

March 22 - 29, 2020

The Messenger



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From the clergy...

As we continue on our current, uncharted path, we strive to do our best at communicating news, updates and changes to our Christ Church family.

All Christ Church in-person activities will remain canceled for the week of March 22 - 29. We will continue to provide online worship and prayer opportunities via YouTube on Sunday and Tuesday mornings, as well as Noonday prayers on Wednesday at 12:15 pm. Please visit our YouTube site at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdB74UShQ_cImhETPRbjRkg/ and select the specific service that you would like to view.

We are posting regular updates, as well as Cliff's Music Meditations, to our website at <https://christchurchnewbern.com/news/>. We encourage you to visit this often.

DQ is at the Reception Desk daily from 9:00 am -- 12:00 pm. Other staff and clergy are in the office as they are able, but can be reached via email or their mobile device. We thank you for your patience and prayers.

If you happen to be in Christ Church, hand sanitizer dispensers are located in many public places throughout the building. They have a bright yellow star over them. Please use them liberally!

Staying Connected Via 'Zoom'

While we are socially distancing ourselves, we will be holding some of our regular gatherings via an online meeting tool called Zoom. This includes the Rector's Bible Study, Living the Way of Love Series and the Tuesday Women's Book Study. You will join a meeting by clicking on a link that will be provided to

you and also available on our website (www.christchurchnewbern.com).

You can join a Zoom meeting from either your mobile phone or computer.

If you want to participate in a meeting with audio only (no video), you can call in on your landline phone. That toll-free number will be provided in the email invitation.

You can watch a short video on how to use Zoom by clicking on this link <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-How-Do-I-Join-A-Meeting->

In addition, here are some written instructions on how to use Zoom.

Before joining a Zoom meeting on a computer or mobile device, you can download the Zoom app from [the Download Center \(https://zoom.us/download\)](https://zoom.us/download). Click on the blue "download" option for Zoom Client for Meetings

After clicking on the download link a zoominstaller.exe file will appear in the lower left hand side of your computer screen. Click on that to open the Installer File.

When asked if you want to allow the program to make changes to your computer, click "Yes."

To join a meeting, go to your you can either click "join a meeting" or "Sign In". If you don't sign in, you can still participate in the meeting. You will need to enter the Meeting ID and your screen name. If your computer does not have speakers, you can still join the video conference via Zoom and then call in on your mobile phone or landline to hear the audio.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your patience as we figure out the kinks of our current virtual participation situation.



Upcoming Service information and the [Sunday Order of Service](#) can be found on our website at www.christchurchnewbern.com.

Giving Options

The interruption of in-person worship services has prompted questions on how parishioners can continue their regular giving to Christ Church. Here are some options.

1. Go to <https://christchurchnewbern.com/give/> and make an online payment. There are various fund options, including General Fund, Altar Flowers, Memorial Fund and the Sacred Sound and Space capital campaign. You can set up one-time or recurring payments.

2. Mail a check to our PO Box (PO Box 1246 New Bern, NC 28563). Please address your envelope to the attention of **Patti Williams**.

3. Contact Patti to set up a direct donation from your bank account to the Church. This can be done for a limited time or can become your permanent way of donating.

4. You can use your cell phone. Text the word "FUNDS" to 833.233.8760 and follow the onscreen instructions. Please contact Patti at 252.633.2109 Ext. 111 with any questions.

Notes From Meg...

Here are links to this week's Children/ Youth and Adult Sunday School notes.

[Sunday School Children and Youth 3/22](#)

[Sunday School Adult 3/22](#)

Also, here's a link to information on creating a prayer space at your house.

[Creating a home prayer space](#)

Free Meals on Big Wheels

Craven County Schools is providing lunch and breakfast for all children under 18 in Craven County. School buses are delivering the meals each day.

To find the bus stop near you, go to <https://www.cravenk12.org/> and scroll down to the information on Free Meals on Big School Wheels. Please share for a neighbor or friend!

Backpack Blessings Ministry Seeks Donations

In response to the nutrition needs of children in our area due to the Coronavirus, Backpack Blessings will be holding food distributions on March 27 at each of our summer distribution sites for families in our area who are identified as living in food insecure homes. We will continue these food distributions every two weeks until they are no longer needed.

We need your help!! Here are some ways that you can make a difference.

1. Food donations

We are asking for food donations of specific foods to go in our food boxes to supplement what we have already ordered. These foods are:

- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Canned soups
- Tuna or other canned meat
- Boxes of pasta (any kind)
- peanut butter
- jelly (no glass)
- Brownie or cookie mix
- Ramen noodles
- Food Lion Gift cards

These donations can be brought to **Garber UMC (4202 Country Club Road)** from 10:00 am - noon starting today and continuing every M-F after that. You will just need to drive by with your donations. There will be board members to unload your car. You can also order food items online and have them shipped directly to Garber.

2. Monetary donations are needed and appreciated!

You can give to your local church to their Backpack Blessings Fund, donate at our website (backpackblessings.com), or mail a check directly to:

Backpack Blessings, Inc.

PO Box 1675

New Bern, NC 28563

3. PRAY! For our children, and for their families, and for our communities!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email **Ruth Powers** (rpowers26@suddenlink.net / 252-671-0280)

"He who dwells in the shelter of the Host High

Will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress

My God in whom I trust"

Psalm 91:1-2

Easter Flower Memorials and Gifts of Thanksgiving

Make a loving tribute to remember or honor someone as we celebrate Easter. You can drop off or mail your order form and check to the church office (PO Box 1246 New Bern, NC 28563). You can also pay online at <https://christchurchnewbern.com/give/>. For now, please select "Altar Flowers" and make a note that this is for Easter Flowers in the field next to the payment field. We hope to add a separate "Easter Flowers" option in the near future. The cost is \$25, and the order deadline is **Monday, March 30**.

In the event that we are unable to hold in-person Easter Sunday services, the flowers will be available for pick up before Easter. Delivery arrangements can also be made.

Easter Memorials and Gifts of Thanksgiving Order Form

Make a loving tribute to remember or honor someone this year by contributing to the overall beautification of Christ Church, glorifying God as we celebrate Easter.

Please complete the form below, make your check for **\$25 payable to Christ Church**, and drop it off, mail it to the church office (PO Box 1246, New Bern NC 28563), or place it in collection plate. Please put "Easter Flowers" in the memo space on your check.

In Loving Memory of (please type or print)

In Thanksgiving for (please type or print)

Given by: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

**Monday, March 30 is the last date we can
accept and notate memorials
in the Easter Sunday Bulletins.**

Every Member Counts and Every Dollar Counts

The Christ Church Sacred Sound and Space Campaign

Check this space or <https://christchurchnewbern.com/sacredsoundandspace/> every week for campaign news, updates and celebrations.

Sacred Sound and Space Capital Campaign Suspended Temporarily Due to Coronavirus

Greetings from your Rector, Senior Warden and Sacred Sound and Space Campaign Co-chair. Due to the uncertainty associated with the Coronavirus, we have made the difficult decision to suspend temporarily the Sacred Sound and Space Capital Campaign. We will resume the Campaign when we find ourselves in a more settled time. During this timeout, we will cease active solicitation of new pledges. You can still make a pledge by mailing a pledge card to the church or by going to the Sacred Sound and Space tab on the Christ Church website (<https://christchurchnewbern.com/sacredsoundandspace/>) where you can download a pledge card if you don't have one.

At this time we do not know when the Campaign will resume, but in the meantime, the former Junior Wardens task group will continue to do research on and make preparations for the projects that will be funded by the Campaign.

All of our efforts need to be directed toward the wellbeing of our parish and community at this difficult time. You can help by letting the clergy know of pastoral needs, whether for yourself or for others. And please remember how important it is to continue your financial support for the church even though we cannot currently worship together. The church office is open Mon-Fri. from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Our mailing address is Christ Church, PO Box 1246, New Bern, NC 28563. Please let us know if you have any needs. The events calendar is being updated daily, so visit the church website for updates and information on Virtual Worship services, meetings and classes: www.christchurchnewbern.com.

Together we will get through this crisis. Please take prudent precautions to avoid the virus. We must take care of ourselves and each other.

Faithfully,

Paul Canady, Rector

Jean Reichenbach, Senior Warden

Bob Emory, Campaign Co-Chair



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, Mary Hasell, Catherine Bender, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Bob and Joan Burnett,* Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Joe Freemon,* Ray Stark, Bob Kohn, Nicholas Pridgen, Betty Paramore, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol*, Rae Cowan, Su Cox, Bill Vincent, Evelyn Dill, Jim Keeter, M. Carolyn Lawson, Fair Leonard, Leigh Byrd, Liz Lane, Paul Tait, Evelyn Hunter, Jack Hardy, Katherine Gill, Jane Peele, Nelson McDaniel, Margi, Kathy Blanchard, Laura Robinson.

For our families:

Liesel, Jeff, Corinne, Paul, Travis, Sarah, Edward, Irene, Matt, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, John, Jim, Joanne, Anderson, Bill, Vicki, Nelma, Alston, Ashley, Alexander, Bambi, Art, Abra, Melvin, Laurie, Alexander, Amelia, Dennis, Matty, John, Erik, Blake, Brian

For our deployed military: Capt. John Jones, 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.

During this critical time, we want to especially hold up parishioners and family of parishioners in the medical profession:

Lisa Kafer, Stan Ezell, David Tayloe, Tammy Corson, Laurel Meyers, Mary Pat Torley, Sarah Buffa, Chris Hudson, Elizabeth Seeger, Ginny Brosnan, Giga Smith, Brittany Ferrell, Arlene Garman, Wright Shields, Stephanie Kendall Chamberlain. *(If we have left someone off the list, please let us know.)*

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

** These parishioners live out of the area but have requested to remain on the Christ Church prayer list.*

We try to keep the prayer list as current as possible. If you would like to add or remove someone from the list, please contact Betsy Downard (betsydownard@christchurchnewbern.com, 252.633.2109).

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Sunday, March 22

10:00 am Prayer Service (*via YouTube*)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EwumK206eY4&feature=youtu.be>

Monday, March 23

1:00 pm Rector's Bible Study (*via Zoom*)
<https://zoom.us/j/703258160?status=success>

Tuesday, March 24

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (*via Zoom*)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p0_49FLzuNs&feature=youtu.be
10:00 am Women's Book Study (*via Zoom*)
<https://zoom.us/j/877660267> Meeting ID: 877 660 267

Wednesday, March 25

12:15 pm Noonday Prayer (*via YouTube*)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FCzRzhP6h-I&feature=youtu.be>
1:00 pm Living the Way of Love (*via Zoom*)
<https://zoom.us/j/414668336> Meeting ID: 414 668 336
5:15 pm Living the Way of Love (*via Zoom*)
<https://zoom.us/j/621962004> Meeting ID: 621 962 004
6:00 pm EfM Meets (*via Zoom*)

Thursday, March 26

10:00 am Sacred Sound and Space Leadership (*Call*)
6:30 pm NA Meeting (*Pelletier Room*)

Friday, March 27

Saturday, March 28

Sunday, March 29

10:00 am Prayer Service (*via YouTube*)
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdB74UShQ_cImhETPRbjRkg/

The greenery on the altar is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the people of Christ Church.

If you would like to give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone or something, please sign up on the poster in the Narthex. Also, you can call the church office or sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/CECH-Flowers>. When using the website, please include the memorial or thanksgiving details in the field next to the payment field. The cost is \$35 per Sunday.