

# *The MONARCH*

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## JUNE/JULY 2018



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### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CLERGY AND VESTRY MEMBERS**

Fr. Russell Martin Fr. Larry Eddingfield  
Deacon Steve Elder Fr. John King Deacon Jason Waller

#### **VESTRY MEMBERS**

Mary Carol Johnson (Rector's Warden)  
John D. King (Poway People's Warden) Wesley Jenkins (Ramona People's Warden)  
Helen Cox Jim Heaton Pete McCoy

# JUNE/JULY 2018 CALENDAR

## REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS - CHECK WITH YOUR COORDINATOR FOR ANY CHANGES:

Monday mornings - Prayers & Squares in Ramona, 10am, Judy Hardison

Tuesday evenings - Youth Group in Ramona at 6:30pm, Wesley Jenkins

Wednesday afternoons - Discipleship Class at Mimi's in Mira Mesa, 1:30-3pm, Dcn Steve

Thursday evenings - Ramona Ministry on Main, 6pm  
Ramona Bible Study/DTC, 7-8:30pm, Fr. John

\*SUNDAYS - WORSHIP SERVICES AT 10AM IN POWAY (RCC) AND RAMONA (RTH)

## OTHER EVENTS/DATES TO REMEMBER

6/2 NEXT STEPS CONFERENCE, 9AM-5PM, ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL IN LONG BEACH

6/7 SD DEANERY MEETING, 9:30-12:30, LOCATION TBD

6/9 MINI ENGAGE TRAINING IN RAMONA, 1-5PM, AT FR. JOHN & MARJI'S HOME

6/12 VESTRY MEETING, 6:30PM, RCC

6/14 FLAG DAY

6/17 FATHERS' DAY

6/30 MILITARY/FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION BBQ, COLLIER PARK IN RAMONA

7/4 HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!

7/10 VESTRY MEETING, 6:30PM, RCC

7/12-15 MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

7/19-22 WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

7/23-27 RAMONA VBS, RTH

\*7/29 5TH SUNDAY!! ALL CTK WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP, 10AM, LOCATION TBD

FR. RUSSELL WILL BE GONE TO GAFCON AND THEN FAMILY VACATION JUNE 12-JULY 5

CINDY WILL BE GONE JUNE 20-27 AND JULY 13-22

## **BIRTHDAYS**

6/1 John D. King 7/10 Kirstie Wilkinson

6/6 Marji King 7/16 Ed Kemp

6/9 Cindy Daly 7/20 Leah Cullen

6/14 Maureen Cohen 7/27 Angus MacDonald

6/17 Sheri Jeffries 7/29 Mariana Barnard

6/29 Alice Oslund

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

6/6 C.W. & Gina Rogers

6/21 Kim & Jeremy Desmarais

6/26 Glen & Cindy Kaemmerer

7/12 Rick & Deb Kremer

These dates are taken from the official membership paperwork on file. Please let me know if there are additions or corrections to this list. ~ Cindy

## **THIS MONTH PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Fr. Russell for continued recovery from surgeries

Bill for healing and strength and peace

Mac for healing and peace

Molly for successful new chemo treatments

Shirley King continued strengthening and healing

Doris and Chuck Trout for continued strength and healing

Trey for successful physical therapy results

Scott for continued healing from transplant

**LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY OR THANKSGIVINGS TO SHARE!**

# WORSHIP MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

## CTK @ POWAY (RCC)- SERVICES AT 10AM

	JUNE 3	JUNE 10	JUNE 17	JUNE 24	JULY 1	JULY 8	JULY 15	JULY 22
<b>ALTAR</b>	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>GREETER</b>	HELEN	BARBARA	GINA	LINDA H	HELEN	SUE	GINA	BARBARA
<b>USHER</b>	LARRY	TREY	TREY	LARRY	TREY	LARRY	TREY	LARRY
<b>1ST READ</b>	JOHN L	TOM	MAC	JOANIE	JOHN L	TOM	BRIAN	JOHN L
<b>PSALM</b>	ELAINE	BARBARA	GINA	TOM	JOHN L	TOM	JOANIE	JOHN L
<b>2ND READ</b>	BRIAN	BARBARA	GINA	TOM	BARBARA	ELAINE	MAC	GINA
<b>PRAYERS</b>	SUE	JOANIE	CINDY	MARY J	JOANIE	CINDY	ELAINE	MARY J
<b>CHALICE</b>	BARBARA	GAIL	MARY J	SUE	GAIL	MARY J	BARBARA	SUE
<b>HEALING</b>	MAC SUE	TOM CINDY	ELAINE MAC	SUE TOM	CINDY GAIL	CINDY	ELAINE MAC	SUE MAC
<b>PREACH CELEBRATE SERVE</b>	DN JASON FR LARRY FR JOHN	FR. BART FR RUSSELL FR LARRY DN STEVE	FR. JOHN FR. JOHN	FR LARRY FR LARRY DN STEVE	DN STEVE FR LARRY	FR JOHN FR RUSSELL DN JASON	FR. LARRY FR. LARRY	DN STEVE FR LARRY

## CTK @ RAMONA (RTH) - SERVICES AT 10AM

	JUNE 3	JUNE 10	JUNE 17	JUNE 24	JULY 1	JULY 8	JULY 15	JULY 22
<b>ALTAR</b>	DEB	OPEN	DEB	DEB				
<b>GREETER</b>	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
<b>USHER</b>	JIM H	WES	RICK	JIM H	JIM H	WES	JIM H	RICK
<b>1ST READ</b>	LEAH	BOB	PETER	WALLY	LENA	BOB	WES	LEAH
<b>PSALM</b>	BECKY	NANCY	LENA	LEAH	PETER	NANCY	LEAH	WALLY
<b>2ND READ</b>	NANCY	BECKY	LEAH	ROBERT	LEAH	LENA	BECKY	BOB
<b>PRAYERS</b>	WES	WES	JIM H	BOB	WES	ROBERT	WALLY	JIM H
<b>CHALICE</b>	WES	WALLY	JIM T	NANCY	NANCY	WALLY	JIM T	JIM H
<b>HEALING</b>	LEAH BECKY	BECKY WES	JAN LEAH	JAN MARJI	JAN BEKCY	JAN LEAH	BEKCY WES	LEAH MARJI
<b>PREACH CELEBRATE SERVE</b>	FR RUSSELL FR RUSSELL STEVE	DN JASON FR JOHN	DN STEVE FR LARRY	FR. JOHN FR. JOHN	DN JASON FR. JOHN	FR LARRY FR LARRY DN STEVE	DN JASON	FR. JOHN FR RUSSELL DN JASON

**THE WORSHIP MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR JULY 29 (ALL CTK SUNDAY) WILL BE POSTED SEPARATELY ONCE ALL THE SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE!**

## SUNDAY READINGS

LECTIONARY READINGS ARE TAKEN FROM THE ACNA LECTIONARY FOUND UNDER RESOURCES ON THE ACNA WEBSITE (anglicanchurch.net) WE ARE CURRENTLY IN YEAR B.

THE BIBLE VERSION USED AT CTK IS THE ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION (ESV).

	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL
JUNE 3 - PENT 3	DEUT 5:6-21	81:1-11	2 COR 4:1-12	MK 2:23-28
JUNE 10 - PENT 4	GEN 3:1-21	130	2 COR 4:13-18	MK 3:20-35
JUNE 17 - PENT 5	EZEK 31:1-6,10-14	92	2 COR 5:1-10	MK 4:46-34
JUNE 24 - PENT 6	JOB 38:1-11,16-18	107:1-3,23-32	2 COR 5:14-21	MK 4:35-41
JULY 1 - PENT 7	DEUT 15:7-11	112	2 COR 8:1-15	MK 5:22-24,35-43
JULY 8 - PENT 8	EZEK 2:1-7	123	2 COR 12:2-10	MK 6:1-6
JULY 15 - PENT 9	AMOS 7:7-15	85	EPH 1:1-14	MK 6:7-13
JULY 22 - PENT 10	ISA 57:14-21	22:22-32	EPH 2:11-22	MK 6:30-44
JULY 29 - PENT 11	2 KINGS 2:1-15	114	EPH 4:1-16	MK 6:45-52

# Rector's Ruminations

Dear Beloved in the Lord Jesus!

Memorial Day has just past, and the first vestiges of Summer have begun to reveal themselves. I, like many of you, have a variety of plans for the Summer but as I stopped and considered my plans, I asked myself, "What would the Lord do with my Summer, my plans, and me if I were to be open to His leading rather than just my own? This led me to think about the vision I have for CTK to be "A Community that Loves the Community Around Us!" So then how are we to love our community?" In order to answer that I would draw our attention back to the words of St. John who wrote:

*"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another....[a bit further John writes,] We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother." (1 John 4:7-11 & 19-21 ESV)*

We can clearly see that "LOVE" has its genesis in God and that God loved us first. Furthermore, we can have assurance that we know God, because we have experienced His love, and that we are expected to mirror God's love of to the world around us. St. John notes two significant reasons for this. First, that love was the Father's motive for sending Jesus into the world to redeem us from the bonds of sin and death. Second, we recognize that we cannot truly love God unless we love both God and those that He loves, who are made in His image! One could rightly argue, that apart from God humanity would neither know (experience) love nor be able to share it with others. We are only able to love because we have first been the object and recipient of God's own love for the world and because God has modeled for us what true love is. Without God's intervention and revelation we would literally live "loveless" lives.

As God has loved us and Jesus has called us to love not just one another, but also those who are presently outside of the Kingdom of God. This returns us to our mission as the Church, which is to fulfill both the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) and the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:35-40). As the body of Christ we can fulfill both by adopting an attitude and lifestyle which embraces and embodies the vision I began with "CtK is a Community that loves Community Around us"! I believe that the Lord is challenging each one of us to make this Summer a "Summer of Love"! We have been given the opportunity tangibly love those around us not just with our own human affection, which is honestly somewhat fickle at the best of times, but by the grace of God and through the power of the Holy Spirit to love others with Divine Love, the love of Jesus!

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You may ask yourself, "How can I do this?" or "What might this look like?". In closing, I will share three easy steps that will allow us to become a Community that loves the Community Around Us"!.

1. Step One: Listen! Become a person who is intentional about listening!
  - a. First listen to the prompting of the Holy Spirit, as He leads you to the people, places and things, He would have you meet, be and do.
  - b. Second, listen and I mean really listen to the community and individuals around you. What are their concerns, hopes, dreams and needs? If we take the time to real listen we will be able to discern with the help of the Holy Spirit, the opportunities that exist to make a difference in someone else's life.
  
2. Step Two: Let your Love shine!
  - a. Let your love of and devotion to God be evident. Remember, we are responding to His love for us by sharing it with others
  - b. Look at and love people with both the eyes and heart of Christ!
  - c. Remember that love is synonymous with graciousness and caring.
  - d. Be genuine!
  
3. Step Three: Let your love be tangible!
  - a. One way to love people is to meet them where they are at and love them in spite of their circumstances and often in spite of themselves.
  - b. Helping someone meet a concrete or felt need is a way to demonstrate your care and love for them.
  - c. Be generous with your time and willing to help make others feel valued by you even as they are valued and appreciated by God.

I am encouraging you to pray and ask the Lord who are three to five people each of us can focus on over the Summer and make a tangible effort and difference in their lives. This will take commitment even as it requires practice. The problem comes if we do not actually follow through with this commitment to demonstrate our love and care for others. Furthermore, our commitment goes beyond our own individual efforts and must be a conscious effort of our Church family as we seek to build God's Kingdom in Poway and Ramona. The world needs to know and experience the LOVE of Christ, and we, as Christians, are committed to doing just that. I look forward to hearing you give testimonies to all that the Lord has accomplished through you.

Now GO an LOVE YOUR NEIGHBORS EVEN AS YOU LOVE YOURSELVES!

In Christ,

Fr. Russell

# Vestry Report

*The Vestry met on May 8 and what follows are the highlights of the unapproved Minutes from that meeting.*

Meeting was opened in prayer and a discussion of Week 3 in 'Deeply Rooted' was led by Fr. John. The April Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made and seconded to accept the Minutes. The motion was passed.

Jim Heaton reviewed the April financials and a motion was made to accept the reports. The motion was seconded and passed. Pledges and Open Plate are tracking as expected, as are expenses. Donations have been and are being collected for Pastor Freddy Dennis' mission trip to Uganda later this year.

Fr. Russell will not be starting back at RJ Donovan until after his GAFCON/vacation trip in June/July but is able to be with us for services/meetings, etc., and has been since April 15. All his doctors are pleased with his progress and expect continued relief and recovery.

Gail Duffey has completed her time with her Parish Discernment Committee and they have issued a letter of acceptance and support for her to become an Aspirant for Holy Orders. Fr. Russell read the letter to the Vestry and a motion was made to receive, ratify and support the contents of the letter. The motion was seconded and passed.

Fr. Russell is preparing to form a Parish Discernment Committee for Mac Nibbs who desires to seek Holy Orders.

Fr. Russell will be resuming his work on his doctorate under the program at Trinity and expects to finish sometime next year (2019).

Fr. John has finished his canonical exams and is busy with plans and preparations for the upcoming Cursillo weekends. He has also begun a new medicine for his diabetes and is hoping for good results.

Deacon Steve is busy with his usual ministries including Kairos, home and hospital visits, nursing home ministry and DTC classes.

The Poway Outreach Team has been involved with the Stamp Out Hunger postal workers' food drive and packed 80 goodie bags for the postal workers last Sunday. Volunteers will be helping to unload and sort food donations on May 12 at the RB Post Office. Also \$200 worth of \$10 food gift cards has been purchased with Poway Outreach Funds for the youth in the Youth In Transitions program at PUSD (homeless high school youth in the Poway district). Another offering of gift cards will take place in June and other ways to aid this program are being explored. They are also looking to purchase a new 10X10 pop up canopy for use at events and will be meeting with the folks at PLC who run the summer Lunch Bunch Program to see how we can partner with them this summer.

The Ramona Outreach Team has begun participating in Ministry on Main again by setting up an information/prayer/free giveaways booth outside the RTH on Thursday while the cruising event takes place. The Ramona VBS is set for July 23-27 and volunteers are needed. The Ramona Rodeo is May 18-20 and CTK-RAM will have a booth like last year. On June 9 they will host a mini-ENGAGE training session at the Kings' home in Ramona from 1-5pm, which includes a BBQ after the training. All CTKers are invited to participate. On June 16 they will host a Military Appreciation BBQ at Collier Park in Ramona for those who live in the adjacent military housing.

Fr. John and Cindy reported that the Diocesan Child Misconduct training is finally online and they will be able to start signing folks up to take the training soon. Fr. John said they might do a group training in Ramona this summer as part of the VBS preparations as well.

Cindy and Mary Carol shared their notes from a meeting on Bylaws modifications that include re-calendararing for a ONCE A YEAR Parish Meeting, set between October 1-November 15 each year) and also the related committee formation dates (Nominating, Budget). Cindy will send the notes out to each vestry member. The present members agreed to the changes and Mary Carol will work on the rewritten Bylaws and present them for a vote at the next vestry meeting. The plan would be to implement this new calendar this year and replace our current August Biannual Parish Meeting with an Annual Parish Meeting on Saturday, November 10th.

The Bishop's visit scheduled for July has been postponed indefinitely.

## **POWAY MINISTRY TEAM REPORT**

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace..." 1 Peter 4:10 [esv]*

### **Stamp Out Hunger**

The 26<sup>th</sup> annual **Stamp Out Hunger** on **Saturday, May 12** was a huge success. Ranch Bernardo letter carriers collected **32,000 pounds** of food from many local postal customers in just one day! The event was coordinated by the Friends and Family Community Connection. Sorting will continue beyond May 12. If you are interested in volunteering to help on a weekday, please contact the coordinator, Becky Palenske through [www.ffcsd.org](http://www.ffcsd.org) In her words, *"the fun continues as we sort and distribute this food over the next few months."* : )

A big THANK YOU to all at CTK for your donations of water and snack bars and for your help in packing the 80 **goody bags for the postal workers**. They were a great hit and much appreciated by the postal workers.

**Young, Hungry and Homeless in Poway**. As I wrote here last month, there are over 300 homeless youth served by the Poway Unified School District. These young people live in tents, under freeway over passes, in stairwells, in cars or temporarily "crash" on someone's sofa. By law these students must have access to education in the district. The school district runs a **Youth in Transition** program which seeks to help these young people. They provide various services to the kids and welcome donations. CTK was able to help these young people with \$200 in food gift cards for the month of May. We will be seeking ways to help going forward.

Moving forward, thanks to your loving generosity, we continue to support the life-affirming work that **Life Choices** is doing with donations of diapers, wipes, and gently used baby clothes.

**We need you!** If you are interested in being part of the core team, please let me know. Basically this would entail meeting with us and helping to organize/coordinate our various events. The team will be meeting on June 10, after worship service. You are welcome to stop by and give us any input you may have.

In any event, we definitely need your prayers and ideas on other ways that we can reach out to our community with the love of Christ and his saving Grace to meet needs, give hope and change lives. Please don't hesitate to contact me.

Submitted by,  
Elaine Fox  
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## **Ramona Ministry Team Report**

From the Ramona Ministry Team:

We are thrilled about this summer here in Ramona! The ministry team has been working hard to come up with ideas and plans about what to do and how to engage the community this summer. In May we faithfully engaged the community in several ways. Ministry on Main has been happening nearly every week since it began. We have been posted on the street to bring the love and knowledge of the Lord to our neighbors. In addition to praying for people, we hand out information about our church as well as upcoming events that people may be interested in. At times we have also had water and dog treats for the dog walkers that are so prevalent during Cruising on Main.

Another way that we have engaged the community is through the Ramona Rodeo. CTK set up a booth at the rodeo and spent that time talking with people, sharing information about our upcoming VBS and BBQ. At the last day of the rodeo, a woman came up to us as we were packing up, and she asked us to pray for her. We prayed for her health and well-being, and we were both blessed by that encounter. There were also some people that recognized us from last year and were happy to see us back.

In June we are doing a couple of things as well. In addition to staying faithful to Ministry on Main Street, we will be hosting a small Engage training on June 9<sup>th</sup> and Fr. John's home from 1-5 p.m. We will be discussing how to engage people on an individual basis by starting relationships and sharing the gospel. This is all about those first initial steps in engaging other people with the love of God through showing others that we genuinely care about what is going on in their lives. I encourage you to come to this meeting. Please RSVP by email to [wesley.k.jenkins@gmail.com](mailto:wesley.k.jenkins@gmail.com) by June 5<sup>th</sup> if you plan on coming.

On June 30<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a Military and First Responders Appreciation BBQ at Collier Park in Ramona! We are inviting the members of are military and emergency responders communities to come get some free food and hang out with us at the park. We want to bless those people who bless and serve us everyday, and we want give back a little so that they will know we care about them. We are hoping that this will be a major event and we will need a lot of CTK volunteers to help out with food and drinks, plates and the works, mingling with the first responders and military families, monitoring games and the bouncy house, and people willing to make supply runs if we need to. That list may not be comprehensive but we will have a sign up sheet floating around before too long.

From July 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup> CTK Ramona will be hosting their second annual Vacation Bible School for children from ages 4 – 12 years old. We are hoping there will be more kids than last year, and we are so excited to show them the love of the Lord and share the gospel message. We need volunteers who would be willing to help with games and lessons. If you are interested in helping out with this, please contact Becky Jenkins at [mrs.rebeccajenkins@gmail.com](mailto:mrs.rebeccajenkins@gmail.com). Please continue to pray for us as we love on our community and share the gospel to people in need.

Wesley Jenkins



# The "D" Word

Wow, time flies! It feels like we have had a "whirlwind" of all these major times in the Church Calendar: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and just recently Pentecost. Now what? Now we enter into "ordinary" time. It is called ordinary time because the weeks are numbered. One of the major shifts that occurs is a shift in focus from what Christ did in the world (i.e. Christmas, Easter, etc) to what the Church is doing in the world (it's no coincidence that ordinary time begins with Pentecost).

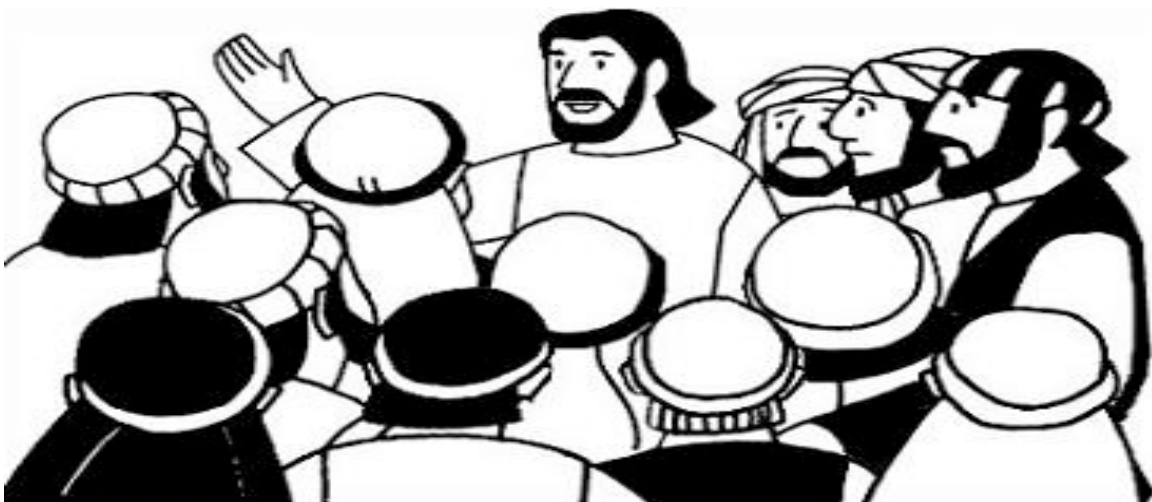
I like to think of ordinary time as just that – the time when the Church is doing the "ordinary" things that followers of Christ should be doing. In Christ Church Fallbrook, they have a time of testimony each Sunday. After hearing stories of how people shared Jesus' love, the whole church responds with "This is normal Christian behavior." I like that – the idea that "normal Christian behavior" – is being a disciple of Jesus and making disciples of Jesus. I remember as a teenager driving my parents crazy with the following dialogue:

Mom: What did you do today?

Me: The usual.

(The next 10-20 minutes was spent under more direct cross-examination by my mom, often with revealing of important information – upcoming tests, making new friends, fire drills, etc)

Wouldn't it be cool if – when asked – "What did you do today?" our "usual" consisted of telling people about how Jesus is impacting our lives? Demonstrating the love and compassion of Jesus to people who need it? Spending quiet time in prayer with the daily office? Reading the Bible every evening before going to bed? Our "usual" day of living should be "usual" for a Christian! In other words, it should be "ordinary" time!  
Fr. JOHN





### **Dimensions of Stewardship**

I've been thinking about the various dimensions of stewardship and how they relate to our congregation's livelihood. They certainly can add zest to our preaching, our teaching, our learning and our faith. Our primary focus should be on the acceptance that everything we have is a gift from God. When we lose this focus, we begin a downward spiral towards self-dependence. We begin to put our trust in things other than God. This was the sin of the rich man in the parable. When we maintain the proper focus we grow in our faith and our dependence on God. To be good stewards, we are to use the gifts we have been given to His glory. How do we increase our focus on God as the Giver of all? It doesn't just happen. It has to be a priority for our Priests, Deacons, our church Vestry members, Sunday school teachers and Bible study teachers in order for it to be a priority for our members. One way to begin is to focus on being good stewards in all our stages of life:

**Childhood** - We can begin the stewardship journey by talking about stewardship of our childhood. Good behavior, dedication to learning, respect for parents, caring for God's creation and learning to share are among the topics we can discuss with our young people. These do not stop with childhood. Our basic habits are developed in these years. We need to use this time as parents, teachers, and church leaders to develop a good understanding of stewardship and to develop faithful stewards.

**Teenage** - This age offers a broad range of issues that can be discussed relative to our teen's stewardship. Education, drugs, sex, time management, development of our personalities, relationship building, community involvement, and career preparation are all fruitful ground for help to identify who we are as teenagers.

**Adulthood** - We need to be reminded of our baptism and our gifts. We need to be thankful for our gifts. We need to be challenged to give *First Fruits* of ourselves, including our time, talent and money. We make giving a priority in our lives to acknowledge that everything we have is a gift from God. We are stewards of our own lives.

By expanding our definition and focus on the dimensions of stewardship of life we will create thankfulness in our heart. This thankfulness can then result in joyful giving and joyful living. We have many joyful givers at Christ The King and we are blessed to have a good number of dutiful givers. Our First Fruit givers have learned to rejoice in their gifts and sacrifice because they understand that their First Fruits will be returned many-fold!

Jim Turnbull, steward