



DECEMBER 05–DECEMBER 12, 2009

# TRURO FAMILY NEWS

## Welcome Home!

Please Welcome the following New Members to Truro. Some of these persons are already known to you by their ministry among us, others may be new faces. Almost all have participated in our newly launched Newcomer Series before thoughtfully and prayerfully deciding to join the Mission here at Truro.

We are so grateful for each of you. Our family of faith is greatly enriched by your presence and partnership!

### Welcome To Our New Members...

Jeanne Ayivorh  
Lesley Bell  
Nicole Burgin  
Tom Daugherty  
Nancy Daugherty  
Mark Filiatreau  
Svetlana Filiatreau  
Sara Goodman  
Jonathan Halls  
Sharon Halls  
Dave Horton

Celia Horton  
Stephen Horton  
Sharon Jones  
Keith Jones  
Maija-Liisa Jussila  
Carol Morton  
Mehry Saghesi  
Brian Smith  
Sandy Smith  
David Stempler  
Duncan Sutton

Jodi Sutton  
Mason Sutton  
Infant Sutton  
Collin Sutton  
Debbie Vanderplas  
Steve Vanderplas  
Joseph Vanderplas  
Daniel Vanderplas  
Esther Vanderplas

### God's Blessings To Those Being Baptized...

Autumn Deyerle  
Daniel Mark Filiatreau  
Anna Elizabeth Marshall

Kamila Fong Moeller  
Misha Anna Rowe  
Keaton Teeft

Esther Rose Vanderplas  
Teagan Anne Wentland  
Stephen Lawrence Wentland



## Rector's Forum and Book Signing

Join us for a special Rector's Forum on December 6th featuring author Frederica Mathewes-Green. Her work has appeared in such diverse publications as the *Washington Post*, *Christianity Today*, *Smithsonian*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *First Things*, *Books & Culture*, *Sojourners*, *Touchstone*, and the *Wall Street Journal*. She will be speaking on her book "The Lost Gospel of Mary: The Mother of Jesus in Three Ancient Texts" The presentation will be in conjunction with Truro's newest Art Gallery Exhibit "Mary Mother of God in Image and Word" curated by Ioana Belca, iconographer in cooperation with the Washington Arts Group. Ms. Mathewes-Green will be signing copies of her book following the Rector's forum.

## Youth Taize Service—December 16th at 7 pm, Chapel

The Truro Youth Choir and Jr. Daughters of the King will join in leading an Advent Taizé Prayer service in the chapel on Dec. 16th at 7 pm. The Taizé Community is an ecumenical Christian monastic order in Taizé, Burgundy, France. Composed of a little over 100 brothers who come from Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant traditions, the community has become known world wide for their sung prayers. The songs emphasize simple phrases of scripture, and are repeated in intent to aid meditation and prayer. Come join us for this short, beautiful prayer service as we worship God in this season of Advent.

**PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH**—Last month we read about the imprisonment in Iran of Marzieh and Maryam, two faithful believers in Christ who were imprisoned solely for becoming Christians. After 259 days in a prison that is notorious for its human rights violations, they were set free on November 18. Come join others in praise to the Lord for this answer to the prayers of His people! We will be meeting to pray for the Persecuted Church on Monday, December 14, at 7:00 pm, in Truro’s Conference Room. This opportunity for awareness and prayer is given on the second Monday of every month. For more information call Alana Johnson on 703.772.3404 or email Alana2walk@cox.net.

**SPECIAL GIVING FOR HOLIDAY GREENS & MUSIC**—Throughout Advent, special giving envelopes will be in the pew racks, allowing you to offer special gifts in honor or in memory of loved ones. Your faithful participation and generous contributions will help us offer the finest adornments and music as an act of worship during this Christmas season! Please place your gift in

the offering plates. Memorials and Thanksgivings received by December 7th will be listed in the Christmas Eve worship guides; afterward, they will be listed in the Epiphany Sunday worship guides.

**RECOMMENDED READING**—Following up on our recent conference, *A God Divided* is the recommended book for small groups study during Advent. It is a comparative view of the religions of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. Books are available in the Outreach office or at Joy Unlimited, 703.703.385.9125.

**MOPS**—Do you have a child age 0 to 5? Then you are warmly invited to join Truro MOPS, a special group for mothers of preschool age children. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 8th at 7:00 PM in the Undercroft. We’ll enjoy a meal together and then have the privilege of learning more about an issue that is important to us as mothers. For more information, or to register for MOPS, please contact Debbie Cole at (dclcinwashington@aol.com).

## TIPS Thanksgiving Feast

We had 160 people from 18 countries, lots of turkey and many traditional and international side dishes. We praise God for this multi national family that finds a welcome at Truro Church.



## Vestry Highlights

The November 24th Vestry meeting began with worship and prayer asking guidance in the work of the Vestry and especially setting the budget for next year.

The Vestry established a task force to discern whether Truro Church should become affiliated with Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement (“Voice”). Allen Thompson has agreed to chair this task force and bring a recommendation to the Vestry by its March meeting.

Derek Rust reported on his work with Alpha, the Marriage Course, the Youth retreat and the Young Adults, all of which have gone well. He believes that the participation by Love the World Fellowship members has enriched the Alpha experience for everyone.

Truro’s Chancellor reported that there are many organizations and renowned Constitutional lawyers who are preparing *amicus* briefs to argue on our behalf in the Episcopal Church’s pending appeal before the Virginia Supreme Court.

Jim Cantwell reported on the Stewardship Campaign and Warren Thrasher, Executive Director, presented a draft of the 2010 budget for the Vestry’s study and consideration at its next meeting. Despite a decrease in pledges for 2010, the Vestry is proposing a budget which will allow Truro to hire a new youth leader, worship leader and Director of Outreach and Evangelism needed to fulfill Truro’s vision and goals for 2010.

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• **Treasurer’s Report:** October contributions were \$285,228 which •  
• is 9.8% over budget for the month and the year to date net loss •  
• of \$(32,865) is much less than budgeted. We are trusting God •  
• and His people to give us sufficient contributions during the rest •  
• of the year to allow Truro to end the year without a deficit. •  
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## Thank You from the Lamb Center

Thank you for your support and partnering with the Lamb Center during the Thanksgiving Bag Collection, as we minister to the poor and the poor in spirit in our area. Contact Charlie Hoover or Dave Larrabee if you are interested in providing a warm breakfast or lunch.

Urgently needed supplies: Your prayers are always needed, Styrofoam bowls, dinner & dessert plates, Coffee, creamer, sugar & cold drink mix—very low, Laundry detergent & liquid bleach—very low, Hotel-size shampoo & small deodorant—out, Hot and cold drink cups (8 or 9 oz please)—very low, Men’s and women’s underwear & socks—out, Napkins & paper towels, Adult tooth brushes—low & toothpaste (small tubes), 13 Gallon trash bags with drawstrings—low, Washable laundry bags (not mesh), Disposable double edge razors, Costco gift cards to purchase needed supplies, Bus tokens, metro passes & smart trip cards.

Always needed: Butter/margarine/salad dressing/cream cheese/milk/salt. Financial support is always greatly appreciated, especially during these difficult economic times.

## Christmas Pageantry

Interested in participating in this year’s dramatic processions for Christmas Eve or Epiphany? Shepherds, Holy Families, Canopy Bearers, and Angels are needed for services on Thursday, Dec. 24th at 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:30 pm & 11:00 pm. The Epiphany Sunday pageant (January 3rd) will need star bearers, canopy bearers, and Holy Families for the 8:30 & 11:15am services. Also seeking non-dramatic volunteers to help coordinate the proceedings! Contact Tina Owens for more information and rehearsal times tinaowens@cox.net. This is a fun way for your family to celebrate the Christmas season and serve together!

## Give Gifts That Give Hope

Are you searching for a meaningful way to share the celebration of the birth of Christ with family and friends? Is it difficult to find “just the right thing” in a crowded shopping mall? Would you like to give gifts that honor your loved ones AND provide help to needy people?

Please come to the **Gifts That Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair on December 12, 2009, in the Undercroft from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.** Shop from over 25 nonprofits for “virtual gifts” (school supplies or tutoring for a low-income child, emergency food for a family, music therapy for an Alzheimer’s patient, job training for the unemployed, legal services for a refugee seeking citizenship, and many, many more).



You will receive a beautiful custom card with a description of the gift, which you can present to your friend or family member. All gifts are tax-deductible. Several nonprofits will also be selling tangible gifts, including jewelry, ornaments, and ethnic crafts, at their tables (not tax-deductible). Cash and checks will be accepted.

**Giving Gifts That Give Hope not only honors special people on your gift list but also provides hope to those who are not on anyone’s gift list.**

The nonprofit organizations participating in the fair include: Alzheimer’s Family Day Center, Amy’s Amigos, Brain Foundation, Brazil 2010 (Truro’s Youth), Computer CORE, Empowered Women International, FACETS, Flashes of Hope, Food for Others, Friends of Guest House, Giving Circle of HOPE, Good Shepherd Alliance, Grace Ministries, Helping Hungry Kids, Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic, Just Neighbors, JustNeem, Kids R First, Land of a Thousand Hills Coffee, Liberty’s Promise, Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry, NOVA Scripts Central, Partner for Surgery, Thai Totes, and more.

For more information, please visit [www.giftsthatgivehope.org](http://www.giftsthatgivehope.org) or call Linda Strup at 703.620.9302.

## Pray For Ray Fleming On Short Term Mission Trip To Brazil

From December 7–15, Ray Fleming is traveling to Rio de Janeiro and Volta Redondo, Brazil to participate as a member of the prayer and healing ministry team for Global Awakening. Please pray for the Lord to bless and use him mightily.

## The Truro Community Recycles

Please note the recycling bins on the Truro campus and think carefully before you pitch your trash. The blue bins are for office paper only—no tissues, food wrappers, napkins, etc. The green bins are for plastic, aluminum, and glass—no Styrofoam, paper cups, or other trash. Using these bins carefully can help reduce landfill use and conserve our resources. Being good stewards of the earth is one of our commitments as Christians.



## In Memoriam

**Gene P. Moore**

April 26, 1933–November 25, 2009

## Advent at Truro

### Carol Sing & Gallery Talk

Sunday, December 6, 6:00 pm (Art Gallery), 7:00 pm (Chapel)

The annual Truro Carol Sing will be held in the Chapel on Sunday evening, December 6th at 7 pm. Featuring guest instrumentalists Matt and Kate Rogers, harp and saxophone duo, the Carol Sing is a wonderful opportunity to gather with friends and family to sing your favorite Christmas Carols. This year, there will be a reception before the Carol Sing in the Undercroft in conjunction with the newest Truro Art Gallery exhibit.

### *Mary Mother of God in Image and Word:* December Art Gallery Exhibit

The month of December will feature a new exhibit in the Truro Art Gallery titled “Mary Mother of God in Image and Word” consisting of contemporary icons, curated by Ioana Belca in cooperation with the Washington Arts Group. Early scriptural and papyrus examples from manuscripts included in the book “The Lost Gospel of Mary: The Mother of Jesus in Three Ancient Texts” as well as other art historical expressions devoted to Mary will be included in the show.

In conjunction with the exhibit, there will be a Gallery Talk and reception on December 6th at 6 pm in the Art Gallery, following the Alive@5 service, and prior to the annual Carol Sing. On Dec. 6th the exhibition will also include a bronze casting of Mary’s bust from the Pieta in St. Peter’s. Don’t miss this exciting event!

### Global Christmas Celebration

Friday, December 11th, 6:30–9 pm, Undercroft

A Family Ministry, TIPS and La Comunidad Hispana partnership

6:30–7 pm Join us for Chili (everyone bring a pot to share!) 7–9 pm with singing, drama, puppets, cider, hot chocolate, and cookies.

### Christmas Wreath Making

Saturday, December 12th, 9 am–10 am, Common Grounds

Be part of the “Hanging of the Greens” this Advent season at Truro AND create a wreath of your own to take home! There will be a workshop on making Williamsburg-style wreaths of fresh and dried natural materials at 9:00 Saturday, December 12. This will be followed by making the wreaths for the Truro campus. The cost of the workshop is \$25 to cover materials. Please call or e-mail Catherine Woodcock at 703.847.2045 ([catherine@woodcocknest.com](mailto:catherine@woodcocknest.com)) for a reservation. Those who only want to create the Truro wreaths may come at 10:30.

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07:30 am, Worship  
08:30 am, Worship  
10:00 am, Worship (en español)  
10:00 am, Rector's Forum  
10:00 am, Youth Small Groups  
11:15 am, Worship  
01:00 pm, Love The World Fellowship  
05:00 pm, Alive @ 5  
06:00 pm, Youth Group  
07:00 pm, Carol Sing w/ Reception to Prior

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06:30 am, Men's Group  
04:00 pm, Handbell Rehearsal  
07:00 pm, AA Meeting

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09:30 am, Women's Bible Study  
11:30 am, Military Prayer  
04:30 pm, Hosanna and Praise Dance  
06:00 pm, Worship Dance  
06:45 pm, Young Adults  
07:00 pm, Outreach First Tuesday  
07:00 pm, MOPS  
07:30 pm, Buildings & Grounds Comm.  
07:30 pm, Boy Scouts

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06:30 am, Men's Bible Study, (Truro)  
09:30 am, TPK Nativity Pageant  
11:00 am, Holy Eucharist, Chapel  
04:30 pm, Ministry Training and Dinner  
04:30 pm, Bells & Children's Choir  
06:00 pm, Faith Track Class  
06:30 pm, Student Ministry Training  
07:30 pm, Discipleship Group

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12:00 pm, Seniors Lunch and Fellowship  
06:30 pm, Global Christmas Celebration

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## read ahead

December 13

The Carols of Christmas:  
Luke's Poems of Jesus Birth

Angel's Gloria  
Luke 2:8-15

## when you visit

**Fill out a Welcome Card**—Please join us immediately following the 11:15 service for a Welcome Reception in the Gunnell House Parlor. The Gunnell House is the historic home located just to the right of the main church as you enter by the ramp.

## what about children, teens, young adults, and families?

*Our KidZone Team wears green shirts and will help find the right place for your child.*

**Nursery:** Nursery available on Sundays during 8:30 & 11:15 am worship for ages 3 and younger.

**Nursing/Cry Room:** For nursing moms and upset infants/toddlers, located in the "Fellowship Room" off the Undercroft beneath the sanctuary.

**Pre-K to Grade 6:** WEE Worship for 3 year olds–Kindergarten AND WOW Worship for 1st–6th grade is during both 8:30 & 11:15 services. Small Groups are during the 10 am Discipleship Hour.

**Teens:** Small Groups meet at 10am. Youth Group is Sunday from 6:30-8 pm in the Upper Room. Come for dinner at 6pm. Wednesday night Student Ministry Team 6:00 pm dinner, 6:30-8 training, located in the Undercroft.

**Young Adults:** We meet Tuesday nights for dinner and fellowship from 6:45–9 pm (Gunnell House Parlor). Anyone and everyone from late teens to mid thirties is welcome to join! Contact: Family Ministry at 703.273.1300.

## needs & blessings

**NEED:** Looking for folks that would be interested in commuting to and from work by bicycle. I work 7:45-4/4:30pm M–F. I live in North Arlington, and work in Old Town Alexandria. If anyone is looking for a bicycle commuting buddy feel free to contact me Thomas White at 202.390.3367 (cell) or 703.522.6360 (home).

**NEED:** Seeking wonderful renters for a recently remodeled 3 bedroom townhome in the Sudley Square development of Manassas Virginia. Sudley Square is located close to Splash Down Waterpark at Ben Lomond Regional Park. Rent: 1500 +utilities per month. Please call Mimi Plumley at 703.536.8213 for more details.

**BLESSING:** Christmas Fund-raiser: Christmas shopping done. Buy a Northern Virginia coupon book for \$25. This gift pays for itself. Contact Jake Hess at 703.503.9025 or athess89@yahoo.com.

**LOOKING FOR HELP OR A JOB?** If you are an employer or know of positions in your company, please check out the resumes on Truro's web site. Contact information can be obtained through Tim Teague, 703.273.1300, ext 420. If you would like to post your resume on Truro's website, please contact Truro Communications at communications@trurochurch.org, or ext 127.

## truro family news submissions

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