

# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



MAY 31, 2026

TRINITY SUNDAY

## THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP..

**ST. MICHAEL'S BOOK SALE.** St. Michael's School & Nursery was established in 1890 by the Episcopal Church in Delaware to care for children of working parents. At Christ Church, donated books are sold for just 50 cents for paperbacks and \$1.00 for hardbacks with all proceeds—more than \$1,000 each year—supporting the Scholarship Fund at St. Michael's. Stop by the St. Michael's Book Nook, located between the Commons Room and Parish Hall C in the Parish Center, and find your next good read. For more information about this ministry, please call the parish office at (302) 655-3379.

## COFFEE AND CONVERSATION THIS WEDNESDAY

Join us this Wednesday, June 3, from 10:45 to 11:45 AM in the Commons Room for coffee, tea, snacks, and conversation. Catch up with friends, meet new people, and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

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## NEXT SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH

### SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MOTHER AFRICAN UNION CHURCH

When a church burns down, the congregation grieves its loss, but they are reminded that the church is not the building—it's the people—and those people are connected to the wider Body of Christ who pray, give, and work for the spread of God's kingdom. Next Sunday, June 7, we will receive a special offering for Mother African Union Church so that its congregation knows we support them in this time of loss. You may place your offering in the plate at any service or [give online](#). In addition, the Christ Church Outreach Committee has pledged a \$5,000 donation to Mother African Union to expand our generosity to our neighbors in need. Please give as you are able.

### THE BISHOP'S VISIT

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Brown will be with us next Sunday, June 7, for his annual parish visitation. On this day, he will lead us in worship at 10:30 AM and confirm, receive, and reaffirm new members in The Episcopal Church. Please join us on this special day in the life of our parish and help us welcome Bishop Brown to Christ Church!

### SENIOR RECOGNITION

Next Sunday, June 7, we recognize graduating seniors at the 10:30 AM service and encourage all those in the Class of 2026 to participate. Contact [Mason Cruz](#) to let him know you will be in attendance. Congratulations to the Class of 2026!

### CHORAL EVENSONG

Our final Choral Evensong of the 2025-26 season takes place next Sunday, June 7, at 4 PM in the Church with the Christ Church Choir. Music will include works by Howard Helvey, Bernard Rose, Herbert Howells, and William Walton, with an organ prelude beginning at 3:30 PM by David Hearn, retired assistant organist at Christ Church.

## **SUMMERTIME DROP-IN CHOIR – JUNE 14-JULY 12**

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 Sunday, June 14, 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 14 through July 12.

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## **CELEBRATE WITH US AS WE DARE TO DECLARE – JUNE 14**

Our nation marks the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence this year. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, communities across the country will commemorate this milestone. On Flag Day, June 14, Christ Church will honor the tradition of Dare to Declare, during which members of our community will read the Declaration of Independence aloud—just as it was shared 250 years ago before the age of modern communication. Please join us at 11:45 AM in the Church at the conclusion of our 10:30 AM service for this meaningful observance as we reaffirm the enduring principles of freedom, equality, and self-governance. A celebratory reception with hot dogs, birthday cake, and ice cream will follow, sponsored by the Parish Fellowship and Men's Ministries.

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## **FATHER'S DAY COLLECTION – JUNE 14 & 21**

Christ Church's Men's Fellowship group is sponsoring a donation drive to support St. Michael's School & Nursery in Wilmington this Father's Day. St. Michael's serves children of all ages and their families, including programs to support fathers and grandfathers. We welcome donations of diapers, wipes, infant and toddler clothing, and Target or Walmart gift cards, which will be distributed to families in need. A member of the Men's Fellowship ministry will be available to collect donations before and after Saturday and Sunday services the weekends of June 14 and 21.

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## **JOIN US FOR BASEBALL & FIREWORKS AT THE BLUE ROCKS – JUNE 26**

Join us at Frawley Stadium for a Wilmington Blue Rocks game on Friday, June 26, at 6:35 PM versus the Frederick Keys. Our seats are located behind home plate during the 3rd annual Faith & Family Night at the ballpark, with fireworks following the game. Tickets are \$15 each and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. [Reserve](#) your seats today for a night of fun with your Christ Church family.

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## **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.

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## **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 between 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. [Sign up](#) online.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR CHRIST CHURCH'S GOLF CLASSIC – AUGUST 31

Enjoy a day of golf at Hartefeld National Golf Course on Monday, August 31, 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.

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## WEEKDAY & SATURDAY WORSHIP

As summer approaches, remember that Christ Church offers several opportunities for worship beyond Sunday mornings. Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Wednesdays at 12 PM, Thursdays at 6:30 AM followed by breakfast and Bible study, and Saturdays at our 5 PM contemporary service. Evening Prayer is also offered every Sunday through Friday at 5 PM. All services are held in the Chapel of the Christ Child and provide meaningful ways to stay connected through Word and Sacrament.

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## MEDIUM-SIZED VASES NEEDED FOR THE FLOWER MINISTRY

Looking for a home for those floral vases you've been storing in your closet? Donate them to Christ Church's Flower Ministry. Medium-sized vases are especially needed to take bouquets of flowers from the Sunday altar arrangements to those in our parish who are ill or shut in. Donations may be left in the reception area of the Parish Center near the Chapel.

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## 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 for a name tag or church merch.

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## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

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

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## PEOPLE SERVING TODAY

**Acolytes:** 8 AM Ted Waugh. 10:30 AM Henry Bondi, MJ O'Connor. **Altar Guild:** Nancy Borda, Sue Brandes, Talley Brown, Leslie Davis Guccione, Nan Naeve, Kim Nelkin. **Eucharistic Ministers:** 8 AM Cindi Cozza, Scott Nickle. 10:30 AM Roi Barnard, David Hoopes. **Greeters:** 10:30 AM Peter and Shirley Rigby. **Lector:** 10:30 AM Elaine Olsen. **Ushers:** 8 AM Keith Nilsen. 10:30 AM David Hoopes, Lee Kallos.

*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. Thomas Word Peters, *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*  
Jason Keller, *Saturday Worship Leader*  
Cameron Kuzepski, *Assistant Director of Music/Director of Choristers*

**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*; Bob Reardon, *Treasurer*  
Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; Spencer Maynard, *Youth Representative*  
Cindi Cozza, '27; Martha Henley, '29; Barbara King, '27; Shelley Kinsella, '28  
Kendall Meldrum, '28; Thorpe Moeckel, '27; John Olsen, '28; Jamie Poston, '27  
Eric Romano, '29; Karen Sinton, '29; Wil Stith, '28; Jim Storey, '29

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