

The Messenger

Oct. 17-24, 2021



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Celia Morini gives Clifford Badgley, Director of Music, some help playing the organ at the 11am service last Sunday.

Sunday School Updates

- **Godly Play** learned about the ark and the flood last week. Ask them who was on the boat. This week they're learning about the Great Family (Abraham and Sarah).
- **Whirl** learned about *A Camel Through a Needle* last week. They were told to think about giving away some possessions to the church. This week they're learning about James and John.
- The **youth** talked about proving God exists. They shared stories of when they really felt God. This week they're discussing why we say we believe in the holy catholic church if we aren't Catholic?
- **Uncomfortable Conversations** is looking at the National Anthem protests videos. (See them here: [part 1](#) and [part 2](#).)
- The **lectionary class** is focused on this week's readings: (Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Psalm 104:1-9,25,37b; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45).
- **Bible 101** is looking at Bibles in English.

LOVE IN ACTION

During the financial pledging phase of our stewardship program, we are addressing some common questions about pledging and giving. Last week our question was, 'I like giving random donations in the collection plate. Is that okay?'

This week —

Q: What if I can't honor my pledge?

A: After prayerful consideration, give a pledge that feels like an attainable goal appropriate to your household's finan-

cial situation. Our goal for this year is to increase giving by 5 percent.

We understand that not everyone can do that. If after making your pledge, unforeseen circumstances happen, your pledge may be changed in response. Contact [Patti Williams](#), financial assistant.

Coming up next week: I pledged last year. Can you carry it forward?

*John and Deb Steady
Stewardship Co-Chairs*



We are hosting several exciting events at our *Games in the Graveyard* party, which will be held from 3-4:30pm on Oct. 24. First, we'll meet at 3pm in the Outdoor Chapel for a Blessing of the Costumes. There will be games around the churchyard, and the playground will be open for free-time. Trunk or Treat will take place in our parking lot. If you'd like to participate (dress up yourself, your car and hand out goodies), contact [Meg Jones](#). Trunks will close at 4:30pm. We look forward to seeing all of our trick-or-treaters!

2021 COOKIE WALK KICKOFF

Helping our community, one cookie at a time.

Kickoff for the 22nd Annual Cookie Walk season will be this Sunday, Oct. 17th. Look for an information table at the entrance to the Nave before and after both services on Sunday morning.



There you'll find the details for the upcoming Cookie Walk prep event, which will be Friday, Dec. 10, from 8am to 4pm. We need bakers as well as volunteers to help

package the cookies. Cookie Walk will be held from 9am to 3pm on Saturday, Dec. 11, and of course we'll need volunteers that day, too! Sign-up sheets will be available soon. You can get a sneak

peek at the sign-up info online [here](#). All the proceeds from this event are returned to our community. Contact is Pam Miller at pammiller950@gmail.com.

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*, Bob Kohn, Nicholas Pridgen, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Larry Whitney, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Oddersto*, 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, 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, Willis Stevens, Betsy Primavera, Ray Stark, Betty Simon, and Mollie Bales.

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, 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, Bryan, Patti, Ruth, Ron, Bill, Patty, Jackie, Jani, and Barrie.

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

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

For those who mourn: The family and friends of Billie Ruth Sudduth.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints, Southern Shores.

In this week's Parish Cycle of Prayer, we remember the Outreach Commission, and we give thanks for all the ways they help us see Christ's love in action.

**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](#).*

TIDBITS

Where Can You Plug In?

• **Worship:** Click [here](#) to volunteer to be a reader, greeter, and usher throughout October, and click [here](#) for November services. For more information, contact Butch Ricks at 252-671-0113 or 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 October sign-up link is [here](#) and November is [here](#).

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.

Flower Donations

The flowers behind the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Beth Jones by Christ Church Altar Guild.

If you would like to give flowers in remembrance or thanksgiving of someone, please 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.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

- The Dec. edition of *The Crown* will be distributed on Dec. 5. Email all articles by Nov. 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. Questions? Write [Dare Oliver](#).

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, Oct. 17

RCS In-gathering Bag Distribution
Cookie Walk Kick-Off (both morning services)
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
5 pm Contemplative Eucharist (Chapel)
6 pm: EYC (Youth Room)

Monday, Oct. 18

10 am: Home Place Eucharist
10:30 am: McCarthy Court Eucharist
11 am: Staff Meeting
11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
6:30 pm: Vestry Meeting (Harrison Center)

Tuesday, Oct. 19

Rector at Clergy Conference
8:30 am: Morning Prayer (Indoor Chapel)
10 am: Women's Book Study (2nd Floor LR)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
5 pm: Evangelism Committee Meeting (Library)
6 pm: Rehearsal (Nave)
7 pm: Handbell Choir (Music Room)

Wednesday, Oct. 20

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

Thursday, Oct. 21

10 am: Chair Yoga Class (Harrison Center)
10:45 am: Truewood by Merrill Eucharist
3 pm: Growing in Grace
3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time

Friday, Oct. 22

Christ Church Trust Grant applications due

Saturday, Oct. 23

11 am: Funeral for Charles Masser (Nave)

Sunday, Oct. 24

RCS In-gathering Bag Collection
8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
9:45 am: Sunday School
11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave/[online](#))
12 pm: Eucharistic Minister Training (Nave)
12 pm: Cider in the Pumpkin Patch
3 pm: Games in the Graveyard
5 pm: Contemplative Eucharist (Indoor Chapel)

Be Aware of Scams!

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