

The Messenger

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TIDBITS

Fall classes will begin on Sunday, Sept. 12th. The nursery will be open for those under 3 years old. More info will be available at the Lemonade on the Lawn event on Aug. 29th. Contact [Meg Jones](#), Director of Christian Formation, with any questions.

New Classes for Children

• Godly Play (children ages 3-4)

Godly Play is a class centered around storytelling and work time, which includes crafts and play. We will focus on teaching basic stories and what it's like to spend time in a Sunday School class. This class will meet in the Godly Play room, next to the nursery.

• Whirl (K-2nd grade)

This class is using the Whirl curriculum — the same curriculum as the older *Whirl* class. Students will watch videos and follow up what they've learned with worksheets. The best part of *Whirl* will be the craft each week! This class will meet in the room next to the vesting room.

• Whirl (3rd-5th grade)

This class uses the Whirl curriculum — the same curriculum as the younger *Whirl* class. The discussions will be different because of the age difference, but these students will see similar videos and work on slightly different worksheets. The best part of this class will be what the students will learn about the Bible and the church. We will meet in the room near the bathrooms and across from the nursery.

• Youth (6th-12th grade)

Our youth will be working through tough questions like "Who wrote the Bible?" "Why should I pray?" and "Why are there so many Christian churches?" They'll also learn more about people in the Bible and watch videos. The best

part of this class is that students will get to pick the questions they want answered, and that they will build their own class based on their interests. These students will meet in the youth room upstairs (across from the second floor living room).

New Classes for Adults

• Lectionary Class, taught by Rick Schulhaus

Participants will review the lectionary for the week ahead. There are questions to answer for each reading. There is usually a discussion about how all of the readings are connected each week. Students will meet in the Library. This class will be recorded, and those recordings will be available on YouTube each week.

• Uncomfortable Conversations, various teachers

This class will focus on the *Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man* videos by Emmanuel Acho. You can view [video one](#) on YouTube. The videos feature conversations about race in America, and these conversations will also intersect with our Christian duty to respect the dignity of every human being. This class will meet in the Pelletier room, upstairs on the second floor. **Main contact:** Mary Lynn Guidage.

• Scripture & Prayer, taught by the Rev. Paul Canady

This class will meet in the second floor living room, down the hall from the Pelletier room.

Dear Christ Church,

It is with mixed emotions that I announce the Rev. Cortney Dale has accepted a call to serve as Priest-in-Charge at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Lebanon, OH. Her final Sunday at Christ Church will be August 29. We will have a farewell reception for Cortney, Jim, Jimmy, and Joshua following the 10am service that day.

Cortney joined the Christ Church staff on July 15, 2015, shortly after she graduated from Virginia Theological Seminary. We have been graced with thought provoking, empowering, and humorous sermons. She has helped breathe new life into many of our pastoral care ministries and served as an advocate for new and ongoing outreach initiatives, including her current role as board chair for Interfaith Refugee Ministries.

I will always be grateful for Cortney's insight and perspective when it comes to ministries, worship, and our community. She has been a great colleague and companion in ministry, and her mark on Christ Church will not be forgotten.

We will collect a purse to present to Cortney on her last Sunday. To contribute, please note "Cortney's Purse" in the memo line.

When I return from vacation, I will begin working with Senior Warden Keith Thompson and the Vestry on our next steps in meeting the staffing needs of Christ Church.

*In Christ,
Paul*

Dear Christ Church,

I've often said that being an associate rector is like being a minor-league baseball player — you're doing what you love while

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waiting for the call to the majors. And while I’m excited I’ve received the call to fill the Priest-in-Charge position at St. Patrick’s and I’m thrilled that this move will put us closer to our family, it is a bittersweet time for me as it means I’ll have to tell you goodbye.

I’ll forever be grateful for my six years as a priest here at Christ Church. I didn’t know what to expect when I moved to New Bern, but I quickly fell in love with the town and the church. I truly appreciate the leadership our parishioners show in this community.

I’m also grateful for the leadership I found in Paul. He has been an incredible mentor to me as much as he has been a gift of leadership for Christ Church. The whole staff has been a joy

to work with and I’m thankful for the friendships among us.

As my family moves on to our next chapter, please know that New Bern will always hold a special place in my heart. It is the place where Jimmy and Joshua first experienced the warmth and love of a Christian community. I will make sure they always know the special role you played in their lives.

I pray God quickly leads a new associate rector to Christ Church, and that this person knows how blessed they are to be part of such a special place. And as for me, I promise I’ll make y’all proud in Ohio!

*God’s Peace,
Cortney+
(and Jim, Jimmy and Joshua)*

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, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Bob and Joan Burnett,* Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Joe Freemon,* Ray Stark, Bob Kohn, Nicholas Pridgen, Bettye Paramore, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol*, Rae Cowan, Evelyn Dill, Jim Keeter*, M. Carolyn Lawson, Fair Leonard, Paul Tait, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Jane Peele, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Mary Lynn Guidage, Ralph Cowan, Vivienne Armstrong, Tracy DuPeza, Harold Von Doln, Martha Schell, David Watrous, Skip Smith, Vicky Allen, Catherine Bender, Billie Ruth Sudduth, JoAnn Frank, Michele Mnatzakanian, Eileen Nelson, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Margaret Wall, Carol Athing, Rena Knott, Rodney Hayes, CB Evans, and Cathy Fitch.

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, Ashley, Alexander, Bambi, Art, Abra, Melvin, Laurie, Amelia, Dennis, Matty, Erik, Blake, Brian, Oakley, Bryce, Jackie, Helen, Carter, Eunice, David, Mary, Joseph, Mason, Sarah, Nicholas, Janet, Myra, Jimmy, Jim, Denni, Matthew, Chelsea, Niels, Cindy, Lucia, Trinity, Pam, Jason, C.E. (Max), Christopher, PK, Beverly, Krissie, George, William, Butch, James, and Tom.

For our deployed military: Capt. John Jones, Lt. Christopher Miller, SSgt. Philip Buffa, III.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

For those who mourn: The family and friends of Alice Johnson Packard (sister of Gail Johnson Banks)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Grace Church, Plymouth, and Interfaith Refugee Ministry.

This Week’s Parish Cycle of Prayer

In this week’s Parish Cycle of Prayer, we remember the Christian Formation Commission. We give thanks for their planning to help us learn and grow. We look forward to all the opportunities we’ll have to be formed during this program year. We’ll pray for them to have inquisitive hearts and minds and listening ears as they plan what’s to come for us next. We’ll also pray for safety for all the events the children’s, youth and adult’s committees create this year.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, Aug. 8

- 8 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave/Online)
- 11 am Lemonade on the Lawn at Christ Church
- 5 pm Eucharist Rite II (Indoor Chapel)

Monday, Aug. 9

- 5:15 pm: Stephen Ministry Meeting (Library)

Tuesday, Aug. 10

- 8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)
- 10 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Bride’s Room)
- 5:30 pm Outreach Commission Meeting (Library)
- 6:30 pm Summer Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Wednesday, Aug. 11

- 3 pm: Summer ‘Ukulele Adventures
- 6:30 pm: Summer ‘Ukuleles

Thursday, Aug. 12

- 10 am: Chair Yoga Class (Harrison Center)
- 4 pm: Finance Committee Meeting

Saturday, Aug. 14

- 3:30 pm Camp Hope Saturday (Harrison Center)

Sunday, Aug. 15

*Crown article submissions due

- 8 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave/Online)
- 11 am Lemonade on the Lawn at Christ Church
- 5 pm Eucharist Rite II (Indoor Chapel)

The flowers behind the altar are given to the glory of God by Sheridan Holstein in celebration of Tom Goodwin’s birthday.

To give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone, please sign up on the bulletin board in the reception area. You can also call the church office or sign up online here. 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.

Need to Contact Clergy?

Have a question, thought or good news to share? Schedule a meeting time with Paul or Cortney using the links below or by phone at 252.633.2109.

<https://calendly.com/paulcanady> OR

<https://cortneydale.youcanbook.me>

When scheduling a time, indicate if you are requesting to meet face-to-face, via phone or via video conference. To speak with Deacon Lisa Kirby, call 252-617-9806.