

SUNDAY SERVICE - 10:00 A.M.



Christ the Redeemer ANGLICAN CHIMES



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2815 Highway 41, N., Ft. Valley, GA 31030

June-July 2011

Serving Warner Robins, Perry, Byron and Ft. Valley

CHURCH HELPS TORNADO VICTIMS

Cash and Donations given -- from Frying Pans to Flip Flops

Christ the Redeemer joined a Houston County relief effort in June to donate items to families and individuals in Georgia and Alabama that were struck by horrendous tornados. The Houston County Band Programs organized a drive to fill the 5 band semi-trucks with goods. Christ the Redeemer Outreach committee pledged a monetary donation of \$200 to help with the cost of the fuel and parishioners also donated items from frying pans to flip flops for the relief effort.



“ We delivered the donated items, as well as a check for \$200 to aid the tornado victims of Georgia and Alabama, “ said Terry Rogers, Outreach Committee Chair. “We had pledged \$150, but received an additional donation of \$50. The Lord has truly blessed us with generous and joyous hearts.” Laurie Alexander, Dotty Cox, and Terry Rogers delivered the goods to Houston County High School. Justin Alexander helped stack the items in the trucks.

PHOTO: *Christ The Redeemer Anglican Church presented a check in the amount of \$200 to the Houston County Band to aid in the relief effort for the tornado victims of Georgia and Alabama. Pictured left to right: Terry Rogers, Justin Alexander and Julia Nell Shaw.*

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS WORKING

The Holy Spirit is truly working in our small but blessed parish. The signs are everywhere: our Treasures in the Barn ministry is working hard to help the needy in the community; our Outreach Committee is doing wonderful things; the Lord sent Bunny Nobles to help our choir; and the parish is sincerely loving and SERVING CHRIST, loving and serving one another IN CHRIST, and loving and serving the world FOR CHRIST. We have come a long way in a few years and our future is bright. God Bless you all for making Christ the Redeemer a beacon of light in a troubled world. - *Fr Paul Gerlock*



COUPLES RENEW VOWS AT SPOUSE RETREAT



Couples shared a wonderful retreat with Father Bill Weston May 20 and 21. (From left are David and Andrea Selby, Bob and Kathie Dubiel, Ron and Joan Johnson, Father Weston, Linda and Father Paul Gerlock, Becky and Joe Short and Pat and Carl Sperry.)

Christian Education Corner



Wanted: Chefs with a specialty of serving up the Word of God to children!

Would you like to spend a weekend at *Shake It Up Café* teaching the secret ingredients for being a follower of God? At *Shake it Up Café* we will celebrate biblical festivals through dramas, crafts, games, science activities, music, and hours of fun! Sign up for a Vacation Bible School leadership role and join us in the excitement at *Shake it Up Café: Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe*. The dates are Aug 19 from 6-8:30 and Aug 20 from 9-3. – **Andrea Selby**

THE POWER OF PRAYER – JOIN A NATIONAL “POWERHOUSE”

Someone has said that if Christians really understood the full extent of the power we have available through prayer, we might be speechless. Did you know that during WW II there was an adviser to Churchill who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing every day at a prescribed hour for one minute to collectively pray for the safety of England, its people, and peace?

There is now a group of people organizing the same thing here in America. If you would like to participate: Every evening at 9:00 PM Eastern Time (8:00 PM Central; 7:00 PM Mountain; 6:00 PM Pacific), stop whatever you are doing and spend one minute praying for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens, and for a return to a Godly nation. If you know anyone else who would like to participate, please pass this along. Our prayers are the most powerful asset we have. Please forward this to your praying friends. -- **Submitted by Terry Rogers**

If there is anyone you would like included on the parish prayer list email me at mcdotty@cox.net or Dorothy.Cox@L-3Com.com. I will be glad to include friends, family or co-workers; you do not have to be a member of our church to be prayed for. – **Your Sister in Christ, Dotty Cox**

TREASURES IN THE BARN MINISTRY

Since November 13, 2010, The Barn, as it is affectionately called, has welcomed people from all walks of life. The people who work there have helped the poor, consoled those who mourn, talk to the lonely or assist happy shoppers.

On Thursdays, Fridays or Saturday, one of these folks will be greeting you: Linda Thompson, Travis Kay, Ken Cooper, Bertha Wright, Bunny Nobles, Terry Rogers, Kathie Dubiel, Andrea Selby or myself. Others fill in when needed: Laurie Alexander, Cyrena Pritchett, Mary Hodgkins, Dotty Cox and Linda Gerlock. Volunteers can work



one hour or all day. Stand-bys are always needed as well as regular workers. If you can spare some time, we welcome you!

From October 30, 2010 to June 19, 2011, we have taken in over \$7,000. We have reimbursed CTR Building Fund \$3,000. The Building Fund was used to remodel the barn. Once that has been repaid, we will divide the proceeds between outreach programs and the Building Fund. The Barn also pays its own electrical bills and any expenses such as sale books, scotch tape, tickets, shelves, etc.

We are very grateful for all donations. Without them, the Barn would not exist. Anyone can make a donation and it is tax deductible. The over flow of items, which happens from time to time, is shared with the Salvation Army. Boxes are recycled.

We thank all CTR members and the community at large who have contributed to the Treasures in the Barn (including the "remodelers"). God has truly blessed this ministry and we pray that He will continue to do so in the future.

-- Joan Johnson, Spokesperson



NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN

We put the last kitchen storage shelves in place recently for a total of two large ones and two medium size ones. Becky cleaned everything out from under the tables. Some Elves (I suspect Linda T. and Bunny) flushed the kitchen of all that unsightly stuff on top of the cabinets and put them on the new shelves. They also cleaned some cabinets out to help rid of the ants. We got invaded.

Bunny is going to make some curtains for the windows, I expect her to save the church a bit money -vs- blinds. Thanks Bunny!!!

This is just the first phase of upgrades I've got in mind for the storage and fellowship areas. I will be presenting more suggestions to the Vestry as completions come about. We have a fellowship event planned for the 3rd of July Indoor Picnic -- hot dogs with all the fixins and side dishes. We will have a Hot Dog Crew taking care of the dogs and stuff to go on the Dogs. Please bring your favorite picnic side dish in for everyone to enjoy.

If you ever have any questions about fellowship, please email me and cc Dotty Cox or Call me @ 478-320-5651. If I don't answer, please leave a voice mail and I will try and get back with you. If need be, Dotty Cox is Deputy Fellowship Director and you can reach her at 478 972-9074 - **Joe Short**

ALTAR GUILD

- July 3 Patriotic Joan Johnson
& Becky Short W-HC BCP
263
- July 10 Mary Hodgkins & Angela
Leigh G-HC
- July 17 Kathie Dubiel & Angela
Wallace G-HC
- July 24 Linda McGraw & Linda
Gerlock G-HC
- July 31 Paula Gwathney & Katherine
Pfohl G-MP

New Member: Welcome Fran Kubasko

READERS AND MINISTERS

- July 3 Jessica Gray & Jim Gray
- July 10 Jerry Herbel & Moses
Alexander
- July 17 Angela Wallace and Wayne
Crow
- July 24 Linda Gerlock & Ed Leigh
- July 31 TBD & Frank Pfohl

CLEANERS

- July 4 Bertha July 11 Mary
- July 18 Linda July 25 Bunny

PRAYER REQUEST _____

Our prayers are requested from a friend who lives in Waycross, Georgia

We-as a Community and surrounding Counties- have really had a difficult week with the wild fires. The fire fighters are beyond tired - stretched thin - thin - thin. One major fire started Wednesday afternoon near Waycross and has now been put down - command center for that fire has been moved. This fire was at the site of our '07 Monster Fire. As a community at large we are once again brought to our knees in fervent prayers for rain - prayers answered with rain on Thursday -- not a lot but enough to be of help in spots. Still on-going fires - if it can just be kept in the Swamp -- been fighting wildfires since April. We are not out of the woods yet. Please pray for our brave fire fighters who have come here from near and far to help us.



**Oh God in Heaven, send us we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THOUGHT FOR TODAY!!

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him. Every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements, and to store his few possessions. One day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, with smoke rolling up to the sky. He felt the worst had happened, and everything was lost. He was stunned with disbelief, grief, and anger. He cried out, 'God! How could you do this to me?' Early the next day, he was awakened by the sound of a ship approaching the island! It had come to rescue him! 'How did you know I was here?' asked the weary man of his rescuers. 'We saw your smoke signal,' they replied.

The Moral of This Story:

It's easy to get discouraged when things are going bad, but we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of our pain and suffering. Remember that the next time your little hut seems to be burning to the ground. It just may be a smoke signal that summons the Grace of God.

P.S. You may want to consider passing this on, because you never know who feels as if their hut is on fire today.

RELAY FOR LIFE



Left: Father Paul, Linda and Sonny Rogers man the patriotic tent. Above: Joe Short cookin' up hot dogs!

We had a total of 11 people for their first Relay for Life team. We sold plates of hot dogs, chips, dessert and a drink. We also sold popcorn. We raffled off a basket which was donated by Fran Kubasko. Our team was small and I was really in the dark about how to coordinate our team, but we learned and had a great time. We also raised \$881.00! Not bad for the first time. Thanks goes out to everyone who donated time, money and material goods. We hope to have a bigger team next year and double our contribution to this great cause. -- Dotty Cox



JUST A SWINGIN'

Stephanie and Bobbie Leigh try out the new swing set that Bobbie and his Scout Troop 127 from Kathleen set up behind the church. About a dozen scouts put it together in two Saturdays. The set came from an anonymous donor and there's a little more to be added on. Bobbie's dad Ed plans to put a nice fence around the playground area. Great job Leighs!



SUSAN MCDUFFIE PERFORMS FOR CTR

Outstanding piano and organ master Susan McDuffie performed a wonderful selection of patriotic, classical, Christian, Spanish, pop and jazz songs on May 27 which raised over \$700 for our Building Fund. At left are Terry and Clyde Wilkins thanking McDuffie for donating her performance. And thanks to all those who helped with advertising and food.

ANGLICAN CAMPERS

Naomi Nobles, Rebecca Leigh and Victoria Selby attended Anglican Adventure Camp at Elk Shoals, NC June 19-23. They studied Books of the Bible, went hiking, tubing and had cookouts. The camp was the largest held to date with 46 children attending.



Don't forget to congratulate Naomi who graduated from Twiggs Academy 10th grade. She made high average in Spanish and Science for 10th Grade and highest over all grades in Spanish for the entire High School!



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Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 9:30AM and is followed by a pot luck luncheon. Please join us as we study God's word. Questions: Linda Thompson 956-2532 or 342-5212. Hope to see you there.