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Giving at Bruton: Using God's Gifts for God's Purpose

By Marty Easton, Chair
Campaign for the Fourth Century

On October 1, we kick off Annual Giving 2017 and start the final drive of the Campaign for the Fourth Century. Why do sports analogies always seem to run through these Campaign articles?

I think it's because sports are about a beginning, middle, and end to a contest. And they are about winning! But in this effort we don't have an opponent, so much as we are seeking a personal best. A goal has been set and announced: \$8.0 million by December 31. It takes time and effort. To get there, we will incorporate all three Campaign objectives into the final score:

An annual pledge from each parishioner: This is the way the parish gathers financial support for the coming year, to operate and minister to us and others.

The organ fund: No longer a dream, a new pipe organ will be built to our specifications.

The Foundation: We are fortunate it was formed and will continue to grow, largely from the bequests that many individuals and couples are planning.

Each and every amount pledged toward them is important. More details are spelled out in an upcoming mailing. The Campaign committee's job is to make sure that it reaches everyone's home. We also want to speak with anyone who desires a personal visit. Then it is



up to each of us to choose wisely and pledge generously with joy and confidence. If you have already done so, thank you, thank you.

I write this on September 11, thinking back to the first anniversary of the day. It was, of course, 2002, and my family was brand new to Williamsburg. Colonial Williamsburg held a ceremony that I attended with my husband Jim. Then, standing in front of Bruton Parish we saw a throng of people, waiting to enter at noon. As I remember, we sang many hymns. We said many prayers for those who had died. For those who mourned and those in peril. For our nation. For trust in the midst of things we could not understand. For peace.

On that difficult day, I sensed that adult life requires an adult faith. Like you, I found it in the shared reverence and fellowship of the Church.

All this is to say that once more, Bruton will gather its needed resources from what we offer with thanksgiving. Thanksgiving for what we receive week in, week out, and in times that challenge. Please be a part of it. Thank you!

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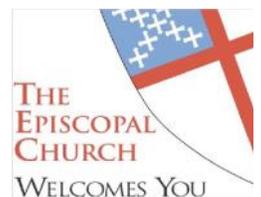
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* Child care may be available for babies through elementary-aged children by reservation only. Contact Meghan Brewer at 757-345-6489 or childcare@brutonparish.org.

Worship Schedule

Sunday, October 2
Holy Eucharist @ 7:30, 9:15 & 11:15am
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm
Sunday, October 9
Holy Eucharist @ 7:30, 9:15 & 11:15am
Children's Church @ 9:15am (St. Mary's Chapel)
Evening Prayer @ 5:30pm
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Holy Eucharist @ 7:30, 9:15 & 11:15am
Children's Church @ 9:15am (St. Mary's Chapel)
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Canterbury Evening Service
Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm in Wren Chapel
when college is in session

Newcomers' Welcome Reception

The Newcomers Committee is planning a welcome reception with wine and cheese for Bruton Parish newcomers from 5:30 to 7pm on Wednesday, October 5, in the Parish Hall. The parish clergy and members of the Vestry and Newcomers Committee will welcome new or nearly new members in an informal gathering. Join us for heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine, sodas, coffee and other non-alcoholic drinks. Bring the children as activities and refreshments will be provided for them.



A guided tour of the Parish House will be available before the reception and will start at 5pm in the Parish House lobby near the reception desk. Please let us know you will be attending by contacting the parish office at 757-229-2891 or newcomers@brutonparish.org (parking will be available on Duke of Gloucester Street).

Newcomers' Corner

The first Sunday of each month, new members of Bruton are invited to join clergy, vestry and Newcomers Committee members for coffee in the Custis House at 10:30am. This is a great opportunity to become better acquainted with the parish and learn of our many ministries. Join us Sunday, October 2.

Christian Responses to Contemporary Issues

By Russ Sheldon

All are welcome to join us on Thursdays in Lewis Hall of the Parish House for this fall's series sponsored by Bruton Parish's Adult Christian Education & Formation Committee. These five weeks of special adult education programs are geared towards Christian responses to contemporary issues. Refreshments begin at 7pm, followed by the program from 7:15 to 8:15pm. We hope you'll come out and join us as we look forward to these informative presentations.

September 22

Christian Ethics in a Plural World

The Rev'd Tyler Montgomery kicks off the series with an introduction to the world of Christian Ethics in two parts. First, he will examine what it means to proclaim the finality of Christ in a pluralistic world. Second, he will give an introduction to Christian Ethics as a lived reality rather than a set of principles or precepts. The following questions will be addressed: What is Christian about Christian Ethics? How can we talk about Christian Ethics when so many people live obviously ethical lives that are not Christian? What is distinct about Christian approaches to Ethics? He will also include an overview of this fall's program purposes and how the individual topics are both singular and complementary.

September 29

Social Media Bullying: Implications & Challenges for Parents & Society

Join us when Courtney Dowell, Prevention Specialist Lead at Colonial Behavioral Health, will speak on the implications and challenges of social media bullying for parents, in particular, and society, in general.

October 6

Syrian Refugee Resettlement

This evening we'll hear from Stephen Allen, Site Coordinator from the International Rescue Committee, who will talk about the larger resettlement process, in general, but will also have information that specifically pertains to Syrians. The International Rescue Committee responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises and helps people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover, and gain control of their future.

October 13

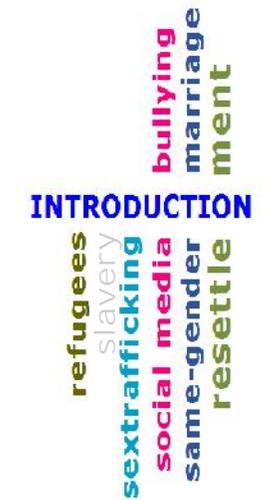
Same-Gender Marriage

The Rev'd Geoffrey Hoare will speak on the topic of same-gender marriage. Throughout his career Geoffrey has actively engaged in critical issues including domestic violence, AIDS, child abuse, and homelessness. He served as director of Visions, Inc., an organization devoted to combating modern racism and other relationships with inherent differentials of power, and currently serves on their Advisory Board. He is the Interim Rector of The Church of the Epiphany in Washington D.C.

October 20

Sex Trafficking as Slavery

A representative from The Latisha's House Foundation will speak on the topic of sex trafficking as slavery. The sex industry has many components and is tied to slavery all around the world. Regardless of whether entrapment is the lure of a fast buck in a strip club, the money from prostitution is by force or choice, or is tied to gangs or organized crime, the sex industry reduces women to objects and destroys their lives.



Child care during these programs may be available for babies through elementary-aged children by reservation only. Please contact Meghan Brewer at 757-345-6489.

Vestry Nominations

Enclosed is a nomination form for our upcoming Vestry election at the Annual Meeting in the church following the 9:15am service on Sunday, November 13. Strong lay leadership is key to moving forward together. Please consider submitting your name or that of someone with whom you have spoken. All information needed is included on the form.

Fall Fellowship Festival

Make your reservation early! Join us for shrimp, clams, oysters, crabs, hotdogs with all the fixings, and planned kids' activities from 4:30 to 7pm on Sunday, October 2, in the parish hall. Just \$10/person or \$20/family (pay at the door). Please rsvp by Thursday, September 29, by either calling 757-229-2891 send an email to rsvp@brutonparish.org.



Bruton Builders Assists Avalon

By Isabel Burch

A group of Bruton Builders workers assisted Avalon in creating more office and storage space. The helpers cleaned out a large garage and renovated an existing building to create new offices. In the garage a heater/air conditioner was installed to make a climate-controlled storage space. For the new offices drywall was installed, walls and floors were painted as well as baseboard installed. Finally, windows and windowsills were cleaned and new blinds installed.

Bruton Builders plans to continue helping Avalon every few months when there is a need for our skills. Whether or not you have any specific carpentry skills or just want to help and have fun, please consider joining Bruton Builders. Being able to help people who need our assistance is a very rewarding experience. Please send an email to brutonbuilders@brutonparish.org if you are interested or have any questions.

The first photo is MJ Freeman and Alice Erickson cutting baseboard, and the second photo is of Isabel Burch and MJ Freeman demonstrating the Bruton method of gluing and installing baseboard.



Outreach at FISH: It's Not too Late!

By Mary Kafes

Just a reminder that Tuesdays during October Bruton provides volunteers to help process clothing to be given to Williamsburg area neighbors who are in need. The work is not strenuous, and instruction and tools are provided. For information or to sign up for a Tuesday morning or afternoon shift, please send me an email me at FISH@brutonparish.org or call me at 757-229-6550. Thank you! The job cannot be done without you!

Annual Parish Book Sale A Success!

Bruton parishioners donated many thousands of hardcover and paperback books, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles to stock the sale. Over 60 volunteers generously donated over 400 hours of their time to sort, display and sell themany thousands of items donated to the sale. Thanks to everyone's efforts, \$7,000 was raised to benefit Bruton's Mission and Outreach programs! Co-chairs Judy Collard and Stephen Fitton say THANK YOU to all who helped make the 2016 sale a success! Please hold off bringing any donations for next year's sale until the end of January!

Living the Gospel Bible Study

Join us on Sundays, October 9 & 23, for this Lectionary-based Bible study that is held at 11am every second and fourth Sunday in the Custis House. Come and examine the impact of the Gospel message on our everyday lives.

Wednesday's Brown-Bag Bible Study

Bring your lunch each Wednesday to the Coffee, Tea & Thee room upstairs in the Parish House at noon. 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. Take time out of your day and try this exploration!

Register now for the Tri-Diocesan Fall Camp

This year's Fall Camp, October 24 - 27, with keynote speaker Barbara Cawthorne Crafton, promises to be another opportunity to gather at Shrine Mont with over 125 folks from all three Episcopal Dioceses in Virginia.



Fall Camp is an opportunity to spend time in the mountains of Virginia with other seniors (but we don't have an age limit) from across the Commonwealth and from other states. The Camp is an attempt to take seriously the spiritual needs and journeys of primarily retired people.

We attempt to challenge participants through keynote speakers, workshops, worship and interaction with one another. We worship together in daily sessions, explore various issues, and participate in one or two session workshops (each session is an hour and a half) on a variety of topics. Please visit <http://bit.ly/2016WORKSHOPS> for a list of this year's workshops. In addition to the scheduled activities, there is plenty of time to sit on the porches, visit with friends, relax, and enjoy the amazing scenery and to explore the surrounding area.

Visit <http://bit.ly/TRI-DIO2016> for a Welcome Letter, with lots more information, from the Tri-Diocesan Planning Committee. Visit <http://bit.ly/FALLCAMP2016> for a brochure with registration information.

The Blessing of the Animals

Join us in the church during the 9:15am service on Sunday, October 2, for a wonderful opportunity to bring your pets for a blessing ... be they furry or scaly (hopefully, they don't bite)! If you'd rather, bring a stuffed animal representing your pet!



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 who wishes to have prayers said for them or for others, please fill out a blue request card at the church tower and drop it in the DOK prayer box. The prayer this month is attributed to St. Francis (offered this month by Mary Arnold).

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.



Thanksgiving Food Drive for FISH

We are nearing time for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for FISH. As in previous years, we will be distributing bags with lists of desired non-perishable items for the FISH pantry after Sunday services throughout November.



In advance, we thank you for your ongoing generosity to this important community ministry. Please watch for more information through our weekly Bruton Bytes and in the service bulletins during the coming weeks.

Come Away and Pray Women's Lenten Retreat

March 3-4, 2017
Chanco on the James

Jesus said to his disciples, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest awhile." Even those first disciples got tired from all that they were doing!

You are invited to join the women of Bruton at an overnight retreat at Camp Chanco for rest and prayer, fellowship and spiritual growth during the season of Lent. The Reverends Jan Brown and Lauren McDonald are putting together a program that will be very meaningful and helpful to all who attend.



Space for up to 50 women has been reserved at Chanco, which will also provide our meals (\$100 per person covers food and lodging). The bedrooms will all have two beds plus bath (if you prefer a single room, it would be \$125). Think of whom you would like for a roommate. Linens are provided. Please make checks payable to Bruton Parish. If the cost is prohibitive, please contact Lauren regarding the possibility of a scholarship (757-229-2891 or lmcdonald@brutonparish.org). The retreat will be alcohol-free. Registration forms will be available at the ECW Fall Coffee and at the receptionist's desk in the Parish House and online at www.brutonparish.org.

We will gather at 6pm for dinner on Friday, March 3 and end by 4pm on Saturday, March 4. An optional quiet time will be available from 4-6pm on Friday.

ECW Fall Coffee

"Be still and know that I am God"

Join us in the Parish Hall for coffee, conversation and fellowship on Wednesday, September 28, at 9:30am.

The Rev'd Lauren McDonald, our guest speaker, will be sharing part of her spiritual journey and how it has led to her current work at Bruton Parish and SpiritWorks Foundation, as well as inviting us all to find that space where we can be still and know God. Bring a friend and join us!

Please RSVP to the Parish Office at rsvp@brutonparish.org or 757-229-2891.



Christmas Tea
December 7

Silent Soup
Lenten
Luncheon
March 9

Potluck Salad
Supper & Ice
Cream Social
May 23

Women's Theological Book Group

By The Rev'd Lauren McDonald

The Women's Theological Book Group discusses works of fiction and non-fiction through a theological lens. Our next meeting will be Thursday, November 10, from 1-2:30pm in the Coffee, Tea, and Thee room of the Parish House. We will be discussing Sue Monk Kidd's *When the Heart Waits*. Please contact the Rev. Lauren McDonald if you want help ordering the book. Child care is available by reservation only by contacting Meghan Brewer (757-229-2891 or email childcare@brutonparish.org).

Women's Evening Potluck & Round Table

The group will meet Monday, October 17 at the home of Judy Lovegren at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to Judy at 757-229-1794 or emailing Women'sEveningGroup@brutonparish.org for directions. All are welcome! Please bring a dish to share.

Walking the Labyrinth: A Sacred Path of Prayer

By The Rev. Lauren McDonald

After walking labyrinths for more than ten years, I am pleased to have attended training at Kanuga in August to become a Veriditas trained labyrinth facilitator.



Labyrinths are ancient patterns found across multiple cultures that can be used for meditative walking and prayer, healing, enhancing creativity, getting unstuck, and deepening spirituality. The labyrinth serves as a symbol for the journey of life, as it twists and turns, taking the walker ever closer to the center on its single path. I have found the labyrinth to be a helpful grounding tool in the midst of uncertainty as well as a way to pray with my whole body.

If you are interested in learning more about this spiritual practice or in being part of a group who walks the labyrinth regularly, please come to an interest meeting at 4pm on Thursday, October 6, in the Coffee, Tea, and Thee room or contact me to let me know of your interest.

"Throughout the long history of labyrinths whenever and wherever society is going through rapid change and development the labyrinth has blossomed. Now, humanity is seeking the sure path of the labyrinth in an uncertain and confusing world."

Jeff Seward, Labyrinth Historian

Guides' Ministry Seeking Volunteers

By Alta Cassady

"Welcome to Bruton Parish. We are an active Episcopal church with services every day. The building is the oldest public building in Williamsburg. It was completed in 1715 and people have been worshipping in it continuously for three hundred years."

Words similar to these are heard every day by visitors to the church as they are greeted by members of the Guides' Ministry. It provides members with an opportunity to share their love of Bruton Parish with the thousands of visitors who come through the Tower doors on a daily basis throughout the year.

Greeters have the opportunity to express God's love through extending hospitality to all who visit Bruton Parish. Many of our visitors are surprised to learn that it is an active church with worship services and concerts scheduled throughout the week. For some, it is their first visit to a Christian church, and we have the opportunity to make a favorable first impression with a warm, friendly welcome.

Guides have the opportunity to share their knowledge of the rich history of a church that was influential in the development of colonial Virginia and the formation of a new nation. Guides stress that Bruton Parish is not a historic museum but an active church that has evolved over the centuries and whose members are facing the challenges of the present day.

Bruton Parish is open to visitors on Mondays through Saturdays from 10am to 4pm and on Sunday afternoons from 12:30-4:30pm. Greeters and guides volunteer for two-hour shifts. Many commit to shifts on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. Others fill-in as needed.

The Guides Ministry is actively recruiting greeters and guides. Greeters need only have a warm, friendly smile and a basic understanding of the church's history as outlined in the brochures available in the Tower. Many greeters choose to become guides by reading provided materials and studying training DVDs.

Potential guides have the option of a self-directed course of learning at their own pace. Many guides find that participation in the ministry is an on-going learning experience and find it to be intellectually stimulating. All find their experiences to be rewarding and value their contributions to the ministry.

Those interested in the program are encouraged to contact the parish office by calling 757-229-2891 and leave a telephone number where they can be reached.



Guide Lynn Clark

"The days I guide are my favorite days of the week. You meet lovely, thoughtful people and it is a nice way to meet and get to know other parishioners. Guiding is both challenging and fulfilling. It can be fun and it can be humbling."

-- Lynn Clark



Guide Elizabeth Greafe

"I find guiding at Bruton Parish to be very rewarding. I am particularly enriched by the variety of people and the challenge of their questions. I've met people from around the world; they range from a 92-year-old Anglican from Sri Lanka to young children entranced by the Roosevelt Lectern. I love trying to sense the interests and needs of each person and then reach within myself to find the words to help them feel welcome and provide them information on the history of Bruton Parish."

-- Elizabeth Greafe



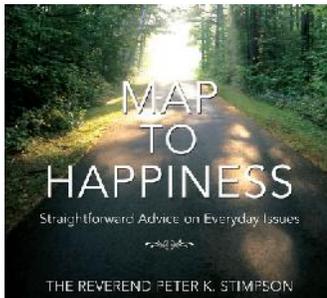
"There is something very special about being a guide or greeter in our historic church. It goes beyond welcoming the many visitors and relating the role Bruton had in the formation of our nation. It is a time in which one can connect with the diverse cross section of America and perhaps influence some on the importance of faith. Join Bruton Parish's Guide Ministry for a truly unique volunteer experience – you will be glad you did."

-- Jonathan Stolz

Hennage Library to Acquire Book: Map to Happiness

By Sally Riley

You will soon be able to read a splendid book which the Bruton Parish Hennage Library will soon acquire called Map to Happiness by Rev'd Peter K. Stimpson, a new parishioner who, with his wife Lauren, has retired to Williamsburg. The subtitle is Straightforward Advice on Everyday Issues.



For thousands of years people have wondered how to be happy. Stimpson, an Episcopal priest and licensed clinical social worker, counseled people from all walks of life for 35 years at the Trinity Counselling Service in Princeton, New Jersey. He also wrote an advice column that was published in several media outlets. People often said, why don't you write a book? Map to Happiness, which was published in 2008, was his response.

Stimpson explains that by understanding that everyone is insecure, individuals can take back from others the power to define self-worth and realize that happiness is more about personal growth than about impressing others. "The really important thing is not what you attain in life, but who you become." The book addresses questions related to love of yourself, your spouse, your children, and life's challenges of stress, work, illness, anger and death. Using both spiritual and psychological perspectives, Stimpson discusses how we stray off that path to happiness but, more importantly, how we can get back on track.

Of special interest to me was the discussion of masks we don - snob, workaholic, macho man, martyr, etc. It helped me understand why people act the way they do. The mask hides feelings of insecurity. If I say, "Hey, you did a great job on so and so. I wish I had your talent," it would open up channels of communication.

The Hennage Library offers a wide selection of books on theology, church history, and self-help.

2016 Nominations for Guild of Bruton Authors

It is not too late to nominate a member to the James C. Livingston Guild of Bruton Authors. The Library Committee has set a deadline of November 1.

Members of the guild are parishioners who have published one or more books. The guild was begun in 2012, and has more than 41 members. Members added in 2016 will be announced at the end of the year. So far there is one individual for this year, but more could be added.

Nominations may be sent to Debbie Rinner at authorsguild@brutonparish.org or placed in the library committee box in the Parish House.

Health Update: Did You Know?

By Sylvia Saba, Parish Nurse

The Virginia Family Caregiving Law went into effect in July 2015 and became part of the Department of Health Regulations in April 2016. What is the law?

1. Hospitals are required to ask patients if they have a family caregiver.
2. If a family caregiver is designated, their information (name, phone number, address, and relationship to the patient) must be entered into the patient's medical record.
3. The hospital must notify the family caregiver when their loved one is to be discharged to another facility or to their home.
4. Prior to discharge the hospital shall provide the family caregiver with a copy of the discharge plan and consult with them regarding their ability to provide the care, treatment, or services documented in the discharge plan.
5. The discharge plan shall include:
 - a. The name and contact information of the family caregiver.
 - b. A description of the follow-up care, treatment, and services required.
 - c. Contact information about any health care, long-term care, or other community-based service or support care necessary to implement the patient's discharge plan.
6. Prior to discharge the hospital shall provide a demonstration of specific follow-up care tasks that the family caregiver will be required to provide to the patient and answer any questions they might have. This exchange must be provided in a culturally competent manner and in the family caregiver's native language.
7. A patient may change the designated caregiver while in the hospital and the change must be recorded in the patient's medical record within 24 hours.

How will this help you?

This should ensure a smoother transition home for the patient and lessen the anxiety for the caregiver. It has the potential to ensure better patient outcomes, decrease readmissions and reduce healthcare costs. So the question is—have you thought about a designated family caregiver?

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please feel free to contact me directly at parishnurse@brutonparish.org or 757-258-4503.

Altar Flowers Contributions

By Dianne Spence

The Altar Flowers at Bruton Parish have long been cherished by parishioners wishing to remember loved ones or as a thank offering for weddings, anniversaries, and to honor someone special. There have been some openings for several Sundays. The cost is \$125 which supports our altar and flower guilds. If you are interested in these dates, please contact me directly by email at flowers@brutonparish.org or call 757-229-4915.

First Friday Recovery Eucharist

SpiritWorks Foundation, a non-profit in Williamsburg that works with people in recovery from addiction, hosts a monthly Eucharist at Bruton on the first Friday of each month. The next service will be held in the church at 5:30pm on Friday, October 7, and offers readings and prayers that focus on recovery from addiction, mental illness, and trauma. Whether you are in recovery, have friends or family members in recovery, or simply are curious about this type of worship, this service is open to everyone!



One-Day United Way Food Drive

United Way Mobile Food Pantry is a custom-made refrigerated truck delivering perishable food items for direct distribution to people in need. The program reaches individuals, including some in remote locations, who can acquire items they may not find in a traditional pantry, including fresh fruits and vegetables.

Bruton Parish and the Canterbury Association are partnered to staff the food drive on Thursday, October 20, from 1-4pm. The drive will be next door to the UW resource center at 113 Palace Lane. Please volunteer to help distribute this much needed food to those in need! To sign up, please contact Jeremy Gottshall (unitedwaydrive@brutonparish.org or 936-615-9991).

Evening Book Group

This co-ed book group meets monthly from September through May, and the reading list is generated by members' recommendations; it includes a variety of genre. We meet on the fourth Monday of each month from 7-9pm. The books selected for October 24 and November 28 are *What Alice Forgot* by Liane Moriarty and *Wait for Signs* by Craig Johnson.

If you are interested in joining the group, or just want to try it for a month, contact Susie Morrison (PMBOOKGROUP@brutonparish.org or 757-846-6863).

Bruton Singles

By Heidi Elam, Ruth Mullaney, Eda Martin, and Donna Dodenhoff

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 and call the listed coordinator.



Saturday, October 1, 11am

Occasion for the Arts

Meet us at 11am at the Parish House reception area for a stroll through our local Arts and Music Festival on the Duke of Gloucester Street. We'll eat as we go (cost of meal only). Call Ruth Mullaney (757-229-6961).

Sunday, October 2, 4:30pm- 7pm

Fall Fellowship Festival

Join us in the parish hall for the Fall Fellowship Festival on Sunday, October 2, from 4:30-7pm. Just \$10/person (pay at the door) for shrimp, clams, oysters, crabs, hotdogs with all the fixings. Please rsvp by Thursday, September 29, by calling the church office at 757-229-2891 or email rsvp@brutonparish.org. Call Heidi Elam (757-897-5012), and we'll save you a seat at our table.

Saturday, October 15, 7:30pm- 9pm

"The Best of Broadway"

Meet us at 5:30pm at Retros on Prince George Street for supper. We will then walk over to the Kimball. Rob BonGiovanni and his Sound Investment present "The Best of Broadway" in their fifth "Music to Remember" concert, featuring veteran Broadway performer and outstanding vocalist, Pam Wineapple (\$20 ticket + cost of meal). Call Eda Martin 757-253-1477).

Sunday, October 23, 5pm

Alfred Hitchcock's "The Birds"

During this Halloween Week, meet us at 6pm at Season's Restaurant. We will then walk over to the Kimball Theatre. *The Birds* is a 1963 American horror film directed by Alfred Hitchcock, loosely based on the 1952 story of the same name by Daphne du Maurier. It focuses on a series of sudden and unexplained violent bird attacks on the people of Bodega Bay, California over the course of a few days (cost of meal + ticket). Call Heidi Elam (757-897-5012).

Saturday, October 29, 10am

American Revolutionary War Museum

Meet us at the Parish House at 10am to carpool to Yorktown. The American Revolution Museum at Yorktown (replacing the Yorktown Victory Center) will be among America's foremost sites that tell the story of the nation's founding. Through comprehensive, immersive indoor exhibits and outdoor living history, the new museum offers a truly national perspective, conveying a sense of the richness and complexity of the country's Revolutionary heritage. We will have lunch at the Museum café or at a nearby restaurant (\$9.75 Admission + cost of meal). Please RSVP to Donna Dodenhoff, by emailing singles@brutonparish.org.

Whom Shall I Send?

By Laurie Krebs



"I who made the stars and night
I will make the darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them
Whom shall I send?
Here I am Lord
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord
If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart."

Words and Music by
Fr Daniel L. Schutte, SJ (1981)
(To find all the lyrics and the music, visit
[www.livingwaterunity.org/music-program/
Hymns/here-i-am-lord.htm](http://www.livingwaterunity.org/music-program/Hymns/here-i-am-lord.htm))

On Sunday, October 16, in the sanctuary between the 9:15 and 11:15am services, there will be an informational meeting about Stephen Ministry. Soon a new class will be forming and parishioners from area churches will be joining the training classes to prepare them for this caring mission. Sessions involving careful listening, nonjudgmental acceptance, total confidentiality and prayerful concern will help them become Christian care-givers. Once Stephen Ministers are commissioned, they will be paired with someone in need and walk with them, listening and sharing God's love.

Please join us on October 16 to learn more about this ministry. By giving Stephen Ministry your prayerful thought, perhaps like Samuel, you will hear God's call.

"Now the Lord came and stood there,
calling as before, "Samuel, Samuel."
And Samuel said,
"Speak: for your servant is listening."
1 Samuel 3:10

If you know of someone who could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact our Stephen Leaders, Charlie Clapper at 757-564-6191 or Mary Jean Hurst at 757-810-5112. Your call will be kept strictly confidential.

Response to Children in Need at Matthew Whaley

By Janet Estes

It has been overwhelming! Matthew 25 is very pleased to announce that over fifty Bruton parishioners have answered the call to help children in our own neighborhood. The forum at the church on the Matthew Whaley Initiative was very well attended and the questions about this new program were excellent. We are actively working with the school to set a date for the training session. The clothing drive will take place in October. Lots more to follow, so stay tuned!



All Faithful Departed

A service of Holy Eucharist will be held at 3pm on Wednesday, November 2, in the churchyard. All are welcome at this service, especially those who have a family member interred there. We invite you to bring loose flowers to place in the Flower Cross in memory of your loved one. We hope that you can attend and join in this service as we celebrate the bond we share here in this life and in the next.



Reception Volunteers

By Kathryn Smith

The reception desk needs help, especially substitutes. Due to vacations, illnesses and "retirements," we are shorthanded. This is a good way for newcomers to meet people. Shifts are from 9am to 1pm and 1pm to 5pm. Duties include answering the telephone and greeting visitors. If you are interested, please contact Kathryn Smith (757-229-2188).

Friends Name Badges

In response to numerous requests, the Friends of Bruton Committee has arranged for distinctive name badges that feature Bruton's historic weathervane as the symbol of Friends of Bruton. The badges are an ideal way to show your support for Our Worldwide Congregation. They are especially appropriate when worn at Friends of Bruton sponsored events such as Friends Day or faith-based travel programs.

The badges are available to all members of the Bruton congregation and the more than 1,500 out-of-area Friends. Badges may be purchased at a cost of \$10 (an additional \$2 for magnetic pin). To request your Friends of Bruton name badge, contact Hilary Cooley (757-345-2252 or hcooley@brutonparish.org).

Co-Ed Cursillo Weekend

By Suzanne Cowles

Cursillo: n. (cur • see´ • yoh) 1. from the Spanish phrase "Cursillo de Cristianidad," meaning "Short Course in Christianity." 2. a movement of the church. See also "De Colores!"

Cursillo is a movement within the Episcopal church. It's a method to help us grow closer to Jesus Christ. It's also a community where we're encouraged to live joyfully and serve faithfully in grace. To help us on this journey we have Group Reunions, Ultreyas, and Weekend Retreats. A Co-Ed Cursillo weekend is being held October 14-16 with rector Rhonda Poll. For more information, visit www.cursillodsv.org. If you have any questions or would like to know more about Cursillo, please call 757-229-0707.

Children & Youth Formation

By Meghan Brewer

Nursery is available each Sunday from 8:30am to 12:30pm for newborns through 4-year-olds. The nursery is on the first floor of the Parish House.

Children's Church is age-appropriate worship held at 9:15am in St. Mary's Chapel, tailored for children K-5th grade. Drop them off at 9am, then head to the church. Save a seat, as the children join the congregation at the Peace. We will continue holding an age-appropriate service for 3-4 year olds in the room next to the nursery in the Parish House during this time frame.

Sunday School is held from 10:30-11am for children through 5th grade in the Parish House, and in the Custis House for middle and high school youth. We meet in the church tower after the Peace, and then walk to the classes together.

Joyful Noise, Choristers & Cantores Choirs begin rehearsing on Sunday, September 11 (see page 14 for more information about the various choirs). They typically rehearse in the Parish House at 11am (unless there is no Sunday School).

If you have any questions regarding the formation for our children and youth here at Bruton, please either call me at 757-345-6489 or email mbrewer@brutonparish.org.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Since we'll have the Blessing of the Animals in the church at 9:15am this Sunday morning, and our children's choirs will sing during the service, we will not have Children's Church. Sunday School for all will be held immediately following the 9:15 service. Children & Youth choirs will still rehearse at 11am in the choir room of the Parish House.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 16 & 30

Children's Church will be held at 9:15am, followed by Sunday School after communion in the church, and Choir Rehearsal will be held at 11am.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Children's Church will be held at 9:15am, followed by Sunday School after communion in the church, and Choir Rehearsal will be held at 11am. Youth Group will be held at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall beginning with dinner and we'll be putting together care packages and the Thanksgiving Food Drive bags for FISH.

Youth Confirmation Classes

Youth confirmation classes will be held in October. Please contact the Rev'd Josh Stephens if you are a 10th grader or older and wish to be confirmed here at Bruton Parish (757-229-2891 or email jstephens@brutonparish.org).

Hope to see you at:

October 2:

The Blessing of the Animals will be held in the church during the 9:15am service, so don't forget to bring your furry or scaly friends! Our children and youth choirs will be singing for the first time in the sanctuary; we hope you'll be there. The Fall Fellowship Festival will be held that afternoon from 4:30-7pm, so please be sure to rsvp by either calling the church at 757-229-2891 or email rsvp@brutonparish.org.

October 5:

A Newcomers' Welcome Reception will be held at 5:30pm. Juice and activities will be available at the children's table so we hope that all new families will join us!

October 16:

A Children & Youth Family Breakfast will be held in the Parish House at 11:30. Parents are invited to come help cook and set up following the 9:15 service that morning.

October 23:

Our youth will be making Care Packages for our parishioner's college students. If you would like your college student to receive a care package, please send the physical address to me at either 757-345-6489 or email Meghan Brewer at mbrewer@brutonparish.org. All parishioners are invited to donate microwaveable popcorn, gum and candy, crossword puzzles, or anything you'd think a college student would love to receive.

Several of our parish children and youth recently attended acolyte trainings held by the Reverends Jan Brown and Josh Stephens, with help from a few of the experienced acolytes.



Candlelight Concerts Offered by Our Music Ministry to the Parish & Community

Concerts are held in the church at 8pm unless otherwise noted. Parking is permitted on Duke of Gloucester Street in front of the church during the recitals.

Saturday, October 1
Organ Recital - Dr. JanEl Will
Organist at Bruton Parish

Tuesday, October 4
Organ & Harpsichord Recital
Rebecca Davy, Bruton Music Director & Organist

Thursday, October 6
Chamber Winds Recital
TRADOC Chamber Winds
Army Band from Ft. Eustis
in Newport News, Virginia

Saturday, October 8
Guitar & Flute Recital
Duo Talassa, Wayla Chambo,
Flutist & Todd Holcomb, Guitarist
from Southeast, Virginia

Tuesday, October 11
Guitar Recital - Peter Griggs
Guitarist from New York City

Thursday, October 13
Organ Recital
Dr. JanEl Will
Organist at Bruton Parish

Saturday, October 15
Organ & Harpsichord
Recital - Rebecca Davy,
Bruton Music Director
& Organist

Sunday, October 16
@ 5:30 pm
Choral Evensong:
Music of John Rutter
Choirs of Bruton Parish
Rebecca Davy, Director
Dr. JanEl Will, Organist

Tuesday, October 18
Organ & Harpsichord Recital
Dr. JanEl Will, Bruton Organist

Thursday, October 20
Organ Recital - Sam Porter,
Organist from Hattiesburg, MS

Saturday, October 22
Flute Recital - Tom Moore, Flutist
& Rebecca Davy, Accompanist

Tuesday, October 25
Organ & Harpsichord Recital
Rebecca Davy, Bruton Music Director
& Organist

Thursday, October 27
Organ Recital - Dr. JanEl Will
Organist at Bruton Parish

Saturday, October 29
Organ Recital
Rebecca Davy, Bruton Music Director
& Organist

October is Archaeology Month in Virginia

18th century Scottish Music on a Celtic Harp

In conjunction with an archaeological open house at the historic Matthew Jones House in Newport News, parishioner Courtney Birkett will be speaking at noon on Wednesday, October 19, on eighteenth-century Scottish music and playing a selection of tunes on the Celtic harp. (The overall open house goes until 4pm, so if you can't make it for the official presentation Courtney can play again later for you).



Situated on Mulberry Island in what was originally Warwick County, the Matthew Jones House illustrates the transition from the post-medieval vernacular to the Georgian style. Built for Matthew Jones in the first quarter of the eighteenth century, the house began its existence as an earthfast frame building with brick chimneys. The remainder of the house was rebuilt in brick around 1730. The Matthew Jones House is one of four colonial

Virginia homes that incorporate a projecting entrance, which like its cruciform plan, exhibits post-medieval architectural traditions. The glazed-header Flemish bond brickwork is exceptional.

Visitors should enter the Fort Eustis Base through Gate 1 off Fort Eustis Boulevard (exit 250A from 64) and will have to go through a checkpoint to the right of the gate. A photo ID for each passenger will be required and registration and proof of insurance for the vehicle needed. Once past the gate, go straight down Washington Boulevard, taking the second exit off the traffic circle to remain on that road, and stay in the right lane, which will eventually turn off onto Taylor Avenue. The Matthew Jones House is about a mile down on the left, at the intersection of Taylor Avenue and Harrison Road.

All are welcome to come for lunch, music, and a chance to learn about local archaeology. For more information, please contact Courtney directly at scottishmusic@brutonparish.org or 757-814-8463.

Credit: <https://www.nps.gov/nr/travel/jamesriver/jon.htm>

Historical Organ Recitals

William & Mary's
Wren Chapel
Saturdays @ 10am

October 1
Thomas Marshall

October 8, 15, 22, 29
Rebecca Davy

October 29
Sarah Bland



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Your Bruton Parish Shop: Not Your Ordinary Coloring Books

By Leith Merrow Mullaly

Red, Green, Yellow...Faith, Blessings, and Prayer. What do these words have in common?! Your Bruton Parish Gift Shop has a wonderful, truly distinctive collection of faith-based adult coloring books and more. Coloring can relieve stress for many. It can also be a great activity when you are a passenger on a car trip, waiting for an appointment, or just want to stop and unwind. Best of all, coloring allows the hidden artist within all of us to shine through! Some finished products are worthy of framing! These coloring books include titles like: Color Me Blessed; Celtic Blessings; Be Still & Know that I am God; Words of Faith: A Coloring Book to Bless & DE-Stress; and Pray & Color.

In addition to the coloring books, there are also Color-A-Magnet, Coloring Post Cards and Coloring Note Cards. A really unique item is a ceramic art heart that comes with its own mini markers included. When completed, these will make lovely, personalized gifts that will touch the recipient's heart. These can either hang or stand using the ornamental key enclosed. Come in to the Shop and buy several -- some for you and some for friends. Don't dawdle as these sell quickly.

The Shop also has a wide selection of delightful and valuable journals. They come in both 5x7 sizes and smaller pocket sizes. These journal titles incorporate so many every day interests. Not only are they a very efficient way to get organized but also serve as an excellent record and history of your activities. Check a few of these out: My Bucket List; Daily Devotions: A Prayer Journal; Health: A Medical Journal; Bird Watching; Gratitude: Acts of Kindness; Wines; and Out of the Mouth of Babies.

Remember, all proceeds from your purchases benefit Mission & Outreach. We're also online -- any time, day or night -- at www.brutonparishshop.com!



The Christmas Parlor
is now open!

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Pastoral Emergencies

Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm
Call 757-345-2250 directly
or call the church office at
757-229-2891

After 5pm, call the church office
and choose Option 6. If necessary,
please leave your name, telephone
number and brief message, and the
clergy-on-call will return your call
as soon as possible.

Article submissions are due the 10th of each month and may be edited for length and content.

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Nominations for Bruton Parish Vestry

What does it mean to be a member of the Bruton Parish vestry? Generally, it means responding to God's call to be a channel of God's love, by supporting the clergy's leadership toward spiritual vitality of the parish. We do this through faithful, active participation in worship and parish life. It also means representing the parish with leadership in the management of finances, buildings, grounds and other assets. Vestry meetings are held once a month on Monday evenings.

The Bruton Parish vestry has 12 members. The term of a vestryperson is three years. Like all churches in the Diocese of Southern Virginia, we use a rotating vestry system. It is designed so that each year four members rotate off and four new members join.

This flyer is a means to nominate someone you believe to be called to this ministry. After receiving consent from the person, fill out and return the bottom portion. You may also nominate yourself. The 2016 nominating committee will consider all nominations received and seek more if necessary.

The nominating committee will have eight members. Four are the retiring vestrypersons: Bill Brauer, Laura Geddy, George Wilson and Marty Easton. The other four will be recruited from the parish at large. The committee will identify a balanced slate of four willing individuals, representative of the congregation. Nominees will be formally elected at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, November 13, 2016.

A nominee must be a confirmed adult communicant in good standing, faithful in corporate worship, in giving and in prayer. Please speak with the Rev'd Epperson if you have questions about vestry service or the nomination process. Thank you.

Vestry Nomination Form

Please detach and return this form to the Parish House. You may hand deliver or mail it to the attention of Marty Easton by Monday, October 3. If you prefer, put the information below in an email to Marty Easton and send to vestrynoms@brutonparish.org.

I wish to nominate _____ for consideration by the nominating committee to stand for election to a three-year term on the vestry. He/she is willing to serve. I feel this person is well-suited for this ministry of leadership in our church for the reasons below. He/she has sought to be a part of parish life in the ways I have listed below.

Signature: _____

Date: _____