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Destruction becomes an opportunity



Digging up the roots of old plantings



New plantings in front of Church House

All Hallows Guild has coordinated with the Cathedral in the repair and renovation of the front garden at Church House. Part of the area of the garden and lawn was excavated and destroyed to install new gas lines. Destruction can always be an opportunity, and our horticulturists have consulted with the Garden Committee to create a new design for the front garden, for which the Guild contributed funds.



Before: Large shrubs crowded the entrance to Church House

The entire front garden, including the area adjacent to the cafe patio, has been replanted. This area, which borders South Road, is seen by visitors entering the Cathedral grounds from Wisconsin Avenue. New sod, shrubs, trees, and perennials were installed.



New natural gas service was connected to Church House – leaving some very unattractive pipes and valves prominent along South Road



Plantings were installed to conceal the gas piping

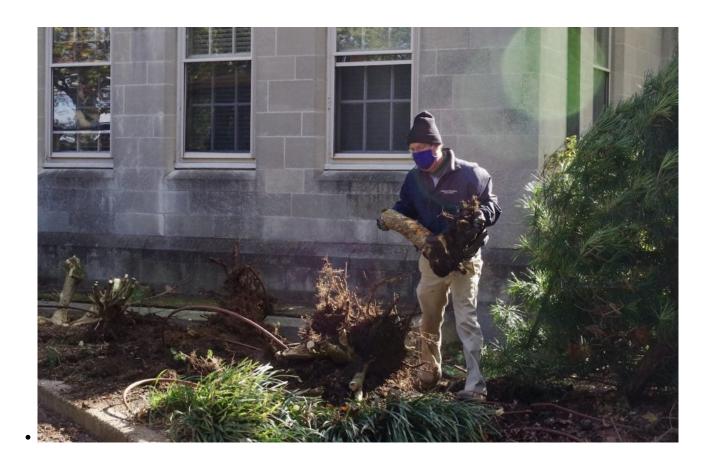




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The gas pipes and valves are now concealed by a hedge









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Church house was originally the residence of the Bishop. It is now the headquarters of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington and includes offices for the Bishop and staff.



Fall colors in the newly planted Church House garden