# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



# March 16, 2025

# IN THE SEASON OF LENT

### THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

**OUR EMMANUEL DINING ROOM MINISTRY.** Emmanuel Dining Room helps alleviate the immediate needs of Delaware's hungry with nutritious meals served at no cost. Men in the parish meet at the church to cook for Emmanuel Dining Room West (2nd and Jackson Streets) on the 1st of odd-numbered months. Groups, individuals, men and women, children and youth share the ministry of cooking and serving at Emmanuel Dining Room East (3rd and Walnut Streets) on the 22nd of every month. For more information about this ministry or to volunteer your time, please contact <u>Hal Schneikert</u> or <u>Marge Hardham</u>.

## TODAY AT CHRIST CHURCH ALL AGES LENTEN PRAYER STATIONS & FELLOWSHIP

Our interactive Lenten prayer stations offer those of all ages a new approach to prayer. Come experience God through the senses this Lent during an expanded Coffee & Community today from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. Spend some time in prayerful activities at prayer stations set up in the Parish Halls. Child care is offered in the nursery until noon, but no faith formation classes will take place at this time so that all can participate.

### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**

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 <u>here</u> for the Zoom link.

### **CELTIC EUCHARIST**

In our hurried and noisy world, Celtic Eucharist offers gracious space and time to enjoy the holiness of God, gently touched by candlelight, music, and prayer. The Celtic tradition holds that we find God in Christ in our hearts, in each other, and in all creation. Through moments of reflection and calm, quiet words, and the sacrament of Holy Communion, we bring this tradition to Christ Church to celebrate the Eve of St. Patrick's Day today at 4 PM in the Chapel as we seek to draw more deeply into God's presence. Music will be offered by Trevor Koening Sr. (guitar) and Sandra Borror (flute and penny whistle).

### WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERIES: KNOWING GOD – MARCH 19–APRIL 9

As we journey through the season of Lent, join us for our Lenten series on Wednesdays through April 9. "Knowing God," led by Fr. David Beresford, explores our relationship with God, using traditional and creative approaches to the questions of faith and religion. This week's topic is The House of God. We share a simple meal at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall, followed by the course from 7 to 8 PM. Please RSVP <u>here</u>.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES – MARCH 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 and distribute them to the cars of program participants. Click <u>here</u> to sign up for a shift on third Fridays of the month.

### BOOK SIGNING BY THE REV. DAVID BERESFORD – MARCH 23

Fr. David will sign copies of his new book, *Blessed by God*, and give a reading from the book next Sunday, March 23, at the Christ Church Rectory. Come celebrate with us anytime between 2 and 4 PM. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to <u>David Beresford</u>. For information on the book, click <u>here</u>.

## ALL EXCELLENT AND ESTEEMED BY PIFFARO, THE RENAISSANCE BAND – MARCH 23

Piffaro, The Renaissance Band delights audiences with highly polished recreations of the rustic music of the peasantry and the elegant sounds of the official wind bands of the late Medieval and Renaissance periods. In this concert next Sunday, March 23, at 3 PM at Christ Church, they bring one of the most potent examples of musical immigration in 16th century Europe to life in the story of the Bassano family—an Italian and likely Jewish family of wind players and instrument builders who moved to Henry VIII's court. Tickets are \$20 (using code CCCH) to \$54 and may be purchased <u>here</u>.

## DINE WITH THE LADIES – MARCH 24

Each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. All women are invited to Dine with the Ladies at Cromwell's Tavern on Monday, March 24, at 7 PM. Click <u>here</u> to RSVP.

## A PLACE AT THE LORD'S TABLE – MARCH 29

Spend a quiet morning at Christ Church in a guided Lenten retreat, led by Fr. David Beresford, on Saturday, March 29. We'll gather in the Chapel at 8:45 AM for "A Place at the Lord's Table," where a large icon of *The Hospitality of Abraham* will serve as the focal point of the retreat. The aim is to provide an oasis of quiet prayer and reflection, interspersed with addresses on the day's theme. The morning concludes with Holy Eucharist at 12 PM. Please RSVP <u>here</u>.

## **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – APRIL 2**

Those of all ages are invited for Coffee and Conversation on Wednesday, April 2, from 10:45 to 11:45 AM in the Commons Room. Gather with friends for meaningful conversation and make new friends over coffee, tea, and snacks. Join us for this time of fun and fellowship and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

# BACH: TRIO SONATAS BY TEMPESTA DI MARE – APRIL 4

The chamber players of Tempesta di Mare, Philadelphia Baroque Orchestra offer this live concert performance of Tempesta's 5-star recording of Bach's six organ trio sonatas, re-imagined for chamber ensemble of recorder, flute, violins, lute, harpsichord, viola da gamba, and cello on Friday, April 4, at 7 PM at Christ Church. Tickets are \$35-\$45 and may be purchased <u>here</u>.

#### **REMEMBER LOVED ONES THIS EASTER – BY APRIL 7**

To remember someone with a contribution for special flowers or music this Easter, please submit your names and contribute <u>online</u> or mail a check made payable to Christ Church along with your memorial names to P. O. Box 3510, Wilmington, DE 19807 by Monday, April 7. All memorials will be listed in the Easter Day bulletins.

#### **UPCOMING BAPTISMAL SERVICES – APRIL 20 & JUNE 8**

The sacrament of Holy Baptism will take place on Easter Day, April 20, at 6 AM and on the Day of Pentecost, June 8, at 10:30 AM. A preparation meeting for parents and godparents will be held prior to both dates. If you are interested in Baptism for yourself or your child, please request an application from Jane Rubini.

#### BUS TRIP TO THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL – APRIL 27

The Delaware Chapter of the National Cathedral Association is sponsoring a trip to the National Cathedral in Washington, DC on Sunday, April 27. The bus departs at 8 AM from the Wilmington campus of the University of Delaware, 2700 Pennsylvania Avenue, and returns around 7:30 PM. The group will attend Eucharist with the Kirkin' o' the Tartan Celebration at 11:15 AM and Evensong at 4 PM at the Cathedral. The cost is \$85 per person, which includes lunch, and reservations are required. Email <u>Sue Lunger</u> to reserve your spot today.

#### **GREEN SHOW CREW LEADERS NEEDED**

Anyone who has attended the Green Show knows what a wonderful event this is for our parish and the community, with all proceeds benefiting local nonprofit agencies. Our volunteers are the heart of the event and the reason for the Green Show's success each year. With plans for the 2025 Green Show already underway, we are looking for leaders/co-leaders to help with Admissions, Baked Goods, Frozen Foods, and Saturday's Brunch. 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. Detailed position descriptions are available. Contact Janet Clark-Amodei for information.

#### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Terry J. Conway

and in honor of

Rufus Miller, the Miller family, and the wedding anniversary of Rufus and Rosanne on March 21 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* 

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