

## **Antiques Show**

From 1999 to 2011, the ECW created and produced The Skidaway Island Antiques Show and Sale. The Antiques Show, a three-day event, included a formal Preview Party, antiques sale, plant sale and luncheon served each day, with all the food made by the ECW culinary team. The volunteers also reached out to local sponsors and donors to defray the production costs to maximize the amount of money donated to the charities. After several years, the culinary team decided to create the Manna from Savannah cookbook with artwork from Marilyn Foley, a noted artist and church member. Over its thirteen-year run, The Antiques Show event together with the Manna from Savannah cookbook were very successful, generating \$771, 500, all of which was donated to local charities for at-risk children. During this period the organizations that received support included: CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), Coastal Children's Advocacy Center, Greenbrier, Episcopal Youth and Children's Services, Hope House, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Kid's Café, Open Arms, Park Place Outreach, Horizons Savannah, Rape Crisis Center, St. Paul's School for Boys, SAFE Shelter, Savannah Runaway Home, and The Mediation Center.

The importance of the women and men of St. Peter's bringing their time, talent and treasure working together and making friends cannot be overstated. It took approximately 150 volunteers to produce the Antiques Show annually. And over the course of two years, approximately 193 parishioners and friends volunteered to taste test, produce and sell the Manna From Savannah cookbook. When members of the church are drawn into projects like these, it produces a stronger commitment to church outreach and the larger Savannah community.

## **The Market at 3 West Ridge**

After the 2011 Antiques Show, the ECW determined that the show had run its course. However, the women of St. Peter's were determined to raise monies to support at-risk children's charities and were committed to coming up with a fresh fundraising idea to invigorate donors and volunteers. So, in 2012, the first trunk show, The Market at 3 West Ridge at St. Peter's Episcopal Church debuted.

Each year, twenty handpicked national vendors are selected to display and sell their boutique goods for sale including stylish and unique clothing and accessories for women, men and children, unusual home decorative and garden accessories, linens, and classic and contemporary jewelry, for this two-and-a-half-day event. The Market also includes a vibrant spring plant sale and a delicious luncheon made and served by our volunteers. Over the past five years, The Market has grown in credibility with national vendors and in popularity and with over 800 women and men attending and shopping annually.

The Market donates all proceeds from door admissions, plant sales, the luncheon, sponsor donations and a 15 percent of vendor sale proceeds to the charities. **Since 2012, The Market has donated \$225,000 to at-risk children's charities in Savannah.** To date, the following charities have received financial support: Coastal Children's Advocacy Center, Frank Callen Boys & Girls Club, Horizons Savannah, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Live Oak Public Libraries Foundation Summer Reading Program, Park Place Outreach, Rape Crisis Center, SAFE Shelter, Savannah Early Childhood Foundation and The Mediation Center.