

## THE COMMUNICANT

2017



### *Official Notification*

## Christ Church Episcopal Annual Meeting Sunday, January 15 at 9:15 AM

*Childcare Provided*

Candidates for vestry are:

Katie Barger, Janet Greer, Susan Mailey,  
Reed Stith, Rich Wilson, Guy Wylie

*The Special Vestry Candidates Edition of The Communicant  
will be available in early January.*

*It will include bios and photos and cover nomination by petition.*

**Diocese Canon: Title II, Canon 1, Section 3(a):** In every Parish of the Diocese, there shall be held an Annual Meeting, for the election of members of the Vestry and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting. Unless otherwise provided (by Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, or by Resolution), such meeting shall be held on the third Sunday of January in each year.

**Diocese Canon: Title II, Canon 1, Section 5(a):** All members of the Parish who are communicants in good standing as defined by the Canons of the Episcopal Church and not being under sixteen years of age shall be qualified to vote in its meetings.

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## CHIT CHAT WITH MARY PAT

**Mary Pat DeLambo, RN, BSN, MEd Community Wellness Coordinator**

Please contact me whenever I may be of assistance at email address:

[mdelambo@laurellake.org](mailto:mdelambo@laurellake.org) or my cell phone **1- 330-356-2559**.

\*\*Information also available at: [www.cwchudson.weebly.com](http://www.cwchudson.weebly.com)



A new year is upon us and many of us look to make resolutions to start the year off right. Older adults may benefit from these resolution suggestions from Kendal At Home (<http://www.kendalathome.org>):

### Improve Balance

Getting older doesn't have to mean decreasing stability during everyday activities. Getting exercise to strengthen your muscles is one strong way to start to improve your balance and prevent falls.

### Get a Good Night's Sleep

The foundation to good health is getting a good night's sleep. Goals like eating right and exercising more can be more difficult when your body is tired. Take an honest assessment of your sleeping habits.

### Fulfill a Dream

This year, do something for you and make one of your dreams a reality.

### Try Some Brain Games

You know what they say: Use it or lose it. When it comes to your health, working out your brain can be just as important as working out your body. Consistent brain stimulation improves memory and brain function and reduces the risk of cognitive diseases.



## Fit & Fall Proof

I invite you to join me in a new class called Fit & Fall Proof that will be offered twice in January on January 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. In March, the instructor will return to do a month long series.

### Reasons to Try Fit & Fall Proof

More than 1 in 4 persons 65 and older fall every year.

Falling once doubles your risk of falling again.

One out of five falls causes a serious injury such as broken bones or a head injury.

This class is designed to promote better strength, balance and mobility. The class will be taught by certified Personal Trainer and FallProof instructor Jill Rango. This class will be a combination of strengthening exercises and balance challenges designed to help each participant lead a healthier, more confident, and more active lifestyle.

In order to participate in this class safely, you must be able to walk without an assistive device, be able to get out of a chair by yourself, and be in generally good health.

**More information is available by calling Jill Rango at 330-730-8400  
or Mary Pat DeLambo at 330-356-2559.**



**Blood Pressure Screening**  
**Sunday, January 8th**  
following all services

## Upcoming Events

**Lunch & Learn ~ January 12th**

*Please note the date change!*

12:00 – 1:00 PM

Parish Hall

**Posture**

**Dr. Bob Graves**



**New!**  
**January 4th & 18th**  
**Fit & FallProof**

Wednesdays ~ 1:00 pm  
This is a FREE one  
hour balance & strengthening class  
instructed by Jill Rango

*See Above*

**Contact Mary Pat if interested!**

## A Note from Charlotte

Dear Friends,

The month of January is packed with events this year. Some of those events are regular, ongoing events in the life of the church, such as the Annual Meeting on January 15. Other events this January are occasional, like the Celebration of New Ministry on January 21. And still other events are new, like the Budget Forum on January 8. While there are many events and ministries happening in January, I'd like to focus on these three.

**The Budget Forum: At 9:15 on January 8** you are invited to take a look at the budget passed at the December vestry meeting. The budget will be explained in some detail and there will be opportunity to ask any questions you may have. The vestry and I would like everyone to understand where our funds come from and how they are spent. Then, when we vote on the budget at the Annual Meeting, everyone will understand what we are voting on. There is little time to discuss the budget at the Annual Meeting, so please mark your calendar and plan to attend the Budget Forum where the discussion will occur.

**The Annual Meeting: On Sunday, January 15 at 9:15** we will gather as a parish to elect new vestry members, hear a few brief reports, thank outgoing vestry members, and adopt the 2017 budget for Christ Church. In the Episcopal Church, we gather once a year to elect the vestry which then oversees the life of the parish, freeing everyone else up to be about the work of the ministry of the parish. The whole parish does not vote every time there is a decision to be made because the vestry has been elected to do that work. So, I ask that we all be present at the Annual Meeting to do the important work of deciding who will make decisions for us as a parish.

**The Celebration of New Ministry: On January 21 at 7pm**, Bishop Hollingsworth will be here for this important event in our life together. In the course of that service, the Bishop will officially install me as your rector. While that may be the occasion of the Celebration, the service is not about me. The service is a celebration of the ministry we all share as members of the Body of Christ. In our particular case, the service is also a celebration of the incredible work you have done as a parish to come to the point of installing a new rector.

All three of these events are about our life together as a parish. All three events remind us that we are all part of the Body of Christ and all of us are needed for the Body to function properly and do the best possible ministry. We are all part of a larger whole and when we gather and work together, there is no end to what is possible!

New Year's blessings to each of you,  
*Charlotte*



### **Wednesdays at the Open Door Coffee Company January 11, 18 & 25**

Charlotte continues to hold office hours at the Open Door (164 N. Main Street) from 9am-11am once a week, typically on Wednesday. On the rare weeks that Wednesday is not an option for some reason, the alternate date will be in the e-blast the week before, the Sunday announcements, or if the change is very last minute, in an email.

*Please come by for a chat  
as we seek to have a more public presence in Hudson.*

### **Rector's Contact Information:**

Contact Charlotte by email at  
[charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org](mailto:charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org)

By phone in the church office:  
**330-650-4359**

Or by cell phone: **937-925-5200**  
*(before 9pm please,  
unless it's an emergency)*

This number can also be used  
for text messages.

Just please give your name  
so Charlotte knows who is texting her.

*Thank you!*



**Chaos of Biblical Proportions**  
Affectionately known as “Chaos”  
Sunday, January 8th at 5:00 PM

Chaos is designed for families with young children to come together for supper and Christian Education. The evening begins with pizza at 5pm, then at 5:45 the children have an activity of their own and the adults have Christian Education. The topic this month is Baptism. Join us as we talk about the meaning and practice of this sacrament.

Please let Charlotte know you are coming  
at [charlotte.reed@christchurchudson.org](mailto:charlotte.reed@christchurchudson.org) or 330-650-4359.

**Online Pictorial Directory Training**  
Sunday, January 29 at 9:15  
Parish Hall

Our recent pictorial directory comes with an online option for those who wish to access the directory that way. Each family has an individual username and password and we are assured by Lifetouch that the security of our information is equivalent to the security of bank information. Please join us on Sunday, January 29 at 9:15 in the Parish Hall to learn how to use the directory or to learn how to remove your information from online availability. *Heather Swift will lead the training.*



**Ministry Team**

**Ministry Teams**  
**January 25th**

On Wednesday, January 25, all three of our Ministry Teams will meet. The reason for holding them all on the same evening is to allow parishioners on multiple teams to attend without giving up quite so many evenings. The great news is that, with this schedule, no meeting can last longer than an hour!

*The schedule is:*

**5pm: Worship ~ 6pm: Outreach**  
**7pm: Fellowship/Education**

Closer to the date, RSVP's will be requested to gauge who might need a light supper that night.



# Open M



Open M (originally Opportunity Parish Ecumenical Neighborhood Ministry) was formed in 1968 by four churches in inner city Akron. It was a time of turmoil caused by civil unrest, poverty and crime with many neighborhoods being destroyed. The founding churches began an urban ministry held in one of the hardest hit neighborhoods, Opportunity Park. Today Open M is supported by close to 100 covenant churches and businesses. On any given day you will find a multitude of services provided to the needy families of Akron. The free health clinic offers comprehensive medical care with an emphasis on chronic disease management. The Community Works Connection begins with job placement with a goal of job retention that leads to career advancement. The education programs help preschool children and older students have a safe place to learn and grow. Family Development helps to break the cycle of poverty that plagues so many families. The food program offers an emergency food pantry, hot lunch and mountain of food giveaways. Seasonal activities such as Christmas for the Love of Children help families enjoy the holiday season.

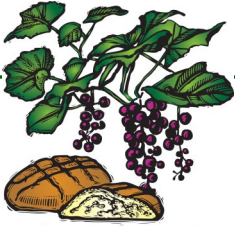


As a covenant church, Christ Church helps Open M in several ways. A number of our members volunteer in the medical clinic. We serve hot lunch 3-4 times a year as well as prepare bag lunches for the preschool children. The yearly “pyramid of yams” goes to the Christmas food boxes for their families. We often collect misc. items for Open M, most recently jars of baby food during our family Christmas service. We also participate in their various fundraising activities, especially the Walk for Open M held in May.

Open M (which now stands for Opportunity For People Everywhere in Need Ministry) is quite simply a light in this world...a place where those who are struggling can find help, hope and love. Two of the founding members, Bob and Sue Ralph, said their motto was

‘When I see the face of Christ in the world today, he looks exactly like the person who needs me.’

**If you would like more information about Open M please contact Susan Mailey at [tmal153@gmail.com](mailto:tmal153@gmail.com) or 330-714-7575.**



Holy Communion

**Laurel Lake Eucharist and Lunch  
Thursday, January 5th at 11:00 AM  
Serenity Chapel**

All Episcopalians at Laurel Lake are invited to join Charlotte and Gretchen for Eucharist, followed by lunch in the private dining room.  
***Questions? Please contact Gretchen Green.***

# Next Year's BUDGET

## 2017 Budget Forum

**The 2017 Budget  
will be presented to the parish on  
Sunday, January 8 at 9:15  
in the Parish Hall.**

This will give everyone a chance to look at the budget, ask any questions, and hear concerns addressed in advance of the Annual Meeting on January 15.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend as there will be very little time to discuss the budget at the Annual Meeting.

## **Pub Theology Wednesday, January 4 at 7pm Lager and Vine**

In January, we will surrender to the weather and bypass Compline at the Gazebo.

Please join us at Lager and Vine for great conversation, food and beverage.

The topic for the evening is this:  
“When you were growing up, what one person (not related to you) made a positive impact on your life? What quality or characteristic was at work in that person?”

Please let Charlotte know you are coming, so she can let Lager and Vine know how many of us to expect.





## Calling all Writers and Artists!

For Lent 2017, Christ Church will launch our very own Lenten Meditation Booklet with reflections written by Christ Church Parishioners. Everyone is invited to participate and the booklets will be available on February 26, just before Lent begins. Here's how to sign up to write or create a reflection.

On January 8, there will be 48 reflection sign out sheets on a table in the Parish Hall (one per day). These can be signed out on the sign up sheet that will be with them (just like we do for the Giving Tree in December). Each sheet will contain the readings for that particular day.

Write your reflection or create your artwork to go with your day. If you are using words, please limit your reflection to 200 words. If you are creating a piece of artwork, the art or a photo of the art needs to fit on one half of an 8.5 x 14 piece of paper.

All reflections are due back to the Rector ([charlotte.reed@christchurchudson.org](mailto:charlotte.reed@christchurchudson.org)) no later than Friday, February 3. This allows for plenty of time to create and produce the booklet.

**On Sunday, February 26, pick up a copy of the booklet in the Parish Hall and join your fellow parishioners in this Lent-long offering.**



**Children's Pageant  
Sunday, December 18th**





**Stewardship Campaign 2017  
We Are Thankful...**

**2017 Stewardship Committee**

*Pam Zuhl, Chair*

*Katie Barger, Tom Green, Dave McCallops*

As of Thursday, December 22nd  
112 respondents to our appeal  
pledged a total of:  
**\$393,474**

Increased pledge: 51  
Decreased pledge: 8  
Pledge remained at same level: 39  
New Pledges: 14



**Christ Church in the News!**

Check out the bulletin board in the hallway  
that borders the kitchen  
(the one that leads from the Parish Hall to  
Beebe House).

Our secretary, Kathy Garber, has created a  
display of articles about Christ Church and  
our members from the past few months.

***You may be surprised to see how often we  
are in the news!***



The answer to  
“Who is this mystery man?”  
from the December Communicant  
is ***Guy Wylie!***



**“One for the History Books: How Trump Won”  
An informative, non partisan discussion  
Sunday, January 15 at 4pm**

*Brought to you by the Education/Fellowship Ministry Team  
in an effort to reach out to the Hudson Community  
with conversations on topics of interest and relevance.*

Led by Dr. Melissa Miller, an Associate Professor of Political  
Science at Bowling Green State University, the talk will  
dissect the 2016 election results on the eve of Donald J. Trump’s  
inauguration as the 45th President of the United States.

In addition to detailing the contours of the Trump coalition, Dr. Miller will discuss both large and small factors that led to Trump’s surprising victory on November 8. Specific attention will be paid to the forecasting models and polls which failed to anticipate a Trump victory, why they misread the outcome, and whether they can be trusted in future elections. Dr. Miller will also look ahead to the Trump Administration and what voters can expect in coming months and years.

*One for the History Books* will be held in a lively, nonpartisan format in Christ Church Parish Hall.  
There is no admission to attend this event.

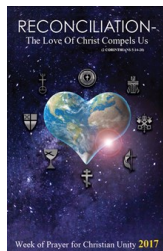
***For more information, contact the church office at 330-650-4359.***





## **Celebration and Installation of New Ministry January 21 at 7pm**

Bishop Mark Hollingsworth will be with us that night to officially install Charlotte as our Rector and celebrate our new ministry together. Requests for help with the service and reception will be forthcoming soon, so watch your inbox and announcements for those opportunities. ***Please mark your calendar for what will be a grand celebration of our life and future together.***



## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY JANUARY 18–25, 2017**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated each January. A worldwide observance, this week is also an important expression of ecumenical events at the local level. Hudson churches will join together on **Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 10:00 AM** to celebrate this annual event with a prayer service and luncheon. This interdenominational service will be held at Hudson United Methodist Church, located at 2600 Hudson-Aurora Rd.

Our featured speaker after the luncheon is Judge Linda Teodosio. Judge Teodosio was elected to the Summit County Juvenile Court bench in 2003. Her topic will be "Keeping the Faith through the Trials of Life".

**Ticket price is \$14.00 per person and may be obtained from Gretchen Green.**

**Make checks for tickets payable to Christ Church Episcopal with CUPS luncheon on memo line.**

**Reservation deadline is January 15, 2017.**

*The prayer service is open to all and does not require a ticket to attend.*



## January 2017

### Birthdays

Kyle Miller ~ 1/03  
 Jill Phipps ~ 1/10  
 Marilyn Hansem ~ 1/13  
 JoAnn Armstrong ~ 1/15  
 David McCallops ~ 1/16  
 Rebecca Wheeler ~ 1/17  
 Megan Girvin ~ 1/17  
 Bill Edwards ~ 1/1/18  
 Kathleen McCallops ~ 1/18  
 Ted Mailey ~ 1/19  
 Allan Donley ~ 1/21  
 Ed Gibson ~ 1/23  
 Allan Belton ~ 1/24  
 Joe Kolliner ~ 1/24  
 Celine Agnor ~ 1/25  
 Jan Hill ~ 1/26  
 Marilyn Bankhurst ~ 1/28  
 George Van Buren ~ 1/30  
 Virginia Sommers ~ 1/31



### Anniversaries

Charlotte & Don Reed ~ 1/2  
 Julie & Ralph Weary ~ 1/7



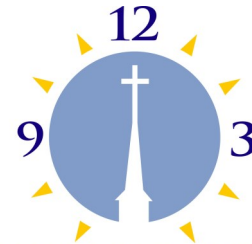
## Birthdays and Anniversaries

To your left is a list of all the birthdays and anniversaries of parishioners for the month of January that are in the Christ Church data base.

If you have a January birthday or anniversary and you do not see your name on the list, please contact the church office with the information as soon as possible.

We will pray each Sunday for all parishioners with a birthday or anniversary that week, and *we would like all Christ Church parishioners* to be included.

*Thank you!*



**CHURCH**  
OFFICE HOURS

### FOR THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Friday, December 30th

Close at Noon for New Year's Eve

Monday, January 2nd Offices are Closed

Monday, January 16th Offices are Closed  
in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day





### **Attention all Pledgers!**

This is just a note to forewarn you that some of your pledge amounts might seem a little “strange” when you begin receiving your Giving Statements for 2017. *Why?*

**2017 is one of the years  
when we have 53 weeks.**

This impacts how the computer program “sees” your pledge.

**Example:**

You are a weekly pledger. You pledge \$520.00 for the year. Normally that would mean \$10.00 per week, but on your 2017 giving statements it will be \$9.81132!

**Should you have any questions  
contact Nancy Sisteck at  
[nancy.sisteck@christchurchudson.org](mailto:nancy.sisteck@christchurchudson.org)**

Courtney Bixby, Len Harrison, Jan Hill, Heather & Doug Swift and all the children and their parents for the wonderful pageant!

To the Altar and Flower Guilds for decorating our Church for Christmas.

For all those who participated in and made happen the lovely reception for Allan Belton’s 50th Anniversary

Lucy Kistler, Ethel Bush and Marilyn Hansen for the work done on the Episcopal Church Women.

### **December Vestry Meeting Highlights**



#### **Vestry met on Tuesday, December 20 at 7:15 PM.**

The meeting opened with a prayer and short bible study led the Rev. Charlotte Reed.

Vestry was presented with a detailed proposal for the 2017 budget along with the assumptions that were used in developing the budget. There were discussions about both the income and expense sides of the budget. After all questions were answered, the budget, as presented, was unanimously approved.

We reviewed the Consent Agenda and it was passed unanimously with no significant discussion.

Vestry reviewed and approved the Rector’s Housing allowance (i.e. the percentage of total compensation that is designated as “housing allowance”).

Vestry approved the appointment of Ann Kirk as Assistant Treasurer.

Vestry was informed that Greg Daniels will be taking over as the head of the Personnel Committee.

The regular session of the vestry meeting was adjourned and then went into Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30.

**The next vestry meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24.**

*Lou Young*, Senior Warden





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Linda Irving, Clerk, ex officio

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### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite I/Quiet—Chapel  
9:15 Adult Education  
9:30 Middle & High School Education  
1st & 3rd Sundays of the month  
10:15 Sunday School  
Pre-K through 6th grade  
10:30 Rite II/Festive—Church  
11:30 Coffee Hour  
Nursery available for children  
3 and older 9:00—Noon



**Sunday, January 1st, 2017**

8:00 Quiet Service in the Chapel  
10:30 Festive Service in the Church  
Coffee Hour after each Service

Nursery 9:00—Noon