

September 20-27, 2020

# The Messenger



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## Stewardship 2021: Growing Giving Serving

These three words capture the essence of Christ Episcopal Church.



While many in-person activities are on hold or reduced during this time, the work of God and God's people has not stopped. We continue **growing, giving and serving each other and our community.**

As we continue in our Stewardship journey, we are excited to present this week's Stewardship Ministry Moment from **Judi Dorn** during the 10:00 am service. You can read the text of her talk on this page.

We hope you will prayerfully consider your pledge for 2021. You can return your pledge card to church or complete your pledge online at <https://tinyurl.com/CCNB-2021-Pledge>. We will celebrate all the pledges on **Sunday, October 18, 2020**, with a Harvest Sunday Celebration. We would love to have your pledge by then if not before.

## EYC on the Lawn Tonight

Tonight's EYC will be an in-person outdoor gathering on the church lawn. Start time is 7:00 pm. We'll be playing a large group game outside. Bring a flashlight or glowsticks if you have them. For more information, contact **Meg Jones** at 252.633.2109 Ext. 8 or [megjones@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:megjones@christchurchnewbern.com)

## Stewardship Ministry Moment: Christ Church Cooks

A few years ago, during the group discussions at the Jesus Movement Program, a light went on in our heads. Provide meals for those in need - Outreach - WE CAN DO THIS! And the conversations and the planning began.

Double and single serve containers for freezing were ordered, recipes were gathered, a freezer was purchased and Christ Church Cooks began. Over time, additional items that were needed for food preparation were purchased for the Harrison Center Kitchen.

We prepare two - four entrees each time we meet, and also prepare large batches of soup, mostly for the colder months. We list the ingredients of each entree and soup and the date prepared on labels and attach them to each container. The entrees and soups are then taken from the Harrison Center to the Parish House and are placed in the freezer in the back hallway.

These meals can be taken by any church members to another church member, a neighbor or a friend that may be in need. A sign-out sheet is on the door of the freezer.

We have such fun cooking, chatting and laughing together. Not everyone is available to be there on every cooking day, but whether there are six of us or 16 of us, it is amazing what we accomplish in two-three hours. We have gotten so efficient, we even amaze ourselves!

I am so very thankful for Ellen **Chance**, my co-chair and for all the men and women who have made this such a wonderful outreach ministry. How better to share Jesus' love than by feeding those in need. Christ Church Cooks; loving, caring, sharing.

**Judi Dorn, Co-Chair, Christ Church Cooks**

## ***In peace we pray to you, Lord God***

### ***For our ill and recovering parishioners:***

Barbara Willis, Dottie Parker, Gary Derck, Jackie Barney, 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, Bill Vincent, Evelyn Dill, Jim Keeter, M. Carolyn Lawson, Fair Leonard, Leigh Byrd, Paul Tait, Evelyn Hunter, Jack Hardy, Katherine Gill, Jane Peele, Nelson McDaniel, Margi, Kathy Blanchard, Lydia Ash, Pat McCotter, Betty Clarke, Mary Lynn Guidage, Ralph Cowan, Vivienne Armstrong, Tracy DuPeza, Joyce Bayse.

### ***For our friends and 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, Erik, Blake, Brian, Katie, Lisa, Oakley, Bryce, Jackie, Helen, Carter, Cindy, Eunice, David, Mary, Joseph, Mason, Sarah, Nicholas, Janet, Myra.

***For our deployed military:*** Capt. John Jones, Lt. Christopher Miller, Maj. Raffi Mnatzakanian.

### ***For our parishioners in boarding school and college:***

Anna Louise Flanagan, Harrison Little, Carlee Peele, Htoo Soe, John Thomas, Zack Thuringer, Abby Garman, Emily Wilson, Sarah Kate Childs, Sydney Kitchen, Randall Hudson, Alex Linton, Kirby Smith.

### ***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, Patrick Walsh, John Latham, Anna Burleson, Liz Sanchez, Linda McAlister, Ken Chance, Sarah E. Smith. *(If we have left someone off the list, please let us know.)*

***Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:*** Grace Episcopal and Christ the King Lutheran Church, Whiteville; the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry

\* *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](mailto:betsydownard@christchurchnewbern.com), 252.633.2109).

## **Sunday, September 20**

- 8:00 am Morning Outdoor Worship
- 10:00 am Morning Outdoor Worship with Livestream  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Twt1Ur0se54&feature=youtu.be>
- 5:00 pm Evening Outdoor Worship
- 7:00 pm EYC Meets Outdoors (*Playground*)

## **Monday, September 21**

- 11:30 am Contemplative Prayer (*via Zoom*)
- 3:00 pm Growing in Grace (*Youth Room*)
- 6:00 pm T-Ball vs. Centenary (*Offsite*)
- 6:30 pm Vestry Meets (*Pelletier Room*)

## **Tuesday, September 22**

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (*via YouTube*)
- 9:00 am Individual Prayer (*Chapel*)
- 9:30 am Women's Book Study (*via Zoom*)
- 3:00 pm Growing in Grace (*Youth Room*)

## **Wednesday, September 23**

- 9:00 am Individual Prayer (*Chapel*)
- 11:00 am Rector's Bible Study (*via Zoom*)
- 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer (*via YouTube*)
- 3:00 pm Wednesdays at Christ Church
- 6:00 pm EfM Meets (*via Zoom*)

## **Thursday, September 24**

- 9:00 am Individual Prayer (*Chapel*)
- 3:00 pm Growing in Grace (*Youth Room*)
- 7:30 pm Lectionary Class (*via Zoom*)

## **Friday, September 25**

- 6:00 pm T-Ball vs. Two Rivers (*Offsite*)

## **Saturday, September 26**

- 1:30 pm Lectionary Class (*via Zoom*)

## **Sunday, September 27**

- 8:00 am Morning Outdoor Worship
- 10:00 am Morning Outdoor Worship with Livestream
- 5:00 pm Evening Outdoor Worship
- 5:00 pm Sacred Ground
- 7:00 pm EYC Meets (*Church Lawn*)

## **Deadlines for Submitting Articles and 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.**

## Pillowcases Available

Additional lovely pillowcases that were given out during Backpack blessings are available for sale. They are \$5 each, and proceeds will benefit our Children and Youth Programs. The pillowcases will be available at Sunday services or by contacting **Meg Jones** at [megjones@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:megjones@christchurchnewbern.com).



## Growing in Grace Returns

Our first week was amazing! Everyone was so excited to be back! All guidelines being followed Masks were off for snack time only. Also to see those big smiles!



## Not Too Late to Join in the Wednesday Fun

We had a great first Wednesday at Christ Church, and you can still join us for all the fun. We invite children school- age and older to join us for in-person afternoons. We will meet weekly for a VBS-style program with games, arts and crafts, music and science. We have changed the starting time to 3:00 pm, and we will conclude at 5:00 pm.

Cliff will be launching our first ever Ukulele Adventures as part of the Wednesday programming. The ukulele is inexpensive, it's portable, it's a great size for little hands, it sounds good, it can be played solo or in an ensemble, it's great for learning music theory, it's cross-cultural, and it's just FUN!

Reservations are encouraged. To sign up, go to <https://tinyurl.com/CC-Wednesday>. For more information or to volunteer, contact **Meg Jones** at 252.633.2109 Ext. 8 or [megjones@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:megjones@christchurchnewbern.com).



*Thank you for your ongoing support of Christ Church. You can visit <https://www.christchurchnewbern.com/give> to make a contribution. You can also text the word FUNDS to 833.233.8760 or mail a check to PO Box 1246, New Bern, NC 28563. If you are contributing to both our Annual Stewardship Fund and Sacred Sound and Space Capital Campaign, please use two separate checks.*





## Upcoming Online Worship Sign Ups

Worship, Lector, Usher and Greeter spots are available. Below is a list of the upcoming sign ups:

September 20: <https://tinyurl.com/September-20-Sign-Up>

September 27: <https://tinyurl.com/September-27-Sign-Up>

All links are also on the front of the website. You can also contact **Ellie Roberts** (252.633.2109 Ext. 4 / [ellieroberts@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:ellieroberts@christchurchnewbern.com)) to RSVP for a service. Please remember that inclement weather cancels and to bring your own chair and/or blanket.

## Outdoor Worship Guidelines

As a reminder, please adhere to the following guidelines during outdoor worship.

Thank you!

- Maintain Social Distancing of 6 ft. at all times
- Wear a mask or face covering - Required
- Congregational singing is discouraged
- Check in when you arrive
- Hand Sanitizer is available
- Bring your own chair and/or blanket
- Household units may sit together



## Christ Church Trust Grant Requests

The 2020 Christ Church Trust Grant application form is available and can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/2020-CCT-Grant>.

The Grant request guideline is October 23.

## Bulletin Reminder

In order to reduce the possibility of spreading germs among outdoor service attendees, our service bulletins are meant to be **one-time use only**. After the service concludes, please either take your bulletin home or dispose of it in one of the collection bins. Thank you!

## Want to Schedule Some Time with the Clergy?

Have a question, thought or good news to share? It is easy to schedule some meeting time with either Paul or Courtney. You can book a time using the links below or contacting them via cell phone.

<https://paulcanady.youcanbook.me/> - 252.571.6892

<https://cortneydale.youcanbook.me/> - 270.971.9601

When scheduling a time, please indicate if you are requesting to meet face-to-face, via phone or via video conference.

## Usher Ministry

Ushers are an essential part of our services. Two ushers are needed every week at the 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 5:00 pm services. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

The easiest and most efficient way to sign up to be an Usher, as well as a Lector or Greeter, is to use Sign Up Genius (<https://www.signupgenius.com/>) either on your computer or mobile device. You can use the same links as if you were signing up to attend service.

Please try to sign up as early as possible, preferably by Thursday of the week prior to the service where you will be serving. Thank you in advance for signing up on the internet to help with this vital ministry during our services. For more information, please contact **Butch Ricks** (252.671.0113/[butch.ricks@gmail.com](mailto:butch.ricks@gmail.com)).

## Sunday Morning Nursery Care Has Returned

Our Nursery care has returned on Sunday Mornings. The nursery staff are on the playground each week from 7:45-10:45 am.

We also have worship bags available for children that include coloring sheets and crayons. You will be able to take the whole thing home with you. If you want to bring your own toys and things to use during the service, we encourage you to do so. If you have any questions, please contact **Meg Jones** at 252.633.2109 ext. 8 / [megjones@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:megjones@christchurchnewbern.com).