

Christ Church Bulletin



As followers of Christ, we share the beauty and power of God's transforming love through worship, community, and service in the world.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday:	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II with the St. Cecilia Choir Nursery for infants and toddlers in Room 102 Godly Play for 3- through 8-year-olds in Rooms 210, 211, 213
	10:00 AM	Nursery and Children & Youth Enrichment Adult Enrichment and Coffee Hour Fellowship
	11:00 AM	Choral Matins with the Christ Church Choir Child care for infants through 5-year-olds in Room 102
	4:00 PM	Worship Service at Stonegates Health Care Center
	7:00 PM	J2A Pilgrimage meeting in Room 214
	Monday:	7:30 AM
11:30 AM		Epiphany House Committee meeting in the Commons Room
5:00 PM		Futures Group meeting in the Conference Room
5:30 PM		Contemplative Prayer Group meeting in the Commons Room
Tuesday:	9:20 AM	Intercessory Prayer Service in the Chapel
	10:30 AM	Books, Brew, & Banter in the Commons Room
	11:00 AM	CCEP Worship Service in the Chapel
	11:30 AM	Outreach Committee meeting in Room 211/212
	5:30 PM	Outreach Committee Allocations meeting in Room 211/212
	7:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting in Room 214
Wednesday:	8:30 AM	CCEP Morning with Moms in Parish Hall C
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist/Healing Service in the Chapel
	6:15 PM	Lenten Soup Supper in Parish Hall B
	7:00 PM	Lenten Program in Parish Halls A and B and the Annex Christ Church Choir rehearsal in the Church
Thursday:	6:30 AM	Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
	7:00 AM	Breakfast/Bible Study in Room 211/212
	4:15 PM	St. Nicholas Choir rehearsal in the Chapel
	4:30 PM	Finance Committee meeting in the Conference Room
Friday:	6:30 PM	First Friday Potluck Supper in Parish Hall B
Saturday:	9:00 AM	Youth Leaders Training in Rooms 211, 212, and 214

WORSHIP IN THE SEASON OF LENT

Each season in the Church year has a different emphasis. From ancient times, Lent was a time of repentance, humbling oneself before God, seeking forgiveness and return. Think of the prodigal son. To note this emphasis, worship will be muted to make a greater contrast to the joy of Easter. The confession comes at the beginning of worship. The gospel will not be processed. Our silver chalices will be replaced with glass cups. We will use the high altar in the upper sanctuary in both Church and Chapel. In this way, all the people, including the priest, face the cross as we remember the sacrifice of Christ's death and the power of his resurrection made known to us each time we celebrate the Eucharist. We experience different emotions as the practice of worship changes. Pay attention to the thoughts and feelings that emerge as you experience worship in Lent. Take note of the contrast when Easter comes. How does worship shape our experience of the Holy or challenge our image of God? How does that experience shape the nature of Christian community?

February 28, 2010

LENTEN ADULT ENRICHMENT

Speaking the Truth in Love: Christian Conversation – Words have the power to heal and the power to hurt. Much of the real violence that occurs in our midst is verbal rather than physical. As Christians committed to embodying God's love, how do we talk with one another, especially when we are feeling strong emotions such as anger, hurt, fear, or sadness? Healthy, constructive communication is a special skill that must be learned and practiced. For the Sundays in Lent, join Russ Bohner in Parish Hall A from 10:00 to 10:50 AM for an in-depth discussion of the particular and practical characteristics of Christian speech.

YAC HELPS HAITI EVENT

Back by popular demand! The Christ Church YAC youth group will bake delicious homemade macaroni and cheese to raise money for our neighbors in Haiti! Casseroles will be sold this morning from 10:30 to 11:30 AM in the Parish Center Kitchen. You may preorder at che1968@mac.com. All proceeds will go to Episcopal Relief and Development for Haiti. (9" x 13" casserole – \$15; 8" x 8" casserole – \$10)

FEBRUARY OUTREACH COLLECTION

During the month of February, we will collect personal care products for AIDS Delaware for clients in their program. Needed are: *toilet paper, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, shampoo, feminine hygiene products, and tissues*. Collection bins are located in the back of the Church and in the Parish Center near the circle drive.

LENTEN SERIES – MARCH 3, 10, 17, & 24

6:15-7:00 PM Soup Supper (optional)

Join us in the Parish Hall for a delicious supper of hot soup and fresh bread with special foods for children. No need to bring anything; just come as you are and bring your family and friends. Please RSVP at 655-3379 or rsvp@christchurchde.org.

7:00-8:00 PM Program for Adults

Those Who Sing Pray Twice: Music in Lent – Join Ruth Kirk and Bill Owen in Parish Hall A for a discussion of the hymns, anthems, and Psalms of the season, with special emphasis on Psalm singing.

Christian Reconciliation: Promise of New Life – Join Russ Bohner and Jennifer Andrews-Weckerly in Parish Hall B for a discussion of sin, salvation, and the love of God, with special emphasis on the practical elements of confession, apology, forgiveness, and absolution.

7:00-8:00 PM Program for Youth

Christian Spiritual Practice for Youth – Join Lynne Jensen and John Crossan in the Parish Hall for supper and then in the Annex for a conversation about and experience of different Christian spiritual practices.

Child care for infants and children through elementary school will be available in the Commons Room. If you would like to use the child care, please RSVP at 655-3379 or rsvp@christchurchde.org.

FIRST FRIDAY POTLUCK SUPPER – MARCH 5

Join us on Friday, March 5 for our First Friday Potluck Supper. Parishioners of all ages are invited to this informal meal in Parish Hall B. Bring an appetizer, casserole, vegetable, salad, or dessert to share with six to eight people. Folks are invited to bring sodas or wine to share, and you are invited to come when you can, any time after 6:30. Dinner is served around 7:30, so feel free to come early or late—whatever fits with your schedule.

YOUTH LEADERS TRAINING – MARCH 6

The third in a series of Youth Ministry Leaders training will be on Saturday, March 6 from 9 AM to 12 noon in Rooms 211, 212, and 214. All those working with youth are encouraged to attend! This session will be about looking ahead and incarnational youth ministry. Also, we will continue our work on building a strong leadership team. Please contact Lynne Jensen for more information.

CHORAL EVENSONG – MARCH 7

Join us for the service of Evensong from *The Book of Common Prayer, 1662* for the Third Sunday in Lent on Sunday, March 7 at 5 PM in the church, featuring Byrd's *The Great Service* and the anthem, *For Lo, I Raise Up*, Stanford.

WOMEN'S DIALOGUE GROUP MEETING – MARCH 8

Paying attention to children, spouse, household, and career all place demands on a woman. How can she find God at the center of it all? Join Ruth Kirk and Catherine Dolan in an offering for women of the parish and preschool. The Women's Dialogue will meet next on Monday, March 8 at 7 PM in the Commons Room. Participation is limited to 20, so please RSVP by calling 655-3379 or emailing rsvp@christchurchde.org.

J2A PILGRIMAGE FUND-RAISERS – MARCH 12 & 16

Mark your calendars for two March events to help raise money for our J2A pilgrims traveling to Italy this summer:

Spaghetti Dinner, March 12 – Mark your calendars for this event to be held in the Parish Hall on Friday, March 12.

Charcoal Pit, March 16 – Join us for our next Charcoal Pit fund-raiser on Tuesday, March 16 from 5 to 9 PM at the Concord Pike location. A percentage of the proceeds from this night will benefit our youth pilgrims. Visit www.christchurchde.org/christianed/youthgroup.asp.

DURUFLÉ'S REQUIEM – MARCH 28

The Christ Church Choir, with instrumental ensemble, will perform Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem* on Palm Sunday, March 28, at 5 PM in the Church. Be sure to mark your calendars!

UPCOMING BAPTISMAL SERVICES – APRIL 4 & 25

Baptismal services will be held on Easter Day, April 4 at 6 AM for older children and adults and on Sunday, April 25 at 9 AM for those of all ages. Preparation meetings for parents and godparents will be held on Saturday, April 3 at 9 AM and on Saturday, April 24 at 10 AM in the Church. Please contact Jane Rubini in the Church Office at 655-3379 or jrubini@christchurchde.org to arrange for a baptism at one of these services.

USHERS NEEDED

Families typically usher at the 9 AM service each week, while men and women serve on usher teams at the 11 AM service and on special occasions. Ushers greet parishioners, hand out bulletins, assist anyone who needs help, and collect and count the offering. Folks generally serve once every other month, so this is a great opportunity for those seeking a role with a low time commitment. *9 AM ushers are especially needed!* Contact Jane Rubini at jrubini@christchurchde.org or 655-3379 to volunteer.

LENTEN LUNCHES AT SsAM – MARCH 2–30

For over 60 years, the Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew has hosted the downtown tradition of these delicious lunches on Tuesdays during Lent. Homemade soups, sandwiches, and desserts are served from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM for a modest donation. Lunches run through March 30. For more information, call 656-6628 or visit their website at www.ssam.org.

PEOPLE SERVING TODAY: **Acolytes:** 8 AM Jake Graham. 9 AM Caty Anthony, Sam Greenberg, Charlie Chesser, Sammy Kimball, Sabine Sellers; Dana Robertson, Advisor. 11 AM Margee Miller, Mason Nickel. **Altar Guild:** Sally Hyde, Susan Borden, Elizabeth Brodt, Margaret Higgs, Lee Kallos, Ann Nickle, Joan Sharp. **Coffee Hour:** Wes and Jamie Jones. **Eucharistic Ministers:** 8 AM Fritz Hinz, Steve Hyde. 9 AM Wilson Anthony, Steve Boyden, Sam Durgin, Susan Sherk. **Greeters:** 9 AM Scott, Amy, Abby, and Bradford Poole. 11 AM Gina Pike. **Lectors:** 9 AM Margaret Chesser. 11 AM Sandy Anderson, Bill Carpenter. **Ushers:** 9 AM Mark, Cathy, Clare, and Jackson Parsells. 11 AM Don Huntley, Alex Ergon, John Morton, Blake Turnbull.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of
Emily Lee Phelps
Ella Janssen Spartin

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2010

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

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Offertory	
<i>All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.</i>	
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<i>Gluten-free wafers available upon request.</i>	
Post-Communion Prayer	339
The Blessing	
Announcements and Dismissal	
<i>People: Thanks be to God.</i>	

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

The People Gather

Prelude *O Lamm Gottes, Unschuldig*

J. S. Bach

Hymn 401

The God of Abraham Praise

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation

Congregation *Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.*

Confession (*kneel, as able*)

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trisagion (S 102)

Absolution

Collect of the Day

BCP 218

God's Word

The First Reading (*please be seated*)

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Gradual Hymn *Bless the Lord My Soul* (*sung twice*)

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The Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

The Homily (*please be seated*)

Ruth Lawson Kirk

The Nicene Creed (*as able, please stand*)

BCP 358

Prayers of the People

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The Peace

Holy Communion

The Offertory

Anthem (*please be seated*)

St. Cecilia Choir

A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester

L. J. White

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly. Amen.

Presentation Hymn 322

When Jesus Died to Save Us

The Great Thanksgiving (*as able, please stand*) Prayer A adapted for the season, BCP 361

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (S 124) (*at the conclusion, please kneel as able*)

The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei (S 161)

Communion of the Faithful (*Gluten-free wafers available upon request.*)

Communion Anthem

When Jesus Wept

William Billings

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound; when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

Communion Hymn 489

The Great Creator of the Worlds

Post-Communion Prayer (*kneel, as able*)

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of humility and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Go Forth to Serve

The Blessing

Hymn 709

O God of Bethel

Announcements and Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

11:00 AM CHORAL MATINS

Prelude <i>O Lamm Gottes, Unschuldig</i>	J. S. Bach
Hymn 401	<i>The God of Abraham Praise</i>
Opening Sentences	BCP 38
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Psalm 27 <i>(sung by choir) (remain standing)</i>	617
The First Reading <i>(please be seated)</i>	<i>Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18</i>
<i>Benedictus Dominus Deus</i>	Edward Elgar
Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he hath visited, and redeemed his people; and hath raised up a mighty salvation for us in the house of his servant David, as he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, which have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hands of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy Covenant; to perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham that he would give us, that we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear; in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life and thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest, for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people for the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death; and to guide our feet into the way of peace. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.	
The Second Reading	<i>Luke 13:31-35</i>
<i>Benedictus es, Domine (as able, please stand)</i>	BCP 49
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Hymn 148	<i>Creator of the Earth and Skies</i>
The Sermon	Ruth Lawson Kirk
The Offertory	
Anthem	Christ Church Choir
<i>Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren</i>	Johannes Brahms
Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee; heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee. Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy. Be true in all endeavor and ever ply bravely; what God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.	
Doxology	Hymn 380, verse 3
The Blessing	
Hymn 709	<i>O God of Bethel</i>
Postlude	

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:1-12, 17-18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

THE SECOND READING/HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 13:31-35

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

9:00 AM GRADUAL HYMN

from *Wonder Love and Praise*

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first system contains the lyrics: "Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name." The second system contains the lyrics: "Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life." The music features a mix of chords and single notes, with a final cadence at the end of the second system.

Words: Psalm 103

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

9:00 AM PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gathered by the Holy Spirit and renewed in the Word, let us pray to God for the needs of the world, using all our voices. Sometimes the children will lead part of our prayer, sometimes another group. Each prayer ends with everyone saying, "Hear our prayer." Let us pray. [*brief silence*]

Gracious One, heal our divisions, increase our understanding, and help us truly realize that we are one in the body of Christ.

Men: Help us to be your Church, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Holy One, fill the church and its leaders with patience and courage, especially Rowan, Katharine, Wayne, and our clergy.

Children: Help us to be like your Son, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Sovereign One, we pray for the leaders of government, especially our president Barack, that they may be filled with your truth and serve your whole creation.

Women: Help us to live in peace, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Sheltering One, defend the weary, guard the children, shield the joyous, that all who are innocent or powerless may know your protection.

Men: Help us to show your love, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Healing One, hear the cries of all who are afflicted, sick, or in pain, especially *N*. Let them know your love.

Children: Help us to serve the suffering, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Everlasting One, we pray for those who have died, especially *N*., and for the people who miss them.

Women: Help us to trust in your cross, O God.

All: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: In you, Gracious and Everlasting One, we find our wholeness and strength. Hear the prayers of your people, offered in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.