



CHRIST CHURCH

The Messenger

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Stewardship 2025 -- Hearing God's Call

At Christ Church we are a welcoming community responding to God's call to provide a loving, spiritual home for all. We continually strive to HEAR GOD'S CALL in our everyday lives.

For those who weren't able to pick up their Annual Giving packets during the Kick-Off, they have been mailed to parishioner houses. To view the materials online, please go to <https://www.christchurchnewbern.com/stewardship>. Don't forget that we will celebrate Harvest Sunday next Sunday, November 3.



Hearing God's Call

News From the Pumpkin Patch

This week we enjoyed our Preschool Pumpkin Patch visitors, with story times, crafts and pumpkin picking. As we wind down the 2024 Pumpkin Patch season, here are a few highlights and notes:

- We are on track to have our top-selling season EVER.
- That being said, we still have a good collection of pumpkins and mini pumpkins for last-minute purchases.
- Click [here](#) to sign up online to work one of our remaining Pumpkin Patch shifts or go to the "[Quick Links](#)" section of our website.
- Our pig (and goat) friends are enjoying the "nibbled on" pumpkins that we donate to them.

So many thanks go out to all who have helped make this this such a successful Pumpkin Patch season!



Vestry Nominations

We are grateful to the following parishioners who will stand for election to the Vestry of Christ Church:

Vinson Bowers

Liz Coble

Patty Conard

Susan Husson

Heather McCloud-Huff

Ernie Williams

Members of the Nominating Committee and Vestry will receive any further names from the floor on Sunday, November 3, at 10 am beside the Baptismal Font in the Nave. All nominations must be made and seconded to be valid, and each nominee must agree prior to nomination. No nominations will be received after 10 am, November 3. Biographies for all nominees will be available on or before Sunday, November 10.

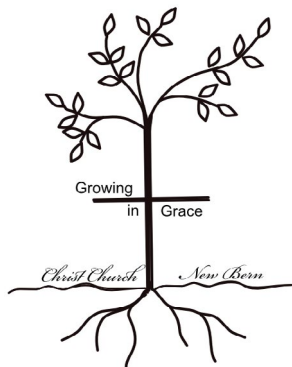
Voting occurs during the Annual Parish Meeting, which will be held Sunday, November 24. Parishioners must vote for FOUR nominees. We encourage you to pray for all the nominees and pray about how you will cast your ballot on November 24.

Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for their work: Senior Warden Phyllis Fox, Rebecca Buchanan Leahy, Susan Moffat-Thomas, Betsy Jutras, Jane Ashford, Barbara Rice, Jim Behl, Sims Wayt, and Chris McCrudden.

GIG Seeking Additional Mentors

We would love to have two more weekly mentors to join us at Growing In Grace. We need one mentor on Wednesdays and one mentor on Thursdays.

We have 10 wonderful children and a great family of mentors. Please email Debbie Fodrie (deb-biefodrie@christchurchnewbern.com) or text/call 252-675-8358.



News from EYC

Today, EYC will host a combined event with the youth group from First Presbyterian. We will play games, eat dinner, and hear about some lessons that are on the spookier side just in time for Halloween. Please come out and join us 5:30-7:30 pm. Contact Hannah at hannahhutchens@christchurchnewbern.com for more information.

UPCOMING EYC EVENTS

- November 3 - POD (5 - 6:30 pm) and EYC (6 - 7:30 pm)
- November 10 - EYC (6 - 7:30 pm)
- November 15 - Fall Conference at Trinity Center
- November 24: EYC Dinner out for Thanksgiving Week

Please scan the QR Code below if you are interested in providing a meal for an upcoming EYC Meeting or volunteering in another capacity.



Fauré Requiem Concert

On Friday, November 1st at 7:00 pm Christ Church is presenting an All-Saint's Day Requiem Concert featuring the Fauré Requiem and Fauré's Cantique de Jean Racine, with full orchestra and soloists. Both the Requiem and the Cantique de Jean Racine are two of the most popular works in the choral literature genre and are often performed together. Known for their lyrical melodies and calm beauty, these two pieces are easy to digest and a pleasure to listen to. This performance is in memory and honor of those who have passed this last year.



ECW November Meeting

Please join us at 10:30 a.m., Monday, November 11, in the Parish House for a celebration of our flag on Veteran's Day. Bonnie Royer will give a short presentation. We will then have a brief business meeting to discuss the GIG Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday 11/21 and plan for our Christmas Party. We also will be addressing Thanksgiving Day Cards to our homebound church members. Please bring any cards with you.

After our meeting we would like to stroll across the street to Bites and Barrels for lunch! We look forward to seeing you.

In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For parishioners who have requested

prayers: Mike Pridgen, Mary Hasell, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Janet Anderson, Bob Kohn, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol*, Jim Keeter, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Ralph Cowan, Vicky Allen, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Rena Knott, Mike McCulley, Betsy Primavera, Robert Lane, Vickie Evans*, Joan Kunkle, Margaret Scott*, Jim Gruenebaum, Myra Lewis, Sandy Valentine*, Eugene Simon, Geoff Wood, Charlie Henke, Ken McCotter, Bob Nelson, Liz Praul, Cathy Monid, Rosie Wood, Betsy Phillips, Nicholas Pridgen, Margaret Phaup, Pat Robinson, Pat Holmes, and Bonnie Royer.

For our friends and families: Liesel, Niels, Bambi, Jake, Don, Cristina, Barbara, Jeff, Lois, Mason Ann, Frankie, Marty, Jason, Brooke, Jeanette, Nancy, Jean, Carly, Richard, Corey, Jane, Seb, Gloria, Greg, Cheri, Katie, James, and Danny.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints, Southern Shores

**These parishioners live out of the area but have requested to remain on the Christ Church prayer list.*

In an effort to keep our prayer lists current and accurate, names of friends and family members will normally remain on the list for six months. If you would like to add or remove someone from the list, please contact [Betsy Downard](#).



REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Fall Food Drive for RCS

This fall Christ Church is partnering with Religious Community Services to collect specific food items. These particular items are what would be most helpful at this point. RCS has asked us to purchase canned meat, canned beans, canned soup, mac & cheese, pasta sauce and meal helpers (Rice-E-Roni, Hamburger Helper, etc.). Please do not buy anything in glass containers as this requires additional wrapping and packaging. Also, please purchase 16 oz or 20 oz sizes, rather than larger sizes (even if the price is right). These smaller sizes are what RCS has asked for.

Bags will be handed out after church on Sunday, November 10th and collected the following Sunday, November 17th. Additionally, feel free to deliver items from this list to our collection point in the Reception Area from now until November 17.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Please note that not all weekly church events are listed here. If there are no changes to your regularly scheduled event, it might not appear below. The entire Christ Church calendar can be found at www.christchurchnewbern.com/calendar and in the Sunday morning email. Signs with the complete calendar are posted on the kiosk in the Reception Area and the bulletin board across from the Library. Daily calendar signs are posted on the church's exterior doors.

Sunday, October 27

Cookie Walk Preview (Parish House)

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 am: Coffee Hour (Parish House)

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))

5:30 pm: EYC Bible Stories in the Grave Yard

Monday, October 28

1 pm: Staff Meeting (2nd Floor Conference Room)

Tuesday, October 29

7 am: AI-Anon Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

Wednesday, October 30

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

Thursday, October 31

Church Offices Closed - Staff Work Day

Friday, November 1

7 pm: All Saints Requiem Concert (Nave)

Saturday, November 2

5:30 pm: Camp Hope Reunion (Parish House)

Sunday, November 3

All Saints' and All Souls Sunday

Birthday and Anniversary Sunday

Harvest Sunday with Ice Cream Social

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 am: Coffee Hour (Parish House)

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))

Cursillo Weekend

Episcopal Cursillo Ministry Fall Weekend is still accepting applications for November 7-10, 2024, taking place at Trinity Center, Salter Path. A personal spiritual journey with others, you will experience formation talks, meditations, Eucharist, and good food.

Cursillo will not end after the weekend. It will always be a part of you. For assistance and questions please contact Mary Lynn at cursillo.rep.marylynn@gmail.com. We will have a van going to the Eucharist Celebration on November 10. The van will leave the parking lot at 1:30.

THE GOODS

Cookie Walk Preview

Helping Our Community, One Cookie at a Time

Join the Cookie Walk Elves TODAY from 8 am-12:15 pm in the Parish House for Cookie Walk Preview. The Elves will be signing up experienced and inexperienced bakers to help bring some holiday spirit to New Bern. All the proceeds from this event are returned to our community through the Christ Church Trust and Outreach Grants. Not a baker? You can help package the cookies and of course help with Cookie Walk on December 14th. Sign-up sheets will be available in the reception area and online. Point of contact is Sims Wayt at simswayt@embarqmail.com.

Holiday Arts and Crafts Market

Christ Church is pleased to announce its Second Holiday Arts and Crafts Market in Downtown New Bern, NC. The event will be held outside on the church grounds and feature many local artists and craft persons. The Holiday Market will provide locals and visitors an excellent opportunity to meet local artisans and purchase their creations for home and holiday gift giving.

The Holiday Arts and Crafts Market is on Saturday, December 14, 2024, from 9 AM until 4 PM. Vendors will have their booths set up in individual covered canopy tents, and the event will be held rain or shine. Christ Church's address is 320 Pollock Street, New Bern, NC, and the event will be on the grounds bordering Middle and Pollock Streets in Downtown New Bern. Proceeds from the space rentals will support the ministries of Christ Episcopal Church, New Bern, NC. The vendor application can be found online [here](#).

Market contact: Tony Embrey, 828.774.9592, holidaymarket@christchurchnewbern.com.



Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Click [here](#) to serve in our November services. To volunteer for our December Services, click [here](#). For more information contact Sarah Risty Davis at sarahristydavis@christchurchnewbern.com.
- **Volunteer Receptionists:** Reserve your your November shifts [here](#) and your December shifts [here](#).
- **Coffee Hour:** We invite you to host our weekly 9:45 am Coffee Hour. For more information and to volunteer to host or provide snacks, click [here](#). Thank you to Andy Britton for hosting this week's Coffee Hour.

Publication Deadlines

- *The Crown* - the 15th of the month prior to publication
 - Weekly (Sunday) email: noon on Thursday
 - Thursday email and printed *Messenger*: noon on Wednesday
- Please send all pictures, articles and questions to communications@christchurchnewbern.com.

Volunteer Appreciation

Many thanks to all those who attended our Volunteer Appreciation Eucharist and Reception, which was hosted by CCNB Staff and Vestry. If a prior conflict prevented you from attending, please stop by the church offices and pick up our token of appreciation for all that you do. The thank-you bags are located in the Reception Area, as well as upstairs in the staff offices. Also, if you haven't done so already, sign your name on a "volunteer leaf," and we will add you to our wall of volunteers! Look for more pictures in the November issue of *The Crown*.

