

The Messenger

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Newcomers' Social

Christ Church is hosting a Newcomers Social today, Sunday, April 16th at 2:00 PM in the Parish House. If you are new to Christ Church today, please consider joining us.

All recent newcomers to Christ Church have been invited, along with the Staff, Vestry, and Commission Chairs. Any newcomers who have joined Christ Church within the last year are also invited to attend, especially those who may not have been able to attend a previous Newcomers' Social.

Light refreshments will be served. For questions, information, or to RSVP, please contact Barbara Rice at b.rice23@outlook.com.

Girl Scout Cancer Care Collection

The Juniors in Girl Scout Troop 4810, who've been meeting at Christ Church for over two years, are working to earn their Bronze Award. This is an award they earn as a troop working together to meet a need in their local community. They chose Journey of Hope Cancer Care bags as their project!

Items are being collected through April 23rd. There is a donation box outside the library in the Reception area, as well as at The Insurance Center - Lancaster McAden Willis Smith, Hearne's Fine Jewelry, and Truist Bank- South Front Street. Donations can be dropped off during business hours.

Items being collected include the following: Crossword/Word Search books, Soft Blankets, Hard Candy, Chapstick/Lip Balm, Fuzzy/Warm Socks, and Hand Sanitizer. For questions or more information email Troop4810NewBern@gmail.com.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club (CPC) began in 1888 at the Church of Holy Communion in New York City. Mary Ann Drake Fargo and a small group of women began sending bundles of church periodicals, prayer books, and Bibles via the Wells Fargo Stage Coach Line to missionaries in the western part of the U.S. While delivery systems have changed, the commitment to supplying free theological and educational materials in support of missions around the world has not.

CPC is an independent affiliated organization and the only organization in the Episcopal Church dedicated solely to providing written materials, both religious and secular, to people all over the world. CPC depends entirely on voluntary contributions to carry out its unique ministry. Per Rev. Suzanne: "No matter where you go to seminary, it's always a huge adjustment. Residential seminary education is a full-time job; one that is incredibly rewarding, but one that does not come with a salary. I was very fortunate. I attended a seminary that covered all of my tuition and housing. This allowed me to be in seminary without taking out student loans. However, the loss of income did make life a bit challenging. Books required for classes and to build my library were one of the biggest expenses. CPC provides money to help seminarians purchase books. While I personally did not receive any money for books while in seminary, I think it's a great thing. I know many friends who really could have used the help."

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of Christ Church is pleased to offer this opportunity for giving! In previous efforts, the East Carolina Diocese gave six seminarians \$400 each to cover some of their book expenses. ECW will be collecting CPC envelopes on the next two Sundays. You will find envelopes in your pews at both services, on the entry table in the Narthex, and in the Reception area. If you write a check, please make it out to Christ Church and write CPC on the memo line. Donations may also be made online at: <https://churchperiodical.com/donate/>.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Ephesians 4:2

In peace we pray to you, Lord

For our ill and recovering

parishioners: 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, 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, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, 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, Doug Sudduth, Kaye Frampton Brown, Myra Lewis, Sandy Valentine, Eugene Simon, Frank Rice, Margaret Wright, and Bruce Baker.

For our friends and families: Liesel, Niels, Trinity, Bill, Joan, Brooke, Mary, Ann, George, Anne, Bruce, Nancy, Lynda, Mike, Connor, Stephen, 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, Nancy, Paula, Kelly Ann, Lois, Laurissa, Martha, Melissa, Melissa, Anna, Dave, Elle, Halle, Mariya, Laura, Christina, Mary Ann, Billy, Bob, Ted, Rosemary, Bill, Naomi, Carol, Joseph, Jimmy, Grant, Vickie, and Eunice.

For our deployed military: Lt. Christopher Miller, SSgt. Hunter Lyon

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 [Betsy Downard](#).*



REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 16

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
9:30 am: Coffee available between services
9:45 am: Easter Egg Hunt
11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))
12 pm: Coffee Hour
2 pm: Newcomers' Reception (Parish House)
6 pm: EYC

Monday, April 17

10 am: Home Place (Offsite)
10:30 am: McCarthy Court Eucharist (Offsite)
11 am: Contemplative Prayer Study Group (Pelletier Room)
1 pm: Staff Meeting
3 pm: Growing in Grace
4 pm: Daughters of the King Training (Parish House)
6:30 pm: Vestry Meeting (Parish House)

Tuesday, April 18

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)
10 am: Women's Book Study (2nd 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 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Wednesday, April 19

11:30 am Rector's Bible Study (Parish House)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
3 pm: Pastoral Care Commission (Library)
4 pm: Ukulele Class (Music Room)
6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)
7 pm: Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, April 20

10:45 am: Truewood by Merrill Eucharist (Offsite)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time
3:30 pm: Director of Music Search Committee (Library)
5:45 pm: Outreach Commission Meeting (Library)

Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22

Youth Retreat (Offsite)

Sunday, April 23

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
9:30 am: Coffee available between services
9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages
11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))
12 pm: Coffee Hour
2 pm: Newcomers' Reception (Parish House)
6 pm: EYC

Rector's Bible Study

The Rector's Bible Study resumes this Wednesday, April 19 at 11:00am in the Parish House. We will be looking at the Book of Daniel between now and the end of May. Come as you are! No prior Bible knowledge or experience and hope you'll join us! For more information, contact The Rev. Paul Canady at paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com or 252.631.5861.

THE GOODS

Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Volunteer to serve in our April services [here](#). May service dates can be reserved [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! Reserve your April time slot [here](#). May dates can be reserved [here](#).