



CHRIST CHURCH

The Messenger

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Notes From the Church Office

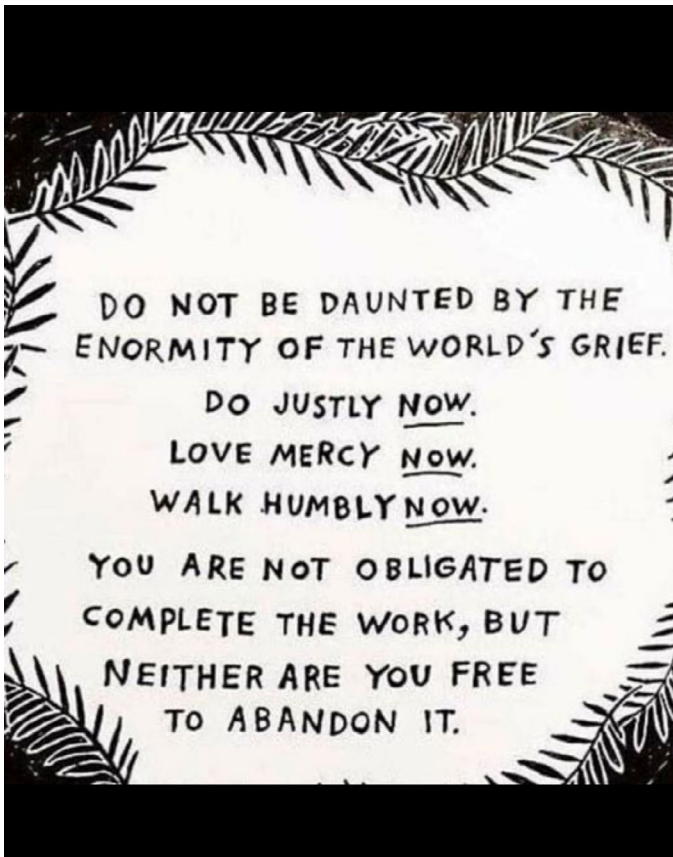
- The Rector will begin his sabbatical after the 10 am service today, December 29. He will return Sunday, March 2.
- There will be no 8:30 am Eucharist on Tuesday, December 31.
- The church offices will close at 12 noon on December 31.

Living Micah 6:8

As we look to the New Year, you are invited to join an Adult Sunday School class to explore the question of Micah 6:8. "What does the Lord require of you?" What does it mean, as individuals and as a community of faith, to do justice, love mercy, and to walk humbly with our god? The introductory class on January 12 will be held in the library. All other weeks will meet in the 2nd Floor Living Room.

*Christmas Lessons
and Carols*

10 am, Sunday, December 29, 2024
Christ Episcopal Church



Daughters of the King Sock Drive

January Outreach InGathering

During the month of January, The Daughters of the King Epiphany Chapter invites all to help with our annual outreach project. This year we will be collecting socks. New and clean socks are one of the most needed items in homeless shelters as they are often overlooked but are essential for personal hygiene and comfort and are consistently in high demand across different sizes and genders. We will be collecting all types of socks for children and adults. The collection will run until January 26. Items collected will be distributed to local charities. Please help by providing socks for those in need. A bin will be available for donations in the Reception Area. Thank 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, 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*, Geoff Wood, Charlie Henke, Ken McCotter, Bob Nelson, Liz Praul, Cathy Monid, Rosie Wood, Betsy Phillips, Nicholas Pridgen, Margaret Phaup, Pat Robinson, Pat Holmes, Cathy O'Brien, and Charles Peterson.

For our friends and families: Liesel, Niels, Bambi, Jake, Don, Cristina, Barbara, Jeff, Nancy, Jean, Carly, Richard, Corey, Jane, Seb, Gloria, Greg, Cheri, Katie, James, Danny, Nancy, Ashleigh, Vaughn, Elizabeth, Denni, Rebecca, Alex, Emery, and June.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Give thanks and pray for the new year ahead

**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](mailto:Betsy.Downard).



REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** To volunteer for our January Services, click [here](#). February services can be found [here](#). For more information contact Sarah Risty Davis at sarahristydavis@christchurch-newbern.com.
- **Volunteer Receptionists:** January shifts can be found [here](#), and February shifts can be found [here](#).
- **Coffee Hour:** We appreciate our Coffee Hour hosts and are always seeking volunteers to host our weekly 9:45 am Coffee Hour. For more information and to volunteer to host or provide snacks in 2025, click [here](#).

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, December 29

10 am: Christmas Lessons and Carols and Eucharist (Nave / [Online](#))

Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve

Office Closes at 12 noon

Note: No 8:30 am Eucharist

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

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

Wednesday, January 1

New Year's Day - Church Offices Closed

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

Sunday, January 5

Birthday and Anniversary Sunday

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 (Nave / [Online](#))

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.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19