

Sept. 26-Oct. 3, 2021

# The Messenger



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## THE PUMPKINS WILL BE HERE SOON, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Pumpkin Patch 2021 is ALMOST HERE, and we need your help to make it a success! The first big job will be unloading the pumpkins when they arrive around 11am on Oct. 2, and placing them throughout the churchyard to sell.

The public is free to begin purchasing items on that same Saturday afternoon (Oct. 2). The Pumpkin Patch is open daily through October from 10am to 6pm, so there are a lot of opportu-

nities for you to help.

Each shift is two hours long. Please sign up [here](#) to help with as many shifts as you can. Make sure to add your phone number in the comment box.

If you have any questions, please call Jane Ashford at 252-288-2838 or Ellie Roberts at 252-631-5863.

Please help us make this the best Pumpkin Patch EVER!



The United Thank Offering presents

# THE GREAT EPISGOPAL RACE

*in partnership with the Diocese of Alabama + Sawyerville*

Christ Church has a long history of supporting the United Thank Offering, and this is another way to do it: the 2021 Great EpisGOpal Race! Grab your sneakers, and join together in gratitude. All money raised from this race will go directly to the UTO's 2021 Ingathering to support ministries focusing on Care of Creation.

### THE BASICS

When: Nov. 5 - 14 • Where: Anywhere

Cost: \$30/person • Any mode

### HOW IT WORKS

1. Go [here](#) to register. Search for "Christ Church, New Bern" when you're given an option for a team.
2. Choose your location. This race is virtual, meaning you can compete from

anywhere in the world! You can hike a mountain in Switzerland, cycle around your neighborhood, or run a marathon in your house.

3. Choose your time. The race takes place from Nov. 5 – Nov. 14. Race at a time that works for you.

4. Choose your mode. We are joining together in gratitude for our bodies. Move in a way that makes you happy – run, bike, swim, hike, paddle board, martial arts, the options are endless.

5. Any distance. Whether you want to set your personal record or take a stroll around your neighborhood, this race is for you. 1 mile, 5k, marathon, or anywhere inbetween – you choose!

## Mark your calendar for these special events in October

Pumpkin Patch: October 2-31

Camp Hope: Oct. 2

EYC travels to Busch Gardens:  
Oct. 2-3

Blessing of the Animals:  
Oct. 3 at 5pm

Lunch Recital: Oct. 7

ArtWalk Recital: Oct. 8

Evensong: Oct. 10

ECW Trolley Tour: Oct. 11

Happening at Trinity Center:  
Oct. 15-17

RCS Ingathering bags  
distributed: Oct. 17

RCS Ingathering bags collected:  
Oct. 24

Newcomer Reception: Oct. 24

Games in the Graveyard: Oct. 24

# 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 Freeman,\* 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, 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, Cathy Fitch, John Mason, Mike McCulley, the Rev. Patricia Thomas\*, Bruce Meyers, Jack Browning-Henry, and Willis Stevens.



## REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

**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, Ruth, and Ron.

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

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

**We give thanks:** for the birth of Merritt Linden Clayton, son of Stephen and Maureen Clayton.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Holy Trinity, Fayetteville, and St. Andrew's, Columbia.

*\*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, contact [Dare Oliver](#).*

## PUBLICATION DEADLINES

- The *Crown* will be distributed on Nov. 7, so we need all articles submitted by Oct. 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](mailto:dareoliver@christchurchnewbern.com).

## THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

### Sunday, Sept. 26

- \*Altar Guild commissioning  
at 8:30 and 11 am services
- 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 Crop Hunger Walk
  - 3 pm Mom's Group (Parish House)
  - 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist (Chapel)

### Monday, Sept. 27

- 11 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 am Centering Prayer (Pelletier Room)
- 3 pm Growing in Grace begins (GIG Room)

### Tuesday, Sept. 28

- 8:30 am Eucharist (Chapel)
- 10 am Women's Book Study (2nd Fl LR)
- 3 pm Growing in Grace
- 5:15 pm Evangelism Committee Mtg (Library)
- 6 pm Rehearsal (Nave)
- 7 pm Handbell Choir (Music Room)

### Wednesday, Sept. 29

- 11 am Rector's Bible Study (Library)
- 3 pm Growing in Grace
- 4:30 pm Wednesdays at Christ Church
- 6 pm EfM (2nd Fl LR)
- 7 pm Parish Choir Rehearsal (Nave)

### Thursday, Sept. 30

- 10 am Chair Yoga Class (Harrison Ctr)
- 3 pm Growing in Grace
- 5 pm Foyers Dinner Group (Harrison Ctr)

### Saturday, Oct. 2

- EYC goes to Busch Gardens (Oct. 2-3)
- 11 am: Pumpkins Arrive
- 12:30 pm: Camp Hope (Parish House)

### Sunday, Oct. 3

- EYC returns from Busch Gardens
- 8:30 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11 am Eucharist Rite II (Nave/Online)
- 12 pm Cider in the Pumpkin Patch
- 4 pm POD
- 5 pm Eucharist Rite II and Blessing of the Animals (Outdoor Chapel)

# Christ Episcopal Church Trust Grant Applications Available

Applications for Christ Episcopal Church Trust grants are now available. You can access the application online from the [homepage of our website](#).

Instructions for completing the application include:

- Complete the Summary Pages of the Grant Application
- Attach a one-page proposal, which covers the following information:
  - A. Specific purposes of the funds requested
  - B. The need for the program in the community

- C. The goals of the program
  - D. A statement about how the program's effectiveness would be measured
- Attach a list of the organization's governing board, including addresses and phone numbers.
  - Attach a copy of the organization's latest annual budget
  - Attach a copy of your IRS tax-exempt letter.

The application deadline is October 22, 2021. Please submit your application packet to Christ Church Trust, PO Box 11246, New Bern, NC 28563

## New Recital Series Begins in October!

We will be hosting two opportunities each month to hear some beautiful music throughout the Fall. Admission is FREE for both monthly events.

- **Lunchtime Recitals** are on the first Thursday of the month, 12:15-12:45, in the Christ Church Nave.

Come on Oct. 7 and hear a short program by local singer Erika Butters. She will sing



some pop and jazz favorites. You can read more about Erika in the October edition of *The Crown* next weekend.

- **ArtWalk Recitals** are held on the second Friday of the month, in conjunction with Artwalk. On Oct. 8th, pop in and hear Erika Butters sing pop and jazz favorites at 6 pm and again at 7 pm in the Christ Church Nave.

## Flower Donations

The flowers behind the altar today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving of their 56th wedding anniversary, by Jane and George Kramer.

*If you would like to give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone, please either sign up on the bulletin board in the reception area, call the church office or sign up online [here](#). When using the website, please include the memorial or thanksgiving details 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. 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 and [paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:paulcanady@christchurchnewbern.com)



## Commissioning of the 2021-22 Altar Guild

This Sunday at both the 8:30 am and 11 am services, we will present the Commissioning of the 2021-22 Altar Guild. Please join us as we commission the following:

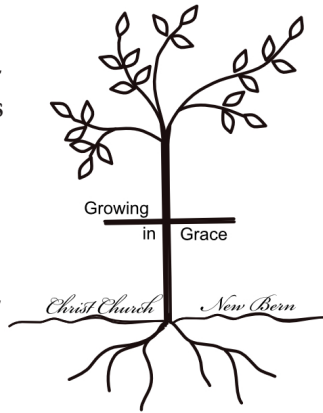
Melinda Bianchi  
Ann Bustard  
Leigh Crawford  
Jackie Dodd  
Gretchen DuPeza  
Lindy Emory  
Lee Ann Fordyce  
Linda Foster  
Mary Lynn Guidage  
Anne Hiller  
Nell Hudson  
Becky Kafer  
Carol Kross  
Rebecca Liberty  
Alice Maddox  
Pat McCotter  
Carolyn McCulley  
Karen O'Connell  
Mary Parrish  
Susanne Pendleton  
Susie Perry  
Joan Phillips  
Betsy Primavera  
Barbara Rice  
Bonnie Royer  
Diane Sanwick  
Margaret Shields  
Margo Skaggs  
Carolyn Stevens  
Linda Taylor  
Marge Thompson  
Alice Underhill  
Sims Wayt  
Barbara West

# TIDBITS

## GIG Donations Requested

GIG students and volunteers appreciate donations of any size. We love gift cards (WalMart, Amazon, Target, Staples, and gas cards for the van from Galley Stores and Marina on East Front Street). We use gift cards and donations to purchase the children's school supplies, snacks, birthday celebration supplies, and special occasion supplies during the school year. Donations also help us fund our fieldtrips.

Please turn donations in to the receptionist at the front desk, mail them in to Christ Church in care of GIG, or get in contact with GIG Director Debbie Fodrie at [debbiefodrie@christchurchnewbern.com](mailto:debbiefodrie@christchurchnewbern.com). Thank you!



## Notebook Buddies

Let's get to know our young people and their families. How? you might be asking. Here's your answer: Notebook Buddies!

It's really simple. Each of our youth will have a notebook placed in a designated area (place, TBD). All you have to do is pick one up, take it home, write something to the youth whose name is on the notebook, and bring it back to the designated area the following Sunday.

We will do this once a month, and you'll write to the same youth each time. This is all done anonymously until the end of the school year, when - if you choose - you'll reveal yourself as the author. Please consider participating in this fun, new project. It won't be successful without you! Contact Jettie Pelletier at [jettiejp9@gmail.com](mailto:jettiejp9@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

## Sunday School Updates

In **Godly Play**, students learned about the Holy Family last week. This week they'll hear the story of Creation.

In **Whirl (K-2 & 3-5)**, we talked about Jesus welcoming the children. Students were supposed to think about all the leaders in the church. How did they get started serving? What's stopping you from serving? This week they'll talk about praying for one another.

The **youth** talked about all that they'll learn this year. This week they'll learn about Lydia.

**Bible 101** participants will be looking at the Noah story (Genesis 6) and the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11).

**The Lectionary Class** will be looking at this week's readings (Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22; Psalm 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50)

**Uncomfortable Conversations** participants will watch a video on interracial couples. You can watch the video [here](#).

## ECW All Saints Trolley Tour Last Call

**Last call!** All aboard the New Bern trolley to visit the sites of the historical women of New Bern. We only have a few spots left. Please send your check payable to Christ Church ECW for \$20 to Rodney Hayes, 2304 Brices Creek Road New Bern 28562. If you have any questions, please email Rodney at [Rodneyfhayes@yahoo.com](mailto:Rodneyfhayes@yahoo.com).

## Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Click [here](#) to volunteer to be a reader, greeter, and usher throughout October. For more information, contact Butch Ricks at 252-671-0113 or [butch.ricks@gmail.com](mailto:butch.ricks@gmail.com).

- **Volunteer Receptionists:** If you can help us answer the phones, welcome visitors, and complete odd jobs here and there, we'd love to have you! The September sign-up link is [here](#) and the October sign-up link is [here](#).

- **EYC Dinners:** EYC will meet most Sundays, and the kids will eat dinner together from 6-6:30. [Please sign up here](#) if you are able to provide dinner for approximately ten kids. You can drop off dinner or eat with us. We have plates, napkins, utensils, cups, water and some serving utensils. *\*Please be cautious of peanut allergies.\** Thanks for your support!

## Foyers Dinner Group Meet & Greet Rescheduled

The Foyers Dinner Group Meet & Greet has been rescheduled. It will now begin at 5pm on Thursday, Sept. 30, and we'll meet in the Harrison Center. Please sign up in the reception area if you can join us. If you have any questions, call Robin Biondi at 707-433-6144.