## THE COMMUNICANT

## Christ Church Episcopal

A ministry of the Diocese of Ohio

Seeking to be a welcoming community of faith, grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ, serving Hudson and beyond.





February 26th

7:00 a.m. in the Chapel 12:00 p.m. in the Chapel

5:00 p.m. Children's Service in the Church All are welcome! The service includes the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion, but is not the Book of Common Prayer Service.

7:00 p.m. in the Chapel with the Choir

All services include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.

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### **Rector's Reflections**



Dear Friends,

One of the truths of our life together at Christ Church is that when we all work together, we can do amazing Gospel work. This truth has been born out time and again, whether a funeral reception, a special service, a Capital Campaign, Vacation Bible School, or pretty much anything else that goes on at Christ Church. When we take on a project or ministry which is larger than we could reasonably be expected to handle, and all of us pitch in, we find we can do a great deal more than we thought we could.

Another example of this truth is found in our annual Lenten Reflection Booklet. There are 47 entries in the book, one for each of the 47 days from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. When as many of us as possible write a reflection or create a piece of artwork for this work, what we have done is help guide each other through the holy, but challenging, season of Lent. We have walked beside each other, together, and listened to the voices of a number of our fellow parishioners. This is a way many people become one body, praying our way together through the Lenten wilderness.

If you have not already signed up to write a reflection, there are likely still spaces available. The booklets should be available on February 23, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday and at the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on February 25. I encourage each of us to take a copy home and use these reflections as yet another way to be one body working and praying together for the good of the world.

Blessings,

Charlotte

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

Contact Charlotte by email at <a href="mailto:charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org">charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org</a>, 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.

## **Annual Meeting Results**

Congratulations to our newly elected Vestry Members and Diocesan Convention Delegates!

Vestry: Tom Dukes, Ann Kirk, George Murray

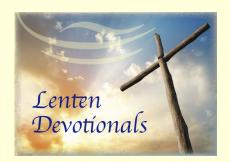
**Diocesan Convention Delegates:** Sallie Bear, Dave McCallops, Pam Zuhl **Diocesan Convention Delegate Alternates:** Midge Karam, Fred Monreal

A special thank you to our outgoing vestry members: Susan Mailey, Heather Swift, & Guy Wylie



#### **Confirmation Class 2020**

Bishop Williams will be with us on September 27 to confirm and receive people into the Episcopal Church. We will begin classes in early 2020 to prepare for Bishop Williams' visit since he will be here so soon after the program year begins in the fall. Please contact the church office to let us know of your interest in these classes (which are also open to those who just want to learn more about their faith and the Episcopal Church) at 330-650-4359 or email Charlotte at: charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org.



2020 Lenten Reflection Book

Sign-ups to write reflections for the 2020 Christ Church Lenten Reflection Book have begun! Reflections are due back no later than February 8 so the books can be compiled and ready by Ash Wednesday which is February 26. People of all ages are invited to write or create art to go with the Scripture readings for each day in Lent. Please see the display in the Parish Hall to choose your reflections and pick up the instruction sheet which is also on the table. Most importantly, please sign out your reflection so Heather Swift and Charlotte Reed know who has which one. Thank you for participating in this valuable Lenten offering at Christ Church!

# Fromage & Fellowship February 7th at 7:00 p.m.

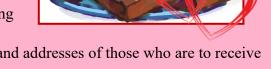
Join your fellow (grown-up) parishioners for an evening of food, fellowship and fun at the Barger's House. The cost is \$15 per person, which includes appetizers as well as wine, cheese and other beverages. Sign-ups can be made by calling or emailing the church, or sign up in Parish Hall. Questions? Contact Jim Lang at jglang00@gmail.com



#### Episcopal Church Women (ECW) Brownie Care Packages

Sending homemade brownies to Christ Church college students and members of the military for Valentine's Day has become a tradition at Christ Church. This year, ECW will be in the CCE kitchen packing and shipping brownies on Wednesday, February 5 at 11:00 a.m.

Please save cookie tins and let us know if you can help pack or bring in home baked (nut-free) brownies on that date.



E-mail Lucy Kistler at <u>kistler646571@gmail.com</u> with the names and addresses of those who are to receive them and indicate if you can help.



## February 25th

# 6:00-7:30 P.M. IN THE PARISH HALL

Join us on this last day before Lent for a wonderful dinner of pancakes, sausage, fruit & beverages. Admission is FREE with offering to support Habitat for Humanity.



Healing Service February 6 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, February 6 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 following.

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



Wednesday, February 5 at 7:00 p.m. Location: Christ Church Parish Hall

**Topic: Ask the Philosopher Part II** 

Since we did not get through all the questions in Part 1, we will continue our philosophical discussion this month.

Dinner will be complete potluck, so please bring something (homemade or store bought) to share. R.S.V.P. to Charlotte

at charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org.

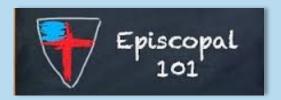
## **Sunday Morning Adult Education**

## First Sunday Bible Study

February 2nd at 9:00 a.m. in the Hand/EFM room



Please join Charlotte in the EFM/Hand Room in the upstairs of the chapel building to talk about **Romans 1-4** and discuss "What is Paul up to?" Please read Romans 1-4 prior to coming to the class.



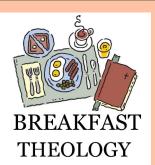
Episcopal Church 101 February 9th at 9:00 a.m. in the Hand/EFM room

Join Robin Woodberry for this month's topic: Black History in the Episcopal Church



February 16th 9:00 a.m.

Please join Charlotte and the Wardens for coffee and conversation in the Parish Hall on February 16 at 9:00 a.m.



#### **Breakfast Theology**

February 23rd 9:00 am in the Parish Hall

**Topic: What do you love most about Lent?** 

RSVP to the church office: 330-650-4359 or charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org.



Once again, Christ Church will partner with First Congregational Church to offer "Ashes to Go" on Ash Wednesday (February 26) for folks who are curious about Ash Wednesday but not ready to enter a church, or who remember the practice from childhood but don't go to church. You'll see the ashes being distributed in the driveways off Aurora street early in the morning and in the late afternoon. We will have our regular Ash Wednesday service schedule at 7am, noon, 5pm, and 7pm at Christ Church with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. "Ashes to Go" is an outreach to the community (not a substitute for coming to church that day for those of us who are church-goers ©).



Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee February 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!

### Scout Sunday: February 16th



We will welcome members of Boy Scout Troop 333, Cub Scout Pack 3322, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Daisies, along with their families for Scout Sunday at our 10:30 service on February 16. The Scouts and their families will then join us for cake at coffee hour.



## **Ministry Team Night**

Wednesday, February 19th

In the EFM/Hand Room

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

Everyone with an interest in ministry in one of these areas is invited for conversation about ongoing and new ministries at Christ Church. The teams are a place where we can help each other problem-solve if needed, bring forth new ideas, and make plans for current or future events or ministries. Each meeting lasts no more than an hour and includes some lively conversation.



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

Thursday, February 20th 12:00 - 1:00 PM in Parish Hall



**Topic:** Have a Laugh! The Benefits of Humor

Speaker: Lynn Hermensky

**From Hospice of the Western Reserve** 

Come hear about the history of therapeutic humor, identify the benefits of humor, distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate uses of humor and hopefully hear a joke or two!

# children's Corner

#### FEBRUARY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CALENDAR

#### February 2nd

- Young Choristers at 9:45
- Children's Chapel for ages 3 to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (those children not participating in Young Choristers) at 10:30

#### **February 9th**

• Sunday School PreK-8<sup>th</sup> Grade at 10:15

#### February 16th

- Young Choristers at 9:45
- Sunday School PreK-2<sup>rd</sup> Grade (those children not participating in Young Choristers) at 10:15

#### February 23rd

• Sunday School PreK-8<sup>th</sup> Grade at 10:15

VBS 2020 is August 3-7<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-12:00pm.



Mark your calendars now so that you are here for this week of fun! Even if you can't be a part of the daily activities, your help is still needed for many of the behind the scenes preparations, such as decorating, resetting the rooms each night, shopping, copying, craft prepping, and praying. We had an amazing turn out last year and only expect more children this summer. This is an all-hands-on-deck event and we need every member of Christ Church to pitch in to make this another successful week!

Our theme this year is Great Big Beautiful World. We will be learning about God as creator and celebrating the beautiful world around us. Registration is \$10 and these fees will be used to support relief efforts in Australia in response to the ongoing brush fires.

We are very excited to announce that the St. Cecilia Choir has been invited to participate in Treblefest this year on Saturday, February 29th. Treblefest is a yearly festival for Young Choristers from Episcopal churches all around Ohio, housed at Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland. Choristers get the opportunity to meet with their peers and learn some great music. Choristers arrive early on February 29th and sing all day, with the day ending with Choral Evensong sung by the Choristers at 3pm, with Bishop Hollingsworth officiating. I am so happy that this year Todd Wilson, the Choirmaster and Organist at the Cathedral, will be the guest conductor. The Evensong is open to the public so please come show your support for our Choristers!



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



Greg Mailey ~ 2/1 Natalie Cronkey ~ 2/2 Lynda Warren ∼ 2/2 Sarah Kiener  $\sim 2/5$ Carrie Cronkey ~ 2/6 Nathaniel Haake ~ 2/6 Eileen Gaston  $\sim 2/7$ Brandon Parker  $\sim 2/7$ Jones Foster  $\sim 2/8$ Zachary Haake ~ 2/8 Shirley Eells ~ 2/9 Vera Perini ~ 2/9 Sam Boazzo ~ 2/11 Grace Cochran ~ 2/12 Peter Hendrickson ~ 2/12 Shannon Bailey  $\sim 2/13$ Carmella Jackson ~ 2/13 Allison Courtney ~ 2/14 Barbara Heinzerling ~ 2/22 Tim Lund  $\sim 2/22$ Joyce Comben ∼ 2/24 Linda Irving ~ 2/24 Scott McKinny ~ 2/24 Kellan Palmer ∼ 2/24 Steve Barger ~ 2/26 Jeanne McKinny ~ 2/28 David Trainor ~ 2/28 Gabe Lefebyre ~ 2/29



George & Chris Van Buren ~ 2/2

#### FOR THE RECORD...

Deaths: Al Donley Baptism: Abigail Bailey

#### Thank you to....

...all who pitched in at the last minute to serve and help with the Prayers for Peace service.







#### FEBRUARY 9th at 5:00 P.M.

#### Isabelle Durrenberger on violin

The next concert for Music from the Western Reserve features Isabelle Durrenberger on violin. Isabelle is an extraordinary young talent and rising star in the classical music world and recently graduated from the Cleveland Institute of Music. A meet-the-artist reception will follow immediately after the concert. Single Tickets \$20 and Student Admission FREE. Tickets can be purchased at www.mftwr.org, The Learned Owl Book Shop in Hudson, or at the door the evening of the concert. For more information visit www.mftwr.org or www.facebook.com/mftwr.

## **January Vestry Meeting Highlights**



The vestry met on January 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

- Prior to the meeting, there was an orientation for new vestry members.
- The meeting opened with Bible Study and prayer.
- A Safeguarding God's Children policy was adopted for Christ Church, which is the policy the Diocese developed.
- Ministry Team liaisons were chosen. The vestry liaison to the new Welcome/Hospitality team is Tom Dukes. Education/ Fellowship is George Murray. Outreach is Jeanne McKinny. Worship is Ann Kirk and Scott Koebley. The new Christian Ed/Youth liaisons are Sallie Bear and Doug Harvey.
- The financial statements for the end of December were looked at, noting that our pledge income for 2019 was almost \$1000 over budget!
- The vestry authorized Guy Wylie and Tina Monreal to administer and oversee fiduciary and management responsibilities for the Building for Community project.

The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, February 18 at 6pm in the library (a week early due to the Pancake supper on February 25).



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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 10:00—12:00

Mark Your Calendars!

## **BUILDING FAITH**

## **FAMILY WORSHIP**

## March 1st at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for a new worship experience at Christ Church. Using LEGOS, we will explore Biblical themes and stories in a short worship service. Following worship, we will enjoy a meal together. Dinner will be provided. Please join us for this new, fun, and interactive worship experience for the whole family!