

April 7-April 14, 2019

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 in line with the Scripture readings. On page 4, 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 this 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, April 7th The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Hymn: (8:45) Be thou my vision H 488
(11:00) O Jesus, I have promised H 655

After Collect of the Day: (8:45) My Lord, you are good to me Music & Motion

The First Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness

and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

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 126

In convertendo

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Sequence: (8:45) Surely it is God who saves me H 679
 (11:00) In the cross of Christ I glory H 441

The Gospel (*Standing*)

John 12:1-8

Deacon **The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.**

People (7:30) **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

People (8:45 & 11:00) **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Deacon **The Gospel of the Lord.**

People (7:30) **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

People (8:45 & 11:00) **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Offering: (8:45) Lamb of God arr. Kyle Johnson Heart & Soul Choir
 (11:00) When I survey the wondrous cross Gilbert Martin Parish Choir

Communion: (8:45) I'm singing Tomlin & Jobe Susan Lee
 (11:00) Surely it is God who saves me H 679
 Beneath the cross of Jesus H 498

Recessional: (8:45) Beneath the cross of Jesus H 498
 (11:00) Lift high the cross H 473

Serving us Today

(7:30 a.m.) Eucharistic Ministers: Wayne Rowe & Bill Dorn
 Greeters: Shirley Johnson & Joe Schelke

(8:45 a.m.) Eucharistic Ministers: Terry Brubaker, Jettie Pelletier & Liz Lane
 Acolytes: Lauren Simmons & Thomas Tayloe
 Greeter: Lindy & Bob Emory
 Ushers: Laura & Kirby Smith

(7:30 & 8:45 a.m.) Verger: Hal Stirling

(11:00 a.m.) Eucharistic Ministers: Leann Wilson, Elizabeth Livingston, & David Skaggs
 Acolytes: Kate Buhrmaster, Baker Hudson & Brooke Buhrmaster
 Greeters: Marilyn & Jack Browning-Henry
 (ALL) Altar Guild: Lindy Emory, Rena Knott, Becky Kafer, Barbara West

Cycle of Prayer: St. Mary's Gatesville & Pamlico Deanery

News, Notes, Calendars, Etc.

Sacred Sound and Space Task Force Update — Pews and Lighting

Two weeks ago the Sacred Sound and Space Task Force update focused on replacement of our organ, and last week's dealt with the ceiling and flooring in our worship space. This update addresses our pews and lighting. Over the next few weeks we will continue to provide information about each of the potential worship space enhancements under consideration and continue to ask for your feedback.

Lighting

The chandeliers are located above the two side aisles and, if you are seated near one of those aisles, the lighting is probably sufficient. Unfortunately those seated along the center aisle and some other locations do not enjoy the full benefit of the light provided by the chandeliers. Among the solutions being considered is the installation of flush-mounted lights in the ceiling over areas where lighting is insufficient. No changes to the existing chandeliers are envisioned. Also, we envision replacing the lighting control panel and relocating it from the choir loft to the Narthex. Our current lighting panel is unreliable and is no longer manufactured.

Pews

Many of our pews are in poor repair. We have also heard from parishioners that the pews are uncomfortable and that the hymnal racks are too small and in need of repair. During and following the Listening Sessions we heard that the historic appearance of the worship space is a high priority for many parishioners and that our current pews are part of that historic appearance.

There are several options under consideration, including repair of the current pews, as well as replacing them with new ones. If replacement is the recommended solution, we may be able to use the current end caps. If new, contoured seating is installed, we may not need seat cushions. In any case, the hymnal racks need to be enlarged, and space between the pews needs to be increased. Increasing the space between the pews in each section will increase legroom and make it easier for those who wish to kneel during prayers.

We will also create a better space for those in wheelchairs with space that allows them to sit among the congregation rather than in the front of the worship space.

Please continue to provide feedback and ask questions at bobemory8@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it! Our week for VBS this year is June 17-21st. We still have plenty of spaces open for children to be a part of this fun week.

To register your young people, go to tinyurl.com/ccvbs19

We are also looking for adults and middle & high school students who would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry at Christ Church. If you would like to be a VBS minister, go to tinyurl.com/vbsmin19

If you have any questions about signing up your young people or about being a VBS minister, please contact Ashley Simpson at ashleysimpson@christchurchnewbern.com

A Great Way You Can Help a Hurting Friend

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker or relative who has suffered a loss or is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them — tell them about our Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers are members of Christ Church who have received special training to provide high-quality, confidential, one-to-one Christian care to hurting people. Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support. (Males are matched with males, and females are matched with females). The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. It's free, and it's a powerful way you can help a hurting friend. To learn more, talk with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: Rev Cortney Dale, Mary Parrish and Mary Davidson. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care.

Stations of the Cross, A Lenten Practice

Are you looking for a way to honor the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ this Lent? Come join us each Friday at 5 pm, in the chapel as we pray the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. The object of the stations is to help the Christian faithful make a spiritual pilgrimage through contemplation of the Passion of Christ. At each station we use our senses and our imagination to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, Death, and Resurrection, and to simply experience the visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us. A series of 14 images are arranged in numbered order along a path and we travel from image to image, in order, stopping at each station to say the selected prayers and reflections. The stations grew out of imitations of Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem, which is believed to be the actual path Jesus walked to Mount Calvary. For more information, contact Anne Ocorr 634.3595

Choral Concert -- April 14

The East Carolina University Chorus will present a special hour-long program at Christ Church at 7 p.m., Sunday, April 14. This exceptional chorus will be performing works from Bach, Mendelssohn, Rutter and others. The concert is being offered to Christ Church parishioners at no charge. However, any offering will be most appreciated. Money donated will go toward music scholarships through the New Bern Friends of the ECU School of Music.

The New Bern Endowment fund was begun in 1993, and has over \$100,000. Each year it provides four scholarships for students majoring in music. If you would like to know more about our group or about becoming a Patron for this worthwhile cause, please contact Ellen Chance at 252.259.5214. We welcome all members of the church and would encourage you to invite anyone to attend. This forty-member choir performs internationally and has produced several CD's. Our Friends Group is thrilled to be selected as the inaugural venue for the choir's Spring Tour. Please come and enjoy.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday (April 14)

7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

(7:30 service starts in the inside chapel; 8:45 and 11:00 begin in the outdoor chapel)

Maundy Thursday (April 18)

5:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Eucharist for young children and their families. All are welcome.

7:00 p.m. - Eucharist and stripping of the altar

8:00 p.m. - Midnight Vigil in the Chapel

Good Friday (April 19)

8 a.m. - Noon

Vigil in the Chapel

Noon - Good Friday Liturgy

5:00 p.m. - Children's Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. - The Passion according to St. John

Saturday (April 20)

5:00 p.m.

Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday (April 21)

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

*Easter Egg Hunt at 10:15 a.m. on the lawn

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, April 10th, 12PM

Lisa Richey

Lay Leader

Diocese of East Carolina

*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

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 everyday 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 Freemon, 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, Courtney, Karen, Dan, Betsy, Joan., Linda, Matty, Linda, Michael, Bridgid, Kate, Robert, Alex, Bruce, Melissa, Eve, Mark, Gordon, Missy, Robert, Rev Dave, Derek, Bud and Cheryl, Matt, Jeff.

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

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mary's, Gatesville and Pamlico Deanery

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)



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

Calendar

**Fifth Sunday in Lent Sunday, April 7
RCS In Gathering—Drop off**

- 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
- 3:40 pm EYC @ Bear Town Cinema
- 5:00 pm Sunday Nights in Lent (*Parish House*)

Monday, April 8

- 10:00 am ECW St. Elizabeth (*Parish House*)
- 2:00 pm ECW Board Meeting (*Parish House*)
- 5:30 pm Stephen Ministry (*Library*)
- 6:00 pm Song Lovers (*Music Room*)
- 6:00 pm T-Ball Practice (*offsite*)

Tuesday, April 9

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Women's Book Club (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 12:00 pm Altar Guild (*Parish House*)
- 4:00 pm Friends of Christ Church (*Library*)
- 5:00 pm Heart and Soul Choir Practice (*Music Rm*)
- 7:00 pm Hand Bell Choir (*Music Building*)

Wednesday, April 10

- 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, April 11

- 12:30 pm Compassionate Listening (*Library*)
- 6:30 pm Walk in Love (*2nd Fl Living Room*)
- 6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)

Friday, April 5

- 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Chapel*)

Saturday, April 6

Sunday, April 7

Palm Sunday

- 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 Jr. DOK (*Library*)
- 5:00 pm EYC (*Sundays in Lent*)
- 5:00 pm Sunday Nights in Lent (*Harrison Center*)
- 7:00 pm ECU Choral Concert (*Nave, Parish House*)

Bunco—Hoop-de Do

Sunday, April 7th—3:00pm-5:00pm Garber Ministry Center—4202 Country Club Road Trent Woods, NC
No skill or experience needed, but wearing team gear encouraged!

\$20/per person at the door + Door Prizes—Vendors—Auction Items—Refreshments
Call 252.288.5481 for more information

Proceeds support *Religious Community Service’s mission to feed the hungry and house the homeless and *The First Tee of Coastal Carolinas’ kids and character youth leadership initiatives.

Christ Church Friends

Our team of "Friends" has been visiting parishioners in their homes since mid January. At our first gathering, we agreed to meet at 4 p.m., Wednesday, April 9th in the Parish Library to assess the progress of our program. It is important for us to hear from those visiting so that we can make future plans. Please email anniebee28562@yahoo.com with the word, "coming." Looking forward to seeing you on April 9.

Rothermel Lecture

Today, Sunday, April 7, 2 p.m.—First Presbyterian Church
Faces of Alzheimer’s Disease Research by Prof. Carol Anne Colton, Ph.D
Duke University School of Medicine

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.

Year End EYC Trip

Our middle and high school students are planning a trip Memorial Day Weekend (May 24-27) to Black Mountain for hiking, whitewater rafting, and other adventures. Cost is \$150. If you’re a middle or high schooler, contact Ashley Simpson to reserve your spot! ashleysimpson@christchurchnewbern.com or 252.633.2109.

EYC to the Movies today
Meet at 3:40 p.m.
at Beartown Cinema
to see Dumbo.

