

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



APRIL 21, 2024

IN THE SEASON OF EASTER

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP..

THE CHRIST CHURCH CHORISTER PROGRAM. Christ Church Choristers comprise a group of 24 eager singers, ages 7-17. Working within the Royal School of Church Music training scheme, choristers are learning individual and group musicianship, leadership, and an understanding of their role in the context of choir and the broader worshipping community, and our senior Choristers will join in singing Easter Lessons & Carols with the Christ Church Choir today at 4 PM in the Church. The chorister program is part of Christ Church's embrace of music as an integral component of worship and faith formation. For more information, contact [Jo Harney](#), Director of Choristers.

TODAY AT CHRIST CHURCH EXTENDING EASTER'S JOY

Extend Easter's joy with festive food, fellowship, and a fluffy animal petting today, April 21, from 9:30 to 10:15 AM. All are invited to participate in this time of intergenerational fun. Join us for breakfast in the Parish Hall and enjoy the petting zoo outside in the circle drive. Come meet Mason Cruz, our new Minister for Children & Youth, share a smile at the petting zoo, and enjoy a scrumptious breakfast with friends and family.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Our Grief Support Group meets today at 12 PM in the Commons Room and online. Those who have experienced the loss of a loved one and are moving through the grief process are encouraged to attend. Contact [Stacey Carpenter](#) for the Zoom link.

EASTER LESSONS & CAROLS

Easter Lessons & Carols will be held this afternoon at 4 PM in the Church with the Christ Church Choir, senior Choristers, organ, brass, and timpani. This service brings together many traditional elements of Christian worship in celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. Through readings, carols, and congregational hymns, we recall the prophecies and events leading up to and following Jesus' resurrection and conclude by looking forward to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

DINE WITH THE LADIES – TOMORROW

On the fourth Monday of each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. This is a great opportunity to connect with other women in the parish, and all women are invited. The group will meet at Pizza by Elizabeths tomorrow, April 22, at 7 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP today.

2024 GREEN SHOW ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – APRIL 28

Join us next Sunday, April 28, at 9:30 AM in the Parish Hall during Coffee & Community as we begin to organize the 2024 Green Show, to be held on December 6 and 7. Have you ever thought about volunteering for a leadership role? Have you chaired a department in the past and are interested in a new role this year? Come learn about the many ways you can be involved in this annual Christ Church tradition. Questions? Contact [Nancy Greenberg](#).

APRIL OUTREACH COLLECTION

April's collection benefits those in the programs at the Wilmington Senior Center. Shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, shaving cream, and deodorant for men and women, canned goods, and disinfecting wipes may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the Parish Center circle drive entrance.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – MAY 1

Those of all ages are invited for Coffee and Conversation on Wednesday, May 1, from 10:45 to 11:45 AM in the Commons Room. Gather with friends for meaningful conversation and make new friends over coffee, tea, and snacks. Join us for this time of fun and fellowship and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

A SCREENING OF *THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN* – MAY 1

Christ Church Christiana Hundred and St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church will co-sponsor a screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven* on Wednesday, May 1, at 6 PM in Christ Church's Parish Hall. In an act of canonical disobedience, a group of women and their supporters organized their ordination to become Episcopal priests in 1974. The Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia welcomed them, but change was no small task. After the ordinations, the women experienced hostility as well as encouragement. This feature-length documentary tells the story of these women who succeeded in building a movement that transformed the Church. One of the Philadelphia Eleven, the Rev. Nancy Wittig, will be with us for discussion following the screening. Join us in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the ordination of women to the priesthood. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL PRESCHOOL GALA – MAY 10

CCEP's Spring Garden Soirée fundraiser takes place on Friday, May 10, at 7 PM at Greenville Country Club, and all are invited to attend. This adults-only event celebrates our amazing preschool with music by the Philly Keys, food and drinks, great raffle prizes, and lively bidding on classroom items created by our children. Click [here](#) to purchase your tickets. All proceeds support our school programs.

RECYCLE YOUR FLEXIBLE PLASTICS AND HELP THE HOMELESS – MAY 11

Christ Church's Creations Care Team will host a flexible plastics collection event in the circle drive entrance of the Parish Center on Saturday, May 11, from 9 AM to 5 PM. Bring your **clean and dry plastic shopping bags, produce bags, ice bags, Ziploc/reclosable storage bags, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, cereal box liners, newspaper sleeves, bubble wrap, and plastic e-commerce mailers** to benefit Bags2Mats for the Homeless. This statewide program turns plastic material into plarn (plastic yarn), and volunteers crochet the plarn into mats for the homeless. Help us help those in our community as we care for our planet by recycling flexible plastics. For information on Christ Church's Creations Care ministry, click [here](#).

CHORAL EVENSONG – MAY 12

Treat your mom on Mother's Day by bringing her to church to hear beautiful choral music. The Christ Church Choir and clergy will offer Choral Evensong on Sunday, May 12, at 4 PM in the Church with music by Howard Helvey, Margaret Burk, George Dyson, and Gerald Finzi. Cameron Kuzepski, Principal Cathedral Organist at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore, Maryland, will play at organ prelude beginning at 3:30 PM. Join us for this ancient service of music, scripture, and prayer.

VOTE IN THIS YEAR'S VESTRY ELECTION – THROUGH MAY 16

Voting for this year's vestry election is available online and by paper ballot. To vote online using your email address on file in our parish database, click [here](#). To vote by paper ballot, request one from the parish office or pick up a ballot after services on Sundays, May 5 or 12, and return it to the parish office by Thursday, May 16. The parish voting list is available both [online](#) and in the parish office and contains persons eligible to vote in the election according to our bylaws. This year's candidates nominated for the work of leadership as your Vestry are: Cindi Cozza, Barbara King, Thorpe Moeckel, Jamie Poston, Chris Scott, and Lynette Turner. Election results will be announced at our annual meeting on Sunday, May 19.

ANNUAL MEETING CELEBRATION – MAY 19

Our Parish Day Annual Meeting Celebration will take place on Sunday, May 19, following the 9 AM service. (On this day, we will have only two services at 8 and 9 AM in the Church.) The whole community is invited to gather in the Parish Halls for the 176th annual meeting of our parish and a celebration of our many blessings. Child care will be provided for young children, and lunch will be served for everyone at 11:45 AM. Please plan to join us for this important day in the life of our parish!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of

Walter (Bud) Hutchison Lee Jr.

Robert Wier III, Virginia Walker Wier

and in loving memory of

Ann Mayfield Porter

The flowers in the Chapel are given to the Glory of God

in loving memory of

Deborah Bonkowski

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.



NEW HERE? Scan the QR code to let us know or complete the card in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

PARISH CLERGY

The Rev. Ruth Beresford, *Rector*
The Rev. Michael Kurth, *Associate Rector/Preschool Chaplain*
The Rev. Stacey Carpenter, *Priest Associate*
The Very Rev. William Lane, The Rev. Calhoun Wick, *Pastoral Associates*

LAY MINISTRY STAFF

Bruce Barber, *Director of Music*
Mason Cruz, *Minister for Children & Youth*
Denise Gilliam, *Interim Head of School*
Jo Harney, *Director of Choristers*

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VESTRY & OFFICERS

Michael Flynn, *Senior Warden*; Suzanne Smith, '24, *Junior Warden*
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Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; Alexander Maynard, *Youth Representative*
Chuck Arensberg, '26; Louise Barton, '24; Audrey Bruce, '25; Sherri Howell, '24
Ted Ledden, '25; Scott Nickle, '26; Eliza Phillips, '25; Bart Reese, '25
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