

# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



FEBRUARY 16, 2025

IN THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

## THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP..

**PARISH FELLOWSHIP.** The dedicated members of our Parish Fellowship Ministry provide opportunities for hospitality and fellowship aimed at renewing and refreshing our minds and spirits. Last month's card-making workshop provided a creative space to gather, and annual events like our week at Memorial House and the parish picnic offer additional occasions to spend time together as a church family. This Saturday, the group hosts a new offering—a Chili Cook-off & Bingo Night. To join the Parish Fellowship Ministry or for more information about the group, please contact [Audrey Bruce](#) or [Suzanne Smith](#) or call the parish office at (302) 655-3379.

### RSVP Today for Saturday's Chili Cook-off & Bingo Night

Join in the fun and chase the chill at our Chili Cook-off & Bingo Night on Saturday, February 22, at 6 PM. Come sample our entries as we crown a Christ Church Chili Champion! A \$2 donation per guest gets you a bowl and spoon for sampling. Judging/sampling will take place from 6 to 7 PM and be followed by Bingo from 7:30 to 9 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP today to attend the evening and/or to enter your chili in the cook-off. Prizes will be awarded for both the cook-off and Bingo, and snacks and beverages will be provided during the evening. Those participating in the cook-off should bring their prepared chili in a slow cooker with ladle to Parish Hall C by 5:30 PM for judging.

### ALL AGES FELLOWSHIP & CRAFTING – TODAY

Join in an expanded Coffee & Community today from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Parish Halls, hosted by Christ Church Episcopal Preschool. We'll gather for food, fellowship, and crafting where those of all ages and skill levels are invited to decorate a cross for themselves or a loved one. Add your personal touches to this powerful symbol of faith, love, and sacrifice and create a beautiful reminder of God's unending love. No faith formation classes will take place at this time so that all can participate.

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### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING – TODAY

Christ Church's Grief Support Group meets today 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.

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### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES – FEBRUARY 21

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 for program participants. Click [here](#) to sign up for a shift on third Fridays of the month.

## **DINE WITH THE LADIES – FEBRUARY 24**

Each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville, All women are invited to Dine with the Ladies at Pizza by Elizabeths on Monday, February 24, at 7 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

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## **FEBRUARY OUTREACH COLLECTION**

February's collection benefits those participating in programs with SOAR (Survivors of Abuse in Recovery) and STEHM (Supportive Transitional & Emergency Housing Ministry). Travel-sized toiletry items, bleach spray cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, sponges, microfiber cleaning cloths, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, Ziploc bags, and tissues may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the circle drive entrance to the Parish Center.

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## **MUSICIAN IN RESIDENCE WEEKEND WITH JAMES O'DONNELL – MARCH 1-2**

We are pleased to welcome James O'Donnell back to Christ Church as this year's Musician in Residence. One of the most celebrated concert organists, choral conductors, and liturgical musicians of our time, he served for more than a decade as Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral and for more than two decades as Organist and Master of the Choristers at Westminster Abbey. In 2023, Mr. O'Donnell left London for a position on the faculty of the Institute of Sacred Music and the School of Music at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.

He joins us on Saturday, March 1, to rehearse the Christ Church Choir, and all are welcome to attend the open rehearsal from 1:30 to 3:30 PM in the Church. On Sunday, March 2, join in as he shares about his musical career in a forum, "Westminster to New Haven," from 9:50 to 10:20 AM in the Parish Hall and then directs the Choir at Holy Eucharist at 10:30 AM and at Choral Evensong at 4 PM. A reception will follow Sunday's Evensong.

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## **SHROVE TUESDAY MARDI GRAS FUNDRAISER FOR DR MISSION TRIP – MARCH 4**

Celebrate Mardi Gras at Christ Church on Tuesday, March 4, with music and delicious breakfast foods. Dinner will be served by our youth from 5:30 to 6:45 PM in the Parish Halls. Also, we will put away the Alleluias in preparation for Lent, cheer on the Christ Church Choristers in their pancake race, and end the evening with the burning of the palms for Ash Wednesday. The cost is \$5 for children and \$15 for youth/adults, and the event is a fundraiser for this summer's mission trip to the Dominican Republic. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

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## **ASH WEDNESDAY – MARCH 5**

Worship with us on Ash Wednesday, March 5. Holy Eucharist takes place in the Chapel at 6:30 AM and 12 PM without music and at 5 PM for all ages with the Christ Church Choristers leading our music. At 7 PM, join us for Choral Eucharist in the Church with the Christ Church Choir. All services include the Imposition of Ashes and an invitation to a Holy Lent.

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## **FOSTERING COMPASSIONATE CONNECTIONS: A CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION – MARCH 8**

St. Paul counsels us to act in the spirit of gentleness and bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2). Christ Church is seeking to strengthen our caring connections, following the recommendations of our strategic plan. We invite you to join in a dialogue about becoming the listening, caring, good neighbors each of us needs at one time or another. The Revs. David Beresford and John Pumphrey, along with Jaqueline Whalen from our Pastoral Ministries Team, will lead the discussion on Saturday, March 8, from 9 to 11 AM in Parish Hall A. Come be a part of this important conversation. Please RSVP [here](#). Coffee and refreshments will be available beginning at 8:30 AM.

## **PLAN YOUR SUMMER VACATION AT MEMORIAL HOUSE – AUGUST 1-8**

Spend a week of fun with other members of Christ Church at Memorial House—the retreat center of the Episcopal Church in Delaware—from Friday, August 1 through Friday, August 8. Memorial House is nestled in the pines section of Rehoboth, two blocks from the beach. Homemade meals are provided for breakfast and dinner, so you can relax, play, and connect with others, with nature, and with God. For more information or to make a reservation, click [here](#).

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## **CHRIST CHURCH'S MINISTRY MATCH DISCOVERY TOOL**

Christ Church's Ministry Match Discovery Tool is a new approach to meet your desire to serve with ministry opportunities at Christ Church and with our neighbors in need. Click [here](#) to complete the 3-minute survey about your preferences. You'll see your results immediately. You are not making a commitment by taking the survey; you are simply exploring areas that may be of interest to you. Our prayer is that the Ministry Match Discovery Tool helps us match you with possibilities and particular ways to engage in ministry at Christ Church that are meaningful and joyful, and we invite your participation!

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## **HOSTS NEEDED FOR COFFEE & COMMUNITY**

Volunteers are needed to host Coffee & Community each Sunday from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Parish Halls. Individuals and families volunteer to host by bringing treats and setting up beverages, and it's an easy, fun way to provide hospitality and welcome as we nurture relationships and connections with those in our community. Sign up [here](#).

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## **WEAR YOUR CHRIST CHURCH NAME TAG**

Please 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 may be ordered [here](#) or by calling the parish office at (302) 655-3379.

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## **HEARING LOOP SYSTEM**

Our nave is equipped with a hearing loop system that provides clean, clear sound without a headset and transmits sound from our microphones directly into hearing aids and cochlear implants with telecoils of those in the pews. If you have hearing loss but no telecoil device, please ask an usher for a loop receiver.

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## **MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of  
Robert Morris Silliman  
Mary Elliott and John Legare O'Hear

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*

#### **LAY MINISTRY STAFF**

Sheila Abio, *Head of School*  
Bruce Barber, *Director of Music*  
Mason Cruz, *Minister for Children & Youth*  
Jo Harney, *Director of Choristers*  
Cameron Kuzepski, *Organ Scholar*

#### **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*; Alexia Wolf, '26, *Junior Warden*  
Mark Parsells, *Treasurer*; Bob Reardon, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Jennifer O'Connor, *Clerk*; Alexander Maynard, *Youth Representative*  
Chuck Arensberg, '26; Audrey Bruce, '25; Cindi Cozza, '27; Barbara King, '27  
Ted Ledden, '25; Thorpe Moeckel, '27; Scott Nickle, '26; Eliza Phillips, '25  
Jamie Poston, '27; Bart Reese, '25; Jaqueline Whalen, '26

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM