CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



JUNE 8, 2025

The Day of Pentecost

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

OUR FLOWER MINISTRY. One of the ways we provide Christian care to those in need is through our Flower Ministry. Each week volunteers make bouquets of flowers from the Sunday altar arrangements and personally deliver them to parishioners who are shut in or who have experienced an event such as an illness, birth of a baby, or death of a loved one. Experience the joy of making someone's day brighter by delivering flowers to them! <u>Sign up</u> to volunteer online. For more information, please contact <u>Lee Kallos</u> or call the parish office at (302) 655-3379.

WE CELEBRATE FR. MICHAEL'S MINISTRY TODAY!

We bid farewell to Michael Kurth today as he leaves our clergy team to become the rector of St. David's Episcopal Church in Brandywine Hundred. Join us at a reception in the Parish Halls between the 9 and 10:30 AM services as we give thanks for his ministry and rejoice with him in his new call. To honor Michael's ministry, we will make a donation to his discretionary fund at St. David's. You may contribute to our gift <u>online</u> 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.

BAPTIZED AT TODAY'S 10:30 AM SERVICE

Katharine Bayard Abeln, daughter of Michael and Nancy Abeln Turner Tully Knott, daughter of Austin and Loring Knott Everette Belle Overchuk, daughter of Erik and Perry Overchuk Beckett William Rockwell, son of Richard and Emily Rockwell

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, visit our <u>website</u>. Questions? Contact Fr. <u>David Beresford</u> or <u>Jaq Whalen</u>.

- 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

SUMMER WORSHIP AT 9 AM IN THE CHAPEL

During the summer, our two 9 AM Sunday services combine into one in the Chapel, and our 8 and 10:30 AM services continue as scheduled each week, along with our Saturday 5 PM service in the Chapel.

STAY AND PLAY – JUNE 15, JULY 20, & AUGUST 17

On third Sundays this summer, let your children Stay and Play following the 9 AM service. Based on Let Grow Play Clubs, kids organize their own games and fun in unstructured, mixed-age, free play. Play is an essential part of children's development, and when adults get involved, these opportunities are often lost. Stay and Play allows children to choose what to play and who to play with, organize their games, and make their own decisions. While an adult will be present in case of an emergency, they will not be involved in the play that is taking place. This will allow children to work together and have fun without adult intervention. For more information, contact <u>Mason Cruz</u>.

SUMMERTIME DROP-IN CHOIR – JUNE 15-JULY 13

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 beginning next Sunday, June 15, 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.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING – JUNE 15

Those who have experienced the loss of a loved one are encouraged to attend our Grief Support Group meeting next Sunday, June 15, at 12 PM in the Commons Room or by <u>Zoom</u>.

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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES – JUNE 20

Following last year's 175th Anniversary Service Project with Lutheran Community Services, our partnership with them continues this year as we offer monthly opportunities to pack grocery bags of healthy foods and distribute them to the cars of program participants. <u>Sign up</u> for a shift on third Fridays of the month.

FROM GENESIS TO PUBLICATION: BLESSED BY GOD – JUNE 29

On Sunday, June 29, at 9:40 AM in Parish Hall A, Fr. David will give a reading from his latest book, *Blessed by God*. He will share his process of writing and what inspired him to write the book. Copies of *Blessed by God* will be available for purchase as well.

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 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 <u>sign up</u> to host this summer!

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 <u>website</u> for details and to place an order for a name tag or church merch.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of William C. and Eleanor W. Jordan J. Harry and Elva E. Nickle The flowers in the Chapel are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Marjorie Cioffi 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*

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