

# Christ Church

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An Open and Affirming Congregation

Inspire Welcome Serve

Sunday, October 20, 2019

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

Pre-K - K	Green Week Room B-205
1st– 2nd graders	Crafting to celebrate Queen Esther Rm B-206
3rd – 5th graders	Queen Esther Rm B-210
6th - 7th graders	Queen Esther: Commitment to family & community
8th - 12th graders	Stay in Worship

### Upcoming Youth Events:

**October 20<sup>th</sup>** - Middle School Youth 5:00-6:30pm

High School Youth 6:30-8:00pm

**Christ Church History:** We have historical documents that we need scanned so that we can preserve some of the essential history of the church. But what to save and what to toss. Could you help us go through a few cabinets to sort things out? If you are interested in being part of a committee, shoot a note of interest to [brenda@ccsnj.org](mailto:brenda@ccsnj.org)

**TODAY Climate Change Sunday:** welcome guest preacher Rev. Fletcher Harper, Executive Director of GreenFaith, an international, multi-faith environmental organization based in New Jersey. He will preach on the sacredness of the Earth and all people, the emergency that climate change represents, and 3 pathways to power for religious communities to respond. During coffee hour Christ Church Green Team will continue the discussion by focusing on the significance of last summer's UCC synod resolutions supporting the Green New Deal and the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, and how these legislative proposals relate to our faith community.

**Christ Church Advancement Committee:** join us for an Interview & Resume Building workshop Wednesday **October 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 6:00-8:00 pm in Barnwell Hall. A free-will donation of \$10 is encouraged but, if money is an issue please let us know. This is open to the public so please let friends & family know. The mission of the CCAC is to strengthen our relationships/networks, assist with employment issues, and strengthen participation in Christ Church's committees.

**Sunday Specials - Halloween Bingo!** Please join us on **Sunday, October 27**, from 3-5 PM for a Bingo party for guests with intellectual or developmental disabilities. There will be treats & prizes! Costumes encouraged! To RSVP or if you can help during or before the event please contact Nancy Davies at [nancyldavies@msn.com](mailto:nancyldavies@msn.com) or 908-656-7102.

**New Member Sunday!** Our next New Member Sunday is **October 27** at the 9:30 am service. If you are interested in joining Christ Church, please email Jeff & Gretchen Shook at [shookjshook@gmail.com](mailto:shookjshook@gmail.com) or [gretko2000@yahoo.com](mailto:gretko2000@yahoo.com) for more information.

**Civil Rights Pilgrimage to Alabama!** You are invited to participate in a 4 day/3 night Pilgrimage this spring, sponsored by the Race Equity Task Force of Christ Church. The trip will take place **April 16-19, 2020**. We fly into Birmingham on Thursday, April 16 and meet up with our guide, Elizabeth, from *Freedom Lifted*. We'll spend the next few days touring sites in Birmingham, Selma, Lowndes County & Montgomery, including the newly opened National Memorial for Peace and Justice. **The total cost for the trip is \$1300, PLUS AIRFARE.** Friends welcome! To reserve a spot, please send a check to Rev. Julie for \$300 made out to Christ Church with "Civil Rights Pilgrimage" in the memo. **Deadline is Sunday, October 27.** Questions? Contact Rev. Julie at [revjv@ccsnj.org](mailto:revjv@ccsnj.org)

**End of Life Care/Age-ing and Sage-ing:** join us in Barnwell after the service on **October 27<sup>th</sup>**. Come and hear about the latest developments in end of life care – Palliative Care, the POLST\* form and newly enacted legislation: Medical Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act. Let's not wait until the last minute to get our affairs in order. It's not easy to talk about how you want the end of your life to be. But, it's one of the most important conversations you can have. We will have lots of time for discussion with Cookies and Coffee! Curious about what goes on in the end stages of your life? What are the challenges and opportunities? For more info, contact Roz Kendellen [kendellen@comcast.net](mailto:kendellen@comcast.net) or Leigh Rosoff [rleigh95@aol.com](mailto:rleigh95@aol.com).

**Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda:** on Sunday, **November 3<sup>rd</sup>** during coffee hour, please join us in Barnwell Hall. We will have an O+frenda (altar) set up to celebrate the Day of the Dead. A traditional Mexican holiday which combines elements of indigenous culture and Catholicism, the Dia de los Muertos, allows families to gather, remember & pray for family members and friends who have passed and to help support their spiritual journey. It celebrates their lives with food, drink and the activities that they enjoyed while they were alive. Please bring photographs or mementos that you would like placed on the altar (please label) as we create a community ofrenda to remember our loved ones. Items will be returned at the end of coffee hour or left on the table outside of the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Milla Trigos at [latrigos@comcast.net](mailto:latrigos@comcast.net).

**The Music & Fine Arts Committee** is calling for submissions for an exhibit, "Sacred in the Ordinary." Is there an object that is part of your daily meditations? A ring you twirl thinking of a loved one, or a flea-market painting that reminds you of the Divine, we're exploring the role of God in small places & things. To submit an item we ask for a paragraph or two about the role of the object in your life and/or meditations, and to borrow the object itself or a photo of it for the exhibit. For more information email Michelle Urcuyo at [mobishobel@gmail.com](mailto:mobishobel@gmail.com) with subject "SinO Submission", or call 703-598-2631.

**SOS Donation Update:** Last April, the Church donated \$1,500 in SOS funds to the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights after CBS News reported on the group's success reuniting Junior, age 21 with his younger brother Andy, 8, for whom he was the sole caretaker in Honduras after their six-month separation. In August, the YCICR's lawyers and child welfare professionals collaborated with local helpers to aid the unsupervised children of hundreds of plant workers in Mississippi who were detained on immigration grounds. In Sept., the Center joined other advocates in an amicus brief opposing regulatory changes that would end decades of protection for vulnerable children.

