

CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



OCTOBER 20, 2024

IN THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP..

OUR ELDER MINISTRY. Our Elder Ministry is focused on providing an avenue for our more senior members to be involved in the life of Christ Church as well as offering nurture and care to those who may need it most. Providing opportunities to volunteer and serve our community, coming together for fellowship and learning, and reaching out to our homebound members are just a few examples of the scope of this ministry. We value the experience of our senior members and recognize the contribution these parishioners bring to our parish. For more information, please contact [Jaqueline Whalen](#).

Elder Ministry Lunch & Conversation: Answering God's Call – October 30

Barbara Lee, author of *Answering God's Call: A Scripture-Based Journey for Older Adults*, joins us later this month for lunch and conversation on how God's call for us doesn't end when we retire. Many biblical saints were in their later years when God called them to their adventures of leadership, new life, transformation, and healing. Dare to receive what your life is now—and ask God how to live it best! Bring a friend for worship, conversation, and a light buffet lunch on Wednesday, October 30. Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall after the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel. Click [here](#) to RSVP. A suggested donation of \$8 to help defray the cost of lunch is appreciated, and a limited supply of books will be available for purchase at the event.

ALL AGES FELLOWSHIP: PARISH-WIDE PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY

Join your parish community for a pancake breakfast today from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Parish Halls, hosted by our youth. Enjoy pancakes, sausage, fruit, and beverages as we come together to laugh, share, and connect. There will be a free will offering, and all are welcome. No faith formation classes will meet during this time, so all ages can participate.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING TODAY

Christ Church's Grief Support Group meets today, October 20, at 12 PM. Those who have experienced the loss of a loved one and are moving through the grief process are encouraged to attend either in person in the Commons Room or online. Click [here](#) for the Zoom link.

SAINTS & SINNERS: A SHORT COURSE IN GRACE – OCTOBER 23

Join the rector this Wednesday, October 23, for our final session on the power of shame and the gift of grace to overcome it, using stories of the notorious and glorious and the wisdom of theologian, Lewis Smedes. The evening begins with a shared meal at 6:30 PM in Parish Hall A, followed by conversation from 7 to 8 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

PLEDGE INGATHERING – OCTOBER 26 & 27

In our worship next weekend, October 26 and 27, we will ask God's blessing on the offering we make for the coming year. If you have returned your pledge for 2025 financial support already, thank you! If you have not, we ask that you do so by next weekend so that the finance committee and vestry can set our 2025 ministry budget. You may return your pledge form to church or click [here](#) to pledge online. Christ Church is a place for inspiration, celebration, sharing, service, and worship where all are welcome, and your gift to God makes this place possible. Please join us in making your pledge as a promise to sustain the ministry of Christ Church, and know that wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you here.

AN ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY – OCTOBER 27

Make plans to stay after the 10:30 AM service next Sunday, October 27, for a history of our church's construction, enhancements made over the years, and architectural and decorative features of note, including how the sanctuary acquired its unique mix of design aesthetics. Jennifer O'Connor will give an encore presentation of last summer's architectural history talk with time for Q&A at the end.

DINE WITH THE LADIES – OCTOBER 28

On the fourth Monday of each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. This is a great opportunity to connect with other women in the parish, and all women are invited. Join us at Pizza by Elizabeths on Monday, October 28, at 7 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

OCTOBER OUTREACH COLLECTION

Donations of nonperishable food for our November Interfaith Thanksgiving Project, which provides Thanksgiving meals to those in need, are being collected this month. We request one bag per household containing stuffing mix, instant potato flakes, canned green beans, corn, yams, and cranberry sauce, packaged gravy, and dessert mix. Bags may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the Parish Center circle drive entrance.

OPEN HOUSE AT CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL PRESCHOOL – NOVEMBER 2

Christ Church Episcopal Preschool welcomes new families to join our school community! We offer 3- and 5-day full/half day programs with extended care and holiday camps, specials such as music, Spanish, Chapel, Godly Play, and gym, and lunch and snacks included in the cost of tuition—all on our beautiful 22-acre campus. Join us at CCEP's Open House on Saturday, November 2, from 10 AM to 12 PM and learn about our play-based, literacy-rich programs for children 18 months through PreK. Click [here](#) or call (302) 472-0021 to RSVP.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC YOUTH MISSION TRIP INTEREST MEETING – NOVEMBER 3

Current 8th-12th grade students and their families considering next summer's youth mission trip to the Dominican Republic are invited to an interest meeting on Sunday, November 3, at 9:45 AM in Parish Hall A. Parents will get to hear student testimonies from past trips and receive information on dates, cost, airfare, etc. Questions? Contact [Mason Cruz](#).

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES AT ALL SAINTS' – NOVEMBER 3

Join our worship on Sunday, November 3, in the Memorial Garden at the conclusion of the 10:30 AM service as we remember those buried there or at Evensong at 4 PM as we light candles to remember loved ones.

CHORAL EVENSONG: REMEMBRANCE OF THE BELOVED DEPARTED – NOVEMBER 3

Choral Evensong will be offered on Sunday, November 3, at 4 PM in the Church, where you are invited to remember loved ones by lighting a candle and placing it on the altar in their honor. In our prayers, we remember the names of those in our parish who died in the past year. Led by the Christ Church Choir and clergy, music will include works by Helvey, Shepherd, Wood, Lehman, and Lewis. Nathan Ringkamp from the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Maryland will play an organ prelude beginning at 3:30 PM.

ELECTION PRAYER VIGIL – NOVEMBER 4-6

Join in a vigil of prayer for our nation as the 2024 election season comes to a close. A service of prayer begins at 7 PM in the Church on Monday, November 4. At its conclusion, the Church will remain open for prayer with resources to support your intentions, and intercessors will pray through the hours until Wednesday, November 6, for 40 hours when the vigil ends with Holy Eucharist at 12 PM in the Chapel. The vigil keeper may pray at home or come to Christ Church for the appointed hour. Sign up for an hour or more [here](#).

FAITHFUL REMEMBRANCE WITH OUR THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE – NOVEMBER 7-10

We welcome the Very Rev. Dr. Robert Willis, Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral, as our Theologian in Residence from November 7-10. Canterbury Cathedral is the mother church of the Anglican Communion, where Dean Willis served for over 20 years. He comes to Christ Church at a time when Christians reflect on the spiritual bond between the living and the dead and will lead us in conversations on remembrance, grieving, and the communion of saints on November 7 and 9 and will preach at the 10:30 AM service and offer reflections during the 4 PM Christ Church Choir concert on November 10. Click [here](#) to RSVP for:

- Thursday, November 7 – 7 PM Simple dinner and fireside chat in Parish Hall A
- Saturday, November 9 – 9:30 AM to 1 PM Retreat on Grief and Remembrance in Parish Hall A

Music in Memoriam with the Christ Church Choir – November 10

The Christ Church Choir and chamber ensemble complete our Theologian in Residence weekend with a concert on Sunday, November 10, at 4 PM in the Church. *Music in Memoriam* includes music from Philip Ledger's *Requiem*, with reflections by Dean Willis and a reception to follow. Reserve your seats [here](#).

THE 2024 GREEN SHOW – DECEMBER 6 & 7

Find that one-of-a-kind Christmas gift and a large dose of holiday spirit at this year's Green Show on December 6 and 7. This Christ Church Christmas tradition features the sale of beautiful wreaths, greens, Christmas trees, handmade crafts, baked goods, frozen foods, and many other gifts, plus a visit from Santa, children's activities, and a delicious homemade brunch on Saturday. A preview cocktail party and silent auction kick off the fun on Friday. All proceeds support local social service agencies identified by the Outreach Committee.

Donate: Assorted donations are needed to make this year's event a success: all types of freshly cut greens, plant materials and containers, wreath decorations and bows, pine cones and hydrangea, Christmas ornaments, good quality holiday and household items, gently-used and new children's toys, jewelry, collectibles, and accessories, wine and spirits, silent auction donations, and more. Click [here](#) for details.

Volunteer: Volunteers are the heart of the Green Show, and your help is needed. Options include making and freezing soups at home, baking sweets and treats to be sold, helping decorate wreaths, setting up the silent auction, checking in Preview Party guests, and serving as a cashier, cook, bartender, or server. For a full list of volunteer opportunities, click [here](#).

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.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of
Jane Clifton Ashford
Barry W. and Paula G. Murphy
and in loving memory of
Ainsley Elizabeth Clayton Flynn
Albert and Marion Lux

PARISH CLERGY

The Rev. Ruth Beresford, *Rector*
The Rev. Michael Kurth, *Associate Rector/Preschool Chaplain*
The Very Rev. William Lane, *Pastoral Associate*

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