

#### THE ORGAN IS COMING!!!

Our Rector and Director of Music shared very exciting news on Wednesday afternoon that our organ installation is scheduled to begin Monday, June 3. Click <u>here</u> to read their letter to the parish that addresses some important questions like.....*What Happens June 3? How long will it take until the organ is complete? When will we hear the organ at church?* The countdown is on!

#### DOK Representatives Attend Spring Assembly

The Daughters Of The King (DOK) Spring Assembly was held this past Saturday, April 13, at St. Timothy's in Greenville. There were about 46 attendees from 10 of the 16 chapters of the Diocese of East Carolina. Epiphany Chapter representatives were Jane Jones, Nancy Przybylko, Ann Bustard, and Margo Skaggs. The speaker was Kathy House, current Province IV President. We ended the day with Holy Eucharist led by Bishop Skirving. The collection went to the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry.



#### Churchyard Clean-Up

10 am - 1 pm, Saturday, April 27

Next Saturday, April 27, come, have fun, and help spruce up the church grounds. The list of things that need to be done gets longer every day. We need as many people as possible. Remember that "many hands make light work."

Please bring your own work gloves and wheelbarrow, if possible. The nursery will be open for the entire clean-up period. Contact Rick Miller with any questions (301.502.5268 or <u>rickmiller950@hotmail.com</u>)



#### Easter Sermon Series

During the Easter Season our sermons are focusing on different aspects of worship and why we do what we do. We hope you'll join us! Sundays at 8:30 and 11:00 am (including <u>here</u> on our YouTube Channel at 11:00).



## Pauli Murray Lenten Class Participants Visit St. Titus Church

On April 14th, members of the group that studied the Pauli Murray Curriculum during Lent had the opportunity to worship at St. Titus in Durham. The original St. Titus was Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray's church home growing up.

The Rev. Valerie Mayo and the congregation were gracious in their reception of us. Steve Skiffington was invited to share the altar in his capacity as a Deacon. We had uplifting worship, time to fellowship during coffee hour, and a tour of the campus and its history from Rev. Mayo.

#### Visiting the Pauli Murray Center



#### ECW Geranium Sale

We are gearing up for our 2nd Annual Geranium Sale! We will have beautiful, BIG (8" pot as compared to 6" last year) geraniums from White's Farm in three colors. They will be available at the Christ Church Spring Arts and Crafts Market on Saturday, May 4th. We will only have 100 plants, so come early, and don't be disappointed!

The price is \$15 per pot, and ALL PROCEEDS go to our ECW outreach fund. Last year we were able to support Laundry Love (they have monthly free laundry days at a laundromat in town) and My Sister's House, a temporary home for newly released women prisoners to help them get on their feet and productive again.

Please support us on the 4th of May! For more info contact Rodney Hayes <u>rodneyfhayes@yahoo.com</u> (203)640-2638.

## **Classical Sounds Evolved**

As part of the Arts in April events in New Bern, our Director of Music, will perform a solo piano recital based on the idea of music as a continuously evolving art form. Featuring Beethoven's classic "Waldstein" Sonata and ending with Chopin's story-filled Ballade No.1, this performance is intended to take the audience on a journey of sound development and evolution. Other works include Ravel's Jeux d'eau, Berg's Sonata for piano, and Jacqueline's own improvisation on the Berceuse musical form. Join us for this beautiful concert and a chance to hear the new acoustics on Sunday, April 28th, 2:30 pm, at Christ Episcopal Church.

#### Gathering with St. Titus Parishioners



#### UTO - It's Personal

No one else knows what makes us say or think "Thank God." How many times a day do we express that? Little things; finding a parking space downtown or big things; recovery from illness of a loved one will evoke a feeling of gratitude. We are not always aware of the many blessings in our lives and often take them for granted.

Ever since Julia Chester Emery founded The United Thank Offering Ministry in 1889, more that \$143 million has been donated and awarded as grants to support missions around the world. That is evidence of the Holy Spirit working through us as we express our gratitude to God.

During the weeks ahead you might want to keep a daily journal of all the things you are grateful for. Also include your children by inviting them to share something they are happy about, such as a good test grade or making a new friend. There are blue boxes available for their coin donations. Maybe they can put a nickel or dime each day telling you for what they are grateful.

Starting May 19 you will find UTO envelopes in the pews. On June 2 the Episcopal Church Women of Christ Church will have an ingathering to collect your personal gifts given in thankfulness to God."

In ordinary life, we bardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich." Dietrick Bonhoeffer

-- Jane Broaddus, UTO Chair

# In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For parishioners who have requested prayers: Mike Pridgen, Mary Hasell, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Bob Kohn, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol\*, Jim Keeter, M. Carolyn Lawson, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Ralph Cowan, David Watrous, Vicky Allen, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Rena Knott, CB Evans\*, Mike McCulley, Willis Stevens, Betsy Primavera, Mollie Bales, Robert Lane, Sheridan Holstein, Judy MacDougall, Vickie Evans\*, Joan Kunkle, Margaret Scott\*, Jim



Banks, Jim Gruenebaum, Ann, Kaye Frampton Brown, Myra Lewis, Sandy Valentine, Eugene Simon, Frank Rice, Geoff Wood, Charlie Henke, Peter Mnatzakanian, Darrin Embrey, Tony Embrey, Ken McCotter, Richard Marsh, John Sessums, Terry Rich, Martha, Michele Mnatzakanian, Bob Nelson, Liz Praul, and Cathy Monid.

For our friends and families: Liesel, Niels, Trinity, Mary, Ann, George, Anne, Bruce, Nancy, Lynda, Mike, Connor, Stephen, Inez, Ed, Karen, Bob, Cortney, Craig, Larry, Eleanor, Julie, Santa, Teresa, Monika, Margie, Laurissa, Paul, Stephanie, Pam, Ellen, Kate, Stephanie, Bambi, Justin, Judy, Nancy, Paula, Kelly Ann, Lois, Laurissa, Martha, Melissa, Melissa, Anna, Dave, Elle, Halle, Mariya, Laura, Mary Ann, Billy, Bob, Ted, Rosemary, Bill, Naomi, Carol, Joseph, Jimmy, Grant, Eunice, William, Marie, Melanie, Sylvia, Aline, Rose, Rosemarie, Shelly, Susie, Larry, Anne Marie, Ginny, Lisa, Louise, Selma, Jackie, Kathi, Julia, Ardean, John, Peggy, Margaret, Jackson, Julie, Butch, Jim, Joan, Wes, Mandy, Jim, Larry, Hamp, Belinda, Brittany, Laura, Norman, Claudia, Cathy, Don, Al, Kristy, Yordan, Elizabeth, Angie, Yumi, Peter, John, Adam, Rosemary, Betty, Liam, Dean, Michael, Jessica, Carmon family, Faith, and Jennifer.

**For our deployed military:** Lt. Christopher Miller, Pvt. Michael Gormley, Jr., 1st Lt. Jake Ballard, Cpt. John Koskinen.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Francis, Goldsboro; and St. Augustine's, Kinston

\*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 <u>Betsy</u> <u>Downard</u>.* 

#### This Week in T-Ball

This week, our T-Ball team play New Life at Joy Corner Field. Game time is 6 pm. Many thanks to our coaches for their help this season. To view the entire T-Ball schedule, click <u>HERE</u>.

#### 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 <u>www.christchurchnewbern.com/calendar</u> 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, April 21

RCS InGathering Bag Collection 8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave) 9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages 11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / <u>Online</u>) 12:30 pm: New and Current Acolyte Training (Nave)

#### Tuesday, April 23

7 am: Al-Anon Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room) 8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel) 6 pm: Kay Tennant Recital (Nave) 6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

> Wednesday, April 24 6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

Thursday, April 25 Offices Closed due to Staff Work Day

Friday, April 26 4:30 pm: Wendt/Steward Wedding Nave)

> Saturday, April 27 10 am: Spring Clean-Up

Sunday, April 28 RCS InGathering Bag Collection 8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave) 9:30 am: Ann Bustard Scholarship Committee Meeting (2nd Floor Conference Room) 9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages 11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / Online) 2:30 pm: Classical Sounds Evolved Concert (Nave) 6 pm: Camp Trinity / Camp Hope Pre-Camp Meeting and Dinner (Harrison Center)

#### **ECW Picnic**

The Christ Church Episcopal Church Women All Saints Chapter spring picnic will be Monday, May 13, at 11 am. We have reserved the Jaycees Pavilion at Glenburnie Park. Please bring your own lunch, as well as a side dish (chips, pickles, salads, deviled eggs - let your creative self take over!) or a dessert to share. See you at the park!

# THE GOODS

### 2024 Christ Church Trust and Outreach Grants

For the past number of years, Christ Church has made two separate Charity Grants to Local Non-Profits. The Christ Church Trust grants were distributed in the Fall, while the Outreach Grants (combination of Pumpkin Patch, Giving Tuesday, and Cookie Walk) were distributed in the Spring. These two grants are being combined with a common title: CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2024 Trust and Outreach Grants. There is one <u>online Grant Application Form</u> with an application deadline of April 30. There will be a single distribution to all charity recipients on May 31st. If you know of a local charity, that could benefit from this opportunity, please forward the application link to them or have them contact Jimi Paderick at <u>jimipaderick@christchurchnewbern.com</u>.

## Spring Arts and Crafts Market

To register the for the Spring Arts and Crafts Market, click on the graphic or go to <u>http://tinyurl.com/CCNB-2024-</u> <u>Spring-Market</u>.



#### CAMP C-SAVE THE DATE-

INVITING ALL CAMP TRINITY CAMPERS AND FAMILIES TO JOIN CAMP HOPE FOR A PRE-CAMP MEETING

> SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH FROM 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM HARRISON CENTER DINNER PROVIDED



MARY BETH BRADBERRY, CAMP TRINITY'S DIRECTOR, WILL JOIN US TO SHARE ABOUT CAMP AND ANSWER QUESTIONS. LONGTIME CAMP TRINITY FAMILIES, PLEASE COME AND SHARE YOUR CAMP TIPS WITH OTHER FAMILIES. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR CAMP HOPE AND GIG CAMPERS TO MEET OTHER KIDS GOING TO CAMP TRINITY. HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US ON APRIL 28TH.

#### Where Can You Plug In?

• Worship: Volunteer to serve in our upcoming services. Click <u>here</u> for April services and <u>here</u> for May services. For more information contact Sarah Risty Davis at <u>sarahristyda-</u><u>vis@christchurchnewbern.com</u>.

• 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 <u>here</u> for April shifts. May shifts can be found <u>here</u>.

• **Coffee Hour**: We all enjoy coffee hour, but we need hosts to make them happen. To volunteer to host an upcoming coffee hour, click <u>here</u>. Thank you to Joanie and Randy Bogle for hosting this week's Coffee Hour.

• Neighbors in Christ - Riverbend Potluck: Our spring potluck will take place Friday, May 17, from 5 - 7 pm at 110 Gangplank Road. Bring your favorite dish to share. Drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Sims Wayt (<u>simswayt@</u> <u>embarqmail.com</u>), Margaret Pollock (<u>margaret73pollock@</u> <u>icloud.com</u>) or Connie Whitney (633-1931).

• **RCS InGathering**: RCS InGathering bags will be collected today, Sunday, April 21. Don't forget to bring your bag filled with groceries that will directly benefit RCS and their clients.

## Vacation Bible School: June 10 - 14

This year VBS will venture to Hero Hotline Headquarters, where everyone's gifts are valued, and every hero has a role to play! VBS will take place June 10 - 14 and is for children entering Kindergarten through rising 5th graders. To register as a participant or volunteer, click <u>here</u>.



## **Contemplative Prayer**

When: 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM on five Mondays, May 6 - June 3 Leader: Rev. Barbara Bornemann; sign up by email – <u>pastor</u>. <u>bornemann@gmail.com</u>

Meets In Person & On Zoom: In person: Pelletier Room (Upstairs at Christ Church)

**Study Book:** *Mystical Hope: Trusting in the Mercy of God* by Cynthia Bourgeault

During each session, we will support one another in our pilgrimage of prayer and our search for a deeper understanding of God's gift of hope.