

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



JUNE 1, 2025

IN THE SEASON OF EASTER

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

THE BISHOP'S VISIT. Begun in 1785, the Episcopal Church in Delaware is one of the nine original dioceses of the Episcopal Church in the United States. The Episcopal Church today continues to celebrate liberty by making room for questions about God and the church. The Rt. Rev. Kevin S. Brown was elected the 11th Bishop of Delaware in 2017. We welcome him to Christ Church today for his annual visitation, where he will lead us in worship at 10:30 AM and confirm and reaffirm new members in The Episcopal Church. For information about Bishop Brown and the Episcopal Church in Delaware, visit their [website](#).

THOSE CONFIRMED & REAFFIRMED AT TODAY'S 10:30 AM SERVICE

Confirmed

Kathryn Sophia Axt	Cameron James Channing Grundner	Eliza Campbell Nichols
James Robertson Brand	Landyn Anne Harra	Reid Leader Poff
Jill Moria Coghlan	Bradley Michael Harris	Nicholas Bryan Renz
Damali DeJoi Estle-Young	Josephine AletaMae Hearn	Sarah Elizabeth Saxberg-Turner
Heather Lynn Estle-Young	Madeleine Huang Jones	Hudson Francis Simon
Walter Samuel Carpenter Fiechter	Elisabeth Mims Maynard	Nicholas James Waesco
Henry Richard Penn Grogan	Luca John Monzo	Hannah Rosalie Walker

Reaffirmed

John James Chabalko
Roberta Dawson Chabalko

SENIOR RECOGNITION TODAY

This morning we recognize all graduating seniors at the 10:30 AM service. Congratulations to the Class of 2025!

CHORAL EVENSONG TODAY

Our final Choral Evensong of the 2024-25 season takes place today, June 1, at 4 PM in the Church with the Christ Church Choir. Music will include works by Howard Helvey, Sarah MacDonald, Charles Villiers Stanford, and Joel Phillips. David Schelat from Market Street Music will play an organ prelude beginning at 3:30 PM. Join us for this ancient service of music, scripture, and prayer.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – JUNE 4

Come for Coffee and Conversation this Wednesday, June 4, 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. Enjoy this time of fun and fellowship and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

SUMMER WORSHIP AT 9 AM IN THE CHAPEL

On Sundays this summer, our two 9 AM services combine into one in the Chapel, and our Saturday 5 PM service in the Chapel and Sunday 8 and 10:30 AM services in the Church continue as scheduled each week. Children and youth are welcome at all services.

A CELEBRATION OF FR. MICHAEL'S MINISTRY – JUNE 8

Join us next Sunday, June 8, when we bid farewell to Michael Kurth as he leaves our clergy team to become the rector of St. David's Episcopal Church in Brandywine Hundred. He will preach at all services that morning, and we'll celebrate his ministry among us at a reception in the Parish Halls between the 9 and 10:30 AM services. To honor Michael's ministry, we will make a donation to his discretionary fund at St. David's. You may contribute to our gift [online](#) or by check (noting Kurth farewell gift). During his five years at Christ Church, Michael has shared his many gifts with us, and we are grateful for our time with him and delighted that he will remain in the Episcopal Church in Delaware. Join us as we give thanks for his ministry and rejoice with him in his new call as we say farewell to him, Sara, Henry, and Clara.

PLANNING AS WE AGE – JUNE 14, 28, & JULY 12

Christ Church is pleased to host this 3-part series on Planning as We Age on Saturdays, June 14, 28, and July 12, from 9:30 to 11 AM in Parish Hall A. Designed for those who would like to know more about managing changes later in life, each morning includes an opening talk followed by Q&A and material relevant to each session for participants to take home. For details and to register for each session, visit our [website](#). Questions? Contact Fr. [David Beresford](#) or [Jaqu Whalen](#).

- **June 14**—Estate Planning, led by Will Lunger
 - **June 28**—Downsizing, led by Nancy Sproesser Martz
 - **July 12**—Transitioning to a Retirement/Life Care Community, led by the Rev. John Pumphrey
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SUMMERTIME DROP-IN CHOIR BEGINS – JUNE 15

Join your voice with members of the Christ Church Choir by singing in our Summertime Drop-in Choir. Gather with us at 9:45 AM in the Church during June and July on whichever Sundays work for you. We will review the hymns for the day and learn an anthem. Come once, twice, or every Sunday from June 15 through July 13.

HOST LEMONADE ON THE LAWN THIS SUMMER

Help us provide hospitality and welcome this summer by hosting Lemonade on the Lawn. These informal gatherings each Sunday following both the 9 and 10:30 AM services allow us to catch up with friends, greet new visitors, and nurture relationships and connections with those in our community. Volunteers bring treats and set up beverages, and it's an easy, fun way to participate in the life of our parish. Please [sign up](#) to host this summer!

JUNE OUTREACH COLLECTION

June's outreach collection benefits those participating in programs at UrbanPromise and Family Promise. Disinfecting wipes, bleach spray cleaner, magic erasers and floor cleaner, brooms, dust pans, and sponges, kitchen trash bags, dish soap, liquid hand soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, and tissues may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the Parish Center circle drive entrance.

VACATION AT MEMORIAL HOUSE – AUGUST 1-8

Join fellow members of Christ Church for a week of fun and fellowship at Memorial House, the Episcopal Church retreat center nestled in the pines section of Rehoboth—from Friday, August 1 to Friday, August 8. Enjoy homemade meals, nature, and meaningful connections, just two blocks from the beach. Limited space remains! For more information or to make a reservation, visit their [website](#).

CHRIST CHURCH GOLF CLASSIC – SEPTEMBER 8

Hit the links at Hartefeld National Golf Course on Monday, September 8, with all proceeds benefiting children's programs for our church and preschool. Your participation includes a round of golf, player gifts, a buffet lunch, use of the range and putting green, a cart, and "19th hole" drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Those who don't golf are welcome to attend the evening's reception with cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, raffle drawings, the presentation of prizes, and the coveted Al Smith Cup. Several levels of sponsorship opportunities are available as well. Link your business identity to Christ Church and its preschool while enjoying the opportunity to network, entertain clients, and have fun. Visit our [website](#) for details and to register as a golfer, sponsor, or for the reception.

CHRIST CHURCH NAME TAGS & MERCHANDISE

Help us build community as we get to know fellow parishioners and newcomers by wearing your Christ Church name tag when you come to church. Tags are hard plastic with a magnetic clip and may be ordered on our website. Then, show off your church spirit with Christ Church merchandise available for purchase. Choose from baseball caps, water bottles, tote bags, and more. Visit our [website](#) for details and to place an order.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

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

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. David Beresford, *Interim Associate Rector*
The Very Rev. William Lane, *Pastoral Associate*

LAY MINISTRY STAFF

Sheila Abio, *Head of School*
Bruce Barber, *Director of Music*
Mason Cruz, *Minister for Children & Youth*
Cameron Kuzepski, *Organ Scholar*

ADMINISTRATIVE & FACILITIES STAFF

Sherry Lawton-Fasic, *Parish Administrator*
Terri Carpe, *Finance Manager*
Jennifer Fordham, *School Administrator*
Deb Piper, *Philanthropy/Stewardship Associate*
Jane Rubini, *Administrative Associate*
Nigel Sanderson, *Livestream Technician*
Michael Sayer, *Facilities Manager*
Deborah Webb, *Communications Associate/Graphic Designer*
Leroy Folks, Andy Marine, Charles Parfitt-Simpson, *Sextons*

VESTRY & OFFICERS

Ran Barton, *Senior Warden*; Alexia Wolf, '26, *Junior Warden*
Mark Parsells, *Treasurer*; Bob Reardon, *Assistant Treasurer*
Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; MJ O'Connor, *Youth Representative*
Chuck Arensberg, '26; Cindi Cozza, '27; Barbara King, '27
Shelley Kinsella, '28; Kendall Meldrum, '28; Thorpe Moeckel, '27; Scott Nickle, '26
John Olsen, '28; Jamie Poston, '27; Wil Stith, '28; Jaqueline Whalen, '26

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