

Christ Church

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2024 Annual Report

Presented at the February 2, 2025 Annual Meeting

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Annual Meeting of Christ Church, Manhasset

February 2, 2025, 10:00 a.m. – Christ Church

Agenda

- I. Opening Prayer & Call to Order
- II. Appointment of the Clerk
- III. Approval of Minutes of the 2024 Annual Meeting (held Feb. 4, 2024)
- IV. Report of the Vestry Nominating Committee & Election of Vestry Members & Warden
- V. Institution of Newly Elected Vestry Members & Warden
- VI. Warden's Report
- VII. Treasurer's Report
- VIII. Rector's Report
- IX. Acceptance of Reports by Parish Organizations and Committees as Submitted
- X. Adjournment & Closing Prayers

Christ Church's 2024 in Pictures





Call to Order and Opening Prayers: A Litany of Thanksgiving for a Church

Officiant: Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

All: Almighty God, the heaven of heavens cannot contain you, much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our hands, offered to your honor and glory.

Officiant: For the Church universal, of which these visible buildings are the symbol,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For making us your children by adoption and grace, and refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the company of your faithful people,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: For the fellowship of Christ Church and all the saints,

All: We thank you, God.

Officiant: Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with this parish as we take counsel for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Appointment of Clerk for Annual Meeting

The Reverend Stephen Tamke appoints Ms. Holly Melichar as clerk for this meeting.

Approval of Minutes of 2024 Annual Meeting (held February 4, 2024)

Minutes can be found on the last page of this booklet.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee Slate:

Church Warden (2 years, until 2027)	Liz Giacoma
Vestry Member (2 Years, until 2027)	Laurie Gibbons
Vestry Member (3 years, until 2028)	Doug Spadaro
Vestry Member (3 years, until 2028)	Tommi-Grace Alvaro

Nominating Committee Arlene Blocker (*chair*), Jeannine Daly, Devin McKay, Gloria Ryan, Alex Bennett, Penelope Tadler, The Reverend Stephen Tamke (*ex officio*).

Complete Vestry:

Senior Warden, William Cornachio (Class of 2026)

Junior Warden, Liz Giacoma (Class of 2027)

Class of 2026: Alexander Bennett, Anita Schmidt

Class of 2027: Laurie Gibbons, Clayton Tadler

Class of 2028: Doug Spadaro, Tommi-Grace Alvaro

Treasurer: Oriana Cyprus

Clerk: Holly Melichar

Thank you to outgoing Vestry Officers

Arlene Blocker, *Senior Warden*, Lesley Stackler and Senetta Koch, *Vestry Members*

Thank you!

Commissioning of Vestry Members and Wardens

Source: *Book of Occasional Services*, pp. 180-183

The congregation being seated, the Rector stands in full view of the people. The candidates for Vestry and Warden stand facing the celebrant.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the Name of God and of this congregation to a special ministry to which they are called.

The Rector asks the Nominating Committee Chair and the Wardens (Sponsors)

Are these persons you are to present prepared by a commitment to Christ as Lord, by regular attendance at worship, and by the knowledge of their duties, to exercise their ministry to the honor of God, and the well-being of God's Church?

Sponsors: I believe they are.

Rector: You have been called to a ministry in this congregation. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

Candidates: I will.

Rector: Will you faithfully and reverently execute the duties of your ministry to the honor of God, and the benefit of the members of this congregation?

Candidates: I will.

Nominating Committee Chair: I present to you these persons to be admitted to the ministry of Warden and Vestry Members in this congregation:

Rector: Let us pray.

Silence

O Eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Wardens and Vestry of this congregation, and so rule their minds, and guide their counsels, that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

In the Name of God and of this congregation I commission William Cornachio, as Senior Warden, Liz Giacomina as Junior Warden, Alexander Bennett, Anita Schmidt, Laurie Gibbons, Clayton Tadler, Doug Spadaro and Tommi-Grace Alvaro as Members of the Vestry.

New wardens and vestry members: May God who has given us the will to do these things give us the grace and power to perform them.

All: **Amen.**

Renewal of Commitment to Christ *(prayed by all)*

Rector: Let us give thanks for the gifts we have each been given by the Holy Spirit to build up the body of Christ.

Silence

All: Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in us the covenant you made with us in baptism. Send us forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A NOTE FROM THE RECTOR

The Reverend Stephen C. Tamke †

“Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.” 1 Corinthians 12:30-31

As last Sunday’s Epistle lesson was read, I was once again reminded of the eloquence with which St. Paul empowers the faithful; that we do not practice, or live out, our faith alone. This passage from his First Letter to the Corinthians encourages each of us to recognize that we are all members of one body, one Church, one Christ. We all, each of us, are empowered with gifts of the spirit to work collaboratively in faith to live out the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in this time and place. Together, our Christ Church parish has sought to do this beginning in 1802 and continues to do so today.

As I reflect on the year 2024 at Christ Church, I am, as always, thankful for the hard work of our ministry team. Donna Cullinan-Gillis, Enrique Valdes, and Leslie Fitzpatrick Waltzer, through their various roles, and using their individual gifts and talents, ensure that Christ Church continues to live out its mission and ministry in this time and in this place.

The life and ministry of this place is not possible without the dedicated and faithful work of our Wardens, Arlene Blocker and Bill Cornachio, and Vestry, together with our Treasurer, Oriana Cyprus, and Clerk, Holly Melichar. We are blessed to have such a devoted group of lay leaders, who bring a diversity of skills and faith experience to the table. Arlene Blocker, Senior Warden, has completed her two-year term, and I am so grateful to her for accepting the call to serve (again) two years ago. Arlene has been on speed dial since I arrived here in 2020 when she was Warden with Heather Bennett, and I give thanks to God for her steadfastness of faith, her collaborative spirit, and her spirit-filled leadership of our parish which she so loves! Thank you, Arlene! To Bill Cornachio, who is rotating up to serve as Senior Warden, and Liz Giacoma as Junior, thank you both for your willingness to serve. Doug Spadaro has re-upped for another three-year term on Vestry, Tommi-Grace Alvaro has graciously offered to join us on Vestry for a three-year term, and Laurie Gibbons is filling the unexpired term of Senetta Koch. Thank you to Doug, Tommi-Grace, and Laurie. As well, my thanks to Leslie Stackler and Senetta Koch as they complete their term of service on Christ Church’s Vestry. Thank you for your years of service in leadership.

In the year since our last Annual Meeting, we have taken part in fellowship, worship, and outreach at our Christ Church parish. We have engaged in regular and faithful maintenance of our buildings including repairing heat pumps in, and the digital lock system on the doors of, the Parish House. In the Church, we

repaired a crack in the boiler, updated the choir room, and installed a new live stream system for worship. At the Rectory, we repaired a broken house trap for the plumbing, as well as installed a sprinkler system in August of 2024, and, the driveway of the Rectory, shared with our lovely neighbors, was repaved with added belgian block along the sides. My thanks to various parishioners for their donations in support of the live-stream audio in the church, the lock system at the Parish House, and the sprinkler installation and house trap repair at the Rectory.

We continue to support the St. Mary's food pantry, and our participation in the St. John's Episcopal Hospital's "Adopt-a-Family" program was, once again, superb and fully in the charitable spirit of the Christmas Season. If you look at our outreach report, there is a photo attached of a letter we received from the family we supported this year. We have not received a letter like this in the past, and it shows how powerfully our grace-filled gifts were received by this family. They were so thankful for our generosity!

Last year at our Annual Meeting, I was looking forward to building a ministry to use our Parish House kitchen for food-based outreach offerings into our community. That ministry has become part of our shared life here at Christ Church. Our monthly Daily Bread Ministry is a time in which parishioners gather in the Parish House Kitchen to bake together and share those baked good with those who need it. Each month we bake nearly 40 loaves of bread, or over 200+ cookies, and they are donated to the INN in Hempstead. My thanks to all who support this wonderful ministry! When we receive our Daily Bread each week in the Eucharist, we are blessed and empowered to offer our own daily bread to those who need it.

Our worship and programmatic schedules were ones in which we found ourselves quite busy! From a fantastic service of Lent Lessons & Carols with St. John's of Lattingtown, to Holy Week liturgies; from Summer Home Communion to our new Christ Church for Families service; and from Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist each Wednesday morning to Advent Lessons & Carols, our worship was full and vibrant. Our Easter Sunday attendance and Christmas Eve/Day attendance were both strong, with Easter attendance up from 2023, and, our Sunday worship attendance, both in-person and via-Zoom, held steady. Our Altar Guild, led by Diana Tadler, Directress, continued its important ministry of sacramental preparation for Eucharist, Baptisms, and Funerals. Once again, Phyllis Sternemann led our Historic Cemetery Tour gracefully and professionally. Lesley Stackler chaired a fantastic Holly Fair for a second very successful year. Our Tuesday evening education classes were well attended. Over the Summer, we welcomed Phoebe Miller as our summer field education student from Yale Divinity School as part of her Master in Divinity course work. In the past, Christ Church has welcomed seminarians from General Theological Seminary, in New York City, and so welcoming Phoebe as part of her M. Div was hearkening back to our past model of forming leaders in the Church. Phoebe led summer classes on the Trinity, preached on Sundays, wrote fantastic daily devotions for Advent, and began the Daily Bread Ministry. Our Galentine's Dinner, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Mothering Sunday Brunch, Summer Home Communion, and Coffee Hour offered space for us to break bread together as a Parish Family.

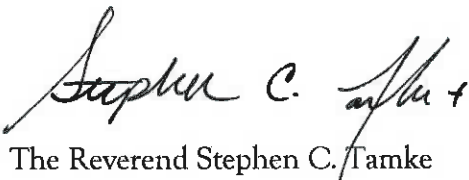
New to us in 2024 was a family service, held once a month! Christ Church for Families is a shortened Eucharist service that is modeled especially for families with little ones for whom the full hour-long 10:00am service might seem somewhat daunting. Each month, on the third Sunday at 9:00am, we gather in the Parish House for Eucharist. The young ones gather on the “sermon rug” and hear a bible story from the Gospels as well as a children’s sermon. And then, we all gather around the altar to celebrate the Eucharist. We aim to include an outreach component at each service, so our families hear Scripture, engage a sermon, receive the Sacrament, and then “do” the good work we are called to do. This service serves as a form of “liturgical Sunday School” which engages the scripture, doctrine, and liturgy of our faith in the midst of worship. My thanks to Arlene Blocker for her help in making this service happen each month. If you know of anyone who might find this service a fit for their family, please let them know all about it!

I was blessed to baptize quite a few new Christians in 2024; and many of these young ones and their families are fully part of our parish either at our 10:00am service, or, at our new Family Service. As well, we had eight young adults confirmed, who now serve regularly on the altar as part of our ROTA of acolytes.

Each morning, as I walk to the office, or to the Church, I take a few moments and give thanks to God for the many blessings we enjoy in this place. I am thankful for each of you, the faithful people of Christ Church, who call this place home. I am thankful for our Wardens and Vestry, who take on the responsibility of leadership capably and faithfully. I am thankful for those who have come before us, many of whom have been laid to eternal rest in our Christ Church Cemetery, who have shown us the way to live as the saints of old in thought, word, and deed. I am thankful for Danielle and Henry who support my shared ministry in this parish each day. And, finally, I am thankful for God’s presence in our lives, for the gifts of the Spirit which empower each of us to live out our Baptismal vows and strive for the greater gifts. With a thankful heart and encouraged spirit, I can confidently say, as I do each year at our annual meeting, “O God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready!” (*Psalm 57:7*).

As ever, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen C. Tamke". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small cross at the end of the last name.

The Reverend Stephen C. Tamke

Rector

Warden's Report

The Christ Church parish community continues to grow. The Sunday, 10 am service remains the primary service growing in attendance on most Sundays with 40+ Parishioners in attendance.

During 2024 we were met with needed repairs to our campus buildings (as with any owned property). Fortunately, we were able to make the repairs and appreciate the donations from parishioners earmarked for the repairs or upgrades to the property as needed.

The New "Family Service" Format

In September 2024 we transitioned from our historical classroom Sunday School model to a family service. The new family service format is held in the Parish Hall on the third Sunday of the month at 9am. This has been a well-received change to the traditional classroom model. The family service is officiated by Fr. Stephen with Eucharist and Children's Sermon. Please note, the family service is not intended to replace attendance at the 10am service. However, it certainly offers a wonderful option for our families with young children.

Vestry Updates

The upcoming Vestry Slate exemplifies the dedication of the parish and the willingness to serve and work together with Fr. Stephen on the business operations of the Church. William (Bill) Cornachio, will serve as senior warden (class of 2026), alongside Liz Giacoma who will be stepping up for a 2-year term as warden (class of 2027). Vestry members; Doug Spadaro re-up for a second 3-year term. Tommi-Grace Alvaro, 3-year term, class of 2028, and Laurie Gibbons to fulfill one 2-year unexpired term for Senetta Koch. Thank you, Senetta, for your long-standing dedicated service to Christ Church over the years and thank you to the new warden & vestry members.

Fellowship Events

Our 2024 calendar continued with many fellowship events that bring us together not only to worship but to share ideas and to help the community initiatives such as our monthly food pantry donations- in partnership with St. Mary's food pantry "The Good Samaritan".

Furthermore, our Daily Bread Ministry is a way for us to come together to our parish house kitchen to bake quick breads, muffins, or cookies for local shelters. Please consider joining this event in the future months as it is an excellent way to help those in need. For example, the adopt-a-family for Christmas 2024 was appreciated by the recipients.

I always say that as a Parish we love to cook and break bread together. The parish hall offers a beautiful venue to host fellowship gatherings. Some of the events most notably include the Mothering Sunday Brunch

(we are halfway through lent), Lent and Advent Lessons & Carrols receptions, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, the Holly Fair and various dinners and receptions.

I would also like to extend a special thank you to the parishioners who open their homes for the summer home communions. These events and more are all special & memorable times spent together.

Morning Prayer Sundays

On Morning Prayer Sundays, the service is enhanced through the singing of the choir. Which to me is “praying twice.” Thank you to our Organist & Director of Music Ministry, Leslie Fitzpatrick Waltzer for the Christ Church music program. Our worship would not be the same without the sacred music offered by our choir under the direction of our Organist.

Acknowledgements

We are blessed with the leadership of Fr. Stephen Tamke, and look forward to a bright future where faith, fellowship, community, and learning is paramount at Christ Church. I pray that each one of us, will walk with confidence to spread the light and love of Jesus in this world.

Thank you for your support and the support of our Vestry, Wardens, Oriana Cyprus, Treasurer, Holly Melichar, Clerk and Donna Cullinan-Gillis, Parish Administrator and all the Parishioners during my tenure as Warden.

Peace be with you!

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Blocker, *Warden*

February 2025

Statistics from the 2024 Parochial Report

Every year the National Church asks each parish to complete a standard statistical and financial Parochial Report. The full report will be available in the Parish Office after it is approved by the Vestry and submitted to the Diocesan Office and the National Church Office. Here are some of the statistics from 2024.

“Baptized members” include anyone who has attended at least one event and/or contributed financially to the parish. We will report about 190 total members, which is static from 2023.

“Communicants in Good Standing” are those who attend Church at least three times in the calendar year and for whom we have a record of regular financial contributions. We will report a total of 82 people: 70 members 16 years of age and older, and 12 members under 16 years of age.

We had **four** Weddings at/through Christ Church in 2024:

- Mrs. Estefania B. Barza & Mr. Joseph Alexander Wolf; Mrs. Hannah Elizabeth Phillips & Mr. Michael Ryan Duch; Mrs. Warren Woodard & Mr. Nicholas Petracca; Mrs. Jessica Artura & Mr. Sean August.

We had **six** Confirmations on May 12, 2024.

- John Cade Peter Austin, Alexandra Lisa Cerini, Anika Hailey Deosaran, Elena Theresa Bernadette Gibbons, James Townsend Turnbull, John Wyckoff Turnbull.

We had **ten** Baptisms in 2024:

- Amir Michael Royer Mirab in April 2024
- Carson Bentley Kuchta in April of 2024
- Cooper Christopher Kuchta in April of 2024
- Felicity Breana Klem in April of 2024
- Henry Connor Tamke in April of 2024
- Hans Turner Wetzel in May of 2024
- Spencer John Gough in May of 2024
- Layla Julianne Solano in June of 2024
- Justin Francis Guevara in July of 2024
- Vivienne Beth McGarry in August of 2024
- Louise Rose Cass in August of 2024

Five people were buried from Christ Church in 2024:

- Timothy C. Tredwell, Arthur "Ward" Wright, Jr., Almy Goelet Egan, Michael Francis Henahan, and John Douglas Phillips.

Our average Sunday attendance for both the 8:00am Rite 1 and 10:00am Rite 2 Eucharists was 48 people, down from an average of 49 in 2023 (both in-person and online over Zoom). Easter Sunday (both in-person and online over Zoom) attendance was 185, up from 165 in 2023. Christmas Eve & Day (both in-person and online over Zoom) Holy Eucharist Rite 2 at 4:00pm and 7:00pm and Holy Eucharist Rite 1 at 10:00am attendance was 225, down from 280 in 2023.

We offered a total of 85 Sunday Eucharists, with all of them offered both online or as a hybrid of online and in-person worship. We offered 65 services of weekday Daily Office worship (in-person & online Morning Prayer Rite 1 and in-person Evening Prayer Rite 1 & Compline). We offered 50 services of weekday Holy Eucharist.

42 signed pledge cards were received for 2024 totaling \$150,000.00 which was static from \$150,000.00 in 2023.

Treasurer's Report

Total income for 2024 was \$446,000.00 vs the budgeted number \$390,000.00. This \$56,000.00 positive variant was due to generous parishioner giving, better than estimated monthly endowment output and additional building use.

Please note that we are not short \$15,000.00 in current pledge payments as it appears in the report, we collected all but one pledge (due to a job relocation), but the funds are reported on other budget lines. With this one exception, total pledge income landed at 100% what was pledged vs what we collected. This is extraordinary! I am amazed and humbled every year at the generosity and commitment of this parish to support Christ Church's shared mission and ministry. Thank you, all.

Other income was mostly above what we had budgeted; Plate, Holy Day donations, and other misc. The Cemetery Tour did well this year earning about \$4,000.00 and the Holly Fair was very successful netting about \$13,500.00.

On the expense side we also did better than expected. We had projected a \$32,000.00 deficit and closed the year out with a \$12,000.00 deficit instead. We may have come out even if not for some large repairs that were needed in the Parish House on the HVAC system. We had budgeted \$8,000.00 for Parish House repairs but needed \$19,000.00 to cover them all.

Salaries and utility expenses were mostly as planned. There has been an uptick in electricity expenses which is noted on the budget report. We engaged a new copier lease this year and some start-up expenses pushed us over the budget line this year, but that should normalize for 2025.

We were gifted some large capital donations this year, \$146,000.00 in all. These monies are restricted for use on building projects that inevitably come up on a campus such as ours, and, also serve to fund the budget shortfalls that arise as a result of these building projects. Any capital improvements that the Vestry might approve to undertake would also be paid from this fund.

Looking to the 2025 budget: We are budgeting for a higher income than last year, \$404,000.00 despite having lost some generous parishioners due to death or moving away. However, we expect to take in more in building use and endowment distributions.

The Rector and Music Director Salaries will stay the same. The Parish Administrator will see an increase of about \$3,000.00 per year. The Sexton salary will show a rather large increase, this is because Enrique and his wife will move to Medicare parts A, B, and D, along with a Supplement Plan. We will no longer pay his insurance through Church Insurance, instead we will supplement his income to allow him to pay directly. This will result in a small savings for Christ Church as well as a good savings for him.

Other expenses are expected to remain ostensibly the same resulting in an expected deficit of about \$31,000.00, which is about the same as was projected for 2024. I expect we will close that gap as we have done historically.

Investments and Bank Accounts as of 1/30/25:

JP Morgan Diocesan Investment: \$3.045 Million (*As of 11/30/24*)

JP Morgan Diocesan Schola Cantorum Investment: \$12,000.00

(Compared to \$2.68 Million and \$10,000.00 respectively at year end 2023)

Vanguard Parish Investments: \$336,500.00

Vanguard Altar Guild Investments: \$16,500.00

(Compared to \$292,000.00 and \$15,500.00 respectively at year end 2023)

Chase Operating: \$22,000.00

Chase Savings: \$143,000.00

Discretionary: \$3,000.00

PayPal: \$4,500.00

Apple Bank Altar Guild (as of 12/21/24): \$8,500.00

Christ Church Cemetery Fund: \$35,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

Oriana Cyprus

Treasurer

Christ Church Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through December 2024

	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
41000 - Revenue				
41100 - Pledge Income				
41110 - Current Year Pledge	135,316.25	150,000.00	-14,683.75	90.2%
41120 - Prior Year Pledge	4,010.00	1,000.00	3,010.00	401.0%
41130 - Prepaid Pledge	20,705.00	15,000.00	5,705.00	138.0%
41100 - Pledge Income - Other	1,988.25			
Total 41100 - Pledge Income	162,019.50	166,000.00	-3,980.50	97.6%
41200 - Plate Income				
41300 - Music Donations	20,150.81	10,000.00	10,150.81	201.5%
41390 - Miscellaneous Donations	6,595.00	3,000.00	3,595.00	219.8%
41392 - Memorial Donations	1,350.00	4,000.00	-2,650.00	33.8%
41395 - Donations Altar Guild	8,083.77	7,000.00	1,083.77	115.5%
41396 - Holy Day Donations	13,041.51	5,000.00	8,041.51	260.8%
41397 - Cemetery Donations	4,300.00	1,000.00	3,300.00	430.0%
41390 - Miscellaneous Donations - Other	8,590.00	5,000.00	3,590.00	171.8%
Total 41390 - Miscellaneous Donations	35,365.28	22,000.00	13,365.28	160.6%
41400 - Endowment Distributions	137,797.23	130,000.00	7,797.23	106.0%
41600 - Interest Income	49.16	100.00	-50.84	49.2%
41700 - Building Use	57,950.00	45,000.00	12,950.00	128.8%
41800 - Pass-Thru Income	721.49			
41810 - Disc. Fund Pass-Thru Income	1,025.00			
41900 - Pastoral Liturgy Donations	300.00	200.00	100.00	150.0%
41905 - Sale of Cemetery Plots	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.0%
41910 - Miscellaneous Income				
41920 - Cemetery Tour	4,922.00	3,000.00	1,922.00	164.1%
41930 - Holly Fair	14,443.00	10,000.00	4,443.00	144.4%
41940 - Concert Series	213.00			
41960 - Workers' Comp & Disability refu	1,833.07			
41910 - Miscellaneous Income - Other	1,258.95			
Total 41910 - Miscellaneous Income	22,670.02	13,000.00	9,670.02	174.4%
Total 41000 - Revenue	445,643.49	390,300.00	55,343.49	114.2%
Total Income	445,643.49	390,300.00	55,343.49	114.2%
Expense				
51000 - Salaries and Benefits				
51100 - Rector				
51110 - Rector Salary	50,578.06	53,000.00	-2,421.94	95.4%
51130 - Rector Health Insurance	1,191.32	1,200.00	-8.68	99.3%
51140 - Rector Pension	19,708.20	20,000.00	-291.80	98.5%
51160 - Rector Housing Equity Allowance	3,169.95	3,200.00	-30.05	99.1%
51170 - Rector Withholding	22,383.92	22,000.00	383.92	101.7%
51180 - Rector Life Insurance	380.00	400.00	-20.00	95.0%
Total 51100 - Rector	97,411.45	99,800.00	-2,388.55	97.6%

Christ Church Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through December 2024

Accrual Basis

	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
51200 - Sexton				
51210 - Sexton Salary	29,151.99	29,000.00	191.99	100.7%
51230 - Sexton Health Insurance	23,281.00	24,000.00	-719.00	97.0%
51240 - Sexton Lay Pension 403(b)	1,588.34	1,600.00	-11.66	99.3%
51241 - Sexton 403(b) employer match	1,588.34	1,600.00	-11.66	99.3%
51242 - Sexton Lay Pension Base 403(b)	1,985.62	2,000.00	-14.38	99.3%
51250 - Sexton Withholding	4,787.73	5,000.00	-212.27	95.8%
Total 51200 - Sexton	62,423.02	63,200.00	-776.98	98.8%
51300 - Parish Administrator				
51310 - Administrator Salary	22,404.82	23,500.00	-1,095.18	95.3%
51320 - Parish Administrator withholding	3,845.30	4,000.00	-154.70	96.1%
Total 51300 - Parish Administrator	26,250.12	27,500.00	-1,249.88	95.5%
51400 - Music Director				
51410 - Music Director Salary	23,516.93	23,900.00	-383.07	96.4%
51420 - Music Director withholding	2,809.96	2,600.00	209.96	102.1%
Total 51400 - Music Director	26,326.89	26,500.00	-173.11	99.3%
51800 - Miscellaneous Sal/Ben				
51800 - Miscellaneous Sal/Ben	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	100.0%
51900 - Taxes & Workers Comp				
51910 - Employer Contributions	6,744.72	7,000.00	-255.28	96.4%
51930 - Workers' Comp & Disability	3,393.53	4,000.00	-606.47	84.8%
Total 51900 - Taxes & Workers Comp	10,138.25	11,000.00	-861.75	92.2%
Total 51000 - Salaries and Benefits	225,549.73	231,000.00	-5,450.27	97.6%
52000 - Worship & Programs				
52100 - Music				
52110 - Section Leaders	10,320.00	7,000.00	3,320.00	147.4%
52120 - Instruments & Extra Singers	1,990.00	1,500.00	490.00	132.7%
52130 - Supply Organists	750.00	750.00	0.00	100.0%
52140 - Sheet Music	116.22	2,000.00	614.05	130.7%
52150 - Organ/Piano Maintenance	2,614.05	300.00	129.00	143.0%
52170 - Music Licenses	429.00			
52100 - Music - Other	946.15			
Total 52100 - Music	17,167.42	11,550.00	5,617.42	148.6%
52200 - Christian Formation				
52210 - Sunday School	284.95	250.00	34.95	114.0%
52230 - Adult Formation	375.52	250.00	125.52	150.2%
52200 - Christian Formation - Other	147.72			
Total 52200 - Christian Formation	808.19	500.00	308.19	161.6%
52300 - Outreach				
52310 - Outreach Programs	2,008.78	1,000.00	1,008.78	200.9%
52320 - Rector's Discretionary Fund	2,438.60	2,400.00	38.60	101.6%
Total 52300 - Outreach	4,447.38	3,400.00	1,047.38	130.8%
52400 - Hospitality				
52500 - Publicity & Communications	599.89	2,000.00	-1,400.11	30.0%
	863.95	1,500.00	-636.05	57.6%

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	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
52800 - Supply Clergy				
52900 - Miscellaneous Worship & Program	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
52910 - Cemetery Tour Expense	653.19	500.00	153.19	130.6%
52920 - Holly Fair Expense	722.77	3,000.00	-2,277.23	24.1%
52930 - Altar Guild Expense	8,983.36	8,000.00	983.36	112.3%
52900 - Miscellaneous Worship & Program - Other	394.79			
Total 52900 - Miscellaneous Worship & Program	10,754.11	11,500.00	-745.89	83.5%
52000 - Worship & Programs - Other	330.20	30,950.00	4,021.14	113.0%
Total 52000 - Worship & Programs	34,971.14	30,950.00	4,021.14	113.0%
53000 - Buildings & Maintenance				
53100 - Church				
53110 - Church Electricity	2,651.70	3,000.00	-148.30	95.1%
53120 - Church Natural Gas	7,468.06	9,000.00	-1,531.94	83.0%
53130 - Church Water/Sewer	13,512.56	10,000.00	3,512.56	135.1%
53140 - Telephone and Internet	1,459.26	1,000.00	459.26	145.9%
53180 - Church Preventative Maintenance	2,408.75	1,500.00	908.75	160.6%
53190 - Church Repairs	6,212.22	2,000.00	4,212.22	310.6%
Total 53100 - Church	33,912.55	26,500.00	7,412.55	128.0%
53200 - Parish House				
53210 - PH Electricity	10,010.66	7,000.00	3,010.66	143.0%
53220 - PH Natural Gas	5,760.75	5,500.00	260.75	105.1%
53230 - PH Water/Sewer	432.40	500.00	-67.60	86.5%
53240 - PH Telephone & Internet	6,031.75	3,500.00	2,531.75	172.3%
53280 - PH Preventative Maintenance	11,061.14	10,000.00	1,061.14	110.8%
53290 - PH Repairs	19,029.44	8,000.00	11,029.44	237.9%
Total 53200 - Parish House	52,366.14	34,500.00	17,866.14	151.6%
53300 - Rectory				
53310 - Rectory Electricity	4,328.25	3,500.00	828.25	123.7%
53320 - Rectory Natural Gas	2,210.97	2,000.00	210.97	110.5%
53330 - Rectory Water/Sewer	324.30	200.00	124.30	162.2%
53340 - Rectory Telephone & Internet	2,426.59	1,600.00	826.59	151.7%
53350 - Rectory Snow Removal	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
53360 - Rectory Landscape Maintenance	4,550.00	4,000.00	550.00	113.8%
53380 - Rectory Prev. Maintenance	3,098.26	4,000.00	-961.74	76.0%
53390 - Rectory Repairs	3,307.77	4,000.00	-692.23	82.7%
Total 53300 - Rectory	20,186.14	19,600.00	586.14	103.0%
53400 - Cemetery & Grounds				
53410 - Lawn Maintenance	4,958.04	500.00	4,458.04	999.6%
53420 - Grounds Maintenance	1,956.32	2,500.00	-543.68	78.3%
53430 - Snow Removal	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
53400 - Cemetery & Grounds - Other	2,058.92			
Total 53400 - Cemetery & Grounds	9,013.28	3,250.00	5,763.28	277.3%

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	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
53300 - Miscellaneous Physical Plant	4,272.81	2,000.00	2,272.81	213.6%
53000 - Buildings & Maintenance - Other	250.00			
Total 53000 - Buildings & Maintenance	120,000.92	85,850.00	34,150.92	139.8%
54000 - Property/Liability Insurance	49,733.50	40,000.00	3,733.50	109.3%
55000 - Administrative Expenses				
55100 - Clergy Reimbursable Expenses				
55110 - Clergy Entertainment	949.03	500.00	449.03	189.8%
55120 - Clergy Travel	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
55130 - Clergy Continuing Education	110.00	2,000.00	-1,890.00	5.5%
55140 - Clergy Cellular Telephone	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
55600 - Clergy Vestments	242.00	250.00	-8.00	96.8%
55800 - Clergy Conference	880.00	500.00	380.00	176.0%
Total 55100 - Clergy Reimbursable Expenses	2,181.03	3,850.00	-1,668.97	56.7%
55300 - Office Expenses				
55310 - Office Supplies	2,034.97	2,000.00	34.97	101.7%
55320 - Computer/Software Expenses	2,895.10	2,500.00	395.10	115.8%
55330 - Postage	1,103.17	1,000.00	103.17	110.3%
55340 - Copier Lease	5,616.84	4,000.00	1,616.84	140.4%
55300 - Office Expenses - Other	214.55			
Total 55300 - Office Expenses	11,864.63	9,500.00	2,364.63	124.9%
55400 - Financial Expenses				
55420 - Financial Services Expenses	199.52	200.00	-0.48	99.8%
55450 - Payroll Processing	1,078.56	900.00	178.56	119.8%
Total 55400 - Financial Expenses	1,278.08	1,100.00	178.08	116.2%
55900 - Miscellaneous Admin. Expense	393.54			
55000 - Administrative Expenses - Other	250.00			
Total 55000 - Administrative Expenses	15,967.28	14,450.00	1,517.28	110.5%
56000 - Diocesan Assessment	15,000.00	20,000.00	-5,000.00	75.0%
57000 - Pass-Thru Expenses	2,368.77			
66300 - Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.03			
Total Expense	457,591.37	422,250.00	35,341.37	108.4%
Net Ordinary Income	-11,947.86		20,002.12	37.4%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
94020 - Capital Income - Donations	30,385.00			
94022 - Capital Donations - Church	115,500.00			
94020 - Capital Income - Donations - Other				
Total 94020 - Capital Income - Donations	145,885.00			
Total Other Income	145,885.00			

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	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Other Expense				
95010 - Capital Expense - Church	7,502.00			
95030 - Capital Expense - Rectory	11,943.30			
95050 - Capital Expense - Kitchen	3,927.00	2,500.00	1,427.00	157.1%
Total Other Expense	23,472.30	2,500.00	20,972.30	935.9%
Net Other Income	122,412.70	-2,500.00	124,912.70	-4,895.5%
Net Income	110,464.82	-34,450.00	144,914.82	-320.7%

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	Jan - Dec 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
41000 - Revenue	
41100 - Pledge Income	
41110 - Current Year Pledge	130,000.00
41120 - Prior Year Pledge	2,500.00
41130 - Prepaid Pledge	15,000.00
Total 41100 - Pledge Income	147,500.00
41200 - Plate Income	15,000.00
41300 - Music Donations	6,000.00
41390 - Miscellaneous Donations	
41392 - Memorial Donations	1,500.00
41395 - Donations Altar Guild	7,000.00
41396 - Holy Day Donations	10,000.00
41397 - Cemetery Donations	1,000.00
Total 41390 - Miscellaneous Donations	19,500.00
41400 - Endowment Distributions	138,000.00
41600 - Interest Income	50.00
41700 - Building Use	60,000.00
41900 - Pastoral Liturgy Donations	250.00
41905 - Sale of Cemetery Plots	1,000.00
41910 - Miscellaneous Income	
41920 - Cemetery Tour	4,500.00
41930 - Holly Fair	12,500.00
Total 41910 - Miscellaneous Income	17,000.00
Total 41000 - Revenue	404,300.00
Total Income	404,300.00
Expense	
51000 - Salaries and Benefits	
51100 - Rector	
51110 - Rector Salary	53,000.00
51130 - Rector Health Insurance	1,200.00
51140 - Rector Pension	20,000.00
51160 - Rector Housing Equity Allowance	3,200.00
51170 - Rector Withholding	22,000.00
51180 - Rector Life Insurance	400.00
Total 51100 - Rector	99,800.00

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	Jan - Dec 25
51200 · Sexton	
51210 · Sexton Salary	54,000.00
51240 · Sexton Lay Pension 403(b)	2,160.00
51241 · Sexton 403(b) employer match	2,160.00
51242 · Sexton Lay Pension Base 403(b)	2,700.00
Total 51200 · Sexton	61,020.00
51300 · Parish Administrator	
51310 · Administrator Salary	30,250.00
51320 · Parish Administrator withholding	0.00
Total 51300 · Parish Administrator	30,250.00
51400 · Music Director	
51410 · Music Director Salary	23,900.00
51420 · Music Director withholding	2,600.00
Total 51400 · Music Director	26,500.00
51800 · Miscellaneous Sal/Ben	3,000.00
51900 · Taxes & Workers Comp	
51910 · Employer Contributions	7,000.00
51930 · Workers' Comp & Disability	4,000.00
Total 51900 · Taxes & Workers Comp	11,000.00
Total 51000 · Salaries and Benefits	231,570.00
52000 · Worship & Programs	
52100 · Music	
52110 · Section Leaders	10,000.00
52120 · Instruments & Extra Singers	2,000.00
52130 · Supply Organists	750.00
52140 · Sheet Music	150.00
52150 · Organ/Piano Maintenance	2,500.00
52170 · Music Licenses	400.00
Total 52100 · Music	15,800.00
52200 · Christian Formation	
52210 · Sunday School	300.00
52230 · Adult Formation	400.00
Total 52200 · Christian Formation	700.00

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	Jan - Dec 25
52300 - Outreach	
52310 - Outreach Programs	1,500.00
52320 - Rector's Discretionary Fund	1,000.00
Total 52300 - Outreach	2,500.00
52400 - Hospitality	500.00
52500 - Publicity & Communications	1,000.00
52800 - Supply Clergy	500.00
52900 - Miscellaneous Worship & Program	700.00
52910 - Cemetery Tour Expense	700.00
52920 - Holly Fair Expense	8,000.00
52930 - Altar Guild Expense	8,000.00
Total 52900 - Miscellaneous Worship & Program	9,200.00
Total 52000 - Worship & Programs	30,200.00
53000 - Buildings & Maintenance	
53100 - Church	
53110 - Church Electricity	3,000.00
53120 - Church Natural Gas	7,500.00
53130 - Church Water/Sewer	13,500.00
53140 - Telephone and Internet	1,200.00
53180 - Church Preventative Maintenance	2,000.00
53190 - Church Repairs	5,000.00
Total 53100 - Church	32,200.00
53200 - Parish House	
53210 - PH Electricity	10,000.00
53220 - PH Natural Gas	5,500.00
53230 - PH Water/Sewer	500.00
53240 - PH Telephone & Internet	5,500.00
53280 - PH Preventative Maintenance	10,000.00
53290 - PH Repairs	10,000.00
Total 53200 - Parish House	41,500.00

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	Jan - Dec 25
53300 - Rectory	
53310 - Rectory Electricity	4,000.00
53320 - Rectory Natural Gas	2,000.00
53330 - Rectory Water/Sewer	300.00
53340 - Rectory Telephone & Internet	2,200.00
53350 - Rectory Snow Removal	300.00
53360 - Rectory Landscape Maintenance	4,500.00
53380 - Rectory Prev. Maintenance	3,000.00
53390 - Rectory Repairs	3,500.00
Total 53300 - Rectory	19,800.00
53400 - Cemetery & Grounds	
53410 - Lawn Maintenance	500.00
53420 - Grounds Maintenance	2,000.00
53430 - Snow Removal	250.00
Total 53400 - Cemetery & Grounds	2,750.00
53900 - Miscellaneous Physical Plant	3,000.00
Total 53000 - Buildings & Maintenance	99,250.00
54000 - Property/Liability Insurance	
55000 - Administrative Expenses	45,000.00
55100 - Clergy Reimbursable Expenses	
55110 - Clergy Entertainment	500.00
55120 - Clergy Travel	500.00
55130 - Clergy Continuing Education	2,000.00
55140 - Clergy Cellular Telephone	100.00
55600 - Clergy Vestments	250.00
55800 - Clergy Conference	500.00
Total 55100 - Clergy Reimbursable Expenses	3,850.00
55300 - Office Expenses	
55310 - Office Supplies	1,800.00
55320 - Computer/Software Expenses	2,500.00
55330 - Postage	1,000.00
55340 - Copier Lease	4,400.00
Total 55300 - Office Expenses	9,700.00

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	Jan - Dec 25
55400 - Financial Expenses	
55420 - Financial Services Expenses	200.00
55450 - Payroll Processing	1,000.00
	<u>1,200.00</u>
Total 55400 - Financial Expenses	14,750.00
Total 5000 - Administrative Expenses	15,000.00
56000 - Diocesan Assessment	435,770.00
Total Expense	-31,470.00
Net Ordinary Income	-31,470.00
Net Income	<u><u>-31,470.00</u></u>

Building and Grounds Report

Parish House:

In addition to the normal maintenance of the Parish House, we had some unexpected large repairs that were done in 2024. The heat pump needed a large repair which cost \$7,000.00 and many of the emergency lights needed replacement which was about \$3,500.00. In addition, we identified that the lock system needed a total update which was contracted in 2024 for \$4,500.00 but that bill will not be paid until 2025. The funds to pay for the locks were generously donated by a parishioner.

Kitchen:

We finally finished all the work in the kitchen and the hood was completed for \$4,000.00 which came out of our capital funds. We now have our Certificate of Occupancy and the kitchen is fully operational and useable to outsiders for catering etc.

Rectory:

Through some generous donation by parishioners, we were able to put a lawn sprinkler system in at the Rectory (\$7,000.00) and repair a septic system issue (\$4,900.00). We also contributed \$2,000.00 to the cost of repaving the driveway that we share with the neighbor next door, who paid for the lion's share of the job.

Church:

The boiler at the church was repaired for about \$5,000.00. The choir room was brightened up with new coat of paint, repair work, and a refinished floor for about \$3,300.00. We also added a live stream audio system for \$2,000.00. The funds for the audio system were generously donated by a parishioner.

Respectfully submitted,

Oriana Cyprus

Building and Grounds

Altar Guild Report

The members of the Altar Guild continued their faithful work in 2024, and we are thankful for our ministry at Christ Church. I wish to acknowledge the members Marina Conrad, Debbie Czeglédy, Devin McKay and Holly Melichar for their dedication and support. As well, we welcomed Lynda Geraci as a new member. Thank you, also, to Father Stephen for his assistance.

An integral piece of who we are as a worshipping community here at Christ Church is that we “worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.” (Psalm 96:9) The work of the altar guild is to ensure that the means by which we worship (the altar frontals and other liturgical hangings/appointments, linens, silver, candles, etc.) and how we worship (setting up for the Eucharist prior to each service, setting up for funerals and baptisms, etc.) all seek to further that call to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. The liturgical appointments we use each week, (the matching altar, pulpit, lectern, and priest’s vestments, as well as the silver Eucharistic vessels, and more) are all donated items that were given in the past to support and enhance the life and worship of Christ Church in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a life event. If you are interested in donating to the Altar Guild in memory of a loved one, liturgical appointments (such as purple altar hangings for Lent & Advent) are wonderful ways in which to memorialize someone we love. Just ask me or Father Stephen about that possibility!

Altar flowers are an important part of our worship together as a beautiful way to memorialize someone or celebrate occasions in our lives. A thank you to all who have and continue to contribute to the cost of these flowers which is \$115 per week.

We welcome new members. Please contact me or Father Stephen if you are interested.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana T. Tadler
Directress

Cemetery Committee

The Cemetery Committee has been working to make the cemetery a real asset to Christ Church by making it more inviting and safer. We decided to begin with the Urn Garden. The plan started by improving the garden bed against the West wall of the church. After that we will prioritize the land on the other side of the walkway.

Prior to the Blessing of the Animals, we trimmed trees and some other plants, to make the area safer and to provide more light for growth.

Prior to the Cemetery Tour, we were able to level the bluestone slates in the path, which were dangerously uneven and wobbly. Our Sexton, Enrique Valdes, filled holes in the asphalt portions of the paths and cleared some undergrowth.

We had hoped to begin bulb planting before cold weather, but issues with poor-quality soil, which was too dry for planting, and cold weather delayed us until Spring 2025. With donated advice from Joseph Strippoli from the North Shore Garden Center in Port Washington, we developed a list of plants for the spring. The committee is thankful to Joe for his assistance.

Spring is coming, and plantings will begin in the near future.

If anyone is interested in joining the Cemetery Committee, please contact Fr. Stephen. We also welcome people who like gardening occasionally to lend a hand!

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Bennett, Senetta Koch, Anita Schmidt and Fr. Stephen Tamke
Cemetery Committee

Church Historian's Report

Archival Preservation at Christ Church

1. Two out-of-town families were assisted in 2024 when they inquired about burial locations of their family members in the Christ Church Cemetery. For any future requests for information which require more extensive research, inquiring parties will be informed of a suggested donation to the church.
2. Assistance in archival organization during the summer of 2024 was provided by Phoebe Miller. Ongoing projects include creating an alphabetical list of files of the deceased and a list of gifts to the church.
3. In June 2024, four tombstones were cleaned in preparation for the Historic Cemetery Tour. Methods for cleaning followed the approved guidelines and use of products recommended by The National Cemetery Association. Additionally, two tombstones were damaged by falling trees during a storm.
4. The annual Historic Cemetery Tour on October 26, 2024 was a success, with three new characters represented. The visitors responded positively to all the presentations given by volunteer actors and actresses. Our number of event sponsors increased to 12, with an adjustment in the size of the banners outside the church. Many church members assisted in various ways to make the event a fun day. The next Historic Cemetery Tour is to be scheduled for October 2025; scripts for 2 new characters are already written, and one new volunteer actress is already waiting in the wings.
5. One carefully preserved document proved beneficial in providing background information to the altar guild's record of finances.

6. The time capsule, buried during Christ Church's Bicentennial celebration in 2003, is due to be disinterred.
7. Further review and cataloging of additional holdings will proceed slowly.

Suggestions and assistance with all archival, research and tour related tasks are greatly appreciated and will be welcomed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis Sternemann

Church Historian

Fellowship & Hospitality Report

During 2024, we lived into our spirit of hospitality here at Christ Church. Coffee hours were full and had great participation from those who attend Sunday 10:00am worship. Thank you to those who host Coffee Hour! In Lent 2024, our Shrove Tuesday pancake supper was, unfortunately, cancelled due to a snowstorm. We had our annual Mothering Sunday Brunch. It was wonderful to break bread together during fellowship and meal once again. After Easter Sunday service we hosted our Annual Easter Egg Hunt, coordinated by Alex and Maire Bennet. In Summer 2024 we once again held our favorite Summer Home Communion. We were able to have 3 of these Summer Home Communion, one each in June, July, and August. Thank you to April and Bill Cornachio, Lesley and Walter Stackler, and Father Stephen and Danielle Tamke, who hosted! The Parish Hall was used to host a few receptions following services here at the parish including a festive reception after Lessons and Carols. If you'd like to host Coffee Hour, a Summer Home Communion, or take part in coordinating any of our other hospitality efforts, please reach out to the Parish Office! Coffee Hours especially need some more hosts. If you're able to host on a Sunday morning, please sign up in the back of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Giacoma

Hospitality Committee

Music Ministry Report

Having just completed my first year here at Christ Church Manhasset I am pleased to report that the Christ Church Choir and music program continue to flourish and thrive due to the dedication and enthusiasm of our Choir members. The generosity of the Christ Church community enables us to supplement our forces for high feast days and special services throughout the year.

We are fortunate to have our alto soloist, Sofia Notar-Francesco continues with us for a second year. Her voice enhances our services as does her warm and welcoming personality. Since September of 2024 we are pleased to have welcomed Elizabeth Zotto as our new soprano soloist. Elizabeth comes to us after finishing her Masters degree in voice performance and is an accomplished vocalist who is focused on leading the soprano section in new and challenging repertoire.

In early 2024, Christ Church hosted, in partnership with the Nassau County Chapter of American Guild of Organists, a Master Class and organ recital with Christa Rakich. In the spring of 2024, the Choir presented and hosted a Lenten Lessons and Carols service in conjunction with the Choir and Organist, Ruaraidh Sutherland, of St. John's Lattingtown. This was a most satisfying collaboration, and we are looking forward to repeating the event at St. John's in March of 2025. The Lenten Lessons and Carols is an opportunity to sing an interesting array of renaissance, romantic, and contemporary liturgical repertoire with a neighboring outstanding choir and organist.

Lent, Holy Week and Easter 2024 saw the Choir singing a full array of services that culminated in an exciting collaboration with noted American harpist, Margery Fitts, on Easter Sunday. The anthems *Christ our Passover* by William MacFarlane and *Spring Carol* from Benjamin Britten's *Ceremony of Carols* were accompanied by harp and a selection of baroque pieces for harp were played as preludes to the service.

At the end of May 2024, we said goodbye to our longtime soprano soloist, Lauren Rose King, who moved with her family to the Boston area. We were sad to see her go but wished her and her family well in their new home. There was a lovely reception and dedication to her on her last Sunday. And she sang a beautiful solo entitled *i thank You God* by Ellen Mandel (b. 1957) with words by E.E. Cummings as a final farewell at the 10am service.

Over the summer of 2024, the choir room in the Church received a makeover of sorts! The old faux tile floor was removed, revealing the original wood floor beneath. This floor was refinished and now matched the rest of the Church building. Enrique Valdes, our wonderful Sexton, repaired, repainted, and brightened up our Choir Room. It is now a beautiful and inviting space for our choir members to gather, relax, and prepare for rehearsal and worship.

In October Christ Church hosted the annual "Spooky Concert" which was initiated by our former organist Meredith Baker in conjunction with Father Stephen. The Nassau chapter of the American Guild of

Organists engaged a stunning array of local organists, including our own Meredith Baker to play pieces that were in celebration of the Halloween season and made a nice bookend to the Historic Cemetery Tour held the day before. It was attended by a very enthusiastic audience.

The December 2024 Lessons and Carols service was, as always, a wonderful chance for the Choir to explore a wide range of traditional and contemporary repertoire and is a favorite event for the members. There were ample opportunities for solos, and we were fortunate to have been able to supplement our singers with additional professional voices due to the generosity of the Christ Church community. Christmas Eve services were amplified as well with additional singers and the Choir enjoyed good fellowship together at dinner in between the evening services. It was so lovely to have former members of the Choir join us too. As with the Lessons and Carol service we were blessed to have additional funds to engage professional singers to enhance and enrich the musical experience.

It is my good fortune to have found my musical and spiritual home here at Christ Church and I look forward to continuing my work with Father Stephen, the Christ Church staff and the Christ Church Choir and congregation. It is a privilege to work with such dedicated people and to realize the rich musical heritage of the Episcopal church with a Rector, Choir and parish community who are dedicated to its prosperity and growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Fitzpatrick Waltzer
Organist & Director of Music Ministry

Outreach Report

In 2024 Christ Church continued our existing outreach offerings. In conjunction with the large food pantry at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church across the street, we continued to have monthly collections of various items as needed by the pantry. Our continued support of St. Mary's food pantry has made us one of their regular and local support organizations. This has included SOUPER Bowl collections, feminine hygiene products, diapers, thanksgiving and holiday food, and general non-perishables. Our partnership with St. Mary's has been very well received and much appreciated.

As well, we once again took part in Adopt-a-Family during the holiday season. We were able to help a large family receive all that was wanted and needed at Christmas. Through the generosity of our each of our parishioners who took part we were able to meet every request that was made. Please see the attached thank you note from the family we supported this Christmas season.

This year, we began a new outreach ministry, our "Daily Bread Ministry." Each month, parishioners gather in our Parish Hall kitchen to prepare various baked goods (cookies, breads, etc.). These foods are then delivered to the Mary Brennan INN in Hempstead. Many thanks to Phoebe Miller for leading this ministry and to all parishioners for their support!

Father Stephen's discretionary fund allows him to offer assistance to those who seeking grocery store gift cards, help with portions of bills, rent, and transportation fare.

Respectfully Submitted,

Father Stephen

Thank you. These 2 words are so small yet powerful. Still, they don't fully explain how grateful I am for the blessings you have given to my family we have had a very difficult 2024. My mother lost her battle with cancer. She was the main source of Christmas love. Every year she would send new decorations to set the correct Christmas theme. This year we were somewhat lost. However, on Christmas morning there were smiles. My children open so many gifts. We could feel the spirit of Christmas my mother always had. So I wish to thank you from the deepest part of my heart.

May you and your family continue to be blessed for all eternity

Sincerely
The [REDACTED] family

Christian Education Report

In the fall of 2024, we implemented a new vision for Christian Education for our young people. In place of the traditional “classroom” model of Sunday School, we have made it a part of our new Christ Church for Families service. Meeting once a month, this family Eucharist is a “liturgical Sunday School” in which the stories and lessons we would have taught in the classroom are part of the children’s Gospel and sermon in the midst of the liturgy. This is followed up with an outreach project or program to support the mission of the Church.

In addition to this, we had a great group of Confirmands confirmed at The Cathedral of the Incarnation in May 2024. Arlene Blocker and Father Stephen met with the Confirmands four times during the season of Lent for Confirmation Class, and then once before Easter. As part of their Confirmation, each Confirmand makes an adult affirmation of their faith, their confirmation, and are then seen as adults in the Church. Following their Confirmation, these confirmands were added to the regular rotation (ROTA) of altar servers at Christ Church, and now faithfully serve at least once a month in liturgical leadership of our shared worship life together.

Respectfully submitted,

Father Stephen & Arlene Blocker.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
CHRIST CHURCH
Manhasset, New York 11030
February 4, 2024

I. Opening Prayer and Call to Order

The Annual Meeting was opened at the 10:00 A.M. Zoom and in-person Church service, The Rev. Stephen C. Tamke, Rector, led the opening prayer and called the meeting to order.

II. Appointment of Clerk and Approval of the Minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting

Holly Melichar was appointed Clerk. Upon a motion by A. Tadler/A. Schmidt, the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Christ Church on February 5, 2023, with no addendum or discussions, were accepted, all in favor, motion carried.

III. Report of the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee: *Warden*, Tom Chaly, Jeannine Stopford Daly, Devin McKay, Gloria Ryan, Anita Schmidt, John Wetzel, The Rev'd Stephen Tamke, *Ex officio*, presented the Vestry approved slate:

- Church Warden (one two-year term, until 2026): William Cornachio
- Vestry Member (one two-year un-expired term until 2026): Alex Bennett
- Vestry Member (one three-year term until 2027): Clayton Tadler
- Vestry Member (one three-year term until 2027): Senetta Koch

Upon a motion by A. Schmidt and seconded by O. Cyprus, the nominated slate as presented was approved, with no discussions, all agreed to elect slate as presented.

IV. Warden's Report – Tom Chaly, Senior Warden

The full report is contained in the Annual Meeting Booklet, page 13.

Tom Chaly gave thanks to the congregation for their continued support. Special thanks to Fr. Stephen for his guidance and support this past year. Also, thanks were given to Arlene Blocker, all Vestry members, Oriana Cyprus, and Donna Cullinan-Gillis. Fr. Stephen thanked Tom for his grace and faithful leadership to Christ Church.

V. Treasurer's Report – Oriana Cyprus, Treasurer

Full written reports are contained in the Annual Meeting Booklet, page 16.

The Parish was thanked for their generosity and commitment. Christ Church has made so much progress and is moving in the right direction. An overage in pledges received was reported for 2023.

Thanks were given to all for their diligence and increased pledging. Capital expenses were funded mostly by donations and gifts. Total estimated income for 2024 is \$390,000, up significantly than was projected. An internal audit vs. external audit was performed in 2023, saving us \$9,000 and helping with better reporting.

The Budget was presented for 2024 and a deficit of \$32,000 is projected. A motion was made to receive the entire Treasurer's Report as presented (A. Tadler/N. Cyprus) all responses were aye with no opposition; the motion carried.

A discussion arose by Ariana Tadler regarding the Diocesan fund, down from 2023 when investments have increased in value. In 2022 there was an accounting error, not in our favor.

Hardy thanks were given to Oriana.

VI. Buildings and Grounds Report – Oriana Cyprus

Full report is contained in the Annual Meeting Booklet, page 27. Highlights include:

We are very close to getting the C.O. for the kitchen. The cost of the kitchen was \$10,000 and was budgeted by and came out of donations. The Rectory's two chimneys were totally refurbished and was funded through excess cash from the Vanguard account. The Parish House had some repairs done on the stucco. The Church building had stucco repairs as well.

Thanks to Oriana for her hard work.

VI. Rector's Report – Rev. Stephen Tamke

Full report is contained in the Annual Meeting Booklet, page 7. Highlights include:

We have done amazing work. We have shown the community we are alive and we want you to join us. Invite your friends, old and new. Tell your friends who we are. Invite them in. We are blessed to be here. Thanks to Tom, Arlene, Donna, Lesley and Enrique and all who make this church run. We are healthy, we are good, but we can be better, invite your friends in. Christ Church holds a special place in our hearts, so tell the world why. Bring them in, there is life growing here but we want more. Tell your story about who we are. "Oh God my heart is ready, and we are ready to invite people in".

VII. Committee Reports – all as submitted.

Reports are contained in the Annual Meeting Booklet.

IX. Old and New Business – None.

X. Acceptance of Reports upon motion by B. Cornachio/P. Tadler; all responded in the affirmative.

XI. Adjournment following the closing prayer, upon motion by L. Giacoma/ A. Tadler; the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 P.M.

Note: The elected Vestry members term of office officially began at the Annual Meeting today.

Closing Prayers and Adjournment
(from Morning Prayer, BCP pp. 101-102)

All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

All: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one
accord to make our common supplication to you; and you
have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two
or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the
midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions
as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of
your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant: May I have a motion to adjourn this annual meeting; and a second, and a vote?

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

All: Amen. *2 Corinthians 13:14*