

KINGSTON CRIER

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Let's be, on sabbatical.

I used to find the fall somewhat depressing, until my Dad, the farmer, said one day, "I like the fall! It is a season of gathering. It is the gathering of the harvest, after months and months of work. And it is the gathering of families, as we celebrate Thanksgiving together and look forward to gathering at Christmas." He helped me see Fall with new eyes.

This November, Kingston Parish is due for some gathering. Our pledges are gathered and blessed, we gather for special meals and fellowship, and we continue to gather for worship. In the midst of all this gathering, how can we remain in sabbath time?

We might pause, and allow ourselves to be.

Instead of worrying about things left undone, can we rest in worship, knowing that we are in God's hands at this moment?

Instead of rushing from one thing to the next, can we pause for a moment and praise God for the beauty before our eyes?

Instead of wondering where the children and teenagers are, can we hug the ones we see, and engage them in a conversation that makes them feel good about being in church?

Let's be.

Jen

Thanksgiving Day Worship and Community Dinner

November 28, 2019
10:30 AM to 1:30 PM

We will begin with a 10:30 AM Worship Service in Kingston Chapel led by the Rev. Jen Kimball. If you are free, please join us for this community meal. Posters will be available in the office for distribution.

We will need help delivering the Meals On Wheels dinners.

If you can help with setting up tables and chairs the day before, cooking food, serving food or cleaning up afterwards, please contact Vicki Carter, (804) 695-4591.



Emergency Shelter for the Homeless

As the GUEST Shelter prepares for the winter season, we reflect on the past year and are thankful to have helped a number of families and individuals find permanent housing solutions. Since April 1, 2019, the Housing Resource Advocate at the GUEST Day Shelter has worked with over 70 individuals and families from the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck to assist them in finding housing and financial assistance. Over 27 individuals found permanent housing solutions with the assistance of nearly \$24,000 in Rapid Rehousing Funds.

In preparation for the winter shelter season, volunteers are needed to help staff the day and night shelters.

Training sessions are scheduled as follows:

PETSWORTH Baptist Church, 2471 Hickory Fork Road, Gloucester, Thursday, November 7, 7:00 pm and Thursday, December 5, 7:00 pm

BETHANY United Methodist Church, 1860 Hayes Road, Gloucester Point, Sunday, November 10, 4:00 pm

GRACE COVENANT Presbyterian Church, 6470 Main Street, Gloucester, Sunday, December 8, 4:00 pm

ABINGDON Episcopal Church, 4645 George Washington Memorial Hwy, Gloucester, Sunday, December 15, 4:00 pm

GLOUCESTER POINT Baptist Church, 7741 Terrapin Cove Rd, Gloucester Point, Sunday, January 5, 4:00 p.m.

The Volunteer signup links for November/December are:

GUEST DAY SHELTER NOVEMBER - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-guest40>

GUEST DAY SHELTER DECEMBER - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-guest36>

Rev. Kristi Askew

Questions? Contact the Rev. Jen Kimball
jensven1@gmail.com or 804-815-7692



Ingathering Sunday November 3

We will be presenting our pledge cards to God in our worship service Sunday, November 3rd at 10:30 AM. Pledge cards already received will be included in the dedication.

Following the service we will fellowship together at a luncheon provided by the church. We hope you will be able to celebrate the day with us.

Divine Diners November 15

Please join us for our next Divine Diners event on November 15th at 5:30 PM. We need a volunteer to host us in their home. As we think of Fr. Gary's final month visiting childhood places in California, we will come together and share dishes that remind us the gold rush state. According to Google, seven foods attributed to California are sourdough bread, cioppino, cobb salad, ranch dressing, California roll, fortune cookies and rocky road ice cream!



Celtic Service October 27th



Blessing of Our Pets October 6th

Christmas Greenery for Christ Church

It is this time of the year again when we start to think about Christmas. If you had wreaths, swags or poinsettias in Christ church last year, I will keep it the same for this year unless you otherwise tell me differently. Contact me if your plans have changed or if you need to change loved ones names or add others.

If you would like to have a wreath or a poinsettia in church for Christmas and have not done so in the past, I will need your name and the person(s) name they are in memory/thanksgiving or honor of. Please make sure the spelling of your honoree is correct as that is the way it will be spelled in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

We have 25 wreaths: a wreath on each window and all doors in Sanctuary area, Christ Church front doors, Rectory door and Parish House doors. We replace the door wreaths on the PH and CC right before the 25th as they have been on the doors all during Advent and can dry out during that time.

We usually have 30 to 36 poinsettias and 2 swags. Christ Church is beautiful at any time of the year; however, it is especially beautiful over Christmas and Easter due to those who place flowers and such in memory of your loved ones. I thank you for this.

Note: all poinsettias ordered by people may be removed from C.C. after the Epiphany Sunday service. Wreaths are \$25 each. Poinsettias are \$10 each and swags are \$30 each.

Thanks for your memorial contributions. Mairi Furniss, (804)725-5249 or scotsslass6@gmail.com

Social Services Needs Your Help

Mathews Social Services has a **Food Closet** that serves customers Monday through Friday on an emergency basis. At this time the closet is almost empty and donated funds have dwindled to a bare minimum. Please consider collecting food items for their Food Closet or send a check payable to Mathews Social Services, notating "food fund."

Social Services is also collecting gift items now for the **Christmas Store**: new toys, clothing, household items, jewelry and cosmetics. Bring these items by November 30th. If you would like to help during the store, contact Berni LaCasse, 384-7740 or bclacasse@gmail.com.

Wonder In All

Our official stewardship campaign season is winding to a close with our upcoming Ingathering Sunday; however, stewardship obviously doesn't stop on November 3. Over the weekend, I returned to Charlottesville for the first time in over a month. I haven't missed the hustle and bustle of life there; however, the fall trees were spectacular. I was struggling in traffic, missing my peaceful workday morning drives over the Piankatakank, Rappahannock and Carter's Creek in the mornings. I found myself wondering if I would appreciate the beauty and peace as much if I had never experienced city rush hours. I had a lot of time to think, sitting in traffic, about the theme of this year's campaign: *Wonder in All*. We all take things for granted sometimes. Both the good and the challenging things in life are all truly gifts of Grace allowing us to grow along our spiritual path. Thus, my closing thought is to not let the journey end here. Keep your eyes open for the little and big opportunities to experience moments of *Wonder in All* in your daily life and take the time to share them with someone else, too!

Thank you for allowing me to be your stewardship coordinator this year. I have really appreciated the opportunity to grow.

Sincerely, Gale Gibson

A Bahamian Need

This summer I had an opportunity to go with my sister to the Bahamas, where we met Kathran McIntosh, a taxi driver. The Sunday she took us back to the airport in Marsh Harbor, she mentioned the hurricane headed toward them, which struck the following Sunday (Dorian). I made contact two weeks later. She and her family are in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, after losing everything, including a family member. They are trusting God for daily needs.

I ask you to consider a one-time contribution to this family of five. A collection will be taken Sunday, December 1st, at both services. Make checks payable to me, Mary Kathryn Diggs, and bring them to church December 1st or drop them by the office any time during November. I will let you know what the total is that we end up sending.

With grateful thanks,
Mary Kathryn Diggs
Outreach Warden

Fall Fair 2019 Wrap-Up

This year we had beautiful weather which resulted in excellent attendance. We had a tremendous team effort on Fall Fair. In keeping with the Fall Fair tradition, Kingston Parish came together in support of our Fall Fair. Whether making donations, setting up, staffing booths, picking up donated items, testing electrical appliances, preparing delicious foods, buying our offerings or taking down, Kingston Parish showed up. And so did our Mathews community. Mary Kathryn and I were extremely appreciative.

Financially, the latest report is that we made over \$25,250 gross and we are still receiving payments. The charities we support will be grateful for the monies Kingston Parish is able to give back to our community. Each of you helped make this happen with your support of Fall Fair. YOU make Fall Fair a heart-warming event. Information about our final net income and how the money will be distributed into our community will be in future *Criers*. Again, our sincere thanks to all who made Fall Fair 2019 a success.

Mary Kathryn Diggs and Tom Reed
Co-Chairpersons for Fall Fair 2019

Silent Auction

Thank you so much to everyone who donated treasures, bought that special something, and worked tirelessly at the Silent Auction Booth. Because of you we had a successful day!!! A special thank you to the worker bees that made it all come together.... Lois Biddison, Steph Brown, Mary Chapman, Bill Higdon, Linda Machen, Nancy Miller, Linda Moorman, Justin Powell and Martha Ellen Traband. We could not have done it without you!!! Kathy Yent and Gay Butler

Country Kitchen

I would like to thank every one that gave baked goods, pickles, jams and jellies to the Country Kitchen booth and my wonderful helpers: Bernie La Casse, Lauren Hammond and Cooper La Casse. Thank you all so much! ...Tuggie Hutson

Gourmet Booth

Cindy Machen and I would like to thank all the gourmet chefs at Kingston for the frozen dinners and appetizers. We are amazed each year at the variety of goodies that come to our fridge and freezer. Special thanks to Frances Hudgins for her beautiful handwriting on the board. Karen Jones

Classy Closet

Pat Neiger and I would like to thank everyone who donated, sorted, pressed, purchased clothing and worked at the checkout at Classy Closet this Fall Fair. We began the sorting process in the sweltering heat of late summer with assistants, Carol Swartz and Janice Higdon, who put in as many hours as we did. Thank you to each volunteer who spent a few hours or a few days with us in Classy Closet. We are very appreciative of your time, ideas, and efforts. Thankfully, Saturday was a beautiful fall day... perfect for opening the doors and welcoming all our customers.--Trish Reed

Holiday Booth

Peggy Hudgins, thank you for showing us the ropes, working hard in preparation, and for donating so many sale items. Marti Bowen, Wendy Super, and Rosemary Eaton, you were tireless, innovative, and greatly appreciated. You made our booth happen and then packed it all up for next year! Cashiers, Nina Guy, Deirdre McElroy, Dorothy Jeffress, thank you for cheerfully collecting money. And lastly, but importantly, thank you to the creative artists and generous donors who brought out their lovely holiday treasures for us to sell. Nan Cross

Live Auction

Many thanks to all who made the live auction a success: Joe Mereness, Tom Neiger, Jon and Thomas Lewis, John Lee Machen, and Vicki Carter for great help leading up to the event. On Saturday thanks to Ed Hammond, Tom Bowen, Tom Neiger, and Thomas Lewis for helping things go almost smoothly. Barb and Kate vanEmmerik--we couldn't have done it without you! Martha Story, thank you for putting together the record keeping package and Bob and Sandy Warren for donating the pick-up truck! Bert Cross

Lunch Counter & Brunswick Stew Teams

A big hats off to all involved that made our Fall Fair contribution such a huge success. Our Fall Fair began early in September with that first batch of Brunswick stew. And those 200 quarts sold-out within a few days after making. On the day of our Fall Fair, our day began around 5 am with 240 pounds of Boston butts, and was followed shortly after with the preparation of our second batch of Brunswick stew. This year we were sold out of all items by 12:20. GREAT FOOD goes fast! Thanks again to my loyal and dedicated prep and cook teams. I hope we can all gather again next year. Vicki Carter

Parish Prayer List

Pray For Our Parishioners

Taffy Barringer for back surgery (by Mary Chapman)
 Lori Black for autoimmune issues (by Jay Black)
 Mary Ann Carr for back surgery September 4 (office)
 Bill French for urinary tract infection (office)
 Hank Furniss for non-tremor Parkinsons (by Mairi Furniss)
 Paul Gibson for heart issues (by Jan Mohr)
 Peggy Hudgins for pulmonary fibrosis (office)
 Martha Anne King for cancer (by Mary Chapman)
 Martha Knight for stomach cancer (office)
 Amanda Taylor for recovery from surgery (by Jim Taylor)

Pray For Our Family and Friends

Don Altman for lung cancer (by Bill Leary)
 JiRee Burrell (by Kathy Yent)
 Keith Brown for a broken hip (by Ethel Brown)
 Logan Byrns undergoing several surgeries for hand injury (by Vince Lassiter)
 Duncan Campbell for colon cancer (by Mary Kathryn Diggs)
 Peggy Carr for breast cancer (by Gay Butler)
 John Cato for injuries from a felled tree (by Betty Cato)
 Anne Chittenden for uterine cancer (by Jane Lockaby)
 Terry Dobson for brain surgery (by Lynn May)
 Nancy Donnelly (by Kathy Yent)
 Mary Doyle for hydrocephalus (by Valerie Lewis)
 Tom Dunnington
 Mary Ellen Edwards *Karen failed to write down who put these two on and why!!*
 Krystal Elms for stage 4 lung cancer (by Mairi Furniss)
 Matt Fentress for several stresses (by Kathy Yent)
 Glenda Flippin for ovarian cyst (by Jay Black)
 Walker Linden Ford for Sturge-Weber Syndrome (by Kathy Yent)
 Barbara Fumagalli for overall poor health (by Mary Kathryn Diggs)
 Franklin Furey for mantel cell lymphoma (by Ethel Brown)
 Doris Gibson for complications from shingles (by Paul Gibson)
 Pat Graveline for colon/liver cancer (by Joe Mereness and Richard Scott)
 Suzanne West Guy for Parkinsons (by Nina Guy)
 David Hawkins for complications from diabetes (by Rosemary Eaton)
 Linda Hawkins for mass on spine (by Rosemary Eaton)
 Carole Hirose for anxiety (office)
 Kyle Johnson for possible return of colon cancer (by Martha Ellen Traband)
 Eugene Jones for Parkinson's Disease (by Robert Petersen)
 Susan Kensey (by Shannon Kirschbaum)
 Andrea Krause for breast cancer (by Gay Pfister)
 Don Loving for multiple illnesses (by Jan Mohr)
 Melissa McCarter for Parkinson's (by Eleanor Woollard)
 Linda Monk for metastatic lung cancer (by Kathy Yent)
 Kristen Moran for breast cancer (by Jan Mohr)
 Kathy Nelson for pulmonary fibrosis (by Kathy Yent)
 Bob Oberman for cancer (by Betty Salley)
 Ben Pemorse for failing health (by Pat Elliot)
 Elizabeth Perkins for brain tumor (by Pat Elliot)
 Finn Philipsen for football injury (by Kathy Yent)
 Stefanie Powers (by Lisa McCann)
 Norris Richardson for Parkinsons (by the Warrens)
 Erin Robertson for AA neuropathy (Warrens)
 Mark Robins for brain cancer (by Tom Ingram)
 Ginger Shackelford for Hodgkins lymphoma (Kathy Yent)

November Birthdays

Jen Kimball+	2
Sarah Renner	6
Lyman Hayes	11
Anna Hudgins	11
Mary Ann Carr	11
Tom Flounders	11
Josie Thorpe	13
Steve Pope	15
Hunt Thompson	15
Pat Herbert	17
Carter Hayes	20
Shannon Kirschbaum	20
George Overstreet	20
Debbie Lambert	22
Pamela Viens	23
Janice Shanks	23
Michael Lair	24
Thomas Liscoe	24
Edward Renner	29

Serving in the Military or Diplomatic Corps

Jody Bridgforth
 Colin Bucknor
 BJ Cavazos
 Yvette Gaither
 Joe Kraynak
 Megan Kraynak
 Hib McNeilly
 Joey Plotino
 Jennifer Schmidt
 Zach Schmidt
 George Truscott
 William Truscott
 Nicholas Webster

Raymnd Shackelford for gall bladder surgery (by Nan C.)
 Bella Silvus for Lyme's Disease (by Marti Bowen)
 Rosie Small for cervical/uterine cancer (by Gay Pfister)
 Bruce Spain for a broken femur (by Mary Dabney Webster)
 Amy Suppes for removal of spleen (by Rosemary Eaton)
 Marsha Threlkeld for breast cancer (by Debbie Lambert)
 Joe Tomlinson (by Josie Thorpe)
 Jennie Whittle for return of cancer (by Mary Chapman)
 Kitty Witty for stage 4 bone cancer (M. E. Traband)
 Catherine Worley for breast cancer (by Gay Butler)

Sun

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Sat



November



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 <i>All Saints' Sunday</i> 9:15 am Sunday School-PH 10:30 Ingathering HE II and Luncheon-KC</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts-PH 7 pm Boy Scouts-PH</p>	<p>4 1 pm Monday Class-KC</p>	<p>5 <i>Election Day</i> 7 pm Tuesday Class-L</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 3 pm Choir-CC 7 pm AA-PH</p>	<p>1 <i>All Saints' Day</i></p>	<p>2 <i>Fall Back!</i> Daylight Savings Time Ends</p>
<p>10 <i>22 Pentecost 27</i> 8 am HE I-CC 9:15 Sunday School-PH 10:30 HE II-KC</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts-PH 7 pm Boy Scouts-PH</p>	<p>11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> 1 pm Monday Class-KC</p>	<p>12 9:30 am Master Gardeners-PH Bathroom Cmte.-L 10 am Preschool Chapel-MC 3:30 pm Preschool Board Mtg.-L</p>	<p>13 10 am Preschool Chapel-MC</p>	<p>14 3 pm Choir-CC 7 pm AA-PH</p>	<p>15 5:30 pm Divine Dinners at ? (Volunteer Needed) with California Theme</p>	<p>16 Diocesan Convention in Reston</p>
<p>17 <i>23 Pentecost 28</i> 8 am HE I-CC 9:15 Sunday School-PH 10:30 HE II-KC <i>Scott Krejci+, Supply</i></p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts-PH 7 pm Boy Scouts-PH</p>	<p>18 1 pm Monday Class-KC 6 pm Vestry-L</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 CRIER DEADLINE</p>	<p>21 3 pm Choir-CC 7 pm AA-PH</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 <i>Christ the King</i> 8 am HE I-CC 9:15 Sunday School-PH 10:30 HE II-KC</p> <p>NEXT SUNDAY: Advent Wreath Making</p>	<p>25 1 pm Monday Class-KC</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> 10:30 am HE II-KC 11:30-1:30 Community Thanksgiving Dinner-PH 7 pm AA-PH</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>

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The Rt. Rev. Robert Ihloff, Bishop Associate

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The Rev. Jen Kimball, Interim Priest**

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Communications	Rachel Morris
Fellowship	Shannon Kirschbaum
Hospitality	Jackie Ingram
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Jayda Hess	Assistant Teacher

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I at Christ Church
9:15 a.m. Sunday School in the Parish House
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at Kingston Chapel