

September 1 – 8, 2019

# The Messenger



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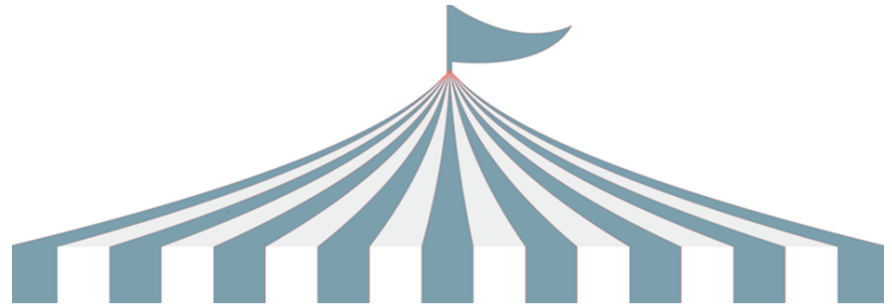
## Annual Giving Campaign Kick-Off Carnival and Picnic

Our September 8th Carnival and Kick-off Picnic is quickly approaching! The Stewardship Committee and parish volunteers are busy planning fun activities and carnival treats for all.

There will be hot dogs, lemonade, popcorn and cotton candy. For children -- and those young at heart -- there will be sack races, corn hole toss, tossing board for younger children, obstacle course races, swoosh ball and scoop ball toss competitions and flying bean bags game.

We hope you will come join the fun, following the 10:00 am service on September 8. (Note: There will only be one service.)

You won't want to miss the food, fun and fellowship!



Join us for an

## Annual Giving Campaign Kick-Off CARNIVAL AND PICNIC

Sunday, September 8

Following 10:00 am service

Christ Church Lawn

EXPERIENCING THE MULTITUDE  
OF GOD'S ABUNDANCE



FOR ALL AGES  
FUN  
FOOD  
GAMES

## Fall's Coming, and Parish Life Is Getting Back Into Swing

### Coffee Hour Resumes Sunday, September 15

Join us for fellowship and nibbles. Thanks to Gay Stuart, Jane Ashford and St. Elizabeth ECW for providing goodies. Bakers are needed on the 1st, 4th and 5th Sundays to supply nibbles for the 10:00 and 11:00 am gatherings. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Reception Area. You may also sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/Coffee-Fall-2019> or using the Tablet Kiosk. Contact **Jane Ashford** (252-288-2838 / [jane.ashford@neusewoods.com](mailto:jane.ashford@neusewoods.com)) for more information



### Harvest Sunday Lunch – October 6

Dust off your favorite recipes -- this will be a covered dish event. Chicken and drinks will be supplied, but your finest sides and desserts are needed. Please plan on making enough for eight or more eaters. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Reception Area, and an online sign-up will be available soon.

### Foyer Groups – Supper with Church Friends

We are looking for a coordinator to restart this popular program. Twice a year this person coordinates a small-group meal gathering for people who would like to get to know others within the church better. Contact **Jane Ashford** (contact info above) for more information.



### The Pumpkins are Coming – 11:00 am, Saturday, September 28

This is an all hands on deck occasion! Bring your wheelbarrows, gloves and energy. Snacks and hydration provided.

## Never Stop Growing: Adult Christian Formation

Here is a look at upcoming Christian Formation classes and groups at Christ Church.

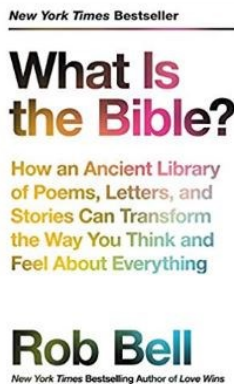
**SUNDAYS** (10:00 am, beginning September 15)

“**Synthesis**” addresses the appointed weekly Scripture lessons. The class meets in the Pelletier Room and is led by **Rick Schulhaus**.

## Synthesis CE

**Book Study – *What is the Bible?***  
by **Rob Bell**.

This book goes deep into the Bible to show how it is more revelatory, revolutionary, and relevant than we ever imagined. Class meets in the 2nd Floor Living Room and is led by **The Rev. Paul Canady**.



**WEEKDAYS** (starts week of September 2)

**Women’s Bible Study** with **The Rev. Courtney Dale** meets at 10:00 am Tuesdays in the 2nd Floor Living Room.

**Rector’s Bible Study** meets in the Library at 11:00 am, Wednesdays.

**Education for Ministry**, known as EFM, is an Adult Christian Education program that engages our Christian heritage in a unique way. EFM meets monthly at 6:00 pm, on the second Wednesday in the 2nd floor Living Room.

## Vestry Meeting Recap

On Monday, August 19, 2019, the vestry met for its monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. After an opening devotion and prayer led by Jean Reichenbach, senior warden, the July meeting minutes were reviewed, typos corrected and then unanimously approved as amended.

Treasurer, John Haroldson, reported that July financials were on target for where we projected them to be. Subsequently, the July financials were unanimously approved.

Setting up the financials for the Sacred Sound and Space Capital Campaign (SSS-CC) to be separate from the regular church financials was presented and unanimously approved.

Bob Emory, one of the three chairs of the SSS-CC, gave a report on projects, specifically results from the committee who met and discussed the pew situation. Bob then presented for approval the projects which the SSS-Task Force recommended to be covered in the Campaign. After discussion, the vestry approved unanimously the following projects: the organ, the acoustics, the balcony, the floors, the pews and the lighting.

Kip Peregoy, Junior Warden, presented a proposal from Carolina Engineers, PA, to address the question of possible wall movement. The vestry voted unanimously to accept this proposal.

Zach Bishop’s Eagle Scout project is progressing nicely, and the laying of the ricks in the prayer garden should begin shortly.

Highlights of the Commission reports are as follows:

- Outreach: One Day with God at Pamlico Prison -- 8/24/19
- Pastoral Care: Plans are being made to re-start Stephen Ministry training in January.
- Christian Formation: Meg Jones if finalizing programs for the fall.
- Evangelism: Barbara Rice is taking over the Newcomer Ministry.
- Building and Grounds: Keeping the shrubs alive, among many other tasks.
- Stewardship 2020: Stewardship Campaign Kick-off Carnival is scheduled for Sunday, September 8, 2019, after the 10:00 am church service. Reminder cards have been mailed.
- Worship: Acolyte training for all current and any new members -- 8/25/2019
- Pumpkins are coming September 28, 2019.

A full copy of the Vestry minutes can be seen on the church website ([www.christchurchnewbern.com](http://www.christchurchnewbern.com)) after they are approved at the subsequent meeting. They are in the “Members” section. The password is cec1715.

## Hymn Notes for September 1

**“Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!”**

**H 438** is a setting of the Magnificat. It was composed by Timothy Dudley-Smith in 1961 among complaints that the modern translations of the Bible were “unsingable.” Dudley-Smith was reading a review copy of The New English Bible, New Testament, and came across the words “tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord” and he saw that as the first line of a poem. He speedily wrote it, and now it appears in almost every major English-language hymnal around the world.

**“I, the Lord of sea and sky,” W 812**, comes from the pen of Jesuit priest and composer-in-residence at the San Francisco Conservatory Daniel Schutte. The refrain is based on Isaiah 6:8 with “Here am I,” but it also includes the Disciples at the Last Supper wondering “Is it I, Lord?” The stanzas sing of “God’s love in the creation of the world and in response to the needs of the world.”

## Eucharistic Minister Training

An informational meeting / training session for anyone interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister at Christ Church will be held on Sunday, September 15. We will meet in the sanctuary a few minutes after the conclusion of the 11:00 am service, and the meeting should last less than an hour. If you would like to serve in this ministry, or if you would like to learn more about it, please plan to attend. Current Eucharistic Ministers are also welcome. Please contact Janet Peregoy (638.1779 / [jperegoy@suddenlink.net](mailto:jperegoy@suddenlink.net)) for more information.

## Thank You from IRM

Many thanks from Interfaith Refugee Ministry to the members of Christ Church who, have once again supported the school supplies and backpacks collection for refugee students. This drive has been lovingly and painstakingly spearheaded by **Rebecca Liberty**. Thanks to you, one again all refugee students who arrived since January are able to go to school with brand new backpacks and loads of supplies. Many thanks for helping us welcome strangers in such a tangible and loving way.

## Worship Notes

In August, we have been using what is commonly known as the "Prayer Attributed to St. Francis" as our post-communion prayer. A few parishioners have pointed out that modern scholarship cannot date the prayer prior to its appearance in a French religious magazine in 1912. While the prayer is certainly reflective of the Francis' theology and world view, it is not accurate to act as if he wrote it. More recently, it has been called the "Peace Prayer." It will likely still be referred to as the “Prayer Attributed to St. Francis” on page 833 in the Book of Common Prayer until such unknown time as a new BCP is authorized by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church.

You can read more here: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/a-closer-look-at-the-peace-prayer-of-saint-francis/>

## ECW News

**St. Elizabeth’s ECW** will not be meeting in September. The first regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, October 14 at 10:00 am.

**St. Francis’s ECW** will have its first meeting this Thursday, September, September 5. Lunch is planned at The Chelsea at 11:30 am, with the meeting in the Parish House to follow at 1:00 pm.

## For Those Who Mourn

We received word from Priscilla Anderson, daughter of Steve and Patty Anderson, that Steve died peacefully on Monday morning after a 2 1/2 year battle with a brain tumor. He was surrounded by his family as he moved from this life to the life to come.

Priscilla wrote:

*"Steve's life was filled with music, humor, and love, and we will be having a memorial service to celebrate him at 1pm on Sunday, September 29th at St. James Episcopal Church in New London, CT. We'd be happy to see you there if you can make it.*

*Steve loved to talk to people. If there are particular conversations or stories or memories you have of him that you are willing to share, please send them along to us."*

Priscilla's email address is [prilla32@gmail.com](mailto:prilla32@gmail.com) if you want to share a story or pass along your condolences. We will remember Steve and his family in the prayers this Sunday and again on September 29th.

Please hold Patty, Priscilla, and Nick in your prayers.

Blessings, Paul

## Accessible Seating

You'll note a slight change to the seating in the Nave this Sunday. We have created a new front row on the far right side to allow for those who need wheelchair access and their companions. There are hymnals and Books of Common Prayer on the courtesy desk for use by those who need this seating. We hope that this allows a better worship experience for all, especially those with mobility issues.



## ***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, Lindy Emory, Fair Leonard, Bill Lankenau, Leigh Byrd, Liz Lane, Doug Sudduth, Raymond Tait, Paul Tait, Rees Carter.

### ***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, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, John, Jim, Joanne, Polly, Anderson.

### ***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, Sydney Kitchen.

### ***For refugee families and those seeking asylum.***

***Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:*** Grace Church, Trenton, and Albemarle 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 Betsy Downard ([betsydownard@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:betsydownard@christchurchnewbern.com), 252.633.2109)

**The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in for the people of Christ Church**

## **Calendar**

### **Sunday, September 1**

#### **Birthday and Anniversary Sunday**

- 8:00 am Eucharist Rite II
- 9:00 am Eucharist for Young Children and Families
- 10:00 am Eucharist Rite II

### **Monday, September 2**

#### **Labor Day – Church Offices Closed**

### **Tuesday, September 3**

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Women’s Book Study (*2nd Floor Living Room*)
- 5:00 pm Heart and Soul Choir Rehearsal (*Music Room*)
- 6:00 pm Daughters of the King Meeting (*Parish House*)
- 7:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (*Music Room*)

### **Wednesday, September 4**

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing Service (*Chapel*)
- 11:00 am Rector’s Bible Study (*Library*)
- 4:30 pm Choristers (*Parish House*)
- 4:30 pm Music and Motion (*Nave*)
- 6:15 pm AA meeting - open (*Pelletier Room*)
- 7:00 pm Parish Choir Rehearsal (*Music Room*)

### **Thursday, September 5**

- 11:30 am St. Francis ECW Lunch (*Offsite*)
- 1:00 pm St. Francis ECW Meeting (*Parish House*)
- 5:30 pm GIG Parent/Student Orientation (*GIG/Music Room*)
- 6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)

### **Friday, September 6**

### **Saturday, September 7**

### **Sunday, September 8**

#### **Stewardship Sunday**

- 10:00 am Eucharist Rite II
- 12:00 pm Annual Giving Campaign Kick-Off Carnival

### **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](mailto:communications@christchurchnewbern.com).**

### **Looking Ahead: Backpack Blessings Fall Build Oct. 3 - 5**

Backpack Blessings (<http://www.backpackblessings.com/>) is a 501 C (3) non-profit founded for the sole purpose of feeding hungry children in eastern North Carolina. They will be hosting a Fall Backpack Build event at Garber Methodist Church. Dates and times are 6:00 - 8:00 pm, Thursday, October 3 and Friday, October 4, and 9:00 - 11:00 am, Saturday, October 5.