# **LOVE GOD**

**Love Your Neighbor: Please Wear a Mask** - In compliance with Mecklenburg County directives and guidelines from the NC Diocese, masks are required for everyone while inside our buildings. Your mask should cover your nose and mouth. We appreciate your cooperation in our efforts to safeguard the health of everyone in our community until Covid rates have significantly declined.

**Contact Tracing Required** - To convene safely, the Diocese currently requires that we gather contact information for participants at all



functions. For convenience, there are lots of sign-in stations around campus, and this QR code to sign in online. When you arrive for any function, please sign in (members, name only; visitors, contact number or email). Thank you for your help in keeping our parish safe.

**Discovery Service Altar Guild and Ushers Needed** - Can you help set the altar or be an usher for the Discovery Eucharist on a rotating basis? This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to serve together. We need your help to make this service happen; many hands make light work. Contact Sarah Ford at fords@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6941 to volunteer.

Adult Confirmation and Inquirers Class will be offered January 30 - April 3 (ten Sundays) at 10 am for any adult who wishes to be confirmed in the Episcopal Church, or who simply wants to explore what we believe. The class covers the basics: God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, sacraments, Bible, The Book of Common Prayer, history of the Christian Church, and being an Episcopalian; and addresses the way the Episcopal Church lives out our Christian faith through worship, Bible study, and service to others. Taught by Christ Church clergy, everyone is welcome and questions are encouraged. Register now at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/confirmation.

Sages Check-in on Zoom - Due to the current Covid protocols, SAGES will not meet at the church in January. Instead, please join the Zoom meeting at 10 am on Wednesday, January 26. Scottie Stamper, the new coordinator of SAGES will host this virtual meeting. In addition to checking in, Scottie is excited to learn about your thoughts or suggestions for future SAGES programming. Please watch your email for the Zoom link.

Vision Board Workshop: Intentional Hope - Creating a vision board is a tool for self discovery and intention-setting for the year ahead. On Saturday, February 5, from 10 am - 2 pm, Makeda Pennycooke will lead a workshop to explore how we can shape our own experience, even in the face of so much uncertainty. Registration fee of \$40 covers all supplies, a boxed lunch, plus a workbook to guide your head and heart into envisioning a new way of being in the coming year. Learn more and register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/vision-board.

**CCWBS Conversations: Christianity in the Arts** - The Christ Church Women's Bible Study group looks forward to coming together again for conversations around Christianity in the Arts. We will meet in the Blue Room, every other Thursday, from 10 - 11:30 am, beginning February 10. We look forward to being in community to discover and learn, and to reflect and share experiences. Register now at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/ccwbs. Please reach out to Scottie Stamper at 704-714-6945 or stampers@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

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## CARE FOR EACH OTHER

**Exceptional Parents of Exceptional Children (EPEC)** - This group provides support and education for parents of children with special needs, disabilities, learning differences, or developmental delays. We will meet at 10 am on the fourth Sunday of February, March, and April; topics and leaders will vary. These gatherings are meant to create a safe space for parents to learn, discuss their experiences, share ideas, and provide spiritual, mental, and emotional support to one another. For more information contact Mollee Reitz at reitzm@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Christ Church Preschool & Kindergarten (CCK) - Registration for the 2022 - 2023 school year is open through January 28 at 12 noon. We are unable to give in-person tours during school hours at this time, but afterschool tours (1:30 - 2:30 pm) are available on various dates. Sign up for a tour and find registration details at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/cck. To RSVP or for more information, contact Mary Caroline Lee at leemc@christchurchcharlotte.org.

**After-Christmas Sale at GoodNews** - All Christmas and other selected items are 60% off! Come by to get some incredible deals! The Shop is open Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm, and Sunday 9:30 am to 1 pm.

**Food to Go** - Stock up on easy meals pre-ordered from our fabulous Chef Mary. Menus will be posted weekly at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/kitchen; place your order by Monday at 4 pm, and pick up on Wednesday any time between 3 and 7 pm.

**Exploring Buechner's Memoirs** - On Wednesday evenings, February 2 - 23, The Reverend Gary Hudson will guide us in exploring four of Frederick Buechner's memoirs, designed for both newcomers and long-time readers of Buechner. We will read selected passages from the memoirs, view DVD clips of interviews with Buechner, and share questions and wonderings. Our primary text will be Jeff Munroe's, *Reading Buechner*. Register (\$15; includes book) at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/adult-classes.

Community Resilience Training - On Tuesday, February 8 (3 - 4:30 pm via Zoom) Certified Community Resilience Trainer Mollee Reitz will lead this training designed to help you understand how stress and trauma affect us, and how we can use our knowledge of biology and neurobiology to reset and stabilize our nervous system to build resilience. She will also share ideas about how to teach these skills to children and youth. Register by February 4 (required; max 10 participants) at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/wellness-groups.

Parenting with Love and Logic - This three-session class series offers parents practical skills that can be used immediately, based on curriculum developed by Jim Fay, Charles Fay, PhD, and Foster W. Cline, MD. Registration (\$25 per family) covers two parenting partners. For parents of preschoolers: Tuesdays, February 8 - 23 at 6 pm. For parents of elementary children: Thursdays, February 10 - 24 at 6 pm. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/family-ministry.

**Wisdom Circle** - Those seeking to dive more deeply into their spirituality are invited to join this group, which will meet via Zoom every other Tuesday afternoon beginning February 8. We will explore works by Cynthia Bourgeault, lia Delio, Richard Rohr, Matthew Fox, and others, to develop a vast landscape of theological insight, as well as enjoy fellowship and meaningful discussions. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/adult-classes.

The Space Between Us: February 1 - 3, March 1 - 3 and April 5 - 7 -

Inspired communication is about awareness, attitude, powerful listening, and a desire to strengthen bonds and extend grace. You are invited to develop this life-giving skill in a three-day workshop that will transform the way you communicate at home, at work, and in the world. Learn more and register now at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/tsbu.

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches adults how to recognize the signs and symptoms that suggest a potential mental health challenge, how to listen non-judgmentally and give reassurance to a youth who may be experiencing a mental health challenge, and how to refer a person to appropriate professional support and services. We will offer this class on Saturday, February 19 from 9 am to 6 pm, led by Amy Campbell, Children's and Family Missioner for The Episcopal Diocese of NC. Contact her at amy.campbell@episdionc.org for additional information or to register.

Men's Annual Retreat Rescheduled to March\* - Men of all ages are invited to enjoy our annual weekend of fun and fellowship, reflection, recreation, and relaxation, planned for March 11 - 13 at Valle Crucis Conference Center in Banner Elk, NC. Lodging and all meals are included in the registration fee (\$250); scholarships are available. Dr. Brian Foreman, Executive Director of the Campbell University Center for Church & Community, will be our guest speaker. Learn more and register now at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/men. \*If you signed up for January, your registration will automatically be transferred to March.

**Calling All Girl Scout Cookie Lovers** - Please consider supporting the Rama Road Girl Scout Troop by purchasing your cookies from us. Our sales will suffer this year as the girls are not able to host any cookie booths. We



offer contactless delivery and easy ordering! Order online by February 20 using this QR code (DigitalCookie.GirlScouts.org/scout/troop5301-360), or email Cristina Warlick at troop5301cookiesales@gmail.com.

## **SERVE THE WORLD**

**CLT Housing & Homelessness PIT Count Winter Necessities Drive** - The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is when our community comes together to survey each person experiencing sheltered or unsheltered homelessness on one night. We are collecting gloves, hand warmers, hats, blankets and tarps for our vulnerable neighbors. Drop off all of your items by January 25th from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM in the outreach bin in the Rotunda.

**Room in the Inn** - December through January, Christ Church (along with over 100 other churches and organizations) provides emergency winter shelter for 12 homeless neighbors (men, women, children, and/or families). Parishioners host our neighbors by assisting with bed set-up; picking up neighbors; making, serving, and sharing dinner with neighbors; serving as overnight hosts; and making sack lunches. This is a great volunteer opportunity for families, especially for those with young children. To learn more, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/riti.

**Tornado Disaster Relief** - Episcopal Relief and Development is in contact with Episcopal dioceses in Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Tennessee in response to the devastating tornadoes that struck recently. Please pray for the people impacted by the deadly tornadoes. Donations to the US Disaster Fund will support Episcopal Relief and Development and its partners as they respond.

# **WAYS TO GIVE**

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



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