# The Disciple

News & Events at Christ Church Charlotte



DO NOT BE AFRAID;
I KNOW THAT YOU ARE LOOKING
FOR JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED.
HE IS NOT HERE;
FOR HE HAS BEEN RAISED.

- MATTHEW 28:5-6

Holy Week and Easter

# Holy Week and Easter Worship

Palm Sunday, April 14
Holy Eucharist and Liturgy of Palms
7:00, 8:45\*, 11:15 AM\*, and 5:00 PM
in the Church
8:45\* and 11:15 AM\* in All Saints' Hal
No Sunday School or Brunch

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, April 15 – 17 6:00 PM - Holy Eucharist in the Church

### Wednesday, April 17

Noon - Holy Eucharist with Healing in the Chapel

#### **Maundy Thursday, April 18**

7:00 AM - Holy Eucharist in the Chapel 7:30 PM - Holy Eucharist, Foot-washing, and Stripping of the Altar in the Church

#### **Good Friday, April 19**

10:00 AM\* - Stations of the Cross for Children and Families in All Saints' Hall
Noon\* - Good Friday Service in the Church

#### **Easter Eve, April 20**

5:00 PM\* - Vigil of Easter with the Lighting of the Paschal Candle and Baptisms in the Church

### Easter Day, April 21

#### **Festive Worship Services**

7:00, 8:45\*, 11:15 AM\*, and 5:00 PM in the Church

8:45\* and 11:15 AM\* in All Saints' Hall No Sunday School or Brunch

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Following the 11:15 AM services (details at www. christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-egg-hunt)

\*Nursery care provided for children up to age 4.



# Join in the Tradition

It is a Christ Church tradition to decorate the Easter crosses in All Saints' Hall and the Church. To participate in this tradition, we invite you to bring fresh-cut or store-bought flowers on Easter Day.

We hope you'll participate in this beautiful celebration.

#### **ADULT FORMATION**

# **Upcoming Sundays**





Joan Kilian.

# **Rector's Class**

The Reverend Chip Edens will recap this first year of the Faith and Courage Initiative.



# **Clergy Panel**

Our Associate Rectors will recap and discuss the first year of the Faith and Courage Initiative.



# **Confirmation Sunday**

The Right Reverend Sam Rodman, Bishop of North Carolina, will preside at Confirmation services.

For information about youth Confirmation, see page 5.

# Men's Midweek Bible Study

Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM, Blue Room (We will join in with "BIG Breakfasts" on first Wednesdays of the month.)

Led by Craig Cmiel, David Dean, Jon Kochmond, and Christ Church Clergy, this Bible study will create an opportunity for men to gather weekly and develop a deeper understanding of their faith. We will rotate through God's Word, Jesus' Teachings, and The Holy Spirit on a quarterly basis. The format will include an opening prayer, weekly readings, historical narratives, education, and group discussion. We hope to offer men an outlet for learning more about their faith and the Bible, and for fellowship. All are welcome.

# **Confirmation Sunday**

On Sunday, May 19, The Right Reverend Sam Rodman, Bishop of North Carolina, will preside at Confirmation services at Christ Church. Our summer worship schedule will begin on that date, with services at 8:30 and 10:30 AM. There will be no Sunday School. Adults will be confirmed at 8:30 AM in the Church, and youth will be confirmed at 10:30 AM in All Saints' Hall. This celebration will take the place of Spring Parish Day this year. We rejoice with our confirmands as they take this significant step in their lifelong journey of faith.

# **Education for Ministry (EFM)**

As disciples of Christ, we face the subtle and often difficult task of interpreting our faith in a complex and confusing world. EFM, a four-year course of Bible study and theological reflection, deepens faith and trains us to express it in our daily lives. Groups meet weekly, September through May. We are now registering participants for next fall's groups (Monday, Wednesday, or Friday morning or Tuesday evening).

Hear what former participants say about their experiences:

"Excellent scholarship, engaging readings, models for theological reflection and a small-group commitment: the combination is just right. EFM is a fresh and powerful way to look at your ministry (and yes, you have one)." – Former EFM mentor

"The most meaningful and in-depth study I have ever done."

"Learning how to reflect theologically has changed the way I process information — I can now filter ideas and decisions through the lens of my faith."

Want to know more about EFM? Visit www.christchurch-charlotte.org/efm or contact Jenny Beaumont at 704-714-6945 or beaumontj@christchurchcharlotte.org.

#### **ADULT FORMATION**

JOIN US!

# **Christian Essentials Group 10**

Wednesdays, April 24 - May 29\*, 9:00 - 10:30 AM, M205

This five-week group will work through the Christian Essentials starting with Module 2 (Care for Each Other). Join Jenny Beaumont for this unique journey in exploring, growing, and deepening your faith.



\*No class on May 1.

Space is limited. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte. org/christian-essentials.

# **Christ Church Women's Bible Study** Brunch

On March 14, Christ Church Women's Bible Study closed the spring semester with a brunch and fellowship to celebrate their year together. Nearly 100 women participated in this weekly opportunity for study and deepening relationships with one another through large-group clergy lectures and small group discussion. In September we will begin a new year with a study of Joshua and Judges in the fall and the Universal Letters in the spring. We invite all women to join us! Look for registration details in the next Disciple.



#### **EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW)**



Winston Paschall, whom we lost last year. All

are encouraged to wear Winston's favorite color (pink!) and a hat.

RSVP to Lynne McAdams at Lynnemac714@gmail. com or 704-905-6550.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

### SOS: Survivors of Suicide

Third Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, St. Francis D

This is a new offering at Christ Church to bring people together who have been affected by the suicide of a loved one. Shared pain and care has power to elevate hope and provide holy comfort.

Our first gathering will be Wednesday, April 17.

For more information, contact Lisa Saunders at saundersL@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6952.

#### CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

# **Senior Celebration Sunday**

Sunday, April 28, 5:00 PM, The Church

Building community among our high school youth is a priority in youth ministry. Watching our high school seniors graduate is always bittersweet. To send them off properly. we will celebrate our high school seniors with a special service, followed by a dinner and celebration reception in All Saints' Hall. We hope that all of our seniors and their families will attend this special celebration in their honor. Contact Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte. org with questions.

# 2019 Ireland Youth Pilgrimage

On June 14, we will send 20 tenth grade pilgrims and three adults to Ireland on a spiritual pilgrimage to challenge them to explore, grow and deepen their relationship with God and the world. We ask for your prayers for safe travels and for eye-opening, spirit-giving experiences for this group of young people. Our 2019 youth pilgrims are:

Beasley Gordon Fully Bossong **Gray Bowles** Sallie Hughes Sofia Ladley **Eddie Cassels** Hall McCurdy Will Cooper Laine Nicholson Luke Culbertson KF Dillard Kayla Nugent Riley Dougherty Thomas Pinckney Henry Ryan Massie Flippin Sadie Weiss Lizzie Foster Vivian Workman Martha Goldsmith

These adult pilgrims will accompany the youth: Joshua Case Lindsay Masi Bird Anderson

### **Youth Confirmation**

Sunday, May 19, 10:30 AM, All Saints' Hall

According to the Book of Common Prayer, the sacrament of Confirmation is one in which candidates "express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop." On Sunday, May 19, at 10:30 AM in All Saints' Hall, we will welcome 59 new members as our 8th graders make a mature commitment to their faith and their spiritual home.

This is a big step in faith and we are so pleased that these teens have chosen to say 'yes.' Join us in welcoming and congratulating our newest youth confirmands.



We were humbled by the presence of so many parishioners at our Fourth Annual Chili Challenge to support youth ministry at Christ Church. The night was filled with delicious chilis, incredible auction items, and crazy fun fellowship. Our celebrity judges enjoyed tasting chili from 14 different teams, each as unique as the decorations on their tables. The Youth Ministry team would like to thank the many Christ Church members who attended and helped make the night a success. We can't wait to spice things up again next year!



# **Summer Opportunities for Youth**

Vacation Bible School Teen Helpers: Vacation Bible School will be June 17 – 20 and we are looking for rising 6th – 12th grade students to work as helpers for the week. Teen helpers will be present from 8:45 AM – 12:15 PM each day to assist with groups and stations as needed. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/vbs. Contact Lindsay Masi at masiL@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

**Christ Church Freedom School Teen Board:** Christ Church Freedom School is accepting applications for its Teen Board 2019 Summer Program. Teen Board is open to rising sophomores through college freshmen. In conjunction with Servant Leader Interns from Freedom School, the fifteen Teen Board members will work with Freedom School scholars ranging from 1st – 5th grade. This work will focus on boosting scholars' literacy skills and exposing them to enriching cultural experiences.

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#### **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Summer Teen Board members will commit to working as classroom assistants for two successive weeks between June 17 and July 26, from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday – Friday. Opportunities include working in classrooms, accompanying teachers and students on field trips, planning activities, securing and delivering supplies, and other assistance as needed. Building relationships with students will be a key component of the experience.

June 17 – 28: Session I, Freedom School

July 1 – 12: Session II, Freedom School (no school July 4, 5)

July 15 – 25: Session III. Freedom School

In addition to serving as program assistants, the Summer Board members will commit to attend one orientation and training meeting: either May 16, 4:00 – 5:30 PM or June 2, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Application deadline is May 8. To register, go to www.christchurchcharlotte.org/youth-summer or contact Lindsay Masi at masiL@christchurchcharlotte.org or Laura Konitzer at konitzerL@christchurchcharlotte.org.



# It Takes a Village

We rely on our parishioners enormously at Christ Church. We ask you to chair committees, help us run events, give us ideas for integrative worship, and even troubleshoot when things don't go as planned. We also rely heavily on our parishioners to help spiritually form our children and teens. In fact, it takes more than 130 volunteers to help us make any given Sunday morning work seamlessly, September through May. From Children's Chapel to Sunday School for children ages two through twelfth grade, we need you!

Will you consider joining our village? If you are feeling called to jump into Christian formation with our younger parishioners, feeling led to build relationships and community with our middle schoolers, or want to be inspired by our high school students, contact Lindsay Masi at masiL@ christchurchcharlotte.org to schedule a meeting to discuss opportunities available next fall. Thank you. We cannot do it without passionate parishioners like you!

#### **Vacation Bible School**

# By Mary Catherine Zito and Brittany Luther, our 2019 VBS Co-Chairs

Vacation Bible School is one of our favorite weeks of the year: four days full of fun, energy, excitement, and most importantly, God's love. If you have never seen one of the morning assemblies, you are really missing out. There is nothing better than watching hundreds of kids jump up and down and sing at the top of their lungs about how much God loves them.



This year's theme is "To Mars and Beyond." We will explore wonderful stories from the Bible that show how everyday people were able to be bold, show kindness, and have hope because they trusted and believed in God. Our days will be full of music, games, crafts, science, stories, outreach and fun.

Our Steering Committee is working so hard to make this the best week ever. We need volunteers for a variety of roles. If you are able to join us, we will find the best spot for you. Enroll your child today and be a part of an amazing team of volunteers!

Join us in thanking the fabulous, energetic, and hard-working women who will make this week possible, our 2019 VBS Steering Committee:

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Co-Chairs

Mary Catherine Zito and Brittany Luther

Decorations and Set-Up
Peggy Thies, Kristin Van Stratt, and Sarah Hawkins

Crafts and Science
Molly Nielsen and Caroline Austin

Junior Crafts Anna Portal

Bible Story
Jannell Dunaway

Junior Bible Story Sloan Crawford

*Music* Katherine Vest

Music Cindy Costa



#### **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Games Lauren McGuire

Mini VBS Coordinator Carolyn Giammarinaro

Service Learning
Anna Clifford and Sarah Kain

Teen Coordinator
Katherine Slayton

Navigators/4th and 5th Grade Program
Caroline Coffron, Jenny Morton and Whitney Smith

We invite your children to become voyagers along with you as adult star guides on the amazing adventure of encountering God's limitless love and power.



# **Escape Room**

#### Sunday, April 28, 3:00 – 6:00 PM, Escape Kings

Thank you to the Navigators who spent their March afternoon with Outreach Chair, Laura Copps, creating jewelry rewards for children through A Child's Place. We look forward to our next adventure.

In April we will embark on an afternoon loaded with fun and teamwork at Escape Kings. We will work together inside King Arthur's royal planning chamber to complete his final quest for the Holy Grail. We will meet at Escape Kings (11333 Granite St., Suite B, Charlotte 28273). Carpooling is encouraged. Space is limited, so register soon at

www.christchurchcharlotte.org/navigators. Parent volunteers are needed. Contact Sarah Ford at fords@ christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

# **Stations of the Cross for Families**

Friday, April 19, 10:00 - 11:00 AM, All Saints' Hall

Families with young children are invited to participate in this meaningful morning. This abridged Stations of the Cross will assist children in learning about the moments leading to Jesus' death on the cross.

Nursery care is available for children under age four, though all ages are invited to participate.



# The Episcopal Church Welcomes You!

This iconic phrase graces Episcopal Church signs around the world, guiding people to Episcopal churches and becoming one of the most recognizable and welcoming symbols of our denomination.

Sadly, our own sign at the Providence Road driveway entrance was toppled and damaged in a car accident, and after several months of being without, we will soon install our brand new sign which proudly reflects the current Episcopal Church-approved design. (At right is a rendering of the new sign.)

We hope this sign will continue to be a beacon of hospitality in our community for years to come.

heavenly hosts and
choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout
Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.
Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth,
bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness
has been vanquished by our eternal King.

- EASTER VIGIL, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, P. 286

# Faith and Courage in Alabama

**By Arrington Mixon** 

The pilgrimage to Montgomery continues to weigh heavy on my heart. One of my fellow pilgrims shared, "We have worked so hard to cover our own eyes so we don't really see." It was impossible to shield my eyes from the brutal truth of slavery, the terrorism of lynching, the cruelty of the Jim Crow South, and the implicit biases in today's mass incarceration of people of color. As I reflected on my personal shame, I encountered four women who embodied faith and courage.

The first was Wanda, who welcomed us at the Dexter Avenue Memorial Baptist Church. She shared a message of forgiveness, love and hope – despite what people who looked like her experienced while people who looked like me "went along just to get along."

The second was Joanna, a fierce 68-year old woman who recounted her story of participating in the Selma marches as a 14-year-old girl for the "freedom" to spin on a drugstore stool with an ice cream cone.

The final two were chance encounters at the National Museum for Peace and Justice (a.k.a. the Lynching Memorial). One said, "I am afraid of you, and you are afraid of me, and we don't even know each other. We just have to stop being afraid of each other." Her older

companion then shared, "and despite all that – we are still here. Praise God, we are still here."

These women are great examples of transforming fear into faith and courage – and inspire me to take action. As Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. famously said, "If not now, when? If not us, who?"





#### MISSION AND OUTREACH

### Freedom School 2019

Planning is now underway for our Rama Road Freedom School, a six-week summer literacy camp that focuses on ready skills, character enrichment, and community involvement. Freedom School



runs June 17 – July 25 and provides *lot*s of opportunities to serve. If you have not participated in Freedom School, you are definitely missing out. We need volunteers to:

- Read at Harambee (morning gathering time)
- Chaperone field trips
- Buy supplies
- Lead on-site activities
- · Help and appreciate our interns
- Serve on the Teen Board

If you want to help with Freedom School or have a teen interested in serving on the Teen Board, visit www.christ-churchcharlotte.org/freedomschool or contact Laura Konitzer at konitzerl@christchurchcharlotte.org.

# Passing the Baton in Outreach

The Outreach and Mission Commission was thrilled to welcome our new Associate Rector, The Reverend Joan Kilian, at our March meeting. We offer our most sincere thanks to The Reverend Matt Holcombe, who graciously shepherded us through months of transition. We are grateful for his leadership and steadfast commitment to outreach at Christ Church.





# **Habitat Build Update**

Despite record cold temperatures and weeks of rain, our Winston Paschall Habitat home is well underway, thanks to our devoted corps of construction and lunch volunteers.

Work takes place on Saturdays, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM through the end of April



Habitat for Humanity
2019 Build
In Memory of Winston Paschall

We need 25 workers each day. No experience necessary.

For more information or to sign up, visit www.christchurch-charlotte.org/habitat.

#### PARISH LIFE / NEWCOMERS

# **Young Adult Bowling Social**

Thursday, April 11, 7:00 – 9:00 PM Ten Park Lanes, 1700 Montford Drive

Come join the young adults for a fun night out with bowling and socializing at Ten Park Lanes. RSVP at www.christ-churchcharlotte.org/youngadults to reserve a spot. The price is \$20/person. We look forward to seeing you there!



# **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

On Tuesday, March 5, we enjoyed a wonderful evening as we celebrated Shrove Tuesday with pancakes and lots of Mardi Gras food. In addition to the delicious fare prepared by Chef Mary, kids enjoyed crafts and everyone enjoyed fun music and a time to be together.

Thank you to Fred Paschall, Carrington Coulter, Alex Kelly, and Kyle Woodruff, who worked diligently behind the scenes flipping pancakes. We were delighted to welcome several hundred parishioners, some long-time members, and some who are brand new to our community.

A special "thank you" to our Hospitality Committee and co-chairs, Caroline Austin and Carr Doerre, for planning such a fun night... and to the Parish Life Commission for helping out!



# **Easter Egg Hunt**

#### Sunday, April 21, following the 11:15 AM services

Families with young children are invited to participate in our annual Easter Egg Hunt. This is always a fun and special time for young children, ages eight and under. If your child would like to participate, drop off two dozen candy-filled eggs (per child) to the Church office no later than Thursday, April 18.

If you are interested in helping or have questions, contact Grace Bailey at gracetbailey@gmail.com. We are also grateful for additional donations of individually-wrapped candy (no nuts, please), which may also be dropped off at the Church office by Thursday, April 18.



### **Connect Class for Newcomers**

On Sunday, February 24, clergy and staff gathered with newcomers to share stories of faith and courage, as well as highlight some of the many happenings here at Christ Church. This relational class, designed for newcomers to learn more about our mission to Love God, Care for Each Other and Serve the World, is an opportunity to get to know other newcomers, clergy, and staff on a more personal basis.

As one attendee noted, "The compassion shown to us — the new kids on the block — means a lot. It let us know that we matter." Another commented, "It was so enlightening. The whole group (speakers and attendees) was very friendly. I will admit that I was a little intimidated with the size of the church, but attending the Newcomer Dinner and Connect Class has put those fears to rest. Christ Church has all the love and warmth of the smaller churches we have attended and we look forward to being a part of Christ Church."

We look forward to hosting our next Connect Class late summer/early fall. Details to come!

### PARISH LIFE / NEWCOMERS

# **Hot Dog Sundays**



# Second and Fourth Sundays June, July, and August, following the 10:30 AM services

It may seem a long way off, but summer will be here before you know it. Enjoy delicious hot dogs with lots of great sides on the second and fourth Sundays of June, July and August, as we continue this fun summer tradition. Hot Dog Sundays are a great opportunity to join friends and parish members for fun and fellowship.

# **Vespers in the Garden**

Wednesday, April 24, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Vespers in the Garden is our annual spring tradition welcoming newcomers to Christ Church. The Hospitality Committee hosts this casual, outdoor event which begins with dinner and is followed by a lovely candlelight Vespers service, accompanied by the Christ Church Choir. We invite all newcomers to join the Hospitality Committee, Clergy, Staff, and Vestry for this special occasion, which will take place in the beautiful backyard of neighboring parishioners. Invitations are mailed to all newcomers of Christ Church. We hope you can join us for this welcoming event!

If you are a newcomer and do not receive your invitation by April 17 or you have questions, please contact Kathryn Saunders, Director of Newcomers and Parish Life, at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6974.





# Your Name Here

# Hello My Name Is ...

Wearing name tags is an act of hospitality. We would love to provide all adult parishioners with a magnetic Christ Church name tag to wear when you are here.

To receive yours, simply email Ainslie Wall at walla@christ-churchcharlotte.org and specify your first and last name. We will notify you when your name tag is ready for pick-up in the Welcome Center. (Replacement name tags are \$5; non-magnetic tags are available upon request.)







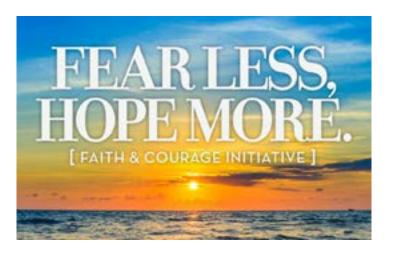


#### **Please Note:**

# Livestream Worship Schedule Change

Our current streaming service no longer permits us to broadcast simultaneous events so we are now livestreaming Contemporary Eucharist at 8:45 AM, Faith Forum at 10:00 AM, and Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer at 11:15 AM on Sunday mornings.

We invite you to join us online when you can't be here in person. Simply visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org and click on the "Live Stream" link at the top of the page.



# Thanks to you...

1179 households pledged \$5,266,468 during the 2019 Stewardship Campaign.

Your 2019 pledges allowed our Vestry to pass an annual budget full of hope! Many wonderful things are in store this year for our community and beyond. We are excited to enter into this season of gratitude as we celebrate your gifts. Thank you again for investing in our parish.

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ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

# **Christ Church Foundation Scholarship Spotlight**

Meet Clare Lowe, rising senior at Tufts University and Christ Church Foundation Scholarship recipient.

When asked about the impact of the CCF scholarship, Clare said, "I have been a Christ Church Foundation scholarship recipient each year since heading off to Tufts University in 2016. For me, it was important that I do what I could to help my parents with the financial commitment of college.

With the Christ Church Scholarship each year, I have been able to buy books and school supplies, which has been a huge help. I am really thankful for the Christ Church community and the support it has provided me. It's been a great three years in Boston and I am looking forward to graduating next year with an Economics/Finance major and minor."

Christ Church Foundation scholarships are designated for college and seminary studies. Applications are available



in the Rotunda wall rack and at www.christchurchcharlotte. org/scholarship and the application deadline is April 30, 2019. Return by email to Mary Kluttz at mary.kluttz@gmail. com or by mail to Christ Church Foundation, 1412 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28207.

Since the incorporation of the Christ Church Foundation in 1969, undergraduate collegiate and seminary scholarships have been awarded to Christ Church parishioners, as well as children of Christ Church and CCK staff members. An original gift from the Minor family, bolstered by many additional gifts over the

years, coupled with the wise investment strategy of the larger CCF endowment, results in annual scholarships year after year.

#### **MUSIC AND WORSHIP**

#### **Celebrating Children's Choirs**

# **Building Life and Leadership**

On Sunday, May 12, at the 8:45 AM Eucharist, we will celebrate our children's choirs' accomplishments with a brief vesting ceremony.

The St. Nicolas Choir and the Christ Church Choristers have worked diligently through part one of an international multi-year curriculum in sacred music, studying music reading, singing and liturgical leadership. The program is called The Royal School of Church Music in America. As they advance through each level of the curriculum, they earn medals which hang from colored ribbons to be worn with their choir vestments. The color of the ribbon and the type of medal indicate which levels they have completed.

At this ceremony, we will celebrate our choristers' tenacity, accomplishment, and commitment to this very special training. Finding one's voice; understanding the language of music; knowing the structures, prayers, and music of liturgy; and learning how it can be used in one's personal spiritual life and shared with others is certainly something to be celebrated. This program simultaneously fulfills the scriptures: "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" and "A little child shall lead them."



### Children's Choir Retreat Weekend

#### August 23 - 25

The St. Nicolas Choir (1st – 3rd grades) and Christ Church Choristers (4th – 8th grades) will journey to the scenic North Carolina mountains to enjoy a weekend of music, fellowship, and fun in Valle Crucis. During the weekend, we will begin learning music for the choir year, delve into our RSCM work, and enjoy team-building activities.

To register, call or email Margaret Haigh at 704-333-0378 or haighm@christchurchcharlotte.org.

# A Special Choir Weekend with Timothy Brown

#### By Lauren Cable

I hope many of you were able to attend one of the Sunday, March 3 services led by world-renowned choral director Timothy Brown who came to Christ Church to lead a choir retreat, rehearsals, private tutorings, and services for the weekend. Brown spent much of his career as Director of Music of Clare College, Cambridge. He's also a former chorister at Westminster Abbey, and King's College, Cambridge.

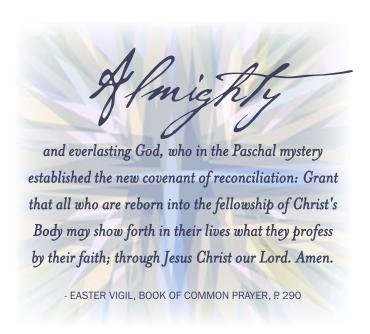
The Saturday morning rehearsal began briskly: he led us through our music, stopping for corrections and lots of emphasis on communicating the texts. I enjoyed how he shared brief references to his past, including time with,



and stories of, famous composers like David Wilcox and Leonard Bernstein. He stressed that the most important choir section was the bass section (and wryly offered a "sorry sopranos" after). He told us, "Don't be afraid of vibrato, it's God's free gift," but later added that although we should always sing with vibrato, sometimes he doesn't want to hear it. He encouraged us to "stand straight," and when holding music, to hold it out as if to offer up the music. He said, when we sing, our role is that of a preacher: to communicate the message of our music. At one especially difficult passage for the altos, he suggested, "I think he [the composer] had a gin when he was writing that."

Under Tim's direction we rehearsed and presented some beautiful music including two pieces for double choir. He graciously complimented the choir on our skill and told us, "If you wanted to put down a difficult Evensong, you got it." How lucky we are at Christ Church, to have a music program that brings international musical emissaries like Tim Brown!

The Music Ministry is open to music lovers of all skill levels. Our experience with Tim Brown is just one of its many educational and fun experiences. I've been a member of Christ Church since the days of Frank Vest and am so glad to be a member of the choir. I encourage everyone to explore and find your place in our music program.



#### **GOODNEWS SHOP**

#### **Graduation at GoodNews!**

It's that time of year and we are excited to offer you a great selection of gift ideas! Girl grads will love our cosmetic bags, valet trays, robes/wraps and more. For guys we have dopp kits, duffle bags, key fobs, card holders and coolers. Many items to show their school spirit can be customized to personalize your gift.

Come by the shop and let us help you find the perfect gift for your favorite graduate.

#### **GoodNews Shop Hours**

Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:45 AM -1:00 PM



#### WELCOME OUR NEW STAFF MEMBER

# Margaret Carpenter Haigh Music Administrator



Since welcoming her in February, Margaret has been busy with bulletin production, managing department schedules, assisting with musical ensembles, communicating with the parish, singing in the Christ Church Choir among other duties.

While Christ Church is her full time occupation, Margaret also continues her career as a professional singer,

conductor and teacher. She has been featured as soloist with Oregon Bach Festival; Grammy-winning Apollo's Fire; American Bach Soloists Academy; Oxford Bach Soloists; and other orchestras and ensembles. She and her husband, Nicolas Haigh, Assistant Organist and Choirmaster at Christ Church, co-founded L'Académie du Roi Soleil, a musical ensemble specializing in French music from the time of Louis XIV.

Margaret holds degrees from Case Western Reserve University, the University of Cambridge (where she was a Gates Cambridge Scholar), and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. A native of Charlotte, Margaret is on faculty at UNC-Charlotte and directs the Charlotte women's ensemble Nova Voce.

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

If your hearing aid has a setting for telephone use, switch your device to the "T" or telephone setting during services in the Church. 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 for more information.

# **Hear Clearly!**



#### **New Members**

Will Black

Matthew Brookby

Suzanne Creasy

Kitty D'Agostino

Jerry Dye

Marnie Ferrer

Chris Fuller

Christine and TJ Groner

Lisa and Greg Haislip

Denise and Brooke Hawse

Kathee Hill

Laura and Dexter Hobbs

Mary Mac Lawrence and Family

Devin Learn

Will Love

Susan and Wally McBride

Geoffrey Mize

Annie and Wade Ninemire

Kathy Owens

Makeda Pennycooke

Angie Pierson and Family

Anne Rex

Patee and Matt Tomsic

Ned Waller

Amy Watson

#### **Births**

Robert Davis Stokes, grandson of Patti and Bill Stokes
William James Price VII, grandson of Carrington and Bill Price
Caroline Morgan Groner, daughter of Christine and TJ Groner
Sutton Claire Barber, granddaughter of Madia and Tim Barber
Ann Harrington Carter, daughter of Lauren and George Carter
Harriet Grey Copeland, granddaughter of Harriet and Don Burton
Smith Burgess Gilbert, son of Lauren and Grant Gilbert
Elizabeth Boren Mills, daughter of Merrill and William Mills

#### Marriage

Kathryn Lineberger Steele and Christopher David Glazier

#### **Baptisms**

James Brower Hadley, son of Cheryl and Will Hadley

Anne Catherine Hawkins, daughter of Sarah and Zann Hawkins

Paisleigh Elizabeth Hopkins, daughter of Jahn-Marie

and Brandon Hopkins

Russell William Hunt, son of Kara and Graham Hunt
William Tucker MacDonald, son of Simmons and Ryan MacDonald
Field Carroll Williamson, daughter of Frances and DuBose Williamson

 $\label{thm:constraint} \mbox{William Carpenter Donovan, III, son of Katie and Bill Donovan}$ 

Warner McConnell Griffin, son of Beth and Alex Griffin

Charles Eric Kausel, son of Mary Kate Kausel

Arthur Barlow Treadwell Mann, III, son of Alex and Barlow Mann

Sally Rogers Swift, daughter of Bethany and Carl Swift

Rebecca DuPuy von Werssowetz, daughter of Rad and Odie von Werssowetz

Harriet Grey Copeland, granddaughter of Harriet and Don Burton

#### **Deaths**

Mary Brooks Zuccarelli

Carolyn Darr

George William Ullrich, father of Chris Ullrich Larry Jay Goldsmith, father of Larry Goldsmith, Jr. Evelyn Buxton Woodward, mother of Margaret Bauer Ellenor French Lorman, mother of Gigi Harris Richard Middleton, father of Henry Middleton

Robert Isaac Dalton, Jr., brother of Sally Robinson Georgia Cobb Joyner, mother of Will Joyner

Leslie Harvie Hitchens

Bobby Eugene Buddendorf, father of Tricia Harrison Charles Graves Couch, Jr., father of Kim Hanson

Mary Britton Williams

Arlene Standard LaPointe

Cora Virginia Knight Spangler, mother of Josh Spangler Margaret Norfleet Poston, mother of Alfred Poston

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