

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild prepared for and served all regular Sunday services, all Thursday Healing and Communion services, all CCDS weekly services and all special services including Baptisms, Weddings, Funeral/Memorial services, and the Bishop's annual visit and confirmation service and this year the Installation of the new rector, Edward Harrison and the ordination of the Deacon, Ken Simon, to the Priesthood. The Guild members were responsible for the annual decorating of the church for Easter and Christmas services. This year inaugurated the addition of the "Greening the Church" at Christmas so that other members of the church could participate by assisting the Guild members and the sexton, Jess Martinez, in the decorating. We express special appreciation to our member, Myra Jones, who arranged for flowers at all services again this year, and the scheduling of memorial flowers. We also thank Susan Warmbrodt for the special altar flower arrangement at Easter and Pat Brown for the Christmas altar arrangement.

The Altar Guild quarterly luncheon meetings were held to plan services with the rector, set team schedules, update responsibilities and all related business for the functioning of the Guild.

With the advent of the new rector and his enthusiastic support, we have continued and increased the streamlining and updating of the Sacristy, its equipment, procedures, and management. We are especially pleased that the rector is also complementing our need for the on-going orientation of new members and enriching the knowledge and understanding of all its members by advising and teaching both on a group and an individual basis.

Our officers Ann Carpenter, secretary and Adrienne McCullough, treasurer continued in their faithful roles. The "Interim Triumvirate", Anne Kaine, Yvonne Rowe, and Toni Harris completed their services as co-directresses since 2005 in Dec. 2009. The Guild members then enthusiastically welcomed the appointment of Judy Kissell as our new and much needed Directress who has graciously accepted this responsibility. This appointment starts a new era and plans for a two year term for this position have been established. We need to continue our efforts in active recruitment of new members to give the Directress and Guild members the support this parish service needs. It is a joy and blessing to the Guild members to serve with the rector and staff in providing this sacred work.

Respectfully submitted

The Co-Directresses: Anne Kaine, Yvonne Rowe, and Toni Harris