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The Disciple

News & Events at Christ Church Charlotte



A luminous year of spiritual growth and generosity is underway at Christ Church, with innovative new fall ministries as well as familiar favorites starting this month.

We are also preparing to commemorate our Diamond Anniversary next year, with opportunities to remember our past and celebrate our present and future together.

See inside for details on all that lies ahead.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

- PSALM 85: 8, 12-13

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### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

## **Children's Chapel**

### Every Sunday during 8:45 AM worship

We are thrilled to continue this worship opportunity for children in fifth grade and below! Beginning on September 17, Children's Chapel will be offered every Sunday during 8:45 AM services. This year we will fill the halls with "Gospel Graffiti." During chapel, children will respond to the Gospel by



exploring what they heard, how it made them feel, and what images stand out to them. They will then create collages as a team to reinforce the lesson. These collages will be showcased throughout the halls of the Church this year. This will help children understand the same Gospel Lesson that adults hear that day.

Children who want to participate in Children's Chapel should begin worship with their families, and exit by following the bright green Children's Chapel banner at the start of the Gospel Hymn. They will rejoin their families during the Peace, in time for Communion.

As always, Nursery Care is provided for children birth through age four.

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### SAVE THE DATE!



Friday, October 6, 6:00 – 9:00 PM Christ Church Rotunda

An evening of fellowship to benefit Christ Church Nursery.

## **Sunday School Returns**

### Sunday, September 17 at 10:00 AM

We had a great summer, but we are ready for Sunday School! Every child has a class assignment, regardless of whether they have attended in the past or not. Families will receive an email that indicates your child's Sunday School teacher and room number. Contact Lindsay Masi at masiL@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions about Sunday School for children age two – 5th grade.

## Save These Family Gathering Dates!

Sunday, September 17 First Day of Sunday School

Wednesday, September 20 All Youth Kickoff Event (includes 4th/5th Navigators)

**Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30** He, She, We and God Weekend (Fifth Graders and their Parents) (1 of 2 options)

Friday, October 6 Fall Fest - sponsored by the Nursery Committee

Sunday, October 8 Large Group Sunday School Gathering (details to come)

Sunday, October 15 1st – 3rd Grade Outreach/Service Project

Friday, November 10 Family Fellowship Night

Week of November 5 – 11 4th/5th Navigators, TBD

Saturday, November 18 An Evening with Lisa Miller, author of The Spiritual Child

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## EPEC – Exceptional Parents of Exceptional Children

### Monday, September 11, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, Green Room

The EPEC support group is designed for parents of children with special needs, disabilities, and developmental delays to discuss their experiences, share ideas, and provide spiritual, mental, and emotional support to one another. EPEC will meet monthly on the second Monday of the month,

6:00 - 7:00 PM in the Green Room and is a judgment-free ministry. Childcare is available with an advance online request at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/EPEC.



### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

## Sunday School Begins September 17!

We can't wait to see everyone's smiling faces back in Sunday School 10:00 AM, September 17 to learn more about our faith and how to walk more closely with God in our everyday lives. Listed below are the classrooms for Youth Sunday School. Please join us! It is going to be a wonderful year of learning and growing together. Questions? Contact Adam Klevenhagen at klevenhagena@ christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6968.

### Middle School Classes:

6th Grade - St. Francis C (Upper Level Rotunda) 7th Grade - St. Francis B (Upper Level Rotunda) 8th Grade - St. Francis A (Upper Level Rotunda)

### **High School Classes:**

9th Grade - M204 (Main Level) 10th Grade - M205 (Main Level) 11th Grade - St. Francis D (Upper Level Rotunda) 12th Grade - M206 (Main Level)

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## **Family Faith Talks**

Our goal is to equip and empower families to Love God, Care for Each Other, and Serve the World. Faith Talks are a wonderful time for families to sit in fellowship and discuss real-life faith issues. We hope to help you remember your purpose as children of God, and to support you in building a strong foundation here at your spiritual home.

Each gathering will include a light dinner, engaging activities, guest speakers, and lots of prayer. Faith Talks are scheduled for the following Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM:

September 27 October 18 November 15 January 17 February 14 March 14 April 11

Registration (\$8 per person) is required at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/faithtalks. If this cost is prohibitive for you, please contact The Reverend Joshua Case at casej@ christchurchcharlotte.org for confidential assistance. For more information about Faith Talks, contact Adam Klevenhagen at klevenhagena@christchurchcharlotte.org.

## **All-Youth Kick-Off**

For Youth 4th – 12th Grade and Youth Leaders Wednesday, September 20, 6:00 – 7:30 PM Church Lawn and Circle

Kick off a great year of fellowship and fun in youth ministry at Christ Church. There will be food, music and friends as we get to know one another and find out more about what's in store for youth at Christ Church this fall. We want Christ Church to be everyone's spiritual home! Questions? Contact Adam Klevenhagen at klevenhagena@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6968.

## **Glory Ridge 2017 Reflection**

## By R. Jackson Fernandez, Rising Senior, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics

I have had many summer learning opportunities over the years, and the one I was determined to participate in again, for the fifth summer in a row, was Glory Ridge. The rituals of evening worship, prayer circle, playing in the creek, and helping do chores around camp strengthens my faith each summer.

The first year, I quickly realized the extreme poverty and poor educational resources just two hours away from Charlotte, in a beautiful setting in Madison County, NC. Each year I returned revealed different yet similar situations of need that our incredible team of leaders and peers were challenged to improve. This year our group took on multiple projects with families in the region, divided into three worksites for the week.

My group was assigned to repair Mrs. Janie's porch. Mrs. Janie is a kind, gentle 85-year-old woman with an incredible work ethic. She lives alone in a home that her husband built in the 1950's by hand with wood from their property. Our project began as a simple fix to rotted wood on one corner of her porch. We soon realized that the porch would need to be completely rebuilt.

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### **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**



### How do You Know it's Time to Move?

Don't wait until there is a crisis.

The outcome of a crisis is confused or ill seniors, disorganized but well-meaning children, and a family in chaos.

You do not have to be ill, or disabled, or frail before making the move to a more supportive environment. You want to move when you are in good health, and can develop a new life and relationships in a safe and helpful place.

People are afraid they are making the move before they need to and therefore usually end up moving NOT at a time of their choosing, but in crisis.

On Wednesday, September 20, the Aging Matters program will consider this topic and offer a list of things to think about to determine when it is time to move. Some of the items on the list include:

- · I've recently fallen.
- I have more than two chronic conditions like high blood pressure, high cholesterol, COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, etc.).
- · Dementia or Alzheimer's runs in my family.
- I take more than four pills (not vitamins) each day.
- I am concerned about my spouse's memory/ balance/judgment/patience.
- I've lost weight (10 lbs or more) over the past 6 months without really trying.
- Closets and drawers, attics, basements and garages at my home need culling.
- I don't have help with dusting, vacuuming, sweeping and cleaning bathrooms.
- If I fell without my phone nearby I could be on the floor for several hours/days before anyone knew.
- My laundry room is in the basement.
- If I could not drive, I am not sure who I would ask to take me places or do errands.
- None of my children live nearby.
- I want to have a say in what gets kept and what get given away of my possessions.
- I want to be able to tell my family the meaning of some of my possessions.

Come get the full list and learn how to facilitate a conversation with others on this topic.

## **Aging Matters**

Wednesday, September 20, 7:00 PM Topic: When is the Right Time to Move?

The move to a retirement community is a major change, and the timing is different for each person. We will look at factors to consider in determining the "right time" with our guest, Anne Murray Randolph. She has an MBA from New York University and has moved and down-sized numerous times and helped others do the same. She is passionate about helping seniors and their families navigate the opportunities and challenges of aging. To register contact The Reverend Lisa Saunders at saundersL@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6952.

## Living with Grief and Hope

Wednesdays, September 20 – October 11 1:00 – 2:15 PM or 7:00 – 8:15 PM

Grief can be a pathway to growth, not in a way that justifies the pain or loss, but in a way that pays homage to our loss. No one need carry grief alone either. Knowing that others understand how we feel can lessen the hurt and strengthen the hope.

This four-week series will be led by The Reverend Lisa Saunders. For more information, contact saundersL@ christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6952.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY (ECW)

## Save the Dates!

### Annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday, December 2, 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Our wonderful vendors, fantastic handcrafted gifts, fabulous holiday greenery, Christmas decorations, and delicious homemade foods will get you in the Christmas spirit. Holiday shopping (and helping our community) has never been easier! All proceeds benefit ECW outreach efforts. For questions contact Nancy Neill at nancyneill@strategicmfo.com.

### Annual Advent Luncheon Tuesday, December 5, 11:15 AM – 1:00 PM

This festive event features great fellowship and an inspiring talk to prepare our hearts for Christmas. Questions? Contact Jennifer Hughes at jenniferhas3kids@gmail.com or 704-661-7648, or Liz Foster at Ifoster926@me.com or 704-373-1401.

### PARISH LIFE & NEWCOMERS



## Fall Parish Day 2017

As we wind down the summer days, we look forward to cool fall weather and reuniting with our Church family! Please join us for our annual Fall Parish Day on Sunday, September 10, as we celebrate our spiritual home and usher in the upcoming program year. After the 10:00 AM Festival Eucharist in All Saints' Hall, we will enjoy fabulous music, fantastic food, and fun entertainment for kids and adults of all ages, including bounce houses, a cake walk, face painting, balloon animals and more! Come dressed for comfort and prepared for fun!

## **Newcomer Dinners**

If you are new or relatively new to Christ Church and would like to connect with others who are new as well, we invite

you to the Newcomer Dinners beginning Wednesday, October 4. These are an opportunity to gather for dinner and conversation, including a special guest who will share a little of what's going on around Christ Church. We will host

Hello We're glad you're here!

these dinners on the first Wednesday of the month, 5:30 – 7:00 PM in M207, from October through April. For questions, contact Kathryn Saunders, Director of Newcomers and Parish Life at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org or The Reverend Patty Rhyne at rhynep@christchurchcharlotte.org.

### **MUSIC & WORSHIP**



## Adult Choir Rehearsals - New Night

The Christ Church Choir has begun rehearsals on Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, with our new Director of Music, Ben Outen. This choir provides musical leadership for the 11:15 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church, and other special services throughout the year. If you would like to participate, contact Ben Outen at outenb@christchurchcharlotte.org.

## Livestream Camera Operators Needed

Are you good with technology? Are you looking for a new opportunity to serve at Christ Church? We need volunteers to learn to operate our Livestream cameras during worship services in the Church one Sunday per month. We will provide all the training. This important ministry allows those who cannot attend worship in person to stay connected to Christ Church. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Rick Fitts, Technology Arts Coordinator, at fittsr@christchurchcharlotte.org to learn more or volunteer.

## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Nursery care is available during all services for children ages four and under in the Nursery Suites (lower level of All Saints' Hall) during all services except 7:30 AM.

## September 3 - Labor Day Weekend

8:30 AM	Holy Eucharist in the Church
10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist in the Church (with Children's Chapel)
5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist in the Church

## September 10 - Fall Parish Day

7:30 AM	Holy Eucharist in the Church (no child care)
10:00 AM	Festival Eucharist in All Saints' Hall
5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist in the Church

Our regular Sunday schedule resumes Sunday, September 17. For details, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/calendar.

## Fall Programming

### CLASSES

## Spiritual Growth and the Enneagram II

#### "Who's Driving the Bus?" Wednesdays, September 20 - November 8 6:30 - 8:30 PM, St. Francis A

Beyond the nine different personality styles, this eightweek class will explore the Enneagram's deeper function: To help us learn who we are beyond the limits of personality, as we reconnect with our spiritual depths. For more information, contact Jenny Beaumont at 704-714-6945 or beaumontj@christchurchcharlotte.org.

## Education for Ministry (EFM)

Education for Ministry (EFM) is a Bible study and theological reflection group that connects the study of scripture with our real lives. EFM has a rich history at Christ Church, and currently has four active groups that meet September through May, with seven trained mentors within those groups. For more information, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/efm.

## Brené-ology 101: The Best of Brené Brown

### Wednesdays, October 11 – November 1 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Green Room

Join Certified Daring Way<sup>™</sup> Facilitator, The Reverend Matt Holcombe, for a unique learning opportunity as he explores vulnerability, scarcity, shame, daring greatly, and courage. Using New York Times bestselling books Gifts of Imperfection, Daring Greatly, Rising Strong, and Braving the Wilderness, immerse yourself in a four-week lecture/ learning/practice experience designed for both men and women, as well as beginner and seasoned Brown followers. Register for childcare or reserve a chair at www. christchurchcharlotte.org/brenebrown.

## **Communication Skills Training**

Bob Chapman, CEO of Barry-Wehmiller, is helping us offer this transformational class to our parishioners and partners within the Charlotte community. This is designed to improve your relationships and enhance your ability to touch people's lives. Upcoming dates: October 10 - 12 (Wait List Only), November 14 - 16, January 9 - 11, 2018.

For more information, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/cst.

### **BIBLE STUDY**



Christ Church Women's Bible Study

Thursday Mornings September 21, 2017 – March 15, 2018

Join women of all ages to study,

learn, and grow together. This year we will study the book of Isaiah in the fall and Paul's letters to the Ephesians and Colossians starting in January. The \$60 fee includes both the fall and spring semester. Childcare is available at no additional charge. To participate, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/ccwbs to register and pay online.

# Good Book

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Reading the Bible is at the core of a living faith. As the story of God and God's people, the Bible can speak to you and guide you in ordinary and unexpected ways. Learning and cultivating your knowledge of the Bible is an incredible opportunity to come into God's presence as you explore, grow, and deepen your faith. As a Church on a mission to equip and empower people on their spiritual journey, Christ Church has three unique opportunities for you to embed scripture in your life and learn more about the Bible. The Good Book is open to the wider community and even to the world. Consider inviting a friend, colleague, family member or neighbor to join you and us!

This year Christ Church is offering three new ways to support you in reading and reflecting on scripture:



EXPLORE: Receive a daily Bible passage in your email.

## Advent/Lent

GROW: Read one book of the Bible during each of the seasons of Advent and Lent.

## Beginning to End

DEEPEN: Read the entire Bible from beginning to end, with optional small group gatherings.

For more information visit www.christchurchcharlotte. org/goodbook.

### **ADULT FORMATION**

## **Fall Faith Forum Schedule**



SEPTEMBER 14 7:00 PM, OVENS AUDITORIUM

### Brené Brown

### **Braving The Wilderness**

Social scientist and three-time #1 New York Times bestseller Brené Brown has sparked a global conversation about the experiences that bring meaning to our lives – cour-

age, vulnerability, love, belonging, shame, and empathy. In her new book, *Braving the Wilderness*, Brown redefines our understanding of what it means to truly belong in an age of increased polarization. Dr. Brown comes to Charlotte to discuss her new book, Braving the Wilderness, and talk with The Reverend Chip Edens.



### SEPTEMBER 17 Lynne Twist

### How Much is Enough?

Author, global visionary, and founder of the Soul of Money Institute, Lynne Twist has devoted her life to alleviating poverty, ending world hunger and supporting social justice and environmental sustainability. Working alongside such teachers as Mother

Teresa and refugees in Ethiopia, Lynne's breadth of knowledge and experiences have led her to profound insights about the social tapestry of the world. She believes we are called to share instead of accumulate.



### SEPTEMBER 24 Wanda Ortwine

### **Defining and Living Your Values**

Chief Family Officer at Luck Stone, Wanda helps to develop value-based leaders within family systems to help them achieve their vision for future generations. Her unique approach to long-term financial sustainability has helped countless families live into

their principles and values, through thoughtful and comprehensive business ownership and leadership succession plans, estate planning, asset protection, and investment strategies.



### 10:00 AM, All Saints' Hall

(unless otherwise noted)

## OCTOBER 8 Tommy Battle

### The Spirituality of Teenagers

Headmaster of Virginia Episcopal School, Tommy is devoted to nurturing, equipping, and empowering youth with the tools and abilities needed to be successful in today's world. As a realist about the challenges many

communities face around the nation, Tommy says, "Individual pursuits are exciting, but when a community of people focus their ideas, experience, and passion, we can do so much more."



## OCTOBER 29 Wintley Phipps

### The Power of Grace

World-renowned vocal artist, educational activist, motivational speaker, pastor, and founder of the U.S. Dream Academy, Wintley has traveled the world delivering messages of grace, hope, and equality to millions. He has received numerous

service awards including the Oprah Winfrey Angel Network Use Your Life Award and the Philanthropist of the Year Award from the National Center for Black Philanthropy.



## NOVEMBER 19 Lisa Miller

### **The Spiritual Child**

Founder of the Spirituality Mind Body Institute and Professor of Psychology and Education at Columbia University Teachers College, Lisa is the author of New York Times bestseller The Spiritual Child. Lisa is a leading scientist on

spirituality across the lifespan and her innovative research has focused on the quantifiable effects of spirituality in health, resilience and thriving, and an overall sacred and joyful life.

For more information about these upcoming Faith Forums, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/faithforum.

### **ADULT FORMATION**

## **Bishops Will Visit in November**

Save the dates for two very special Wednesday evenings with our Bishops.



Evensong and Faith Forum with Bishop Sam Rodman Wednesday, November 8



An Evening with Bishop Anne Hodges-Copple Wednesday, November 29

Watch for additional details about these events in upcoming Disciples and on our website at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/faithforum.

## Diocese of North Carolina Bicentennial Traveling Exhibit

### Wednesday, September 27 6:30 - 7:30PM

As we begin to celebrate our 75th anniversary, Christ Church will host a traveling exhibit that celebrates the Bicentennial of Diocese of NC, September 27 - October 10 in the GoodNews Café. The exhibit includes a timeline of historical facts and photographs which date back to the founding of the Diocese of NC on April 24, 1817 in New Bern, NC. For more information on the display, go to www.bicentennial. dionc.org/traveling-exhibit.html.

On Wednesday, September 27, from 6:30-7:30 PM, parishioners are invited to a presentation by Lynn Hoke, the Archivist of the Episcopal Diocese of NC. The presentation will include a wine and cheese reception.



### **OUTREACH & MISSION**

## **Opportunities to Serve In Our Community**

### Matthew 25 is Calling All Chefs

Did you know that the Matthew 25 Guild of Christ Church bakes enough casseroles to serve 1,250 people each month? We are now gearing up for another busy season of feeding our neighbors at the Urban Ministry Center, Men's Shelter, Salvation Army Center of Hope, and Charlotte Rescue Mission. And in celebration of our upcoming 75th anniversary, we are looking to recruit 75 volunteers! September through May, each volunteer makes one large casserole per month and delivers it to the Church. It's easy to prepare, the ingredients are economical, and the recipe never changes! Aluminum pans are provided. For more information, contact Sally Mitchener (704-516-9307, smitchener@aol.com) or Lynn Tate (704-996-6601, lynnsptate@gmail.com).

### **Men's Shelter of Charlotte**

Looking for an easy serving opportunity for yourself or as a family? Serve dinner at the Men's Shelter with others from Christ Church on the first Sunday, second Friday, or fourth Thursday of each month, year-round, 5:15 - 7:15 PM. The Men's Shelter is an emergency shelter for adult men, with two locations (Tryon Street and Statesville Avenue). In addition to meeting the basic needs of shelter, clothing, showers and meals, the Men's Shelter also works alongside the men to identify sources of income and available housing so that they may move from homelessness into housing. Of the 600,000 meals served in a year at the Men's Shelter, Christ Church serves 12,000. To learn more or sign up, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/shelter, or contact Deborah Shoemake at shoemaked@christchurch-charlotte.org.

### Serve-A-Bration 2017

Mark your calendars now for November 5 - 11 as we celebrate Serve-A-Bration 2017, and join us in serving Christ by serving our brothers and sisters. Each year we dedicate a week to providing a wide variety of opportunities to serve others in our community in different ways. With our 75th appiver

75th anniversary celebration coming next year, what better way to honor our Church's enduring commitment to making a dif-



ference in the world than to make this the largest Serve-A-Bration ever? We will have projects for all ages throughout the week. Little or no experience is required – just a desire to help others. More information is coming in October.

## New Opportunities for Racial Reconciliation and Social Justice

### by Josiah Daniels, Director of Outreach and Mission

Since joining Christ Church this spring, I have regularly been asked how we will go about engaging with one of our four major ministry focus areas: racial reconciliation and social justice. How frequently I am asked this question makes it clear that we deeply desire to respond faithfully to what seems to be an increasingly apparent divide in our country. If you are anything like me, you may feel overwhelmed by the immensity of the problem and struggle to know where to begin. As any experienced traveler knows, a vital piece of a successful trip is becoming educated about where you're going and what we you will need for your journey. I'm excited to announce two opportunities to do just that with regards to racial reconciliation and social justice this fall.

The first of these is the **Racial Justice Advocacy Program**, hosted by Johnson C Smith University, Queens University,

and UNC Charlotte Truth. This six-session educational series will begin September 10, 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Sessions will examine the history of race and antiracism work in our country, explore how race affects our lives and our faith today, and equip attendees to work with others towards a more just and equitable community.

The second opportunity is **Race Matters for Juvenile Justice**'s biannual community conference on October 30. This all-day event will help participants become familiar with RMJJ's work and the effects of racial discrimination in many of our institutions. Additionally, it will provide the opportunity to work alongside others interested in racial reconciliation and social justice toward solutions for this pressing problem. The deadline for registration is September 29.

For more information or to register for either of these events, contact Josiah Daniels at danielsj@christchurch-charlotte.org.



## **Celebrating Christ Church's 75 Anniversary**

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven." Mathew 5:16

Christ Episcopal Church Charlotte will turn seventy-five in the summer of 2018, with Let Your Light Shine an appropriate theme for our sparkling Diamond Anniversary!

Following the words of Jesus in Matthew 5:16, over the course of the coming year, we will Let Our Light Shine by glorifying the living and

eternal light of Christ, cultivating the unique and precious light within each of us, and shining our light into the world.

We will look back, honoring the story of a community of friends, centered in Christ, who envisioned this remarkable Church in 1943, lighting the path we follow today.

We will look outward to the ways that Christ Church lights up the world right now, from Botswana to Biloxi and from Rama Road Elementary to Hogar

Escuela. From Providence Road to wherever the city needs us: the schools, the hospitals, the streets. From Crisis Assistance Ministry to the Men's Shelter, Charlotte Family Housing, Urban Ministry Center, Loaves and Fishes, HopeWay, and so much more.

We will also look within, exploring how to keep the divine light inside each one of us shining bright, so that we can be a light to our families, friends, community, and the world.

And we will look ahead to the dazzling things we want to do moving forward – renewing our vision as we remember our past.

#### What's in the works?

A faithful and industrious group of your fellow parishioners have been working together to plan a number of activities over the course of the year (listed below).

We will kick off our celebration on Parish Day, Sunday, September 10. There are a number of

activities planned throughout the course of the fall and spring, culminating in our community-wide celebration planned for Friday, April 13.

We will commemorate our rich history with a historical banner display. A series of videos will share rich stories of our past and dreams for our future as told by parishioners and other community partners. A keepsake book filled with storytelling, personal memories, photographs, and historic timelines will speak to those whose lives

have been touched by Christ Church.

Over the course of this year-long celebration there will also be opportunities to engage through parish life events, outreach activities, community conversations, and dreaming about what's next. By the end of the year, we hope to find ways as individuals and as a community to share our light with each other and shine our collective light into the world.

Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/75years to see a full calendar of events and other helpful information, as well as some of the wonderful memorabilia uncovered by our fabulous archive committee.

#### 75TH ANNIVERSARY LEADERSHIP AND PLANNING TEAMS Arrington Mixon, *Chair*

Arrington Mixon, *Chair* The Reverend Chip Edens, *Rector* Wendy Mauney, *Parish Administrator* 

#### **Remembering Our Past**

Anne Dooley & Fletcher Gregory, Co-Chairs Martha Alexander Bird Anderson **Catherine Browning** Kaky Cassada Sallie Close Ned Hardison Eric Locher John Lowry Lois Ann Partridge Winston Paschall **Bailey Patrick** Anne Ratcliffe Anne Carroll Ratcliffe Laurens Adams Threlkeld The Reverend Lisa Saunders

#### **Celebrating Our Present**

Nikki DeVillers & Margaret Williams, *Co-Chairs* Sis Cranz John Crehore Lydia Hanna Peggy Horne Nancy Lowry Corrie Manis Bruce Miller Sally Mitchener Barbara Plumlee Janie Sellers Caroline Tolmie Spencer Yorke The Reverend Patty Rhyne

#### **Renewing Our Vision**

Hooper Hardison & Carol Lorenz, *Co-Chairs* Sean Bird Emily Cooper Jose Costa Doug Ey Susan Hamilton Ann Hartlieb Frank Horne Catherine Ruth Kelly Randall Mountcastle Barbara Pooley Fran Redic The Reverend Marty Hedgpeth The Reverend Matt Holcombe



## Christ Church Charlotte

### **GOODNEWS SHOP**

### **Beautiful Pottery with a Purpose**

We are happy to announce that we now carry Missions Pottery from Lexington, NC at GoodNews.

For owner and potter, Tommy Davis, this journey began as a new hobby after the loss of his job. Missions Pottery Shop and Gallery are now his full time job with profits that help support missions throughout the



US and the world. To help spread the Word through his pottery, Tommy includes a hole in each one of his pieces. This hole represents the void in each one of our hearts that can only be filled by Jesus Christ.

Come by the shop and see this beautiful selection of North Carolina pottery. You will love it!

generosity shines



The school supply drive for Rama Road Elementary School brought out the generosity in our parish. A mountain of school supplies were donated, enough to fill more than 100 backpacks, with plenty of extra supplies leftover for teachers to replenish as the school year progresses. The Rama teachers were blown away by the delivery!

Bill Cooper and his grandson Will Cooper (pictured above) made it a family affair, going shopping together for a car load of supplies and delivering them to the Church on a hot summer morning. We're grateful for their generosity and yours.

In the Parish

### **New Members**

Angela and Chris Nesbit and Family Jay Myers Laura Case and Family

### **Births**

James Deason, grandson of Jim Horton and Kathy Reardon

James Person Boone, grandson of Lisa and John Tomlinson

Eleanor Kay Wood, daughter of Kathryn and Alex Wood Andrew Robert Kain, son of Sarah and Matt Kain Robert Burton Lahmeyer, grandson of Harriett and

- Don Burton
- Helen Leary Scarborough, daughter of Leary and Ruffin Scarborough

Leighton Mary Smith, daughter of Tonya and Sean Smith Austin Lee Lowry, son of Liz and Lee Lowry

### **Baptisms**

Louise Wornall Godwin Mary Leighton McAdams Avery Madison Hamelin Blake Catherine Purser Lindy James Vohs Matthew Phillips Saunders

### Deaths

Doris Bowen, mother of Tori Kern Doris Moore, mother of Jackie Plott Mary Hall, mother of Susan Dooley Harriet Funk Vanstory, stepmother of Leigh Poe

### Glory Ridge 2017 Reflection (continued)

Then my team was asked to build a new bench for Glory Ridge, using standard 2x4's. But in an effort to add some history and flare to our bench, we asked Mrs. Janie if we could use a piece of hand sawn wood from a stack in her barn. She immediately said yes and told me the wood was sawn by her husband's own hands. We built our bench using this meaningful piece of wood.

Participating in the Glory Ridge experience through Christ Church has been life changing for me. For anyone looking for the opportunity to really grow their faith and touch the lives of others Glory Ridge is the place.

This article was edited to fit this space. To read Jackson's entire reflection, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org /fernandez.

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