



*Christ Church*  
900 Glendower Road  
Scottsville, VA 24590  
ca 1832



*St. John's Church*  
410 Harrison Street  
Scottsville, VA 24590  
ca 1878



*St. Stephen's Church*  
7484 Esmont Road  
Esmont, VA 22937  
ca 1914

## communities of faith worshipping God

### SPIRITUAL REFLECTION by The Very Reverend Zachary Fleetwood

#### Radical Hospitality and Thanksgiving

In Luke's gospel Jesus is shown time and again at table with his friends. This presentation of Jesus as one who regularly eats and drinks with a rather indiscriminate collection of people is not unique to Luke's gospel. In Matthew's account we read that Jesus was the Son of Man who came "eating and drinking." Mark speaks of Jesus as the "eater and drinker" who was shocking beyond belief because he had the audacity to socialize with sinners. Jesus loved table fellowship with human beings of all walks of life. In fact, this was so important to him that he commanded his friends that when they remembered him most especially, they should eat and drink together in memory of his life—a life offered for them in the love of God. We know this particular act of eating and drinking as the Eucharist (from the Greek word meaning thanksgiving).

The apparently indiscriminate eating and drinking of Jesus Christ with a whole host of disreputable and unacceptable types provides a primary clue to the reality of the life God intends for us. It was precisely by means of this modeling of table fellowship with strangers that Jesus taught us about life in that full future of God which we call the Kingdom of God or the Reign of God.

This idea, this dream of the full future of God is not merely about the future. It is about authenticity breaking into our present. It is about living into the Future of God at the present time. The life of Jesus was just that. He lived each moment of his life in the fullness of God's future. And we are called to do the same.

In the full future of God we are assured that all of us will know we are loved of God, and are fully free in the presence of God. In the full future of God, justice and love are as abundant as the food, drink, and hospitality granted to each of us as welcome guests at the banquet table of God. Jesus in his life showed beyond a doubt the sheer abandon with which God invites each of us to that heavenly feast—accepting us, nurturing us, and transforming us from stranger into beloved guest.

Zachary Fleetwood+  
Interim Rector

#### WORDS FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Dear Ones,

Attendance at our meeting on Sunday, October 20 was somewhat hampered by heavy rain, although I do thank the intrepid souls who managed to make it. It was good to hear Zack's impressions about St. Anne's after having been with us for six weeks. He was struck by the hospitality and love for each other he felt within the churches. He commented on how we'll need to address what kind of parish we want to be—whether we are happy remaining small and intimate or whether we will do what we can to grow our church. He also talked about the need to strengthen our pledging and encouraged those who give but do not pledge to please consider pledging.

In the meeting, we stressed that while we are blessed to have Zack acting as our "Rector-in-the-Interim," we should push ahead now with creating the Search Committee to begin looking for a permanent Rector. We spoke about how important it was to continue building our community and supporting our efforts to make the post attractive to possible Rectors. We also talked about the leadership opportunities, both on that committee and also on Vestry which will see some rotations in a few months. Please prayerfully consider how you personally are being called to help the community in the next exciting phase of our continued growth and development.

Blessings +  
*Jim Campbell*

#### SAVE THE DATE

**RICK LORD**

**CLASSICAL GUITARIST & EPISCOPAL PRIEST**

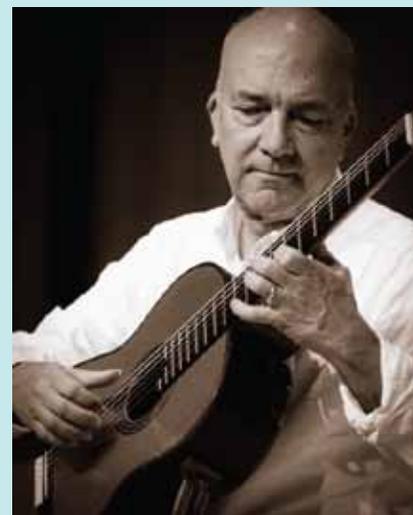
**IN CONCERT**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

**AT 4 PM**

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**

**SCOTTSVILLE**



## MUSICAL MUSINGS by Cenie Re Sturm

"Why are we singing that hymn?"

"I don't know that hymn!"

A hymn is a religious song or poem of praise to God and a big part of any worship service. Every hymn on Sunday is chosen for a reason. If you notice on the front of the bulletin, it tells you what Sunday in the church year it is. So when it's the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, there are specific readings for that Sunday.

The hymns chosen are linked to these readings. In choosing the hymns for each Sunday, first I read through those readings. Next, I look at the hymns that are suggested to go with those readings. I have four sources that I use to help in selecting the hymns: the Episcopal Musician's Handbook, the Hymnary--A Table for Service Planning published by the Hymnary Press, Prepare! An Ecumenical Music & Worship Planner by Abington Press, and A Liturgical Index to the Hymnal 1982 published by the Church Hymnal Corp. I look through all these sources for each Sunday. After choosing several hymns for the Opening, several for the Gradual, and several for the Exit, I go to an excel worksheet that I have in my computer. It shows me every Sunday that we have sung a hymn. If that hymn was sung this year, then I look at the next choice on my list. If I'm not sure which one to use, I will often play through the hymn and read the words. I want to be sure that the words of the hymns re-emphasize the readings.

I read somewhere that Protestants were thought of as the people of two books, the Bible and the hymnal. The hymnal has been the most important and widely used book, except the Bible, in the worship of God. Our 1982 Hymnal is filled with spiritual poems, mostly based on the Bible, that have been put to beautiful tunes. They are written by people from various walks of life. And they all have a message in them. Sometimes just sit down and read a hymn.

One of my favorite hymns is #492:

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness,  
Wake your noblest, sweetest strain,  
With the praises of your Savior  
Let his house resound again;  
him let all your music honor,  
And your songs exalt his reign.

Next Sunday, if you aren't familiar with a tune, don't get discouraged. Try to sing it. Then read the words. And if you hear a tune you know, instead of just singing it, think of the words as you are singing them. That's the reason that hymn is being sung. The words are what is important.

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP by Celie McGurk

There are many ways to use our talents in St. Anne's Parish. We are a small parish and people wear multiple hats. Volunteer positions such as Altar Guild, LEM service (Lay Eucharistic Minister), and the Vestry involve being present at a certain time and place. We couldn't run our parish without these people who are faithful in their work. However, not everyone can commit to such activities.

We are starting an outreach which is probably not so new to some folks and which has the advantage of being something you can do in your own time and from home. This ministry involves writing cards and letters. Some people already send notes to friends who are ill or recuperating from surgery, but this would expand to include not only shut-ins, but anyone who might enjoy a "smile" in the mail, whether a card of consolation, encouragement, thanks, birthday greetings, or just "thinking about you." Father Zack will help us work out the details. If you are interested in this important ministry, let Sandy Schwartz at the parish office know, and we'll be in touch.

**Sound System for Christ Church** - We are currently working with Crutchfield's on providing a sound system for Christ Church. The acoustics in Christ Church make it hard to hear a soft spoken speaker even from the front pews. We have had a specialist from Crutchfield's come out to evaluate the space. The specialist was very familiar with historic churches and assured us that the system could be discreetly installed with minimum disruption and would include both a goose neck microphone on the lectern and a lapel mic. The full system with installation is \$2500. We were also told that we could install it in increments if budget constraints so dictated. We are currently appealing to the congregation for donations and will proceed when the amount necessary is in hand. We are very grateful for the generosity of those who have already donated to this worthwhile upgrade.

## CALENDAR

**Halloween Trunk or Treat** - October 31, 5-7 pm, St. Stephen's. Participants are asked to arrive by 4:30 pm in order to prepare their trunk for the event. All are welcome to participate.

**Questors** - November 1st at 7 pm at Eleanor Winsor's home. Discussion topics will focus on the book 21 Lessons for the 21st Century by Yuval Noah Harari. We will discuss the chapter, "Religion: God Now Serves the Nation." Several copies are available through the JMRL library.

**Celtic Evensong** - November 3rd, 5:30 pm, St. John's Church. Celtic Prayer Service features nature-inspired prayers, candles, and special music. Please join us for refreshments and conversation following the service. All are welcome! Please spread the word in our community!

**Women's Group** - November 9th at 9:30 am. The Women's Group meets on the second Saturday of each month to discuss spirituality, life, morality, religion, etc. Meet at the St John's Fellowship Hall.

**Second Sunday Soup** - November 10th. Our parish comes together to share fellowship and a simple meal of soup, bread, and dessert. Please bring a dish to share. Meet at Christ Church Parish Hall at noon.

**Vestry** - November 12th at 6:30 pm, St. John's Church.

**Bread of Life Ministry** - November 15th at 2 pm, November 16th at 8 am. Volunteers are needed on Friday afternoon to help bag groceries, and/or on Saturday morning to help distribute food. Meet at the Scottsville Community Center. Please use the rear entrance.

**Mobile Food Pantry** - November 26th, 9 am. The Mobile Food Pantry distributes food to families in need on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Volunteers are needed to help unload the truck and bag groceries. Meet at the Scottsville Farmer's Market Pavilion.

# Tidings from St. Anne's Episcopal Parish

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## CELTIC PRAYER SERVICES



Celtic Service  
St. John's Episcopal Church, Scottsville  
First Sunday of the Month 5:30 pm  
Special Music  
Refreshments Following the Service

## A WORD ABOUT PASTORAL CARE

Our Interim Rector is available for pastoral care or conversation. To meet with Zack+, please contact him directly at Rector.Interim@gmail.com.  
In case of a pastoral emergency, he can be reached on his private cell phone at 434-906-7476.  
If it is not an emergency, please contact him by email.

## St Anne's Episcopal Parish Profit & Loss

	September	January-September	2019	Remaining Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Contributions Income	7,398.00	69,229.91	107,500.00	38,270.09
Donations Income			300.00	300.00
Flowers	75.00	824.72		(824.72)
Interest Income - Unrestricted	0.14	1.85		(1.85)
Miscellaneous Income				0.00
Money from Trust				0.00
Other Income		30.00		(30.00)
Rental Income	1,200.00	10,800.00	7,200.00	(3,600.00)
				0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>8,673.14</b>	<b>80,886.48</b>	<b>115,000.00</b>	<b>34,113.52</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Compensation</b>				
<b>Rector</b>				
Cash Salary	3,200.00	3,200.00	23,000.00	19,800.00
Continuing Education				0.00
Health Insurance	573.20	573.20		(573.20)
Pension			8,425.00	8,425.00
SS & Medicare			4,000.00	4,000.00
Travel				0.00
Utilities	137.14	2,206.35		(2,206.35)
<b>Staff</b>				0.00
Employees	2,226.54	22,490.05	23,000.00	509.95
Supply Priest		13,996.15	13,020.00	(976.15)
Payroll -Service Fees	48.80	453.77	500.00	46.23
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>6,185.68</b>	<b>42,919.52</b>	<b>71,945.00</b>	<b>29,025.48</b>
Altar Supplies		168.10	1,000.00	831.90
Bank Service Charges	8.25	61.75	85.00	23.25
Choir & Music		133.50		
Conference			700.00	700.00
Diocese of VA Pledge			500.00	500.00
Flower Expense		790.38	750.00	(40.38)
Insurance		6,680.50	12,500.00	5,819.50
Kitchen Supplies		42.17	500.00	457.83
Misc Expense				0.00
Office Supplies	400.11	1,070.44	2,500.00	1,429.56
Parish Event		214.01	500.00	285.99
Postage and Delivery		119.50		
Region 15 Support		100.00	100.00	0.00
Repairs & Maintenance	515.83	9,135.37	7,500.00	(1,635.37)
Utilities	947.57	16,231.04	15,000.00	(1,231.04)
Worship&Publication Materials	200.00	1,863.65	1,500.00	(363.65)
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,071.76</b>	<b>36,610.41</b>	<b>43,135.00</b>	<b>35,803.07</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>8,257.44</b>	<b>79,529.93</b>	<b>115,080.00</b>	<b>35,550.07</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>\$415.70</b>	<b>\$1,356.55</b>	<b>(\$80.00)</b>	<b>(1,436.55)</b>