

Christ Episcopal Church | Warden's Corner

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Greetings my fellow Episcopalian Church Family. August has flown by, and September is upon us.

Ever have one of those months where everything has run so smoothly that you don't have anything to report? Well, that has almost been the month of August. Let's dive in and do a little reflection together.

Earlier this month, we sent our girl Molly off to Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, VA. All reports say she is having a good time and enjoying school. However, she is busy with a lot of reading and studying. Let's continue to pray for her and send her little messages of encouragement. Molly, I know you will be reading this so remember, you are loved and being prayed for daily.

Grace Café is up and running after summer break. Students from all over the world are once again crossing the threshold into the café. The only hiccup last month was that we had to replace the air conditioning unit upstairs. That unit was a 1985 model. 41 years of heating and cooling. I think I can say with confidence that we got our money's worth out of that unit.

INTERESTING FACT:

Did you know that we have 23 air conditioning units that call Christ church their home?

Preschool and Parents' Morning Out (PMO) have resumed. Elise and all her crew are enjoying the pitter-patter of little hands and feet once again for another exciting school year. If you ever get the urge and would like to volunteer, please reach out to Elise. She would be happy to have you. We have 16 little children and 5 babies in PMO.

Earlier this year, the First Antioch Baptist Church (517 N. Oak Street, Valdosta) was vandalized. This church sits on the historical registry and

is 158 years old. Someone broke the stained glass windows in the church with the help of a few rocks. Your Vestry voted to donate \$1,000 to assist in getting the windows replaced. Our donation went specifically to the placement of Lexan which is a shatter resistant glass.

August marked the noon Happy Episcopal People (HEP) luncheon hosted by John and Marcie McRae. All are welcome and the food is free. Lol

Let's remember to keep Father Kelly and Christine Kelly in our prayers as he prepares for hip surgery. Pray for a speedy recovery.

I can't end this letter without expressing my sincere thanks and gratitude to each and every one of you at Christ Church. We have a wonderful church. You are what makes this Church my family and my home and so welcoming to all those who walk through our front door.

Peace and Grace to All,

Bobby Yarbrough
Senior Warden