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

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Rector's Reflections



Dear Friends,

As you can tell from the photos on the cover of this Communicant, a lot is happening at Christ Church these days. Life is joyful, loud, dusty, chaotic, and hopeful as we move closer to our new space with every passing day.

The chaotic, dusty, loud life at the church is not what's on my heart these days, though. Life in the world around us has taken on such a loud, ugly sound these days that my heart breaks as we fail as a society to see each other as someone God created. Differences in race, sexual orientation, political party, education, economic status, and opinion divide us rather than unite us as a rich tapestry that binds us together. The sounds are not sounds of progress but of conflict and discord.

As Christians who live out their faith in the Episcopal Church, we promise at very baptism to proclaim the gospel with word and deed, to seek and serve Christ in all people, to respect the dignity of every human being, and to work for justice and peace. But before that, we promise to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread and prayers, and whenever we sin, to repent and return to the Lord. We are asked those last two questions first because they ground us in the gospel of love and forgiveness. Only once we have promised to stay grounded in God's love and forgiveness are we asked the last three questions about how we will treat other people.

If we find ourselves wishing for a GPS with which to navigate these troubled, chaotic times, I suggest that we have one in our Baptismal Covenant. Stay grounded in God's love and forgiveness. Proclaim the gospel with word *and* action. Seek and serve Christ in all people. Respect the dignity of every human being. Work for justice and peace. If we travel these challenging times with the Baptismal Covenant as our guide, we may find that we can make a difference in this troubled world. God calls us to make a difference!

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.

Looking Forward in Faith, Love, and Generosity 2021 Annual Stewardship Update







Many thanks to everyone who has already returned a pledge card! If you have not received a packet or have any questions, please contact the church office. Every pledge matters as we head into the new year and continue to look to the future with faith, love, and generosity.

Capital Campaign Pledge Reminder

As is evident from the photos on the cover of this Communicant, our Building for Community project is well underway. If you have not made your 2020 Building for Community gift yet this



year, please consider doing so as soon as possible. The more funds we receive in, the less money we need to use from our line of credit to pay the bills.



During October, we will worship at 9am in the church with communion and 10:30 on Zoom and Facebook Live. On Sunday, October 18, the 9am service is reserved for families with children and the service will be geared to them. Sign up for the 9am service in the church is required. The link for the sign up is https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0844aea929aof58-9001 or you can call the church office. Masks and physical distancing between households are required.



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

Friends.

As of right now, we have had two Zoom rehearsals with the Adult Choir and one with the Young Choristers. I am happy to report that we didn't have technical difficulties in any of them, which is quite a blessing these days! In both cases, we start with a vocal warm up and sing a hymn. For the adults, there is a presentation each week on a different topic, this past week I presented on the 12th century Saint Hildegard von Bingen who is one of the earliest composers we know by name and the first major woman composer in the history of the Church. The Young Choristers worked on a hymn and every other week we will have a different musical piece to talk about. The alternating weeks I will be working with an individual Chorister in learning a hymn for them to pre-record for our services. I am also quite excited that Dr. David J. Hurd, who composed many hymns in *The Hymnal 1982* and also served on the Hymnal Committee for our hymnal, will be joining the Adult Choir on Zoom to talk about the formation of *The Hymnal 1982*.

I, personally, continue to practice each week to make sure that my fingers and feet are ready to play each Sunday!

In Christ,

Mario

Who's Who in THE Episcopal CHURCH?

Coming in October is a Formation series on the "Who's Who In The Episcopal Church". Every Wednesday during the month of October, we will explore individuals who have and/or continue to make their mark in the Episcopal Church. Each session will be held from 7-8p via zoom. All are welcomed to participate. Hope to see you!

Please contact Robin Woodberry at 330-506-6647 with questions and to register.

COMPLINE & CONVERSATION

2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 8pm.

October 13th and 27th



Join your Christ Church family and friends on Zoom for this brief service of quiet prayer and a bit of conversation afterwards. The link and service bulletin are sent out ahead of time, so watch your email!



Christ Church Healing Service

Thursday, October 8 at 9:30 am Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 pm

Join us as we seek God's healing for ourselves and others. The link and service bulletin are sent out ahead of time, so please watch your email.



November 1st 9:00 am (in person) and 10:30 online

At least that's the plan!

If you would like the name of your deceased loved one(s) included in our worship that day, please send the name to Kathy Garber at Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org or complete the form on the next page and mail to her at Christ Church. Please be sure to include the service you plan to attend that day so the name is included at the correct service.



Join us on Zoom at 8:00 on Monday mornings to look at the gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. Everyone is welcome! Contact Jim Lang at jglang00@gmail.com with questions and for the link.



LEGO CHURCH

BUILDING FAITH FAMILY WORSHIP

October 4 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom



Join us on Zoom for this worship experience. Using LEGOS, we will explore Biblical themes and stories in a short worship service. Please join us for this fun, and interactive worship experience for the whole family! Link to follow, so watch your email!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 1, 2020

On November 1st, we will remember those loved ones who have gone before us with prayer and the lighting of candles.

To add the name(s) of your loved ones, please use the form below and place in the offering plate or return it to the Church Office by October 25.

Especially appropriate are the names of people who have died in the past year.

Name of deceased loved-one (s)

Your name (s)

I will be attending the 9 a.m ____ (in person service); 10: 30 a.m. ____ (online) service.



IT'S YAM TIME!

Help us build our Virtual Yam Pyramid for Open M Christmas Food Baskets.

We will collect 200 40 oz. yams or monetary donations to purchase yams, October 15th through November 29th.

You can follow our progress at Christchurchhudson.org.

Please place your canned yams in the marked collection containers inside the back parking lot door or the door to Beebe House (please call to make sure the building is open first), mail your donation to the church with "YAMS" on the memo line, or give online through our website giving portal. Keep in mind an average of \$2.99 per can. We will then order the amount donated with any overage going towards the food bank at OPEN M. Thanks for your continued support for this holiday tradition. We will bring you periodic updates on the YAM pyramid! Email Susan Mailey (tmail153@gmail.com) with questions. Thank you for your generosity!

children's Corner



CHILDREN'S CHAPEL via ZOOM

Join Sarah Bhatia weekly via Zoom at 10 am for Children's Chapel. We will have a short lesson followed by a suggested activity that children can do at home while their parents tune into the church live stream. Feel free to invite friends and neighbors to tune in as well. Email Sarah to get the link and password.



Kids in 3rd-5th Grade are invited to join Sarah Bhatia on Zoom every Sunday at 4:00pm for a time of fellowship and formation. We will be engaging in a formation experience about the Beatitudes. Children and families can experience the Beatitudes through **art**, **reflection**, and **discussion**. They will learn about Jesus' vision of God's kingdom for all people, how **Jesus turned expectations and traditional beliefs about being blessed upside down**, and how to live into the promise of Jesus' Beatitudes. Register here to get the materials:

https://forms.gle/K5VsHdENL4SDVHFFA

AGAPE LATTE

Middle School and High School youth are invited to join Sarah for a Zoom chat with their favorite warm beverage at 4:00 pm on the



2nd and 4th Thursday afternoons each month for the duration of physical distancing. This is a time to chat and connect with one another and enjoy some fellowship. For the month of October, we will be discussing the devotional Seeking Justice. Email Sarah for the link and password.

YOUTH CONNECTIONS



Personal connections and accountability are vital to faith and community, especially as youth. To that end, youth are invited to partner together so they have a friend to check in with regularly as well as agree to attend events with. Knowing at least one friendly face is joining the next Zoom offering or event gives motivation and takes away anxiety. Sign up at: https://tinyurl.com/CCEyouthconnections



FAITH FORMATION WEBSITE

Our Faith Formation website is full of resources to develop your faith while we are physically separated from one another.

There are resources for personal and family faith formation as well as activities to engage in together to mark the holy days and seasons. You can find it here: https://ccehfaithformation.weebly.com.

EYC ON INSTAGRAM

Follow Christ Church EYC's Instagram @cceh_eyc for inspiration, reflections, and fun photo challenges!





Peter Eells ~ 10/2 Karen Fish ~ 10/2 Kaye Lowe $\sim 10/3$ Gladys Gate ~ 10/6 Ginny Young ~ 10/6 Robin Woodberry ~ 10/7 Morgan Foster ~ 10/8 Sarina Kinney ~ 10/8 Sallie Bear $\sim 10/12$ Lou Young ~ 10/12 Lucy Kistler ~ 10/14 Erin Petro $\sim 10/15$ Chris Van Buren ~ 10/15 Callan Petro ~ 10/17 Jean Hudson ~ 10/18 Mike Pitz $\sim 10/18$ Mark Metoki ~ 10/19 Claire George ~ 10/20 Joseph Palmer ~ 10/22 Debbie Sergi ~ 10/23 Dennis Hido ~ 10/23 George Murray ~ 10/25 Dede Klein ~ 10/27 Gayle Lewis ~ 10/27 Harry Bartels ~ 10/29



Dave & Pam McCallops ~ 10/1 George & Judy Murray ~ 10/6 Milan & Jessica Kosanovich ~ 10/8 Mark & Lori Metoki ~ 10/8 Ellen Turner & Dick Peller ~ 10/15 Tom Dukes & Richard Gunning ~ 10/15 Zachary & Laura Haake ~ 10/16 Michael & Kimberley Calkins ~ 10/20 Greg & Janet Daniels ~ 10/22 Gabe & Doris Lefebvre ~ 10/26

FOR THE RECORD...

Baptism: Charlotte Rankin **Transfer In:** Barbara Pomeroy

Thank you to

- ...all the volunteers who helped make and deliver Blessing Bags to our students and teachers as they returned to school this fall.
- ... Jim Lang and Bob Zuhl for taking on the challenge of ushering logistics as we begin in to return to in person indoor worship.



September Vestry Meeting Highlights



- The vestry met via Zoom on Tuesday September 22 at 6pm.
- Of note in the financial report is the fact that pledge income is down \$50,000 from this time last year. In August alone, pledges were down \$20,000. The vestry will be watching the situation closely.
- The vestry was updated on the construction work. About 90% of demolition has been accomplished.
- Rich Wilson informed the vestry about damage to the roof over the Upper Room and library which has caused the library wall to buckle. He has one estimate of \$8900 to repair and will get one or two more estimates. He also has one bid on three windows in the church that need to be replaced for \$7800. The decision was made to table that repair until our building project is complete and we know what funds remain for the "must do" projects.
- The vestry discussed Peter Eell's proposal to install solar panels to provide our electricity. No decision was made and the vestry is waiting to hear what the city will allow.
- The vestry decided to put a "Love God. Love your neighbor. Change the world." sign in the church yard as a statement of our values and our mission.
- The next vestry meeting is Tuesday, October 27 at 6pm on Zoom.

Options for Giving to Christ Church

- Mail a check to the church (21 Aurora St., 44236).
- Have your online banking send a check to the church.
- Use our Online Giving Portal on the Christ Church Website. (www.christchurchhudson.org)









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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am in person service 10:30 am online service via Facebook Live and Zoom



Charlotte's weekly sermons can be found online at:

How Very Good Life Is

http://howverygoodlifeis.blogspot.com/

You can also find Sarah's Faith Formation Website at: https://ccehfaithformation.weebly.com/

and Mario's journey through the hymnal at https://tinyurl.com/Music-at-Christ-Church-Hudson