

# **News & Notices**

### **LOVE GOD**

In-Person Worship - We are overjoyed to welcome you to in-person worship on Sundays at 8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 5 pm. All are welcome! No reservations are required; however, everyone is asked to sign in for contact tracing purposes, so please arrive early. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/worship-in-person for the most up-to-date information about the schedule, worship locations, and other details.

**Sunday Worship in the Chapel** - As we return to our Spiritual Home for Sunday worship, we recognize that each person has a different level of comfort with and need for ongoing safety protocols. Starting Sunday, July 25, we will offer the Chapel as a worship space for those who prefer to remain masked and physically distant for the entire service. The service will be live streamed to the Chapel and communion will be made available. This space will be open during both morning services (8:30 am and 10:30 am) to individuals and family pods. Upon arrival, please let an Usher know that you would like to be seated in the physically distant worship space in the Chapel.

**Contemporary Worship (2nd Sundays)** – On August 8, we will offer a Contemporary Eucharist at 10:30 am in All Saints' Hall. This casual, family-friendly service features music from our band along with the familiar Rite II liturgy. No registration needed; all are welcome!

**Discovery Worship (4th Sundays)** - Is "big church" too much for your little one? This abbreviated worship experience helps young children learn about the Eucharist and offers them opportunities to actively participate. Join us today and August 22 at 10:30 am for this child-friendly Holy Eucharist in All Saints' Hall. Children can participate as "Young Ministers," with special roles during worship. Contact Sarah Ford at fords@christchurchcharlotte.org for details.

**Altar Flowers** - The flowers that grace the altar are generously donated in honor, memory, or celebration of loved ones. We are seeking donors to provide the flowers in the Nave (Sanctuary) on Sundays August 1, 8, and 22. To sign up or learn more, please contact Polly Pearce at pollycpearce@gmail.com.

Registration is Open for Fall Sacred Ground Classes - In this 10-part film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, small groups walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism while weaving in threads of family stories, economic class, and political and regional identity. Two new groups will begin in September, on Wednesdays (6:30 - 8 pm) and Thursdays (11:30 am - 1 pm). Register now at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/sacred-ground. Space is limited.

**Virtual Choir Playlist** - Need some new music for your neighborhood walks, meditation practices, or devotional/Bible study? Check out our Virtual Choir Playlist on the Christ Church app, featuring the combined voices of the Christ Church Choir, produced in a virtual format during the pandemic. Download the Christ Church Charlotte app from Apple, Google, or Amazon app stores.

**Get "The Daily" on Your Phone** - Did you know can subscribe to receive a short daily scripture passage and thought for the day via the Christ Church app? Download the app and allow push notifications. Then go to Settings > Notifications in the upper left menu of the app and select "The Daily." You can also visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/goodbook to sign up for emails.

### **Welcome Home Summer Sundays**

We are delighted to welcome everyone to Christ Church after such a long time apart. On Sundays this summer, we invite you to hang around after services to visit with old and new friends. We'll even provide refreshments!

#### 2ND & 4TH SUNDAY PICNICS

Bring a blanket or chairs, grab your lunch, and join friends on the lawn for some fellowship and fun following the 10:30 am worship services. These Sundays will feature a food truck or boxed lunch option. Look for details in the weekly *Christ Church Today* email and at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/parishlife. (Boxed lunches must be pre-ordered.)

To volunteer at one of these gatherings or ask questions, please contact Kathryn Saunders at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org.

# CARE FOR EACH OTHER

**Send-Off Sunday** - Boarding school and college students are invited to join us during any of our worship services on Sunday, August 8 for a blessing and a small token as we send them off to a new school year.

**Do you love babies and young children?** As we prepare to open the Nursery on Sunday, September 12 (Fall Parish Day), we are looking for parishioners to join our Nursery Committee, which works together with Stephanie Brimigion, our Nursery Suites Coordinator, to ensure that children are nurtured while in our care. Contact Stephanie Brimigion at brimigions@christchurchcharlotte.org for additional information.

**Nursery Caregiver Job Openings** - We are hiring experienced, reliable, and punctual adults to provide age-appropriate care to children ages 0-4 years old on Sunday mornings. Do you know someone who might be interested in this part-time job opportunity? Contact Stephanie Brimigion at brimigions@christchurchcharlotte.org for additional information.

Add some joy to your life! We need many adult volunteers this fall to be a part of our ministries with children and teens. You can get to know our younger members by helping with Sunday School, serving on the Discovery Eucharist Altar Guild, or working with middle schoolers or a high school life group. Ask anyone who's done it before - they'll agree it will keep you young and be the highlight of your week! Want to know more? For Middle/High School ministries, contact Maggie Baker at bakerm@christchurchcharlotte.org. For Children's ministries, contact Sarah Ford at fords@christchurchcharlotte.org.

**Popsicles on the Playground** - Bring your children to the playground on the third Sundays of summer to enjoy a popsicle and play with their friends, while you catch up with other parents. Join us immediately following the 10:30 am worship service on August 15. (Parent supervision required.)

# **WAYS TO GIVE**

### Your Generosity Makes a Difference

Please consider giving to Christ Church during worship services or any time. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/offering for details about Text2Give, new in-app giving, and other giving options.

Looking for an easy way to meet people? Whether you are a newcomer or a long-time member, you can help us welcome everyone into our Spiritual Home. We need ushers and greeters, chalice bearers and readers, and Altar Guild members. We provide training for all positions. If you have questions or are interested in helping, please contact Emily Alford at alforde@christchurchcharlotte.org or Kathryn Saunders at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org.

**SEE: Spiritual Encouragement & Exploration** - August meeting date change: Tuesday, August 17, 7:30 - 8:30 pm via Zoom. How can we become more aware of God in our daily lives and the world? Join us for this monthly evening of fellowship, encouragement, and exploration of various spiritual practices, hosted by Julie Marr and Mollee Reitz. Contact Mollee at reitzm@christchurchcharlotte.org for the Zoom invitation or to ask questions.

**Bible Study: Building up the Body of Christ ("Bodybuilders")** - Every Monday at 11 am beginning September 13, this group will gather to connect faith to everyday life through articles, world events, poetry, book excerpts, and scripture. It's casual, with no homework -- come when you can to learn, laugh, pray, and build up the body of Christ among us. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/bible.

**High School Students: Apply for Youth Council** - Youth Council is a great leadership opportunity, serving the Church community in a variety of ways while deepening relationships with God and each other. All high school students interested in serving during the 2021-22 year are invited to apply. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/highschool for the application form, and return it to Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org by September 30.

Yoga for the Spirit on Sundays at 4 pm continues via Zoom so you can practice at home. All are welcome, regardless of limitations. Email Joyce Cmiel at joycecmiel@aol.com for an invitation to the Zoom class.

**The Space Between Us: October 19 – 21** - Inspired communication is about awareness, attitude, powerful listening, and a desire to strengthen bonds and extend grace. You are invited to develop this lifegiving skill in a three-day experience that will transform the way you communicate at home, at work, and in the world. The October session will be held in person at the Church. Learn more and register now to participate at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/tsbu.

**GoodNews Shop** - Did you know that all GoodNews Shop proceeds support outreach ministries with women and children? Come see our wonderful selection of gifts for all occasions. As the Church continues to observe Covid safety measures, the Rotunda door remains locked. Please call the Shop at 704-372-5906 when you arrive so we can let you in. July hours: Monday – Thursday, 9 am – 4 pm.

**Follow Christ Church on Social Media!** Help us reach more people! Like and share our posts on Facebook: Christ Church Charlotte and follow us on Instagram: ChristChurchCLT.

## **SERVE THE WORLD**

**Youth Outreach Week** - July 26 - 29, all 6th-12th grade students are invited to participate together in a variety of daily outreach opportunities, both at the Church and off site. Find details and sign up for any or all of these activities at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/youth.

Monday Madness Food Drive Challenge - We are challenging Christ Church members to see just how much food we can collect for Loaves and Fishes in ONE DAY! On Monday, July 26, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, we will collect donations on the Rotunda porch. Especially needed: canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.), canned fruit (low sugar or in juice), canned vegetables (low sodium), pasta (canned or dry), cereal (low sugar), and corn muffin mix. Thanks for helping to alleviate hunger in our community.

#### **Moveable Volunteer Possibilities (MVPs)**

Volunteering is always more fun in a group! Each month we are scheduling service opportunities for Christ Church volunteers with one of our partner agencies. Join us for any or all (and invite your friends!) to work together, learn about each agency's mission, and do some good.

**Gleaning with the Society of St. Andrew** - Wednesday, July 28, 8 - 10 am. Come glean with us! We'll collect produce from a local farm near Concord that will then go to a food pantry to help those with food insecurity. All ages are welcome. Please dress for hot weather and wear closed-toed shoes.

Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/act to sign up and find details about all upcoming MVPs.

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