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News & Events at Christ Church Charlotte



Love God
Care for Each Other
Serve the World

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God of courage,
endless source of faith and hope, grant us wisdom
and knowledge in the midst of uncertainty.

God of hope,
creator of all that is seen and unseen, grant us patience
and trust in the midst of anxieties.

God of love,
redeemer of all that is broken, grant us strength
and compassion to comfort the afflicted.

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit,
above, below, beneath, and beside us, above all else —
help us to fear less and hope more.

Amen.

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10:00 AM, All Saints' Hall

FAITH FORUM

Leighton Ford


A gifted minister, author, and spiritual leader, Leighton Ford has spoken to Christians around the world, helping them cultivate an abundant faith and live courageous lives. Leighton describes his mission now as “artist of the soul, friend on the journey.” This reflects his avocation as an artist, as seen in his just-published *Places of the Heart*, a coffee table inspirational volume of his poetry, paintings, and reflections.

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FAITH FORUM:

Pittman McGehee


the conscious and unconscious parts of the mind.

Episcopal Priest, Jungian analyst, author, and Director of the Institute for the Advancement of Psychology and Spirituality, Pittman McGehee is a gifted mentor and practitioner of finding God and spirituality where you are. As a world-renowned lecturer Pittman takes a courageous and analytical approach to helping others grow spiritually by bringing together

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FAITH FORUM:

Matthew Stanford


psychology and issues of faith.

Matthew Stanford is the Chief Executive Officer of the Hope and Healing Center & Institute in Houston, Texas, which focuses on transforming lives and restoring hope. He is an adjunct professor at Baylor College of Medicine, author of over 100 peer-reviewed articles in psychology, psychiatry, and neuroscience, and focuses his research on the interplay between

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FAITH FORUM:

Tad and Elizabeth Roach


Visionary educators Tad and Elizabeth Roach share a courageous passion for equipping and empowering “Christian character” in children and youth. As a civic leader, author, and Head of School at St. Andrew’s School, Tad Roach speaks and writes extensively about school culture, educational reform, leadership, and diversity. Elizabeth Roach is the Dean of Teaching and Learning at St. Andrew’s, as well as a varsity coach.

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FAITH FORUM:

Meg Jay


complicated and courageous than most people realize.

Clinical psychologist, professor of education at the University of Virginia, and author, Meg Jay weaves the latest research with complex realities and stereotypes.

In her book, *Supernormal*, Meg explores the secret, inner world of those who are resilient, and shows that being resilient is much more

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE SPEAKERS, VISIT WWW.CHRISTCHURCHCHARLOTTE.ORG/FAITH-FORUM.

ADULT FORMATION



Discipleship Matters Conference

October 15 – 17

Christ Church will host this national conference which explores discipleship, scripture engagement, prayer, serving the poor, and sharing the Good News, featuring keynote speakers, workshops, and networking time. In addition, Holy Eucharist, Evensong, and the Daily Office will be celebrated. Bishops Sam Rodman and Anne Hodges-Copple will join us for Faith Forums and liturgies. To learn more about the conference and to register, go to www.renewal-works.org/events.



Sign up to receive an inspirational Bible passage from the Old or New Testament every day. Purposefully-selected daily scripture passages are emailed each morning to subscribers. Participants are encouraged to develop a routine or spiritual practice as you read, meditate, and seek to understand how God is speaking to you through each passage. Sign up at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/bible.

One God, Three Faiths: Judaism, Islam, and Christianity

Wednesdays, November 7, 14 & 28
6:30 – 8:00 PM, St. Francis B

Please join us for this three-part class on Wednesday evenings, led by Imam Atif Chaudhry, The Reverend Matt Holcombe, and Rabbi Judy Schindler.

Communications Skills Training (CST)

October 9 – 11, November 13 – 15

These three-day workshops (8:00 AM – 3:30 PM) develop skills to improve relationships with friends, family, spouses, and co-workers. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/cst for more information.

Communication Skills Training Reboots

Saturday, September 8, October 13, November 10

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Green Room

Half-day Saturday workshops help CST graduates build up and practice their skills. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/cst-reboot for registration details.



Adult Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

May 2 – 11, 2019

Registration Deadline: January 11, 2019

We invite you to travel with us to the Holy Land, to walk where Jesus walked and experience the places where he worshiped, prayed, taught, healed, and served. This ten-day pilgrimage around Israel is a unique opportunity to deepen your faith by bringing Biblical geography to life.

To view the brochure with complete itinerary and trip details or to register, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/holyland.





Children and Youth Leader Kickoff Luau

We had a wonderful kickoff dinner to prepare our leaders for the year ahead. Leading children and teenagers through their faith journeys can be a daunting task, but we are so lucky to have committed, faithful leaders who are ready to jump in feet first! Thank you to more than 150 volunteer leaders who have committed to serving our children and youth (two years through High School) this year! They are:

Chip Abbott	Sommers Errington	Kristin Kracke	Caroline Saunders
Stephanie Allison	Doug Ey	Reed Kracke	Tim Saunders
Brantley Alvey	Anne Farrar	Tyler Larmee	Anna Schmelzer
Bird Anderson	Leslie Flanagan	Allie Lavins	Gray Setaro
Kristin Arnold	Stacie Fulton	Perry Lucas	Virginia Shaw
Jim Ausman	Elizabeth Gannaway	Brittany Luther	Hobby Sherman
Mary Beth Ausman	Steve Garbee	Zach Manis	Catinna Sideris
Jenny Beaumont	Page Gatewood	Garrett Mastin	Carter Siegel
Michael Beaumont	Ann Gelting	Ginger McAdams	Margaret Siegel
Anne Bell	Greg Gelting	Jen McAuley	Katherine Slayton
Jane Billings	Carolyn Giammarinaro	John McAuley	Julie Smith
Nancy Blackman	Kim Gordon	Stirling McDavid	Whitney Smith
Becca Boyd	Matt Gordon	Clem McDavid	Virginia Stevenson
London Boyd	Sarah Gordon	Haley McGahey	Martha Tate
Dara Brownlow	Mary Gregory	James McGahey	Brantley Templeton
Cam Buchanan	Bill Grier	Laura McGirt	Peggy Thies
Spencer Buchanan	Will Hadley	Lauren McGuire	Bo Thomas
Christina Burgess	Elizabeth Ham	Brooke Meyer	Cameron Uher
Beth Burris	Gigi Harris	Claire Middleton	Alison Van Pelt
Liza Calder	Lizette Harris	Billy Morton	Kristin Van Stratt
Alice Canterbury	William Harris	Jenny Morton	Brian Vest
Laura Case	Cacky Higgins	Jane Myers	Jessica Vest
A.T. Castillo	Liz Hill	Jay Myers	Katherine Vest
Emily Chandler	Brigid Hinds	Molly Neilson	Odie von Werssowetz
Jim Clardy	Stacey Hitzemann	Rick Newton	Neale Walton
Joyce Cmiel	Steve Hitzemann	Angela Paul	Katie Williams
Corinne Connor	Alicia Holcombe	Ann Stewart Pendergrass	Lindsey Williams
Shirley Cook	Frank Horne	Jay Peters	Fred Wood
Cindy Costa	Kris Humphreys	Nancy Poe	Mason Wood
Mary Council	Preston Humphreys	Barbara Pooley	Sylvia Wood
Lisa Crotty	Linda Hurlbert	Allison Popp	Lisa Wright
Nancy Crowley	Michael Hurlbert	Elizabeth Porcher	Sally Wyche
Karolyn Currence	Henry Ijams	Andrea Powell	Marshall Wyker
Catherine Dooley	Matt Kain	Ed Rickenbaker	Leigh Young
Elizabeth Dooley	Catherine Ruth Kelly	Stephanie Rickenbaker	Adam Zeck
David Dufresne	Ellen Kelly	Mark Riopel	Katie Zeck
Brian Dunaway	Joe Kenny	Kirk Ritchie	Mary Catherine Zito
Jannell Dunaway	Lindsey Kerr	Butch Robertson	Vince Zito
Kim Ellison	Rob Kerr	Dory Rogers	

How to Connect With Your Child's Faith This Fall

As you have settled back into routines at home and work, we hope you continue to keep God at the center of all you do. As parents, you are the *primary spiritual caregivers* for your children and we hope to encourage and empower you in that role. Below, you will find some simple faith-building activities you can incorporate into your daily routines to help keep faith at the center of your home:

1. **Pray daily with and for your children.** Say the Lord's Prayer before tucking your children in and turning out the lights each night or incorporate a prayer before your children leave for school each day such as "Thank you for the food we eat! Thank you for the friends we meet! Thank you for our work and play! Thank you for this happy day! Amen."
2. **Memorize one verse together as a family each week.** Use the weekly Gospel reading beginning Monday and learn the verse. Talk about each word, its meaning, and what your child believes the good news is each week. The website www.sermons4kids.com is a great starting point.
3. **Review take-home handouts from Sunday.** If you attend the 8:45 AM service and your child attends Children's Chapel, use the take-home sheet provided to complete the activities and talk through each component. Ask for a copy of the Sunday School lesson to review the scripture and search for additional at-home activities relating to the scripture.
4. **Apply Biblical truths to everyday activities.** Ask your children if they saw God at work today. Did God give us a rainy day to create new life? Did he remind your child to be patient and wait their turn before going down the slide during recess?

If you would like more tips or have any questions about faith in the home, contact any member of the Children, Youth, and Family team.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Spotlight Sally Wyche



Sally and her husband James have been members of Christ Church since 2003. Sally quickly jumped in as a volunteer for Children's Ministry, first as a Sunday School leader and later serving on the Nursery Committee after her daughter Louise's birth. She has served as the Nursery Committee Chair, as both a Steering Committee member and Co-chair for Vacation

Bible School, a Children's Chapel leader, and she currently serves as our Children and Family Ministry Commission Chair. The Wyche's three children, Louise (11), Bill (9), and Walt (6) enjoy all that Children's Ministry has to offer, including Children's Chapel, Sunday School, and the Navigators group.

Sally says that shortly after joining Christ Church, she began teaching Sunday School as a way to meet other members. Attending Sunday School and Youth Group was a large part of her growing up and she wanted her children to have experiences similar to hers, and to be involved. She feels it is natural for her to participate as well. Sally enjoys teaching younger children like the two- and three-year-olds and sees it as a way to get to know younger families in our parish as well.

Her favorite offering for children is Vacation Bible School. She loves the energy, creativity, and fun that happen while sharing God's message with our children... and she loves the music!

Sally has met many wonderful people while serving in Children's Ministry. She is grateful to be a voice at the table as the commission continues to evolve and improve offerings for children and families. We are blessed to have Sally serving in so many roles to make our programs the best they can be.

Middle School/High School Gatherings This Fall

9th Grade Charlotte Urban Adventure

Sunday, October 14

Trunk or Treat – Come host a trunk!

Monday, October 29

Seventh Grade Rite 13 (first of two)

Sunday, November 11, 8:45 AM and 10:00 AM

Advent Festival – Will need youth helpers at craft tables

Sunday, November 25, 10:00 AM

Family Faith Talks

Wednesday, October 3
6:00 PM, All Saints' Hall

Wednesday, November 7
6:00 PM, All Saints' Hall



CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES



All Youth Kickoff Recap

We gathered Wednesday, September 19 to kick off the year with food, fellowship, and fun. Our middle and high school students played get-to-know-you games, enjoyed a delicious meal, and talked about how we can move forward into the year with Faith and Courage.

We invite your middle school students to join us on Sundays at 5:45 PM in the Youth Room for EYC and your high school students to join us on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM for Life Groups. Contact Lindsay Masi at masiL@christchurchcharlotte.org or Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org for more information about these faith-forming opportunities.



**Sundays
5:45 PM
Youth Room**



**Wednesdays
7:00 PM**



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IDEAS THAT HELP. STORIES THAT INSPIRE.

The Sound and Impact of Silence

Better is a handful with quiet than two handfuls with toil and a chasing after wind. – Ecclesiastes 4:6

Did you know the word “noise” comes from the Latin word “nausia” or nausea? Studies show that noise causes stress hormones to be released in the brain. So what helps the brain to relax? Scientists figured this out by accident.

A study contrasted the brain’s response to listening to relaxing music and to random noises. A two-minute silence came between the two sounds. The blank pauses became the most important aspect of the study. The two minutes of silence proved to be more relaxing than listening to “relaxing” music, based on changes in blood pressure and blood circulation in the brain.

When the brain is disengaged from external stimuli, we can finally tap into our inner stream of thoughts, emotions, memories and ideas. Engaging this network helps us to make meaning out of our experiences, empathize with others, be more creative and reflect on our own mental and emotional states.

The findings suggested that silence could be therapeutic for conditions like depression and Alzheimer’s, which are associated with decreased rates of neuron regeneration in the hippocampus, the region of the brain associated with learning, memory and emotion. The brain recognizes silence and responds powerfully, replenishing and nourishing our cognitive resources.

There is research indicating that silence enhances sleep, lessens insomnia, improves memory, relieves stress, lowers blood pressure, sharpens attention, increases creativity and cures warts. (OK, we made up the warts part.) Clearly silence is golden, and an affordable elixir for what ails us. Now turn off everything and be still and quiet for a few minutes.

Perhaps you have noticed that Silence is now included in our worship services. It is even listed in the bulletin along with scripture readings and prayer pages. Right after the psalm has been sung by the choir, there is a period of silence. Participate in this part of the service instead of waiting for the next thing to happen. Participate in the same way you go up to the altar to receive communion. But instead of opening your hands, open your mind and heart to the restorative blessing of silence.

All Saints’ Eucharist

Thursday, November 1, 11:00 AM, The Church

All are invited to this service celebrating the community of saints, living and dead. The names of parishioners who have died in the last year, and the names of parishioners’ loved ones who have died in the last year, will be said aloud in the service.

Each year the Church invites parishioners who have lost loved ones in the last year, and their guests, to a luncheon in the Blue Room following the service. This event is one of the most meaningful gatherings we have all year.

Dementia Caregiver Gatherings

Wednesdays, October 10 and November 14, 10:00 AM, M205

If you are living with someone who has dementia, come join us on the second Wednesday of each month to share resources, concerns, advice and understanding.

MEN’S MINISTRY

Men’s Service Days at the Galilee Center

Second Saturdays Monthly, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Make a difference at the Galilee Center and in our community! Join the Men’s Ministry as they volunteer at the Galilee Center this fall. Service work includes painting, landscaping, and performing minor property repairs. All skill levels are welcome. The Galilee Center is a place of learning, serving and fellowship for refugees, immigrants, and other residents of Charlotte. Contact Hayward Morgan at hayward@causadirect.com for more information. To sign up, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/men.

Living Big

This innovative ministry is designed to help two-man teams support one another in filling up the important “buckets” of faith, family, vocation and other critical areas for a fuller, richer life. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/livingbig for more information.



MISSION AND OUTREACH

A Night of Hope

Thursday, October 18, 6:00 – 8:30 PM, All Saints' Hall

Our parish has a bold history of creating partnerships to address needs and challenges in our community. Some of the most significant are those we have helped spearhead in the areas of housing and homelessness, education, and workforce development.

Please join us for dinner (\$15 per person*) and a special evening to celebrate the impact of these partnerships and explore what's next for Christ Church as we launch our **Faith and Courage Initiative**. Come with your questions and ideas, and to dream with us about new possibilities.

Leaders of Charlotte Family Housing, Rama Road Elementary School, and The ROC (Rebuilding Opportunities in Construction) will join The Reverend Chip Edens for an in-depth conversation about how their personal journeys of faith and courage have guided them to do transformational work in our community. For more information or to register visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/night-of-hope.

**Adults only; wine will be served and childcare is not available for this event.*

Seven Days of Serve-A-Bration

November 4 – 10

Are you interested in outreach work, but don't know where to start? At Christ Church, we believe that our outreach flows out of the common spiritual life of all our parishioners, so our partnerships reflect the breadth of different interests in our community. One of the best ways to get connected is through Serve-A-Bration, a week of outreach opportunities for parishioners of all ages and experience levels.

Our week begins with a special commissioning offered by the clergy at our Sunday services. What follows is a week packed with ways to get involved in the morning, afternoon, and evening. There will be a range of opportunities available to you during this week, from reading to Rama Road students to beautifying the duplexes that serve Charlotte Family Housing families to helping move a person transitioning from homelessness into their new home.

We are particularly excited to announce that we will once again be hosting a Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) meal-packing event on November 10. Regardless of how you decide to get connected, each event will give you the opportunity to experience the power of living into Christ's command to "go and do likewise."

We look forward to serving with you during Serve-A-Bration. For more information or to sign up, visit www.christchurch-charlotte.org/serve. Questions? Contact Josiah Daniels at danielsj@christchurchcharlotte.org.



February 2 – 9, 2019

For many years, the Diocese of North Carolina has enjoyed a vibrant relationship with the Diocese of Costa Rica. Christ Church has been a crucial partner in this relationship for over a decade. In that time, our missionaries have helped build churches and repair and build two schools serving impoverished families. Most importantly, our parishioners have built lifelong friendships with our Costa Rican sisters and brothers. This special relationship embodies the words of Colossians 3:14: "Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."

In addition to assisting with construction projects, we will have the opportunity to witness Costa Rica's incredible beauty on a day trip to La Paz. Please consider joining us for this powerful spiritual journey. For more information contact, Josiah Daniels at danielsj@christchurchcharlotte.org.



Donate Dog and Cat Food At Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 7, 3:30 PM, Christ Church Front Lawn

We will collect dog and cat food donations at the Blessing of the Animals service on October 7. All donations will be given to Stand for Animals, formerly Spay Neuter Charlotte, an organization founded in 2011 to end the preventable euthanasia of thousands of dogs and cats in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg region. (In case of rain, this event is cancelled).

MISSION AND OUTREACH



**RAMA ROAD
ELEMENTARY**

School Update

www.christchurchcharlotte.org/rama

Rama Road still needs tutors! Make a huge impact in the life of a child by tutoring for 30 to 45 minutes per week or pair with another volunteer and tutor every other week. Tutors will coordinate with the classroom teacher to determine tutoring needs. All tutoring will begin the first week of October.

Additionally, Heart Math Tutors, Lunch Buddies, and Classroom Assistants are still needed. We hope you will join the team of committed volunteers at Rama Road and make a difference in the life of a child. Contact Jeanne Kutrow at jkutrow@gmail.com or 704-201-6452 with questions.

Rama Road Turkey Drive

Wednesday, November 21

For the last several years, Christ Church members have come together to provide 50 Rama Road families with turkey dinners for Thanksgiving. Dee Perez, our Rama Road Communities in Schools coordinator, works with administrators, teachers, and families to determine who is at risk of going without.

If you are available to cook and/or deliver a meal to a family, we need you! Volunteers are asked to provide a meal that will feed 8-10 adults, consisting of a turkey, two side dishes, rolls, and a pie or other dessert. For more information visit, www.christchurchcharlotte.org/rama or contact Sara Roche at 704-516-3888.



Dear Members of Christ Episcopal Church,

We are so grateful for your partnership and your commitment to our community. With your support, Charlotte Bilingual Preschool (CltBP) is entering its twentieth school year serving more children and families than ever before: 483!

Over the years, the generosity of Christ Episcopal Church has expanded CltBP's Preschool and Parent Programs. This year, your support is also providing services to an additional 36 children through CltBP's new Dual Language Innovation Classroom (the Green Room). The Green Room facilitates cultural and language exchange, fostering connections between Spanish-speaking and English-speaking children and families from diverse socio-economic backgrounds.

Your generosity has given Latinx children and families the skills they need to succeed and a strong community to support them along the way. With nearly 3,000 Latinx children needing services like ours in Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, we couldn't be more excited to offer services to more children this year — and we would not be able to do that without you!

Thank you for your support, advocacy, and partnership. With sincere gratitude,

Banu Valladares

Executive Director, Charlotte Bilingual Preschool



FALL PARISH DAY

Kicking off the Program Year

It is always fabulous to welcome our parish family back at the annual Fall Parish Day Celebration! After gathering together for worship, hundreds of parishioners stepped out to a warm but beautiful fall day to enjoy lively music, delicious bar-b-que chicken and all the fixin's from Chef Mary, fun and exciting games and activities, and a visit by our local fire truck.

We could not have done this without the many, many volunteers who baked treats, set up, greeted, served food and beverages, assisted with games and activities, and cleaned up. This year, we also welcomed representatives from our parish commissions who enthusiastically greeted

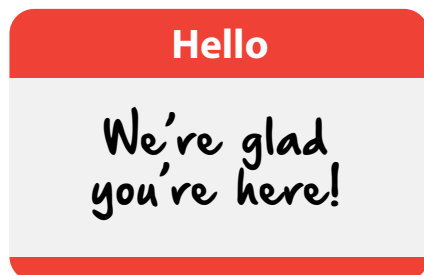
and answered questions regarding the different ministries here at Christ Church.

A very special thank you goes out to two groups: our event chairs, Sarah Kain and Blair Oliver, who spent countless hours organizing and praying for good weather, and our wonderful sextons, who always work so hard behind the scenes!

Newcomer Dinners

First Wednesdays Monthly, 5:30 – 7:00 PM, M207

Beginning Wednesday October 3, we are excited to offer the opportunity for newcomers to gather together for dinner and conversation on the first Wednesday of the month, October through April. In addition to getting to know each other better, each dinner will feature a special guest who will fill us in on what's going on around the Church. To register, please contact Kathryn Saunders at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6974. Childcare is available upon request.



Save the Date for this Fifth Annual Halloween Event!

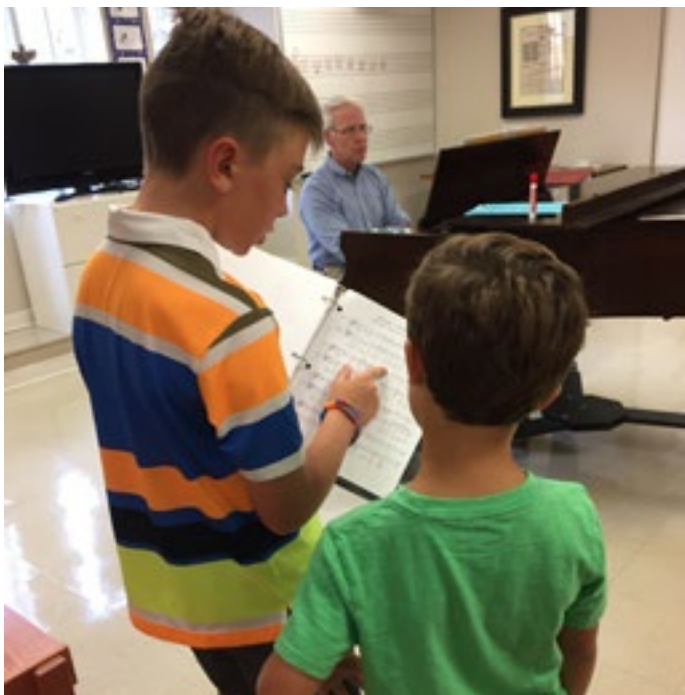
Trunk or Treat

Monday, October 29, 5:30 – 7:00 PM, Christ Church Parking Lot

We invite all ages to come and join the fun! There will be lots of opportunities to participate – from trick-or-treating to providing the “trunk” of your car to helping as a volunteer (teens included). Children will gather in costume at 5:30 PM to decorate bags and play a few games, and then the parade and trunk-or-treating will begin at 6:15 PM.

Look for more information to come in *News & Notices*, as well as on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Catherine Zito at maryczito@gmail.com or Jannell Dunaway at jannellunaway@gmail.com.





Choir Kickoff Weekend

The youth and children's choirs had a great kickoff weekend in late August! We spent some time getting to know each other, singing together, reviewing our music theory knowledge, practicing caring for our vestments, exploring the campus on a wild scavenger hunt, and sharing meals (and ice cream!). The weekend culminated in the children leading worship on Sunday. We are very proud of their hard work and commitment.

DON'T MISS THESE UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

Priceless Treasure: Bach and the Motet Tradition

Saturday, October 13, 7:30 PM in the Church

Bach Akademie Charlotte opens its 2018-19 Season at Christ Church with an evening exploring J.S. Bach's influence on the choral motet tradition through "Jesu, meine Freude" (BWV 227) and works by Mendelssohn, Schütz, and Brahms. Tickets (\$20 General Seating, \$35 Premium Seating) can be found at www.bachcharlotte.com.



BACH AKADEMIE
CHARLOTTE

Choral Evensong

Sunday, November 4, 4:00 PM in the Church

Archbishop Cranmer created the second of the Daily Offices, Evening Prayer, as a form for reading scripture and praying daily. Throughout the centuries, much music has been written for this liturgy creating a unique service known as Evensong. It includes choral and organ music, congregational hymns, and moments for meditation and reflection.

Music: Worship, Community, and Education. Where do you Belong?

Sunday, November 18, 10:00 AM, All Saints' Hall

Meet and hear from all of our music staff about their mission to inspire us in our spiritual journeys through artistry, worship, education, and community. Learn what the music ministry does, why and how they do it, and how you fit in.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

An Amazing Opportunity: Children's Choirs at Christ Church

By Ben Outen

The children's choir season has begun, but new singers are still welcome. This program of Christ Church takes its mission to teach music reading, liturgical understanding, community building and leadership training very seriously. With a clear curriculum based on the Royal School of Church Music* training plan and by preparing music to sing in church twice a month, our young singers develop skills that prepare them to be leaders in our parish, to excel in their school choirs, and to join those cool a cappella groups in college.

Learning to read music and sing at a young age gives these future artists the skills to move to any musical genre they choose while building a group of friends with whom they will have a deep and positive shared experience for the rest of their lives. When one considers the joy and lifelong benefits of music making for physical, mental, and emotional health and the reality of "having a song in your heart" for the rest of your life, why would you not run to sign up for Christ Church children's choirs?

Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/music-children-youth to learn more and to sign up.

**The Royal School of Church Music is an international, ecumenical Christian music education organization dedicated to promoting effective and inspiring music-making in worship and in the wider community. The RSCM curriculum for music education was developed in the Cathedral Choirs of England where musical excellence has long been the standard. It is useful for children and adults alike. The prayer of the RSCM is: "Grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts, and what we believe in our hearts we may show forth in our lives."*

Is Music the Key to Success?

Did You Know...

Many successful individuals began as musicians, such as:

- Condoleezza Rice, former Secretary of State, (trained to be a concert pianist)
- Alan Greenspan, former chairman of the Federal Reserve (professional clarinet and saxophone player)
- Paul Allen, billionaire co-founder of Microsoft (guitarist)
- Stephen Spielberg (clarinetist)
- Bruce Kovner, hedge fund billionaire (studied piano at Juilliard)

New York Times, October 12, 2013.

New Mission for Parish Choir

Christ Church Parish Choir resumes rehearsal on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 PM in the Choir Room.

Parish Choir is an intergenerational choir made up of adults of all ages and middle and high school youth who are interested in singing together and leading worship at the weekly Discovery Eucharist service. Rehearsal will be led by our Assistant Director of Music, Nick Haigh. Participants will rehearse monthly and will be asked to sign up to sing during the Discovery service as their schedule permits.

Please consider this commitment of time and talent to lead our youngest parishioners and their families in learning the music of our faith. Registration information is available at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/ministries/music-ministry/adult-ensembles.

Christ Church Kindergarten & Preschool



Life After Preschool: Finding the Right Fit for Your Child

Thursday, October 11, 9:15 AM, Green Room

Featured topics: physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development, kindergarten testing process, introduction to CCK's Kindergarten program, and other kindergarten options in our area. Neighbors and friends are welcome.

RSVP to Kelly Coley, Head of School at coleyk@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Join Us for

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 21

Please join us on October 21 to make your financial commitment to the mission and ministries of Christ Church. Children and youth will also have the opportunity to participate in this celebration as they are called to bring forth their gifts during worship services.

We invite you and your family to contemplate giving through a bold lens. We look forward to celebrating with you!



The Coulter and Anderson families met at the intersection of faith and courage. Please join us at 10:00 AM in All Saints' Hall as they share their journeys of learning to fear less and hope more.

Be strong and let your heart
take courage, all you who
wait for the LORD.

– PSALM 31:24



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Autumn Has Arrived

We are loving the fall air at GoodNews!

Since the smells of fall are the best of all, our candles from Thymes and Nest Fragrances are the perfect touch to make your home fragrant and cozy with the scents of simmered cider and pumpkin chai.

And as always, we have fall fashion at its finest, with our wonderful and unique selection of handbags, jewelry, wraps and cashmere from Vash, Canoe, Alashan and Roberta Roller Rabbit.

We are excited to share all of our favorite fall finds with you. Come see us!

HOURS

Sunday: 9:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM



EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW)



Christmas Greenery

It's that time again! Christmas greenery sales will begin online Monday, October 15. We encourage everyone to place their orders online, but for those who prefer paper, order forms will be available in the Rotunda literature rack.

As a reminder, net proceeds from your order will directly benefit women and children in need through ECW grants. Bookmark the link on your computers now, so you will be ready to order as soon as it's live!

**Order Greenery Online
Starting October 15**

www.christchurchcharlotte.org/ecw-holidays

STAFF NEWS

Transition News

With The Reverend Marty Hedgpeth's upcoming retirement, a search committee has been formed for a new Associate Priest. Until a new priest is called, The Reverend Matt Holcombe will oversee our outreach and mission ministries, and The Reverend Joshua Case will oversee worship.

We also welcome **The Reverend Jonathan Soyars**, who will join us part-time through May 2019 to assist with preaching, teaching and celebrating the Eucharist on Sundays and other occasions. Jonathan has served Episcopal congregations in New Jersey, New York, Illinois, and most recently, St. Martin's in Charlotte. During the week, Jonathan commutes to Louisville, KY, where he serves as a Visiting Assistant Professor of New Testament at Louisville Seminary. Jonathan enjoys cooking, watching documentaries, and spending time with his wife and sons.



EPISCOPAL CHURCH NEWS

Nina Vest Salmon was ordained to the transitional diaconate at St. John's, Lynchburg, VA, on Saturday, September 15.

We celebrate this new milestone in her ministry.

Hear Clearly!

Did you know Christ Church has a hearing loop system for worshipers using hearing aids?

The system works for services held in the Church only. If your hearing aid has a setting for telephone use, switch your device to the "T" or telephone setting.

The audio signal from all microphones will be broadcast directly to your hearing aid for better clarity. If your hearing aid does not have a telephone or "T" setting, contact your hearing aid provider.



In the Parish

New Members

Meredith and Philip Adkins
Anna and Andrew Anderson and Family
Pam Brett
Nan Durban and Family
Sarah Ford
Barbara Johnston
Frances Williamson

Births

Logan Nicholas Klocke, grandson of Katherine and Gordon Horne and great-grandson of Bill Horne
Sally Rogers Swift, daughter of Bethany and Carl Swift
Nathan Woodroof Stovall, Jr., son of Gillian and Nathan Stovall
Magnolia Gippie Hawn Rome, daughter of Hewit and Brendan Rome
Russell William Hunt, son of Kara and Graham Hunt

Baptisms

Peter Bexley Fraser, son of Alex and Elliott Fraser
Harper Anne Jacobs, daughter of Ashley and Robert Jacobs
Katherine Knox Yorke, daughter of Sara and Spencer Yorke
Mary Elizabeth Frederick, daughter of Liz and John Frederick
Jackson Ward van Vuuren, son of Libby and Erhard van Vuuren

Marriages

Rebecca Ann Caldwell and Larsen Rand Jones
Darcie Elyn Dyer and David Ross Howard, Jr.
Margaret Cheatham Williams and Frank Howard Driscoll
Statia Gelling Thompson and Chandler Dowe King

Deaths

Mary D. Armistead
Mary Ellen Miller, mother of Barbara Pooley and Libby Kelligrew
Jim Chambers, husband of Dottie Hollowell Chambers
David Hoag, husband of Muriel Livingston Hoag
Thomas Moeller, father of Chris Moeller
David Hoag, husband of Muriel Hoag
Dorothy Paulsen, mother of Catherine Mullis
Joan Howie, grandmother of Brittany Ingersoll and Sarah and Chris Howie
Laura Pocock, sister of Matt Stubbing
Carolyn Walker, sister of Midgie Speight

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