

# The Cross & Crown

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PRINCE GEORGE WINYAH EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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Dear friends,

While I was in college in San Francisco I once found an old black cassock at a thrift store in the Haight-Ashbury district. I bought it and later found a shirt with a clerical collar, so I dressed up as a priest for Halloween that year. It was all very tongue-in-cheek since I was an atheist then, so I poked fun at the strange vocation all evening. The joke was on me! Who would have guessed then that thirteen years later I would be ordained a priest at Prince George Winyah Church in Georgetown, SC? (See the photos of the service inside.) I can sense the befuddlement of my college buddies nowadays when we update each other on our lives.

It is clear I have come a long way, not just from the steep hills of San Francisco to the low country of South Carolina, but also from decided atheism, to soul searching, to deism, to redemption by the blood of the Lamb, to seminarian, to deacon, and now to one of your priests. I once was lost but now am found, so what an honor it is to serve the Lord in this parish now as a priest. Of course, I am excited to begin regularly celebrating Holy Communion, but above of all, I will continue to focus on what I have attempted to do amongst you all along—proclaim the Good News of saving grace found in Jesus Christ alone and minister to His people in a suffering world.

Thank God for this Good News, and from true and lively faith in this Gospel flows the fruit of good works. I see fruit at Prince George as I read the newsletter you are holding: There are photos of the dozens of youth and adults who stood up last month to publicly profess their faith in the Gospel by confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation; we have two new adult education programs beginning, not to mention weekday studies and the youth and children's ministries; our parish is joining other churches with Habitat for Humanity to build a low-income home; and children from our preschool will be treating us to a pageant on Epiphany Sunday. Speaking of the preschool, what an amazing and far too easily overlooked ministry of this parish. My daughter is in the twos class, and she has made a lot progress in just a few months. Some of her growth is in knowledge of the faith, evidenced by her often breaking out in songs she learns like "Go Tell It on a Mountain."

I mentioned Epiphany. January is marked by this liturgical season, which is the celebration of the revelation to the gentiles (like the magi and my-college-atheist-self) that Jesus Christ is the one true Son of God, the Messiah who has delivered the world from sin and death, bringing eternal life and light into utter darkness. This most important Message demands urgently to be told on the mountains as many of our Epiphany collects remind us: "Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth." I see that illumination shining with Christ's glory here at Prince George. I pray you do, too. Now may you go into the world in the name of Christ, loving and serving Him, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit, blessing the Lord in all you undertake!

Yours in Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Matt".

# PARISH NEWS

## Birthdays —

January	2	Laura Gates
January	3	Jak Kelley
January	4	Laura Meyer
January	4	Reese Starnes
January	5	William Varn
January	6	Mary Galphin
January	8	Frank Beattie
January	8	Mary Clark
January	8	Pinky Oliphant
January	10	Laura Dean
January	11	Jessica Jones
January	12	Ellerby Boan
January	13	Jonathan Cahill
January	13	Logan Trotter
January	14	Tom Winslow
January	16	Martha Allison
January	16	Billy Ray
January	18	Hanka Goldstein
January	19	Mark Rogers
January	20	Emerson Pate
January	20	Marty Tennant
January	21	Mary Brown
January	21	Sarah Collins
January	22	Jim Green
January	22	Peter Mitchell
January	23	Chuck Larson
January	25	Sam Downing
January	25	Alex Hight
January	27	Emily Beckman
January	27	Martha Harper
January	28	Pete Dubay
January	28	Sara Liz Ness
January	29	Jane Rowland
January	30	Sam Hamilton
January	31	Aleene Miller
January	31	Esther Temple
January	31	Lauren Winslow

## Join Us Thursday Morning at 10 a.m....

for a peaceful and intimate time of fellowship and prayer which concludes with Communion. There is opportunity to receive prayer for healing as well as anointing with oil for those who wish it. Please consider making this service a regular part of your week. God has blessed us with His presence, and with miracles of healing at our rail.

## Praying for Those Who are Ill or Homebound

Each Sunday, as part of our prayers, we name those in our church family who are unwell, recovering from illness or surgery, or who are homebound. We need to lift them up during the week also as we go about our daily lives. In your quiet time or devotional time with our Lord, please lift up in prayer to our Lord: *Eliza Jagger, Dick Manning, Lauretta Dean, Caroline Stevens, Frances Palmer, Ernie Abbott, Roger Mower, Mary Galphin, and Rennie Manning.*

## Visitation

Paul and Matt continue to make home and hospital visits to our sick and elderly. Please call, or have a member of your family call and let us know if you would like a visit. Hospitals will no longer show us a list of their patients, so when you are admitted, please have someone call Prince George Church to let us know.

## Parents-2-B

*"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you" (Jer. 1:5)*

Please pray for our expectant mothers, their babies, and their families. Parents-2-B are Jennifer and Wiley Bell; Lauren and Tom Winslow. If you know of any expecting Prince George families, please let us know so we can add them to our prayers.

## Cursillo!

*Cursillo* is a great weekend held at Camp St. Christopher four times a year. The weekend is great fun with good food and fellowship, and most of all, time to experience God's love for you in a powerful way. Wherever you are in your Christian walk, *Cursillo* is an opportunity not to be missed. For more information, and names of people who have attended, contact Lauren Winslow or Paul Fuener at the church, 546-4358.

## 2013 Flower Chart

The 2013 flower chart is set up in the narthex. If you would like to donate altar flowers for a particular Sunday, please sign your name next to the desired date. Traditional altar flower donation is \$75.00 per Sunday.

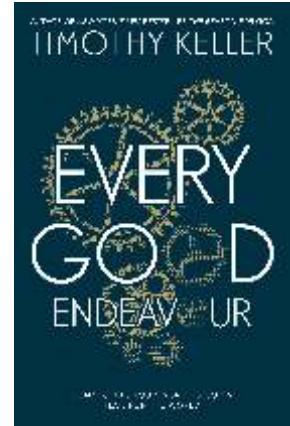
# PARISH NEWS

## Adult Education

### Every Good Endeavor by Timothy Keller - Begins January 13 for Seven Weeks

Keller's books (*The Prodigal God*, *The Reason for God*, *King's Cross*, and *Generous Justice*) have provided excellent material for group study at PGW. In *Every Good Endeavor*, just published last month, Keller examines how faith influences work and how work influences our faith. The book is ideal for intergenerational group discussion. For those who may not have the time to read the book, a summary of the two chapters to be discussed will be e-mailed to the congregation on Thursday in advance of the Sunday Adult Session. Join us for Keller's keen insights, lively discussion, and most of all to strengthen your faith as you find greater meaning in your work.

The following review captures the exciting potential of this study: *In Every Good Endeavor*, (which gets its title from an album liner note by John Coltrane), Keller examines how to integrate faith and work in the modern world. Keller draws from Biblical resources to explain the foundational aspect of work in human culture, and along the way analyzes comments on the subject from thinkers as diverse as Tolstoy, Peter Shaffer and J.R.R. Tolkien, to name just a few. Through it all, he examines diverse motivating factors in structuring a Christ-centered work life, and how to balance them in perfect harmony. I predict that "Every Good Endeavor" will be remembered as one of the great motivational and Christian works of this era. I give it my highest personal recommendation.



### Young Adult Forum: “Know What You Believe & Why You Believe It”

This group meets during the Adult Education hour at 10:10 am in the Panel Room and is designed especially for young parents and families. Our themes typically relate to the intersection of Christian faith with parenting, children, and marriage. Join us for our upcoming series of discussions beginning Jan. 13, “know what you believe and why you believe it,” attempting to answer these four questions: What does God require of us? What does Jesus have to do with any of this? What do you think about Jesus? What do you believe about heaven and how do you get there? The goal is to cover basics of the faith so parents can confidently articulate it for themselves and their children.

## Mere Anglicanism

The Mere Anglicanism Conference is coming, this year with an exciting line-up of speakers and teachers. You don't want to miss this!! January 24-26, 2013, Thursday-Saturday; St. Philip's Church, Charleston, South Carolina. More info @ (843) 693-1831 and <http://www.mereanglicanism.com>.



Our annual meeting will be held **Sunday afternoon, January, 13th at 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall**. At this meeting we elect two wardens and three new vestry members and delegates to Diocesan Convention. The wardens and vestry of Prince George meet monthly to share in the spiritual leadership of the parish as well as to make financial and business decisions for the church, and to confer on matters of worship and program. Please make plans to attend this important meeting.

# PARISH NEWS



## Matt's Ordination to Priesthood



## For Men – Through the Week

**Men's Tuesday Bible Study & Breakfast** – meets every Tuesday at 7:00 am in the Parish Hall. Great food, warm fellowship, good discussion of God's word. All men are invited! Don't miss out! (Will resume, Jan. 8th).

**Men's Book Study** – meets **Wednesdays at 7 am** at Thomas' Café. We've read a wide variety of books which have stimulated our thinking and enriched our understanding of our faith and modern culture. Guys, why not enjoy a **great breakfast, good fellowship**, and take a small step toward **living a holier life**. All men are welcome! Check with Paul or with Bob Manuel or George South for more information. (Will resume, Jan. 9th).

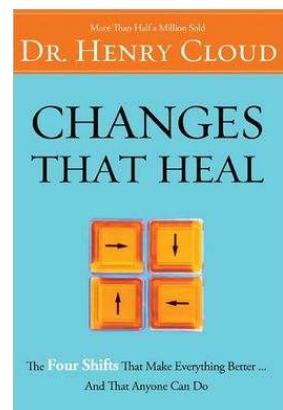
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## ECW Book Study

In this ground-breaking book, Dr. Henry Cloud takes the reader step-by-step through the four basic developmental tasks of becoming a mature image-bearer of God: *Bonding to others; Separating from others; Sorting out good and bad in ourselves and other; and Becoming an adult.* Dr. Cloud not only explains and describes each developmental task, he also identifies the problems that result when we fail to accomplish that task, and he shows us what changes to make in our lives in order to bring about healing. The book has been described as “...one of the most in-depth examinations of the personal and spiritual growth process.” The class involves: six sessions, with five 30 minute video teachings by Dr. Cloud; plus large-group discussion led by Becky Fuener; and homework – reading the book *Changes That Heal*, an average of about 50 pages per week. This would be a great study for those who are going to be trying once again to keep New Year’s resolutions.

### When and where:

**Tuesday evenings**, 6:30-8:30 pm, January 8<sup>th</sup> through February 12<sup>th</sup> at the Rectory;  
**Wednesday mornings**, 9:30-11:30 am, January 9<sup>th</sup> through February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Parish Hall.  
Cost: \$20 (includes book). Child care provided on Wed. mornings *if you let us know.*



## Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build

This January and February, multiple churches from Georgetown County are joining forces with Habitat for Humanity for its annual Apostles Build, and Prince George (through the leadership of our very own Hammerheads) will be participating by providing workers (possible work dates are Jan. 12th and 19th), a monetary contribution for the home, and lunches for volunteers. If you are interested in joining this initiative, please contact our church's Habitat liaison, Ed Pocai, 546-5020, maredp@roadrunner.com; or Bill Brabson, 458-1353, billbrabsonclassic@gmail.com. Also, please consider attending the site dedication, which will be on Sat., Jan. 5 at 8 am at 17 Gilbert St.



**Habitat  
for Humanity®**

want to help fellow citizens while building a stronger community. If you are interested in volunteering with or contributing to Habitat for Humanity of Georgetown County, you may call (843) 546-5685 or visit the offices and thrift store (the ReStore) at 1907 Hampton Court in Georgetown.

**THANK YOU!** Paul and Becky, Matt and Hawley, and the parish staff offer our deeply heart-felt thanks to all of you for your many invitations, cards and gifts to us this past Christmas season. In a year that has been tough for many financially, you have again overwhelmed us with your thoughtfulness, generosity and love, and we *greatly* appreciate it. And we thank you most of all for your willingness to give of yourselves to the work of the Lord here at Prince George and in our community. It is a delight, and a great honor, to serve in ministry with you – God bless you all in this year ahead!

## Usher Volunteers Needed

The men of the church traditionally serve in the capacity as ushers at all services for Prince George. In the past, this duty was accepted by most of the congregation, however, there aren't enough men willing to serve for 2013. Please contact Lep Boyd, 527-3335, or lepboydjr@yahoo.com if you have not been scheduled for 2013. This is a commitment for the 9 or 11:00 service for one month.

# PARISH NEWS

## Preschool Epiphany Service; Sunday, January 6th

The preschool would like to share the gift of the Nativity story with our church members on January 6th, which is Epiphany Sunday. We will perform our pageant at the 9AM service. After the service, we invite everyone join us in the Parish Hall for a reception honoring our preschool students and their families.

### Preschool News:

December is the month for giving and receiving gifts and our preschool children were busy giving and receiving last month. On December 1st, we participated in the Georgetown Christmas parade dressed as brightly-colored Christmas gifts. We learned about God's gift of His son through our Advent calendars. We learned songs that told the Nativity story and we acted out the story during our free play times. We presented the gift of this story to our parents in a pageant on December 19th.



### Volunteers Needed to Help Move Tables & Chairs

The church is in need of a dedicated team of volunteers to help move tables and chairs for regular and special events in the Parish Hall. This would probably be a weekly commitment and is a small but very important way to help serve the mission of our parish. If this is something you are interested in doing, please contact Matt Schneider, 546-4358 or matt@pgwinyah.org.

### Women's Monday Noon Bible Study

This study meets every Monday at 12:00. All women of the parish and their guests are welcome to attend at any time. For more information, contact Martha Allison, 546-5350.

### St. Anne's Chapter of the ECW

We will resume our monthly meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month on February 5th. (We will not meet in January).

Mark your calendars and plan on letting us cook dinner for you on February 12th. Come enjoy good food and fellowship and support the youth of Prince George at this year's...

# Pancake Supper

Hosted by the Prince George Youth Group

**FUNDRAISER**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 12, 2013

**WHERE:** Prince George Parish Hall

**TIME:** 5-7pm

**COST:** \$5/person, or \$15 for a family  
Dine in and take out available.

Tickets will be on sale outside of Church on February 3rd and 10th.

Whole wheat pancakes and sugar free syrup will be available.

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Youth Ministries

A detailed poster for a pancake supper fundraiser. The poster features a floral design and a large number '12' with 'Youth Ministries' written below it. Text on the poster provides details about the event, including the date (Tuesday, February 12, 2013), location (Prince George Parish Hall), time (5-7pm), cost (\$5/person or \$15 for a family), and meal options (dine in or take out). It also mentions that tickets will be sold outside the church on February 3rd and 10th, and that whole wheat pancakes and sugar-free syrup will be available.

# YOUTH NEWS

## Youth Christmas Party

Another Christmas season brought another great Youth Christmas Party. We held our annual party at the Pig Pen again this year (many thanks to the Tiller family) and had an excellent time. This year, we played games, including Santa dress up, snowball fights, relay race, pass the parcel and Chinese Christmas exchange. We shared a delicious meal provided by the Dean Family, and had a meaningful time of worship and study. We sang Christmas songs together, shared in our usual Compline liturgy and Jason gave a talk on the games we play and how Christ's birth turns everything upside down. We gave each student a book called Making Sense of the Bible- a tradition aimed at helping our youth to build a strong library of Christian literature to prepare them for college.



Thank you to David and Renee Dean for providing a wonderful BBQ dinner, Tracy Morris, Tom and Lauren Winslow, Allison Lawrence and Paul and Becky Fuener for all of your help in making this a successful event.



We had the wonderful opportunity to hold a youth Sunday at our church this past December 2nd. It was a great time of worship, where youth led by doing readings, helping to serve communion, leading music, ushering, and we even had Senior High student, Carson Myers, preach the sermon. We are very proud of the hard work the youth group did to prepare for leading the church in worship, and were amazed at their maturity, conviction and skill in each of their roles. We hope to do many more of these Youth Sundays in the future.



Whenever you are having a tough day, come by the Preschool and your spirits will be lifted.....

Pictured here: Scott Marlowe with preschool students.



R12 Ski Trip 2013

 Sugar Mountain Resort

# Eternal Impact

## 2013 Christian Men's Conference

"Equipping men to be the spiritual leaders in their homes, churches and communities through the power of Jesus Christ"

February 22-24, 2013

St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center  
Seabrook Island, South Carolina

The weekend of February 22-24, 2013 promises to be a life-changing one for men attending the Eternal Impact weekend at St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center. The father/son team of Phil and Paul Downer of Discipleship Network of America (DNA) will be the Conference Speakers. Check out the website or stop by the church office and pick up a brochure.

The Conference will begin with check-in on Friday, from 4:00 pm – 6:00pm and will end on Sunday after lunch. Forms can be found on the diocese website, [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org) and then by clicking "Men's Ministry". Contact Lee Jones, Tom Winslow, Scott Marlowe, Andy Roberts, Harry Oxner for more information or to reserve a spot.

### Upcoming Events - Important Dates

Preschool Epiphany Service	January 6	9:00 am service, reception at 10:10am
Adult Ed./ Sunday School begins	January 13	10:10 am
Annual Parish Meeting	January 13	4:00 pm, Parish Hall
Mere Anglicanism	January 24-26	St. Phillips, Charleston
Pancake Supper	February 12th	5:00 pm, Parish Hall
Ash Wednesday	February 13th	12:00 pm, 7:00 pm, Church
Men's Conference	February 22-24	Camp St. Christopher
Diocesan Convention	March 8 and 9	Florence, SC
Plantation Tours	March 22-23	



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