

CHRIST CHURCH WEEKLY

A Newsletter for Members and Friends of
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW:

PRESIDING BISHOP MICHAEL CURRY TO VISIT OUR DIOCESE June 14-17: See announcement below.

THIRD FRIDAY CONCERT TODAY – 12:10 p.m. at CHRIST CHURCH.

YARDWORK AND BBQ AT AHAT (Affordable Housing and Healthcare) – Saturday, June 16, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Come help our neighbors at 3-Cedars Home for persons living with HIV/AIDS. Lend a hand with yardwork and general cleanup and then enjoy a BBQ. 3-Cedars is at 301 North L Street (just across the alley from Wells Hall). Please bring gloves, yard tools, your positive energy and smiling faces for this work/fun day. Contact Amelia Carroll: ameliac@wavecable.com

THIS SUNDAY, THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Readings: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14; II Corinthians 5-6-10 [11-13] 14-17

The texts can be found on The Lectionary Page <http://www.lectionarypage.net>

Sermon: Steve Kieta

Sermons preached at Christ Church are posted on our website www.ccptacoma.org and can be accessed from the Worship page and by clicking this link on the homepage: [Sunday Sermon](#)

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LINKS TO DIOCESAN NEWS AND INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES:

Episcopal News Service: www.episcopaldigitalnetwork.com/ens -- electronic newspaper delivered to your inbox with news stories, responses to social and political events, and links to posts from various Episcopal bishops and leaders and from the broader church.

Episcopal Church on Facebook: www.facebook.com/episcopal-news-service-260131260715544/

The Diocese of Olympia: www.ecww.org The Diocesan website.

Bishop Rickel's Blog: www.bishoprickel.com

OUR LIFE OF WORSHIP AND PRAYER

THIS WEEK OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Those in any kind of need, especially: Leslie; Kevin; Ethan; Natasha; Lindsay; Don; Charlie, John and their family; Steve and Laura Sattler; Brigitte; Elaine; Terry E.; Roberta and John Sweeny; Ramona; Rosemary C.; Dennis S; Edie; Alice; Jan; Ann S.; Kristin L; Dominic.

Those who have died, especially: Kay (Kathryn) Wosniack; Kurt K.; Xu Chen; Barbara Gibbs.

For peace in the Middle East, Asia, Africa. For Refugees and Migrants. For a halt to violence between Israelis and Palestinians. For those living with chronic pain. For all working to resist bigotry, racism and violence. For all serving in the military. For all affected by extreme weather and natural disasters, especially volcano eruptions in Hawaii and Guatemala. For all affected by gun violence, for effective gun control and for safety in our schools, public places and homes.

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: St. Andrew, Port Angeles; St. Paul, Port Townsend; St. Luke, Sequim.

Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma); The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar and Bishop of Yangon.

To request prayers in the Prayers of the Assembly, e-mail shannon@ccptacoma.org. If you are submitting a name other than your own, please ask permission from that person first. You must send the full name of the person in order for us to manage the prayer list, but first names only will be in the list of those in need. Last names will be used in the list of those who have died. Names stay on the list for one month unless renewed with Shannon.

OUR LIFE IN COMMUNITY

MOTHER CAMPBELL ON VACATION – from Monday, June 25 – Tuesday, July 10.

PRESIDING BISHOP MICHAEL CURRY TO VISIT OUR DIOCESE June 14-17 –During his term in office, the Presiding Bishop makes an official visitation to each diocese of the Episcopal Church. His visitation to the Diocese of Olympia will include visits to the Diocese's Refugee Resettlement Office, the College for Congregational Development, and Chaplains on the Harbor in Aberdeen. Presiding Bishop Curry will also preach or speak at the following public events across the diocese: Friday afternoon, June 15 (TBA) Saint Paul's, Bellingham – speak on The Jesus Movement.

Saturday, June 16, 10:30 a.m. Saint John's, Olympia – a conversation between Bishop Rickel and Presiding Bishop Curry followed by a reception.

Sunday, June 17, 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Saint Luke-San Lucas, Vancouver – preach at both liturgies.

CHRIST CHURCH ANNUAL BEGINNING OF SUMMER BBQ – TODAY following the 10:30 liturgy. Each year on Fathers' Day, the Sunday before the Summer Solstice, coffee hour becomes a picnic in the courtyard. All are invited to join in the celebration!

SUPPORTING PARISHIONERS IN NEED -- THE CHRIST CHURCH RECTORS' DISCRETIONARY FUND. The way we support people in need in our community is through the Rector's Discretionary Fund managed by Mother Campbell, our Priest in Charge. If you are feeling called to help parishioners with financial needs, the way we do that at Christ Church is by donating to the Discretionary Fund. This allows Mother Campbell to coordinate help in the most effective and efficient way. If you become aware of a parishioner in need, please refer that person to Mother Campbell rather than trying to provide assistance yourself. You can contribute to the Fund by a check made out to Christ Church and designated Rector's Discretionary Fund on the memo line, or by cash in an envelope designated for the Discretionary Fund and with your name should you wish your contribution to be included in your giving statement. Either can be placed in the collection plate or mailed to the office.

MINISTRY OF THE WEEK – OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE LEADERSHIP TEAM – We give thanks this week for our Community Service Leadership Team. This ministry group seeks to make us aware of opportunities for ministry with people in need in Tacoma, Pierce County, our country and the world. They have organized our participation in hunger and cancer walks; gathered our food bank contributions; initiated our partnership with the Family Housing Network; connected us to AID-NW to assist detainees released from the Immigration Detention Center; started our Life Food Pack ministry, and more. The group also administers grants supported by a Vestry-designated percentage of our annual operating income, growing by half a percent each year until we reach a tithe (10%). This year's rate is 4½ %. The team meets monthly; if you're interested in learning more about this ministry, contact Team Leader Len Johnson: lljbrownspt@gmail.com

OUR LIFE OF FORMATION AND STUDY

ADULT FORMATION

FOUNDATIONS COURSES, THE EXPLORE CLASS, AND SUNDAY ADULT FORUMS are on summer break, resuming in the fall.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m., Library. St. Paul writes from prison, encouraging the church. How does he do it? Join us and see. You will find it interesting

THE MONTHLY READING GROUP – will meet at the home of Doug Dahlgren and Milana McLead at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 1, to discuss the first half of *Sapiens: A Brief History* by Yuval Noah Harari. Everyone interested is welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Don Johnson at 253-566-8747 weddjohanson@msn.com.

THE RACIAL JUSTICE READING GROUP – is on summer break and will resume in the fall – watch here for our next selection.

CHILDREN'S FORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL is on summer recess and resumes on Gathering Sunday, September 16.

OUR LIFE OF SERVICE IN COMMUNITY AND WORLD

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES - Check out the display on the Wells Hall stage during coffee hour! Find information about rallies to attend, issues to write your Congress-people about, meaningful movies to attend, and more.

The major focus from now through June 23 is participation in “The Poor People’s Campaign—A National Call for Moral Revival,” endorsed by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Bishop Rickel and bishops across the country. Every Monday at 2:00 p.m., there is a gathering on the Capitol steps in Olympia to call national attention to the enmeshed evils of systemic racism, systemic poverty, ecological devastation, and the war economy. The theme changes each week. Fran Blair will be glad to organize carpools.

PRIDE PARADE SEATTLE – Sunday, June 24. Join Episcopalians from across the diocese to march in the Seattle LGBTQ Pride Parade. Last year 75 Episcopalians participated, including two from our parish. If you would like information about how to participate in this year’s parade contact Robert Hicker at 253-592-2047. Help show that the Episcopal Church is a church for all people.

TACOMA LGBTQ PRIDE FESTIVAL 2018 - Saturday July 14, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., in the 800 block of Pacific Avenue in downtown Tacoma. This is the fifth year Christ Church and three other Pierce County Episcopal Churches will share a booth at the Tacoma Pride Festival. If you would like to help with hospitality at the booth or have any questions, please contact Jim Limerick at 445jrl@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity to witness to the Episcopal Church’s affirming welcome to all persons.

FOOD BANK FOCUS FOR JUNE - Christ Church offers year-round support to the Nourish Food Bank. In addition to each month’s focus, cans and boxes of all kinds of food are always welcome, including food for pets. Leave your gift in the baskets in the church entryway. *Donations are not immediately delivered due to the food bank’s limited days and hours of operation, so they MUST BE NON-PERISHABLE and in NEVER OPENED boxes or cans.* June Focus: Canned fruit and vegetables.

OUR LIFE CELEBRATING THE ARTS

Music Notes

THANKS TO DR. THOMAS CLARK for serving as guest organist. Kathryn Nichols and Mark Brombaugh are on study leave, attending an ecumenical conference at the Yale University Institute of Sacred Music, reflecting on one of the most urgent concerns of our time—the sustainability of our planet home in the face of environmental damage, led by some of the foremost theologians and musicians from throughout the country. The focus will be on *how worship, music, and art draw congregations into faithful relationship with God and creation.* Preceding the conference they have arranged to visit several Episcopal churches in New York City, with opportunity to hear and play significant recently-installed pipe organs, as well as holding conversations with church music colleagues.

THE CHRIST CHURCH CHOIR IS ON SUMMER BREAK. New singers will be warmly welcomed into the choir in the fall. Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 13 at 7:30 p.m., and we sing again on September 16. Anyone considering joining is invited to have a conversation with the directors for more information about the nature of this commitment.

Email: Music@CCPTacoma.org.

CALLING ALL SINGERS

At the end of the summer, we will enjoy two Sundays with special choir participation at the 10:30 a.m. service, open to all who can carry a tune and attend one rehearsal.

Schedule:

Sunday August 26, Men's Choir, with rehearsal on Thursday Aug. 23, 7:30-9 p.m.

Sunday September 9, Women's Choir, with rehearsal on Thursday Sept. 6, 7:30-9 p.m.

Save these dates and be bold! This is a fun way to have a rich choral experience, gain some new skills with no long-term commitment, and enrich our worship life.

Contact our music directors if you can sing with us so we may have music and seating organized. Email: Music@CCPTacoma.org

CHRIST CHURCH INFORMATION

FAQS (Frequently Asked Questions)

THIS WEEK: HOW CAN I GIVE TO CHRIST CHURCH? – If you would like to make a financial pledge to support the life and ministry of Christ Church, pledge cards are available in chapel and church entryways and can be filled out at any time of the year and returned in the Sunday collection plate or by mail to the parish office. If you would like to make a special financial gift or a gift in kind, please speak with Mother Campbell about it. We are grateful for the generous support of parishioners, friends and visitors.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, June 17 THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Childcare for infants and toddlers in the Wells Hall nursery

10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Sunday School on summer recess until Gathering Sunday, September 16

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Church, followed by Annual Beginning of Summer BBQ, Courtyard and Wells Hall

Monday, June 18

7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Library

Tuesday, June 19

6:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting, Wells Hall

Wednesday, June 20

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel, followed by light lunch and fellowship, Library

Sunday, June 24 THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Childcare for infants and toddlers in the Wells Hall nursery

10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Sunday School on summer recess until Gathering Sunday, September 16

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Church

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday through Friday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **CLOSED MONDAYS.**

Feel free to share this newsletter with others who may be interested in Christ Church.

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