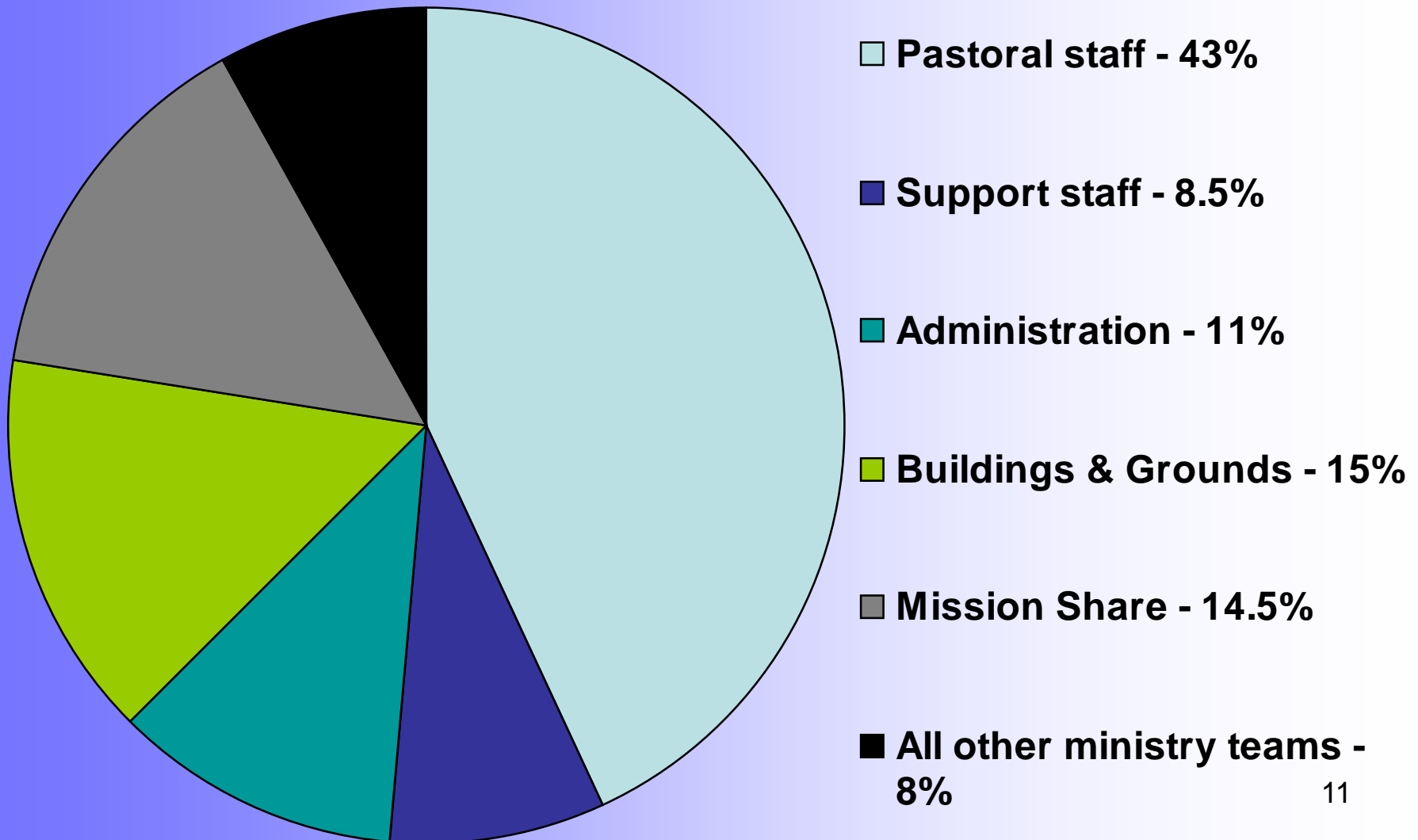
2009 Actual Expenses (Jan-Dec) Designated & Pass through Funded

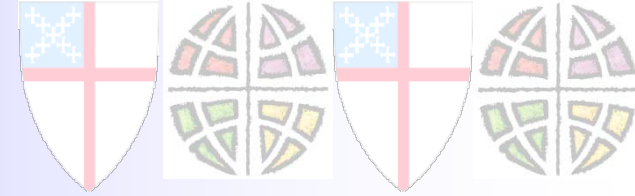
2009 Actual Expenses: \$159,412



2010 Proposed Budget Designated & Pass through Funded

2010 Budget Expenses: \$152,140

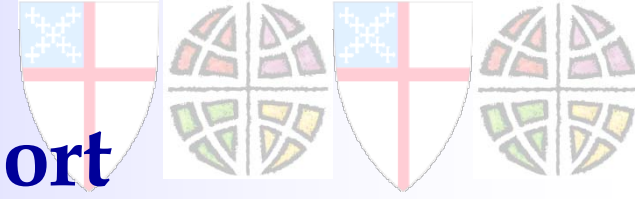




Senior Warden's Report

Jerry Howell

- 1. Moving forward.**
- 2. Growing membership; attendance; participation; budget.**
- 3. Administrative controls – systems.**
- 4. Recognition of the need to prepare for the future.**
- 5. Discovery and utilization of our strengths, individually and congregation wise.**
- 6. Sharing the joy of our church family.**



Junior Warden's Report

Cliff Spencer

Safety Improvements

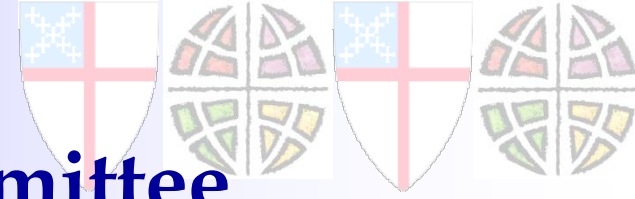
- **Installed exit signs in Sanctuary and Polycarp**
- **Mounted fire extinguishers throughout complex**
- **Eliminated wasp nests in buildings and sheds**
- **New roof over one half of Polycarp**
- **Parking lot expansion/new culverts**

Energy Saving Improvements

- **Installed programmable thermostat in Polycarp**
- **Acquisition of low flow toilets for restrooms**

Other Accomplishments

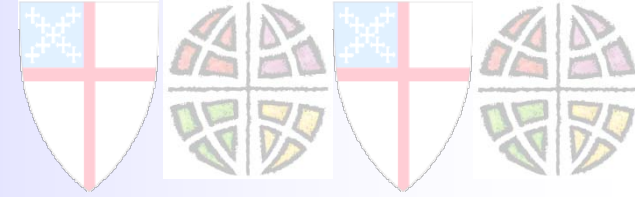
- **Clean up day July 11**



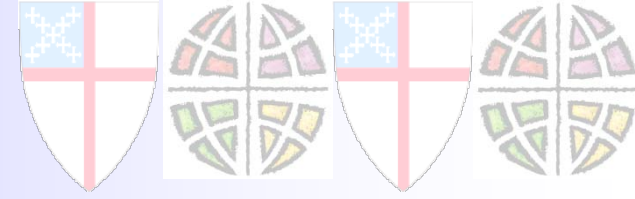
Columbarium Committee

Nikki Nansen

- **In 2009 5 niches were sold, making a total of 50 niches sold since 1987.**
- **There are 14 niches currently available for sale at \$400 each.**
- **We will be adding more niches as they are needed.**
- **This year there were 2 inurnments: Charlene Frey; and Wally Buelow.**
- **We received a memorial gift from Deborah Velasquez in memory of her mother Charlene Frey. Thank you Deborah!**

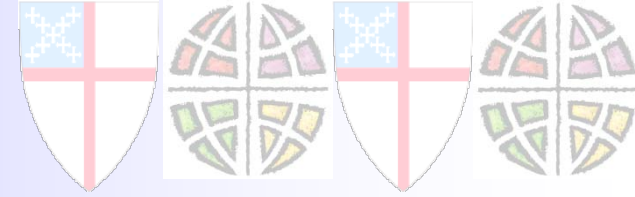


- **The Columbarium accounts totaled \$5,503 at the end of 2009.**
- **We thank Nikki Nansen for her service as she rotates off the Columbarium Board of Trustees and welcome our new Board members.**



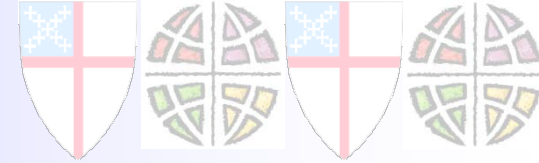
The Horizon Commission

Peter Bish



2009 Accomplishments

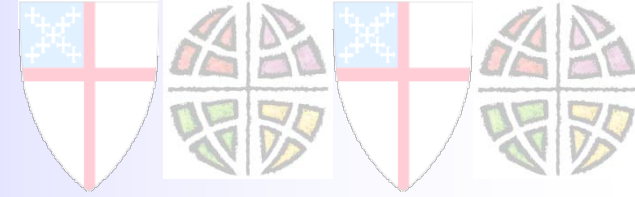
- **A huge “Thank You” to all who have served on this commission and the new committee.**
- **Several months were spent on developing concepts for the layout of an expanded campus to satisfy potential future needs in membership growth and current needs for meeting rooms.**
- **Three multi-phase concepts were discussed.**
- **It became clear that much needed to be done before any building project was proposed.**
- **In order to accomplish this work a strategic planning committee was established.**



Strategic Planning Committee

The Mission Statement is:

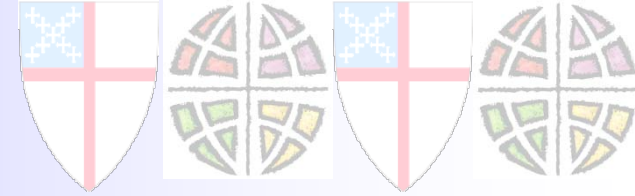
“Working together as a Parish to grow according to God’s will and the needs of the Church of Our Saviour and the broader Community, as good stewards of all our resources (including people, money and the environment)”



Strategic Planning Committee

Three Goals have been established:

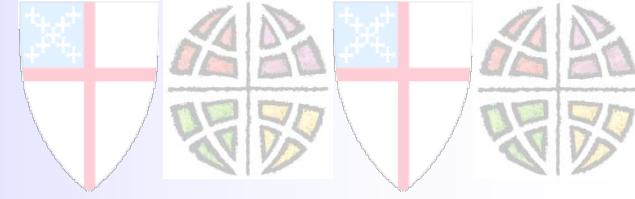
- 1. Discerning the physical needs of the Parish and the needs of the broader community;**
- 2. Establishing a design to meet these needs; and**
- 3. Establishing a marketing plan to fund the design.**



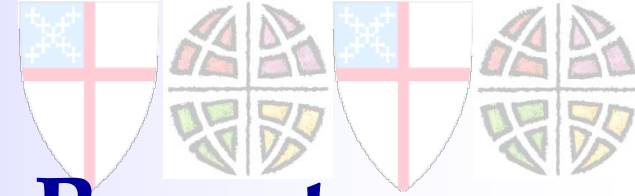
Where are we now?

- Demographic information has been updated.
- Data indicate a slowing in the projected growth rate for the area to about 2.5%.
- Initial action for 2010 is to identify the parish needs as well as possible needs for the community at large.
- In the meantime it is not too early to support the Capital Development Fund. Here's how:

Consider additional periodic contributions, additional pledging, make the Church a beneficiary under your will and/or trust, create an endowment, give gifts of property or stock, etc.

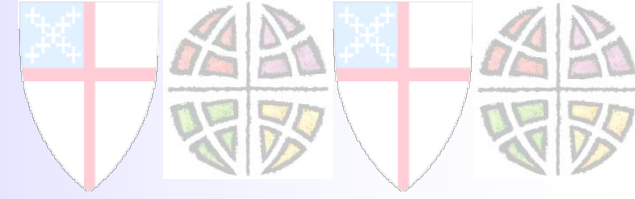


Ministry Team Reports

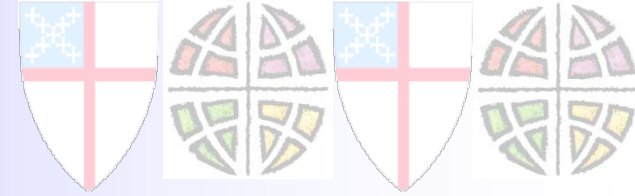


Administration Team Report

- Thanks to Mary Rose Paterson, Lisa Jayne, and Susan Dufrain for their services to the parish.
- Thanks to all our volunteers – we cannot do it without you!
- 2009 saw the completion and updates of member information into Power Church.
- A picture parish directory is also now available.
- We continue to work on updates for the birthday and anniversary database.
- Webmaster Joe Stone is doing a great job – check out our website at www.TheChurchOfOurSaviour.org

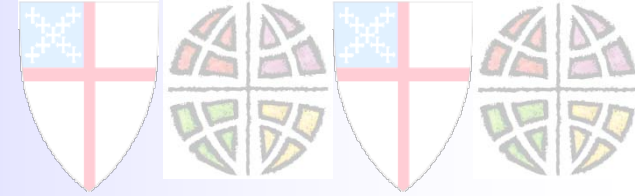


- **Ron and Marty LaMar do an excellent job compiling our monthly newsletter, Our Saviour's voice. If you are not on the mailing list, please let the office know.**
- **Parish historian, Jean Zagar, has compiled pictures and a parish history narrative - available in the library.**
- **In order to continue as good stewards of our resources, we have:**
 - * **reduced administrative assistant hours to 15 hrs/wk;**
 - * **established a purchase order system & inventory control to better manage expenses & cash flow**



2010 Goals

- Update and make available the 2010 parish directory.
- With your help, continue to keep member information as up-to-date as possible.
- Continue to update our birthday and anniversary database so that pastoral care cards can be sent to all members.
- Transition the website to a Diocesan supported platform.
- Develop a website committee – with training and sharing of website responsibilities.
- Improve advertising and communications.
- Continue to explore ways to reduce expenses.
- Increase the number of regular and alternate office volunteers.



Altar Guild Report

Lauren Novy

- **Many hands on a team of devotion and love**
- **Deepest thanks to our very generous donors, who have enabled us to purchase:**
 - * **New Resurrection linens**
 - * **A new Fair Linen with the interlaced cross**
 - * **New white (hangings) for the altar area, pulpit and lectern**
 - * **Flowers every week (except Lent)**
 - * **A Paschal Candle coming for 2010**
 - * **A baptismal table for 2010**

2010 Goals

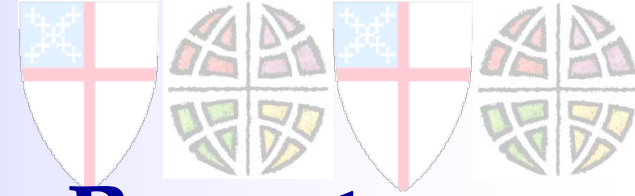
- **Refinish chalices that need work we cannot do here**
- **Add and train at least two more year round members, as well as welcome any volunteers (part year or full year).**



Service Coordinator for Worship Team

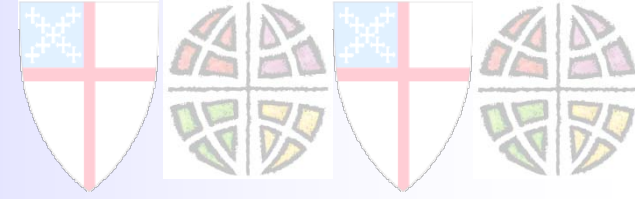
Lynda Klingler

- **The Worship team is responsible for training and assisting with the scheduling of our worship leaders, including chalice bearers, acolytes, lay readers, ushers & oblationers.**
- **At the July ministry fair the Worship team presented information highlighting the specific ministries of its members.**
- **The parish secretary prepares the weekly worship leader schedule one month in advance and it is included with the newsletter mailing.**
- **We are very grateful for all who are willing to serve in any of these ministries.**
- **New volunteers are always welcome and training will be given.**
- **A training was held in November and our 4 new volunteers have begun to serve.**



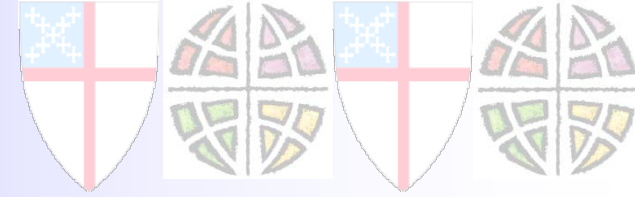
Christian Formation Team Report

- **Adult Christian formation continues with Bible and book studies facilitated by Chuck Hannan, Lynda Klingler, Jerry Howell, Steve Wilmot, and Susan⁺.**
- **Susan⁺ led the Lenten Bible study on the Book of Hosea and the Advent study expanding on our worship traditions.**
- **Children's and Youth Christian formation is available every week.**
 - > **Thanks to Jerry & Nikki Nansen for their service.**
 - > **Thanks to Shelley Watanabe for stepping up.**
- **Currently 2 of our youth are attending confirmation classes regularly, and are always welcome to bring friends.**
- **We have celebrated two baptisms this year.**
- **Vacation Bible School was tremendously successful with over 30 children attending during the week.**



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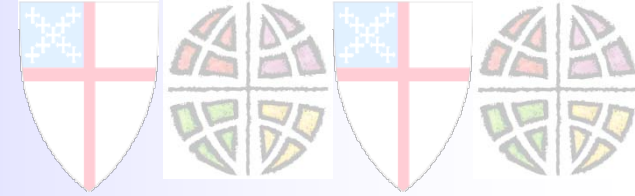
- **Attract new members including children and youth.**
- **Develop and implement a plan to form a youth group.**
- **Continue to offer nursery care during the 10am service.**
- **Reach out into the broader community by offering
Vacation Bible School again. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!**
- **We will continue to support Adult Christian formation offerings
on Sundays and through Advent and Lenten programs.**
- **We will offer a special mid-week Lenten soup/supper and
presentation of *Christianity: The First Thousand Years*.**
- **Baptismal and confirmation classes are offered on an on-going basis.
Reception and reaffirmation of vows class will also be offered.**
- **Our aim is to encourage all to grow in Christ, through our Christian
Formation offerings.**



Library

Joey Nelson

- **We have added many excellent books, which has resulted in increased use of the library.**
- **We now have over 800 books and videos.**
- **Thanks to Judy Ginn for the many hours she has spent working on the computer.**
- **Thanks to Carol Justice for covering many books plus filing the many cards in the card catalog.**
- **A big thank you to the members of the congregation for their support of the library.**



2010 Goals

NEW TECHNOLOGY

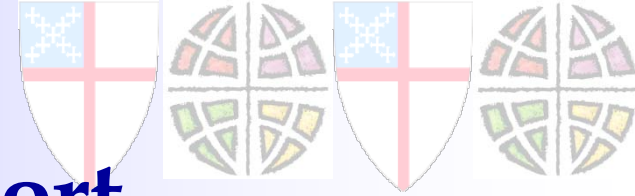
- > Having an inter-library loan available to other churches in the area and maybe the college.**

NEW TRENDS

- > More film and DVD's available in the library.**

NEW WAYS

- > More publicity for the church library.**

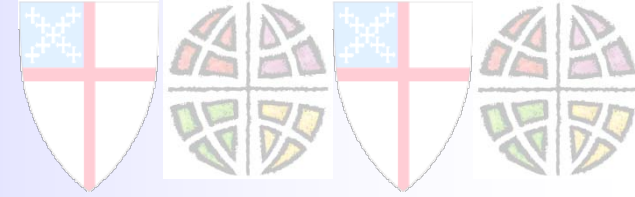


Outreach Team Report

- Our parish is committed to outreach ministries including support of:
 - > the Love Kitchen, Bread of Life Mission, Support our Troops, Hope House, Safe House, Journey of Hope, St. Andrew's Clinic, Angel Tree, ELCA World Hunger, Episcopal Relief and Development, the United Thank Offering, Shepherd's Kitchen , FaithWorks (our new ministry partner), friends of WEH, etc.
- We reach out to the community and offer our facilities to:
 - > Alcoholics Anonymous, the White Mountain Belles, and the White Mountain Women's Group.
- The Outreach Team spent several months discerning God's vision for outreach ministries at COS, and our core values.



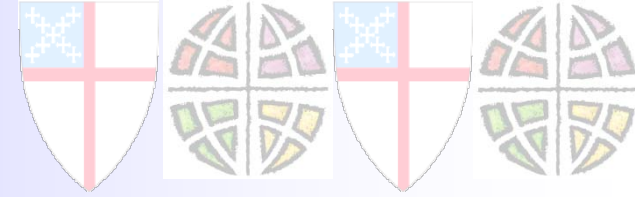
- Under the outstanding leadership of Gretchen Gottschalk and a fabulous team of volunteers, the 2009 annual rummage sale raised \$4,524 for outreach ministries.
- Including the funds raised from the November 2008 Gift Fair and the spring Food Around the World luncheon, the total outreach funds disbursed by application only was \$5,264.
- The 2009 recipients of our outreach funds are:
 - The Love Kitchen (\$1000); FaithWorks (\$1000);
 - St. Andrew's Clinic (\$1000); Shepherd's Kitchen (\$700)
 - Bread of Life Mission (\$700); WM Meals on Wheels (\$700)
- Completed our first mission trip to Leupp with FaithWorks.
- Introduced a new form of community outreach – parades!
- Christian Community Outreach – a new non-profit organization.
- Successfully applied for a Diocesan matching grant in the amount of \$1,000 for a joint outreach project in Manyara, Tanzania.



2010 Goals

Outreach is a ministry of every Christian following Christ's example of sacrificial self-giving in love and service to God and our neighbors.

- **As members of the Body of Christ to continue Christ's ministry:**
 - > **to pray for the end of hunger, disease, poverty and injustice;**
 - > **to be an advocate for justice and equality in this community, this country, and the world;**
 - > **to do the work Christ has called us to do by loving and serving our neighbors as ourselves.**
- **To continue to collect and distribute food and clothing for our ministry partners The Love Kitchen and Bread of Life Mission.**
- **To join with our ministry partner FaithWorks on a variety of missions including the Navajo mission trip to Leupp on December 5, 2009.**
- **To remember God's work has no earthly boundaries!**

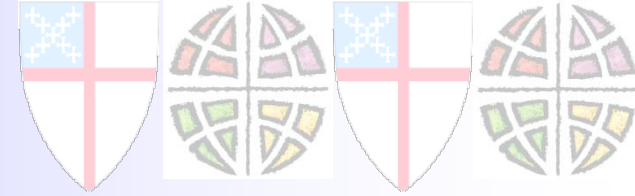


Angel Tree 2009

- **Provided gifts and food boxes for 24 children from 12 families.**
- **Funds were raised from the sale of Advent Wreaths and supplemented by an anonymous donation, and generous gifts from our parish and broader community.**

2010 Goals

- **Make follow-up calls or write to families.**
- **Extend invitations to attend Sunday school and VBS.**
- **Send birthday cards to the children.**



Pastoral Care Team Report

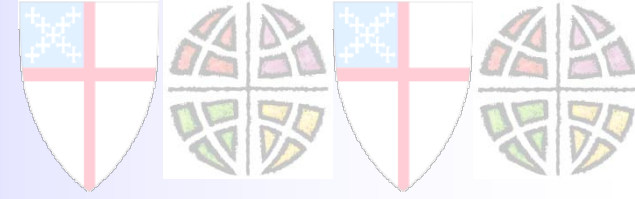
Carol Anton (for Ron & Marty LaMar)

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team includes:

Our Lay Eucharistic Visitors: Carol Anton, Chuck Hannan, Ron & Marty LaMar, and Steve Wilmot;

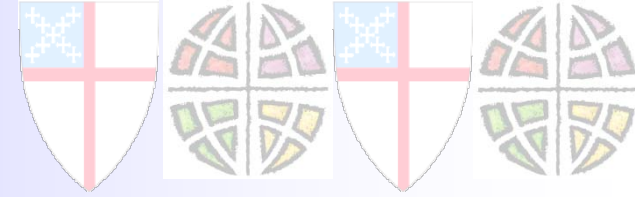
Our Parish Nursing team: Carol Anton, Katie Cassidy, and Barbara Stone; and

Our Card Ministry: Deborah Velasquez



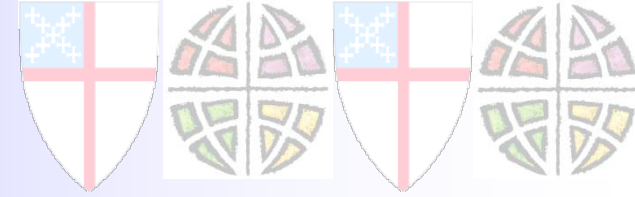
Lay Eucharistic Visitors

- We welcome the leadership of Ron and Marty LaMar and their loving service of pastoral care to all members of this parish.
- All team members have been active in taking Holy Communion to those currently on our list of people receiving regular visits.
- Pastor Susan⁺ holds a training session for all the LEVs to ensure that there is consistency in the Communion service used on home visits.
- If you are interested in joining this ministry please speak with Ron and Marty.



Our LEV Vision for 2010-2011

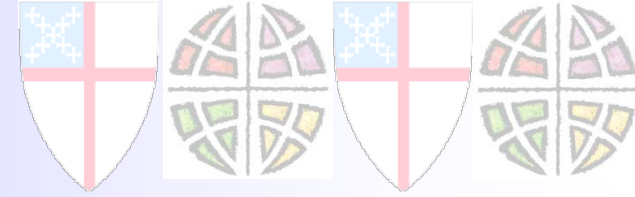
- **The team will make brief announcements from time to time, and will insert periodic reminders in the service bulletin for members and visitors to let Pastor Susan⁺ know of people who have difficulty coming to church, and who would enjoy having a Eucharistic Visitor stop by and bring Holy Communion.**
- **Pastor Susan⁺ will train two additional Lay Eucharistic Visitors.**



Parish Nursing

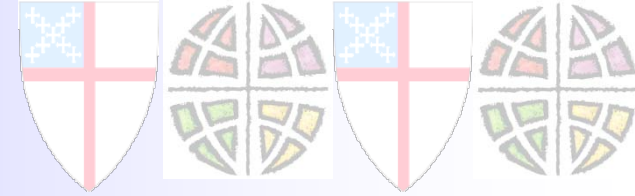
The Parish Nursing ministry is growing and expanding its services to our congregation.

- Blood pressure checks are being offered monthly after the 10 am service.
- Workshops on CPR, *Hear and Mind*, and *Depression Management* have been held.
- A blood drive has been held.
- Articles of interest have been placed in the church newsletter.



Our Parish Nursing Vision for 2010-2011

- **Hold classes in CPR and First Aid**
- **Conduct another blood drive**
- **Hold workshops on *Getting the Most out of Medical Appointments and Aging Gracefully***
- **Consider providing wellness displays/activities**
- **Find and use privacy screens for patient privacy.**



Card Ministry

- Deborah Velasquez has been very active in preparing our get well, sympathy, birthday, and wedding anniversary cards.
- These cards have been made available after the Sunday services for members of the congregation to sign. This has been a real gift and blessing to all who receive cards from the entire church family.

Thanks for taking time to sign the cards.



Welcoming Team Report

Heather Steiner

- **Sunday Hospitality (Electra Brooks [chair])**
- **Church Welcome Packets for Newcomers in addition to a Welcome Pamphlet in the pews for newcomers to complete and submit.**
- **Quarterly Newcomer Events (Sherry Herring [chair])**
- **Fellowship Dinners**
- **Memorial Service Receptions**
- **Journey of Hope Dinner (the Lee's and Nansen's)**
- **"Best Church Cookbook Ever" (Sandra Rasmussen [chair], Vicki Howell, Mary Rose Paterson, and typists Beth Spencer and Betty Dohrman)**
- **Annual Meeting Spaghetti Dinner**
- **Welcome Back Picnic**
- **Semiannual Meeting Potluck**
- **Thomas Bray End of Summer Picnic**
- **All Saint's Potluck luncheon (Sherry Herring)**



2010 Goals

The Sunday Hospitality Hour costs our church about \$500 annually.

- > Instead, would it not be grand to donate these funds to a worthy outreach program?**
- > If each of us provided homemade or fresh store brought treats once or twice a year consider the bonus to all!**
- > There is a sign-up sheet on the Parish Hall bulletin board with the hope we can fill it up quickly and begin the New Year right!**

Have all cookbooks sold by May 1, 2010. There are only about 60 left and time is running out for purchasing opportunities! Buy now! The money collected goes to outreach!

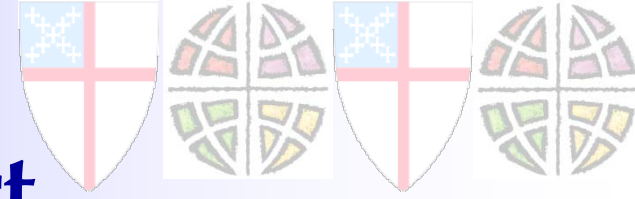
In lieu of the end of summer picnic there will be a picnic combined with the semi-annual meeting in August.



Rather than having a special quarterly event for Newcomers, new attendees and newcomers will continue to be welcomed by all members of the COS at the various existing welcoming and spiritual events.

- > In addition Pastor Susan⁺ welcomes and provides special follow-up for new attendees and newcomers.**

To be creative and proactive in welcoming all to the COS and Practicing God's Graciousness!



Rector's Report

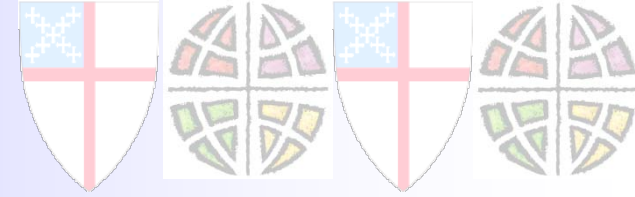
Recognition:

**Stephen Irwin, Chuck Hannan, John Nelson,
Lynda Klingler, Howard Waltz, Jean Zagar, Vicki Earle
(Vestrypersons)**

Vicki Howell (Clerk of the Vestry)

Jerry Howell (Senior Warden)

Nikki Nansen (President, Columbarium Board of Trustees)



Senior Warden for 2010: Sharon Dalrymple

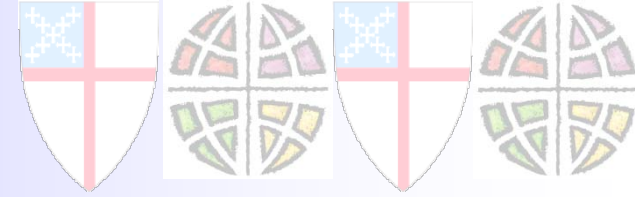
Election results:

New Vestrypersons to serve 2 year terms

Columbarium Board of Trustees

Junior Warden

Delegates to convention October 15 and 16, 2010, Phoenix

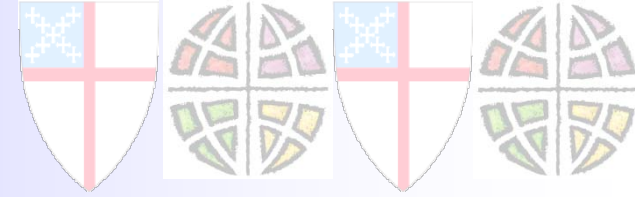


Practicing God's Graciousness

Our faith in action: Love as a fruit of the Spirit

**Exercising our Spiritual gifts
in the context of God's love**

**Discerning where we are,
where God is calling us,
and the steps that will make it real.**

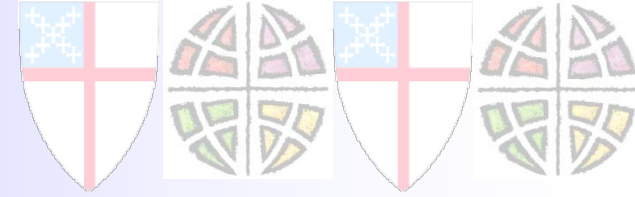


Practicing God's Graciousness

Our faith in action: Love as a fruit of the Spirit

"We love because he first loved us." (1 John 4:19)

- † Sharing your gifts and resources
- † Sharing your love with others both near and far

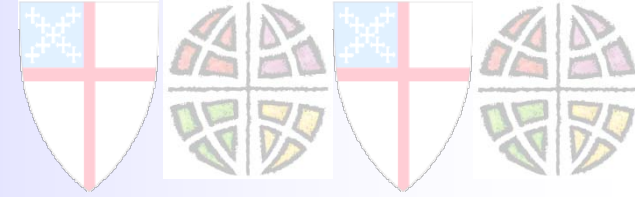


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Exercising our Spiritual gifts in the context of God's love

“The gifts he gave were... to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,” (Ephesians 4:11-12)

- † **Team work!**
- † **Building up the Body of Christ**
- † **Servant leadership**



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Discerning where we are, where God is calling us,
and the steps that will make it real.

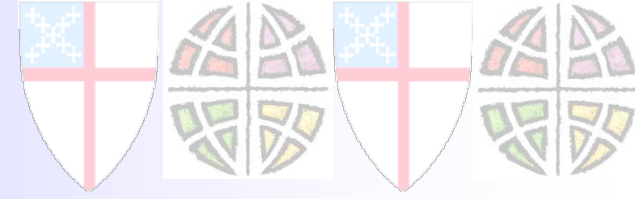
*“Do not be conformed to this world,
but be transformed by the renewing of your minds,
so that you may discern what is the will of God” (Romans 12:2)*

- † Spiritual growth as a foundation
- † The servant leaders of your Vestry
- † The ministry of the Horizon Committee
- † We are all called to ministry!

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Blessing and Adjournalment

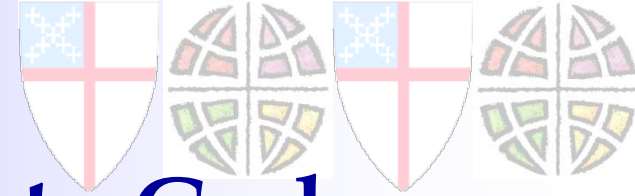
May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them, and turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done!

Amen.



**With grateful thanks to God
for who you are
and all you do.**

**Please join us now in Polycarp Hall
for the annual spaghetti luncheon!**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Spirituality

- Outreach must meet needs, including spiritual, emotional & physical.
- God's Will > beyond self & COS.
- God's Work > community participation.
- Showing God's love & the face of Christ – amazing grace – that leads to health.
- Love in action: movement, response and growth.
- Evangelism.
- Celebrates community gifts.
- Listening & discerning.

Resources

- Funds raised are funds shared.
- Practice God's graciousness & good stewardship

Geographic

- Ministries both near and far.
- Ministries within and without the COS community.

Community

- Necessary to do outreach both personally and corporately.
- Hospitality – invites others in and is non-judgmental.
- Diversity.
- Builds community through broad support and participation.
- Evangelism.
- Visibility – including the face of Christ to others.
- Actively doing God's work, many involved & working together.
- Building the Body of Christ: relationships and companionships.

