



# CHRIST CHURCH

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## CELTIC HOLY EUCHARIST

WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING & WHOLENESS

FEBRUARY 12, 2017

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH. TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP AND TO ALLOW  
FOR PRIVATE PRAYER, PLEASE OBSERVE SILENCE UPON ENTERING  
AND TURN OFF ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

### VOLUNTARY

POEM: The Vast Ocean Begins Just Outside Our Church: The Eucharist

Mary Oliver

Something has happened  
to the bread  
and the wine.

They have been blessed  
What now?  
The body leans forward

To receive the gift  
from the priest's hand,  
then the chalice.

They are something else now  
from what they were  
before this began.

I want  
to see Jesus,  
maybe in the clouds

Or on the shore,  
just walking,  
beautiful man

And clearly  
someone else  
besides.

On hard days  
I ask myself  
if I ever will.

Also there are times  
my body whispers to me  
that I have.

## HYMN: We gather together



1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;  
2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,  
3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,  
he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;  
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;  
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.  
the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:  
so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:  
Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:  
sing prais - es to his Name; he for - gets not his own.  
thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glo - ry be thine!  
thy Name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Celebrant:* “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” (*Matthew 11:28-30*)

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

*Reader:* A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said, “See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

*Celebrant:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Reading and the Homily are followed by a brief period of silent reflection.*

## HOMILY

**The Rev. James P. Adams**

## MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

*During the instrumental music and hymn, and at any time hereafter, you are welcome to come forward to light a votive candle as a symbol of your prayers. Tapers and votives are on the stands by the chancel steps. Please feel free to go to any of these places to light a candle.*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Leader:* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

*Leader:* God of love and mercy,

*People:* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

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*Leader:* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

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*Leader:* God of love and mercy,

*People:* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*Leader:* God of love and mercy,

*People:* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*Leader:* God of love and mercy,

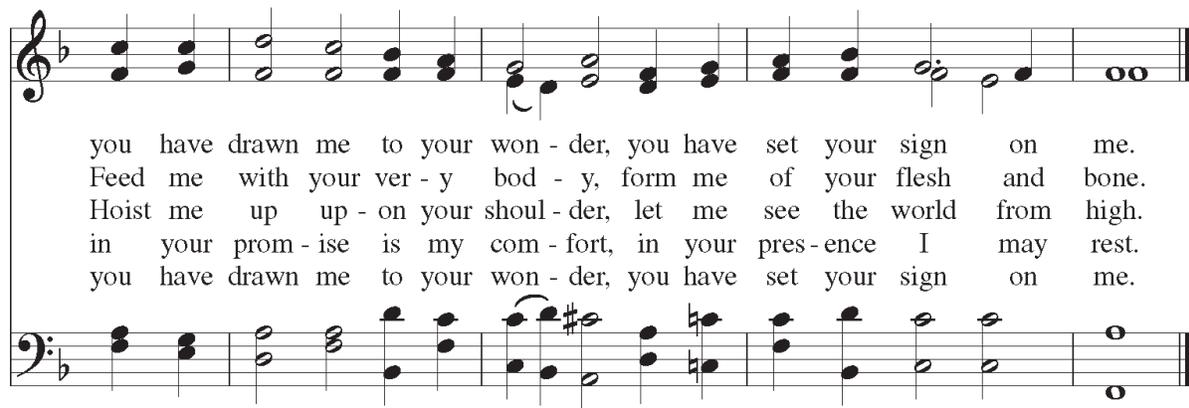
*People:* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

HYMN: Loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be



1. Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be;  
2. Like a moth - er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own.  
3. Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me. Teach me the dis - cern - ing eye.  
4. Friend and lov - er in your close - ness I am known and held and blest:  
5. Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be;



you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.  
Feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.  
Hoist me up up - on your shoul - der, let me see the world from high.  
in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres - ence I may rest.  
you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.

GRACE & PEACE

**Celebrant:** Now my friends, all that is true, all that is noble, all that is just and pure, all that is lovable and gracious, whatever is excellent and admirable; with these let us fill our hearts, and the God of heaven will be with us.

My sisters and brothers, the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*All now exchange a sign of peace, then please be seated.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Please Stand*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Celebrant:* It is truly right, and good and joyful,  
to give you thanks, all-holy God,  
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing  
and fed us with your constant love;

you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ  
and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us  
and call us to fullness of life.

**Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels  
and with the faithful of every generation,  
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:**

Sanctus *sung by all*

*St. Anne Mass, Macmillan*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly\_ Lord, God of\_ pow-er and. might.\_  
\_ Heav'n and earth are\_ full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in\_ the\_  
high - est. Bles-sed is he, O bles-sed is\_ he who comes in the  
name\_ of the Lord.\_\_\_\_\_ Ho - san - na in the\_  
high - est, ho - san - na\_ in\_\_\_\_\_ the high - est.

*Celebrant:* Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of the universe and giver of life.  
You formed us in your own image  
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

But we failed to honor your image  
in one another and in ourselves;  
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;  
and so we violated your creation,  
mistreated one another,  
and rejected your love.  
Yet you never ceased to care for us,  
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah  
you called us into covenant with you.  
You delivered us from slavery,  
sustained us in the wilderness,  
and raised up prophets  
to renew your promise of salvation.  
Then, in the fullness of time,  
you sent your eternal Word,  
made mortal flesh in Jesus.  
Born into the human family,  
and dwelling among us,  
he revealed your glory.  
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,  
he triumphed over evil,  
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,  
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:  
“Take, eat:  
This is my Body which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine,  
and when he had given thanks,  
he gave it to them, and said:  
“Drink this, all of you:  
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,  
which is poured out for you and for all  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:* Remembering his death and resurrection,  
we now present to you from your creation  
this bread and this wine.  
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us  
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.  
Grant that we who share these gifts  
may be filled with the Holy Spirit  
and live as Christ's Body in the world.  
Bring us into the everlasting heritage  
of your daughters and sons,  
that with all your saints,  
past, present, and yet to come,  
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A period of silence is kept.*

Lamb of God *sung by all*

*St. Anne Mass, Macmillan*



**Celebrant:** God's holy gifts for you, God's holy people. Come to this table to be strengthened to follow Jesus out into the world. Come full of faith, come full of doubt, come to be revived and renewed. It is Christ himself who bids you to come.

**All:** Thanks be to God!

*You are welcome to be seated until you come forward to receive Communion.*

*All baptized Christians, of all ages, are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*If you would like a blessing instead, place your hands on your heart.*

*For a gluten-free wafer, extend your hands, palms down.*

*Please notify an usher if you would like to receive Holy Communion at your seat.*

*Prayers for Healing and Wholeness are offered in the South Transept.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

### AFTER COMMUNION

*Please Stand or Kneel*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**All:** Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

## BLESSING

HYMN: So the day dawn for me

1. So the day dawn for me, so the day break,  
 2. Be the day shine for me, be the day bright,

Christ watch - ing o - ver me, Christ as I wake.  
 Christ my com - pan - ion be, Christ be my light. *to vs. 3*

3. Be the day dark to me, be the day drear,  
 4. Be the day swift to me, be the day long,

Christ shall my com - fort be, Christ be my cheer.  
 Christ my con - tent - ment be, Christ be my song. *to vs. 5*

5. So the day close for me, so the night fall,

Christ watch - ing o - ver me, Christ be my all.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Christ watch - ing o - ver me, Christ be my all." The music is in a simple, homophonic style.

## DISMISSAL

*Priest:* Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good, return no one evil for evil, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help the suffering, honor everyone, love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*All:* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM IV

FEBRUARY 12, 2017

*Priest*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Leader*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this city, this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for those expecting the birth of a child; **Nancy and Thorne Harvin**. We pray for our Stephen Ministers-in-Training, **Kelly Burkhardt** and **Stephanie Poole**; and for all who serve in the armed forces. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for our diocese as we seek a new bishop. Look favorably upon your Church, and guide the hearts and minds of those who shall choose a bishop to be a pastor to this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful leader, who will go with us out in the world, making disciples who make a difference.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal **Richard Cansler**, **Tom Gnesda**, **Jo Hughes**, **Katie Williams**, **Kristin Kash**, **Kathy & Larry Matthews**, **Steve Hoar**, **Thelma Jarvis**, **Terry Simpson**, **Jim Connell**, **Mary Chambers**, **Alice Choma**, **Susan Smith**, **Bette Cobb**, **Karen Gnesda**, **Margie Johnson**, **Vivian Burr**, **Peggy Crowder**, and all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially **Ronald Lee Garland**; **Billie Jean Hensley Rosenquist**, mother of Sara Rosenquist; **Julie Stanger**, mother of Cynthia Franken; **William Golden Simpson**, father of Suzie Koonce. We pray that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

# Christ Church PARISH WEEKLY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## Vestry Person of the Week

David Cozart • 919.782.3439  
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## Morning Prayer Leader

Steve Hulme

## SERVING TODAY

### ALTAR GUILD

Group III - Margaret Martin &  
Meg Venters, Co-Chairs

### VERGERS

Jay Alley  
Kaye Culp

### ACOLYTE LEADERS

Kinnan Schline, Kinnan Schline,  
Megan Adkins, Thomas Nisbet

### USHERS

Bill Kline Team  
Bob Grabarek Team  
Lin & Tom Boyle

### LECTORS

Redmond Self, Greg Parsons, Tony Maupin,  
Robert McDowell

### CHALICE BEARERS

John Adams, Bain Jones, Charles Edwards,  
Kevin McLaughlin, Hearon Dickson, Luke  
Harvin, Donnie Womble, Bethany Pergerson,  
Doug Holbrook

### FLOWER GUILD

Susan Johnson & Lillian Stroupe

### CANDLE GUILD

Lin & Tom Boyle

### GREETERS

John and Julie Gowney  
Beau and Heather Brewer

## Next Sunday: February 19

Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany

Preacher: The Rev. Jennifer C. Brown

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist I - Chapel  
9 a.m. Holy Eucharist II - Church  
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist I - Church  
5 p.m. Celtic Eucharist - Church

## Grow

### Adult Christian Formation - Offerings for This Morning (10:10 a.m.)

#### Preserving the Legacy and Ensuring the Future: Celebrating 150 Years of Scholarship at Saint Augustine's University

As Saint Augustine's University celebrates 150 years of academic excellence, leadership development and spiritual formation, President Everett B. Ward will highlight the university's future. Saint Augustine's University, founded in 1867, is one of only two Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) affiliated with the Episcopal Church. Parishioners will have an opportunity to gain additional knowledge of the university and its academic priorities.

### Bible Works: Tools for Living - The Gospel of John

Tuesdays, 7 a.m. and noon.

The current Bible Works series is an in-depth exploration of the beautiful and poetic Gospel of John which draws us into the mystery and love of the person of Jesus of Nazareth. Through Bible Works we learn what this Gospel meant to those who heard it in the 1st century and what it has to say to us today. Bible Works is offered each Tuesday: 7 - 8 a.m. and noon - 1 p.m.; the same lecture is presented at these two different times for the convenience of participants.

### Tuesday Morning Bible Study - Led by The Rev. Meg Buerkel Hunn

Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11 a.m. in Classroom 128 at Christ Church

All are invited as we study the Bible and seek a deepening of the faith we share. Come as you are with your questions, doubts, hopes and dreams as we come together to talk about following Jesus. We will discuss two of the readings assigned for the following Sunday, given the context of our lives and our culture.

## Connect

### Grief Support Group (Winter 2017)

This group meets on Thursday nights at 7 p.m., through February 23. Each session stands on its own, so you may attend as many or as few classes as suit your needs and wishes. The co-facilitators of this group are two amazing, beloved parishioners: Nell Joslin and Jenny Skinner. If you are interested or wish to sign up, please contact The Rev. Jenny Brown ([jbrown@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:jbrown@christchurchraleigh.org), 919.834.6259).

### Raising Spirits 2017 - Our One Word with Martha Bourlakas

Come celebrate, share, and be fed with women of all ages and in all stages of life at Raising Spirits on **Sat., Mar. 11**. Raising Spirits is a full or half-day retreat for women that offers time to focus and seek the presence of the Holy Spirit. Raising Spirits will be led by author and speaker Martha Bourlakas. Martha writes about life with a special needs child, the complexities of faith, and the beauty of food. She authored and leads *Our One Word* spiritual workshops and retreats for women across the country. She loves the holy chaos of mothering, writing, teaching, baking, and being married to an Episcopal bishop who travels. Join us for the morning, the afternoon, or all day. Register online <http://bit.ly/RaisingSpirits17> or in the Christ Church commons.

### Join the Women of Christ Church for February Fellowship

Invite your friends and join the women of Christ Church for a night of fun and fellowship on Tues., Feb. 21 at Oak & Dagger at Seaboard Station in downtown Raleigh. The event will take place from 6-8 p.m., with a cost of \$20 per person. Register online at <http://bit.ly/CCWfeb17>, or contact Cooper Bratton for more info.

## Connect

### **Cherished Members Luncheon - Feb. 15**

In celebration of the gift of friendship, our Cherished Members (Senior Adults) are invited to join the clergy and parishioners for a luncheon on Wednesday, Feb. 15. There will be a Eucharist at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch at noon in the Parish Hall. To RSVP, please contact Lin Boyle, 919.834.6259.

### **Lunch and Learn - NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine - Feb. 22**

The Lunch and Learn group will tour the NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine. The world-class CVM, situated on 250 acres, enhances animals and human health and well-being through the education and advanced training of veterinarians and comparative biomedical scientists. For the two-hour walking tour, wear comfortable shoes suitable for indoors and outdoors. Meet at the University Club parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to carpool to the vet school. Dutch treat lunch (\$10+) following tour at the University Club. RSVP to Lin Boyle by Feb. 20 - [lboyle@ccral.org](mailto:lboyle@ccral.org) or 919.834.6259.

### **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Feb. 28, 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m.**

#### **Crafts - Great Food - Fellowship**

Shrove Tuesday pancake supper is a meal of celebration and indulgence before we begin the season of Lent, often a time of fasting and personal sacrifice. This is a wonderful way to gather with our parish in the new Christ Church Commons as we celebrate this feast day with lots of pancakes. This year's event will feature a Burning of the Palms Liturgy with Mary Davila, in the South Courtyard, beginning at 5:15 p.m. There will also be crafts and Lenten stations, face painters, and balloon animals for children. All proceeds go toward the 2017 Youth Summer Mission to Belize. Pay online or at the door - <http://bit.ly/pancake17>; prices: \$7 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4-11, and \$3 for children ages 3 and younger. Family cap of \$30.

### **20s/30s Shrove Tuesday Gathering - Feb. 28**

The Christ Church 20s/30s group is meeting with the 20s/30s group from St. Michael's for drinks and conversation at Person Street Bar - 805 N. Person Street - on Tuesday, Feb. 28, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. There is no fee but please let us know that you're coming here - <http://bit.ly/20s30sFatTues>.

## Al Purrington Concert Series

### **Chamber Music with Wine and Hors d'oeuvres - Feb. 24, 7 p.m.**

This first concert in the newly renovated Christ Church Commons features North Carolina Symphony principal second violinist Elizabeth Phelps and harpsichordist Beverly Biggs in an evening of baroque chamber music. Experience this music as it was meant to be heard, with friends, wine and hors d'oeuvres. **Tickets for this event are \$25** and can be purchased online at <http://bit.ly/SMOTSFeb24>.

### **"Episcopally Speaking"**

*A closer look at the language and movements of the Episcopal Liturgy.*

#### **Baptismal Sunday**

Holy Baptism is now to be understood as full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body, the church. This bond that God established in baptism is indissoluble. We can reject and/or distort it, but we can never deny who and whose we are. It is God who is the prior actor in baptism, an action to which we can only respond. This should explain why a baptism can never be repeated, for while we may break our covenant with God, God never breaks God's covenant with us. Our appropriate response, therefore, is to renew our promises by reaffirming our baptismal vows and covenant over and over again. — *Excerpt from Holy Baptism, A Guide for Parents and Godparents by The Rev. John H. Westerhoff*

## Children's Ministry

### **Vacation Bible School 2017 Begins June 19**

Vacation Bible School 2017—Holy Moses! will be a week not to miss. Rising 4-year-olds through 5th graders are invited to be part of this fun-filled, educational week.

VBS will take place this year from **June 19-23**, from 9 a.m. to noon each day. The children will present what they learned about Moses in church on Sunday, June 25. Online registration is now open at <http://bit.ly/CCVBS17>. Also, please note, rising 6th graders and older are invited to volunteer. Sign up on the Youth Ministry page on the Christ Church website.

We hope to see you all there!

## Children's Ministry

### Ash Wednesday Family Service - March 1

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent, a period of 40 days in which we remember the temptations that Jesus faced in the wilderness. Ash Wednesday begins our own season of prayer and fasting, and again this year, we are offering a worship service at 5:00 p.m. that is especially appropriate for children and families. The liturgy includes a brief Homily and the Imposition of Ashes. We hope this will be a meaningful for way for our young people to mark the beginning of the season of Lent.

### Baby Brunch - March 5

Are you a new or expectant parent? Do you have questions about who will care for your newest addition on Sunday mornings? Please join us in Room 126 on March 5, at 10:15 a.m. for brunch, a nursery information session and a tour of the Baker Wing. Please take this opportunity to meet our staff, learn about our nursery procedures, talk about Baptism and meet other parishioners experiencing the joys of new parenthood.

For more information contact Sloane Brooks, [sbrooks@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:sbrooks@christchurchraleigh.org).

### Fourth Grade Sunday School Book Study of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

During the season of Lent, from March 5 until April 2, the fourth grade Sunday school class will study the book, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe." The group will read a couple of chapters each week and discuss them on Sunday mornings. No need to worry if your child hasn't had a chance to read during the week, as we will also show a short movie clip each Sunday to get the ball rolling. We hope the children will join us in reading this allegory and find it important in relating to the Bible, especially appropriate during this Lenten season. We think they will enjoy studying the correlations.

## Youth Ministry

### Youth News

- EYC this **Sunday, Feb. 12**.
- Student volunteers are needed for the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper and Mardi Gras event. we have two shifts available - 4:45 p.m. until 6 p.m., where you will decorate, cook and serve; or 6 p.m. until 7:15 p.m., where you will serve, cook and clean up. Sign-up sheets are outside the Youth Ministry Office. Contact Sandy Anthony, [santhony@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:santhony@christchurchraleigh.org), with any questions about volunteering.
- Middle and high school winter basketball leagues are underway. All games are played at First Presbyterian Church, 120 W. Hargett Street. Schedules are posted on the youth page of the Christ Church website.
- The final Run for Young committee meeting will be held **Monday, Feb. 13**, at 6 p.m. in the HS Sunday School classroom. Please join us for this important wrap up meeting as we prepare for 2018.
- Youth Confirmands and Sponsors are invited to make Communion Bread together **Ash Wednesday March 1**, 6 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. in the Christ Church kitchen. To sign up, contact Sandy Anthony, [santhony@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:santhony@christchurchraleigh.org).

### Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)

EYC supplements the Sunday School program by providing fellowship and outreach activities to create a peer-based community, featuring open dialogue about faith and spirituality and opportunities for ministry in the church, as well as the broader Raleigh community. EYC takes place on Sunday nights and allows for the different grades to join together.

### High School Bible Study

HS Bible Study, grades 9-12, views movie segments each week followed by discussion using a verse or quote to learn about the Word by discovering the depth of how God is revealed to us through daily life. We rotate from students houses to church basement every Wed., 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Very casual - all you need to bring is yourself! Movie information as well as locations is sent weekly through our youth emails. Contact Liz Stroff, [lstroff@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:lstroff@christchurchraleigh.org).

### Middle School Bible Study - Lenten Series

Middle School Bible Study provides a time of connection and fellowship for students in grades 6-8 in a small group setting. Starting with dinner, followed by a program, we explore topics and stories in the Bible and how they can relate to us today, incorporating games, activities, conversation and more. Our next series will be held each Tuesday in March (7, 14, 21, 28) at the church from 6:30 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. A \$16 registration fee helps with the cost of meals. Contact Martha Cox with questions, [mcox@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:mcox@christchurchraleigh.org). Register at <http://bit.ly/msbs3>.

Jr. EYC (Grds. 6 - 8) – 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner (All Grades) – 6:30 - 7 p.m.  
Sr. EYC (Grds. 9 - 12) – 7 - 8 p.m.

### Spring EYC Sundays at Church

Feb. 12, 19, 26  
March 5, 12, 19, 26  
April 2, 23, 30

## Youth Ministry

### Senior Voyage: A Lenten Study for High School Seniors

The Senior Voyage is a guided discussion allowing focus to discern, grow and study about what's next in your life. Senior year is a wonderful time of discovering what can lie ahead but can also be a time of stress and pressure as you try to navigate through applications, deadlines and expectations. We will focus on how to balance your spiritual, social and academic life while away at school, keeping in mind your relationship with God, self and others. We'll meet Tuesday evenings in March (7, 14, 21, 28) from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the church. A \$25 fee helps to cover snacks and other materials. Registration: <http://bit.ly/voyage17>. Contact: Liz Stroff, [lstroff@christchurchraleigh.org](mailto:lstroff@christchurchraleigh.org).

### Youth Confirmation Focus Classes (5 required for confirmation)

In addition to accumulating points for our youth confirmation process, students will need to attend five confirmation focus classes. The classes will be spread throughout the spring semester and will rotate between Wednesdays (6:30-7:30 p.m.) and Sundays (7-8:00 p.m.), there are no make-up classes. Focus classes are led by clergy or guests on various topics including Eucharist, prayer postures, church history, liturgical living and more. The classes are 10 points each for the five required and 15 points for any additional classes attended.

- **Sunday, Feb. 26** - Liz Stroff
- **Sunday, March 5** - The Rev. Callie Swanlund
- **Wednesday, March 15** - The Rev. Mary Davila
- **Sunday, March 19** - The Rev. Jim Adams
- **Wednesday, March 29** - Philip Isley
- **Sunday, April 2** - Fr. Josh Thomas, Kids4Peace, [www.k4p.org](http://www.k4p.org)
- **Wednesday, April 19** - The Rev. Meg Hunn
- **Sunday, April 23** - The Rev. Jenny Brown

## Thank you

### Thank you from the 10th annual Run for Young

It was certainly a different year for the Run for Young with a snow-cancelled race and added spaghetti dinner but through it all, we are so thankful for our participants, registrants and parish support. A huge thank you to the entire Run for Young committee included 37 high school students and 11 adults, particularly Bailey Anthony and Thomas Nisbet, adult co-chairs, and Janie Jackson and Evan Parsons, student co-chairs, for their hard work over the past year. We would also like to thank the following sponsors for their generous support - Atlantic Packaging, Dogwood Properties, Hodge and Kittrell, Holt Physical Therapy, Medalist Capital, Midatlantic Securities, Southern Crane, The Umstead Hotel and Spa, Wakestone Corporation, Williams Realty and Building Company, Winston's Grille, and Plexus Capital. We are grateful for the generous support of our community over the past ten years and look forward to the next ten.

## Community Event

### Open House at St. Paul AME Church

The Wake County Historical Society (WCHS) invites you to an open house at St. Paul AME Church on **Sunday, Feb. 19**, at 2 p.m. This historic downtown church is in the process of restoring its 75 stunning European art glass windows, and WCHS is adopting a window and hopes to encourage other organizations to do the same. St. Paul's was founded in 1848 by the African American membership of Edenton Street Methodist Church. The church's cornerstone was laid in 1884 and work was completed in 1909; however, that same year it was gutted by a fire, and subsequently rebuilt and rededicated in 1910. It is one of only three Raleigh churches on the National Register of Historic Places, and is the oldest African American church in Wake County. The church is located at 402 W. Edenton Street.

## Election of North Carolina's Next Bishop

The election of the XII Bishop Diocesan of North Carolina will take place on **March 4**, at a special convention in Greensboro. Clergy and lay delegates from Christ Church - Jay Alley, Charles Edwards, Jane Forde, John Gray, Libbie Ward and Tom Ziko - will take part in the election. During the second week of February, the nominees will make their way across the Diocese for a series of whistle stops and walkabouts, during which we will have a chance to meet them in person. On **Feb. 15**, the nominees for the XII Bishop Diocesan will be at St. Augustine's University - 1315 Oakwood Ave., Raleigh - on the second floor of the Martin Luther King Student Center, to meet with the public. Evensong will begin at 6 p.m. Before they arrive, make sure to review their profiles at <http://bishopsearch.dionc.org>, and check out their town hall recordings.