

THE COMMUNICANT

~ 175th Anniversary Celebration ~

FOR

~ Christ Church Episcopal of Hudson ~

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH



~ Worship at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. ~

Festive Eucharist with Choir and Trumpet at 10:30 service.

Followed by a 175th Anniversary Banquet at Noon.

at

The Country Club of Hudson

2155 Middleton Road

Hudson, OH 44236

Special guest speaker, Tom Vince of the Hudson Heritage Association

Door prizes for all!

Call or email the Church office A.S.A.P. to reserve your tickets if you have not yet purchased!

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Rector's Reflections



Dear Friends,

Why do we celebrate a 175th anniversary? One reason is to celebrate the accomplishments of the past, and, if we are honest, learn from our less-than-successful moments. Christ Church has a long history on the Green in Hudson, and we can learn from both our rich past and the tenacity of our predecessors when times got tough.

The other reason we celebrate an anniversary such as this is to build upon the firm foundation we have inherited so that we can leave a firm foundation for the future. When Christ Church celebrates 200 years in 2042, what will we have left for those who follow us? Based on our conversations and ministry over the last year, I believe we want to build upon our history on the Green and become a church that is more connected to and known in the community. I believe we want to grow as a church that is a great place for people of all ages to deepen their faith and makes a difference in the lives of all who worship here. I believe we want to make an even deeper gospel difference in the world.

The theme for our Annual Pledge/Stewardship program this year is "Ready for lift-off!" The stewardship group chose that theme because we feel like the past year has been spent laying the ground work, and now Christ Church is ready to take off. Our staff is now in place with the arrival of Valerie Thorson as our Director of Music. The staff changes this year have been hard, as we said good-bye to Nancy Sistek and Charlie Carr, but our new staff is now in place and ready to go. We have increased our presence in the community with the Memorial Day Parade float and other activities, so word is out that we are alive and well at Christ Church. We can build on that to increase our visibility and connection with the community until no one says "Christ Church? The one out on 303?" The energy on Sunday morning, even in the summer when many people are away, is palpable. Delighted children come running to the front of the church to join Sarah Bhatia for Children's Chapel.

We have a great deal to celebrate at Christ Church. Please join us on September 10 as we celebrate our past, rejoice in the present, and build for the future!

Blessings,
Charlotte

Rector's Contact Information:

Contact Charlotte by email at 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.

Please give your name so Charlotte knows who is texting her.

Thank you!

Children's Corner

School has started! Which means that Sunday School is just around the corner! We pick back up with our Sunday School schedule on September 17.

We have 4 classes:

- **Pre-K and Kindergarten**
- **1st-3rd Grade**
- **4th-6th Grade**
- **7th-12th Grade**

Pre-K through 3rd use the Deep Blue curriculum from Cokesbury while 4th-6th use Connect from Sparkhouse. Both of these curricula utilize age-appropriate videos and activities to teach through the major stories and concepts of the Bible. For Middle and High School, Bible study is combined with discussions of contemporary life.

Classes for **Pre-K through 6th Grade** meet every Sunday at 10:15.

Middle and High School meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 9:30.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING TEACH OUR CHILDREN, PLEASE CONTACT SARAH
sbhatia@christchurchhudson.org

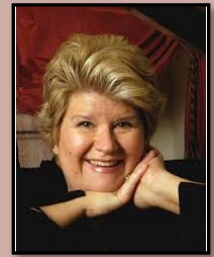
Thank you, Mary Ann Switz!

Mary Ann has served faithfully as our interim organist for the two and a half months since Charlie Carr's retirement. She has made the transition from one Director of Music to another seamless and downright fun! Thank you, Mary Ann, for a summer of great music at Christ Church!



Welcome Valerie!

On Sunday, September 3, we will welcome Valerie Thorson as our new Director of Music. There will be a special coffee hour after the 10 o'clock service to welcome her. Please be sure to wear your nametag and help Valerie get to know us!



Hello! I'm so excited to begin the new season at Christ Church and to work with the friendly choir members. I'm eager to meet everyone and to assist in preparing for some inspiring worship in this beautiful and historic space.

I invite you to join us for our first choir rehearsal on Thursday, September 7th as we prepare for our **175th Anniversary Celebration Sunday** on September 10th—no previous experience required! We'll meet in the downstairs Choir Room at 7:00 – rehearsal will last 90 minutes. Even if you love to sing but you're unable to commit to a regular schedule of singing with us I encourage you to join in for this historic celebration Sunday. 175 years is quite a milestone!

All singers from high school age up are welcome to join the choir. Come on Thursday the 7th and get to know me and the other choir folk! I look forward to greeting you.

Valerie Thorson, Organist/Choirmaster



Holy Communion

Laurel Lake Holy Eucharist and Lunch Thursday, August 14th at 11:00 AM in Serenity Chapel

All Christ Church residents of Laurel Lake, and anyone else who would like to join us, are invited to gather at Laurel Lake's Serenity Chapel at 11am for Eucharist, then for lunch following. For more information or to RSVP (required for lunch, but not for Eucharist), please contact Deacon Gretchen Green at ghg2@aol.com.



Pub Theology

Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00

Location: Lager & Vine

Come and bring a friend as we explore the intersection of faith and life. We will gather at the Gazebo on the Green for compline at 7p.m., then head to Lager & Vine for conversation.

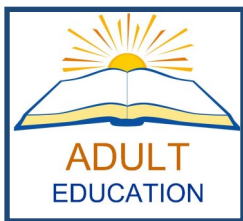
Topic: "What's the point of a Book of Common Prayer?"

Please let Charlotte know you (and your friend) are coming at 330-650-4359 or charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org



Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee September 6, 13, 20, & 27

Charlotte continues to hold office hours at Open Door Coffee Company (164 N. Main Street) on Wednesdays from 9am-11am. 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.



Breakfast Theology

**Sunday, September 17
9am in the Parish Hall
Breakfast Provided!**

Think Pub Theology, breakfast version. Our Sunday morning Adult Christian Ed will take the form of a breakfast Pub Theology on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Breakfast will be provided and a topic will be announced at least a week in advance.

Because breakfast is provided, we do need a head count. So please contact the church office (330-650-4359 or Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org) to let us know you are coming. Also, if you need childcare, please let the office know. Plan to join us for a great breakfast and engaging conversation!

Blessing of Hands

Sunday, September 3rd: 8am and 10am

Join us as we offer our labor to God on this Labor Day Sunday with special prayers and the opportunity for the anointing of our hands.

Healing Service

**Thursday, September 7th at 9:30 a.m.
Christ Church Chapel**



On the first Thursday of each month, at 9:30 in the chapel, a healing service is offered for anyone who would like to ask prayers for themselves or others. The service includes Holy Eucharist. Please join us for this quiet, yet powerful, service.



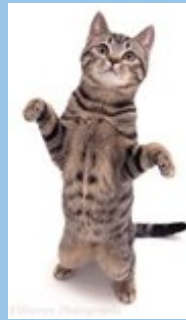
September 21st Headaches

Dr. Jason Cerutti
The Chiropractic Place
Free Lunch
Compliments of Dr. Cerutti!

12:00 – 1:00 PM
Parish Hall
Please R.S.V.P. to
330-650-4359 by
Monday, September 18th.

Upright

Jill Rango's
New *Balance* Class
Wednesdays
1:30 – 2:30
September 13th thru
November 1st
Parish Hall



Class is FREE
compliments of
Laurel Lake Community
Outreach Dept.
No RSVP required
Contact Jill Rango with
Questions 330-730-8400

Sunday Coffee Hour Hosts

Please consider signing up to host Sunday Coffee Hour after one of our 10:30 services. We currently have a couple of open spots for September and the following months. For more information and to learn how to sign up, contact Katie Barger at kgbarger@gmail.com or Kay Eileraas at kay.eileraas@gmail.com or go to tinyurl.com/CCEcoffeehour to sign up.



SAVE THE DATE! "The Opioid Epidemic"

Christ Church will host "The Opioid Epidemic" on Sunday, Oct. 15 at 3pm. Greg McNeil, a Hudson resident, will tell the story of his late son, Sam and his battle with opioid dependence. He will share the lessons learned during his family's journey with Sam and how they came to form COVER 2 Resources, a non-profit organization whose mission is to "fight the opioid epidemic through education and advocacy." His discussion will include alternatives to prescription opioids for pain management as well as resources for families struggling with an addiction. In addition McNeil will present preventative measures such as educational programs that are working well throughout the country, some of which are being adopted here in Summit County.



Greg McNeil with his late son, Sam

"Whether directly or indirectly, the opioid epidemic affects all of us. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this forum and hear Greg McNeil talk about his own family's struggle, what they have learned, and how we can all be part of the solution to this crisis," says Charlotte. There is no admission to attend and activities for young children will be available.

For more information and to reserve a spot in the children's room please call 330-650-4359.

The "200" Report

We are happy to announce that we have exceeded our 200 bars of soap collection for the month of August. Thanks to your generosity, we have collected 248 bars of soap to give to Open M!



For the month of September, we will need several parishioners to each bake 3 dozen chocolate chip cookies to be delivered to church by noon on Saturday, September 9. Our neighbors at First Congregational Church will be holding their annual service day on September 10th.

In support of their efforts we are collecting 200 cookies for them to distribute to the citizens in the neighborhoods in which they will be working.

Please contact Susan Mailey at 330-714-7575 or tmail153@gmail.com if you can help!



A note of thanks from the Battered Women's Shelter

The shelter residents have been staying at the newly renovated Summit County Battered Women's Shelter since mid- February. The progress on the kitchen is coming along, but still not up and running. Thank you for being one of our community partners who has stepped in to help feed the residents until September. Your HUGE donation of cake mixes and frosting will help our agency serve adults and children who have had to leave their homes seeing a place to live that is violent free.

Enjoy the summer's sunshine, flowers, and your family, each and every day.

Blessing to you.
Sincerely,

Terri Heckman, CEO



35TH SEASON ANNOUNCEMENT FROM MUSIC FROM THE WESTERN RESERVE

Music from The Western Reserve showcases six concerts with the world's finest chamber music artists. Concerts are presented at 5:00 p.m. at Christ Church, with a meet-the-artist reception following immediately after each concert.

The 35th season opens with cellist **Dane Johansen** on **Sunday, September 17**. A native of Fairbanks, Alaska, Mr. Johansen may be recognized from the world-renowned Cleveland Orchestra or his recent Documentary film, **Strangers on the Earth**, presented at the Cleveland Film Festival about his 30-day hike along the ancient paths in northwestern Spain. Mr. Johansen studied at the Cleveland Institute of Music, Conservatoire National Supérieur de Paris, and at the Juilliard School, where he earned his artist diploma.

Season Tickets \$100; Single Tickets \$20; **Students Admission FREE**. Tickets will be on sale starting **September 1** and can be purchased at www.mftwr.org, the **Learned Owl Book Shop**, or at the door the evening of the concert.

For more information about **Music from The Western Reserve's 35th season**, visit www.mftwr.org and www.facebook.com/mftwr.

Dear Reverend Reed,

I wish to thank your congregants at Christ Church Episcopal for the kind donation of 204 toothbrushes to The Personal Health Partners program. Your timely donation will effectively meet an identified need. We plan to distribute the toothbrushes as part of our oral health initiative, as well as in the toiletry kits we put together for distribution during the holidays.

Our program is sponsored by Laurel Lake Retirement Community and serves approximately 400 adults living in low-income housing for seniors and disabled persons in Summit County. The goal of the program is to empower residents to manage their health needs effectively, with an emphasis on prevention and management of chronic illness. Your congregants' generosity will help these individuals as they work toward their personal health goals.

Again, please share my sincere thanks with your congregants for their generosity.

Best regards,

Carol Telesman, MSN, RN
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The Personal Health Partner Program
Keys Towers – Stow, OH
Sutliff I Apartments – Cuyahoga Falls, OH



Ben Bixby ~ 9/1
 Sue King ~ 9/1
 Griffin Vaughn ~ 9/1
 Evelyn (Titch) Foster ~ 9/5
 Sue Potts ~ 9/7
 Lucy Canterbury ~ 9/8
 Doug Harvey ~ 9/8
 Susie Spearman ~ 9/8
 Courtney Bixby ~ 9/9
 Nathaniel Lund ~ 9/9
 Guy Wylie ~ 9/9
 Travis Anglewicz ~ 9/10
 Matt Girvin ~ 9/10
 Dave McCallops ~ 9/10
 Alec Rhodes ~ 9/10
 Charles Haake ~ 9/11
 Karen Petterson ~ 9/11
 Anna Klespies ~ 9/12
 Ralph Weary ~ 9/12
 Don Reed ~ 9/17
 Andrew Girvin ~ 9/19
 Julie Micheletti ~ 9/19
 Debbie Currin ~ 9/20
 Samuel Koebley ~ 9/20
 Pam Zuhl ~ 9/20
 Jim Lang ~ 9/23
 Joyce Harrison ~ 9/26
 Will Bixby ~ 9/28
 Susan Girvin ~ 9/28
 John Ong ~ 9/29



Dave & Karen Petterson ~ 9/3
 Greg Yasutake & Mona Wolfman ~ 9/4
 Lou & Marti Young ~ 9/6
 Michael Minnig & Laura DeYoung ~ 9/10
 Eric & Kay Eileras ~ 9/18
 Kevin & Tracy Vaughn ~ 9/18
 Steve & Katie Barger ~ 9/22
 Bill & Lynda Warren ~ 9/25
 Mike & Linda Pitz ~ 9/27
 Larry & Jean Rhodes ~ 9/27
 Malcolm & Rhonda Robbie ~ 9/27
 Peter & Shirley Eells ~ 9/29
 Guy & Ruth Wylie ~ 9/30

What's your dream for CCH?

Cottage meetings are being scheduled in the second half of October to give each of us a chance to talk about our vision for the years ahead. Sign up sheets will be in the Parish Hall beginning in late September. These meetings will give us the opportunity to share our sense of where the parish is today, what we're excited about, what we hope can happen....the chance to listen, to learn and to dream! A variety of dates and times will be offered. There will be a session for families with young children at the church that will include an activity for the kids and there will be a session at Laurel Lake. Stay tuned for more information!



August Vestry Meeting Highlights



- The Vestry meeting opened with prayer and Bible Study. Prayers were offered for a portion of the congregation and prayer cards signed.
- The Vestry focused on accomplishments for 2017 and looked at goals for 2018. Accomplishments including the hiring of a Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry, better visibility in Hudson (the Memorial Day parade), reorganization of the administrative staff, the work on the Memorial Garden to make it inviting to our neighbors, and our Community Forums. Goals for 2018 include growing our Community Forum series, greater funding for outreach, look to re-establishing the youth choir, and looking at ways to have a Parish Nurse program in the absence of a Community Wellness Coordinator like Mary Pat DeLambo.
- An update was given on plans for the annual stewardship drive and the upcoming capital campaign.
- An update was given on Lunch and Learn. First Presbyterian and Christ Church will partner to keep this program going as it was formerly led by Mary Pat DeLambo who has taken a new position with the Cleveland Clinic.
- Lou Young, Roxanne Grattan, and Eileen Gaston are the retiring vestry members this year. They will form a committee to recruit people to stand for election to vestry at the January 2018 annual meeting.
- The meeting closed with prayer. The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, September 26 at 7:15pm in the library.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite I/Quiet—Chapel

10:30 Rite II/Festive—Church
with Children's Chapel

11:45 Coffee Hour

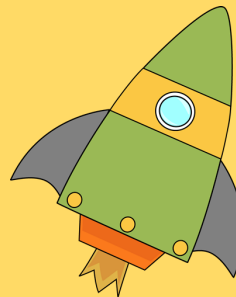
Nursery available for children

3 and older 10:00—12:00

Christ Church is "Ready for Lift Off!"

Please **SAVE THE DATE** to fuel up at our
Kick Off Brunch for the 2018 Annual Fund Campaign
on Sunday, October 1, 2017, at 9 a.m.

All systems are "GO" for good food, an informative
presentation of our 2018 goals, and a fun program for the kids.
Babysitting will also be provided.



You won't want to miss the excitement as we launch
Christ Church into another year of mission and ministry.