

THE COMMUNICANT



2019

Vacation Bible School Registration Opens May 1!



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

<u>Where</u> Christ Church Episcopal

Who
Ages 3- 5th Grade

See page 5 for more details!

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. Rector's Reflections Rector Contact Info Letter from Allie Heeter Page 2

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Rector's Reflections

Dear Friends,

Happy Easter! On Sunday, we entered the Great Fifty Days of Easter which takes us up to the Feast of Pentecost. So we will be celebrating with Easter joy with Easter hymns and "Alleluias" from now until June 9.



The book of Acts tells us that Jesus appeared to the disciples for forty days after the resurrection before he ascended to heaven. Then, ten days later, the Holy Spirit descended at Pentecost. So, in case you are wondering, that is where the 50 days come from.

However, the season of Easter is more than just a math problem! The season of Easter gives us 50 days to be intentional about being Easter people. How do we practice being people who believe that Life has triumphed over death and Love has triumphed over hate?

Perhaps at least a piece of the answer is to be people who look for places where Love and Life are at work in the world- or in our church, our family, our friends, our co-workers, our neighbors, and all the people we encounter in our everyday life and call out those actions. When we recognize those places where Love and Life are at work, we recognize what God is doing in the world and can point to that work for others to see.

In a time when negativity seems to be the norm in so many ways, Easter calls us to point out the places where Life and Love are at work. We have a whole season in which to practice!

Easter 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).



Dear Friends,

It is difficult to believe, but as we enter May we are also entering the final month of my time here at Christ Church. In the past 3 years of my time here in Hudson I have learned from each one of you, been able to experiment with and experience different styles of worship, I've built wonderful relationships, and have grown so much. It will be hard to say goodbye to you all when my final Sunday comes to pass, but I am certain that our paths will cross again in the future.

I came into this Church not knowing how our relationship would develop in my time with you all, but from the very beginning I felt welcomed with open arms. It has been such a blessing to walk this road with you over these years, and I know I will be taking your lessons, feedback, advice, and encouragement into the next part of my journey.

As I am writing this, that next part of my path is not completely set so please stay tuned for more information regarding where it is I am going after my time at Christ Church comes to a close. I want to thank each and every one of you for opening the doors of this church, this community, and your individual families and lives to me. I will never forget the celebrations, losses, periods of struggle, times of apprehension, excitement, and various other experiences I have been blessed to be a part of along this way.

Blessings,

Allie Heeter



Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. **Location: Brewster's in Twinsburg** Topic

"What exactly happened at the resurrection?"

Join us for good food and great conversation at Brewster's in Twinsburg. RSVP to 330-650-4359 or charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org.

Ministry Team Night: Wednesday, May 15



5pm: Worship 6pm: Outreach 7pm: Fellowship/ **Education (Adult)**

Ministry teams are open to everyone with an interest in one of the ministry areas. The teams are a place where we help each other problem-solve if needed, bring forth new ideas, and make plans for current or future events or ministries. Each meeting lasts 59 minutes and includes some lively conversation. Please join us!

Memorial Day Parade

Large Flat bed needed! Christ Church will once again be in the Hudson Memorial Day parade. Mark your calendar for Monday morning, May 27 and join the fun. More information will be forthcoming in the announcements and eNews.



Mondays at 9 am

Let's enjoy the spring weather and companionship by walking together. We will meet in the church 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.

Healing Service Thursday, May 2 at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel



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.

Laurel Lake Holy Eucharist and Lunch Thursday, May 2 at 11:00 a.m.



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 after-Holy Communion wards. For more information or

to RSVP (required for lunch, but not for Eucharist), please contact Deacon Gretchen Green at ghg2@aol.com.



Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee May 1, 15, 22, 29

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!



Mario Buchanan, Director of Music and Organist mario.buchanan@christchurchhudson.org

A blessed Eastertide to you all! As you all know, music is an integral part of service. Congregational song is crucial to the life of the church. It is another way of expressing our admiration to God. When we sing together, our hearts beat together (there is actual scientific research into this where choirs singing together synchronize heart rhythms). You in the pew have an important role to play in service. I would like to share with you John Wesley's *Directions for Singing* from his book, *Select Hymns*, 1761. John Wesley was an English clergyman, theologian, and evangelist. He was ordained an Anglican priest who was a leader in the revival movement in the Church of England know as Methodism. I hope you find this informative.

In Christ, Mario Buchanan

Directions for Singing:

- I. Learn these tunes before you learn any others; afterwards learn as many as you please.
- II. Sing them exactly as they are printed here, without altering or mending them at all; and if you have learned to sing them otherwise, unlearn it as soon as you can.
- III. Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can. Let not a slight degree of weakness or weariness hinder you. If it is a cross to you, take it up and you will find a blessing.
- IV. Sing lustily and with good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half dead, or half asleep; but lift up your voice with strength. Be no more afraid of your voice now, nor more ashamed of its being heard, than when you sung the songs of Satan.
- V. Sing modestly. Do not bawl, so as to be heard above or distinct from the rest of the congregation, that you may not destroy the harmony; but strive to unite your voices together, so as to make one clear melodious sound.
- VI. Sing in time. Whatever time is sung, be sure to keep with it. Do not run before nor stay behind it; but attend closely to the leading voices, and move therewith as exactly as you can. And take care you sing not too slow. This drawling way naturally steals on all who are lazy; and it is high time to drive it out from among us, and sing all our tunes just as quick as we did at first.
- VII. Above all, sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing him more than yourself, or any other creature. In order to this attend strictly to the sense of what you sing, and see that your Heart is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually; so shall your singing be such as the Lord will approve of here, and reward when he cometh in the clouds of heaven.



Bellwether Farm — Episcopal Church Camp for Children & Youth Find out more on May 5th at the 10:30 service!

This summer, the Diocese of Ohio will launch summer camp at Bellwether Farm with 6 day camps for children and youth who have finished 2nd-12th grades and mini-camps (3 days and 2 nights) for children who have finished 1st and 2nd grades. Anna Sutterisch, the Diocesan Intern for Christian Formation, will be at Christ Church on Sunday, May 5 to talk with us about this new camp program. The camp website is: https://www.bellwetherfarm.com/register.

children's Corner

Our Christian Education Program year is coming to a close this month. We have had a great year with lots of fun! This summer is going to be a blast with Vacation Bible School! Children's Chapel will continue throughout the summer months, so be sure to come to church so your children can engage with the Bible in new and hands-on ways.

MAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CALENDAR

May 5th

- Episcopal Youth Community at 9:30
- Young Choristers at 9:45
- Children's Chapel for ages 3 to 2nd Grade at 10:30 (those children not participating in Young Choristers)

May 12th LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL!

- Young Choristers at 9:45
- Sunday School PreK-8th Grade at 10:15
- TEACHER RECOGNITION at 10:30

May 19th BEGINNING OF SUMMER EDUCATION SCHEDULE

• Children's Chapel for ages 3 to rising 2nd grade at 10:30

May 26th

• Children's Chapel for ages 3 to rising 2nd grade at 10:30

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

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 for a volunteer registration form and let your wild side shine this summer!



Thank you to all who helped lead our children and youth this year! Our kids learned so much from you this year. It has been a joy to work with each of you. Our Christian Education programs could not have happened without your dedication and service. We would like to publicly thank you on May 12th during the 10:30 service, so please plan to be there! Thank you!

- **♦ Katie Barger**
- ♦ Leslie Kass
- **♦ Courtney Bixby**
- **♦ Sue King**
- ♦ Greta Foster
- ♦ Malcom Robbie
- **♦ Fritz Kass**
- **♦ Landon Trainor**

VBS 2019



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 churchudson.com/bible-school.html.

Who: Ages 3 (as of September 30, 2018 and potty-trained) through 5^{th} 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.

FLAT JESUS



Flat Jesus will make his appearance on May 26 at both services. Flat Jesus cannot wait to go with you to the pool, on vacation, on a hike, or whatever you are doing this summer. Take a photo of Flat Jesus and send it to Kathy at kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.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 occur on Sunday, August 25 and the winner will be announced on Sunday, September 1.



Thursday, May 16
12:00 - 1:00 PM in Parish Hall

Topic
Increase Your Energy Level by 300%
Speaker
Dr. Jason Cerutti of The Chiropractic Place



Do you wake up tired? Find yourself dragging by midafternoon? Are you nagged by stiffness, aches and pains? You may be suffering from an energy crisis! If there was a way to increase your energy level by 300% would you be interested in learning how? Join Dr. Jason Cerutti on May 16th and learn the top ten secrets to take your energy level to new heights!

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

Open M "Walking the Talk" Saturday, May 18th at 10:00am.



Once again Christ Church will have a team participate in Walk the Talk, the annual fundraiser for Open M. The walk will be held on Saturday, May 18th starting at 10:00am. This year's one mile walk will be bigger and better than ever featuring live music before and after, a delicious lunch, free t-shirts, inflatables, photo booth and face painting. We will walk from the Spaghetti Warehouse in Akron and end at Open M with shuttles available back to our cars or we can walk back. This event is perfect for all ages! Strollers and dogs on a leash are welcome as well.

Look for a sign up in the parish hall or you can go online at www.openm.org/walkthetalk and register as part of the Christ Church Hudson team! A suggested fundraising amount is \$100.00 but any amount is appreciated. All funds donated go towards the programs at Open M. All family members can walk with a registered walker. If you can't walk but would like to con tribute, please make your donations made out to Open M with "Christ Church Hudson Team" in the memo line. Hope you can join us! Contact Susan Mailey at 330-714-7575 or tmail153@gmail.com with questions.



Cathy Agnor ~ 5/1 Katie Kolliner ~ 5/1 Emma Angeloni ~ 5/2 Irene Gillette ~ 5/2 Lee Ong $\sim 5/2$ Timothy Jackson $\sim 5/3$ Genevieve Coombs ~ 5/4 Beverly Grant ~ 5/4 Lindsey Coombs ~ 5/6 Erin Palmer $\sim 5/9$ Andrew Dieter ~ 5/10 Jean Rhodes ~ 5/11 Shirley Veale ~ 5/11 Richard Fulytar ~ 5/14 Virginia Rogers ~ 5/14 Rose Fulytar ~ 5/21 Sophie Fulytar $\sim 5/21$ Christine Cicen ~ 5/23 Laura Haake ~ 5/24 Peg Staley $\sim 5/24$ Scott Koebley ~ 5/25 Susan Mailey $\sim 5/25$ Marilyn Marks ~ 5/26 Fern MacMillan~ 5/27 Emily Fulytar ~ 5/29 Janet Daniels ~ 5/30 Ross Agnor $\sim 5/31$



Doug & Marcie Harvey ~ 5/13 Bob & Pam Bellin ~ 5/19 Ed & Fran Sweeney ~ 5/23 Richard & Sarah Fulytar ~ 5/26

FOR THE RECORD...

Deaths: Dick Talley

Thank you to.....

- ⋄ The Fellowship Committee for hosting a fabulous Family Game Night.
- ♦ Susan Mailey and Sallie Bear for all of their hard work on the Feasibility Study.



- All of our wonderful bakers who provided cookies for our outreach groups during Holy Week.
- ♦ To Linda Irving for a wonderful Maundy Thursday meal, and to all who helped prepare, serve, and clean up.
- ♦ To the Youth Group for organizing a fun (and candy) filled Easter Egg Hunt, and to all who donated candy.
- The Altar Guild, Flower Guild, Choir, and all who worked to make Holy Week and Easter services beautiful and meaningful.

Farewell to Allie Heeter: Sunday, May 19th



Allie has been our seminary intern for the past three years. She graduates from Bexley-Seabury this month and her time at Christ Church comes to an end on May 19. Please join us that day to say Godspeed to Allie as she continues her journey. There will be a reception for her following the 10:30 service.

April Vestry Meeting Highlights



- The vestry meeting opened with Bible Study and Prayer.
- Heather Swift was welcomed as a new vestry member.
- Guy Wylie presented a proposed revision of the Capital Campaign project list with a total cost of \$1.5 million to more closely match what Episcopal Church Foundation believes we will be able to raise.
- The vestry discussed how to proceed with the capital campaign.
 Charlotte will have a conversation with Leslie Pendleton about continuing with Episcopal Church Foundation. All agreed that the process needs to be transparent and prayerful as we ask people to support the project.
- The vestry approved up to \$15,000 to make repairs to and sealcoat the parking lot and make a full depth repair to the area of the parking lot closest to the back door where drainage has been a problem.

The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, May 28 at 6pm in the library.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite II/Quiet—
Chapel
10:30 am Rite II/Festive—
Church
11:30 am Coffee Hour
Nursery available for children
3 and under 10:15—12:00

The Christ Church Variety Show & Cuatro De Mayo Dinner

Saturday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m.



The Fellowship Committee invites all parishioners and friends for a Cuatro De Mayo Mexican themed dinner and Variety Show. Food, fellowship and fun are guaranteed! "Entertainers" of all ages are welcome to participate. Ideas include skits, comedy, magic, lip syncing, and of course singing and instrumental performances. Imagination and creativity are encouraged - no "real" talent required! Please sign up in the Parish Hall to R.S.V.P. for the dinner and to sign up to participate in The Variety Show.