

PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF THE PARISH SURVEY – JANUARY 30, 2011

Thank you to all who took the time to complete the survey!

AGE, Average age is 53 years old

18-25 years old, 2%	51-65 years old, 25%
26-40 years old, 10%	65 and older, 48%
41-50 years old, 15%	

GENDER

29% male	71% female
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MARITAL STATUS

Single, 14%	Divorced, 7%
Married, 60%	Widowed, 15%
Partnered, 3%	

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN: 23 responses, average 1.7 children

YEARS IN CURRENT TOWN, Average 31-2/3 years

YEARS CHRIST CHURCH HAS BEEN YOUR PARISH, Average 15 years

0-1 years, 2%	11-15 years, 10%
2-5 years, 9%	16-20 years, 9%
6-10 years, 12%	20+ years, 57%

SERVICES ATTENDED

8:00 am Sunday, 29%	Thursday am Eucharist, 2%
10:00 am Sunday, 73%	Holiday Services, 42%

FREQUENCY OF ATTENDANCE

More than once per week, 2%	Once a month, 6%
Weekly, 54%	Less than once a month, 22%
Twice a month, 15%	

WHY WE HAVE MADE CHRIST CHURCH OUR CHURCH, top three ranked “very important” or “important.”

Church leadership, 92.3%
Preaching/sermons, 92.1%
Traditional Episcopal worship, 91.4%

HAS EACH OF THE ABOVE BEEN A STRENGTH AT CHRIST CHURCH?

Church leadership, 61% yes
Preaching/sermons, 56% yes
Traditional Episcopal worship, 88% yes

HAS PARTICIPATION IN PARISH LIFE CHANGED?

Increased, 36%
Remained the same, 18%
Decreased, 46%

TOP REASONS PARTICIPATION HAS INCREASED

Accepted responsibility within the parish
Personally invited to join an activity
More time available

TOP REASONS PARTICIPATION HAS DECREASED

Health problems
Less time available
Less positive view of Christ Church

TOP THREE QUALITIES IN A NEW RECTOR

Warm, welcoming personality
Energetic and involved in parish life
Authentic and inspirational

TOP THREE ATTRIBUTES FOR A NEW RECTOR

Church growth and development
Youth work
Preaching/Public speaking

THREE THINGS YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH

Friendly, welcoming community
History and architecture
Traditions

BIGGEST CHALLENGES FACING CHRIST CHURCH

Membership growth
Finances
Property maintenance