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An Open and Affirming Congregation

Inspire Welcome Serve

Sunday, January 6, 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here is today's **Sunday school** schedule:

Nursery care for Infants – age 3 is available from 8:30 am-12:30 pm each Sunday in Room B-109.

Pre-K & K Room B-205

1st – 5th graders "The Very First Noel" Movie (B-210)

6th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship

Upcoming Youth Events:

January 13th – Middle School from 5:00pm-6:30pm

High School from 6:45pm-8:00pm

January 27th – Middle School from 5:00pm-6:30pm

High School from 6:45pm-8:00pm

TODAY Congregational Meeting for all members & friends of

Christ Church: A meeting of the Christ Church congregation will be held **Sunday**, **January 6**th, immediately following the first service in Barnwell. We will review and vote on the proposed 2019 annual operating budget.

Text Giving: we are excited to announce that you can now give by texting **908-365-0101!** First time donation by text, you will be given a link and asked to supply your payment method (credit card, debit card, or bank account). This payment source will then be linked with your phone number so that, in the future, all you will need to do is text in the amount with no need to re-enter your payment information.

Stay Anchored: A Stable Faith in Life's Storms:

Camp Bernie Youth Retreat February 8th - 10th 2019

6th-12th Graders & Chaperones Sign Up Today!

COST: \$161

WHO: Youth from all over New Jersey.

CHECKS: Make checks out to Christ Church & put "Camp Bernie" in the

memo line (Turn into Rev. Caroline Dean)

Early Registration: Nov 11-Dec 16, 2018 Final Deadline: Jan 6 2019

(Earn the right to sign up first for Bernie activities!)

"A Deeper Welcome" January 13th 9:30am Worship 10:45am All Church Workshop in Barnwell Hall

We say, "no matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here."

But what does "welcome" really mean? Can that welcome be deeper? We think in some ways it can be. Not only to feel welcomed, but to welcome others. At the January 13 service and coffee hour we will explore how each of us can be our best, most inclusive selves- that is, how can we open our hearts and minds to our fellow travelers on life's journey who may have arrived from different entry paths and are traveling across more difficult terrain than us.

We can't think of a better way to start the new year. Join us!

<u>Kicking off Summit's MLK day activities:</u> Christ Church will be honoring Dr Martin Luther King, Jr. on his birthday itself. On **January 15**, **2019**, **at 6:30pm**, we invite you to Christ Church (Lile Hall), 561, Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901 for a screening of "King in the Wilderness" followed by a popcorn discussion.

Age-ing and Sage-ing: Curious about what goes on in the end stages of your life? What are the challenges and opportunities? What are the "tasks" that come with the territory? What does brain research tell us? Join us Sunday, **January 20th**, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm.

Anyone who is or who will be 60 is welcome. For more information, please contact Leigh Rosoff (<u>rleigh95@aol.com</u>)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 26, 2019! Come join Christ Church for the **Progressive Dinner**, our biggest social event of the year! Deanna Smeltz & Jamil Nazarali are graciously hosting cocktails again. After cocktails, we will break out to host homes for great conversation, a lovely dinner and dessert. It's a fun way to meet the wonderful people in our congregation!

Save the Date! Women's Retreat March 2-3, 2019

<u>First Friends of NJ and NY</u> is a nonprofit organization supported by your contributions through our Board of World Fellowship. Its mission is to promote hope, personal connection, and compassion to detained immigrants and asylum seekers. Volunteers visit in detention centers, write to pen pals, assist with post-release, or advocate.

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