

# CHRIST CHURCH

# The Messenger

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June 12-19, 2022

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## VBS is rolling into Christ Church!

VBS starts tomorrow at 9am! We'll be in full force with 67 kids (3 years old through rising 5th graders) and countless volunteers. The church will be packed full of excitement and the Holy Spirit.

Our theme this year is *Food Truck Party*. We'll be learning stories about God feeding God's people. And



we'll be learning the classic blessing "God is great! God is Good! Let us thank God for our food. By God's hands, we are fed. Thank you for our daily bread." As you eat this week, we encourage you to say an extra prayer for these kiddos that will be exploring their faith.

We have just renewed our baptismal

vows saying we would "do all in our power to support these kids in their life in Christ." (BCP pg 303) Continued prayers for weeks like VBS is a great way to support.

The Tuesday morning Eucharist will happen at the normal time. If you need to visit the church office during the week, please note that kids are using all downstairs classrooms and some

upstairs areas. The church will be open after noon.

We are all looking forward to seeing our VBS kids and volunteers tomorrow!

— Meg Jones

Director of Christian Formation

### Children Summer Calendar

June 12- Children & Family Service at 5

June 13-17- VBS

June 14- POD lunch after VBS

July 14- Wood Ducks game  
July 18- movie day

Aug. 11- POD game day

Aug. 28- POD

POD is open to all rising 3rd, 4th and 5th graders



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Summer Calendar

June 12- Children & Family Service at 5

June 13-17- VBS

July 14- Wood Ducks game

July 19- Beach & Marlins' game

July 28- Youth Escape Room

August 1- park day!

August 9- lunch downtown

August 18- Accidental Artist Paint Day

## Nonprofits hold fundraiser: West African Dance Performance & Workshop

Three local nonprofits — Faith Connection, Arts To End Genocide (ATEG), and the Boys & Girls Club of the Coastal Plain (B&GC) — will be hosting a fundraiser at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20. Their common mission is positive youth development for children in Eastern NC and around the world.

ATEG is focused on children living in the Faladje IDP Camp in Bamako, Mali. The camp is on a garbage dump, with children living under deplorable conditions. They suffer from food insecurity, and lack of medical care, sanitation, shelter, and safety. Through generous support from the faith-based community, ATEG has been able to provide medical care, food, and women's skills training.

The mission of the Boys & Girls Club of the Coastal Plain is to enable all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Through this partnership, the children of New Bern will be helping improve the lives of their brothers and sisters in Mali. Faith Connection, working to unite all of God's children, is also a partner.

To raise money for this joint cause, the SUAH African Dance Theater will present a West African dance performance and workshop for folks to learn these traditional dances. The event will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20, at the J. Murphy Smith Center, 508 Middle St., New Bern. Tickets will be available at the Bank of the Arts, Mitchell's Hardware and Fuller's Music. Donations are \$10 for adults and \$4 for 18 or under.

## Join our parish family at a baseball game!

Enjoy a night filled with baseball, food, and fellowship with our parish family at a Down East Wood Ducks game in Kinston on Thursday, July 14th! The gates open at 6pm, and the game starts at 7pm. Adults \$23, Children ages 5-12 \$20, and children under 5 are free. The cost includes a meal and drink from the ballpark menu. We'll be joining friends from St. Mary's Episcopal church, too. Please let [Meg](#) know by July 7th if you'd like to come.



## Lemonade on the Lawn begins today at 10:50am in the courtyard.

Hosts are needed. Please join fellow parishioners as they welcome guests to a chat and a refreshing cup of lemonade after the 10am services this summer.

Lemonade, cups, and napkins are provided. Bringing goodies is optional. If you'd like to help, please sign up [here](#). You could also call the reception desk and ask to be signed up for a Sunday. Instructions are on the Parish House refrigerator.

**Questions? Call Gretchen Lankenau: 252-670-7781 (cell) or 252-633-1873 (home)**

**Save the Date-  
Saturday, August 20, 2022 1:00 PM**



Arts To End Genocide, Faith Connection and The Boys & Girls Club present a Workshop and Performance

**Learn Traditional West African Dance from Wesley Williams and SUAH African Dance Theater**

This is a benefit to support New Bern NGO Arts To End Genocide's programs to help vulnerable IDP women and children in Bamako, Mali.

# In peace we pray to you, Lord God

**For our ill and recovering parishioners:** Barbara Willis, Gary Derck, 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, Fair Leonard\*, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Ralph Cowan, Vivienne Armstrong, Martha Schell, David Watrous, Vicky Allen, JoAnn Frank, Eileen Nelson, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Carol Athing, Rena Knott, Rodney Hayes, CB Evans, John Mason, Mike McCulley, Jack Browning-Henry, Willis Stevens, Betsy Primavera, Betty Simon, Mollie Bales, Rosemary Stark, Robert Lane, Sheridan Holstein, Ken Chance, Judy MacDougall, Vickie Evans, Joan Kunkle, Margaret Scott\*, Jim Banks, Jim Gruenebaum, Ann, Doug Sudduth, Kay Frampton Brown, and Martha Schell.

**For our friends and families:** Liesel, Jeff, Corinne, Travis, Edward, Irene, Matt, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, Jim, Joanne, Anderson, Vicki, Nelma, Ashley, Alexander, Bambi, Laurie, Amelia, Dennis, Blake, Brian, Oakley, Bryce, Helen, Carter, Eunice, Mary, Joseph, Mason, Sarah, Nicholas, Janet, Myra, Jimmy, Denni, Matthew, Chelsea, Niels, Cindy, Trinity, Pam, Jason, C.E. (Max), Christopher, PK, Beverly, Krissie, George, William, James, Tom, Bryan, Patti, Ruth, Ron, Patty, Jackie, Jani, Barrie, John, Bill, Joan, Brooke, Mary, Ann, George, Anne, Bruce, Nancy, Lynda, Mike, Connor, Stephen, Linda, Lynne, J. Matthew, Inez, Ed, Jimmy, Caliana, Julie, Karen, Bob, Cortney, Clifford, Craig, Larry, Joseph, Eleanor, Cliff, Julie, Santa, and Teresa.

**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:** St. Francis by the Sea, Salter Path

*\*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 [Dare Oliver](#).*

## Publication Deadlines

• *The Crown* will be distributed on July 3, so we need all articles submitted by June 15th.

• Weekly (Sunday) email: noon on Thursday

• Thursday email: noon on Wednesday

• Printed *Messenger*: Noon on Wednesday

Send all pictures and articles to [communications@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:communications@christchurchnewbern.com). If you have any questions, contact our communications coordinator, Dare Oliver, at [dareoliver@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:dareoliver@christchurchnewbern.com).

## THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

### Sunday, June 12

8 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

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

11 am: Lemonade on the Lawn

11:30 am: Cursillo Reunion (Chapel)

3 pm: VBS volunteer meeting (Nave)

5 pm: Eucharist for Children & Families/  
VBS Kick-off (Nave)

### Monday, June 13

VBS

11 am: ECW All Saints Picnic (Glenburnie Park)

1 pm: Staff Meeting

11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer (zoom)

5:15 pm: Stephen Ministry Meeting (Library)

### Tuesday, June 14

VBS

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

10 am: Prayer Shawl Ministry (Bride's Room)

5:15 pm: Evangelism Commission Meeting (Parish House)

5:30 pm: Outreach Commission Meeting (Library)

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

### Wednesday, June 15

VBS

Last day to submit articles for the July Crown

11 am: Cursillo Reunion (Bride's Room)

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

7 pm: Summer Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

### Thursday, June 16

VBS

10 am: Chair Yoga (Harrison Center)

10:45 am: Truewood by Merrill Eucharist

### Friday, June 17

VBS

### Sunday, June 19

8 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

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

11 am: Lemonade on the Lawn

# TIDBITS

## All Saints ECW Picnic Planned

The All Saints ECW picnic is set for 11am on Monday, June 13, at the Jaycee Shelter Pavilion in Glenburnie Park (off of Oaks Road). Bring your own sandwich plus a dessert or small dish to share with others. Questions? Contact [Gay Stuart](#).

## Two Open Positions at Christ Church

We have two positions open at Christ Church. Click [here](#) to see the job descriptions for Finance Assistant and Communications Coordinator.

## Contemplative Prayer Group

All are welcome to join the Contemplative Prayer Group, which has been focusing on a book called *Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self* by Richard Rohr. The group meets from 11:30am to 12:30pm via Zoom every Monday and is led by the Rev. Barbara Bornemann. If you're interested in joining us, please email [Meg](#) who will send you the Zoom link. (*June 13th is the last class.*)

## Flower Donations

The flowers behind the altar today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of Merritt Linden Clayton by Stephen and Maureen Clayton. They are also given in loving memory of Rae Cowan by her family.

If you would like to give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone, please sign up on the bulletin board in the reception area. You can also call the church office or sign up online [here](#). When using the website, please include the memorial or thanksgiving details in the field next to the payment field. The cost is \$35 per Sunday.

## Christ Church Cooks

Do you need meals to give to friends/family members who are sick, recovering, or experiencing a family emergency? In an effort to clear out the freezer, please think of anyone who could use these meals. Questions? Contact [Ellen Chance](#).

## Contacting Clergy

Have a question, thought or good news to share? Schedule a meeting with Paul. Use [this link](#) or call 252.633.2109. 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.

## Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Click [here](#) to volunteer to serve in our June Eucharists. For more info 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! The signup link for June is [here](#).
- **Saturday Docents needed:** Visitors are stopping by to appreciate the beauty and history of Christ Church. Because of the increased interest and the easing of Covid restrictions, we would like to restart our Saturday Docent Ministry. If you are interested in showing visitors our beautiful church, contact Helen Shine at [hshine08@suddenlink.net](mailto:hshine08@suddenlink.net).
- **Items needed for Lil Pantry:** We are in need of items for our outdoor pantry. If you are able, please bring in the following: small bottled waters/juice boxes, canned meats (like vienna sausages, tuna, chicken), canned veggies and canned fruits. POP TOP ITEMS WORK BEST! Kits of chicken/tuna salad with crackers are popular.
- **Summer Choir** meets this Wednesday, June 15, at 7:00pm in the Music Room. We'll sing for the 10:00 service on June 19. Want to sing? Want to give choir a try? Come join us for rehearsal! All are welcome! Call Cliff with questions: 252-631-5864.
- The **Hand Bell choir** will have summer rehearsals that will all start at 7pm in the Music Room. Practices will last no more than 45 minutes to an hour. Here are the dates: July 12, July 19, Aug. 9, Aug. 16. At each session, we will explore a different bell technique and then try them out in some music. We will review some basic music reading skills as well as how to ring the bell, damp the bell, and a host of other cool techniques—plucking the clapper, thumb damping, martellato, use of a mallet. And at some point, we will polish the bells—a necessary part of good bell management! These sessions will be fun and a time of good learning. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Reichenbach.

## Be Aware of Scams!

This is the phone number/email address for Paul: 252-571-6892 and [paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com). Messages coming from other emails or numbers should be viewed with suspicion.