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## From the Rector

Dear Friends,

How grateful Bev and I have been to return to Christ Church from our Sabbatical and to be immersed in the spirit and energy of this vital parish and its people. We are so thankful for those numerous ministries in which you are engaged both within and without the church.

One measure of gratitude is our pledge to Christ Church, our support for God's work here. The Annual Canvass is earlier this year (see Stuart Cutler's and Julie Flood's announcement, at right), and thus I'm urging all of us to think and pray about how much Christ Church means to us and how blessed we are by the support of every gift we receive.

My love to you all, in Christ,

*Ned Prewett*

The 2005 Stewardship campaign will kick off in October this year, with the 24<sup>th</sup> designated as Stewardship Sunday.

We and 20 plus callers will be contacting most parishioners through Thanksgiving. Stewardship packets will arrive before October 24<sup>th</sup> and will have updated information about our Parish. Included in the packets will be pledge cards and return envelopes. In addition to mail, you may place your pledge card in the alms basin during any Holy Eucharist or stop by the parish house office. Last year's campaign was a success because of the full support of our parishioners. We are striving for a thoughtful and successful response again for 2005.

*Stuart Cutler and Julie Flood*  
2005 Stewardship Co-Chairs

*life in christ*  
Parish Forum



sundays  
10:10 a.m.  
(mC Clain  
Room)

## “Living in Community”

### **October 3: The Outreaching Community: 80 Years of Rummage and Still Going Strong**

For 80 years, Christ Church has served the larger metropolitan Chicago community through benevolence grants to area social service agencies. The annual parish rummage sale also builds community through the work and camaraderie of hundreds of volunteers—parishioners and nonparishioners alike. On October 3 Susan Boatman, co-chair of the Benevolence Committee, explains how the committee works in making grant money available to applicants.

### **October 10 & 17: a Two-Part series on Living with Money, presented by the Rev. Davis Fisher**

This two-part Parish Forum series on Living with Money will be taught by our former Interim Sunday Associate, Davis Fisher. A money consultant, Davis will engage us in conversation about the second-most addressed topic in the Bible, MONEY.

On October 10, Davis will discuss “Healthy Wealth<sup>sm</sup> for the Christian,” helping us develop a deeper awareness of our relationship to money and how money affects our lives.

On October 17, “Understanding MoneyStyles<sup>sm</sup>” is the subject of Davis’ presentation. Spouses, siblings, friends, work colleagues and parishioners—from tightwad to spend-thrift—often approach money very differently. Based on his research, personal interviews and client interactions, Davis will guide us through an exploration of the upsides and downsides of various MoneyStyles<sup>sm</sup>.

worship on  
october 10

The Rev. John Mitman of The Society for the Increase of Ministry will be our guest preacher on Sunday, October 10 at all three services. He will also be available for informal conversation following the 7:45 and 11:15 a.m. services.

rib-fest &  
square  
dance



Be ready to kick up your heels on **Saturday, October 16 at 6 p.m.** at the Annual Rib-Fest & Square Dance! Fun for the whole family. Cliff Benson will call; Steve Ryan & crew will cook! Adults, \$16; Children, \$8; Maximum of \$45 per family. RSVP to the Parish Offices, 446-2850!

Taizé service

## *Please Join Us for* **Worship in the Style of** **Taizé**

*a contemplative liturgy of readings, music, meditation and reflection*  
*Sunday, October 17, 2004 5 p.m.*

Congregations for Family Emergencies-\$1,000. Connections for Homeless-\$2,000. Deborah's Place-\$2,000.

becker house for food-\$3,000. Bishop Anderson Institute-\$2,500. Brent House-

\$2,000. build-\$1,500. canterbury house-\$2,000. Career Resource Center-\$1,500. Cathedral Shelter-\$5,000.

## CHRIST CHURCH RUMMAGE CELEBRATING



# 80 Years

## There's something in it for everyone

Reports on the “take” for the first Christ Church Rummage Sale range from \$350 to \$ 1,312.12; the startup year has been variously reported as 1921 and 1924 (the baseline *we’re* using to pinpoint our 80th year). A headline in a Chicago Tribune article from 1965 read “10,000 to Hunt Rummage at Church” while other articles claim 5,000 shoppers or, taking the easy route, say ‘it’s impossible to guess’; one article reported that 30 extra policemen and firemen were on duty during sale hours in the 50s and some 650 workers (almost all female—it was a Woman’s Guild function) volunteered.

Whatever the statistics, Christ Church’s Annual Rummage Sale can accurately be reported as an “atypical” rummage sale.

In addition to a recital of the wide range of goods available—emphasizing designer clothes and furs, object d’art, toys, furniture, books and dozens of departments—publicity throughout the sale’s history has honed in on quirky or rare offerings. Over the years, items have sold such as: a 1951 automobile; a \$12,000 mink coat, worn only once or twice; an antique Franklin stove; a footstool made out of wood used in 1817 to build the original White House; a saxophone which was purchased for \$10 by a woman who claimed that blowing on one was “marvelous for straightening teeth”; three pedigreed puppies; a mechanical bird which sung in its cage when a coin was inserted in the slot; a ventriloquist’s dummy; a WWI era woman’s suffrage sign reading: “Illinois Denies the Vote to Criminals, Lunatics, Idiots and Women.”

In 1959, the first shopper to arrive reportedly was spotted at midnight in front of the Rectory where the French Room was that year located. The Rector saw the shopper and took out a chair to her. More typical are the arrivals at 5:30 a.m., when committee members in those years started serving coffee and donuts to those queued for the 7 a.m. opening.

Historically the sale was covered primarily on the Society pages. One Chicago’s

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Chicago anti-hunger Federation-\$2,000. Chicago house-\$2,500. Childserv-\$2,000.

DeKoven Center-\$2,000. Episcopal Church of the Pentecost-\$2,800. Evanston

note: Do you know these women from old publicity shots who *still* work Rummage every year?



*Chicago Daily News - October 5, 1964*

...Coming from Corpus Christi, Tex., this year are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rose who have attended for six years. They will be looking for antiques. From Rogersville, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Slaton are hoping to find antique clocks. Clocks are Mr. Slaton's hobby. Dr. W. Everett Hendricks, director of choral activities at the U. of Missouri, 'will take everything they've got in dress suits for men' for the University Playhouse. Mrs. Ann Stiepan of St. Paul, Minn., says she will attend the sale because, 'I just love the people. I go to it for the fun of being there. I just like to rummage around...'

*Chicago's American - October 9, 1959*

...Customers started arriving at 3:30 a.m.; by 7 a.m., opening time, they stretched around the corner in a 2 1/2 block line, four deep. One family asked special permission to sleep in the church chapel. Another group snoozed all night in a car, just to be sure of a parking place in the morning...

*Magazine of The Chicago Sun-Times - April 24, 1966*

... It is the Episcopalian ladies of Christ Church in Winnetka who give the greatest rummage sale known to man, at least in these parts. From its inception 41 years ago, the Christ Church sale has snowballed into a huge event attended by enough people to populate a city. Last year, 12,000 visitors purchased \$48,000 worth of merchandise, from a can opener at 1 cent to an antique for several hundred dollars...



*Midwest Magazine - April 24, 1966*

Do the men of Christ Church help with the great sale? 'Oh yes, they're perfect *darlings* about dragging things around from one place to another,' replied a volunteer. But could men run a rummage sale? She smiled a knowing smile, 'My dear, they wouldn't know where to begin....'

Angel Fund-\$1,500. Northwestern University Settlement-\$2,000. N.S. Senior Center-\$1,000. Pui Tak...

-\$1,500. Housing Options for Mentally Ill-\$1,500. Interfaith Council for Homeless-

*Chicago Daily News - October 8, 1959*

...The enterprising women who planned the rummage sale at Winnetka's Christ Church took everything into consideration. They even brought radios for every room, so rummagers wouldn't have to miss a moment of the World Series game [the White Sox]...

*Chicago Sun-Times - September 14, 1971*

In the same issue that reported the burial of Nikita Khrushchev, the newspaper also quoted Mrs. William Henderson who spoke of Christ Church's "ecumenical endeavor...staffed by 500 liberated women volunteers" who spent "one entire year ... to produce this one-day nationally famous project."

1963

...The slogan for the sale is, "You want it—we've got it," said Mrs. Richard H. Hobbs, chairman of the sale. To illustrate her point, she pointed proudly to the heavy anchor for a 50-foot yacht...



*Chicago's American - October, 1960*

...Why do women buy other women's cast-off girdles? Not for figure control! One customer in the girdle department said wearily: "I just want a comfortable, worn out girdle to sit in during the winter." Women never seem to ask, "What's the size?" when they buy an old girdle. What they want to know is "How's the stretch?"...



*Pictured on pages 4 & 5: Eadie McLaren, Billie Cary, Nancy Mills, Georganne Chalmers, Ann Snyder, Nina Gray*

Works-\$500. Links-\$1,200. Lost Boys of Sudan-\$3,000. Meals at Home-\$2,000. N.T. Tshp.

\$2,500. Juvenile Protection Association-\$1,500. L'Arche-\$2,500. Lawrence Hall-\$6,000. Light Opera

Family Center-\$3,500. WilPower-\$1,500. Wyo-\$1,000. Youth Comm-\$1,000. Youth Organization-\$2,000.

Center-\$1,000. St. Bartholomew Youth Development-\$1,000. St. Clement's Open

## There's something in it for everyone *continued from Page 3*

American article asked, "Girls, don't you know it's chic to haunt the rummage sales these days?" In more recent years, the sale has become the bailiwick of men as well as women, night-workers as well as stay-at-home moms, the full community rather than the Women's Guild alone—with emphasis on outreach.

It's the ultimate charity providing affordable goods to those in need. A single mother clutches two \$100 bills intended to outfit her three children and herself for the coming year; a recent immigrant buys two bagsful of sweaters to send to family in Bosnia; a young couple furnishes their first apartment with a coffee table and sofa from Furniture.

It's the ultimate money-maker, with net proceeds helping to fund dozens of worthwhile organizations. Proceeds from the 2003 sale were disbursed to 65 agencies, including shelters, day care centers, food pantries, schools, counseling centers, halfway houses, and many others. All agencies are reviewed over a period of months by a Benevolence Committee to assess their usage of funds, management, and type of support. Episcopal Charities such as St. Leonard's House, Cathedral Shelter, St. Gregory's Choir School and St. Clement's Open Pantry are regular recipients. Gross proceeds from the 2003 sale (see grants bordering these four pages of Rummage information) topped \$233,000.

Be part of the 80th anniversary extravaganza:

Thursday, October 7  
7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Christ Church Parish House  
470 Maple Street,  
Winnetka.

Pantry-\$4,000. St. Cyprian -\$5,000. St. Gregory's Choir School -\$5,000. St. Leonard's/grace House-\$5,000. St. Matthew's-\$1,000. Samaritan Inst. -\$6,000. Shelter Care-\$2,000. TriCom-\$2,000. Urban



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DiPaolo

**Worship**

**Sundays:** 7:45 Eucharist; 9 Eucharist with choir,  
Children’s Atria; 11:15 am Eucharist with choir  
[Morning Prayer & Holy Communion on 2nd & 4th  
Sundays at 11:15; All services with healing on 3rd  
Sunday], (All Sunday services at the Church)  
**Wednesdays:** 9:30 am Eucharist (Chapel);  
**Fridays:** 7:30 am Eucharist (Chapel)

**Vestry**

Robin Anstaett, *Senior Warden*  
Robert Wilcox, *Junior Warden*  
Steven Anderson Molly  
Bayley  
Esther Berry Kenneth  
Gould Richard Jones  
James McGee  
Stuart Miller Annette  
Peck  
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