



# THE ELECTRIC EPILOG<sup>©</sup>

## Our Mission

Christ Church Episcopal is a family called by the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit to grow spiritually, to share our life with others, and to make God's love known through word and deed.

## This Week's Inspirational Thought

A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds  
- Francis Bacon

## Christ Church News

February 2, 2012

### Don't Forget!

Celebration of a New Ministry (Installation) for Rev. Carol – is Saturday February 18th at 10 am at All Saints' Parish. Everyone is invited to help celebrate the start of her new ministry.

### Black History Month Celebration

#### *The Tuskegee Airmen Before They Became Red Tails.*

The Nevada Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) cordially invites members of the Christ Church Family to the showing of a short film in celebration of Black History Month. The film is set in 1941 at the height of World War II, when a select group of African Americans made their way to Tuskegee Alabama (the home of Tuskegee University, a National Historic Landmark) as part of an experiment to see if African Americans had the "intellectual and physical ability to fly an aircraft in combat." The Tuskegee Airmen's full story is told in the new movie *Red Tails*.

Join us on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 1:00 pm in the Christ Church Parish Hall to view the short behind-the-scenes documentary on these amazing pilots. One of the pilots, a local resident, has been invited to discuss his experience while flying with the Tuskegee Airmen. Food will be served and admission is free.

### Christ Church Profile Completed by Marsha Tarte, Chair of Profile Committee

It has been a long process, but the good news is that the Christ Church Profile has been completed, approved by the Bishop, adopted by the Vestry and submitted to the Diocesan Deployment Officer for publication. We are on our way to the selection of a new Rector!

Many thanks to the Profile Committee, who helped with gathering information and writing: Scott Cairns, Rusty Fortier, Becky Hansen and Charlene McKenzie. Also thanks to Becky Hansen and Sheryl Bell for their editing skills.

We will be hearing from the Applicant Review Committee (Chair Steve Wilkinson, along with members John Lansford, Kathleen and John DeVleming, Elana Lee Graham and Beverly Hart) over the next months as we move along in this process. IT'S AN EXCITING TIME AT CHRIST CHURCH!

Thank everyone for your interest, participation and support.

### Wit & Wisdom

He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else. - Benjamin Franklin,

Franklin,

quoted in the Nashville Tennessean  
Reprinted from *The Week Magazine*

## Sacristy Items Missing!

If anyone has taken sacristy items home for cleaning /repair / borrowed them for an event, and have not returned them; it is time for them to come "home." Many items are missing and nobody seems to know why or where. New policy, no items are to be borrowed from the sacristy without signing for them at the church office. The dead bolt lock on the sacristy door will be changed and keys reissued to those who need them. Again, no items will be borrowed from Christ Church unless you have authorization from someone in authority AND sign for them in the office. The fact that your Great, Great Grandmother donated them to the church does not constitute ownership and allow you to take them without proper authority and signing a receipt.

### Flowers for the Altar

**We need to update our Sunday Altar flower dedication records. If you would like to dedicate Sunday Altar flowers to a loved one please fill out the form below and send to 2100 S Maryland Pkwy, Ste. 2 Las Vegas, NV 89104 or drop in the plate. If you are on our annual list please make sure to fill out the form below as our records are very old and we would like to have a new log. Thank you.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF DEDICATION\*: \_\_\_\_\_ IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- *Flowers will be placed on the nearest Sunday before Date of Dedication if Dedication Date does not fall on a Sunday.*

## "A Personal Message to My Family"

### Legacy Planning Workshop at Christ Church

#### February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 - 9am - 11am

"A Personal Message to My Family" a Legacy Planning Workshop - February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from 9am to 11am. Does your family know what is important to you if you are ill, hospitalized, or dying? What are your plans, your desires, and your wishes?

The planned giving department of the diocese has put together two workshops to aid all of our parishioners in making plans for our care in times of illness and our end of life issues and services. The first workshop on February 11<sup>th</sup> assists participants with a clever booklet called "Legacy Planning". Using the booklet, the group talks its way through the various necessary decisions and helps us identify what is important and takes us through the necessary decisions such as type of funeral service and type of burial desired.. Also the booklet gives a place to record all bank account numbers, lawyers name and address, accountant name and address. It would be helpful if you come prepared with this information to fill in the booklet. Then those wishes and directions are recorded as each participant fills out "A Personal Message to My Family".

The workshop takes less than two hours and makes it possible for each participant to leave personalized instructions to family, friends and our church community.

One of the greatest gifts you can give your family is to make your wishes known to them. Come join us on the 11<sup>th</sup> and let us make it easy for you! Please RSVP to the church Office if you are interested 702-735-7655.

## We Can Help End Hunger!! By The Rev Victoria Warren

There are people who are hungry in our community. If your answer is, "I care, but it is a big problem and I am only one person, what can I do about it"? We have good news! Christ Church Episcopal (CCE) has a food pantry and always welcomes food donations. This is one of those times when each of us can do a little and have a big effect.

**Bring a can! If each of us brings a can each Sunday, it will make a difference.  
Place your weekly offering of canned and nonperishable staples in the basket  
at the main entrance of the church and help end hunger one can at a time.  
We can make a difference!  
Yes, we can!**

This week our food pantry is in need of peanut butter and tuna.

The number of people assisted for the period Jan 27, 2012 thru February 2, 2012 was **406**.

## Annual Parish Meeting Briefs

- The 104th Annual Parish Meeting was called to order on January 29, 2012 at 10:40 a.m. The Rev. Victoria Warren and The Rev. Bernardo Iniesta offered the opening prayers.
- Motion: Beverly Hart moved to accept the agenda. Elana Graham seconded the motion. The motion was moved, seconded and carried (MSC.)
- Dennis Kesner, Senior Warden introduced the four vestry candidates: Spencer Adams, Kathleen DeVleming, Ky Owen and Gail Smith. The candidates were elected by acclamation.
- The parishioners nominated to be Trustees of the Christ Church Endowment Committee are: John DeVleming and John Maloney. The candidates were elected by acclamation.
- The 42<sup>nd</sup> Diocesan Convention will be held in Las Vegas. The nominated delegates are: JoAnn Roberts Armstead, Paul Bell, Frank Cornett, Jr., John DeVleming, Kathleen DeVleming, Steve Finnegan, Elana Graham, Ben Graham, Lorell Guydon, Kathy Kesner, Jim McCue, Pam McGill, Marsha Tart, Mar Jo Watts, Skip Yarema, and Steve Wilkinson.
- The Rev. Bonnie Polley moved to adopt the Minutes of the 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Parish Meeting as presented. Beverly Hart seconded the motion, MSC.
- Fr. O'Neill is on medical leave. In his absence, Rev. Victoria read Fr. O'Neill's brief written report nominating Dennis Kesner as Senior Warden. The nomination of Dennis Kesner was received with a round of applause. Dennis accepted the nomination.
- Fr. Bernardo gave thanks to the Christ Church congregation for the two years of support that he has received for the Latino Ministry. Fr. Bernardo recommended that we have more combined services. To create a better understanding of the Latino Ministry, parishioner, Robert Work stated that it would be helpful to see the words in English. The congregation was in full agreement.
- Senior Warden, Dennis Kesner, delivered the State of Christ Church message found in the packet. The message, in part, is: "we are here, we are healthy, and we are in the final stages of the processes we needed to complete to call a new rector." Also in the Senior Warden's message he stated "... we are financially in a good position and with your continued support, we will remain so. ... We have received 103 pledges totaling \$272,002.00 and we are still expecting at least 16 more pledges totaling and hope to finish with a total of \$300,000.00. "

- Sprinkler Summary and Update: The Fire Marshall put a requirement on Christ Church to install a Fire Sprinkler System throughout the north property after the completion of the installation of our beautiful Schantz Pipe Organ. We are in the process of obtaining a waiver. The Fire Marshall has agreed to consider a waiver to the requirement for sprinklers if we hire a Fire Protection Consultant and adhere to the consultants recommended upgrades. We hired the AON Fire Protection Engineering Company for a study of our facility and recommend upgrades. AON completed their work late last year. Further, we hired the LF Harris and Company, General Contractors to prepare an estimate for the necessary upgrades. The estimate came in at \$99,866.00 and will save Christ Church approximately \$200,000.00 if approved. We are asking the Fire Marshall for two years to complete the project. Our goal is to complete the work without incurring more debt. Additional information as to how this will be done is outlined in detail in the Annual Parish Meeting Report.
- The 2012 Budget: Junior Warden, Spencer Adams presented a balanced budget. Our expenses are equal to our income. We are working with the Diocese to develop a compensation package for the new rector. During the budget discussion it was pointed out that designated funds are not shown in the budget. Bill Leonard moved to accept the 2012 Budget. Beverly Hart seconded the motion. The motion was MSC with one no vote.
- The gift, new chairs in the Parish Hall, Conference Center, and Classrooms are a gift in memory of Dr. Sam Newsom.
- Reports and thanks from Organizations: Margaret Williams for Treasure House, Lorell Guydon for The Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE), Sharon Rogers for The Altar Guild, Kathi Kesner for Episcopal Church Women (ECW), Peter Steinbrenner for Committee on Gratitude (COG), Jim Williams for The Endowment Committee, and Skip Yarema, Movie Night.
- The dates for the Long Term Planned Giving Workshop are February 11, 2012 and March 2012. The March date is pending. Rev. Victoria is the workshop coordinator.
- The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

## Skip's Movie Night

When? Thursday, February 16, 2012 @ 7:00pm. Come and bring a friend to Skips Valentine Love Fest. Featuring Treats, Evening Prayer, Great Movie, Great Friends, and of course Christ in our midst!

### Storyline

CS Lewis is the author of the Narnia books - The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe. Known as Jack, he teaches at an Oxford College, during the 1930's. An American fan, Joy Gresham, arrives to meet him for tea in Oxford. It is the beginning of a love affair. Tragically Joy becomes terminally unwell and their lives become complicated.



### User Reviews

#### **A Different and Edifying Look at Love and Death**

*Review written -13 June 1999 - by jacksflicks (Hollywood)*

Two different, yet complimentary people meet and discover they have something in common: the conviction that life is a gift. C. S. Lewis, an Englishman, an Oxford don who lives the interior life, is confronted by an American writer-poet who shows him how to become a part of the world in a way that makes the imagery of his works become manifest.

Then, she dies. What does this do to his faith?

The casting is perfect.

"Shadowlands" contains the most powerful deathbed scene ever recorded on film.

## This Week at Christ Church

Thursday	02/02	9:00 am	Main Church	Organ Concert Rehearsal – Shireen Beaudry
		10:00 am	South Property #3	Treasure House Thrift Store
		11:00 am	Main Church	Organ Rehearsal – Dorothy Reiss
		5:30 pm	Classroom 3	Hispanic Leadership Class – Fr. Bernardo
		6:00 pm	Classroom 2	Spanish Choir Rehearsal
		6:30 pm	Main Church	La Misa en Espanol
Friday	02/03			
Saturday	02/04	8:45 am	Board Room	Bible Study
		9:00 am	Conference Center	No Child Left Behind
		6:30 pm	Chapel	American Catholic Church
Sunday	02/05	7:45 am	Main Church	Holy Eucharist Rite I
		9:00 am	Main Church	La Misa en Espanol
		9:15 am	Guild Room	Christian Formation – Fr. O’Neill
		10:15 am	Guild Room	Christian Formation– Fr. Bernardo
		10:45 am	Main Church	Holy Eucharist Rite II
		12:30 pm	Main Church	Romanian Orthodox Church
		4:45 pm	MC/BR/GR/CR2&3/PH/CY	La Misa en Espanol
Monday	02/06	<b>*****CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED to the Public*****</b>		
		1:00pm	Main Church	Dr. Paul Hesselink- Organ Lessons
		5:00 pm	Suite 9	Mariachi Band Rehearsal
		7:00 pm	Parish Hall	Alcoholics Anonymous
Tuesday	02/07	9:00 am	Board Room	Arts and Crafts
		10:00 am	South Property Suite 6	Treasure House Thrift Store open until 3 pm
		11:00 am	Main Church	Organ Rehearsal – Dorothy Reiss
Wednesday	02/08	8:45 am	Guild Room	Clergy/Staff Meeting
		10:00 am	South Property Suite 6	Treasure House Thrift Store open until 3 pm
		10:00 am	Classroom 3	Bible Study
		12:05 pm	Chapel	Holy Eucharist
		4:00 pm	Parish Hall	Amazing Grace Dinner
		5:00 pm	Suite 9	Mariachi Band Rehearsal
		7:00 pm	Choir Room	Choir Rehearsal

## The Numbers

Attendance	Service	Attendance
Wednesday, Jan. 25th	12:05 pm	5
Sunday Jan. 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	217
One Service Bi-Lingual		
La Misa en Espanol	6:30 pm	167
Revenue	Weekly Offering	Month to Date
Offerings	\$5,927.17	\$31,302.47
Alleluia Capital Campaign Pledges	\$582.00	\$2,483.50

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