

# CHRIST CHURCH

# The Messenger

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October 23 - 30, 2022

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## Stewardship 2022: *Grounded in Faith, Growing to Serve*

Joanie and I were delighted for the opportunity to speak at both services this past Sunday to personally address our parishioners about the importance of the 2023 Stewardship Campaign to the continued success of Christ Church. Each of us can share in that success by prayerfully considering how we can pledge our time, talent, and/or treasure in the coming year.

The Ministry Fair on 2 October provided a great opportunity to see the many activities and outreach programs supported by Christ Church and speak to the leaders about what they do and how you can help. Click [here](#) if you would like to explore many of the various volunteer opportunities at Christ Church. Last week, a financial leaflet was mailed to all church members, and we encourage you to refer to this document as you consider your annual pledge. Finally, this week your pledge materials are being mailed to you. We ask you to please complete and return your pledge card to Christ Church by Harvest Sunday, 20 November.

We are honored to have been provided this opportunity to serve as the co-chairs of this campaign, and we humbly ask that you, *Grounded in Faith*, prayerfully consider ways you can help Christ Church continue *Growing to Serve*.



*Grounded in Faith  
Growing to Serve*

## 2022 Cookie Walk Preview

*Helping our community; one cookie at a time*

Join the Cookie Walk Elves TODAY from 8 am - 12:30 pm in the Parish House for this year's Cookie Walk Preview. The Elves will be signing up experienced and novice 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 the Cookie Walk event on December 10. Sign-up sheets will be available in the reception area. Online sign-ups will also be available. Contact Pam Miller at [pammiller950@gmail.com](mailto:pammiller950@gmail.com) for more information.



## Ashley Simpson Ordination



By the grace of God  
and with the consent of the People  
**The Right Reverend Robert Stuart Skirving**  
Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina will ordain

**Ashley Danielle Simpson**

To the Sacred Order of Priests  
in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church  
on Saturday, the twenty-ninth of October  
two thousand and twenty-two  
at eleven o'clock in the morning

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
215 Ann Street  
Beaufort, NC 28516

Your prayers and presence are requested

Reception to follow, St. Paul's Church

# Pumpkin Patch Updates



## Preschool Pumpkin Patch

Over the past week and a half, we hosted several local preschools for mornings of crafts, story time and pumpkin fun. Thank you to all those who volunteered!

## Volunteer to work a shift (or two)

The Patch is open daily from 10 am - 6 pm, and we can always use your help. Please click [here](#) to volunteer for a two-hour shift.

## Bake Some Treats

In the past, our Pumpkin Patch has sold wonderful baked goods. This has been a great addition to the pumpkin sales. Please consider helping out by providing some tasty baked goods. Cookies, Muffins, Small Loaves, Small Cakes, Fancy Pretzels are all very popular. After baking, and place the goods in the appropriate-sized zip lock bag. We will do the pricing. No sign-ups are necessary. You can drop off your treats in the reception office or at the Pumpkin Patch Tent.

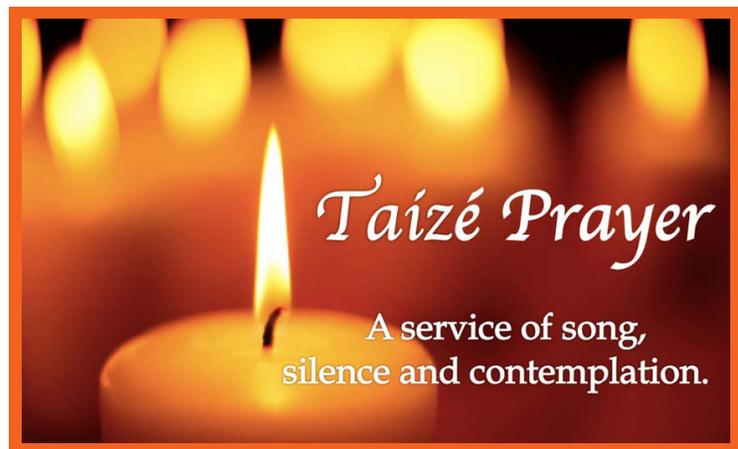
## Help with Publicity

If you know a place where we can hang one of our Pumpkin Patch posters (workplace, school, community board, etc.), pick one up from the table in the reception area and help us spread the word.

## Buy the T-Shirt

We are selling the exclusive Pumpkin Patch t-shirts this week. We have youth sizes for \$12 and \$15 for adults.

## Taizé Service



Come sing, pray, meditate and reflect at our Fifth Sunday Taizé Service next Sunday, October 30, at 5:30 pm.

# Join us for Episcopal 201

Our Episcopal roots run deep, and they run wide. They act independently and with other branches of the Christian faith in an ongoing effort to share the story of Jesus to a world that needs to hear and experience it.

Join us for a four-week series called Episcopal 201, where we will explore more about our own faith journeys and all the ways we can deepen those journeys within an Episcopal contact. It will build upon the Episcopal 101 class we did in the Spring, but that's certainly not a prerequisite! We'll be covering some of the same things.

- **October 23 -- How'd we get here:** An introduction to the history of The Episcopal Church, The Diocese of East Carolina, and Christ Church, New Bern.
- **October 30 -- How'd you get here:** Naming and claiming our own faith stories
- **November 6 -- What's that Book:** Episcopalians and the Bible
- **November 13 -- What's the Other Book:** The Book of Common Prayer for Everyday Use.

This series will meet at 9:45 am on Sundays in the Library. The Revs. Paul Canady and Suzanne Hood will be facilitating. This class is for anyone who is interested. If you're new to the Episcopal Church, you'll learn a lot! If you've been around for a while, you may remember some things you forgot you knew!

Participants will be invited at the end of the series to make a more public profession of commitment to this branch of the Jesus Movement on Sunday, November 20, when the Rt. Rev. Robert Skirving makes his bi-annual visit.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Paul ([paul-canady@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:paul-canady@christchurchnewbern.com) or 252.631.5861) or Suzanne ([suzannehood@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:suzannehood@christchurchnewbern.com) or 252.631.5862).

## Honor a Veteran in the VVA Ch. 886 Field of Flags

The New Bern VVA Chapter is honoring ALL veterans in the 2022 Field of Flags at Union Point Park from Friday, Nov. 5th through Saturday, Nov. 12th. This field honors veterans currently serving, retired, previously served, or no longer with us. Each flag contains a tag with the name of the veteran, branch of service, and campaign(s) served. Be a part of a New Bern tradition during this year's Veterans Day celebration. Rick Miller will be in the Parish House following the 8:30 am and 11 am services with flags to honor your veteran(s) in our beautiful brightly lit field next month. Questions: Contact Rick at 252-631-1474 or [rickmiller950@hotmail.com](mailto:rickmiller950@hotmail.com).

# In peace we pray to you, Lord

## For our ill and recovering parish-

**ioners:** Barbara Willis, Jackie Barney, Mike Pridgen, Mary Hasell, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Bob and Joan Burnett,\* Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Joe Freemon\*, Bob Kohn, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol\*, Evelyn Dill, Jim Keeter, M. Carolyn Lawson, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Ralph Cowan, David Watrous, Vicky Allen, Eileen Nelson, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Carol Athing, Rena Knott, CB Evans, John Mason, Mike McCulley, Jack Browning-Henry, Willis Stevens, Betsy Primavera, Mollie Bales, Robert Lane, Sheridan Holstein, Judy MacDougall, Vickie Evans, Joan Kunkle, Margaret Scott\*, Jim Banks, Jim Gruenebaum, Ann, Doug Sudduth, Kaye Frampton Brown, Myra Lewis, Sandy Valentine, Margaret Pollock, Eugene Simon, Bonnie Royer, and Theron Royer.

**For our friends and families:** Liesel, Niels, Trinity, Bill, Joan, Brooke, Mary, Ann, George, Anne, Bruce, Nancy, Lynda, Mike, Connor, Stephen, Linda, Lynne, J. Matthew, Inez, Ed, Jimmy, Karen, Bob, Cortney, Craig, Larry, Eleanor, Julie, Denni, Santa, Teresa, Monika, Margie, Laurissa, Paul, Stephanie, Pam, Ellen, Kate, Corey, Stephanie, Bambi, Justin, Judy, Polly, Nancy, Paula, and Kelly Ann.

**For our deployed military:** Lt. Christopher Miller, SSgt. Philip Buffa, III, SSgt. Hunter Lyon

**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. If you would like to add or remove someone from the list, contact [Betsy Downard](#).*



## REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

## THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

### Sunday, October 23

#### RCS Ingathering Food Collection

EYC to Busch Gardens (Offsite)

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:30 am: Coffee available between services

9:45 am: Sunday School

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

12 pm: Coffee Hour

12:35 pm: Cursillo Reunion (Chapel)

2 pm: Stepping Out Seniors (Parish House)

### Monday, October 24

11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer Group (Pelletier Room)

1 pm: Staff Meeting

3 pm: Growing in Grace

### Tuesday, October 25

Paul and Suzanne at Clergy Conference

8:30 am: Morning Prayer

10 am: Women's Book Study (Second Floor Living Room)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

5:45 pm: 8:30 Choir Rehearsal

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

7:15 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

### Wednesday, October 26

Paul and Suzanne at Clergy Conference

3 pm: Growing in Grace

4 pm: Wednesdays at Christ Church

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

7 pm: Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

### Thursday, October 27

10 am: Chair Yoga (Harrison Center)

10:45 am: Truewood by Merrill Eucharist (Offsite)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time

### Saturday, October 29

11 am: Ordination of Ashley Simpson (St. Paul's, Beaufort)

### Sunday, October 30

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:30 am: Coffee available between services

9:45 am: Sunday School

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

12 pm: Coffee Hour

4 pm: Games in the Graveyard / Trunk or Treat

5:30 pm: Taizé Service with Eucharist (Chapel)

5:30 pm: EYC (Youth Room)

#### HELP SHARE OUR NEWS!

#### LIKE AND SHARE OUR SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristChurchNewBern/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristEpiscopalChurch>

[ChildrensandYouthMinistry/](#)

<https://www.instagram.com/christchurchnewbern/?hl=en>

# THE GOODS

## Contacting Clergy

Have a question, thought or good news to share? Schedule a meeting with Paul or Suzanne. Use [this link](#) to schedule a meeting with Paul or call 252.633.2109. You can reach Suzanne at 252.631.5862 or [suzannehood@christchurch-newbern.com](mailto:suzannehood@christchurch-newbern.com). When scheduling, please indicate if you'd rather meet face-to-face, via phone or via video conference. To speak with Deacon Lisa Kirby, call 252-617-9806.

## Flower Donations

This week's flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the people of Christ Church. If you would like to give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone, please sign up on the bulletin board in the reception area, call the church office or sign up online [here](#). Please send all memorial or thanksgiving details to [communications@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:communications@christchurchnewbern.com). The cost is \$35 per Sunday.

## Stepping Out Seniors

Stepping Out Seniors will gather today at 2 pm in the Parish House for a short meet and greet. At this time we hope to discuss plans for get togethers and outings for interested seniors in the church.

## ECW November Meeting

The next meeting of All Saints ECW will be Monday, November 14, at 10 am. Our guest speaker will be Chief of the New Bern Police Department, Patrick Gallagher. Please join us in the Parish House to hear the Chief update us on police activities in New Bern. Also, get out those cookie recipies and start baking and freezing. Cookie Walk is December 10.



- 4 pm -- Blessing of the Costumes
- Games in the Graveyard
- Trunk or Treating in the Parking Lot
- Contact Meg ([megjones@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:megjones@christchurchnewbern.com)) with questions

## Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Click [here](#) to serve in our October Eucharists. To volunteer for our November Eucharists, click [here](#). For more information about ushering, contact [Butch Ricks](#).
- **Volunteer Receptionists:** If you can help us answer the phones, welcome visitors, and complete odd jobs here and there, we'd love to have you! Click [here](#) to sign up for remaining October dates. November dates can be reserved [here](#).
- **Pumpkin Patch Looking for Volunteers:** The Pumpkin Patch is open for business from 10 am - 6 pm every day in October. Please consider signing up for one (or multiple) two-hour shifts. An [online sign-up](#) is available, as well as paper sign-up sheets in the Reception Area. Contact Sarah Risty-Davis at [sarahristydavis@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:sarahristydavis@christchurchnewbern.com) if you have any questions.
- **Coffee Hours are back!** Coffee hours have returned after the 8:30 and 11 am services in the Parish House. If you would like to volunteer to be a host, please click [here](#). Set-up instructions are posted in the Parish House kitchen.
- **Saturday Docents needed:** Visitors are stopping by to appreciate the beauty and history of Christ Church. If you are interested in showing visitors our beautiful church, contact Helen Shine at [hshine08@suddenlink.net](mailto:hshine08@suddenlink.net).
- **RCS InGathering:** Please remember to bring your filled bags of nonperishable food items to church today. All donations benefit RCS.
- **Blood Drive:** Christ Church is partnering with the American Red Cross for a Blood Drive from 10 am - 2 pm, Tuesday, November 8. The Drive will take place in the Harrison Center. For an appointment, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 1.800.RED.CROSS.
- **Friends of Christ Church:** This special ministry is looking to expand its role in the parish after COVID. It is an opportunity for parishioners who enjoy visiting others, sharing God's love, and bringing joy to others. Visits are about twice a month and limited to one hour. If you would like to be a visitor or know someone who would enjoy a visit, please call Margi Thompson at 252.675.7323, or The Rev. Suzanne Hood at 252.631.5862.