

Christ Church Weekly

A newsletter for members and friends

Christ Church Parish • Friday, July 21, 2023

A Message from Fr. Samuel Torvend

Now the green blade rises

As you read this, Christ Church vestry member, Van Hardison, and I will be driving to the Minneapolis airport to catch our flights to Seattle. We have spent the last five days at Saint John's Abbey with Canadian Anglicans and American Episcopalians in a conference devoted to greening our worship in light of the climate crisis. It has been an intense in light of a packed schedule and enlightening in terms of the comments from other participants and the presenters. We'll give a summary when we come home - on a Sunday in the near future. Until then, this notes comes with good wishes as we all consider our baptismal promise "to cherish and protect the integrity and beauty of God's creation."

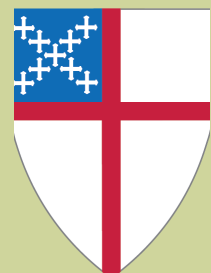


Upcoming Events

- Art on the Ave., Veterans Village Food Prep, Monthly Reading Group, **July 23**
- Veterans Village Food Delivery, **July 24**
- CSLT Meeting, **July 25**
- Tacoma Bach Festival, **July 28**
- Jazz in the Courtyard, **July 29**
- Tour of Christ Church, Root Beer Floats!, **July 30**
- Evening Prayer and Supper, **August 2**
- Funeral Service, Ann Simon, **August 12**
- Adult Formation: A Greening Church, **August 13**
- Vestry Meeting, **August 15**



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We strongly encourage masking during worship, mindful that we worship among people who need added protection. Masking not only protects us but also our neighbors.

Christ Church Prayer List

NEED HELP??

To add to our prayer list, email the **Parish Administrator**. If submitting a name other than your own, please ask permission from that person first. Names remain on the list for **four weeks**, unless renewed by the one who submitted them.

In a pastoral emergency, please contact **Fr. Torvend**.

Our baptismal commitment calls us to pray for the world and the needs of our community, including those who are experiencing any sort of trouble, illness, or grief.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Members and Friends of our Community:

Robyn Potter; Leslie Brooks; Barbara Pasi; Steve Oakman; Tammy Hess and Family, Patty Botkin; Liz Heath; Miri Hindes; Christina Amos; Dick Gregory; Stephen Behr; and Danielle Olsson.

Those who have died in Christ, who holds us in life and death, and all who grieve for them: Ann Young Simon; Natasha Oakman; and Betty Sporrer.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

St. John's, Snohomish

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

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Christ Church Calendar

To submit an article to the *Christ Church Weekly*, contact the **Parish Administrator**. Articles must be submitted by Tuesdays to be included in the Friday edition, and may be edited. We never share your information outside the church family.

Land Acknowledgement We gather at 310 North K Street. Let us give thanks to the Creator for the Puyallup and Nisqually people on whose ancestral land this church and many of our homes stand. Their descendants live among us still. For their wise stewardship of the creation, we offer our gratitude. May we never forget that their land was taken by force and broken treaty.

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Worship. Formation. and Service

The Funeral Service for Ann Young Simon, Saturday, August 12

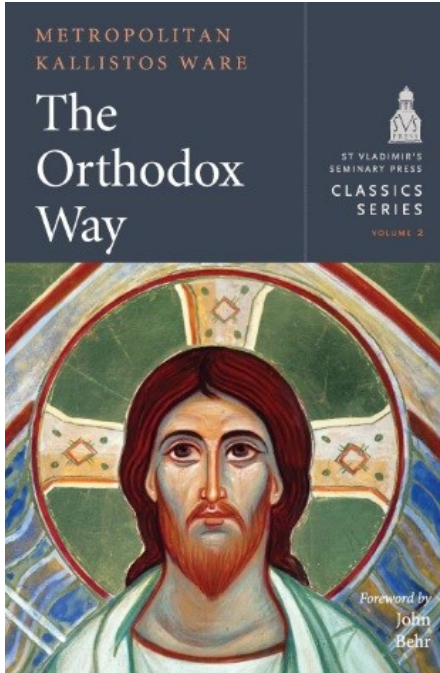
I have been in communication with Ann's dear family. The funeral Eucharist with reception to follow will be on **Saturday, August 12**. The Eucharist will begin at 10:30 in the morning.

Sunday, July 23

6:30 pm

Monthly Reading Group

The Monthly Reading Group will meet next at **6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 23**, at the home of Sandy and Ronn Johanson to discuss *The Orthodox Way* by Kallistos Ware. Questions? Contact [Don Johnson](#).



Summer Choir

If you'd like to participate in the pick-up choir, sign-up [here](#) or in the Narthex for the Sunday(s) that you can participate. There is a separate sign-up for each Sunday. Contact me with any questions! Thank you, ~[Paul Tegels](#),
Interim Director of Music

Food Packs Live Again

What a good turnout to help assemble the packs of food. It was indeed a case of "Many hands make light work." One hundred packs were assembled and many were taken right then and are on their way to help the hungry. From now on, as long as they last, a basket of the packs will be on the stage at coffee hour time. Feel free to take a pack or two. Thanks again to the many who helped last Sunday.

The Little Pantry

What a splendid response last Sunday. TWO baskets were filled with your gifts. Such responses help feed the hungry. It is so easy to do. Pick something from your shelf at home on your way to church and bring it along. You know the drill: non-perishable food. Flip top cans, if possible. Thanks, in advance.



Our next dinner for the veterans living at FOB Hope (aka Veterans Village) is coming up – on **July 24**. Our annual burger cookout is hard to follow. They enjoy it so much! This month we are keeping it light and easy for summer. We'll be serving a chicken taco salad, of course with beverages and desserts. We'll be cooking in the church kitchen on July 23, and delivering the meal on the 24th. You are welcome to join us for either, but if you want to help deliver please let [Deacon Donna](#) know. As always, we need desserts. You can bring them to church on the 23rd. We need to add some folks to our core team for this important and fun ministry. Our core team contributes by planning, cooking, and delivering the meals. You don't have to be available every month, just when you can. Let Deacon Donna know if you'd like to be part of our team!



Community

Our Care for Creation

Our mandate to care for creation is grounded in our worship of God the Creator and in-

cludes our taking responsibility to learn about the natural order and our role in it as stewards of the earth. A current learning resource for this is the PBS documentary series titled *Human Footprint*. This series explores the depth and breadth of human impact on earth as the planet's "top predator." *Human Footprint* is now airing in six one-hour segments on KCTS channel 9 on Wednesdays at 9:00 p.m. The series began on July 5 and runs through August 9. If you miss or want to revisit any of the segments, they are available on demand at PBS Passport.

For more on the series: [New Six-Part Documentary Series HUMAN FOOTPRINT Examines How Humans Have Transformed the Planet \(pbs.org\)](https://www.pbs.org/shows/human-footprint/)



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TACOMA BACH
FESTIVAL

July 28-30

TBF 2023 CONCERTS



THE CHORALE THROUGH THE AGES

Wyatt Smith, organ

Friday, July 28, 7:30 pm

Christ Episcopal Church, Tacoma

Internationally-acclaimed organist and harpsichordist, Wyatt Smith explores the use of the chorale in music by Bach, Johann Pachelbel, Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, Brenda Portman, Kristina Langlois, Pamela Ruiter-Feentstra, and Christa Rakich in beautiful Christ Episcopal Church, Tacoma...

Admission: \$20 adults/\$15 seniors, children, military. Tickets may be purchased at the door or at www.tacomabachfestival.org.



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JAZZ IN THE COURTYARD

DMITRI MATHENY &
BILL ANSHELL DUO

Saturday, July 29
7:30PM

Donations gratefully accepted at the door.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH TACOMA, 310 North K Street, Tacoma, WA 98403

Join us for

ROOT BEER FLOATS

on

Sunday
July 30 • 12:00pm



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Parking on K Street - Sunday Morning

Beginning Sunday, July 23rd, curb parking in front of the Church Sanctuary will be reserved for parishioners with limited mobility. **Reserved Parking** spaces, on K Street from 4th Street to mid-block, will be designated with orange safety cones as pictured below. The intended purpose of the reserved space is to keep the travel distance short for members and visitors to Christ Church with motor limitations or issues with balance.

Floor Jam: The Daily Office Ministry is raising money to refinish the floors in the fireplace room. This year we have three flavors of jam: strawberry, raspberry, and tayberry. All donations for jam will help fund the floors in the fireplace room. Also, we will have a basket on the counter near the kitchen for returned jam jars so we can fill them again next year with delicious jam. Jam will be available at coffee hour in Wells Hall beginning **Sunday, July 23.**



Locks and Keys

As our church door locks and keys have grown tired and worn, they have become increasingly difficult for all of us to open. We hope to replace our locks in the near future, but in the meantime, we are not able to provide new keys, nor are we able to replace the locks. Our Sexton, Tim Williams, is available to help you if you need to enter the church. Please contact him 24 hours in advance to arrange access after Parish Office hours. Tim's days off are Tuesday/Wednesday and office staff is able to help on those days. Call Tim at 253.383.1569 x 103 to obtain access anywhere into the church when the office is closed.

Thank you for your understanding.



Worship at Christ Church

Daily Office at Christ Church

◇ Monday 9:00am*
Morning Prayer

◇ Tuesday 7:30am*
Lectio Divina

◇ Thursday 7:30am*
Morning Prayer

◇ Saturday 9:00am
Morning Prayer

*zoom link available at
[christchurchtacoma.org/
calendar](https://christchurchtacoma.org/calendar)

Sunday Worship at Christ Episcopal Church, Tacoma July 23, 2023

8:30am Holy Eucharist in Trinity Chapel

10:30am Holy Eucharist in the Church and



[Bulletin for 10:30am](#)

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