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The Messenger



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Welcome to Christ Church!!

We are glad you are here!

During this Lenten season, we will use one bulletin for the whole season. Music for both 8:45 and 11:00 are listed below and the Scripture readings can be found beginning on page 2. On page 5, you will find the latest news and upcoming events in the life of Christ Church.

We hope you will take home a copy of the Messenger so you can re-read the Scripture throughout the week and be familiar with all that goes on in vibrant and holy place.

If you are new or visiting, we hope you will fill out the visitor card in the pew rack in front of you. It will help us get to know you and allow us to share a little more about Christ Church. Drop the card in the offering plate later in the service or give it to one of the clergy after the service.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

The Rev. Paul Canady

Rector

Scripture Readings for Sunday, March 24th The Third Sunday in Lent

Hymn: (8:45) When Israel was in Egypt's land H 648
(11:00) Come, we that love the Lord H 392

The First Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to

Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations."

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

The Psalm *Read antiphonally by half verse (marked by the *). Women read first half, men read the second half*

Psalm 63:1-8

Deus, Deus meus

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.
- 7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- 8 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is

News, Notes, Calendars, Etc.

Who tells our story when we go — Today at 10:00am in the Library.

Our time on this earth is short and when we die, those we love and those who love us want ways to remember us.

One of the biggest gifts we can leave is how we want our funeral to look and sound. Since it is never too early to begin planning. The Revs Paul Canady and Cortney Dale will be hosting a Funeral Planning Workshop on Sunday, March 24 in the Library at 10:00am. This will be a chance to put some thoughts and wishes on paper and keep on file here at Christ Church. We will also make sure you have a copy for your personal files and to give to those who may need to know your plans and wishes.

Sacred Sound and Space Task Force Listening Sessions

The 200+ parishioners who attended one of the two Sacred Sound and Space Task Force Listening Sessions had the opportunity to learn about some potential enhancements to our worship space and provide feedback to the Task Force. Over the next few weeks, we will be providing information about each of the projects identified and continue to ask for your feedback. The most costly of the potential enhancements is the replacement of our organ with a new one. So, why are we thinking about a new organ?

Our current organ can best be described as “off the shelf” and was not designed for our space. It does not support congregational singing or the choir as well as one designed for us would.

Our organ is wearing out and has become difficult to play. One of the “stops”, a key component, no longer works. Two different organ consultants have told us that, in addition to the needed repairs we know about, other major repairs will be needed at some point and these repairs could cost as much as \$300,000.00. And we would still have an organ that is at best, adequate.

A new organ, designed for our space, would better support congregational singing and our growing music program. Given the poor condition of our organ and the reasonable expectation that very costly repairs will be needed the Organ Study Committee authorized by the Vestry in 2017, after extensive study, concluded that we should replace our organ. Something the Committee learned while doing its research is that a new, well-made organ, properly maintained, should last for centuries.

The Vestry has made no decision regarding organ replacement or a capital campaign to fund an organ. The Vestry asked the Sacred Sound and Space Task Force to consider a number of enhancements to our worship space, including the organ, and then to recommend a course of action. This course of action will be determined by the feedback of the congregation through a Feasibility Study in May 2019.

The only decisions that have been made are, if the vestry decides to move forward with organ replacement, we know who we want to build a new organ and its basic design.

Please visit the SSSTF page on the church website and send any questions or feedback to bobemory8@gmail.com.

Our Stephen Ministers Are Ready to Care!

Love One Another as I Have Loved You . . .

In John 15:12, Jesus says, “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor’s job—it’s something Jesus calls us all to do! Stephen Ministry is a ministry in which people with special gifts for caring ministry can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus’ love and care to those who most need it. If you know someone who is going through a diffi-

cult time, contact one of our Stephen Leaders, Rev Courtney Dale, Mary Parrish, Mary Davidson, about Stephen Ministry. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care—to help that person experience the healing power of Christ’s love.

Ann Bustard Award for Graduating Seniors

Reminder: The deadline to receive applications is noon on Friday March 29, 2019.

Healing Our World Workshop

Faith Connection will be hosting a workshop to address the crises facing 300 million children around the world who are going barefoot. These children are at great risk of diseases that enter their bodies through cuts in their feet which can lead to loss of limbs, paralysis and even death. At the “Healing Our World” workshop, you will be making shoes for barefoot children in Africa. Churches in Faith Connection have arranged to fund and to bring this program to the community as a service. Participation will be free to those that attend, but signing up is suggested. The event will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at First Presbyterian Church’s J. Murphy Smith Center located at 508 Middle Street. The workshop will run from 1:30-4:00 PM. Volunteers will be drawing patterns, cutting fabric, cutting soles, gluing, hand and machine sewing. Lots of fun for a very worthy cause. The Healing Our World program is also teaching mothers and caregivers in rural villages throughout Africa how to make shoes for their children. Please sign up and join in. For more information please call Mitch Lewis @ 252-670-1339.

Sunday Flowers in Church

To help streamline communication between those giving flowers and the parish office, we ask that you use the envelopes provided on the back table, near the left entrance to the Nave. (Near the bulletin board where the flower sign-up previously was.) You can simply put the envelope in the offering plate or leave it on the Reception Desk. Payment (\$35) can be included in the envelope. You can also pay online at www.christchurchnewbern.com/give and look for the line that says “Altar Flowers.” Contact Ellie Roberts (ellieroberts@christchurchnewbern.com or 252.633.2109 ext 135) for questions or more information.

Neighbors in Christ Directories

Christ Church has prepared Neighborhood Directories for the entire parish. These directories are to be used to coordinate Pastoral Care between the clergy and the parish. Each Neighborhood Directory has a contact person listed at the top of the page and a cover letter included explaining the mission of the project. Please pick up your Directory in the Parish Hall; they are placed in Neighborhood groups, and are alphabetical. We have placed a large map with the Neighborhoods color coded, beside the directories to assist you in finding your Neighborhood.

If you have any questions, or are not sure what Neighborhood you live in, please contact Barbara Rice, by email: b.rice23@outlook, or phone: 252-636-9672.

Volunteer Tutors—Craven Literacy Council

Craven Literacy Council regularly offers workshops to train volunteer tutors to work with adults who need basic literacy skills, or who want to learn to speak and understand English. The 15-hour workshop will provide participants with teaching techniques and materials that will prepare them to tutor with the Council. The workshop begins on April 2, 2019 and will continue with sessions on April 4, 9, 11, and a final session on May 14 (Tuesdays and Thursdays). For more information, please email Carol McCormick at c.mccormick@cravenliteracy.org or call 252-637-8079

Order Easter Flowers

Now

In celebration of the great feast of Easter, we fill the church with Easter flowers given as memorials and thanksgivings.

To give Easter flowers, please complete the form below, include your check for \$25 made out to Christ Church, and return it to the church office. Please put "Easter flowers" in the memo line.

*To the glory of God and in **Loving Memory of:** (please print clearly)*

*To the glory of God and in **Thanksgiving for:** (please print clearly)*

Given by -----

Telephone -----

Email -----

*Please return to the Church Office
no later than April 15, 2019*

*Payments accepted : Cash, Check, Credit/Debit
Online payments: www.christchurchnewbern.com/give*

Lenten Preaching Series

This Wednesday, March 27th, 12PM

Wallace Benton

Director of Youth Ministry

St. David's Episcopal
Church—Roswell, GA

*Lunch to follow in the
Harrison Center*

If you can't join us, watch live
on our Facebook page,

www.facebook.com/christchurchnewbern



Sunday Nights in Lent



Water, Bread, & Wine:

How the two great
sacraments

help us see God in our everyday life

March 24 & 31 and April 7 & 14

5:00-6:30pm

An Interactive, All Ages Series

Baptism and Eucharist are the two main sacraments of the Episcopal Church. We'll spend time exploring what they mean to the church and to us, and how they are a part of our every day life. Join us! Registration will help us know how many to prepare for. Visit www.tinyurl.com/ccnblent2019.



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 Freeman, Ray Stark, Bob Kohn, Nicholas Pridgen, Betty Paramore, Susan Rivenbark, Mary Kay Farnham, Warren Meadows, Rex Willis III, Hal Cameron, Charlie Mitchell, Robert Lane, Evelyn Hunter, Gloria Simpson, Dave Watrous, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Ilene Disosway, Barbara, Rick Schulhaus, Mary Lynn Linton, Barbara Odderstol, Jackie Sherwood, Rae Cowan, Blackie Fox, Jim Caldwell, Jack Hardy, Su Cox, Bev Purdue, Bob Eaves, Bill Vincent, Patrick Campesi.

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, Bridgid, Kate, Robert, Alex, Bruce, Melissa, Eve, Mark, Kathleen Marie, Gordon, Missy, Robert, Rev Dave, Derek, Bud and Cheryl, Matt.

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.

For our parishioners in boarding school and college:

Ashley Buffa, Anna Louise Flanagan, Jack Huddle, Harrison 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: Steve O'Brien

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Phillip's, Southport



The greenery behind the altar is given to the glory of God by Karen and Dave O'Connell.

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

Calendar

Third Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 24

- 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
- 12:30 pm Friends of Christ Church (*Parish House*)
- 3:30 pm EYC
- 4:30 pm Sunday Nights in Lent (*Parish House*)

Monday, March 25

- 9:00 am Twin Rivers Art Association Workshop (*PH 9-4*)
- 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (*Bride's Room*)
- 11:30 am Contemplative Prayer (*Pelletier Room*)
- 4:00 pm S.S.S. Jr. Warden's Meeting (*Library*)
- 6:00 pm Song Lovers (*Music Room*)
- 6:00 pm T-Ball Practice (*offsite*)
- 6:30 pm Vestry & Commission Leader Mtg (*Parish House*)

Tuesday, March 26

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Twin Rivers Art Association Workshop (*PH 9-4*)
- 10:00 am Women's Book Club (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 5:00 pm Heart and Soul Choir Practice (*Music Rm*)
- 7:00 pm Hand Bell Choir (*Music Building*)

Wednesday, March 27

- 9:00 am Christ Church Cooks (*Harrison Center*)
- 9:00 am Twin Rivers Art Association Workshop (*PH 9-4*)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing Svc (*Chapel*)
- 11:00 am Rector's Bible Study (*Library*)
- 12:00 pm Lenten Preaching Series (*Nave*)
- 12:30 pm Lenten Lunch (*Harrison Center*)
- 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 Building*)

Thursday, March 28

- 9:00 am Twin Rivers Art Association Workshop (*PH 9-4*)
- 6:30 pm Walk in Love (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)

Friday, March 29

- 1:00 pm Steve O'Brien Funeral (*Nave*)
- 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Chapel*)

Saturday, March 30

- 10:00 am Muriel Latham Funeral (*Nave*)

Sunday, March 31

Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 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
- 3:30 pm EYC
- 4:30 pm Sunday Nights in Lent (*Harrison Center*)
- 5:30 pm Taize Service (*Chapel*)

Rothermel Lecture

On Sunday, April 7, at 2 PM in the Sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church, the Rothermel Foundation presents a lecture titled **Faces of Alzheimer's Disease Research** by Prof. Carol Anne Colton, Ph.D., research professor in the Neurology Department of Duke University's School of Medicine. Dr. Colton is the leader of a team whose widely respected research centers on the study of neuro-degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's (AD). Despite improved medical knowledge and technology, the basic description of AD has changed little since 1906 when Dr. Alzhiemer wrote of "a peculiar disease of the cerebral cortex". When Dr. Colton began her research in 1972 the concept of immune cells specific to the brain was unknown. She was among the first to demonstrate that the brain's immune cells, as immune cells elsewhere in the body, react to an injury or foreign substance and so play an important role in AD. Join us for Dr. Colton's lecture to learn of progress toward new understanding of AD, new directions to possible treatments for the disease and even prevention rather than treatment after diagnosis.

Dr. Colton received her undergraduate degree at Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL, and her Ph.D. in Physiology from Rutgers University in 1972. Prior to joining Duke's School of Medicine in 2000, she held research and teaching positions at NIH and in medical schools at the University of Nevada and Georgetown University. She has received many awards and research grants throughout her career.

Fake E-mails

In recent months, individuals have tried to impersonate the personal and church e-mail accounts of the Rev. Paul Canady at least twice. Messages have been sent to some parishioners from these e-mail account in his name, asking for the recipient to respond as soon as possible. In one case, a few parishioners were then asked to purchase iTunes cards and to send that information back via email, supposedly for the purpose of helping someone in need. This is a scam that is effecting clergy across many branches of the faith, not just Episcopal and not just Christian. As Paul has mentioned on a few occasions, members of the clergy would never ask parishioners to send them financial information directly. E-mails from the Christ Church clergy and staff all have our first and last name followed by @christchurchnewbern.com. So please be careful when responding to a message that might seem like it is a from a member of the clergy whom you might know, whether here or elsewhere.

Textiles and Fibers

The Creator gave us creativity, and the materials with which to create. With wool from sheep, cotton from plants, silk from silkworms, and fibers from plants, we learned to spin, sew, felt, and make baskets. Christ Church and all of New Bern is home to many fine and folk artists. This display shows examples we hope will praise God, and please your eye. Displays are from: Suzannah Cockerille Talton, Cherylle Hind, Sally Rowe, Mary Groser, Andrea Owens, James Hadley, Ed Opphile, Billie Ruth Sudduth, JoAnn Bradley, Marilyn Browning-Henry

Farm Worker Ministry

Starting in April many migrant farm workers will be arriving in eastern North Carolina. However, they will come with little money for food and hygiene items for a couple of weeks until they get paid. Our congregation again will help by preparing food packs and hygiene packs. Parishioners participating in this project will buy hygiene items for shower bags and, or food items for food packs, according to the lists that will be provided. Again this year, we will use giant zip lock bags for the shower bags, allowing us to put all our efforts into supplying the items the farm workers need most. Jerry and Anne will be in the reception area after the 8:45 service during the Sundays of March. Think about what you would like to do to help these people and be looking for us as you come into the reception area during March and early April.

Thank you. Anne and Jerry Ocorr, 634-3595.