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### Sunday Services

8:00 and 10:00 AM

### Weekday Services

#### Tuesdays

9:20 AM Intercessory Prayer

#### Wednesdays

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

#### Thursdays

6:30 AM Holy Eucharist followed  
by breakfast and Bible study

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## From the Rector

**“The work of CREDO is meant to equip leaders in the Church to attend to their own healing and wholeness in every sphere of existence, that they may in turn lead others into greater health.”**



— Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori  
Foreword to *All Shall Be Well*

Fresh from Pentecost's inspiration, I arrived in the Florida heat to attend my second CREDO conference at the diocesan camp and conference center in Live Oak, Florida. Our conference leader encouraged us to “be here now” rather than scatter our selves—our souls and bodies across time and space. That meant letting go of my work to attend to the task of discernment. I'm so grateful to have colleagues and a staff who are more than able to sustain the ministry I leave behind when I step away from Christ Church.

The Church Pension Group sponsors CREDO conferences so that leaders can discern God's call to new life and to support one another in the pursuit of holiness. The investment made is intended to strengthen the clergy in ministry, allowing for longer and healthier pastors in their prime and for clergy ready to enter retirement with healthy financial practices as well as renewed vocational purpose. You are welcome to visit the website, from which the above quote from our presiding bishop is taken—<http://episcopalcredo.org>.

With clergy from around the country, we shared the stories of faith, loving the meaningful questions that discernment brings. “Who am I?” “What is God's call to me?” “How am I responding to that call?” These are questions all adults have as we journey through life. We IDENTIFY and DISCERN, then develop a PRACTICE and, with God's grace, experience a TRANSFORMATION, a changed heart. CREDO, we were reminded, is more the heart's work than the head's work.

In prayer, in plenary, in small groups, consultations, and conversations, and in the peaceful silence of reflection, the 25 participants emerged with a goal or goals that express an understanding of God's invitation and our response. Each goal had at least four objectives, one in each of the primary

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## From the Rector *(continued from page 1)*

areas of CREDO: spiritual, health, vocational, and financial. My CREDO plan will be a guide for my own transformation as I live into the joy of God manifested in ministry here.

I leave you with the CREDO prayer, composed by a wonderful priest of the Church, The Rev. James Fenhagen, who once was dean of General Theological Seminary and warden of the College of Preachers at the Washington Cathedral. This is a good prayer for each of us as we discern God's call to ministry in the world.

*Ruth Lamson Kirk*

Holy God, be in my mind that I might let go of all that diminishes the movement of Your Spirit within me.

Discerning God, be in my eyes, that I might see You in the midst of all the busyness that fills my life.

Loving God, be in my heart, that I can be open to those I love, to those with whom I share ministry, and to the whole human family.

Gracious God, be in that grace-filled silence that lies deep within me, that I might live in Christ as Christ lives in me.

Amen.

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## Help Needed for UrbanPromise Retreat

On **Sunday, July 24** Christ Church will host a retreat for leaders, interns, and staff of UrbanPromise beginning at 4 PM. We will offer our classrooms for small group meetings, followed by dinner and worship in the Chapel, with the help of our youth and adults. Two work groups—who will be helping UrbanPromise during the following week—will join us for dinner. The mission of UrbanPromise is to equip children and teens, living in some of the poorest neighborhoods of Wilmington, with the skills and knowledge necessary for spiritual growth, academic achievement, life management, and Christian leadership.

**For the July dinner, we need side dishes and people to help set up, serve, clean up, and share hospitality and fellowship.** If you can help, please contact Betsy Field at [ewfield@verizon.net](mailto:ewfield@verizon.net) or 654-4199. Thank you!

*Betsy Field*



## Annual Crab Feast

Join us for our all you can eat Crab Feast on **Friday, July 29** at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Feby's Fishery will provide steamed and seasoned crabs; the Parish Life Committee will provide hot dogs and corn-on-the-cob. PREPAID reservations will be accepted up until Wednesday, July 27 at 4:00 PM at \$20 per person...OR...make reservations and pay \$30 per person at the door. FREE admission to those who are not "crab pickers." Please bring a favorite salad, side dish, or dessert and beverage to share. Send your name, email/phone number, number of people in your party, and a check made payable to CCCH to P. O. Box 3510, Wilmington, DE 19807 or pay online at [www.christchurchde.org/giving/online.asp](http://www.christchurchde.org/giving/online.asp).



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## Outdoor Service

On **Sunday, July 31** the 10 AM service will be held on the lawn as we celebrate the beauty of the summer. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets for this communion service. In case of inclement weather, the service will move indoors to the Church.

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## Vacation at Memorial House



The Parish Life Committee has reserved time for parishioners to enjoy fellowship at Memorial House—the Diocese of Delaware's retreat center in Rehoboth Beach: **Friday, August 5-Friday, August 12**. The former summer home of Felix du Pont, Memorial House is nestled in the pines section of Rehoboth, two blocks from the beach. Breakfast and dinner are included. For reservations, rates, or more information contact Kathy Moore at [memorialhouse@dioceseofdelaware.net](mailto:memorialhouse@dioceseofdelaware.net) or 656-5441.

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## Upcoming Baptismal Service

Baptism will be celebrated at 10 AM on **Sunday, August 7**. A preparation meeting for parents and godparents will be held on Saturday, August 6 at 10 AM in the Church. Contact Jane Rubini in the Church Office, 655-3379 or [jrubini@christchurchde.org](mailto:jrubini@christchurchde.org), to participate in this service.

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## July Outreach Collections

Wilmington Senior Center is in need of *undergarments and socks* for those involved with their Grandparent Resource Center. Requested sizes include: children's 5T to 10/12; juniors' small, medium, large, and extra large; and adults' 6 to 11.

Habitat for Humanity has an "art gallery" that provides its homeowners with their choice of artwork to help turn their new houses into homes. We are collecting *framed posters and prints, paintings, wall hangings, and other wall decorations* for this valuable program.

Collection bins are located in the back of the Church and in the Parish Center near the circle drive. Tax receipts are available for your records.

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## Land and Biodiversity Management Plan

The Delaware Nature Society completed a Land and Biodiversity Management Plan for the Christ Church property late in 2010 at the request of the Buildings & Grounds Committee. Now that we have the report electronically, it is available on our website at [www.christchurchde.org](http://www.christchurchde.org). We have been blessed with an amazing church property and recognized the need to seek professional guidance to be good stewards in preserving the natural integrity of our grounds. Most of this comprehensive plan has been incorporated into our overall Master Plan for the church property and will serve as a guide for ongoing maintenance, invasive plant control, habitat improvement, restoration needs, and landscaping improvements. Enjoy learning more about our beautiful grounds in this detailed report! *The Buildings & Grounds Committee*

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## Attention Photographers!



Like taking pictures of Christ Church happenings? Help preserve and share these special moments by sending your favorite pictures of Christ Church events from the past year to Sherry Lawton-Fasic at [slawtonfasic@christchurchde.org](mailto:slawtonfasic@christchurchde.org). If known, please include who is in the photograph, the event, and date.

*Jinni Butz*

## Christ Church Episcopal Preschool New Chair of the Board of Trustees



The Board of Trustees of Christ Church Episcopal Preschool is pleased to announce that Roger Kirtley will succeed Maryann Younger as Chair of the Board of Trustees. His daughter, Caroline, was one of the charter members of our school, and his son, Henry, will be in our Pre-K class next year. Roger is a newly installed vestry member and has been a lifelong member of Christ Church. He and his wife, Alexandra, have been attending regularly since before they were married.

Roger's commitment to volunteering in the community is demonstrated through the non-profits with which he is involved. He co-founded The Next Generation of the Delaware Community Foundation, is an inaugural board member of the Kelly Heinz-Grundner Brain Tumor Foundation, and is currently a board member of the Grand Opera House and Easter Seals of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore. Roger is currently employed as a Risk Management Advisor at Lyons Companies.

Please join us in welcoming him to this leadership position.

*Jo Harney*

## CCEP Founders Scholarship Fund

The Board of Trustees of CCEP is pleased to announce the formation of the Founders Scholarship Fund to support the tuition and fees of preschool students who would otherwise not be able to attend Christ Church's preschool. The Fund honors members of the Christ Church community who, under the leadership of Maryann Younger, founded Christ Church Episcopal Preschool in 2006. When the Vestry voted to found the school, one of their main aspirations was to have a scholarship fund such that all young students in our community could have access to high quality preschool education. The formation of this Scholarship Fund in honor of the school's founders marks a significant step toward meeting this goal.

*Roger Kirtley*

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## Children & Youth Ministries

Congratulations to Leah Rowe, our nursery coordinator, for her graduation from the University of Delaware. Leah will continue her ministry here at Christ Church. Jessica Hunt will be leaving for law school at Drexel University in August. Please welcome Margot LaCombe to our nursery team, along with Leah and Haley Ladner.

Nursery care is available this summer for children under 5 from 9 to 11:15 AM on Sunday mornings in Room 102.

Our Children's Summer Program is offered on Sunday mornings for ages 3 through 2nd grade. The children gather in the Church at 10 AM, process to the Chapel for their own worship service, and return to the Church at the time of 'The Peace.' The children are exploring a new set of Godly Play stories titled "Knowing Jesus." They will follow Jesus through the appearances after His resurrection to Pentecost.

On June 5 we celebrated all those who serve in Children & Youth Ministries at Christ Church at 10 AM and continued the celebration with a picnic on the lawn. Our rising 3rd graders received prayer books, and our graduating seniors received special gifts. If your child or youth was not present, please contact Lynne Jensen at [ljensen@christchurchde.org](mailto:ljensen@christchurchde.org) or 655-3379. The Children & Youth Ministers received prayer beads made by the J2A class as a gift for their service this past year.

As this issue goes to print, 1,200 youth and adults are gathered in Minneapolis, Minnesota for the Episcopal Youth Event. Becca Durgin, Max Holdsworth, and Lynne Jensen are part of the delegation from the Diocese of Delaware. Look for details next month about this exciting event. EYE is a gathering of youth in the Episcopal Church that occurs every three years. We worship, meet, share, and learn together about each other, our faith, and our church.

Please pray for the missionaries in the Dominican Republic June 25-July 2: Jennifer Andrews-Weckerly, Reed Boyden, Spencer Boyden, John Crossan, Catherine Curran, Brad du Pont, Meredith Erskine, Beth Faulkner, Hays Faulkner, Betsy Grubbs, Brooke Kelly, Jack Kempner, Matt Kempner, Sarah Kirk, Margie Miller, Maggie Moran, Mason Nickel, Emily

Romano, Alex Sibert, and Gregory Szumel. They will share their journey during the sermon time on July 3 at the 10 AM service.

### Upcoming events:

- July 24 – Car Wash fund-raiser for 2012 Youth Pilgrimage following the 10 AM service
- September 10 – Godly Play teacher training from 8:30 AM to 3 PM
- September 16-17 – Lock-in for Rite-13 class at 7 PM
- September 18 – Children & Youth Programs resume J2A potluck dinner and gathering for parents/youth at 4 PM

*Lynne Jensen*

### Vacation Bible School – Pandamania!



Vacation Bible School will be **August 15-19** from 9 AM to 12 noon. This year's theme is Pandamania! Pandamania is a wild celebration of God's unconditional love. Take your kids on an adventure into a lush, bamboo forest where they will experience firsthand just how wild God is about them through the stories of God with awesome music, games, crafts, and fun activities! Children 4 and older may register. Registration forms are in the back of the Church, in the reception area of the Parish House, and online at [www.christchurchde.org/christianed/childrensministry.asp](http://www.christchurchde.org/christianed/childrensministry.asp). The cost is \$15 and a 64-ounce bottle of apple juice for each child.

Volunteers are needed! We have opportunities for teachers, assistant teachers, snack coordinators, drop-off/pick-up helpers, lunch coordinators, and set-up and clean-up crews. Also, teens can earn community service hours for school by serving as junior counselors. Please contact Lisa White, [lisachrist@aol.com](mailto:lisachrist@aol.com), or Lynne Jensen, [ljensen@christchurchde.org](mailto:ljensen@christchurchde.org), if you can help.

*Lynne Jensen*

## From the Christ Church Register

- Interment of Thomas Pizzala on May 28.
- Marriage of Katherine Eloisa Cartmell and Thomas Paul Hardiman on June 4.
- Burial Office for George Staples Harrington on June 7.
- Confirmation of the following on June 12: Sarah Aurelia Abramczyk, Luke Hopkins Borda Jr., Margaret Culpepper Chesser, James Harold Erskine IV, Benjamin Parker Greenberg, David Schuler Grubbs Jr., Molly Catherine Harper, Ethan Reybold Kempner, James Abraham Kempner, Ronald Paul Kershner, Sarah Elizabeth Kirk, Benjamin Cunningham Lundgaard, Elizabeth Stafford Marcin, Jacqueline Paradee Mette, Luke Winfried Mette, Louisa Pearson Miller, John Ryan Nilsen, Jane Hann Trapnell, John Estes Tschantz, Margaret Wyatt Tschantz, Eliza Finley Williams, Brooks Ann Winfield.
- Reaffirmation of the following on June 12: Leslie Gibson Porter, Katherine Browning Tucker.

### Editor's Note

Please address your suggestions and comments on the *Communicator* to: [slawtonfasic@christchurchde.org](mailto:slawtonfasic@christchurchde.org); P. O. Box 3510, Wilmington, DE 19807; or 655-3379. **The deadline for articles for the *Christ Church Communicator* is the 18th of each month.**

*Sherry Lawton-Fasic*

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