



CHRIST CHURCH

The Messenger

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Easter Sunday at Christ Church

Eucharist at 8:30 am and 11:00 am

**Make sure to send a flower to place on the Cross that will be on the front porch of the Church.*

Easter Egg Hunt at 9:45 am

Church offices will be closed April 1.



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 will be one common Grant Application Form for local charities to apply online beginning April 2nd. There will also be a common application deadline on April 30. This common deadline will apply to the Christ Church Trust and the combination of the Pumpkin Patch and Cookie Walk. 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 name of the charity along with contact information to Jimi Paderick at jimipaderick@christchurchnewbern.com.

Vacation Bible School - Save the Date for June 10 - 14

This year, children of all ages will venture to Hero Hotline Headquarters, where everyone's gifts are valued, and every hero has a role to play! Registration will open soon – please watch this space, and we'll alert you when Headquarters is open! We'll see you soon, Heroes!



ECW Updates

Please join us, **Monday, April 8th at 10 am** in the Parish House when we will be painting and decorating flower pots for our Geranium Sale at the Spring Market at Christ Church on May 4th. We hope to have Tony Embrey, stylist extraordinaire, to guide us on techniques for making flower pots sing!

Our ECW Annual Geranium Sale will only be available at the Spring Market. We will have three colors of large pots of beautiful plants fresh from White's Farm (the folks who provide our wonderful mums for Pumpkin Patch).

If you would like to pre-order, we will have that available by mid-April and will hold your plants until Sunday, the 5th for pick-up if you are unable to attend the Market on the 4th.

One last request to please complete our [Survey](#). We need your ideas and input to keep us a strong and growing chapter of Episcopal Church Women!

There are UTO Prayer booklets and other UTO information in the Reception area. Please help yourself. Our formal UTO collection will be in November. The Church Periodical Collection will be in June.

Our final meeting of our year will be our annual picnic at Glenburnie Park on Monday, May 13th. More on that to come.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or need more info, please contact me Rodney Hayes (rodneyhayes@yahoo.com / 203-640-2638)

Churchyard Clean-Up

10 am - 1 pm, Saturday, April 27

Please put this on your calendar to come, have fun, and help spruce up the church grounds. All kinds of fun things

will be going on like trimming hedges, spreading mulch, playground chips, power washing, and more. 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."

Come and be a part of this fun-filled event and get involved. The nursery will be open for the entire clean-up period. Please contact Rick Miller with any questions (301.502.5268 or rickmiller950@hotmail.com)



Rector's Bible Study

The Rector's Bible Study is on break until Wednesday, April 10. When we return, we will work our way through 1st John. The Sunday Epistle readings in the season of Easter come from there. Hope you will join us on Wednesdays at 11 am.

Realm Sunday - April 14

Christ Church continues to roll out Realm, a new digital tool for members, that will help us to be a church between Sundays. Join staff and leadership from 9:30 - 11 am on April 14, in the



Parish House for assistance in navigating Realm. We'll offer hands-on assistance with getting started with Realm, uploading your photo, and learning parish committee basics.

If you aren't already on Realm, email Jimi at jimipaderick@christchurchnewbern.com for an email invitation to join. You can then log in and set up your account and password.

Once you have logged in for the first time, you can download the app called "Realm Connect - For Our Church" on your phone. If you have an iPhone, you will download the app from the Apple Store. If you have an Android device you will download the app via Google Play. You can scan the QR codes below to connect directly with either store.

After you download the app, you can log in on your mobile device using the same email address and password that you created through your web browser. Your app will stay connected to your account with the church. If you need assistance with downloading the app, just bring your mobile device on April 14, and we will assist you with the upload.

APPLE STORE



GOOGLE PLAY



Save the Date: Neighbors in Christ / Riverbend Potluck

When: Friday, May 17, 5-7pm

Where: 110 Gangplank Rd, Boathouse

Bring: Your favorite dish to share

Drinks provided.

RSVP: Sims Wayt (simswayt@embarq-mail.com), Margaret Pollock (margaret73pollock@icloud.com) or Connie Whitney (633-1931)



In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For parishioners who have requested

prayers: Mike Pridden, 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 Bes-sack, Carol Kross, Carol Athing, 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 Mnatzakian, Darrin Embrey, Tony Embrey, Ken McCotter, Richard Marsh, John Sessums, Terry Rich, Martha, Michele Mnatzakian, Bob Nelson, and Liz Praul.

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, Corey, 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, and Jessica.

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: Blessings this Easter Sunday and for the Easter Season!

**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

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, March 31

Easter Sunday

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 am: Easter Egg Hunt

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

Monday, April 1

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, April 2

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

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

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

No GIG, Handbell or Joyful Voices

Wednesday, April 3

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

No GIG, Music for Kids or Parish Choir

Thursday, April 4

No GIG

Friday, April 4

3 pm: Discernment Committee Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

Sunday, April 7

Birthday and Anniversary Sunday

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

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



STEPHEN MINISTRY

We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19

Sunday Coffee Hour

Join us for Coffee Hour at 9:45 am between our two Sunday morning Services. Thank you to Andy Britton for hosting this Sunday's Coffee Hour.

THE GOODS

News from RCS

Online Wish List

Click [here](#) for an Amazon Food Item Wish List for RCS. Amber Smith is the RCS Operations Manager, and her name will appear when you select items to be shipped to RCS. This is an easy way to help, with no need to lift items or deliver to the warehouse.

RCS InGathering Bag Distribution and Collection

This spring's Bag InGathering to benefit RCS will take place in April. Bags will be distributed on April 14 and collected on April 21. Consider picking up a bag on April 14 and filling it with groceries that will directly benefit RCS and their clients.

Faith Connection Updates

Earth Day Celebration - 4:30 pm, Saturday, April 20

This event will include recognition of volunteers, Earth Day speakers, free native seeds and eco-friendly products. The celebration will take place at Martin Marietta Park, 700 S. Glenburnie Road. For more information, contact faithconnectionnewbern@gmail.com or visit faithconnectionnewbern.org.

Faith Connection Meeting - 4 pm, Thursday, April 25

The April Faith Connection meeting will feature Captain Monique Morrison-Brown, N.B.P.D., Coordinator of the New Bern Homeless Initiative. This initiative works "with individuals within the community to reduce the redundancy of services to unsheltered individuals and those needing resources." The meeting will take place at the Abundant Life Miracle Center, 308 Meadows Street in New Bern. Admission is free - bring a friend.



To register for the Spring Arts and Crafts Market, click on the above graphic or go to

<http://tinyurl.com/CCNB-2024-Spring-Market>.

Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Volunteer to serve in our upcoming services. Click [here](#) for April services and [here](#) for May services. For more information contact Sarah Risty Davis at sarahristyDavis@christchurchnewbern.com.
- **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](#) for April shifts. May shifts can be found [here](#).
- **Coffee Hour:** We all enjoy coffee hour, but we need hosts to make them happen. To volunteer to host an upcoming coffee hour, click [here](#).

The Order of the Daughters of the King

Prayer and Service for the Spread of Christ's Kingdom

The Epiphany Chapter of the Daughters of the King here at Christ Church is part of a national order, established in 1885, for women who are communicants of the Episcopal Church or churches in communion with it. The purpose of the Order is to bring others into a living, loving relationship with Jesus, our Lord and Savior, and to help strengthen the spiritual life of our church. Members undertake a Rule of Prayer and keep an ongoing prayer list that is confidential and shared only with the Order. If you or anyone you know is in need of prayer, the Epiphany Chapter of the Daughters of the King Order here at Christ Church is available to assist with your requests, either through their prayer list or with a one-on-one encounter. These requests are totally confidential. For more information or to request prayer assistance, contact Jane Jones (janejkerr@gmail.com) or fill out the yellow prayer request card located in the pew rack. This request is confidential and will only be seen by our Order of the Daughters of the King.

Pauli Murray Lenten Series

The Zoom call with Ms. Calvetta Watlington from the Pauli Murray Center has been rescheduled for next Sunday, April 7th in the Library during the Sunday School hour. All are welcome to take part as we continue to learn about the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray and the work of the [Pauli Murray Center](#).

Easter Memorials and Gifts of Thanksgiving - 2024

The flowers in the church have been given to the Glory of God in Loving Memory of . . .

Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Grant, Mr. & Mrs. Warren Dobson, and Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Ballard by Harry Ballard

Our parents, Joe & Dolly Vertel and Frank & Joan Bogle by Randy & Joanie Bogle

Our parents by Vic & Ann Bustard

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph A. Schelke by Jeanne Schelke Butrick

Jim Duncan and Linda Anderson by Joan Duncan and Wayne Anderson

Patty & Rex Willis by Bob & Lindy Emory

Pamela A. Furnas, Howard & Gail Furnas, and John & Lauris Ferris by Howard Furnas III

Teri Dawson Campbell by Kim & Carl Huddle

Elliott W. Hudgins by His wife Nancy

K.C. Randall, P. & B. Randall, and B. Hudson by Baker Hudson

Clara & George Smith, Irma & Charles Randall, Iunius & James Noles,
and Clyde & Jack Hudson by Nell & Chris Hudson

My husband, Joe Johnson, and Son, David Johnson, by Shirley Johnson

Hayden Jones by Eddie & Rena Knott

John F. Melchior, by Elizabeth Melchior, our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

Thelma & Paul Fouke by Rick & Pam Fouke Miller

Rose Mouradian and Ashot P. Mnatzakanian by Peter & Michele Mnatzakanian

Stephen J. Przybylko by Wife, Nancy

Ernest & Harriett Mulhollem, Florence Hoelzer, Anthony & Mary Re, John Melchior,

Arthur & Ethel Boyle, and Dominic Re by Tony & Linda Re

Mr. & Mrs. William Baumgardt, Margaret Baumgardt, MD,
Dr. & Mrs. John C Reichenbach, Sr., and John C. Reichenbach, Jr., by Jean B. Reichenbach

Our parents, Rembert & Marie Rivenbark, and Jake & Christine Hill
by Bill & Susan Rivenbark

Our parents Edwin "Gus" Robinson and Frank & Sally Register
by Jimmy & Laura Robinson

Our parents, John & Virginia West, and Doris & Frederick Grant, by Mark & Barbara West

And in Thanksgiving for . . .

Our children, Jim, Suzy, Kevin, & Andrew by Vic & Ann Bustard

Our grandchildren Charlie, Kate, & Henry Sanders and Jack & Whit Payne
and our children Ellen & Dave Sanders, B Chance & Michael Capps by Ellen & Ken Chance

Our sons, Todd & Mason, and their families, by Sam & Delle Curry

Family & Friends by Bob & Lindy Emory

Matthew, Chelsea, Grace, Rosalie, & Henry Furnas by Howard Furnas

Our children, Randall and Baker, by Nell & Chris Hudson

Our children and grandchildren by Bill & Gretchen Lankenau

Our children & grandchildren by Elizabeth Melchior

Our wonderful clergy and staff by Jane & Keith Merritt

All Mnatzakanian, Mouradian, Kinetader, and Luneo families
by Pater & Michele Mnatzakanian

Our family & friends by Tony & Linda Re

Our Family by Bill & Susan Rivenbark

My mother, Anna P. Robinson, our children, and our grandchildren
by Jimmy & Laura Robinson

All of our blessings by Theron & Bonnie Royer