

# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



JULY 26, 2026

IN THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

## THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

**THE FAMILY PROMISE PROGRAM.** Several times a year, Christ Church partners with Family Promise of Northern New Castle County to support families who are experiencing homelessness. Through Family Promise, families receive daily case management support from professional staff in their search for gainful employment and sustainable housing. Over 80% of families secure housing in less than 60 days, and over 90% remain housed one year post-transition. Visit their [website](#) for more information. Christ Church's next Family Promise volunteer opportunity is August 9-11, when members of our congregation provide meals, assistance, and a friendly face to those in need. Families stay overnight at Family Promise's campus on Milltown Road in Wilmington, and volunteers are needed to prepare, serve, and clean up dinner there for up to eight families (about 35 people—mostly children). For details and to volunteer, visit our [website](#).

## WE WELCOME JORDAN KINSEY AS OUR GUEST PREACHER – TODAY

Jordan Kinsey has been a member of Christ Church since 2020. As he discerns God's call to ordained ministry, Jordan has completed a course of study at the Stevenson School for Ministry and is licensed by our bishop as a lay preacher. He will preach at all services this morning. Please help us welcome him to our pulpit.

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## DINE WITH THE LADIES – TOMORROW

Each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. All women are invited to Dine with the Ladies tomorrow, July 27, at 7 PM at BBC Tavern. Please [RSVP](#) today.

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## REGISTER FOR OUR PILGRIMAGE TO ROME – BY AUGUST 1

Encounter Rome in sacred architecture and art on pilgrimage with the Revs. Ruth and David Beresford from October 24-31, 2026. In collaboration with Stillpoint Travels, they will lead you on a journey that takes in the origins of Christianity in the catacombs, the Art of the Renaissance, and visits to the great basilicas whose holiness and beauty have inspired generations of the faithful for centuries. For more information and to register by August 1, please visit our [website](#).

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## HIGH SCHOOL RIVERWALK MINI GOLF – AUGUST 2

Those in grades 9-12 are invited to play mini golf next Sunday, August 2, at Riverwalk Mini Golf. This 18-hole miniature golf course is located right along the Wilmington Riverfront at 550 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. We will meet there at 2 PM and end by 3:30 PM. Bring a friend! The cost to golf is \$12 per person, but bring extra money along if you'd like ice cream after the course. Please [RSVP](#).

### **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – AUGUST 5**

Join us on Wednesday, August 5, 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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### **REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR CHORISTER SUMMER CAMP – AUGUST 24-28**

Young singers ages 8 to 17 are invited to a fun and enriching weeklong Chorister Summer Camp from August 24-28 from 1:30 to 6 PM daily. Rooted in the traditions of the Royal School of Church Music, campers will build skills in vocal technique, sight-singing, music theory, ear training, conducting, and ensemble singing. Plus, they'll enjoy recreational activities, team building, a virtual session with a guest composer, and dinner each evening. Open to both current choristers and new singers, this exciting week wraps up with a public concert for family and friends on August 28 at 5 PM. This is an exceptional opportunity for young musicians to grow artistically, build lasting friendships, and experience the joy of excellent choral singing. Please [register](#) your child's participation.

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### **CHRIST CHURCH'S GOLF CLASSIC SUPPORTS CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS – AUGUST 31**

Hit the links at Hartefeld National Golf Course on Monday, August 31, to benefit children's programs for our church and preschool. Registration and lunch begin at 11:30 AM, with a shotgun start at 1 PM. 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 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, 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. Find complete details and register on our [website](#).

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### **BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER – TRAINING BEGINS THIS FALL**

Stephen Ministers are trained lay members of the congregation who provide one-to-one Christian care to people experiencing difficult seasons in life. They listen, pray, encourage, and walk alongside those facing grief, illness, loneliness, divorce, job loss, relocation, spiritual struggle, or other life challenges. A Stephen Minister is not a counselor or problem-solver but a compassionate Christian presence—someone who offers confidential care, faithful listening, and the reminder that no one has to go through a hard time alone.

Our parish is seeking caring, dependable people who feel called to share Christ's love in this special way. If you are a good listener and have a heart for people who are hurting, please prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Your presence could bring hope, healing, and encouragement to someone who needs it most. Training runs from October 2026 through March 2027. Visit our [website](#) to learn more or contact the Rev. [Thom Peters](#) or our Stephen Ministry leader, [Jaqueline Whalen](#), to express interest in training.

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### **SPIRITUALITY BEYOND SUNDAYS**

Kristin Peters is looking for a few partners to help plan events exploring practices that enhance one's spirituality. Ideas include full moon labyrinth walks (mark your calendar for one on August 28 at 9:30 PM!), making and using Episcopal prayer beads, mini retreats, or other such practices. If you are interested in helping, please email [Kristin](#) or call/text her at (203) 506-3278.

## **JULY OUTREACH COLLECTION**

We wrap up our collection this week for the YWCA and St. Michael's School & Nursery. Needed items include new twin, full, and crib sheets and blankets, bath towels, wash cloths, and shower curtains, personal care products, diapers, wipes, bibs, teething toys, and gift cards to grocery stores, Target, and Walmart. Donations may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the Parish Center circle drive entrance. Gift cards may be placed in the offering plate during worship services or brought to the parish office.

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## **JOIN THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

Acolytes play an integral role in our Sunday morning worship and serving as an acolyte is an opportunity to serve with purpose and deepen your connection to worship. Those in 8th grade and above, as well as adults, are invited to participate. Learn more by attending a hands-on training session on Sunday, September 13, at 9 AM or on Sunday, September 27, at 5 PM. To express interest in serving, please contact [Jane Rubini](#).

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## **WEEKDAY & SATURDAY WORSHIP**

During the summer months when you may be traveling, 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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## **WEAR YOUR CHRIST CHURCH NAME TAG**

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 donations are welcome to offset the \$8 cost to the church. Don't have one? Order yours [online](#).

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## **MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

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

in loving memory of

Richard Watkin Samuel and Susan Walker Samuel

and in loving memory of

Carl Spalding Gates Jr.

Alice Helmbreck Dewson

Mary Gwen Knapp

*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*; Barbara King, '27, *Junior Warden & Assistant Treasurer*  
Bob Reardon, *Treasurer*; John Olsen, '28, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; Spencer Maynard, *Youth Representative*  
Cindi Cozza, '27; Martha Henley, '29; ; Shelley Kinsella, '28  
Kendall Meldrum, '28; Thorpe Moeckel, '27; ; Jamie Poston, '27  
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