

July 14 – July 21, 2019

The Messenger



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It's Camp Hope Week!

Every summer Christ Church sponsors Camp Hope, a week-long summer camp for children who have a parent in prison. Held at Camp Bob at Kanuga in Hendersonville, North Carolina, this ministry's purpose is to break the cycle of incarceration for the children. Campers enjoy a wide range of activities, including hiking, swimming, camping, drama and music, playing games, sports, archery and learning about nature. The church provides coordination, registration of campers, scholarships and adult volunteers who go to camp with the children.

This year's campers and volunteers will depart for Camp Hope on Monday, July 15, from the mall parking lot near Chick-Fil-A. Departure time is 7:30 am, and it would be wonderful to have supporters there for the send-off. Please pray for safe travel and a week of fun, friendships and spiritual growth. Look for updates and pictures in upcoming weeks. Special thanks to those who have sponsored this year's Camp Hope Ministry!

Here's a look at last year's send off.



'Instructed Eucharist' Worship Opportunity

Ever wondered why we do what we do when we do it in worship? Many prayers, actions and traditions in our service have a rich history and deep theology behind them. Next week, July 22, we are offering an 'Instructed Eucharist' at the 10:00 am service, where we will stop and explain the elements of worship as we are doing them. This is designed to be enlightening for both new and familiar Episcopalians. Please join us for this special service.

EFM Preparing for 2019 - 2020

The Adult Christian Education program known as EFM began over 42 years ago. EFM at Christ Church is gearing up for a new year of engaging our Christian heritage, and there are openings for both new and returning participants to participate. The Year One program studies the "Old Testament." EFM registration is taking place now. For more information, visit <http://efm.sewanee.edu/> or contact EFM mentors Eda Marie Thomas (ednamariethomas@gmail.com / 252.876.6843) or Harry Gormley (gormley1@suddenlink.net / 252.288.2206). Interested persons can also speak with any of the current EFM participants -- Lydia Ash, Elizabeth Livingston, Linda Taylor and Mary Lynn Guidage.

Trip to Farmworkers Ministry

Thank you for your participation in the farmworker clothing drive. Because of your support, it was a success.

On Sunday, July 7, Jim Behl, Viviana Lugo Zapata, Leo Cuellar Caldero and his daughter, Mariann Cuellar Lugo

drove to Newton Grove with the clothing that Christ Church parishioners donated to the farmworkers. Viviana's strong command of Spanish helped the farmworkers who were present find the clothing items they needed.

After distributing clothing, we celebrated the Eucharist. It was same service used at Christ Church, except the service was completely in Spanish. For those of us who are not bilingual, it helped us realize what it is like to be in a community where we don't know the language. The farmworkers were very appreciative and made us feel welcome. If you are interested working with this ministry, please contact **Anne Ocorr** or **Jim Behl**.



ECW August Gathering

The ECW August Gathering will be held **August 14** at the Trinity Center. **All women (and men) are invited.** The guest speaker will be artist, Livvy Hitchcock, who will share one of her major projects, which is creating portraits of children killed in the 1999 Columbine school shooting.

Cost is \$20, and registration deadline is **August 1**. Checks need to be made out to ECW Diocese of East Carolina and mailed to

Annie Jacobs
408 Bobby Jones Road
Wilmington, NC 28412

If you are planning on attending please contact ECW President, **Pam Miller** (301.233.5108 / 252.631.1474 / pammiller950@gmail.com) for possible carpool information.

Children and Youth Ministry Updates

While Summer is often a time of rest and rejuvenation, there is often a lot going on in the background to prepare for the Fall and the start of the next Program Year.

Ashley Simpson will conclude her time as our **Director Children & Youth Ministry** on Sunday, August 4th. We will celebrate her ministry among us with a reception following the 10:00 am service. We have several gifts to present her before she begins her formal studies for ordained ministry. I hope you'll consider making a contribution towards a financial gift for Ashley as she begins her time at Sewanee. You can bring a check to the office, place it in the offering plate, or give online at <http://christchurchnewbern.com/give/> (look for the line that says "Ashley's Purse.")

In typical Ashley style, she is planning an event for all of our middle and high schoolers on **Thursday, July 25**. Our rising 6th graders will also be included in this event. If that's you, watch your email for more information. You can also reach out to Ashley at ashleysimpson@christchurchnewbern.com for more details.

Meg Jones will formally assume her role as **Director of Christian Formation** on Monday, August 5th. Meg's last Sunday at her current parish, St. Teresa's, Acworth, Georgia, is today. I invite you to keep both Meg and St. Teresa's in your prayers today and the weeks to come. Meg brings experience in churches of varying sizes as well as Diocesan, Provincial, and National church connections that will be invaluable to Christ Church.

You might note that the job title is different than what we have seen before at Christ Church. Meg's role will not only cover Children's and Youth Ministry but will also help develop formation and educational opportunities for people beyond the age of 18. She will work closely with clergy and lay leaders engaged in adult education to enhance those areas and help bring all of our Christian Formation opportunities into a unified focus as a whole parish family. This is a new, holistic approach for Christ Church, one that I believe the Holy Spirit is leading us towards, and one that I am excited to see where it will take us.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to be in touch!

GIG Gearing Up for Upcoming School Year

In just its second year, the Growing in Grace (GIG) after school program had a very successful 2018-2019. Every week from Monday - Thursday, our volunteer church mentors work with the children on homework, responsibility, guiding them to make good choices and showing them many ways to be kind, not only to others, but to themselves as well. This year additional activities were added, including music opportunities with Director of Music, Cliff Badgley, and a trip to the Choir loft to see and hear the organ.



If you think you would be interested in joining this extremely rewarding program at Christ Church, now is your opportunity. There are several volunteer positions, including mentors, substitutes, van drivers and monitors. Please contact [Debbie Fodrie](#), GIG Director if you are interested or would like more information. There will be a training session for all new and returning mentors on Thursday, **August, 29**. Look for more details in the coming weeks.

Electronic Giving Provides Additional Donation Option

Christ Church is pleased to offer an electronic giving option using texting and your mobile device. No cash nor check needed, and the process is simple. Text the word "funds" to 252-512-5179 and follow the onscreen instructions.

You will receive a verification text, as well as a receipt via email. We are happy to offer this additional giving option and hope you will check it out.

Beat the Summer Heat

At last check, we were looking **Lemonade on the Lawn** for hosts on **August 11, 18, 25 and September 1**. There is a sign up sheet in reception or you can sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/Lemonade2019>. You may use the **Tablet Kiosk** in the Reception Area to sign up online.

Note: Coffee is available in the Parish House after the 8:00 am service.

Hymn Notes for July 14

"I am the bread of life," H 335. Suzanne Toolan, RSM (Sisters of Mercy) was teaching chorus in a high school. Her room was right next to the infirmary. She was composing this during her free period, and thought it not worth much, so she tore it in half and threw it away. The bell rang and she was, in her own words, "confronted by a little blond freshman who came out of the infirmary saying, 'What was that? It was beautiful.' I went immediately to the waste basket, took it out, taped it together, and it has had a life of its own ever since." Stanzas 1 through 4 are words of Jesus; stanza 5 is our response.

"Where cross the crowded ways of life," H 609, was written by Methodist pastor Frank Mason North at the request of the editors of the 1905 Methodist Hymnal, who needed a new missionary hymn. North chose to write of the plight of the poor, especially those in urban ghettos. It is set to a tune by stocking manufacturer, amateur violinist, and Beethoven admirer William Gardiner, who arranged it from a theme he thought was by Beethoven. It wasn't, and we don't know where he got it.

Welcome Heidi!



Welcome to **Heidi Powell** who will be joining Grey Proctor in the Nursery. Heidi has experience as a nanny and enjoys working with infants and children of all ages. She is looking forward to joining our Christ Church family.



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, Hal Cameron, Charlie Mitchell, Robert Lane, Dave Watrous, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Ilene Disosway, Barbara, Barbara Odderstol, Rae Cowan, Jack Hardy, Su Cox, Bill Vincent, Patrick Campesi, Evelyn Dill, Jim Keeter, Mary-Carolyn Lawson, Jimmy Robinson, Lindy Emory, Fair Leonard, Bill Lankenau, Leigh Byrd, Liz Lane, Doug Sudduth.

For our families and friends:

Liesel, Tate, Ruth, Kathy, Nancy, Denise, Tony, Barbara, Charlie, Ann, Mathias, Katherine, Alex, 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, Gordon, Missy, Robert, Rev Dave, Derek, Bud and Cheryl, Matt, Jeff, Corinne, Paul, Travis, Sarah, Edward, Irene, Matt, Cliff, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, John, Jim, Joanne.

For those who mourn:

The family and friends of Ann Maude

For our deployed military:

Capt. Jason White, Cpl. Jason Church, Sgt. Bill Jarvis, LCPL Ross Drury, Capt. Delbert R. Patton, CW02 Justin Harshner, Capt. John Jones, Lt. Col. Matt Wernersbach, Lt. Christopher Miller.

For our parishioners in boarding school and college:

Anna Louise Flanagan, Jack Huddle, Harrison Little, Carlee Peele, Htoo Soe, John Thomas, Zack Thuringer, Abby Garman, Emily Wilson, Sarah Kate Childs.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, New Bern

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

Calendar

Sunday, July 14

- 8:00 am Eucharist Rite I
- 8:45 am Daughters of the King Training (*Library*)
- 10:00 am Eucharist Rite II

Monday, July 15

- 7:30 am Camp Hope Departure (*Offsite*)
- 9:00 am Christ Church Cooks (*Harrison Center*)
- 10:00 am Home Place (*Offsite*)
- 10:45 am McCarthy Court (*Offsite*)
- 5:15 pm Song Lovers' Class (*Music Room*)
- 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (*Parish House, Pelletier Room*)

Tuesday, July 16

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 5:00 pm Jr. Warden Meeting (*Library*)

Wednesday, July 17

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing Service (*Chapel*)
- 5:45 pm Outreach Commission Meeting (*Library*)
- 6:15 pm AA meeting - open (*Pelletier Room*)

Thursday, July 18

- 10:00 am Brookdale (*Offsite*)
- 10:45 am Berne Village (*Offsite*)
- 6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)

Friday, July 19

Saturday, July 20

Sunday, July 21

- 8:00 am Eucharist Rite II
- 8:45 am Daughters of the King Training (*Library*)
- 10:00 am Eucharist Rite II -- Instructed Eucharist

Deadlines for Submitting Articles & Calendar Items

"Week Ahead at Christ Church" email: 12 noon Thursday

"MidWeek Messenger" email: 12 noon Tuesday

Printed and emailed "Messenger": 12 noon Wednesday

Please email items to communications@christchurchnewbern.com.



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ollie Stirling by her son, Hal Stirling.