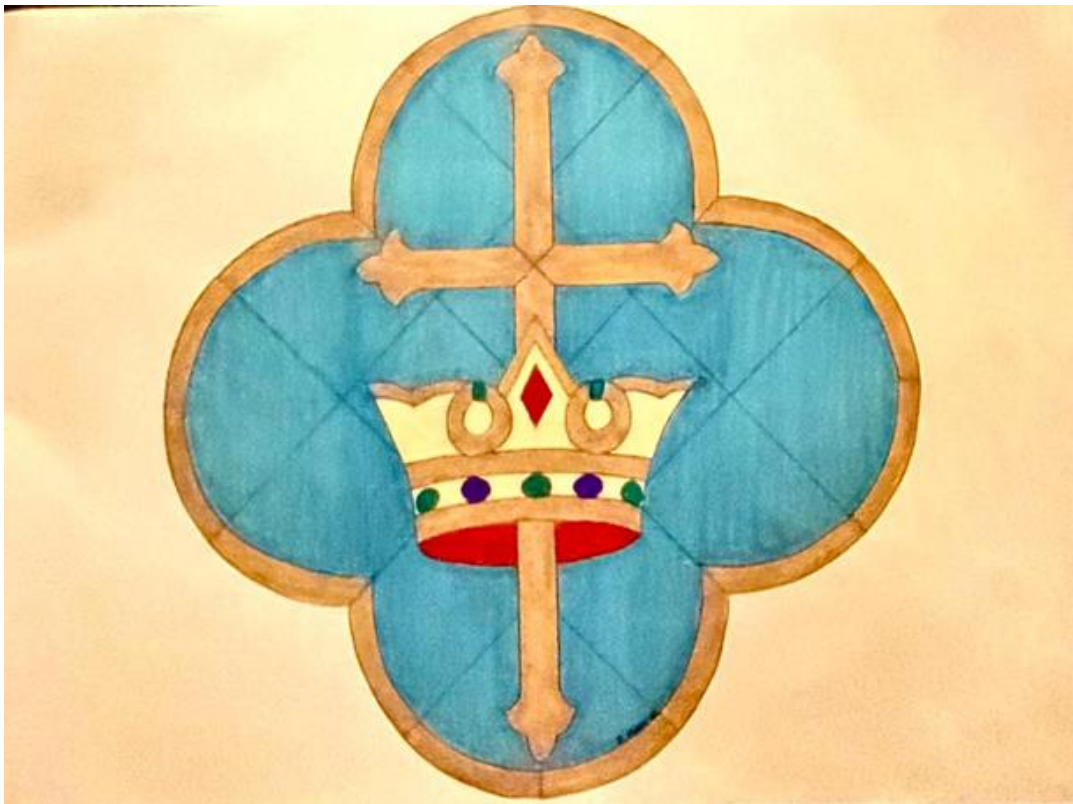


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church updates



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Correction: This beautiful photo was recently taken by our friend and contractor, Luke Dale Mitchell, LDM Contracting. He was fixing the gutter and looking for leaks when he noticed how beautiful the cross was and snapped this photo of the cross shaped walkway which leads from the parking lot to the front door of Christ Church through the courtyard garden. Jr. Warden Lyle sent it to Parish Administrator Melinda. The Rev. Scott Holcombe was the inspiration and primary worker on the courtyard garden in the mid-1990s. The church was preparing to celebrate its upcoming 150th anniversary in 2003. My understanding is people (including myself) probably don't realize that the memorial garden brick sidewalk between the sanctuary and the parish hall is also in the shape of a cross.

Upcoming EVENTS

Episcopal-Lutheran Worship & Picnic

Clarksburg VA Park, Osborn Shelter

Sunday, August 30 at 10 am

Instead of our usual Sunday worship, we are gathering with our friends
from St Mark's Lutheran Church for worship and a picnic.

All are welcome!

Please bring a side dish if you are able

In addition to our usual tithes and offerings, we will be collecting
cash and loose change donations for Upshur Parish House to help with flood relief

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
FROM 8 AM—NOON
OUTSIDE WORK DAY
FOR ST. BARNABAS...**

EVERYONE WITH
GOOD ARMS AND
BACKS THAT ARE
WILLING TO PULL
WEEDS, CUT LIMBS
AND CREATE A MORE
BEAUTIFUL
SURROUNDING IS
NEEDED





School is HERE and it is time to begin preparing for our Backpack Blessings. We want to make every weekend hunger free! These children are our future. This year (2026-2027 school year) has begun for teachers and most students. We will begin delivering meals this Thursday, August 27th through June of 2027. We provide food for 65 hungry children enrolled in Clarksburg and Glenn Elk Head Start. We appreciate any monetary donation you are able to provide. Please make checks payable to “Christ Episcopal Church” and list “Backpack Blessings” in the memo line. There is a lot of work and prep to do each and every week. Any and all help, no matter how small it may seem, is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Chris and Melinda are in NEED of volunteers to shop and drive the filled bags to the schools. If you are willing to help, please call the church office, 304-622-3694 ASAP.

Thank you!