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in the life and ministry of CSP

**Fall 2016**  
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## It's a new school year! And for us, it's a new ministry year!

Notebooks are fresh. Schedules are orderly. Ambitions are focused and hopes are high. *And then, boom!* We all fall back into the same old patterns and practices that we did last year, and the year before. **Wouldn't it be great to get to the fall of 2017 and look back on this year and see a marked difference?**

To see transformation in our personal lives...

to be more connected to each other...

to be difference-makers, not just church-goers...

*Wouldn't that be great?*

Call it a do-over, a fresh start, a new season, but whatever you do, **take advantage of this day to prayerfully look at your life**, finding places where change needs to occur. What's missing? Where has lukewarm complacency replaced fire and excitement? What do you see that needs to be done? Are you willing to replace talk with action? Move from consuming to contributing? What if, individually and collectively we use the 2016-2017 ministry year to take action by the power of the Holy Spirit, to be the church, **to be the people God is calling us to be?**

Can we change the world? Not all at once! But one by one we can make a difference, first in ourselves, then by reaching out to at least one other person. Along the way we individually will be brought more into the likeness of Jesus Christ. Collectively we will look like the church God calls us to be. *Not for our sake. Not for CSP's sake, but for the sake of Jesus Christ, the source of our fresh starts, the orderer of our days, the desire of our ambitions, the source of all hope.*

### Are you in?

The following pages outline places for **personal growth**, for serving our **CSP family**, for reaching out into the **community**, and for making an impact in the **world**.

*Where are you in?*

## What's your plan?

Where will you say: *"Yes! I'm in! I am involved, invested and intentionally participating in the life and ministry of CSP."*

Use this page to record your commitment to yourself.

Use the insert to make a copy for our ministry leaders.

**Check all that apply!**

As we continue through the fall, details for these ministries and events will be found in your weekly e-news and on **CSP1706.com**.

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- Women's Ministry
- Men's Ministry

MY CHURCH FAMILY

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- Youth
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- Serving on Sunday

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- Meals On Wheels
- Thanksgiving

THE WORLD BEYOND

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- Shoebox Ministry
- Advent Conspiracy



## Gloria Kwashi

Gloria and Archbishop Kwashi are convinced of their call to serve vulnerable children and orphans in Nigeria. They have purchased land and built a block of classrooms. Mama Kwashi herself provided hands-on labor! CSP is helping to turn an empty, mud-walled room into a computer lab, complete with donated computers and furnishings. The Archbishop says, "We have no choice anymore in our retirement but to live with these children until we die." Your participation in these events will make a difference for all of these children.

Sept 18 @ 8 & 10am | Worship with Gloria as our guest preacher, followed by an authentic catered Nigerian lunch.  
Contact: Mary Prince & Steve Coffin



## Global Missions Auction

"Go and make disciples of all nations." CSP is answering that call. Our commitment to the global community has grown in recent years: Love for the Least - Northern Iraq, Bishop Abraham Nihal - South Sudan, Archbishop Ben and Gloria Kwashi - Jos Nigeria, and two of our own young people serving in the mission field. The Global Mission team is planning some significant events this fall, including a silent auction where you will have the chance to mingle, eat, and bid on (and also supply!) some excellent items.

Oct 22 | Global Missions Auction  
Donations of items are being received now (i.e. Edisto Beach House, Shag lessons, the ever-in-demand 8 hours of Mike Scheub...) Contact: Global Missions Team



## WELCOME Home Groups

One thing we all share is a need to belong. To be known. To be loved. To be welcomed into a group. We are created for community, and joining or starting a Home Group fills that need. Home Groups meet on a regular basis, study together, pray together, usually eat together, celebrate together and help each other through the ups and downs of this life. Going it alone is hard and lonely. God's plan is for fellowship and you can be a part of that plan. Be bold: join a group or create one.

Groups meet at all different times and schedules.  
Contact: Fr. Craig Craige@CSP1706



## Bible Study

Your spiritual growth is a result of intentional investment in the study of God's Word, both alone and with others. If you are not seeing growth, here is a chance to grow and join a study! Set up a plan to succeed. Increase your understanding, wisdom and consistency. You can find a study that fits your personality. Topics this fall include Ephesians, Armor of God and an on-going men's accountability group. Men's, women's and co-ed studies begin this week.

Women: Mon 9:30am | Lisa Newland  
Women: Tue 9:30am | Lynda Cole  
Co-Ed: Mon 6:30pm | Lynda Cole



## Shoebox Ministry

Imagine that all your worldly possessions fit in a shoebox. The children who receive our gifts have little to call their own. Your shoebox will bring laughter and great joy to children who rarely receive gifts. Pencils. Hair bows. A doll. A football. A yo-yo. Small gifts, but all so treasured, and all delivered with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. A small box - a huge impact. The ministry kicks off in October. In November we deliver the boxes to Samaritan's Purse to join thousands others to be distributed to children in need.

Oct 16 @ 10am | Shoebox Sunday  
Nov 6 | Boxes due back  
Contact: Lynn@CSP1706.com  
Bonnie@CSP1706.com  
Andrew@CSP1706.com



## Advent Conspiracy

The Christmas story is a story of love, hope, redemption and relationship. How did it turn into stuff, stress and debt? We've traded the best story in the world for the story of what's on sale. Again this year we will join the Advent Conspiracy by Worshipping Fully, Spending Less, Giving More and Loving All. Be a co-conspirator by allocating a portion of your resources to support our friends working with Northern Iraqi refugees. What a stark contrast: The extravagance of our culture and the utter need of those fleeing persecution.

Advent 2016 begins on Nov 27<sup>th</sup>  
Our contributions will be collected on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, Dec 18<sup>th</sup>  
Contact: Global Missions Team



This fall CSP women can select from a number of local conferences, something for every taste. Pick one of these events and make an appointment with the Lord to be enriched and encouraged. Invite a friend and give yourself (and her) the gift of intentional investment in spiritual growth. The Women's Ministry Leadership Team meets periodically to plan and provide events for the women of CSP and would welcome your ideas and inspiration.

Beth Moore Simulcast | Sep 17 | 8:30am  
Chosen Conference | Oct 9-10 or Oct 13-14  
The IF Gathering | Oct 21-22  
Contact: Lorraine Shealy



## Men's Ministry

The world presents brotherhood as shallow, surface level friendships based on sports teams and convenience. The men of Christ-St. Paul's might appreciate their teams but their foundation is Christ and it shows. Following in His footsteps of community and discipleship, the men come together to study the word, encourage one another, pray to the King of Kings, and serve our church. If you want to be a part of these opportunities, please join the men ministries.

Men's Study | Monday's @ 8am | Library  
Men's Summit | Saturday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>  
Contact: Steve Coffin, Johnny Parish, and Alan Skinner





## Children

Most of us can look back at our childhood and remember one or two stand-out individuals who made a difference in our lives. It may have been a relative, or a teacher, or a neighbor, but as children we craved attention and encouragement from someone other than our parents. You can be that source to the children of our parish and community and someday they can look back and remember how you made a difference in their life. Serving our children serves their parents, our church, and our community.

KidZone: 5<sup>th</sup> grade & below | Sundays 10am  
Nursery: 0 to 3 years | Sundays 9am-Noon  
Contact: Bonnie@CSP1706.com



## Youth

It's a new season of Youth Ministry for CSP. Our teens and soon-to-be-teens are in good hands with the appointment of Andrew Cannell as the permanent, full-time Youth Ministry leader. Few people really understand what an undertaking this is, and Andrew needs our prayers and our very real, rubber-meets-the-road support as he leads our youth, most times against the culture, but always in the ways of truth. Andrew needs core leaders & event leaders (or cook a meal and become really popular with the youth!)

Crosswalk: 6-8<sup>th</sup> grades | Sundays 10am  
Youth Quest: 6-12<sup>th</sup> grades | Sundays 5pm  
Contact: Andrew@CSP1706.com



## Action Day

This is a new thing! Action Day is the whole church serving the whole community! On this intentional day of service, we will serve side by side in small projects. For this first Action Day we will clean an elderly woman's home, do some small house repairs and clean the yards of two other homes. We will fix meals to save away for an emergency. And we will be Reading Partners for young children in our community. Come share the Love of Jesus with our Neighbors on this very first Action Day.

Action Day: Saturday Oct 8 | 8:30am – 1pm  
Contact: Outreach Ministry Team Members or Fr. Craig | Craig@CSP1706.com



## Kairos Ministry

How can a simple cookie transform a life? When it is shared with someone whose home is a jail cell and who hasn't tasted a home-made cookie in a long time. Kairos delivers cookies to inmates during a weekend that also delivers messages of hope and love. Men who simply came for the cookies find redemption through Jesus Christ Jesus. Bake a cookie – save a life. And if you want first-hand stories of the magnitude of this ministry, talk to Steven Herman today.

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> | Cookie Collection | Kids and Youth make cookies and placements and cards.  
Contact: Andrew@CSP1706.com or Bonnie@CSP1706



## Congregational Care

Scripture clearly calls us to love our neighbors. This love might be shown in a caring word or a hot casserole delivered with a friendly visit. A Thanksgiving basket is more than food to someone living alone. Perhaps a homebound resident needs groceries or medicine picked up. Lay Eucharist Ministers (LEMs) bring communion to those in the hospital or recovering at home. These are gifts of love, given with the gift of your time. TLC Ministry makes sure that those in need, which may one day be you, are cared for.

Tender Loving Care (TLC) Ministry  
Contact: Martha Graves  
mngaves@comcast.net



## Serving on Sunday

While we each have different passions, callings and gifts, the one thing we have in common is our coming together each Sunday morning at 8am or 10am in corporate worship. As you sit in our worship service, take a look around to see the many ways people have prepared for us to gather here today. Altar Guild, flowers, readers, greeters, acolytes, ushers, bulletins, Lay Eucharistic Ministers... all coming together each Sunday to prepare for worship. Plus the ever-important weekly coffee and monthly breakfasts!

Contact: Lynn@CSP1706.com



## Meals on Wheels

"For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat...I was sick and you visited me..." (Matt 25:35-36) There are many days when the only meal some in our community receive is the meal brought by a Meals on Wheels volunteer. Monday through Friday Meals on Wheels provides a hot nutritious meal, a friendly visit, a warm greeting, plus a safety check that helps seniors live independently in their own homes. Live out the scriptures by delivering or packaging meals, Monday thru Friday as you are able.

Monday through Friday mornings  
Contact: Frances Tovey



## Community Thanksgiving

Happy Thanksgiving, but that's not where Thanksgiving ends for us at CSP this year. We are celebrating Thanksgiving a little differently this year. For some in our community, Thanksgiving Day is just another day without a warm meal. We've decided we want to do something for them. This year we will prepare and provide Thanksgiving meals for families in need on Thanksgiving Day. Help us provide the wonderful taste of a turkey dinner for those in need in our area.

Thanksgiving Day on the Green | Nov 24th  
Serving from 11:30am-1:30pm time.  
Morning prep time to be determined.  
Contact: NancyABorrett@gmail.com





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