

### Vacation Bible School

Many thanks to all who helped make VBS a huge (and huger than expected!) success! *Father Bill and Paul Dawson* used their performance talents in the engaging daily skits. Paul did double duty and also taught the fourth and fifth grade class. I am also grateful to *Nancy Coffin* who taught music class and *Vicki Schmelzer* who headed up the 2nd and 3rd grade class. *Judy Forys* lent us her artistic talent in the arts and craft room, co-teaching in that classroom with me. Judy and I were fortunate to have three hard-working teen assistants in our classroom: *Juliet Rossnagel, Emily Strom,* and Judy's granddaughter *Grace Wilson*. I also appreciate *Samantha Rossnagel, Samantha Wolf, Amelia Tuttle and Lucy Tuttle's* hard work volunteering in the lively preschool class, when their schedules permitted.

Behind the scenes, *Christine Ruland* and *Linda Malanowski* worked very hard to handle the intensive administrative work for VBS week, such as tracking and compiling registrations, creating camper certificates, and designing a closing program. Many thanks also to *Dan Thurman* and *Michelle Cervone* for their hard work in creating and troubleshooting the online registration camper form and for promoting VBS online. I am also grateful to our hard-working partners at *Middletown Reformed Church* and to all our parents who committed to camp and shuttled their children back and forth every morning to camp. All of these hard-working and talented people made camp a joyful and lively success!

*Theresa Tuttle*

### COG Household Goods Drive

We are collecting laundry detergent, tissues, and toilet paper for our cleaning/personal supplies, which will be distributed through the Calico Pantry. Thank you!

*Janet & Kate Chaballa*

### COG Back-To-School Outreach for Children August 26th-Sept 30th

COG helps low income families with school age children through the Back-To-School outreach program. They provide gift certificates for clothes and shoes for each child, along with new socks and underwear. Donations will be accepted through September 30th. Please make checks payable to: *C.O.G., Inc.*, P.O. Box 4041, Middletown, NJ 07748. Please mark your check as "Back to School": and include Christ Church on memo line. Thank you for your donation!!

### Seamen's Church Toiletries

As you vacation this summer, leave room in your luggage! We collect unopened, sample-sized toiletries (soap, shampoo, hand cream, etc.) year-round for the Seamen's Church Institute's "Christmas at Sea" program, assisting mariners that are far from home. Please place your donations in the little red wagon. Thank you!



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## Welcome to Christ Episcopal Church!

*Church School is on summer recess..*

*Nursery care is available for children under 3 during the 10 am Liturgy in "First Floor Playroom" next to the Summer Lounge.*

### Succession Committee Update

The Succession Committee met on August 5th. We have reviewed the credentials of four candidates and have scheduled initial interviews with three of the four in the next two weeks. We continue to work on interview questions and the planning of site visits for our candidates. Please continue to pray for the Succession Committee members and our whole community as we work to find the leader God has intended for Christ Church. Respectfully, *Cindy McCormack*

### Meeting with Father Bill

**Sunday, August 19th, 11:30 am**

All parents of school aged children and parents interested in teaching, are invited to attend an organizational meeting with Father Bill to discuss the upcoming Church school year that is starting on September 9th.

### Important Date to Remember

**September 9th:** Return to Main Church, Church School starts, Blessing of the Back Packs, and Bridging Ceremony.

*Please help me find my golden years home!*

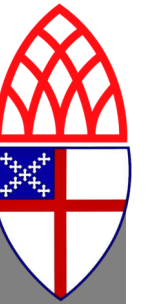


### Your help is needed!!!!!!

Sylvia the church cat still needs a loving home. If you can help find her find a home, please contact *Christine* at 848-218-1926.

### ASLAN

Thank you to *Linda Barth, Cathy Bickerton, Sandra Casci, Michelle Cervone, Rosemary Darben, Karen and Joe Peck* for their contributions of time, money or lunch items to this year's ASLAN Youth Ministries Summer Day Camp Lunch Project. We provided 80 complete lunches (sandwiches, juice, fruit, chips, homemade cookies) for the children attending the camp in Red Bank on August 9. In addition we donated \$145 to help offset the cost of running the camp. *Lauren Badal and Erna Sottile*



Announcements