

Sept. 12-19, 2021

The Messenger



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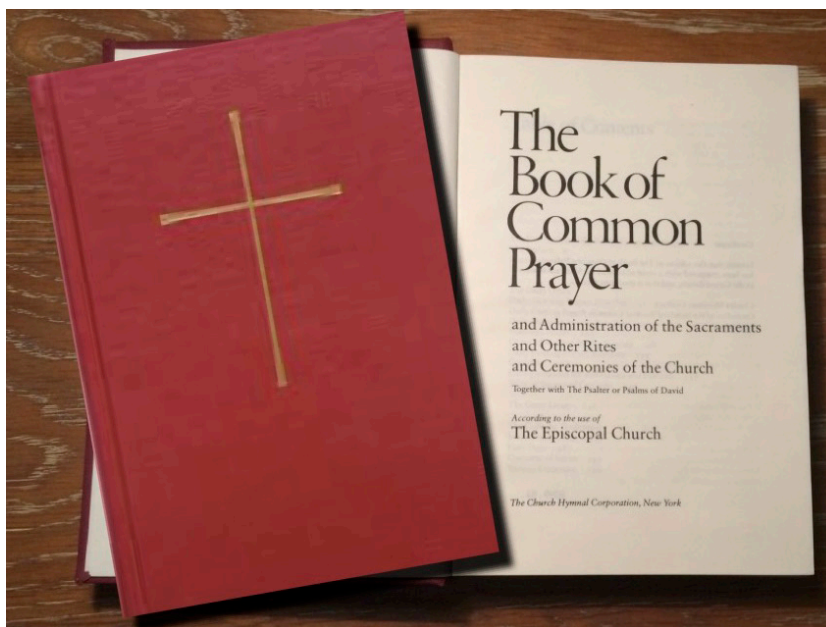
Today's Liturgy

As we shift to a new worship schedule, we also shift our modes of prayer and worship. Over the past two months, we leaned heavily on usage of the Book of Common Prayer, directing our attention back to a tool for worship handed down over the past four centuries. Moving into the next few months, you will notice that the bulletin for our 8:30am service will contain more of the liturgy, still taken from the Book of Common Prayer. While the words from the BCP are in the bulletin, one should always feel free to go back to the book anytime. The bulletin at our 11am service will be a bit of a hybrid. Most everything up to the Peace will be contained in the bulletin, and at the Eucharistic Prayer, we will invite you to join us in the Prayer Book. At 5pm, the entire service will be in the bulletin. That service draws on additional sources beyond the BCP.

At both the 8:30 and 11 services, we will be using Form 3 of the Prayers of the

People and Eucharistic Prayer B. On the 1st Sunday of each month, both morning services will have a slight deviation. The 8:30 service will be the Eucharist for Children & Families (open to everyone!) followed by an intergenerational event leading up to the Sunday School hour. The 11 service on the 1st Sunday will be Rite I.

The blessing at the end of worship might sound familiar, too. We've used it



here before. While the origins of its present form are up for debate, it has resonated with followers of Jesus in many branches of the faith and echoes the Apostle Paul's closing words in his First Letter to the Thessalonians (5:12-28).

Volunteer Survey Results

Over the summer, we asked you about volunteering and serving in the life of Christ Church. We are grateful for the outstanding response and the honest feedback received. We now have two opportunities to hear more about what our consultants found and what they recommend for us going forward. Both events will present the same information and will be held both in the Parish House and on Zoom. Click below to join the meetings via Zoom.

[Sunday, Sept. 19, at 1pm](#)

[Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 6:30pm](#)

As our world adapts and adjusts and attempts to overcome COVID-19, we recognize that nothing will simply go back to how it was in February 2020. Part of that recognition means we at Christ Church evaluate all the ways our people engage (or don't engage) in the life of the parish.

The Rev. Paul Canady talked a little bit about this in a video over the summer ([here](#)). We engaged [Vandersall Collective](#) to help us with this effort, the same organization that guided us through our capital campaign.

Ringling of the Bells

At 4pm on Friday, Sept. 17, Christ Church and other churches will participate in the Ringing of the Bells in celebration of the signing of our U.S. Constitution. Richard Dobbs Spaight, New Bern native and 8th governor of North Carolina, was a signer of the our Constitution on Sept. 17, 1787.

New Bern's Richard Dobbs Spaight Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution will participate in the celebration of the Ringing of the Bells. You can also join in at home with a handbell of your own!

Sunday School Information

Sunday School classes meet at 9:45 am unless stated otherwise. You can locate your class on the map below.

See more information about each class online [here](#).

Sunday Programs for Babies & Children (Birth-5th Grades)

Nursery: Birth to 3 years old

Godly Play: Ages 3-4, Godly Play Room

Whirl: Grades K-2nd, Room next to Vesting Room

Whirl: Grades 3rd-5th, Room across from Nursery

Pathways of Discipleship (POD): Meets from 4 to 5 pm on Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5 at either the picnic tables outside or in the room near the nursery. Contact [Meg Jones](#) for more information about any of these programs.

Sunday Programs for Youth (6th-12th Grades)

Youth Sunday School: Youth Room

Confirmation: Session 1 (Sept. 19th from 3:30-5 or Sept. 23 from 7 to 8:30) • Session 2 (Oct. 3 from 3:30 to 5 or Oct. 7 from 7 to 8:30)

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) meets from 6 to 7:30 pm in the youth room, and dinner will be served.

Sunday Programs for Adults

Bible 101: Library

Confirmation: Session 1 (Sept. 19th from 3:30-5 or Sept. 23 from 7 to 8:30) • Session 2 (Oct. 3 from 3:30 to 5 or Oct. 7 from 7 to 8:30)

Uncomfortable Conversations: Pelletier Room

Lectionary Class: GIG Room (off Pollock Street, *see map below*). Today, the Lectionary Class will go over the readings for Sept. 12th. (Proverbs 1:20-33; James 3:1-2; & Mark 8:27-38)

Music Building

Music Room (First Floor)	GIG Room (Second Floor)	Stairs
Entrance	Elevator	

Pollock St.

First Floor

Entrance to parking lot & Playground		Room (Whirl 3-5)	Room (Whirl K-2)	Vesting Room		First Floor Lobby Area
	Stairs	Bathrooms	Nursery	Nursery	Godly Play Room	Library

First Floor Lobby Area

Chapel	Stairs & Elevator	Kiosk & Door to Pollock St.	Bathrooms	Parish House
Library		Reception Desk		

Second Floor

Stairs & exit to parking Lot/ Playground	Bride's Room	Volunteer Room	Second Floor Living Room		Pelletier Room	Stairs to Middle St. Exit & Elevator
	Bathrooms	Room	Youth Room	Room		

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, 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, 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, James, Tom, Cathie, Bryan, Patti, and Rutledge.

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

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Peter's, Washington.

**These parishioners live out of the area but have requested to remain on the Christ Church prayer list. If you would like to add or remove someone from the list, please contact Dare Oliver at dareoliver@christchurchnewbern.com.*

This Week's Parish Cycle of Prayer

In this week's Parish Cycle of Prayer, we remember the Stewardship Commission. We give thanks for the work of the Stewardship Commission and the work they do to help manage the fiscal and physical assets of Christ Church, recognizing that all things come from God and we work to grow those gifts to the glory of God.



REQUESTS
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PRAYER

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, Sept. 12

- 8:30 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave/Online)
- 12 pm Lemonade on the Lawn
- 3 pm Mom's Group (Parish House)
- 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist (Chapel)
- 4 pm EYC (Meet in parking lot for trip to Sky Trail)

Monday, Sept. 13

- 10 am ECW All Saints Meeting (Harrison Ctr)
- 11:30 am Centering Prayer (Pelletier Room)
- 5:15 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (Library)

Tuesday, Sept. 14

- 8:30 am Eucharist (Chapel)
- 10 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Bride's Room)
- 10 am Women's Book Study (2nd FI LR)
- 4:30 pm Outreach Commission Mtg (Library)
- 5:30 pm GIG Parent/Student Orientation
- 7 pm Handbell Choir (Music Room)

Wednesday, Sept. 15

- 11 am Rector's Bible Study (Library)
- 4:30 pm Wednesdays at Christ Church
- 5 pm GIG Mentor Training (GIG Room)
- 6 pm EfM (2nd FI LR)
- 7 pm Parish Choir Rehearsal (Nave)

Thursday, Sept. 16

- 10 am Chair Yoga Class (Harrison Ctr)
- 10:45am Truewood by Merrill Eucharist
- 4 pm Finance Committee Mtg (Harrison Ctr)

Friday, Sept. 17

- 4 pm Ringing of the Bells (to celebrate the signing of our U.S. Constitution)

Saturday, Sept. 18

- yOUTHREACH: 9am-4pm (Parish House & Harrison Center)

Sunday, Sept. 19

RECOVERY SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave/Online)
- 12 pm Lemonade on the Lawn
- 3 pm Stepping Out Singles (Parish House)
- 3:30 pm Confirmation Class (Library)
- 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist (Chapel)
- 6 pm EYC (Youth Room)

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

- The Oct. edition of *The Crown* will be distributed on Oct. 3, so we need all photos and articles submitted by Sept. 15th.
- Weekly (Sunday) email: noon on Thursday
- MidWeek Messenger (Thursday) email: noon on Wednesday
- Printed *Messenger*: noon on Wednesday

Send all pictures and articles to
[communications@
christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:communications@christchurchnewbern.com).

If you have any questions, contact our communications coordinator, Dare Oliver, at dareoliver@christchurchnewbern.com

TIDBITS

Christ Church Cooks

Christ Church Cooks will be working on some new meals at 9am on Sept. 20th in the Harrison Center. They also want to find homes for the remaining meals currently in the freezer. If you'd like to get more information about Christ Church Cooks, contact Ellen Chance at 252-259-5214. If you know of someone in need of dinner due to any emergency situation, sign out a meal (they're stored in the Parish House freezer) and deliver them as needed.

Growing In Grace Events

Growing In Grace is gearing up for another fabulous school year! The parents and children will meet at 5:30 on Tuesday for pizza, fellowship and information about the program. The mentors will meet at 5 on Wednesday for training and paperwork.

If we have all of our new children signed up in time, we will start the program on Monday, September 27th. We are still looking for mentors, van drivers and van riders. Contact [Debbie](mailto:Debbie@christchurchnewbern.com) at (252) 675-8358 if you are interested in joining our GIG family.

Need to Contact Clergy?

Have a question, thought or good news to share? Schedule a meeting time with Paul. You can book a time using [this link](#) or by phone at 252.633.2109. When scheduling a time, please 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.

Be Aware of Scams!

This is the phone number and email address for Paul: 252-571-6892, paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com

Women's Book Study Books Available

The Women's Book Study will resume in-person meetings on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, at 10am in the Second Floor Living Room. We will be reading Paul Escamilla's book, *Longing for Enough in a Culture of More*. Women of all ages are invited to attend.

The books are now available. You can pick one up by the front desk in the Christ Church reception area. The cost is \$15 each.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Hoyt (540-717-5478), Phyllis Fox (252-638-4071), Nell Hudson (252-772-5832) or [Meg Jones](#).



Handbell Choir

Handbell Choir resumes on Tuesday at 7pm in the Music Room. Contact Bellmaster Jean Reichenbach at jbrjcr@suddenlink.net or [Cliff Badgley](mailto:Cliff.Badgley@christchurchnewbern.com) for more information.

For Those in Recovery

Rev. Deacon Lisa Kirby is compiling a list of people in recovery from alcoholism/addiction who would be willing to talk to someone seeking recovery. She would also like to know if you have experience with a family member in addiction and would be willing to talk to someone who is concerned about their loved one. Contact her at liskirby1945@gmail.com or 252-617-9806.

Please note: Recovery Sunday will be Sept. 19. We will have informational brochures available, and we will present a recovery-related homily.

To Donate Flowers for Church

If you would like 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.

Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Worship doesn't happen without you. Click [here](#) to volunteer to be a reader, greeter, and usher throughout September. Click [here](#) to sign up for October services. For more info, contact Butch Ricks at 252-671-0113 or butch.ricks@gmail.com.
- **Volunteer Receptionists:** If you can help us as answer the phones, welcome visitors, and do odd jobs here and there, we'd love to have you! The September signup link is [here](#) and the October signup link is [here](#).
- **Lemonade on the Lawn:** Because of the increasing number of Covid cases in our area, we have decided to continue Lemonade on the Lawn after the 11am Sunday Church Services throughout the month of September. We will move inside for coffee at a later date. We want to take precautions to ensure the safety of all. If you would like to be a host/hostess who can help us, please click on the [Sign-Up link](#). We could use your help. Thank you!