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The Messenger



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THE GOOD BOOK CLUB

Dear Friends,

As we prepare for the [3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off](#) on Saturday evening at 5:30, we begin looking towards the season of Epiphany and the next installment of the Good Book Club.

During Lent and Easter 2018, we took an incredible journey through the books of Luke and Acts as part of the Good Book Club. As written on their website, "The Good Book Club is an invitation to all Episcopalians to join in reading Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans during Epiphany 2019. Episcopalians will start reading Romans on January 7, 2019, and read a section every day (except Sundays) through the Epiphany season." Their website (<http://www.goodbookclub.org/>) is filled with great information and resources for reading Romans, including the set of readings (<http://www.goodbookclub.org/readings/>).

Because of other time constraints, I will not be doing a video series during this Good Book Club. There are two particularly great resources I want to highlight for you as we get ready to read this book together:

1. **The Diocese of East Carolina** will offer an online gathering each Monday from 12:30-1:15pm via Zoom, an easy to use video and audio platform. Gatherings begin on Monday, January 7th. There is no cost but prior registration is needed so that you can receive the link. Visit <https://buff.ly/2F4MXtn> to sign up. If you have any questions about using Zoom, [Cortney, Ashley](#), or I will be glad to help you out!

2. **The Gathering of Leaders**, a colleague group of priests and bishops from around the Episcopal Church, have offered brief reflections that will be sent via email each day. To sign up to receive those emails, visit <https://www.thegatheringofleaders.org/good-book-club-2019/>. This is the first time that GOL has embarked on a venture like this for the whole church, and I am excited to be a part of it!

Updates will also be offered on their Facebook Page (click "like" to follow along)
<https://www.facebook.com/thegoodbookclub>.

I look forward to going on this new journey with you!

In Christ,
Paul



Friends of Christ Church

Beginning soon, a new ministry will be launched at Christ Church under the umbrella of Pastoral Care. This ministry will be called **"Friends of Christ Church"**. The

purpose of this ministry is to visit homebound parishioners and those who are alone. Both men and women are needed as visitors. This ministry will resemble the Silver Shepherds of the past.

Visitors will share the gift of God's love with those they visit. These visits will help parishioners to stay connected to Christ Church and its people. Please consider this opportunity prayerfully. The two ingredients needed are a bit of time and a willingness to serve others,

Please call Ann Bustard at 252-636-2885, or e-mail anniebee28562@yahoo.com if you wish to serve God by visiting your sisters and brothers-you will be blessed!



Thank you so much for your commitment to Christ Church and for your pledges. Giving Envelopes are available in the Parish House. Please stop in and pick up your box.

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, Cortney, 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.

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, AIC. 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

For the Family of:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St Thomas, Ahooskie



The Advent wreath is given to the glory of God and Flowers: and in thanksgiving for their 54th anniversary By Della and Sam Curry and in Remembrance of Gerald E Johnson by Mark and Donna.

Calendar

Epiphany

Sunday January 6

- 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

Monday, January 7

- 12:00 pm Contemplative Prayer (*Pelletier Room*)
- 6:00 pm DOK Meeting (*Parish House*)
- 6:00 pm Song Lovers (*Music Room*)

Tuesday, January 8

- 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 Room*)

Wednesday, January 9

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing Service (*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 10

- 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 11

Vestry Retreat (*Trinity Center*)

Saturday, January 12

Vestry Retreat (*Trinity Center*)

Sunday, January 13

First Sunday of Pentecost

- 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

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)