

Rector's Reflections



Dear Friends,

We have had a busy winter and spring together. Some of the busyness has been good as we had a wonderful annual meeting (despite the weather), welcomed Bishop Hollingsworth, had a marvelous Mexican dinner and Variety Show, and continued our work toward a capital campaign with a feasibility study that broke records for participation. Some of the busyness has been hard, as we have had to say good-bye to dear parishioners. But in both the good times and the hard times, over and over again, this parish pulls together to do what needs to be done.

Now, summer is upon us. Our Sunday Schedule will change to 8am and 10am. Children's Chapel will replace Sunday School and is an excellent vehicle for Christian Formation for our children. Many of us will travel and hopefully Flat Jesus will go on those adventures with us. As summer approaches, I have a few requests ☺ .

- Summer is the season when churches experience the highest number of visitors (outside of Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday). Many of our summer visitors will be new to Hudson and looking for a church. We want visitors to find a lively and active church when they visit, making it very important that we be here on Sunday morning when we are in town. Nothing turns off visitors more quickly than coming into an empty church (other than being ignored-see the next bullet point).
- As we grow, I am noticing more and more that our visitors are standing by themselves at coffee hour. Please make the effort to introduce yourself to people you don't know and spend time getting to know them. If visitors do not connect with anyone on their first visit, there will not likely be a second visit. If you are an introvert and really do not like talking with people, you can support the cause by signing up to host coffee hour!
- Ask Sarah Bhatia how you can help with Vacation Bible School in August. There is more information about VBS in this Communicant. We expect upwards of 60 children this year, which means we need a lot (LOT) of help!!
- Lastly, please stay informed by reading the Communicant and the e-News as well as the announcements. We will be doing a lot of work this summer getting ready for a variety of events and ministries in the fall.

I am looking forward to a lovely summer for all of us!

Blessings,
Charlotte

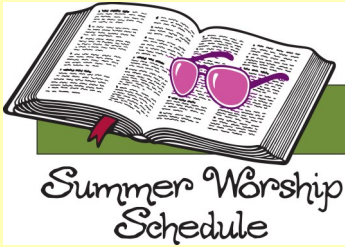
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Charlotte Out of the Office: May 30– June 10

Charlotte will be in London for continuing education through June 10. The Rev. Allan Belton will be serving at Christ Church on Sunday, June 2 and 19. In case of emergency, call either Allan at 330-814-5123 or Deacon Gretchen Green at 330-603-1411.



Summer Worship Begins June 2!

8am: Holy Eucharist in the chapel
10am: Holy Eucharist with Children's Chapel
11am: Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Congratulations to our Graduates!



Western Reserve Academy

Carson Harkins will attend University of Chicago.

Quentin Mundy will attend The Ohio State University.

Hudson High School

Corinne Agnor

Corinne will attend the Nursing College at University of Cincinnati. Corinne has been involved in Cross Country, Track, National Honor Society, Huddle, and Service Learning program. She volunteers at the Akron Children's Hospital and works at Hershey's. Corinne plans on being a Nanny this summer and continuing her volunteering at Children's Hospital.

Steven Greer

Steven is a member of National Honor Society, section leader for marching band percussion, and part of wind ensemble, and VP of Thespians Club. Steven will work this summer at Lake Forest and Regal Cinema and plans to compete in several Rubik's Cube competitions. Steven will attend OSU this Fall to study computer science.

Ohio University

Sarah Dieter

Sarah graduates from Ohio University with a BBA in Marketing .

The College of Charleston South Carolina

Virginia Swift

Virginia graduates from The College of Charleston in South Carolina with a B.A. in Arts Management, B.A. in Historic Preservation & Community Planning and Minors in Art History and Urban Planning. During college, she sang in The Charleston Vibes acapella group, volunteered in an inclusive arts community for adults with special needs and disabilities, and was president of the Architecture & Art History Club for two years. After volunteering in our nursery through high school, Virginia continued caring for babies at the Episcopal cathedral nursery in Charleston. Her career goal is to work in development for non-profit organizations in the arts.

University of Delaware

Kathleen McCallops

Kathleen graduates from University of Delaware with her Master of Human Development and Family Sciences. Her finance, Jon Kittle, received his Master of English as a Second Language.

**Healing Service
Thursday, June 6
at 9:30 a.m.
in the Chapel
with Allan Belton**



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.

**Mondays at 9 am
in June**



Let's enjoy the warmer weather and companionship by walking together.

We will meet in the Barlow Community Center parking lot at 9am on Monday mornings. All are welcome! For those with little ones, after walking, let's stop at the playground by Oviatt and Division! Contact Lori Metoki at 630-776-4525 with questions.



**Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee
June 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!

After ten years of offering exceptional hospitality on the last Sunday of each month, Welcome Table's ministry has come to an end. Over the past few years, despite efforts to reach out to bring in new guests, the number of people served has steadily declined.



The Welcome Table team wishes to thank all the hands that have contributed the many meals through these past ten years, and all the folks who came and served, washed dishes and contributed to the fellowship each month. The guests who stayed to the end were always appreciative - from the wonderful meals to the hostess who knew all their names!

The Outreach Committee has some ideas for where to go from here, so stay tuned and don't hang up those aprons!

Thank you!

Shirley Eells, Jane Harrison, Heather Swift

Summer Playgroup!

Starting this month, Sarah Bhatia will be hosting a bi-monthly playgroup for all ages on the second and fourth Thursdays of June and July from 11:00-12:00 at local area parks.

- June 13: Hudson Springs Park
- June 27: Colony Park
- July 11: Cascade Park
- July 25: Veterans Way Splash Pad and Park



Invite your friends, enjoy time outside playing and get to know other families in the parish outside of the walls of the church! All playgroup dates are weather permitting. Email Sarah at sbhatia@christchurchudson.org to be sure to be on the list to get up to date information.



Mario Buchanan, Director of Music and Organist
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Greetings!

As we approach the end of the choir season, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the choir members who have made this choir season so successful. Your dedication and perseverance is greatly appreciated! A devoted choir makes my job so much more enjoyable and fulfilling. The choir will be singing in the stalls until Trinity Sunday, which is June 16th. During the summer months, if you are interested in providing your musical talents in church, either in the form of a prelude or a solo during offertory, please contact me and we can set something up! We are so fortunate to have so many talented musicians in the congregation!

Have a wonderful summer and I will see you all in church!

Best,

Mario

Volunteers Needed for Reading Camps!

Help Greater Cleveland children prevent the “summer slide” by volunteering in these reading camps in the Diocese of Ohio. We partner with Open Doors Academy (ODA), a non-profit organization which is committed to breaking the cycle of multi-generational poverty. The organization works to protect, inspire, nurture and challenge adolescents to reach their full potential. Our camps are for children entering grades 3-5 in the fall.



June 17-20 is the first Book Camp at St. Paul's Cleveland Heights. They will need reading partners Mon.-Thur. 9:30-12:15 for Pleasure Reading. The theme book for the week is *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by Rowling.

Reading partners are also needed during the day at Bellwether Farm Mon.-Fri., June 24-28. Reading Partners assist in the Pleasure Reading learning center. An adult partner is paired with a child who chooses a book from our library. The partner listens and supports the child reading for 25-30 minutes. A Reading Partner should be someone who enjoys children and can attend the Bellwether camp at least twice in the week from 9:00-12:00. In a morning, a Reading Partner will listen to five children read. The kids get to stay overnight for this camp, but don't worry, you don't have to!

Feel free to talk to current & past Christ Church volunteers Katie Barger, Sallie Bear, Eileen Gaston, Jeanne McKinny, and Heather Swift who provided this photo from her session last year.

Member Julie Micheletti is pivotal in coordinating the volunteers for these camps and it is a great feat. We hope you can help her out by helping the students with reading this summer. Feel free to call, text or email her at 330-388-1164 & michelettijulie@gmail.com.

Children's Corner

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL UNDERWAY!



Our program year is over and we are in our summer rhythm with weekly Children's Chapel. We started Children's Chapel on May 19! We are continuing with the Godly Play curriculum, which uses Montessori-based learning experiences to help children explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Children have an innate sense of the presence of God and this program embraces and encourages that sense. We will be encountering some of the big characters of the Old Testament as well as the parables of Jesus. Children ages 3-2nd Grade (completed) will begin each Sunday in the service with their parents. During the Hymn of Praise, they will join Sarah Bhatia or a volunteer at the front of the sanctuary and return to their families during The Peace. This program offers a great opportunity for your children to grow in their understanding of faith and experience God in new ways. Come join us!

Vacation Bible School Registration is Open!

Make Vacation Bible School the "mane" event of your summer! This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids will explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.

Each day, kids travel through rotations that reinforce relevant Bible Points and immerse them in new adventures. These rotations include Music, Science, Bible Story, Mission, Snack, and Recreation. One memorable Bible Point is reinforced throughout each station, each day—making it easy to apply long after VBS is over.

Mark your calendars now and plan to have your children join us on this African safari through faith that will equip them and empower them for a life-long journey with God.

When: August 5-9; 9:00am-12:00pm

Registration forms are now available in the church office, on the table leading into parish hall or on the church website at christchurchudson.com/bible-school.html.

Who: Ages 3 (as of September 30, 2018 and potty-trained) through 5th Grade (Fall 2019).

PreK and Kindergarten classes will meet on alternating days. Kindergarten will meet Monday, Wednesday, Friday and PreK will meet on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday). Nursery will be available for younger children whose parents are volunteering.





- Liz Cardarelli ~ 6/1
- Shannon West ~ 6/1
- John Frisby ~ 6/2
- Lucy Kosanovich ~ 6/5
- Terry West ~ 6/6
- Tom Green ~ 6/7
- Lori Metoki ~ 6/8
- Bob Price ~ 6/10
- Andrew Stansbrey ~ 6/11
- Ann Kirk ~ 6/12
- Jace West ~ 6/13
- Marti Young ~ 6/15
- Linda Pitz ~ 6/16
- Lauren Ribovich ~ 6/16
- Ruth Andrews ~ 6/18
- Greg Daniels ~ 6/18
- Alice Anglewicz ~ 6/19
- Nancy Dalton ~ 6/21
- Ben Anglewicz ~ 6/23
- Virginia Swift ~ 6/23
- Kathie Balcerzak ~ 6/24
- Burt Williams ~ 6/24
- Sarah Dieter ~ 6/25
- Jim Myers ~ 6/29
- Joan Schultz ~ 6/30



- Jim & Nancy Dalton ~ 6/2
- Tim & Carmella Jackson ~ 6/10
- Ross & Cathy Agnor ~ 6/11
- Morgan & Greta Foster ~ 6/13
- Tom & Gretchen Green ~ 6/13
- Jim Gray & Julie Micheletti ~ 6/20
- John & Karen Stansbrey ~ 6/22
- Paul & Eileen Gaston ~ 6/29
- Bill & Jill Phipps ~ 6/29
- Jonathan & Amy Andrews ~ 6/30
- Greg & Emily Anglewicz ~ 6/30

FOR THE RECORD...

Marriages: Brandon & Claire George
Deaths: Joe Kolliner, Alison Burner

THANKS



Thank you to...

- **The Fellowship Committee for a muy grandes variety show and dinner**
- **Guy Wylie for The Capital Campaign update presentation**
- **Guy Wylie, Boy Scout Troop 333, Rob Robinson and all who helped with garden clean up**
- **Allie Heeter's Lay Committee for hosting a wonderful reception for her : Ellen Turner, Julie Micheletti, Steve Greer, and Shirley Eells**
- **All who helped with the Kolliner memorial service reception**
- **Everyone who walked, rode, and helped with Christ Church Memorial Day Parade float**

Does crafting make your heart roar?
 Do you love feeding the herd with snacks?
 Do science experiments make you go wild?
 Is story telling your passion?
 Do the singing voices of children bring tears to your eyes?



If so, ready your skills to make a wonderful week for our community at Vacation Bible School. Contact Sarah Bhatia for a volunteer registration form and let your wild side shine this summer!

May Vestry Meeting Highlights



The vestry met on Tuesday, May 28 at 6pm in the library.

- **The vestry meeting opened with Bible study and prayer.**
- **The treasurer's report shows that pledges are coming in ahead of schedule and there are no surprises in the expenses category.**
- **Guy reported on the Capital Campaign update meeting. The information was well received by the parish and there was good discussion. Because a new dishwasher was important to a number of people present, Guy has worked it into the project list in hopes that it can be funded through the campaign.**
- **Guy reported that the parking lot will be re-seal coated in July.**
- **\$1000 was approved from the Outreach budget for the Hudson Community Resource Coordinator position.**
- **The Parish Picnic will be August 11 at Spicy Lamb Farm. The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, June 25 at 6pm.**



Each month we will feature different articles on the many ministries here at Christ Church. Please take a moment to read them over to learn more about them and to see how you can get involved!

WORSHIP

Acolytes

The first time I put on an acolyte robe I was worried. Not exactly scared, but my brain told me the things that could go wrong. I could trip, forget what to do, drop the collection plate, not find a cincture rope in my waist size! But everyone else seemed calm and happy as they robed. We lit the candles, then gathered in the narthex. Charlotte led a prayer. Then Mario started the music, everyone sang, and we were walking down the aisle. It was like seeing the service for the first time from a whole new point of view. I felt connected, energized. After a few more Sundays I stopped worrying. Now it's about serving and being part of a long tradition. It's even fun!

Acolyting is a great way to see our worship in a new light. It's also a service to the church, and it is transformational for kids, teenagers, and (trust me) for adults too. All are welcome. We usually start with rising 4th graders, and there is no upper age limit! Please contact Doug Swift at dswift@goodyear.com or Shirley Eells at steells2948@aol.com to learn more.

OUTREACH

Knitting Group

The Christ Church knitting group is also a crocheting and sewing group. We are affiliated with Knitting for Peace, an interfaith organization that provides blankets, caps, mittens, quilted sleeping mats (for AIDS orphans in Swaziland), and Peace Pals (small dolls, to be held in the hand of a refugee). See the website www.knitting4peace.org. We also create many items that are donated locally: prayer shawls to parishioners, caps to an elementary school in Akron, baby blankets to Newborns in Need, and mittens and scarves to women's shelters in Akron.

We meet once a month at homes of our members. We share prayers, knitting techniques, food, and wine. We enjoy the fellowship, the close friendships, and the combined effort of creating for others. ALL who are interested, of any or NO skill level are welcome. We will teach you! Please contact Eileen Gaston at eileengaston@yahoo.com or Jane Harrison at decojane@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP/PARISH LIFE

Parish Care Ministry

Much good, but quiet, work is done by the people of our parish for those of us who, at one time or another, have been in need of help. Chances are that you have been on one or both sides of this parish care relationship. I know that I have been strengthened with nourishing food, surprised by hand delivered flowers, and heartened by encouraging cards and notes.

Members of the Parish Care Ministry respond to the needs of our parishioners with meals and prayers, cards and calls, flowers, love and compassion. Many of our members also faithfully attend the monthly Healing Prayer service offered in the chapel to pray for our friends, family, and ourselves. It would be wonderful to add more members to our ministry. When we care for one another, we become stronger and better able to carry Christ's love into the world. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Pam Zuhl (330-650-5754 or zuhlfamily@aol.com.)

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite II/Quiet—
Chapel
10:00 am Rite II/Festive—
Church
11:00 am Coffee Hour
Nursery available for children
3 and under 10:15—12:00

FLAT JESUS



Flat Jesus has returned to join you on your summer adventures. Take a photo of Flat Jesus and send it to kathy.garber@christchurchudson.org or text it to Charlotte at 937-925-5200. The photos will be posted on the bulletin board leading into the Parish Hall. Voting for favorite photo will take place on Sunday, August 25 and the winner will be announced on Sunday, September 1.

Take Me Out To The Ballgame!

Akron Rubber Ducks Game

Thursday, June 13th at 7:00pm



The Fellowship Committee invites all parishioners and friends to the Akron Rubber Ducks game on Thursday June 13th at 7:00pm in downtown Akron at Canal Park. Please make plans to join us at this terrific venue to catch some minor league baseball action. You won't want to miss this exciting matchup against the Hartford Yard Goats!!! Tickets will cost \$7 each and are being sold by Calvin Harvey, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit Hudson Kiwanis Baseball. If Calvin sells the most tickets out of the Kiwanis league players, you will get to see him throw out the ceremonial first pitch, so let's get him to the mound! Please contact Doug Harvey (marcieanddoug@yahoo.com) by June 5 to RSVP or with any questions. Tickets will be delivered the week of the game.