

# Christ Church Weekly

A newsletter for members and friends

**Christ Church Parish • Friday, July 7, 2023**

## **A Message from Fr. Samuel Torvend**

**T**he presence of the Royal School of Church Music West was nothing less than a blessing on a beautiful PNW day. Many thanks are due to Deborah Brene-man for preparing posters and programs; to Tim Williams for ensuring the space was open and prepared for rehearsals and worship; to Sue Stibbe, Jim Limerick, and their team for preparing a wonderful reception after the Holy Eucharist; to Paul Tegels for his correspondence with and preparations for RSCM; to Len Johnson, Joe Conklin, and Hector Arellano for gently welcoming a large crowd; and to the many of you who were present for worship, offering sustained applause and donations to RSCM. We counted 189 people in church, 50 of that total in the choir. A number of visitors mentioned their appreciation for our singing much of the liturgy throughout the service. “Well, I can see now why your parish has a reputation for musical worship,” said one visitor. Yes, indeed!



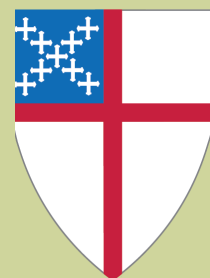
The Royal School of Church Music West appeared at Christ Church on July 2, 2023.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Tacoma Pride Festival, **July 8**
- Earth Ministry, **July 9**
- Secular Book Club, **July 13**
- Tacoma Contra Dance, **July 15**
- Food Pack Assembly, **July 16**
- Vestry Meeting, **July 18**
- Third Friday Concert, **July 21**
- Art on the Ave., **July 23**
- Tacoma Bach Festival, **July 28**
- Jazz in the Courtyard, **July 29**



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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:

Leslie Brooks; Barbara Pasi; Steve Oakman; Tammy Hess and Family, Patty Botkin; Liz Heath; Robert Reeves; Miri Hinder; 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. Hilda St. Patrick, Edmonds

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Anglican Church of Burundi

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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.

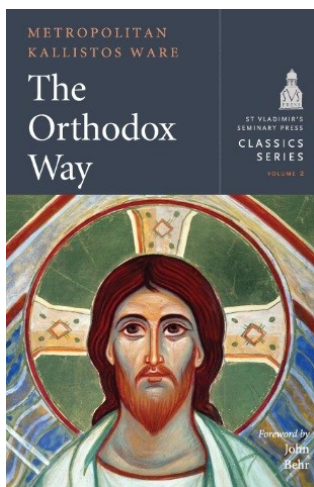
## Sunday, July 9 11:45 am in the Parish Library Earth Ministry

Join Keah Callucie who will discuss the benefits of Christ Church becoming a partner parish with Earth Ministry in our ongoing work to become Green Parish.

## 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. (There will be no meeting in the month of June.) 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*

## Community Service Leadership Team (CSLT) needs new members

The CSLT is looking to add a couple of new members. This ministry focuses primarily on hunger and shelter issues of our neighbors. If you are interested in being involved in leading our parish's efforts in these areas, please email [Len Johnson](#) or in person following a Sunday service to learn more. Thanks.

~Len Johnson

## Food Packs Live Again

Food packs! Just two Sundays left until we have an assembly line to fill 100 packs with nourishing food. The line will be formed in Wells Hall and is guaranteed to last about 20 minutes. Also guaranteed: satisfaction in helping and maybe the chance to rub elbows with a new friend. From July 16 on you will be able to carry a pack or two in your car to give to a hungry person.

## The Little Pantry

The Fourth has come and gone, and maybe we thought on Tuesday about the blessings of living in our Land. It isn't necessarily a land full of milk and honey for some, but we

can demonstrate the good will which rises from our belief in God and which rises from our solidarity with one another, by helping keep the Little Pantry full. How about this Sunday for starters?

## Our Care for the Earth

What is one simple gesture we can offer in care for the earth at this time of global warming and continued pollution? The scarring of the earth with landfills is prompted by the drive to consume more and more. So: why not ask these two questions before any and every purchase: Do I really need this product? How will this product, once used and disposed, affect land and water? For instance, the entire life cycle of disposable water bottles uses fossil fuels, contributes to global warming, and causes pollution. How about water from the tap and drinking from a reusable and washable metal container or glass?



## Saturday, July 8 12 Noon to 6 PM

Christ Church will be present at the Tacoma Pride Festival, letting the public know that we welcome persons who identify as LGBTQ to our parish - as well as their allies.

## 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 9, 2023

8:30am Holy Eucharist in Trinity Chapel

10:30am Holy Eucharist in the Church and



[Bulletin for 10:30am](#)

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