

# Parish Notes

*Welcome! Christ Congregational Church is a house of prayer where, we pray, through Christ, the means of grace and the beauty and power of ancient liturgies will be used by the Holy Spirit to transform contemporary lives. For those worshipers who desire it, concurrent nursery care for children through 4 years of age is available at all of our regularly scheduled services. Should you be led to worship through giving, brass offering boxes are located on the narthex wall on either side of the center aisle doors.*

## God's Speed to You!

It is with sad hearts that we have had to say "good-bye" to 3 more charter members of *Christ Church* this month. Jim and Trish Kennedy have moved to New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Jim served as a trustee since our inception, and Trish was a member of our choir since the very earliest days in *The Lodge*. Additionally, Gerry Graham moved on Tuesday of this past week to Shreveport, Louisiana in order to be closer to her son and other family members. As you know, Gerry's husband, Bob, died this summer. We are thankful for all of their service to Christ through this church and we pray God's blessings upon them in their new homes.

## Military "Bible Sticks"

In our business meeting last Sunday, we made you aware of a pressing need among Christians in

our military. Chaplains are requesting audio copies of the Holy Scriptures to be given to service members and their families who either 1) do not read, or 2) who are serving in locations in the world where it is prohibited or dangerous to carry a written copy of God's Word. We are partnering with a ministry called, "Fatih Comes By Hearing" to help supply the requested digital devices. A gift of \$25.00 will supply one soldier and his/her family. As a church, we have set a goal to supply a company of soldiers (100) which will require that we collect at least \$2500.00. If you would like to participate in this outreach, by sponsoring one or more soldiers, please make your checks out to *Christ Church* and write "Bible Sticks" in the memo section of your check. We will then later write one check in the name of the church. Please deposit these checks (or cash envelopes) in the specially designated offering plate on our narthex table.

## Our Stewardship:

Membership: 148

Attendance:  
September 24 -- 125

Offering (9/17 & 9/24):  
\$8,525.00

## Please pray:

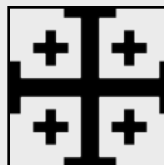
*Family concerns:*  
Betty Bryant, Joy Eagle and family, Alton Eaton and family, Gerry Graham, Clare Herrick, Bonnie Hilton, Leah & Gene Parker, Sue Anne & Tom Rees, Kim Watters

*Extended concerns:*  
Marianne Bryson (*cousin*, Mary Louise); Melia Hunter (*brother*, George Platt); Becky Weldon (*father*, Fred Baier); Jo Whitaker (*mother*, Jean; *cousin*, Penny).

## MORE INFORMATION

*Please remove the bottom portion of this page and give it to an usher or place it in an offering box if:*

- you wish more information about Christ Church
  - you wish a minister to contact you
- We can contact you at:*



## LECTIONARY READINGS

*Next Sunday, October 8, 2017*  
*7th Sunday in Dominiontide*

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14

Matthew 21:33-46