

The Messenger

Oct.24-31, 2021



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LOVE IN ACTION

To pledge online, click [here](#).

As we continue the financial pledging phase of our stewardship program, we are addressing some common questions about pledging and giving. Last week our question was, 'What if I can't honor my pledge?' This week —

Q: I pledged last year. Can you carry it forward?

A: We need a new pledge from each household annually, and we ask you to consider a five-percent increase. We can not carry forward your pledge without your permission. Also, if you have automatic withdrawal from your banking institute deposited into Christ Church's account, we need an authorization to continue those withdrawals. When making that authorization please consider an increase. — *John & Deb Steady, Stewardship Co-Chairs*

Carve out a
new tradition.

Give Blood!



CHRIST CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

November 9, 2021

**The Harrison Center. 311 Middle Street,
New Bern, NC**

Click below to sign up:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>

Sunday School Updates

- Godly Play:** Last Sunday, students learned about the Great Family (Abraham and Sarah). You can talk to them about times you've moved and seen God in your new place. This week they'll learn more about Abraham.
- Whirl (K-2 & 3-5):** Students talked about James and John last week. You can talk to them about having a servant's heart. This week they'll be talking about Jesus healing Bartimaeus.
- Youth:** Students talked about why we say 'Catholic church' if we aren't Catholic. We learned it's about a community of faith, not a specific denomination. Next they'll learn about Rahab. She had an interesting job.
- Lectionary Class** will look at this week's readings. (Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22); Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52).
- Uncomfortable Conversations** will talk about the intersection of race and religion. You can watch the video [here](#). (This is the last class.)
- Bible 101** will start talking about the Prayer Book.

Getting Through the Holidays:

A workshop to provide the tools to help you cope through the season

The holidays can be a challenging time for those who have lost a loved one. If you are struggling with grief, this workshop may be helpful.

10:30 am to 11:30 am OR 6 to 7 pm on Nov. 4th at St. Paul Catholic Church, 3005 Country Club Road
Please contact Angel Lorton with Craven County Hospice at 252-636-4930 if you'd like to attend. Seating is limited.

Join us for a

Sacred Sound & Space Campaign Celebration

Join us at the waffle bar after the 11am service (around noon) on Sunday, Oct. 31, in the churchyard of Christ Church, 320 Pollock Street, New Bern, NC.

Welcome to the Pulpit

This week we welcome Ms. Hannah Hutchens to the pulpit. Hannah was born and raised in Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church in Greenville. Hannah served on the staff of Camp Trinity for several summers, and after graduating from East Carolina University, she entered the Episcopal service corps. She served at Memorial Episcopal Church in Baltimore, MD. When her time in ECS was over, she continued as the Director of Youth Ministries at Memorial. She recently moved back to Greenville. She will be co-coordinating the Fall Conference for middle schoolers in November for the Diocese of East Carolina.

ECW Speaker Scheduled

All Saints ECW of Christ Church is pleased to have our very own Sheila Cipriano as our speaker at our Nov. 8th meeting. Sheila heads up the Prayer Shawl Ministry and leads a merry band of knitters in making shawls and baby blankets, among other things. Join us at 10am in the Parish House. All are welcome! Questions? Contact [Rodney Hayes](#), 252-631-1514.

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 Odderstor*, 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, Vicky Allen, Catherine Bender, JoAnn Frank, Michele Mnatzakianian, 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, Edward, Irene, Matt, David, Schellie, Peter, Michael, Jim, Joanne, Anderson, Vicki, Nelma, Ashley, Alexander, Bambi, Art, Abra, Melvin, Laurie, Amelia, Dennis, Blake, Brian, Oakley, Bryce, Helen, Carter, Eunice, 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, Barrie, John, and Donna.

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 Jim Howell, Lisa Evans, Linda Leslie and Skip Smith.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Trinity Center, Pine Knoll Shores, and St. Luke's Episcopal Mission, Currituck.

In this week's Parish Cycle of Prayer, we remember the Parish Life 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

Growing in Grace

Growing in Grace is off to a fabulous start this year. We have nine wonderful children that love coming to GIG, and they love their mentors, too. We have 34 volunteers this year!

We are still accepting donations and giftcards from Walmart/Target to help purchase our daily snacks. We also still need gas giftcards from the Galley Marina BP, because that one is close to church. Thank you to everyone who has sent in donations!

Where Can You Plug In?

• **Worship:** Click [here](#) to volunteer to be a reader, greeter, and usher throughout November. For more info., contact [Butch Ricks](#).

• **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](#).

Flower Donations

The flowers behind the altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Lisa Sprague on her birthday, by Hal Stirling.

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. 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 (click [here](#))
5 pm: Contemplative Eucharist (Indoor Chapel)

Monday, Oct. 25

11 am: Staff Meeting
11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom)
1 pm: [Billie Ruth Sudduth's funeral](#) (Nave)
3 pm: Growing in Grace

Tuesday, Oct. 26

8:30 am: Eucharist (Indoor Chapel)
10 am: Women's Book Study (2nd Floor LR)
11 am: Funeral for Lisa Evans (Nave)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
5:15 pm: Eucharistic Minister training (Nave)
6 pm: Rehearsal (Nave)
7 pm: Handbell Choir (Music Room)

Wednesday, Oct. 27

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

Thursday, Oct. 28

10 am: Chair Yoga Class (Harrison Center)
2 pm: Richard "Skip" Smith's funeral (Outdoor Chapel)
3 pm: Growing in Grace
3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time

Saturday, Oct. 30

3 pm: Camp Hope (Parish House)

Sunday, Oct. 31

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
9:45 am: Sunday School
11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave/[online](#))
12 pm: Sacred Sound & Space Celebration
5 pm: Contemplative Eucharist (Indoor Chapel)

Need to Contact Clergy?

Have a question, thought or good news to share? Schedule a meeting with Paul. Use [this link](#) or call 252.633.2109. When scheduling, please indicate if you'd rather meet face-to-face, via phone or via video conference. For Deacon Lisa Kirby, call 252-617-9806.