

Jan 20-27, 2019

The Messenger



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When you sing, you pray twice.

Needed: singers!
For our adult choirs!
Specifically men for 8:45, altos and tenors for 11:00.
But all are welcome!
Talk with Cliff Badgley or show up at a rehearsal.
Heart & Soul (8:45 choir) rehearses Tuesdays at 5pm.
Parish Choir (11:00) rehearses Wednesday at 7:00pm.

Stewardship Update

In 2018 Christ Church continued the journey of sharing our stories of what God is calling us to do as well as using the resources He has given us. Thanks to your generous support for our mission and ministries, the current amount pledged

for 2019 is \$900,703.00 to date. God is truly in our midst as we *See the Longitude of His Loving Reach*. We will continue to do this meaningful work for our parish, community and beyond.

Pledges are still welcome and much appreciated. You may pledge by calling Patti Williams, Christ Church Financial Assistant, or by visiting the church office.

Giving statements for 2018 will be mailed the last week of January.

God's Peace,
Butch and Letha Ricks

Church office closed tomorrow

In honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday, the church office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, January 21st. If you are able, take some time tomorrow to do something for others, to give back to the community in a way that stretches you.

Collect for Martin Luther King

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Way of Love Preaching Series continues

At this summer's General Convention of the Episcopal Church, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry invited the whole church to Practices for a Jesus-Centered Life. This Epiphany season, we will explore each of those practices as part of our sermon each week.



- Turn — January 13
- Learn — January 20
- Worship — January 27
- Pray — February 3
- Go — February 10
- Rest — February 17
- Bless — February 24

Join us! And invite a friend!
All sermons are posted on our website at <https://christchurchnewbern.com/sermons/>

THE WAY OF LOVE
Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For our ill and recovering parishioners:

Barbara Willis, Dottie Parker, Gary Derck, Jackie Barney, Linda Lore, Mike Pridgen, Jim, Mary Hasell, Catherine Bender, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Bob and Joan Burnett, Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Bradley, Joe Freemon, Ray Stark, Bob Kohn, Nicholas Pridgen, Betty Paramore, Susan Rivenbark, Mary Kay Farnham, Warren Meadows, Rex Willis III, Hal Cameron, Anne Lutton, Charlie Mitchell, Robert Lane, Evelyn Hunter, Gloria Simpson, Dave Watrous, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Ilene Disosway, Barbara, Helen Shine, Rick Schulhaus, Mary Lynn Linton, Barbara Odderstol, Jackie Sherwood, Rae Cowan, Blackie Fox, Jim Caldwell, Jack Hardy.

For our families and friends:

Liesel, Tate, Ruth, Kathy, Nancy, Denise, Tony, Barbara, Charlie, Ann, Mathias, Katherine, Alex, Linda, Ginny, Dennis, Jim, Teresa, Robert, Michael, Dorothy, Julia, Ian, Lee, Jessica, Dan, Steve, Andy, Matthew, Heath, Glen, Betty J, Walter, Anne, Cameron, Scott, Leo, Laura, Rick, Jackson, Andrea, Bo, Frances, Guy, Stephen, Martha, Deb, Imma Jean, Drew, Courtney, Karen, Dan, Betsy, Joan., Linda, Matty, Linda, Michael, Cliff, Bridgid, Kate, Alex, Robert, Annalee, Rosemary, Donald, Lisa, Cynthia, Dori, Sarah, Jon and Judy, Bruce, Melissa, Eve, Steve, Mark, Kathleen Marie.

For our deployed military:


Capt. Jason White, Cpl. Jason Church, Sgt. Bill Jarvis, LCPL Ross Drury, Capt. Delbert R. Patton, CW02 Justin Harshner, Sgt.. Devin Clarke, Capt. John Jones, Lt Col Matt Wernersbach, SrA Phillip Buffa III.

For our parishioners in boarding school and college:

Ashley Buffa, Anna Louise Flanagan, Jack Huddle, William Little, Alex Norwood, Carlee Peele, Htoo Soe, Kiaishia Squires, John Thomas, Zack Thuringer, Abby Garman, Emily Wilson

For all refugee families especially: Leonardo, Viviana and Mariann

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St Paul's, Beaufort

 Flowers behind the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Barbara Hardy by daughters, Carol, Jean and Margaret Hardy, and in remembrance of Evelyn C. Miller by Pam and Rick Miller and Linda and Malcolm Taylor

Calendar

Second Sunday After The Epiphany

Sunday January 20

- 7:30 am Eucharist Rite I
- 8:45 am Eucharist Rite II
- 10:00 am Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 am Eucharist Rite II
- No EYC

Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King Day

(Office Closed)

- 9:00 am Christ Church Cooks (*Harrison Center*)
- 10:00 am Home Place
- 10:45 am McCarthy Court

Tuesday, January 22

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Women's Book Club (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 5:00 pm Heart and Soul Choir Practice (*Music Rm*)
- 6:30 pm Worship Commission Meeting (*Library*)
- 7:00 pm Hand Bell Choir (*Music Building*)

Wednesday, January 23

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing Svc (*Chapel*)
- 11:00 am Rector's Bible Study (*Library*)
- 4:30 pm Choristers (*Music Room*)
- 4:30 pm Music and Motion (*Parish House*)
- 6:00 pm EfM (*2nd Floor Living Room*)
- 6:15 pm AA meeting - open (*Pelletier Room*)
- 7:00 pm Parish Choir (*Music Room*)

Thursday, January 24

- 6:30 pm Walk in Love (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)
- 6:30 pm Cursillo (*Parish House*)

Friday, January 25

Saturday, January 26

Sunday, January 27

Third Sunday After The Epiphany

- 7:30 am Eucharist Rite I
- 8:45 am Eucharist Rite II
- 10:00 am Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 am Eucharist Rite II
- 5:30 pm EYC (*Accidental Artist*)

If you would like a loved one who is not a member of Christ Church to be placed on that prayer list, please contact Ellie Roberts (ellieroberts@christchurchnewbern.com or 252.633.2109)



We will use this space each week to share a reflection on the week's readings for the Good Book Club. These reflections are taken from a resource published by the United Thank Offering, Bible Study Guides can be found in the pamphlet rack in the Reception Area or online at <http://www.goodbookclub.org/resources/>.

WEEK 2: JANUARY 14-20, 2019

The Rev. Dr. Steven Robb, Founder of Lego Love, Diocese of Rochester (NY)

READ: ROMANS 3:9-5:21

REFLECT: *Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand. – Romans 5:1-2d*

These writings remind us of the importance of not assuming that doing all sorts of good works gets us to the front of the line when we reach the Pearly Gates. Paul tells us that righteousness comes not through good works, but through faith. Faith then leads to endurance, which leads to character, which leads to hope. This faith is a gift from God – we cannot earn it, but we can live into it, loving God with all our hearts and minds and souls, and loving our neighbors as Jesus loved us. I was struck, in rereading the above passage, by the word “peace.” We have “peace with God” because of faith. Perhaps this is the greatest gift we are given – the opportunity to be at peace with our God and to be servants as his Son served us, without worries, fears, or reservations. Sometimes I feel that I’m in perpetual “rush” mode – doing this job or getting to that meeting or joining this fundraiser or visiting that person. Whatever I’m trying to do all too often lacks any sense of peace. So when I read Romans 5:1-2, I stop and let that wonderful silence that evokes the presence of God wash over me. And I find that where faith is strong so is, deep within me, God’s peace. What a wonderful sense of gratitude this brings to me! Is this what grace is all about? Perhaps. This is my prayer: that we all can, through that peace that really does pass all human understanding, hear a small voice telling us, “Keep the faith, you good and loyal servant; for you are a beloved child of Mine.”

For next week: Read Romans 8:1—8:8.

Christian Formation for adults

With the start of the new year, we hope you will engage in one of the offerings for continue your growth as a follower of Jesus.

Sundays at 10:00am

Synthesis

(a look at the weekly Scripture lessons)

Led by Rick Schulhaus **now meeting in the Pelletier Room**

“I want to know more about...”

In the Library

A chance to learn more about theology, Christ Church, the Prayer Book, and more.

**January 20 — Acolytes and Wedding Committee
with Bill Dorn and Carolyn McCauley**

**January 27 — The innards of an organ
with Cliff Badgley**

February 3-24

Aging and Dementia

Led by Ann Bustard

Discussion of the new book *Redeeming Dementia* by Dorothy Linthicum and Janice Hicks. Mrs. Linthicum will lead the class on February 24. More details to come!

Please call Ann Bustard at 252-636-2885, or e-mail anniebee28562@yahoo.com.

Weekday opportunities

Women’s Book Study

Tuesdays at 10am 2nd Floor Living Room

Rising Strong By Brene Brown

Contact the Rev. Cortney Dale

(cortneydale@christchurchnewbern.com) for more information. Books are provided.

Rector’s Bible Study

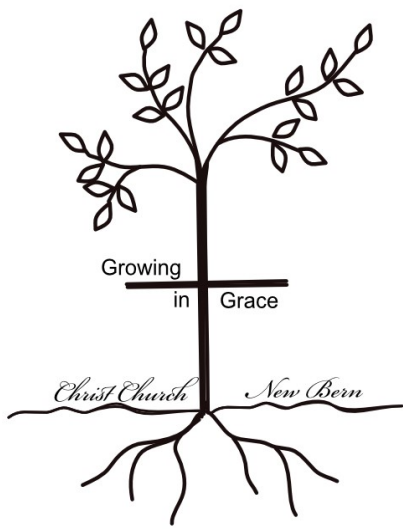
Wednesdays at 11am Library

We will begin the year looking at the Gospel of Matthew.

Thursdays at 6:30pm

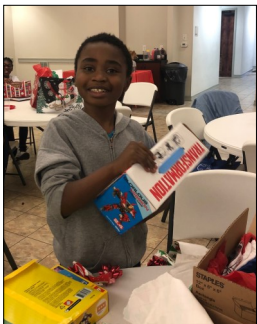
Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices. Books are \$16 and available at the front desk.

Contact Liz Lane (541.221.5299) for more details.



Growing In Grace had a very successful semester even though it was cut short by Florence. The children have shown a lot of growth academically in all areas and 2 of our students, Zyriah and MiQuasia made A/B Honor Roll for the first report period! We also had 3 other children that were just points away from making A/B Honor Roll! We are so proud of all of the children! There are many wonderful relationships between our amazing mentors and the GIG children. Our mentors have already put countless hours into making the Growing In Grace program so successful. Our program is successful because of the huge support from Christ Church members! We continue to accept donations for supplies, daily snacks, gas for van, and other items to keep our program at its best. We love Wal Mart and gas gift cards! Donations may be mailed to or dropped off in the church office. Thank you so much for all donations we have already received. If you have questions about our program or are interested in becoming a mentor or substitute please contact:

Debbie Fodrie
 Director of Growing In Grace
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 252-675-8358



Christmas Pageant Costumes

If you borrowed one of the Christ Church costumes for the Christmas Eve Pageant and you have not returned it, please do that by February 3rd. We will be taking them for a much-needed cleaning once they are all returned.

Contact Ashley Simpson

(ashleysimpson@christchurchnewbern.com or 252.633.2109 ext. 150) if you have any questions.

Glory Ridge Work Day Volunteers

We have a crew from Glory Ridge coming to help with repairs to houses of several parishioners on February 2nd. As the saying goes, “many hands make light work”. There are plenty of projects for all ages and all skill levels. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/grvol>

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EYC Calendar for January & February

SATURDAY 05 CHILI COOK-OFF & CORNBREAD BAKE	SUNDAY 06 EYC KICK-OFF FLASHLIGHT TAG	SUNDAY 13 EYC WITH FIRST PRES.	SUNDAY 20 NO EYC MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WEEKEND	JANUARY
SUNDAY 27 EMPTY BOWLS PAINTING @ ACCIDENTAL ARTIST				

FRIDAY 01 AIR U WITH FIRST PRES.	SATURDAY 02 GLORY RIDGE WORK DAY	SUNDAY 03 SUPER BOWL POTLUCK	SUNDAY 10 EYC WITH FIRST PRES.	FEBRUARY
SUNDAY 17 NO EYC WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP	SUNDAY 24 MY INTENT			