

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



AUGUST 23, 2026

IN THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING AT CHRIST CHURCH. 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.

Become a Stephen Minister – Learn More by September 1

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 by September 1.

LEARN ABOUT THIS YEAR'S GREEN SHOW – TODAY

The Green Show has been a Christ Church Christmas tradition since 1953. This joyful holiday celebration for the whole family will be held on December 4-5 this year with many opportunities to participate in the coming months. All proceeds benefit local nonprofits identified by our outreach committee. Join us at Lemonade on the Lawn today between the 9 and 10:30 AM services to learn more, and find additional information in this bulletin.

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, August 24, at 7 PM at Pizza by Elizabeths. Please [RSVP](#) today.

FULL MOON LABYRINTH WALK – FRIDAY

Join in a Full Moon Labyrinth Walk at Christ Church this Friday, August 28, at 9:30 PM. We'll assemble in the parking lot for the walk and conclude the evening with Compline. Bring a flashlight. Rain date is Saturday, August 29. Please [RSVP](#) so we may be in touch in case of inclement weather.

JOIN THE FAMILY FUN FEST YOUTH PLANNING COMMITTEE – NEXT SUNDAY

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to help plan activities and games for Family Fun Fest—an October 3 event sponsored by Christ Church and Christ Church Episcopal Preschool to welcome children and families into our beautiful church and school community. Youth will meet over lunch next Sunday, August 30, from 12 to 1 PM in Parish Hall A to brainstorm ideas and begin preparing the activities we hope to offer on October 3. Please join us!

AUGUST OUTREACH COLLECTION

August's outreach collection supports the Choir School of Delaware, Connecting Generations, and Latin American Community Center. Donations of assorted back to school supplies, backpacks, books, arts and crafts materials, new and gently-used Lego blocks, card and board games, first aid supplies, and granola bars, pop tarts, and small boxes of cereal may be left in the back of the Church or in the Parish Center circle drive entrance.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – SEPTEMBER 2

Join us on Wednesday, September 2, 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.

CHRIST CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE – SEPTEMBER 5

Christ Church will host a blood drive on Saturday, September 5, from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM in Parish Hall A. With an ongoing blood shortage in our area, this drive supports the Blood Bank of Delmarva, which supplies blood and blood products to more than 20,000 patients each year. Make this lifesaving gift by booking your appointment [online](#) or call (888) 8-BLOOD-8.

9 AM SUMMER WORSHIP ON THE LAWN – SEPTEMBER 6

On Sunday, September 6, worship will be held outside on the lawn at 9 AM. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs for this service of Holy Communion, suitable for those of all ages.

JOIN THE THEOLOGY SMALL GROUP – SEPTEMBER 10

The Theology Small Group has an enriching year ahead and invites you to take part in thoughtful reading and lively discussion. Beginning September 10, the group will explore C. S. Lewis' classic *The Screwtape Letters*—a perfectly mischievous choice for the Halloween season. During Advent, they'll turn to *Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives* by Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI), followed in February 2027 by his *Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week*. Next summer, the group will begin one of the foundational works of the Western Christian tradition—*Confessions by Saint Augustine*. The group meets every other Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30 PM in the Commons Room. All are welcome to join for a year of deep learning, meaningful conversation, and spiritual growth. Please contact [Christopher Scott](#) for more information.

JOIN THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY & ATTEND A TRAINING SESSION – SEPTEMBER 13 OR 27

Acolytes play an integral role in our worship and participating as an acolyte offers a meaningful way 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](#).

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC – SEPTEMBER 13

Join us for our parish picnic on Sunday, September 13! **There will be just two services on this day at 8 and 10:30 AM**, with the picnic to follow the 10:30 service. This year's event will be held outside on the lawn just beyond the Memorial Garden under a tent. Tables and chairs will be available for your convenience, but bring a blanket or lawn chairs if you prefer. We will provide fried chicken, sausage with peppers and onions, baked beans, and drinks. **Please bring a finger dessert to share if your last name begins with A-H and a side dish if your last name begins with I-Z.** We appreciate that your dish will be ready to serve and that you pick it up at the end of the day. There will be fun for all with lawn games and face painting, so invite a friend or neighbor to join you.

THE CHRIST CHURCH GREEN SHOW

Mark your calendar for this year's Green Show on December 4 and 5 and learn more at [Lemonade on the Lawn](#) today. Here are a few ways you can get involved now:

Summer Cleanout? Think Green Show: Inside Plants is seeking fun, creative containers for the Green Show—serving bowls, cachepots, ice buckets, planters, wicker baskets, or similar treasures. Items should be at least 4” tall and 3” wide, up to 12” x 14”. We also need long, narrow containers suitable for use with Advent candles. Please leave donations marked “Plants” in the Parish Center reception area. Questions or need pickup? Call Wendy Massey at (302) 353-6851.

Other assorted donations are welcome too! Good quality holiday and household items, gently-used and new children's toys, jewelry, collectibles and accessories, and silent auction donations—especially use of vacation homes for a week or weekend and unique experiences such as garden tours, sporting events, performance tickets, and gatherings that cannot be purchased on Amazon. Please leave donations in the Parish Center reception area. To donate an experience for the silent auction, please contact [Janet Clark-Amodei](#).

A Few Leaders are Still Needed: This year's Green Show requires additional volunteers to help lead and coordinate several key areas of this cherished parish event:

- **Admissions Chair/Co-Chairs:** Manage the process of checking in guests at the Preview Party on Friday, December 4.
- **Silent Auction Chair:** Coordinate the silent auction on Friday, December 4, working with those who manage the three areas of the event—solicitation of items, catalog preparation, and setup.
- **Silent Auction Item Solicitation Chair/Co-Chairs:** Lead the effort to request and gather auction items.
- **2027 Green Show Chair/Co-Chairs:** Coordinate the overall event to be held in December 2027.

Your support is critical to the success of the Green Show. Help us continue this wonderful parish tradition! Team up with a friend or family member to lead one of these key areas of the Green Show as we follow Jesus' example to love and serve our neighbors by sharing our time and talent. Contact [Janet Clark-Amodei](#) or [Shelley Kinsella](#) for information.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of
Anne T. and Carlos Marcial

and in loving memory of
Douglas G. and Mary C. McPherson
Travis L. and Doris L. Moye

The flowers in the Chapel are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of
Wilhelmina “Mina” L. Craven

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.



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