Sacred Sound and Space Feasibility Study Update

Erin Weber-Johnson of the Vandersall Collective consulting group presented the findings and recommendations from the recent Feasibility Study to a joint meeting of the Vestry, Staff, and the Sacred Sound and Space Task Force on Thursday, June 13. A total of 149 households participated in the survey (15 by mail and 101 online). In addition, 33 interviews were conducted. This represents a total response rate of 39.66 percent among members of the church community that were contacted, which passes the industry standard/range of validity. Citing vast support for many of the proposed projects, the Vandersall Collective recommended a fundraising goal of $1,285,000 (with a challenge goal of an additional potential 11 percent of $141,000), based on gifts self-identified by participants and variables identified within the study.

“It is believed that if a realistic goal is used, there is great potential for a successful capital campaign, “ wrote Weber-Johnson. “In fact, it is likely that a realistic goal may strengthen overall support for a campaign. It is quite possible that the parish could benefit from phasing the projects.”

The vestry voted unanimously at last Monday’s meeting to move forward with a Capital Campaign and continuing to engage Vandersall as our consultants. The Sacred Sound and Space Task Force will remain intact to continue to evaluate and prioritize the projects and make recommendations to the Vestry including how to adjust those goals and priorities based on the available funds.

The full report is 85 pages long and includes all comments submitted. The executive summary of the report (13 pages) is available in the reception area and can be found online at https://christchurchnewbern.com/sacredsoundandspace/. The full report is available at the Reception Desk for reading and reviewing while at the church. If you have further questions or would like to know more, contact Bob Emory (bobemory8@gmail.com) or Jean Reichenbach (seniorwarden@christchurchnewbern.com) or the Rev. Paul Canady (paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com).

Literacy Tutor Training Sessions

Did you know that they greatest indicator of a child's future academic success is the literacy level of the mother? Are you looking to be part of the solution?

Craven Literacy Council is offering a workshop to train volunteer tutors to work with adults who need help with basic literacy skills or who want to learn to speak and understand English. The 15-hour workshop will provide participants with teaching techniques and materials that will prepare them to tutor with the council.

The workshop begins on Tuesday, July 9 and continues with sessions on July 11, 16 and 18, with a final session on September 5. All sessions will be held at the Craven Literacy Council (2507-F Neuse Blvd.), and registration is now open. For more information, please visit www.cravenliteracy.org. You can also call 252.637.8079 or email info@cravenliteracy.org.

Beat the Summer Heat

Please join fellow parishioners and welcome guests for a chat and a refreshing glass of lemonade after the 10:00 am service every week.

We are looking for hosts for June 30, and future dates in July and August. There is a sign up sheet in reception or you can sign up online at https://tinyurl.com/Lemonade2019. You may use the Tablet Kiosk in the Reception Area to sign up online.

Note: Coffee is available in the Parish House after the 8am service.
News, Notes, Calendars, Etc.

Summer and Fall Art Guild Shows Planned

The Art Guild is currently accepting photographs for their “Symbols of the Church” Exhibit, which is scheduled for July and August. Contact Debra Rothengast at d.rothengast@gmail.com or 252.772.9353 for more information.

This is an early notice to all Christ Church artists: The Art Guild will be showing your two-dimensional artwork in the Parish House during September and October, so get busy! For more information, please contact JoAnn Bradley at 635.9707 or bradleytoadhall@gmail.com.

“So You Want to Meet With the Clergy?”

Well, guess what! The Revs. Paul Canady, Cortney Dale, and Lisa Kirby would love to meet with you, too! We can meet at the church, for coffee, at your house, at your work, at school, or in some other place that is mutually agreeable. And we want to make it easy to schedule a time to get together. Paul is typically available Monday - Thursday. Cortney is typically available Tuesday-Friday. Lisa Kirby does not keep regular office hours but is also glad to meet with parishioners. There are several ways to set up a time to meet with us.

For Paul or Cortney:

You can contact us directly by either email or phone to set up a time. Paul’s email is paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com, and Cortney’s is cortneydale@christchurchnewbern.com.

Paul’s cell is 252.571.6892, and Cortney’s cell is 270.791.9601.

You can also call the church office at 252.633.2109. Paul is at extension 102 and Cortney is at extension 107. If we are not available when you call, DQ Williams at the Reception Desk and Ellie Roberts, Director of Church Life, can access our calendars and schedule a time to meet.

Finally, you can go online to either https://paulcanady.youcanbook.me or https://cortneydale.youcanbook.me to find a time that works. These sites are linked to our online calendars and show the times we are available. Both of these links are also on the iPad kiosk in the Reception Area. And if your availability is outside the times listed, call or email us. We will make it happen!

Lisa Kirby can be reached at (252) 617-9806 or lisa-kirby@suddenlink.com.

And if you are at the church for a meeting or in the vicinity of the church and have something on your mind, please don’t hesitate to stop by! We look forward to seeing you soon!

In Christ,
The Rev. Paul Canady, Rector
The Rev. Cortney Dale, Associate Rector

“Stonewall Uprising” Showing

11:00 am, Saturday, June 29 Harrison Center

In honor of the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion, Integrity East Carolina will be hosting a showing of the PBS "Stonewall Uprising" special in the Harrison Center at 11:00 am, Saturday, June 29. All who would like to attend are welcome. The registration form can be found at https://tinyurl.com/Stonewall-Uprising-Showing.
Friday Night T-Ball Fun

Although the annual Prophets vs. Apostles T-Ball game was delayed a couple of weeks because of weather, it did not disappoint. Take a look for yourself. As always, thank you to John Steady for the photos!
VBS 2019: To Mars and Beyond

With 50 campers and 30 volunteers, Vacation Bible School was definitely out of this world! Many thanks to all who made this week such a success.
**Hymn Notes for June 23**

“O bless the Lord, my soul!,” *H 411*, was written by Englishman James Montgomery. He was an outspoken publisher and writer who was twice imprisoned, once for printing an account of a political riot in Sheffield and once for printing a song about the fall of the Bastille. He spoke out against the slave trade, child labor, and state lotteries. He supported foreign missions and the Bible Society. This text is a paraphrase of Psalm 103:1-5. The tune was written by Aaron Williams, teacher, composer, and clerk of the Presbyterian Scots Church, London Wall.

“Surely it is God who saves me,” *H 679*, is a metrical paraphrase of Canticle 9, The First Song of Isaiah, Isaiah 12:2-6. Carl Daw, wrote it for the chapel of the University of the South, where he was a seminarian. It is set to a tune by Ray Urwin, currently choirmaster/organist at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Corona Del Mar, California.

**Taizé Service**

Plan on joining us at 5:30 pm, Sunday, June 30 for a Taizé Prayer Service in the Chapel.

The service is modeled after services held in Taizé, France, home to a community of Catholic and Protestant Brothers who are known not only for their prayer services, but also for the care for the poor. The music, scripture and meditation during the service is meant to allow you to open your heart and mind so that you may speak and listen to God.

Held at Christ Church throughout the year on the fifth Sunday of a month, Taizé services incorporate soft lighting, candles, repetitive chants, prayers and readings. Attendees enter in silence and remain silent except for communal singing and praying, so that the entire service may be a peaceful time of meditation and prayer.

**Summer Book Discussion**

While EfM is not formally meeting this summer, they are hosting a discussion group on the book, *Waking up White*, by Debby Irving. The personal narrative has been described by *Readers + Writers Journal* as “one of the most important books on race in recent memory.”

The remaining discussion schedule is below. Meeting time is 6:00 pm in the Second Floor Library.

- June 26 — Sections 3 and 4
- July 10 — Sections 5 and 6
- July 24 — Sections 7 and 8
- August 7 — Last Section

Those interested in learning more about the book and discussion should contact Edna Thomas at ednamariethomas@gmail.com.

**On the Musical Horizon...**

You will not want to miss these upcoming musical events within our Christ Church community.

**Piano Dedication Concert**

Director of Music, Cliff Badgley, and his wife, Marcia, will perform a special dedication concert for our new concert grand piano at 7:00 pm, Friday, August 2.

**Fauré’s Requiem**

The Christ Church Parish Choir will sing Fauré’s *Requiem* on Friday, November 1, 2019. The best-known of Fauré’s large works, the focus of this choral-orchestral work is eternal rest and consolation.

**Barbershop Group**

Those interested in singing with a small Barbershop group should contact Doug Sudduth, 631-3830. No experience necessary. Doug can teach you all you need to know to sing some uplifting music.
In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For our ill and recovering parishioners:

For our families and friends:
Liesel, Tate, Ruth, Kathy, Nancy, Denise, Tony, Barbara, Charlie, Ann, Mathias, Katherine, Alex, Dennis, Jim, Teresa, Robert, Michael, Dorothy, Julia, Ian, Lee, Jessica, Dan, Steve, Andy, Matthew, Heath, Glen, Betty J, Walter, Anne, Cameron, Scott, Leo, Laura, Rick, Jackson, Andrea, Bo, Frances, Guy, Stephen, Martha, Deb, Imma Jean, Drew, Cortney, Karen, Dan, Betsy, Joan, Linda, Matty, Linda, Michael, Bridgid, Kate, Robert, Alex, Bruce, Melissa, Eve, Mark, Gordon, Missy, Robert, Rev Dave, Derek, Bud and Cheryl, Matt, Jeff, Corinne, Paul, Travis, Sarah, Edward, Irene, Matt, Cliff, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, John.

For our deployed military:

For our parishioners in boarding school and college:

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Andrew’s, Morehead City and St. Cyprian’s, New Bern.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Kelly Rowe, by her husband, Wayne Rowe.

Deadlines for Submitting Articles & Calendar Items
“Week Ahead at Christ Church” email: 12 noon Thursday
“MidWeek Messenger” email: 12 noon Tuesday
Printed and emailed “Messenger”: 12 noon Wednesday