

# THE COMMUNICANT

# Come to Breakfast!

## "WITH GLAD AND GENEROUS HEARTS"

## 2019 Annual Campaign Kick-Off Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

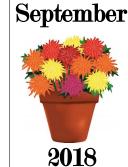
Join us in the Parish Hall for good food and an informative presentation of our 2019 goals, along with a fun program for the kids. (Babysitting will be available from 9-12:00 for those 3 and younger).

Annual Giving Packets will be distributed and Accomplishments for 2018 and Goals for 2019 will be shared.

Fill your hearts and stomachs as we continue the mission and ministry of Christ Church.

R.S.V.P. to the church office (330-650-4359) by September 9th or sign up in The Parish Hall





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## **Rector's Reflections**



Dear Friends,

The summer came to a grand and glorious conclusion with a highly successful Vacation Bible School that served 49 children, a lively presence on Community Day at the Farmers' Market, and a wonderful parish picnic on a gorgeous day at Barlow Park. All three events are parables of challenges that can be overcome and ministry that can happen when many people come together and offer their gifts to God.

Our stewardship theme this fall is "With glad and generous hearts." Almost three years ago now, your glad and generous hearts caught my attention as I looked over your parish profile. This is a parish where glad and generous hearts have kept ministry alive and well through thick and thin. The Stewardship Team, which now calls itself the Generosity Team, did not choose this year's theme because we need to have glad and generous hearts instead of sad and stingy hearts. The Team chose this theme because the theme speaks to who Christ Church is, how we rise to a challenge, how we take care of each other and reach out into the community.

When each of us and all of us live with glad and generous hearts, there is no end to the gospel work we can do at Christ Church, in Hudson, and in the world. Stay tuned for opportunities ahead this fall!

Blessings,

Charlotte

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

Contact Charlotte by email at <u>charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org</u>, 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.

### One unique Parish Tradition here at Christ Church:

Nearly four years ago, what has now become a parish tradition at this church was born. Bishop Michael Curry was consecrated as our Presiding Bishop. As that ceremony began, the first words he said were that he was baptized on a particular day and in a particular church. How many of us could say the same with confidence? He acknowledged it as an



important day in his life in Christ and we should do the same. Thus, we began here to bring our parish children forward once a month during the service to receive a special prayer during their baptismal anniversary month, whether baptized in this church or elsewhere. All children here are invited to be so recognized from the time of their first baptismal anniversary until they are confirmed and continue on their journey with Christ in their own right. If your child was baptized here at Christ Church, we have him or her in our records, but if baptized elsewhere, we may not. Please help us honor your child in prayer by letting us know when they were baptized by emailing me, Gretchen Green at ghg2@aol.com so they can be added to our list.



## Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m. Location: Rosewood Grill

Fred Rogers: "Peace means far more than the opposite of war." What is peace?

Join us for good food and great conversation at Rosewood Grill. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of the room.

RSVP to <u>charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson</u>.org or 330-650-4359 and let us know you are coming.

Healing Service in the Chapel

Thursday, September 6 at 9:30 a.m.



Once a month (typically the first Thursday), a healing service is offered at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel 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.

## Blessing of Hands Sunday, September 2nd 8:00 a.m and 10:30 a.m.

"With glad and generous hearts, let us present our life and labor to God"

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.



## Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee

September 5, 12, 19 & 26

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

## Laurel Lake Holy Eucharist and Lunch Thursday, September 6 at 11:00 AM

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.



### Sunday, September 23 at 9:00 a.m. "A Year of Living Biblically" by A. J. Jacobs.

As the kids go back to school and we all return to our day-to-day, Books & Bagels returns to Christ Church as well! For September and October we will be venturing, in two-parts, through "A Year of Living Biblically" by A. J. Jacobs. On the fourth Sunday of September, the 23rd, we will gather to talk about our thoughts on A.J. Jacob's journey thus far and how we ourselves struggle to or try to live more biblically, and if we do at all. We will complete the book in October. Come on the 23rd, wherever you are in the book, for great conversation and some wonderful "Cleveland's Best" Bagels. Please contact Allie on Sunday or via email at <u>adeanheet@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions, or any recommendations for future books to explore.



Mario Buchanan Interim Director of Music and Organist

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#### Greetings!

I am honored and excited to be starting my ministry here at Christ Church, Hudson and I look forward to the opportunity to get to know each one of you. Though I am ecstatic for my first day, I am also sad, as you probably are, that Valerie Thorson is moving to Florida. She continues to be a significant part of my musical journey and I wish her much love and success in her new adventure!

In preparation for the upcoming choir season, I have been looking back at the different choral music sung throughout the years at Christ Church. I am excited to see the great history and diversity in repertoire through an active Chancel Choir, beautiful organ music, and a young choristers program, which I look forward to reintroducing to Christ Church. I hope to continue your rich music history, but no music program can flourish without the support of YOU, the congregation! Your presence at service and want to worship together as a church family both make music happen. You, as the congregation, are a choir too and if any one member is missing, the rest of the congregation will feel that absence. Your voice is an instrument that was meant to be used for the glory of God!

I sincerely look forward to hearing all of your voices in the coming months, whether that be from the pews or the chancel. If you are interested in taking the plunge from the pews to the chancel, feel free to talk to me! I would love to help you discover your musical talents and enhance your worship experience at Christ Church. The Chancel Choir's first Sunday back will be September 16th, and the first rehearsal being Thursday, September 13th at 7:00pm. If you are interested in joining the choir or have any questions about how you might be able to worship through music, email me and we can set up a time to chat!

Blessings, Mario

## Flat Jesus Photo Contest

### And the winners are.....





Parish Pick #1 Violet Harvey



**#2 Heather Swift in Poland** 



#3 Gonzo From Tom & Marilyn Marks

#### **Staff Pick**

Raymondi from Rift Valley Children's Village in Tanzania. Submitted by EFM.



# **Children's Corner**

**Sunday School is underway!** We began on August 19, following the Children's Chapel schedule and will switch to our regular schedule on <u>September 16</u>. We have 5 classes:



Preschool Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> use the Deep Blue curriculum from Cokesbury while 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> use Spark Lectionary from Sparkhouse. Both of these curricula utilize age-appropriate 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 5<sup>th</sup> Grade** meet <u>every Sunday at 10:15</u>. **Middle School (6-8th Grade)** meet <u>every Sunday at 9:30.</u> **High School (9-12th Grade)** meet on the <u>1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 9:30</u>.

# ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING TEACH OUR CHILDREN, PLEASE CONTACT SARAH at <a href="mailto:sbhatia@christchurchhudson.org">sbhatia@christchurchhudson.org</a> .

### VBS Hero Central

VBS was a huge success with 49 kids in attendance, not including the four teen volunteers and two babies who were along for the ride. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated! I could not have done it without you! I am expecting as many or more kids next year as word has already started to spread, so I will need even more helping hands. Mark your calendars now!









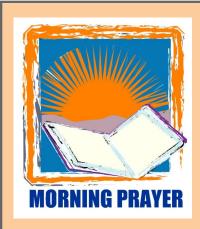
## Adult Christian Education at Christ Church 9am in the Parish Hall

September 2: Labor Day weekend- no Adult Education
September 9: First Serve-no Adult Education
September 16: Stewardship Breakfast
September 23: Book group with Allie Heeter
September 30: Fifth Sunday-no Adult Education

In October, we begin our regular schedule of Adult Education:

October 7 (First Sunday): Rector's Bible Study- Topic: First Thessalonians October 16 (Second Sunday): Breakfast Theology- Topic: TBD October 23 (Third Sunday): Rector and Wardens Forum- come by for a chat with Charlotte, Bob Zuhl, and Susan Mailey who will be available in the Parish Hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month to answer questions or have conversation about our life together at Christ Church. October 28 (Fourth Sunday): Book Group with Allie Heeter

This pattern will repeat each month. Watch your e-News, Communicant, and announcements each month for details!



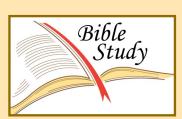
## **Morning Prayer**

Weekday worship is coming (back) to Christ Church starting on September 6. Resident Seminarian and Postulant, Allie Heeter will be leading Morning Prayer at 8:00 am every Thursday morning. Whether you have formerly experienced Morning Prayer or never heard of it, this worship service is for you, so please come and try it for yourself. If you have any questions or want to know more, please see Allie or contact her via email at adeanheet@gmail.com.

## **Inquirer's Class**



Interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church? Bishop Hollingsworth will be with us on January 13, 2019 for Confirmation and to receive people into the Episcopal Church. If you are interested, please let Charlotte know at 330-650-4359 or charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org.



Bible Study at Christ Church

Monday mornings at 8am Beginning September 17th

This group gathers in the library and looks at the gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. Questions? Contact Jim Lang at <u>jlang@progressive-marketing.com</u>.

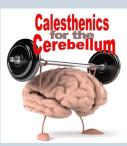


September 20th 12-1:00 PM Parish Hall

**Topic: Brain Fitness for those over 60 Speaker: Bob Pontius, Stow-Glen Retirement Village** 

Bob Pontius, MA, CDP spends his days as a Director at Stow-Glen Retirement Village.

He is a Certified Dementia Practitioner and former professor at Mount Union and University of Akron. He will give 17 tips for daily brain exercises.



Please R.S.V.P to 330-650-4359 or Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org .



## YOGA CLASS RETURNS!

Monday Mornings at 9:00 in Parish Hall

Monday morning yoga classes will be back in Parish Hall beginning on September 17th. Join certified yoga instructor Kay Powers for a free, gentle, mindful yoga class designed to increase strength and flexibility, while releasing tension, reducing stress and promoting relaxation. Suitable for all levels, especially beginners and those with some yoga experience.

### Acme Cash Back Program

The Acme Cash Back receipt program begins Aug 9 and runs through Dec 29 this year. Please place your receipts in the Acme box on the table leading into Parish Hall. The proceeds from this ministry help us support Open M.

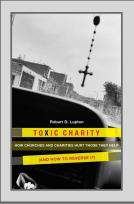


## September 2nd

8:00am:	Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
8:45am:	Coffee in the Parish Hall

**10:30am**: Holy Eucharist in the Church

11:30am: Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall



## "Toxic Charity"

Join members of the Outreach Ministry Team on Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00 pm in the library for a discussion of this thought-provoking book by Robert Lupton.



## with Allie

Fridays from 2-5:00

Allie Heeter is returning to Open Door weekly on Fridays from 2:00-5:00 p.m. for some Coffee Talk, starting on September 14. Stop by to catch up after the summer, talk about your favorite TV shows and movies, or generally to have a chat!



Christ Church will serve a hot lunch to families in need at Open M in Akron on Thursday, September 27. We will carpool from church at 9:30 and return no later than 2:00. You can stay for the whole time or arrive at 11:00 to help serve and clean up. Please contact Susan Mailey at <u>tmail153@gmail.com</u> if you would like to be a part of the fun!



for Jean Holden Saturday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. Christ Church Sanctuary

¢ Polunteers Needed ¢

We are looking for volunteers to help with the reception for Jean Holden's Memorial Service. If you would like to help with set up or serving, or provide refreshments please contact Eileen Gaston at eileengaston@yahoo.com.



Thank You!

To CCE members:

Thank you for all the prayers, visits, flowers, cards, notes and food. Howard and I appreciated everything. I am happy to finally be home to recuperate. God must have other plans for me because I survived. It is a slow recovery, but every day gets better. To good health to all.

### Marilyn Bankhurst

### Thank you to....

- Sarah Bhatia and everyone who helped welcome 49 children to Christ Church for a great week of Vacation Bible School.
- Pam Zuhl, Courtney Bixby and all who helped with our presence at Hudson Farmer's Market Community Day on August 11.

Dear Mary Ann,

I received my framed needlepoint gift of Jesus' monogram. It is so beautiful and the framing so perfect.



I will find a very special place to hang it in my new home. Each time I look at it I will think of you all and the loving service you give to our church home.

You were so kind to think of me. I miss you all and am anxious to serve again in our new church.

Please pass along my extreme gratitude to other Altar Guild members and Charlotte. I especially wanted to thank you as I knew you mailed it to me and wanted you to know it arrived safely.

Sincerely, *Carolyn Haber* 

#### To Christ Church...

We really enjoyed delivering the food to the pantry in the Rejoice Lutheran Church, and met some wonderful people performing the same service. We also wish to thank the generous people who contributed every month. We have had as many as 100 food and other articles each month. We will miss this opportunity every month. We appreciate your thinking of us.

> God Bless, Bob and Ethel Bush



## MUSIC FROM THE WESTERN RESERVE RED CAMPION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 5:00 P.M.

Each season, 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 first concert of the season is on September 9 and features Red Campion. Enjoy an evening of vocal chamber music, opera, and Broadway show tunes ,with this energetic ensemble of four singers and one pianist.

Tickets \$20; Students Admission FREE. Tickets can be purchased at <u>www.mftwr.org</u>, the Learned Owl Book Shop, or at the door the evening of the concert. For more information visit <u>www.mftwr.org</u>.

# Last call to sign-up for First



September 9, 2018

Register today! Here's how:

- · Visit www.joinfirstserve.org or
- Visit the First Serve booth in Fellowship Hall

Sending Service



- Taking place at Akron Civic Theatre.
- Service starts at 9 a.m., doors open at 8 a.m.
- Free parking on streets and in nearby garages. Visit www.joinfirstserve.org for details.
- Pick up your t-shirt in the theater lobby.

# Celebration Meal

- Meals offered in both North Hill and Summit Lake.
- 4-6 p.m.
- Summit Lake location: Summit Lake Park
- North Hill location: Jennings School

Frequently Asked Questions

More FAQs and details are available at www.joinfirstserve.org

Who can participate? Anyone! Projects are designed for families and people of all ages and abilities.

What happens if it rains? This is a rain or shine event.

How will I find out more specific information about my project? Once you register, your contact information will be sent to your project leader. Your leader will contact you with details closer to the actual day of service.

Food? Please bring your own snacks and lunch to the project site.



Questions? Contact Janet Daniels at janetsdaniels@gmail.com or 330-414-5975



Ben Bixby  $\sim 9/1$ Sue King  $\sim 9/1$ Griffin Vaughn ~ 9/1Titch Foster  $\sim 9/5$ Sue Potts  $\sim 9/7$ Doug Harvey  $\sim 9/8$ Richard Klespies  $\sim 9/8$ Susie Spearman  $\sim 9/8$ Courtney Bixby  $\sim 9/9$ Nathaniel Lund  $\sim 9/9$ Guy Wylie  $\sim 9/9$ Travis Anglewicz  $\sim 9/10$ Matt Girvin ~ 9/10 Dave McCallops ~ 9/10 Alec Rhodes  $\sim 9/10$ Charles Haake  $\sim 9/11$ Anna Klespies  $\sim 9/12$ Ralph Weary  $\sim 9/12$ Don Reed ~ 9/17Andrew Girvin  $\sim 9/19$ Julie Micheletti ~ 9/19Debbie Currin  $\sim 9/20$ Pam Zuhl ~ 9/20Jim Lang ~ 9/23 Will Bixby  $\sim 9/28$ Susan Girvin ~ 9/28 Tom Dukes  $\sim 9/29$ John Ong ~ 9/29



Richard Shirey & James Helmuth ~ 9/5 Lou & Marti Young ~ 9/6 Michael & Laura Minnig ~ 9/10 Kevin & Tracey 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

## FOR THE RECORD...

Baptism: Piper Althouse *August 19th, 2018* 

#### Save the Date!

Episcopal Church Women's Christmas Luncheon

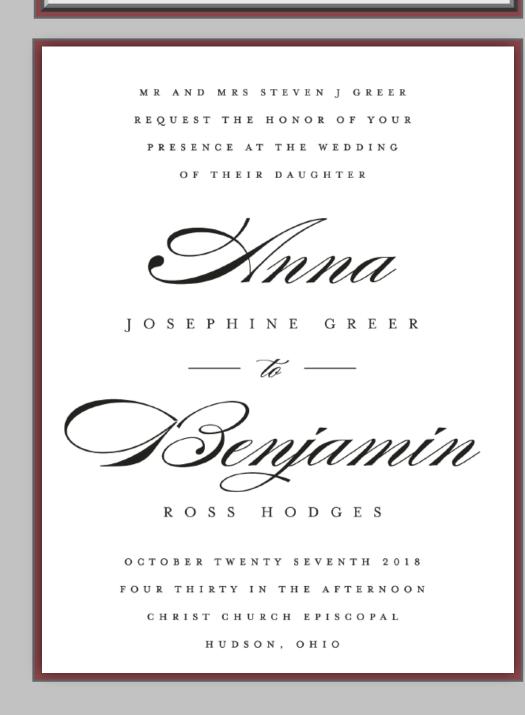
December 6th

## August Vestry Meeting Highlights



- The vestry meeting opened with prayer and Bible Study.
- The vestry set the goals for 2019:
  - -Run a successful capital campaign to take care of much needed work on our buildings and make the buildings more serviceable for our ministries as well as outside groups -Provide for the development of a Children/Youth choir -Provide opportunities for fellowship that will deepen our
  - connections with each other -Increase funds available for outreach from 1% of the budget (\$5000) to 2% of the budget (\$10,000).
- Marilyn Hansen, the Christ Church treasurer, reported that income and expenses are both where they should be at this point in the year and we have not had to transfer any money from the investment accounts yet.
- The vestry voted to approve the proposal from Green Systems to convert all of our lighting to LED, which is estimated to generate a yearly savings of \$2,000 in electricity and maintenance.
- Marilyn Hansen reported that the yearly audit is complete. We need to complete our parish inventory for insurance purposes, and continue to work on bringing our policies and bylaws in line with each other.
- The vestry continued talk about a process to tell the resurrection story of Christ Church, both to help other churches that may be struggling and to help CCH realize what has been accomplished here over the last 6-7 years.
- The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, September 25 at 7:15pm in the library.

The Greer family would love for our Christ Church family to be a part of this special day. NO GIFTS PLEASE! Your attendance is gift enough.



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#### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite I/Quiet— Chapel 10:30 Rite II/Festive— Church 11:30 Coffee Hour

Nursery available for children 3 and older 10:15—12:00

# SAGE Community



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# FALL TERM 2018

September 18 – November 6 Eight consecutive Tuesdays 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## Life-long Learning for those age 55 and up. Classes are held at Christ Church Episcopal.

For more information or to register for classes go to sageontheweb.blogspot.com.