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RENEWAL: TOGETHER IN MINISTRY

The Rev'd Chris Epperson



By the time you read this, I will already be out on Sabbatical. Hopefully, my plans for spiritual renewal and personal reflection are underway. I write this prior to Easter,

so this is simply a forecast. While I have my own hopes, I also have hopes for you.

You are in Lauren's capable hands. She is keeping the trains running on time, and keeping the ship on course. I trust her judgement in every respect, and I have no worries about Bruton Parish Church on her watch.

As I consider who I am and what the next season of ministry looks like, I hope you are doing the same. In this created space of sabbath, listen to the Spirit. What is next for us together in ministry?

We all need renewal. I am taking time for me. I will be out of your way. Take this time for you.

Best,

Chris +

YOUTH MISSIONS & PILGRIMAGE DINNER/AUCTION

Bruton's middle and high school students are participating in two mission trips this summer. We need your support to pull off these amazing opportunities for our youth to grow in love and service.

Please come to our Dinner & Auction on Saturday, May 4, in the Parish Hall at 6pm. We'll have entertainment, pictures of our last mission trip, as well as auction and donor options for this year's trips. Tickets for this fun night are \$25/person and they must be purchased by Monday, April 29.

The nursery will be open for infants and toddlers, and we'll have separate activities for elementary school-aged children.



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Memorial Day Service
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Aging In Place Symposium
Tuesday, May 28 @ 9am
Nominations for Delegates
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Due June 10
* Child care may be available for babies through elementary-aged children by reservation only. Please contact Meghan Brewer at 757-345-6489 or send an email to childcare@brutonparish.org.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 5
Holy Eucharist, Rite I @ 7:30am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II @ 9:15 & 11:15am
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm

Sunday, May 12
Holy Eucharist, Rite I @ 7:30am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II @ 9:15 & 11:15am
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm

Sunday, May 19
Holy Eucharist, Rite I @ 7:30am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II @ 9:15 & 11:15am
Children's Church @ 9:15am
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm

Sunday, May 26
Holy Eucharist, Rite I @ 7:30am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II @ 9:15 & 11:15am
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm

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Holy Eucharist - St. Mary's Chapel
Tuesdays @ 8am

Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers
Wednesdays @ 11am

Canterbury Holy Eucharist, Evening Prayer
or Choral Evensong
Tuesdays @ 5:30pm in Wren Chapel
when college is in session

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES

Monday through Friday (9am-5pm), please call (757) 345-2250 directly or call the church office at (757) 229-2891. After 5pm and on weekends, please call the church office at (757) 229-2891 and choose Option 6. If necessary, leave your name, telephone number and a brief message, and the clergy-on-call will return your call as soon as possible.

NEWCOMERS' CORNER

New members of Bruton Parish are invited to join clergy, vestry and Newcomers Committee members for coffee in the Custis House at 10:30am on the first Sunday of each month. This is a great opportunity to become better acquainted with the parish and learn of the many ministries here at Bruton Parish. Please join us on Sunday, May 5.

LIVING THE GOSPEL BIBLE STUDY

This adult Lectionary-based Bible study is held every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11am in the library of the Parish House while the church is closed. The study looks at the impact of the Gospel message on our everyday lives. Please join us Sunday, May 12 & 26, in the Custis House.

WEDNESDAYS BROWN-BAG BIBLE STUDY

Bring lunch on Wednesdays at noon to the Coffee, Tea & Thee room upstairs in the Parish House. This Lectionary-based Bible study is centered upon the Gospel for the coming Sunday. The preacher for the week will facilitate these sessions where those in attendance will be able to reflect upon the scriptures that will be the focus of the Sunday sermon. The studies may provide increased insight into the sermon or explore aspects of the passages beyond the scope of the sermon, or both.

KEEP MOVING

Williamsburg Community Café

Are you 60 or better? Stay informed and active! The Faith Community and Peninsula Agency on Aging are sponsoring an afternoon out. Join them Thursday, May 2, for Keep Moving.



Experts will demonstrate ways to improve muscle strength, flexibility, and balance. Recommendations for pre-surgery type exercises that may speed recovery time will be discussed. Comber Physical Therapy will explain and demonstrate their Rock Steady boxing program for Parkinson's patients. A representative from the YMCA will describe the Silver sneakers program.

The Café is free and open to Williamsburg residents age 60+ and caregivers. It is located at St. Martin's Episcopal Church and sponsored by local congregations, businesses, and the PAA. Join us for a short presentation, snacks and prizes.

DOK INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Part of our rule of life as The Order of the Daughters of the King® is consistent intercessory prayer. Prayers are said for four weeks and may be repeated. Anyone wishing to have prayers said for them or for others should fill out a blue request card at the church tower and drop it in the DOK prayer box. This month's prayer is by St. Theresa and offered by Faith Croker.

May today there be peace within you.
May you trust God that you are exactly
where you need to be.
May you not forget the infinite possibilities
that are born of faith.
May you use the gifts that you have received
and pass on the love that has been given to
you.
May you be content knowing you are a
child of God.
Let this presence settle into your bones
and allow your soul the freedom to
sing, dance, praise and hope.
It is there for each and every one of you.

ON THE BISHOP'S BLOG: AN EASTER ALLELUIA

"Easter is the most unique of all the feasts we Christians celebrate. Simultaneously it is marked by both the heights of joy and the depths of grief. I have always thought of both of these as competing for the spiritual space in our lives. Both are exceedingly powerful and all-encompassing. At one moment our lives are buoyed up to beyond-the-imagination levels, and the next moment destabilized with sadness and emotional blindness." Read Bishop Magness's complete Easter Alleluia message at bit.ly/BISHOP2019EASTER.



NEWCOMERS' WELCOME RECEPTION

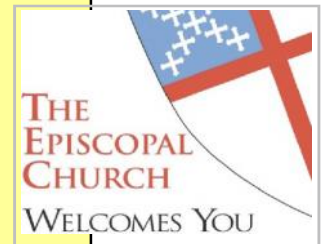
Kris Magnusson

The Newcomers Committee is planning a welcome reception for Bruton Parish newcomers from 5:30 to 7pm on Thursday, May 16, in the Parish House.

The parish Clergy and members of the Vestry and Newcomers Committee will welcome new members in an informal gathering, which will be a wonderful opportunity for fun and family fellowship. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine, sodas, coffee and other non-alcoholic drinks will be served. Bring your children; activities and appropriate refreshments will be provided.

A guided tour of the Parish House will be available before the reception. Gather at 5pm in the Parish House lobby near the reception desk. The reception will begin at the conclusion of the tour.

Please let us know how many adults and children will be attending by contacting the church office at either 757-229-2891 or email newcomers@brutonparish.org. Parking will be available on Duke of Gloucester Street in front of the Parish House.



USHER MINISTRY & GREETERS MINISTRY NEEDS YOU

We are in desperate need of ushers for all services! Please contact Ginny and Bill Dugge by email at ushers@brutonparish.org. The Greeter Ministry, particularly during the 7:30am service, needs a few more greeters. It only takes 5 to 10 minutes of your time to greet visiting guests or a say a pleasant good morning to the 7:30am regulars. Please contact Terry McGuirk at (757) 220-6708 to volunteer.

BRUTON CONTINUES TO SUPPORT LOVE OF READING IN MATTHEW WHALEY STUDENTS

Janet Estes, M25

**FOCUS
ON
MINISTRY**

It's amazing what \$500 can do for young children and their reading lives! For the third school year in a row, Bruton Parish has supported needy students at Matthew Whaley Elementary School by providing them new, self-selected books to take home "for keeps" at the beginning of spring break. This year, 50 children were identified to benefit from this program.

With money provided by Bruton through the Matthew 25 (M25) and the Mission & Outreach Committee, Rachel Corliss, Media Center Director at the school, worked diligently with these students to make sure they received books appropriate to their individual interests and reading levels. They selected books such as: Because of Winn Dixie, Spring According to Humphrey, Fly Guy Presents: Garbage and Recycling, and National Geographic Kids: Weird but True, among others.

When the books arrived from Scholastic, Ms. Corliss and Principal Robin Ford were quick to send their thanks to Bruton with the following comments: "We greatly appreciate your generosity in providing books for students to take home for spring break. They are very excited!" and "Our students are so fortunate to have your support!"

The M25 Committee is extremely grateful to the Mission & Outreach Grants Committee and the parish at large for providing a budget for us to work with each year to help some of our littlest neighborhood children achieve their potential as readers! Let's continue this wonderful mission during the months and years to come!

Please stay tuned to future issues of The Chronicle, along with the weekly Bruton Bytes and Sunday bulletins for the particulars of our End of School Project for Matthew Whaley Students!



FISH SUMMER FOOD DRIVE

Mission & Outreach

From Sunday, May 19, to Friday, June 7, Bruton will collect non-perishable food supplies to help fill the FISH cupboards for the summer. Pick up your empty bags at church on Sundays (May 19, 26 and June

2) or during the week in the Parish House. Children and teens who receive one or two meals at school each day will be home from school, placing additional pressures on already stretched food budgets.

Foods needed include: oatmeal, cereals; canned fruits, soups, vegetables, canned and dried beans, including baked beans; rice, dried pasta, canned pasta sauce; boxed macaroni and cheese, canned meats including Spam, chicken and fish including tuna fish; Saltine crackers, peanut butter, jelly; fruit juices.

Please fill your grocery bags and deliver your donations to the Lewis Hall lobby at the Parish House by Friday, June 7. Please do not overfill your bag - we ask that you use multiple bags and double - bag your items to prevent the bags from breaking.

Volunteers will be needed on the morning of Saturday, June 8, at 8:30am at the Parish House to help load and deliver the bags to FISH and to help stock the pantry shelves. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate! Please email Lynn Smyth at Food4FISH@brutonparish.org to volunteer. More info is online at williamsburgfish.weebly.com.

A TIME TO BUILD: BRUTON BUILDERS AT WORK

The Rev'd Lauren McDonald

"May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork." - Psalm 90:17

After hurricane Katrina, Bruton parishioners took several trips to partner with St. Peter's by the Sea in Gulfport, Mississippi to help rebuild not only the church but also to help with relief in the community. St. Peter's had a trailer with tools and supplies to share as they looked beyond their own walls to helping neighbors repair their homes. The Brutonians were inspired by this idea to purchase a trailer and stock it with tools so that they could offer the same ministry in the Williamsburg area to neighbors who could not afford to make repairs to their homes. With contributions from parishioners and the leadership of Hunter Lawrimore, the Bruton Builders began.

When Hunter went to purchase a used trailer and told the story of the mission for it, the seller sold him a new one for the same price as a used one. Since then Bruton Builders have traveled to the Eastern Shore of Maryland to assist with clean-up and rebuilding after Hurricane Sandy, built ramps for a number of homes in Williamsburg and James City County, worked on Habitat for Humanity builds. They have also assisted with projects at Camp Chanco, assisted with many repairs and projects at Avalon - a shelter for women and children experiencing domestic abuse, and have used their skills on recent projects in the Parish Shop, Parish House, and helping with renovations in the sacristy.

Bruton Builders welcome people of all skill levels to work on projects that benefit those in our community. This is another one of our outreach ministries that works behind the scenes and provides invaluable services to those in our community who might not otherwise be able to make the necessary repairs.

An upcoming project is the Spring Work Weekend at Chanco May 3-5. Please contact Nash Francis to sign up (757) 229-4818.

If you're interested in learning more or becoming a Bruton Builder, please contact Lou Nucci at builders@brutonparish.org. May God continue to prosper the work of the hands of the Bruton Builders!

FIRST FRIDAYS RECOVERY

EUCCHARIST

First Fridays will be on May 3 at 5:30 p.m. in Lewis Hall - parking is available on Duke of Gloucester Street in front of the Parish Shop. SpiritWorks Foundation and Bruton host this monthly service with prayers and readings that focus on helping people find ways to live faithfully in the midst of any kind of suffering, especially addiction, codependence, mental illness, and trauma. Tears are welcome, joy is celebrated, and all are embraced exactly as they are. During the service participants may light candles and write prayer requests. Join us this Easter as we pray for those still struggling, mourn those we've lost, and celebrate with those experiencing recovery. All are welcome, whether or not you're in recovery.

WALK A LABYRINTH

Join us on Saturday, May 11, at 9am at the Eastern State Hospital Labyrinth. All are welcome to join us in this ancient walking meditation. Contact the Rev'd Lauren McDonald for directions or more information.

WOMEN'S THEOLOGICAL BOOK GROUP

The group will meet on Thursday, May 9, from 1-2:30pm in Room 206 of the Parish House. Author Tim Farrington will be joining us for a discussion of his novel, *The Lazarus Kid*, that continues the story of single mother Rebecca, former monk Michael Christopher, and teenage Mary Martha that was started in *The Monk Downstairs/Upstairs*. This book explores the depths of faith and love, of parents and children and marriage and grief, and of life, and death, and life-mysteriously and miraculously- again. A great read for the Easter season, and the conversation with Tim Farrington is sure to be lively and engaging.

Our next book is *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson, and we'll gather on June 13 for discussion. All women are welcome. For more information, please contact the Rev'd Lauren McDonald.

WUF PACK

The Women Under Fortyish Group will meet for conversation and fellowship on Sunday, May 5, from 1-2:30pm in the Youth Room. This month we will also be watching part of Cotton Patch Gospel, a musical version of the story of Jesus if he had come to Georgia in contemporary times. Child care will be provided.

BRUTON SINGLES

Heidi Elam, Donna Dodenhoff, Eda Martin, Spence Witten and Sandy Lenthall

Bruton Singles is a fellowship ministry tailored towards parishioners and members of the wider community who are single. We typically get together once each week to attend various events in the parish and the larger community. Each event is accompanied by a meal and/or dessert (paid separately) at which we enjoy fellowship and discussion. To participate in any event, please procure tickets to the function (if necessary) and contact the listed coordinator.

Saturday, May 11, 4:30pm

Dinner @ Casa Pearl Restaurant

Join us at 4:30pm for dinner at this trendy new restaurant on Merrimac Trail, noted for its very good cuisine, especially fresh seafood. We may decide to go to a movie afterwards. Please rsvp to Heidi Elam at (757) 897-5012.

Friday, May 17, 7:30pm

Jaqueline Schwab @ Williamsburg Library Theatre

Join us at 7:15pm in the theatre lobby. Jacqueline's May's program -- *I Lift My Lamp* - Vintage Songs and Dances of Immigrant America -- celebrates our immigrants, their vibrant spirit of community music-making, and their multicultural contributions to our heritage. Jacqueline will perform music from Scotland, Ireland, Poland, Eastern Europe, the African-American community, Cuba, and Brazil, along with Tin Pan Alley tunes, Americana favorites and more. She has performed at the White House for President Clinton, and, with Scottish singer Jean Redpath, on public radio's *A Prairie Home Companion* and on CBS' *Late Show* with David Letterman. After the concert we may walk over to a nearby pub (\$5 ticket). Please RSVP to Donna Dodenhoff by email at singles@brutonparish.org.

Monday, May 27, 2pm

Memorial Day Picnic at The Beeches at Capitol Landing

A repeat of last year's Memorial Day Picnic at The Beeches (1030 Capitol Landing Road). Join us for hamburgers/hotdogs and fixings provided by the host. Everyone is invited to bring a favorite picnic side dish, salad or dessert, and drinks. Come and enjoy good company and see the progress at The Beeches! RSVP to Spence Witten by email at singles@brutonparish.org.



HAPPY EASTER FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE

Ed Emery, Nancy Nelson, Marty Easton

Thank you for your support in 2019. Please call or email us should you need information about giving to Bruton Parish. We can be reached at 757-345-2256 or finance@brutonparish.org. Thank you!

THE SEARCH FOR THE 11TH BISHOP OF SOUTHERN VIRGINIA

Marty Easton, Diocesan Standing Committee

Since the Celebration of the Ministry of Bishop Hollerith on February 8, the process for the nomination, election and consecration of the next bishop is proceeding on schedule. The Nominating Committee is currently at work reading the 40 applications that were received through March 15.

Next, the committee will conduct telephone interviews using a set of pre-determined questions. A retreat with candidates follows in early June. Then, the final slate of not fewer than three candidates is handed to the Standing Committee for approval and announcement. A petition period then opens for about four weeks.

Also important to the process is the role of the Transition Committee, chaired by our rector. This committee plans the Walkabouts held in September. Walkabouts are 4-5 meetings at diverse locations in the Diocese, providing an opportunity for people to meet, hear and question the candidates. The Transition Committee also oversees arrangements for the Election Convention and the Consecration.

The Election Convention is scheduled for Saturday, September 21, at which clergy and lay delegates vote separately. A majority of votes in each order is necessary for the election of a bishop. Elected lay delegates serving during the conciliar year of July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020 will vote.

Finally, save the date of February 1, 2020 for the Consecration of the 11th Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, with The Most Reverend Michael Curry presiding.

As the process moves forward and locations of all key events are finalized, stay tuned for more publicity in the Chronicle!

SERVING OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

Douglas Boller, Register

Nominations are open for delegates and alternates to the 2020 Annual Council, the two-day meeting of congregations of the Diocese of Southern Virginia. The Council meetings comprise elections and other business, worship, traditionally an address by the Bishop, and a guest keynote speaker. The 128th Annual Council of the Diocese of Southern Virginia will take place on February 28-29, 2020 at the Williamsburg Lodge Convention center.

Bruton Parish sends six delegates to Council. The term of a delegate is three years. Every year, two delegates rotate off and normally two new ones are elected. Previously elected and attending in 2020 are Ginny Elwell, Al Louer and Alice Oates. Three new delegates will join them on this occasion, one of whom will fill out the term of an earlier retired delegate and serve for two years.

The term of an alternate delegate is one year only, 2020. Two alternates attend Council and vote in the event that a delegate is absent. Both delegates and alternates attend an evening Convocation V pre-meeting held several weeks before Council.

Alice Oates writes: "I was honored to attend the 127th Annual Diocesan Council in February. The Council theme was Fresh Expressions of Gospel Relationships and two speakers shared experiences of revitalizing churches with diminishing congregations. The Diocesan staff provided Council materials in advance so I felt prepared to vote on resolutions. It was uplifting to see the key roles our clergy and several lay representatives hold on various Diocesan committees. The upcoming year will present a special opportunity for delegates as we transition and elect a new Bishop for the Diocese of Southern Virginia. Participating in the Council made me proud to be a part of the important work of the Diocese. I am looking forward to the next Council."

For an overview of the 2019 Annual Council, visit www.diosova.org.

To submit a nomination, please send an email to register@brutonparish.org or leave a note at the reception desk for the attention of Douglas Boller. Nominations are due by Monday, June 10.

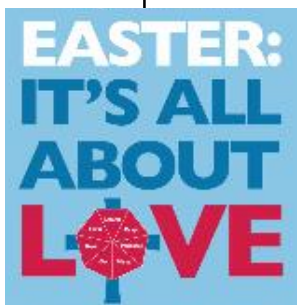
In June the Vestry elects delegates from the nominations received. With respect to qualifications, the Canons state that "All lay delegates shall be confirmed Communicants in good standing in the Parish or Mission they are elected to represent."



PRESIDING BISHOP CURRY'S EASTER MESSAGE

"In the moments of despair, in the moments of the worst darkness, God had done something incredible," Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop and Primate Michael B. Curry said in his Easter 2019 Message. "God had raised Jesus from the dead."

Read or watch a video of the rest of Bishop Curry's Easter Message at bit.ly/curry2019easter.



8TH ANNUAL AGING IN PLACE SYMPOSIUM

Williamsburg Faith In Action (WFIA)

WFIA is gearing up for its 8th Annual Aging In Place Symposium and invite YOU to participate! Join them Tuesday, May 28, from 9am to 2pm at the King of Glory Lutheran Church on Longhill Road. To register, visit their website at www.wfia.org or call 757-258-5890.



The Symposium will include a keynote address, informative presentations, hands-on activities, and community resources.

The keynote speaker is Dr. Gregg Shivers, Riverside Associate Director of Patient Safety and Service Line Chief for Riverside Life-Long Health Division.

Connect with friends, family, and services that support participation. Create through activities that promote health and personal enrichment. Contribute time, talent and life experience to benefit others.

The symposium costs just \$10 for seniors (60+), \$15 general admission, and \$40 for CEUs. Breakfast and lunch are included. Lunch is being catered by Corey's Country Kitchen.

ANNUAL PARISH BOOK SALE

Bruton Parish Youth

The Bruton Annual Book Sale has become a great Williamsburg tradition, and proceeds this year will go to our Youth Mission and Pilgrimage Fund. The sale will take place during the Labor Day weekend, and the time is at hand to begin collecting donations to support the sale! Please donate books, CDs, DVDs and puzzles, and take your donations to the Parish House or contact us at 757-229-2891 for pick-up if you can't bring them here. Please, no encyclopedias, VCR tapes or cassette tapes. We will need many volunteers, not only to help pick up book donations, but to help set-up, staff the sale, and clean up afterwards! If you can help in any way, please contact Stephen Fitton at booksale@brutonparish.org or 757-221-7277.



BRUTON PARISH GIFT SHOP

Lynn Karlisch

May is a wonderful month of celebrations and your Gift Shop is ready to help you find something special for everyone on your list.

Mother's Day is May 12th this year and we have so many beautiful and heartfelt gifts that she will be sure to cherish from stylish scarves, wraps and purses to sentimental jewelry and accessories for the summer season that will brighten her day. We also feature lovely items for her garden and home.

May is also a festive and proud time for graduations and weddings and we can help you choose meaningful gifts for both occasions. Our Jerry Draper hand carved crosses make such a perfect wedding gift as well as a beautiful new Bible for the couple's new home.

Our Gift Shop will begin the month of May by recognizing our devoted volunteers. On May 1, our shop chairman Sally McConnell and Betty Wright Armbruster will host a dinner in the Parish Hall to honor and celebrate our volunteers. Many have devoted hundreds (a few even thousands) of hours to help us in our efforts to grow our donations to mission and outreach. We enjoy our time together in the shop, making new friends and being a part of such a worthwhile cause. Please consider joining us, we would love to welcome you to our group!

We are very happy to announce a new event. We will be having a Jumble Sale on Columbus Day weekend, October 11-13. We hope you will save the date for this special occasion. We will be providing more details about this soon.



RIBBON CROSS FELLOWSHIP

Kathryn Smith

Please join the Women of Bruton for a morning of fun, fellowship and ribbon cross making on Tuesday, May 14, from 9:30 am - 11:25 am at Williamsburg Landing's Jamestown Room. This is a great opportunity to help make ribbon crosses that are sold in the wonderful Bruton Shop. All of the proceeds from the sales are targeted to help with the Women of Bruton's outreach efforts. It is a great chance to meet many new folks! There is a regularly scheduled Eucharist at 11:30am at the Landing afterwards, if it works out for you! Any questions, please contact Melinda Morgan at (703) 380-9875 or Kathryn Smith at (757) 229-2188. Hope to see you there!



CANTERBURY WINTER GALA

The Rev'd Dr. Dan McClain

The 2019 Canterbury Winter Gala and Silent Auction, held on February 23rd in the Great Hall of the Wren Building, was a success, and we in Canterbury owe the parishioners of Bruton Parish a huge "thank you!" So many of you donated items, baskets, and gift certificates to be auctioned. By the end of the Gala, we had successfully auctioned all but three of seventy items. Net profit for the event was \$11,934, \$2,850 more than the 2018 Gala.



Special thanks go to both Alice Krebs for a generous donation that was dedicated to decorations and floral arrangements, and Chester Hardison who provided those decorations and arrangements. It was, as anyone who attended will attest, a beautiful affair. The music was also superb, with performances by William & Mary's jazz ensemble, the Wham Bam Big Band, and the a cappella group, the Gentlemen of the College.

The Winter Gala and Silent Auction supports the charitable and pilgrimage efforts of the Episcopal Chaplaincy to William & Mary, with funds and resources going to service & pilgrimage trips, tuition for a student at Holy Cross Anglican School in Ambergris Caye, Belize, regional partnerships with the Real Life Recovery House in Richmond, VA and Latisha's House here in Williamsburg, and scholarships for Canterburyans who are pursuing ordination.



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SWEET DISCOURSE CONTINUES MAY 22: DR. CARL LOUNSBURY

Jim Morford

The next in the series of Bruton Guides' sponsored Sweet Discourse presentations will take place on Wednesday, May 22, at the Parish House. The speaker will be Dr. Carl Lounsbury who will provide an update on the excavations at the 1617 Church in Historic Jamestown where the first representative assembly met 400 years ago in the summer of 1619. He will also discuss Bruton in the architectural context of early Virginia churches.

Dr. Lounsbury, from 1982 until his recent retirement was a member of the Architectural Research Department at the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. He is an Adjunct Associate Professor at the College of William & Mary and is a greatly respected authority on early American architecture. He frequently serves as a consultant in design and architectural research for museums, historical societies, and state agencies. He has written for many periodicals and authored a number of books including Bruton Parish Church, An Architectural History.

The evening will begin at 6:30 with coffee & cookies followed by the program at 7pm. Plan now to attend what promises to be a highly informative and interesting event!



ONLINE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Marty Jones

Bruton's In-House Pictorial Directory was started last year and already has 50% of our congregation. Hilary Cooley, Communications Director, is able to add new member's pictures and updated pictures on a biannual basis which keeps this directory up-to-date. In the Spring and Fall we try to do a major update and have more of our members represented. Please make your reservation for either May 5 or June 2 to have your new picture taken or a retake of your current one.

Due to privacy laws, everyone who agrees to be included in the directory needs to complete, sign, and return a Personal Information Consent Form which can be accessed through the Parish Access Only tab on our website at www.brutonparish.org. Please send the form directly to Hilary Cooley or bring it with you when you come to have your family or individual picture taken.

We hope one of these THREE options will entice you to have your picture appear in the Directory:

OPTION 1:

Pictures will be taken on Sundays, May 5 and June 2, outside the north entrance of the church between morning services (8:30 - 9am & 10:30-11am). In case of rain, pictures will be taken at the Custis House. Usually, it is easier to take individuals and couples pictures (and sometimes families, too, like the Snead Family above). We realize, though, how hard it is to get bigger families to be at the same place at the same time, so Option 2 may work best for families. Directory Committee members will come to the retirement communities and homebound members to take pictures, as requested.

OPTION 2:

If you are unable to join us on those dates, you can email an appropriate picture to Hilary at hcooley@brutonparish.org. You will need to include a signed Personal Information Consent Form, which is available online or we can mail/email it to you directly (it must be physically signed).

OPTION 3:

Call Hilary Cooley and arrange a time for her to take your picture in the Parish House (Fridays may be available).

Bruton currently has over 2000 members. Thank you for being one of them! If you have any questions, please contact Marty Jones at (757) 810-4293.

Not only can you access the Online Pictorial Directory through the Parish Access Only tab of our website, you can also view Volunteer Schedules, The Chronicle, Vestry Minutes, Budget Reports, and Bruton Parish Church Endowment Minutes & Financials. If you don't yet have access, you'll need to request it using our Parish Access Only Request Form at brutonparish.org/parish_access_only. Once reviewed, a username will be created and

an auto-generated password will be sent to you via email if appropriate.

As always with any internet program, if you sign in, be sure to sign out by clicking the words "Sign Out" at the bottom of the homepage. If you have any questions, please contact Hilary Cooley by either calling 757-229-2891 or email hcooley@brutonparish.org.



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Dick Estes

Bruton Parish will participate in the Colonial Williamsburg Memorial Day Commemorative Program on Monday, May 27. The Fife & Drums will lead the procession to sites where veterans of the Revolutionary and Civil War are interred, starting at the Governor's Palace at 10am, then on to Bruton, and from our church to the south lawn of the Capitol.

The remembrance will offer prayers, laying of wreaths, and musket volleys to pay tribute to their sacrifice. At Bruton, one of our own veterans will offer remarks and a prayer as the wreath is laid at the Palace Green gate, and the Tarpley Bell is tolled. It's a lovely and moving ceremony. Join us.



UNITED THANK OFFERING: GRATEFUL BLESSINGS

Bessie Bierer

Thank YOU for your generous support of the 2019 United Thank Offering. Your support enables the UTO to continue its tradition of fostering the mission and ministry of The Episcopal Church.

2019 Grant Awards (i.e., 2018 monies) focus is "GO," crossing boundaries created by race, culture, and economics to create communities that listen deeply and learn to live like Jesus. These grant awards will be announced this Summer.

You can continue your support by downloading the free UTO Blue Box APP and donate to UTOBLUEBOXAPP.ORG.

Bruton Youth & Young Adult Prayers

Thank you to all the guiding hands that helped lead our 2019 UTO Youth Prayers.

A special "thanks" to Meghan Brewer whose guiding hand enabled this endeavor to come to fruition. In case you missed them, or would like to read them again; here is a recap of the prayers of thanksgiving offered by Bruton's Youth & Young Adults:

Rejoice & Be Glad!

Dear God, thank you for all animals on earth, our family, school and toys. Amen. [Offered by the Joyful Noise Choir, comprised of children ages 4 through kindergarten, under the direction of Genrose Lashinger].

Grateful Blessings!

Dear God, we are thankful for family, friends and school that give us knowledge, happiness and fun. We thank you for our church, for God's love, this beautiful world and music. Amen. [Offered by the Choristers Choir, comprised of youth in Grades 1 to 3, under the direction of Genrose Lashinger].

Teach ME to Look for YOU!

I am thankful for God's kind creatures, like our pets, in the world because they are loving and they bring joy to us. I am thankful for shelter week for the homeless. I am thankful for the piano's beautiful music. I am thankful for family, friends, and pets. Amen. [Offered by the Cantores Choir, comprised of youth in grades 4 through high school, under the direction of Ann Porter].

Teach ME to Listen to the Journey of Others!

Dear God, Help us help others through acts of service. Teach us to help others in need and in sorrow, and give us patience to listen and

understand. Amen. [Offered by Bruton's Young Adults in Middle School under the leadership of Potter McKinney and Jessica Pierson].

Shake ME from Complacency and from Resignation!

Dear God, help us to be more virtuous. Help us to help others. Help us to not take others for granted. Help us to accept and embrace the newness of life. Amen. [Offered by Bruton's Young Adults in High School, under the leadership of Potter McKinney and Jessica Pierson].

Be Present in MY Life!

Dear God, make me more peaceful to myself and with others, in order to praise you more fully. Recognize the beauty around us in our friends and family. Guide me to Light, Lord God. AMEN. [Offered by Bruton's Young Adults in Middle School under the leadership of Potter McKinney and Jessica Pierson].

Fill MY Heart and Mind with Understanding and Compassion!

Dear God, teach me to be more empathetic. Teach me to be more virtuous and accepting. Let me find wisdom and let me listen to your teachings. AMEN. [Offered by Bruton's Young Adults in Middle

School under the leadership of Potter McKinney and Jessica Pierson].

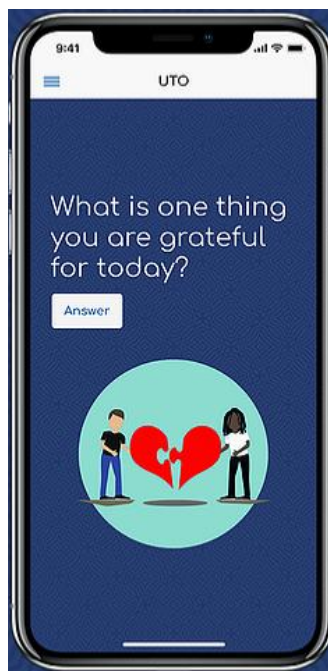
Teach ME to Share Your Love!

Dear God, there are many ways you teach me to share your love. You teach me when I volunteer at church or help out with a ministry of the church. I share your love when I help my mom around the house or my dad in the yard. When I talk to my friends about you, I am sharing your love. God, through you I pray for others each day and in that I am always sharing your love. AMEN. [Offered by Bruton's Young Adults in Middle School under the leadership of Steve Fitton and Melissa Atiyeh].

Where Will YOU See God Today?

Dear God, today I saw you all around me. I saw you when I picked a flower for my mommy. God, today I saw you when the birds were flying high up in the sky. I saw you when I had fun with my friends. God, today I saw you when I had yummy food to eat. Every day God, I see you are all around me in everything that I do. AMEN. [Offered by Bruton's Children's Church Grades 3 - 5 under the leadership of Steve Fitton and Ally Younica].

The Blue Box App helps you notice the good things that happen each day and give thanks.



CHILDREN & YOUTH FORMATION

The Rev'd Josh Stephens & Meghan Brewer

SATURDAY, MAY 4 - YOUTH MISSIONS & PILGRIMAGE DINNER/AUCTION

Please see the article on the front page of this issue and join us at 6pm for an evening of fun and fellowship!

SUNDAY, MAY 5 RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Children's Church will not be held so that all may join us in the BIG church for the 9:15 service to thank the many people who make the children's and youth ministries flourish each year! Children's & Youth Choir will rehearse.

SUNDAY, MAY 12 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

NO Children's Programming this morning. The children and youth choirs will sing during the 9:15am service for the final time this school year. Please join us in thanking Genrose Lashinger and Ann Porter for their many years of service to this area of children's and youth ministry. We love them and are grateful for their dedication! Choir will resume in the fall.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

Children's Church will be held at 9:15am in St. Mary's Chapel. We'll join families at the Peace and then come back to the Parish House after Communion for our final Sunday school for this school year.

SUNDAY, MAY 26

No Programming this Sunday. Please join us for service in the BIG church this Memorial Day weekend.



Our high schoolers (pictured above) and our middle schoolers enjoying Youth Group on Palm Sunday!



TWO YOUTH MISSION & PILGRIMAGE TRIPS

July 6-17, 2019

NAVAJOLAND, NEW MEXICO & CATARACT CANYON, UTAH

High School students are invited to help organize and attend a trip to work with a Navajo congregation, St. Michael's Episcopal Church, to host a Vacation Bible School from July 8-12, 2019. On July 12, we will travel to Moab, Utah for a wilderness pilgrimage of five days and four nights of rafting through the remote Cataract Canyon in Canyonlands National Park. We will learn about Navajo culture along the way and spend time with God, our creator. Bruton Parish's current high schoolers and their friends are invited, and they will be expected to gather for pre-trip meetings and to help with fundraisers.

July 21-28, 2019

TO APPALACHIAN SOUTH FOLK LIFE CENTER IN WV

Middle and high school students are invited to journey to the wild and wonderful mountains of West Virginia for a week of service work, prayer, cultural experiences, and time with God in creation. This trip will leave on Sunday, July 21, when we'll spend a week working on local homes with the Folklife Center as our facilitators and home base. Students will be shaped by Morning and Evening Prayer, music, and group conversations, as well as the work completed each day.

On Friday, July 26, we will head to the New River Gorge for two nights of fun and rest including an adventure lake and white-water rafting through the New River Gorge. This trip costs \$450/person with a \$200 deposit due by May 1.

We are grateful for parishioner's support of our mission trips and pilgrimages. Stay tuned for upcoming fundraisers. Donations are welcome at any time to offset chaperone costs and youth scholarships. Write checks to Bruton Parish with "Youth Mission Trip Donation" in the memo and give to Fr. Josh Stephens. Sign up by May 1 by visiting bit.ly/brutonwestvirginiamission2019.

INTERESTING BOOKS IN THE HENNAGE LIBRARY

Bill Bynum, Library Committee

Our parish is blessed with The Hennage Library, a small (1,700) but carefully chosen collection of faith-based materials available to educate, enlighten and entertain members of our congregation, originally established with the generous support of Joseph and June Hennage. The Library is located in the lower level of the Parish House and is open from 9am to 5pm on Friday and daily whenever meetings are not scheduled there. Check the availability of the library by visiting the Parish Calendar on our website or call the Parish House (757) 229-2891.

New Acquisitions

New Acquisitions are displayed in the walnut shelving on the left side of the Hennage Library.

Teaching Godly Play: How to Mentor the Spiritual Development of Children, Abington Press, 2009. Written by Jerome W. Berryman, this revised and expanded version of the Godly Play 1995 handbook has been redesigned to complement the eight volumes in The Complete Guide to Godly Play series.

The Religious Potential of the Child: Experiencing Scripture and Liturgy With Young Children, Archdiocese of Chicago Liturgical Training Publications, 1992. Written by Sofia Cavalletti, this classic book describes an approach to spiritual formation for children from ages three to six.



My Faith, My Life: A Teen's Guide to the Episcopal Church, Revised Edition, Moorehouse Publishing, 2014. For teen study and confirmation preparation, this book written by Jenifer Gamber can serve as a curriculum for helping teens discover Scripture, church history, sacraments, the meaning and practice of prayer, and what ministry means in the lives of real teens today.

Life in Christ: Practicing Christian Spirituality, Church Publishing, 2018. Written by Julia Gatta, this book "Explores common Christian practices and their underlying theology through an Episcopal lens. With its great heritage from English mystics, the Episcopal Church has been 'spiritual' since before it was trendy, and modern Episcopalians have been in the forefront of exploring practices beyond Anglican boundaries. Yet, perhaps only rarely do they grasp the implications of the theology embedded in these practices or in the liturgies of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, which has shaped Episcopalians in this country with its emphasis on baptismal spirituality and the centrality of the Eucharist."

A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Church Publishing House, 1999.

Written by Sarah Horton for grammar-school age children, this guide to the Rite II Eucharistic service presents the full text of the service from the Book of Common Prayer alongside commentary and cartoons that clarify the meaning of the words. This practical manual will be useful to a wide variety of groups.

Taking the Plunge: Baptism and Parenting, Church Publishing Inc., 2006.

"What does the sacrament of baptism mean in your child's life – and yours? In Taking the Plunge, parents explore how the Baptismal Covenant helps to shape the experience of raising children. Author Anne Kitch writes with a light touch and includes plenty of real-life stories."

What We Do in Advent: An Anglican Kids' Activity Book, Church Publishing Inc., 2006.

Written by Anne E. Kitch, this "Fun-filled activity book for kids ages 4 to 7 shows how to make an Advent wreath, help Mary and Joseph find their way to Bethlehem, and count the gifts the Magi bring to the Christ Child. Filled with mazes, crossword puzzles, connect-the-dots, and word searches. A great way for kids and their parents to focus on the true meaning of the Advent and Christmas seasons. An invaluable resource for families and Christian formation teams alike."

Advent: The Once and Future Coming of Jesus Christ, Eerdmans, 2018.

Written by Fleming Rutledge, "Advent is not for the faint of heart. As the midnight of the Christian year, the season of Advent is rife with dark, gritty realities. In this book, with her trademark wit and wisdom, The Reverend Rutledge explores Advent as a time of rich paradoxes, a season celebrating at once Christ's incarnation and his second coming, and she masterfully unfolds the ethical and future-oriented significance of Advent for the church."

Let Us Pray: A Little Kid's Guide to the Eucharist, Church Publishing Inc., 2014.

Written by Jennie Turrell, this "engaging book helps children, ages 2-8, to follow the liturgy and participate in ways that are appropriate for them. Beautiful full-color images and age-appropriate language follow the liturgy."

Paul for Everyone: Romans, Parts One and Two, Westminster John Knox Press, 2005. In his "For Everyman" series, Rev'd N.T. Wright, provides guides to every book of the New Testament, including his own translations of the texts. "Each short passage is followed by a highly readable discussion, with background information, useful explanations and suggestions, and thoughts as to how the text can be relevant to our lives today."

Books Donated to the Hennage Library by Hugh Rowland

The Library Committee is pleased to accept the donation of the following twelve books to the Hennage Library by Hugh Rowland.

Reading the Bible Again for the First Time, Harper One, 2001. In his book, Professor Marcus Borg shows how we can freshly appreciate all the essential elements of the Old and New Testaments — from Genesis to Revelation — in a way that can open up a new world of intelligent faith.

An Introduction to the Gospel of John, edited by Francis J. Moloney, Anchor Bible, 2003. When Raymond E. Brown died in 1998, less than a year after the publication of his masterpiece, An Introduction to the New Testament, he left behind a nearly completed revision of his acclaimed two-volume commentary on the Gospel of John. The manuscript, skillfully edited by Francis J. Moloney, displays the rare combination of meticulous scholarship and clear, engaging writing.

In Search of a Prophet: A Spiritual Journey with Kahlil Gibran, Rowan and Littlefield, Publishers, 2017. In his book, author Paul-Gordon Chandler explores the spiritual life of Kahlil Gibran, author of the bestselling book The Prophet and a beloved writer and artist who sought to build bridges and tear down walls.

Jesus as Man, Myth, and Metaphor: Beyond the Jesus of History Debate, Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2007.

In this book, author Benjamin W. Farley probes the boundaries of Jesus as a historical person (as a man), as a figure of mythical proportions, and as a metaphor for today's Christian sense of wholeness.

The Evolution of Faith: How God is Creating a Better Christianity

What if God wanted us to grow and change, both our theology and our beliefs? In The Evolution of Faith, author Philip Gulley invites us to discard slavish obedience to antiquated faith claims and worldviews and discover our true beliefs, re-examining and re-interpreting Christianity for today's complex world.

The Gospel of John, Baker Academic, 2015.

In this addition to the Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture, Francis Martin and William M. Wright IV, two well-respected New Testament scholars, interpret the Gospel of John in its

historical and literary setting as well as in light of the Church's doctrinal, liturgical, and spiritual tradition.

Liberating the Gospels: Reading the Bible with Jewish Eyes,

In his book, Bishop John Shelby Spong offers a compelling view of the Gospels as thoroughly Jewish texts. Bishop Spong powerfully argues that many of the key Gospel accounts of events in the life of Jesus — from the stories of his birth to his physical resurrection — are not literally true. He offers convincing evidence that the Gospels are a collection of Jewish midrashic stories written to convey the significance of Jesus.



The Sins of Scripture: Exposing the Bible's Texts of Hate to Reveal the God of Love, Harper One, 2006.

In this book, Bishop John Shelby Spong, takes on a thematic exploration of the Bible, carefully analyzing those passages that inform some of our key debates, like the role of women in the church and in society, and homosexuality, to name just two. Beyond that he also looks at scriptures that have helped shape culture and history. His goal is not to define the Bible itself as something to be set aside, but instead to honor and value what he loves about it while still labeling what he dramatically calls "texts of terror" for what they are.

John: A Commentary, Westminster John Knox Press, 2015.

In this new volume in the New Testament Library series, Professor Marianne Meye Thompson explores the ministry and significance of Jesus of Nazareth as presented in the Gospel of John, paying special attention to the social, cultural, and historical contexts that produced it. Thompson claims that John's Gospel is the product of a social-cultural world whose language, commitments, and contours must be investigated in order to read John's narrative well.

Paul and the Faithfulness of God. Book I, Parts I & II, Book II, Parts III & IV, Fortress Press, 2013. Authored by N.T. Wright, these books are the mature summation of a lifetime's study, these landmark books pay a rich tribute to the breadth and depth of the apostle's vision, and offer an unparalleled wealth of detailed insights into his life, times, and enduring impact.

The Day the Revolution Began: Reconsidering the Meaning of Jesus's Crucifixion, Harper One, 2016. Authored by Rev'd N.T. Wright, who argues that Jesus' crucifixion must be understood within the much larger story of God's purposes to bring heaven and earth together. This book offers a grand picture of Jesus' sacrifice and its full significance for the Christian faith, inspiring believers with a renewed sense of mission, purpose, and hope, and reminding them of the crucial role the Christian faith must play in protecting and shaping the future of the world.

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Easter Altar Lilies were given to the Glory of God

The lilies on the Altar and in the Tower were arranged by Cathy Adams, Missy Carr, Emily Chaikin, Leslie Coe, Nan Hawks, Marty Jones, Genrose Lashinger, Dianne Spence, and Gail Taylor

The lilies on the Altar and in the Tower are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

Drs. Jane Beery and Raymond Atwell Adams, Ann Potterfield and Edmond Brody Gregory, Jr. by the Adams family;

Lawrence A. Adams from his wife Jane Adams;

Gunda Bailey by Ted Bailey;

Leona Estelle and Norman Otis Barber, Ellen Bennett and Albert E. M. Louer by Tessa and Al Louer;

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Harroll A. Brauer, Jr., Elizabeth "Skeeter" Brauer, Frank and Irene Colasurdo by Bill, Michelle, Colin, Lauren, Peyton, Jackie and Mason Brauer;

G. T. Brooks, Jr. by Dianne, Scott and John Spence;

The Rev. Robert A. Burch by his wife Isabel Ware Burch and their children and grandchildren;

John Chaffee by his wife Karen;

Christopher and Pamela Cowles by Suzanne and Carter Cowles;

Virginia and Bob Darling and Bill McNeal by Betsy and Stu Darling;

Barbara B. Davis, Molly G. Bancroft by Lynne and Mark Lyons;

Kathleen Kauffman Davenport aunt of Kitty Burgwyn;

Dorothy, Paul, Clare and Russ parents of Rosemary and Steve Jasper;

Alfred Raymond Ellis, Judith Marlene Ellis by Jean Ellis Huston and Donald E. Huston;

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Channing Moore Hall, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Channing M. Hall, Sr., Miss Emily Moore Hall and Susan Hall Godson by their family;

Dr. and Mrs. George R. Hetrich, Brother, George R. Hetrich, Jr., Harman and Amelia Hohl, Sister, Janet Wamsher, Philip Clavell, Jr., Ed Shipley by Carl and Carolyn Hohl;

Jane and Kenneth Hoffman, Laurette and Walter Wetlesen, Dorothy and Fred Schorsher, Mary and Carl Shivers by Carolyn and William Hoffman;

John K. Kane II by Nancy Kane;

Melinda and A. Edwin Kendrew by Ted Maslin;

Marilyn June Koehler by Don Koehler;

William and Marie Krebs, Caldwell and Lydia Beatty, Connie and Garry Hoffman, Carl and Eleanor Rees by Laurie and Bill Krebs;

Bonnie Robertson Lent, Mary Robertson Epes, Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Robertson, Sr., Howard C. Robertson, Jr., Tracy Robertson, Rev. E. Bolling Robertson, Basil and Phyllis Millican, Lynda Millican by Robert Lent;

Calvin and Betty Loving by their daughter Penny Ely;

David Monroe by his wife Gabriele;

Juliet O. Morgan and Virginia T. Olhausen by John and Melinda Morgan and family;

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Easter Altar Lilies were given to the Glory of God

Andrew Walker Mulligan by his parents Dianne and Scott Spence and his brother John Spence;

Joy Sailer by Dorothy and Earl White;

Leonard Sargeant, III and Dr. and Mrs. Carl J. Carter by Alice Lee Sargeant;

Theophile Skrzypek by his wife Gayle;

James B. Smith, Virginia M. Smith, Daniel D. Schwartz, Ruth J. Schwartz and Dudley Schwartz by Barbara and Jim Smith;

Laurance E. Smith and son Steven Laurance Smith by Bonnie Smith;

Henry (Hank) Myers, Henry L. Teumer by Joan Teumer;

Don and Ella Mae Parker, Patricia Parker by Randy, Sheldon, Susan, Liz and their families;

Edward Francis and Louisa Roebuck Seward, Edward Raymond Seward, Sr. and Louise Mallory Seward, John Boone, Sr. and Rae DeLawter Boone and Theodore A. Herbert by Ray and Eileen Seward;

Merle J. and Josephine Shultz by their son Philip;

Robert Taylor, Edna and Albert Dugge father and grandparents of Ginny and Bill Dugge;

Marlene Turner by Reginald and Carol Turner;

Martha Tussing by her family;

Grace and Donald Van Brimer, Mary and Herbert Winn by Hugh and Jane Van Brimer;

Lorraine France Weaver by her son Craig Weaver;

John K. Webster by his family;

Laura and Herb Webster, Helen and Ray Hoffman by Margaret and Spence Webster;

Jack Whitla, Michael Sobehart and Andy Sobehart by Joan Whitla;

Laurence B. Wood by Virginia B. Wood;

Tammy Yelich daughter of Hope and Nolan Yelich;

Mary Zglinicki by Neil Glenicki;

Given in memory of loved ones by:

Faith Croker;

for our departed daughters, Bruton Chapter, Daughters of the King;

parents of Betty and Alan Diakun;

Jane and John Geisler;

parents of Patricia and William Grogg;

Kathryn Smith

Given in honor and thanksgiving of:

Emily, Andrew and Phillip, grandchildren of Rosemary and Steve Jasper;

for 74 years of a good marriage to Robert Britton Young from Clarissa;

our children, John William Soaper Gaston and Henry Callaway Ellsworth Gaston by Dr. and Mrs. David William Gaston;

Stella Catherine Grogg and Sophie Anne Grogg by Patricia and William Grogg;

Virginia Grace Hagan from the Hagan family;

our children and grandchildren by Laurie and Bill Krebs;

Madeleine, Adelaide and baby on the way by Loring and Kathleen Jones;

for our many blessings Bill and Sally Libby;

Peter William McGurl from the McGurl family;

Carol McNeal by Betsy and Stu Darling;

our children and grandchildren by Chuck and Joann Maslin;

Bruton Parish Ushers, Christine Britton and Hilary Cooley by Ginny and Bill Dugge;

In thanksgiving for our gifted clergy: Chris, Lauren, Josh, Dan and Jan and in thanksgiving for the life and ministry of the Rev. Edward Leith Merrow who died on Easter morning in 1974 given by Leith and Chuck Mulla



CANDLELIGHT CONCERTS, PARISH HOUSE MUSIC SERIES, AND HISTORICAL ORGAN RECITALS FOR THE PARISH & COMMUNITY

Concerts are held in the church at 8pm unless otherwise noted. Doors open at 7:30pm, no ticket required (a freewill offering will be received).

Thursday, May 2
Harpsichord & Continuo Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist at Bruton Parish

Saturday, May 4
Youth Harp Recital
Williamsburg Youth Harp Society
Cynthia Campbell, Director

Tuesday, May 7
Handbell & Organ Concert
Bruton Parish Tarpley Ringers
Rebecca Davy, Director
& JanEl Will, Organist

Thursday, May 9
Harpsichord & Continuo Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist at Bruton Parish

Saturday, May 11
Guitar & Flute Recital
Gordon Kreplin, Guitar, Cathy Kreplin,
Flute & Rebecca Davy, Harpsichord

Tuesday, May 14
Harpsichord & Continuo Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist at Bruton Parish

Thursday, May 16
String Recital
Andie-Jean, Gale & Joseph Szczepkowski,
Violins & Rebecca Davy, Harpsichord

Saturday, May 18
Youth Choral Concert
Christchurch School Choirs
from Christchurch, Virginia
Mark Parsons, Director

Tuesday, May 21
String Recital
Gerry Jones, Jr., Violin
with the KEYS Quartet
Cindy Bryan, Director, Rebecca Davy,
Harpsichord

Thursday, May 23
Flute Recital
Flute Forte, Susan Davis, Director

Saturday, May 25
Choral Concert
Jefferson Township High School Chamber
Choir - Chad Flynn, Director

Tuesday, May 28
Choral Concert
Pomona College Glee Club
Donna Di Grazia, Director

Thursday, May 30
Choral Concert
Clover High School Choraliers
Jay Forrest, Director

Parish House Music Series
in Lewis Hall

Friday, May 17
Chamber Concert - Svetlana Smolina, Piano,
Moises Cunha, Violin, Alice Lindsay, Viola &
Steven Custer, Cello

HISTORICAL ORGAN RECITALS

The College of William & Mary
Wren Chapel - Saturdays @ 10am
May 4, 11, 18 & 25 - Rebecca Davy, Organist

DOBSON ORGAN INSTALLATION

Rebecca Davy, Music Director & Organist

Tonal finishing is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, April 30. During this stage each pipe will be adjusted to sound best in our specific acoustic space, a procedure known as "voicing" the organ. Because this demands acute listening, the church will be closed to visitors Monday through Friday, although the evening concerts will continue to take place. The church will be able to be open every weekend through this process, which will likely last through July.

We will continue to use the portative (continuo) organ and harpsichord for services and concerts until the Dobson organ is completed. Inaugural celebrations are set for the month of September, with special events scheduled every weekend after Labor Day. More details will follow, but be sure to save these dates:

Saturday, September 7 @ 8pm
Sunday, September 8 @ 5:30pm
Gala Inaugural Concerts
Gordon Stewart, resident concert organist at
Huddersfield Town Hall in England

Sunday, September 15 @ 5:30pm
Choral Evensong with a commissioned anthem
of Philip Stopford and a commissioned prelude for
organ and handbells by Sondra Tucker

Saturday, September 21 at 8pm
Music for Organ and Instruments

Saturday, September 28 at 8pm
New Music for a New Organ, with commissioned
works by Dan Locklair, Tom Trenney,
and Aaron David Miller

This new instrument is the result of over a decade of careful planning and with the generosity of many, guided by a far-sighted vision for our future. It will serve Bruton Parish for many decades to come, and I hope you will each have an opportunity to share in its unveiling as the organ begins its life in the thriving music program at our church.



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THE GOSPEL OF MARK: A LIVE PRESENTATION

The complete Gospel of Mark will be presented by the Rev'd Shannon Rye Wall on Saturday, May 4, at 2pm at Saint Stephen Lutheran Church (612 Jamestown Road, in Williamsburg).

All are invited to experience the three-year ministry of Jesus, told only in the words of scripture, and told with all the words of scripture. The presentation is recommended for adults and children age 10 and older at their parents' discretion. A Q&A session will follow for those interested.

The Rev'd Wall is Acting Pastor of the First Congregational Church of New Milford, CT. She is a graduate of The College of William & Mary; of the Graduate Acting program at NYU; and of Yale Divinity School, where she won awards for scripture reading and preaching.



There is no charge for the presentation; a free-will offering will be collected. Reservations are recommended. To reserve, please email pastorab@saintstephenlutheran.net or call the church office at 757-229-6688.

CYCLING WITHOUT AGE WILLIAMSBURG

The Williamsburg Chapter of Cycling Without Age is a joint project of the Williamsburg Area Bicyclists, a local recreational bicycle club and BikeWalk Williamsburg, a local cycling and walking advocacy organization. Founded in February, 2018 they are currently working with five local Continuing Care Retirement Communities in the Williamsburg Area.



The Williamsburg Area Bicyclists are offering 20-minute trishaw rides for seniors from 10am-1pm on Mondays beginning May 6, starting/ending at the Bruton Parish Gift Shop. When you arrive for your ride, you should park on the Duke of Gloucester Street in front of the Bruton Parish Gift Shop. At that time, you will be required to sign a release and liability waiver before your ride.

If you're a senior unable to bike anymore, please contact Christine Britton at cbritton@brutonparish.org for more information and to schedule your ride!

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