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An Open and Affirming Congregation
Inspire Welcome Serve

Sumday, February 16, 2020

## 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 – 7th graders United Sunday School (B-206) 8th - 12th graders Stay in Worship

## **Upcoming Youth Events:**

March 1st - Middle School Youth 5:00-6:30pm High School Youth 6:30-8:00pm

March 6-7<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation Retreat

Black History Month Challenge: During the 4 Sundays of February there will be an interactive display of prominent persons of color set up in Barnwell Hall. Pictures of 11 unidentified people will be laid out on each of 3 tables. In the middle of each table will be a stack of index cards, each briefly describing one of the displayed people and their accomplishments. The challenge is to match each description with the appropriate person's picture. Answers are on the back of each picture and index card. Work with a partner or as a family. Kids, challenge your parents! There is also a display of Union County people and places important in Black History, posted on the bulletin board outside Barnwell.

<u>Family Promise – Hospitality Week!</u>: Our Family Promise guests will be here **February 16-23**. Guests need us to provide simple yet yummy dinners each night they're here. Unsure as to whether this good deed is for you? Email Yesenia Reichart at yreichart@gmail.com for more details

You can sign up Sign Up Genius <a href="http://www.signups.ccsnj.org/">http://www.signups.ccsnj.org/</a> will be available You can also sign up for set up, break down, and evening (7:30-9:30 PM) shifts. On behalf of the Hospitality Group and our guests, thank you!!

## New Volunteers are most welcome!

**Popcorn Discussion:** join us on **February 23rd** after the first service in Lile Hall. We will address "Monuments: Symbols of Heritage or Oppression? Which way forward?" moderated by Donovan Sherman and framed with facts by history teacher Rick Morey. Come and consider a range of perspectives on this question and its relevance for our time.

<u>Cocktail Party:</u> The Shooks will be hosting a cocktail party for people new to Christ Church at their home in Maplewood at 99 Oakland Road, Saturday, **Feb 29 from 4 − 6 pm**. If you are new to the church please join us! If you live in the Maplewood/South Orange area and have friends who are curious about Christ Church, please come and bring them!

<u>**PLAYGROUP:**</u> Parents of children 4 and under, bring your kids to a play group in the church nursery on Saturday, **Feb 29** from 9:30 - 11:00. While the kids play, we can get to know one another. Coffee will be provided. For information, contact Alyssa Wolfe at <u>alyssa.e.wolfe@gmail.com</u>

Let Justice Roll Concert Save the Date: This year Christ Church Summit is once again delighted to present *Let Justice Roll*. Please join us here at Christ Church, and enjoy inspiring gospel music and songs of justice! Immediately following the concert, there will be a reception where you can enjoy some light refreshments and a have a chance to meet all the talented artists. Please invite your friends and neighbors to this uplifting concert! *All proceeds will support our organ restoration*.

WHEN: Sunday, March 1st at 3:00p.m.

WHERE: Christ Church, 561 Springfield Ave., Summit, NJ ADMISSION: At the door \$25, In Advance \$20 and Students \$15

Men's Group on Healthy Masculinity: About a year ago Rev. Chuck led a discussion group on how male gender identity influences everything we think and do as men. After some reflection and discussion, it's time to revisit our own feelings on what being a "Man" really means. Our men's group will be meeting at 7:30 on March 4, April 1, May 6 and June 3. Greg Mayes will be hosting on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for one or all of these meetings. Below are resources that you can visit to provide background. Dr. Katz's TED talk is meant to be provocative but not insulting. Please use these resources as opportunities for discussion and not conflict.

https://www.ted.com/talks/jackson katz violence against women it s a men s issue?language=en

https://www.tolerance.org/magazine/what-we-mean-when-we-say-toxic-masculinity

The 24th Annual Christ Church Women's Retreat will be held March 7-8, 2020 at St. Marguerite's Retreat House in Mendham, NJ. The theme is *My Cup Overflows: Gratitude, Abundance and Generosity* and the cost is \$130 (\$90 for days only). To reserve a spot, please send in a check to Rev. Julie Yarborough made out to Christ Church with "Women's Retreat" in memo line, or pay through the donate button at christchurchsummit.org, concerts/events, with "retreat" in comments. Cost is \$134/\$93 if paying with credit card. Friends are welcome!

Summit BPW Scholarship Foundation: The Business and Professional Women of Summit (BPW) are offering scholarships of \$500-1500 to women furthering their education to enter the job market or to advance their career. Candidates must live within a 50mile radius of Summit to be eligible. Applications are available on the bulletin board just outside of the sanctuary. Applications to be submitted by Mar 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Sign Up for Operation Warm Heart Today!** OWH, the daytime warming shelter at Beacon UU, is open every day from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm. In our first days we had 6-8 guests enjoying a safe place to be warm, to relax and to discover community. We especially need volunteers for Saturdays and Sundays!

**Hosts** provide a welcome, a smile, and meet guest's needs. We provide information and training you need to host our guests. Two shifts: 8:15 am-1 pm or 1 pm - 5:30 pm.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAFAA2CABFDo-volunteer

**Warm Tummy Crew** Please consider providing a pot of lunch to share. Make - or buy! - soup, pasta, casserole.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAFAA2CABFDo-lunch

**Clean Team** Can you do a load of laundry once a week? We need your help washing Beacon's towels, kitchen towels, sheets & blankets. Sign up: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAFAA2CABFDo-team">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4AAFAA2CABFDo-team</a>