THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 12, 2020

8:00am Spoken Eucharist          10:30am Choral Eucharist

Growing in faith ~ Serving our neighbors ~ Creating community
WELCOME!

We hope that you will find spiritual nourishment and fellowship with us this morning.

This bulletin will guide you through today’s service step-by-step.

Restrooms are located by going out the door located next to St. Mary’s Chapel (which is on the right), and following the hallway through the doors. All are handicap accessible.

If you have any questions at all, our ushers will be happy to help you.

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us and invite you to join coffee and light refreshments after the 8:00 service in St. Mary’s Chapel, and after the 10:30 service in the Parish Hall.

A NOTE ABOUT INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

You will hear Mother Diana using female pronouns for God, when the bulletin has printed in it the traditional all male language. This is to provide a balance, and to invite us all into the understanding that God is not a boy’s name – God is both and neither female or male – we are all made in God’s image – women and men. You may, as you feel called, use the female language too.

The altar flowers are given by John Heinz Oemer to the glory of God, and in memory of his partner Bart Ferguson Harris (June 25, 1926-January 13, 2012) on the 7th anniversary of his death.

If you would like to have flowers dedicated in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of them or of a special event in your life, just contact the Church office, or you can donate online.

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THE WORD OF GOD

THE PRELUDE

Please stand, as able.

PROCessional HYMN 141 *(Lift Every Voice & Sing Words and Music: Robert Lowry (1826-1899)*

Shall We Gather at the River

1. Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod;
2. On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray;
3. Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we every burden down;
4. Soon we’ll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrim-age will cease;

1. With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?
2. We will walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day.
3. Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown.
4. Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace.

Yes, we’ll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river;

Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.
OPENING ACCLAMATION  (Book of Common Prayer, p. 355)

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit
People          Glory to God for ever and ever.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People          There is one hope in God’s call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People          One God and Creator of all.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Said together at 8:00, sung by all at 10:30.

GLORIA  (Hymnal 1982, S280    Composer: Powell) Said together at 8:00, sung by all at 10:30.

1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray together.

God in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.
FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

Lector The first reading is from the book of Isaiah

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People Thanks be to God.
PSALM 29

Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD | glo-ry and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the | beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of | glory thunders; *
the LORD is up | on the mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is a pow-erful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the ce | dars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip | like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon | like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the | wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Ka-desh.

The voice of the LORD makes the | oak trees writhe *
and | strips the forests bare.

And in the temple | of the LORD *
all are | crying, "Glo-ry!"

The LORD sits enthroned a| bove the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as | King for evermore.

The LORD shall give strength | to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the | blessing of peace.
SECOND READING

The second reading is from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able, for the Gospel.

THE GRADUAL

The choir sings a verse, then the congregation joins in with the Alleluia, singing it 2x before the gospel, and 2x afterwards.

All:

Verse:

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening. You have the words of everlasting life.
THE HOLY GOSPEL           MATTHEW 3:13-17

Celebrant       The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Celebrant       The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON            The Rev. Diana L. Wilcox

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION
Remain standing, as able, as we share in offering the Prayers of the People.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Adapted from Sundays and Seasons, Year C)

Celebrant United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Leader We pray for the church. Pour out your Spirit upon us and enliven us for mission. Draw us together in love that we may be one. Lead us in the way of your beloved Son. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader For the earth. Sustain oceans and seas, rivers and lakes, marshes and wetlands. Watch over dormant plants and hibernating animals as they rest in your care. Renew your creation and protect all creatures from harm. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader For the nations. Inspire leaders to work for the common good. Grant courage to those who put themselves at risk to protect others. Turn us away from violence and teach us to live in peace. We also pray for our neighborhoods of Bloomfield and Glen Ridge. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader For those in need. Protect children and vulnerable adults who depend on others to provide for their daily care. Uphold those who struggle with depression. Console the grieving and heal the sick. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader For this assembly. Renew your children in the covenant of baptism. Empower us by your loving Spirit to serve our neighbors. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader For the saints. With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died. Hold us safe in your arms of mercy and bring us with them into your promise of life eternal. God, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Celebrant I invite you now to offer your own intercessions or thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

COLLECT AT THE PRAYERS (Adapted from Sundays and Seasons, Year C)
Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Let us join with all those in the church who are committing themselves to Christ today and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in God the Father.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and is risen?

I believe and trust in God the Son.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes the Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit.

Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people, loving your neighbor as yourself?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

With the help of God, I will.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen
Celebrant  Let us pray.

Eternal Spirit, living God, in whom we live and move and have our being, all that we are, have been, and shall be is known to you, to the very secret of our hearts. Be with me as I exercise ministry in your Name.
Living flame, burn into me, cleansing wind, blow through me, fountain of water, well up within me, that I may see you more clearly, love you more dearly, follow you more nearly, day by day. AMEN.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER  (Book of Common Prayer, p. 306)

Celebrant  God be with you.
People    And also with you.

Celebrant  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People    It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues:
Almighty God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into new life and by the power of your life-giving Spirit ever cleanses and sanctifies your people: Bless, we pray you, this water for the service of your holy Church; and grant that it may be a sign of the cleansing and refreshment of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant will then sprinkle the congregation with the waters of baptism.

THE PEACE  (Enriching our Worship 1, p. 56)

Celebrant  The peace of Christ be always with you.
People    And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  Wade in the Water  Trad., arr. Carl Hayworth (b.1949)
HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

**DOXOLOGY** *(Hymnal 1982, 380 vs. 3  Tune: Old 100th)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**SURSUM CORDA** *(Hymnal 1982, 5120)*

The Celebrant continues *(Book of Common Prayer, p. 367)*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
Said together at 8:00. Sung by all at 10:30.

The Celebrant continues (Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer, p. 368)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”
Therefore, according to his command:

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

*Sung by all at 10:30am.*

**THE GREAT AMEN** *(Three-fold Amen  Tune: Danish)*

\[\text{\textbf{A-men, a-men, a-men.}}\]
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

- Our Father, who art in heaven,
  hallowed be thy Name,
  thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
  on earth as it is in heaven.
- Give us this day our daily bread.
- And forgive us our trespasses
  as we forgive those who trespass against us.
- And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*(8am only – 10:30 next page)*

**FRACTION** *(Enriching Our Worship, pg. 69)*

- Celebrant  We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
- People     We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.
Fraction Anthem  (Wonder, Love & Praise, 875  Composer: Gary James)

Cantor or Choir

1. Congregation  2. Cantor or Choir

Be known to us, Lord Jesus,
The disciples knew the Lord Jesus,

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bread which we break, alleluia, Is the com-

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known to us, Lord Je - sus,

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bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though
many we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.
COMMUNION HYMN 121  (Hymnal 1982  Words: F. Bland Tucker  Music: Caithness)
Christ, when for us you were baptized

1. Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

2. God called you his beloved Son, called you his servant true,
   sent you his kingdom to proclaim, his holy will to do.

3. Straight-way and steadfast until death you then obeyed his call,
   freely as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.

4. Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,
   that, likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  (Enriching Our Worship, p. 69)

God of abundance,
   you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people
in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
   that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING  (Book of Occasional Services, p. 23, adapt.)

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world;
And the blessing of God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our sustainer, be with you now and always. Amen.
O love, how deep, how broad, how high

DISMISSAL  *(Book of Common Prayer, p. 366)*

Celebrant: Let us go forth to proclaim the good news of God in Christ!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People  Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE
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The Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord is celebrated each year on the Sunday following the Feast of the Epiphany on January 6. The event of Christ’s baptism is recorded in all four gospel accounts:

“In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased’” (Mark 1:9-11).

“Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased’” (Luke 3:21-22).

“The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, ‘Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, “After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.” I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.’ And John testified, ‘I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, “He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.” And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God’” (John 1:29-34).

“Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?’ But Jesus answered him, ‘Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased’” (Matthew 3:13-17).
WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY
Holy Eucharist – 8:00am
Holy Eucharist with Music – 10:30am
Last Chance Mass on the Grass – 6pm (summer only)

THE LEADERSHIP OF CHRIST CHURCH

Wardens: Denise Massey-Williams and Leamon McKenzie
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POP-UP YOUTH MINISTRY HERE TODAY!!

We are blessed to be one of two host sites for the Diocese’s new program for youth – Pop-Up Youth Ministry. The theme of this event is *A Time for Everything*, and our discussions will be centered around the reading from Ecclesiastes 3. There are times to do things, and a time to not do things. What are these things we find most important in having in our lives? How do we find time for the other things we may care about? Using The Teen Compass we will identify together what things we want to find time for so we can have a happy, healthy, and productive year. Mother Diana will be holding a special adult small group with the chaperones mirroring the conversations with the participants and explore how we can best support our youth.

Registration will begin at 3:30 PM and the event will take place 4-6:30 PM and include dinner. We ask for a small $5 donation from each attendee to cover the cost of food.

CALL FOR WORSHIP MINISTRIES!

We are coming into a new year and we need YOU! We especially need ushers!!! Ushers are so essential to being a welcoming parish community, and we often find that we have no one at the door prior to the service start. This means that those who are not assigned often have to step up and serve again, or worse, and this has happened too often, there is no one to greet visitors when they arrive.

Not only that, but we are now required by the diocese to have a security plan in place for the safety of everyone, and ushers are an absolute must!

Everyone is welcome here, and everyone can play a role too! Send and email to the office if you are willing to serve: office@christchurcheiscopal.org.
**Serving This Week – January 12**

8:00 AM Service  
Worship Assistant:  
10:30 AM Service  
Crucifer/Acolytes: Aidan Anello  
Lectors: Christopher Dwyer, Pat Rotella  
Ushers: David Drislane, Darin Patterson  
Altar Guild: Francis Myrill, Michelle Ryndak  
Counters: Bill Seeman, Gwenda Barnes

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**Around Our Diocese**

**Annual Diocesan Convention – Jan 31 - Feb 1**

The 146th Annual Diocesan Convention will be held Friday, January 31 and Saturday, February 1, 2019 at the Hilton Meadowlands in East Rutherford. The theme for this year’s Convention is “Behold God’s Gifts – Become God’s Steward.”

Your deputation is Mother Diana, Desiree Noel, Ben Reynolds, and Christopher Dwyer. The alternates are Denise Massay-Williams and Leamon McKenzie. Pictured above was last year’s deputation from our parish participating in a gifts inventory exercise as part of convention. Deputies will report out their work on Sunday, Feb. 2nd.

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**From Christ Church to Christ Church – Jan 19**

Mother Diana will present an adult forum about her sabbatical, focusing most of it on her time at Christ Church Oxford in the UK, where she studied and lived for two weeks. The Adult Forum will take place in the Coursen Room after folks have had a chance to grab a cup of coffee and something to eat. Mtr. Diana will show photos, video, and talk about the experience. This photo is one she took at Oxford.

**Advent & Christmas Photos!**

From the Greening of the Church to Christmas Eve, check out all of the photos from our Advent and Christmas events on our website.

In fact, you can see all the photos through the years on our website!

**Lessons & Carols Video Available!!**

Thanks to chorister Jeff Stanfill, we have a professionally recorded video of our Lessons & Carols service, which the church paid to have made. Check it out on our church Youtube Channel, and while you are at it, subscribe to it too! A link is available on our website and Facebook pages.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGES

Your pledges make a world of difference to the life and ministry of Christ Church. This past year, we have had to make some important repairs for the safety and comfort of everyone. These things, that will be life giving to the church, were only possible by those who pledged, and especially by those who remembered this parish in their estate plans. If you still need to make your pledge, there are more pledge cards in the back of the church and they may be dropped directly into the offering plate, done online on our website, or mailed to our office.

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

All the news (and loads of wonderful photos) are available in our Christmas Edition of our Parish Newsletter. If you did not get one, they are available in the back, where the bulletins are – or ask an usher for one.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES ARE HERE!

Pledge envelopes are now available for those who have pledged. If you give regularly, but do not pledge, envelopes are always available at the ushers table, but please consider putting down the amount you generally give in the form of a pledge, as this really helps the church the most in our planning.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO RETIRE THE GREENS!

A big shout out to all who participated yesterday in the First Annual Retiring of the Greens! Dan Wing had a great idea to make this an event on a Saturday (like the way we green the church), rather than try to take care of it during the week. Many hands make light work!

THE EPIPHANY PROJECT IS UNDERWAY!

How will you shine your light? All those who pledged to the church by Dec. 31st received a $200 check from our outreach funds to enable us to Shine Christ’s Light into the world. Please note: These are NOT to be donated back to the church!!! This money is intended for outreach. You must donate this to a not-for-profit doing ministry in the world, and you must make this donation by the end of Epiphany!

The season of Epiphany is a time of God’s revealing Christ to the world, and we in turn will reveal Christ to our community through these gifts. Each pledger will be able to write this check over to the non-profit of their choice. You can team with others to make the gift larger, or return your check for smaller ones to spread the light further.

On the last Sunday of Epiphany, as we celebrate the Transfiguration of Jesus, we will come together in the parish hall to share our stories of spreading Christ’s light into the world. So, as Isaiah proclaims, “Arise, shine! For your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.”
PARISH PRAYER LIST

As a community of faith we pray this week for our church, our neighbors, the needs of the world, and these special concerns...

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray especially for the Anglican Church of Australia, and for all suffering under the wildfires, and those who work to help.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the Clergy, Wardens, Vestry and People of Grace Church, Westwood and St. Paul’s & Resurrection, Woodridge.

We pray also for Darlene Mattia, Nancy Moylan, Ron Graybill, Gail Jackson, Pearl Anderson, Judith Mack, Linda, Robyn Noe, Kathleen Charles Phillip, Kathy Joann Charles, Kendall Charles Meeking, Nicholas Charles, Tamara Charles, Luna Straughn, Dorothy Brozdowski; Larelle John; Ainsley Tierney; Tara Archer; Marva Bansfield; Henry Aulenbach; Anna Lopez; Johnny Thomas; Lynn Kearney; Joe Garris; Fr. Jim; Jayne Manger; Evelyn London; Jane Durham; Donna and Dawn Turner; Caroline Paglia; Russell Seeman; Sarah Sampson; Josephine Novak; Lynda VanSant Bigelow; Brinder Kaur; Mantreet Kaur; Sundee Singh; Sheila Jackson; Heather Walker; Leo Toledo, Sr., Bob Plass; Catherine Sanford; the Rev. John & Joan Laney; Kathryn Marie Natvig; Martha Crawford; the Rev. Terry Wing; Ljerka; Amy Waldron; Trisha Pflaum; Miriam Sampson; Frieda Smith; Jean Riis; Corrado Gigante; Janel Ramirez; Matthew James Saunders, Eris Yarborough; Alphonsone Jenkins; Ellen Packard; Margaret Wiley; Charles Anderson; Stacey Marshall; Donna DeBellis-Russo; Eileen, Gary, and Christopher; Roseann and Henley Alleyne; Bonnie, Audrey, and Donald Gustafsson.

We pray for all those serving in the military, especially Peter Wilcox, as well as the families of all those who serve, or have been lost in action.

We pray for all the children and staff of our Church & Nursery School, especially Kathy and Vinnie Campione and family, Michael Gibson and family, and Spoerl and Fertig families.

SERVING NEXT WEEK – JANUARY 12

8:00 AM Service

Worship Assistant: Rick Fox

10:30 AM Service

Crucifer/Acolytes: Marian Hess

Lectors: Dan Wing, Desiree Noel

Ushers: Pat Rotella, Nadine Sempier

Altar Guild: Michelle Ryndak, Shirley Farquharson

Counters: Dan Wing, Leamon McKenzie

REMINDER: To be added to the Christ Church Texting service, text CHRISTCHURCH to 313131 to receive messages about closings and events.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Today

Pop-Up Youth Ministry Event
3:30pm (Parish Hall)

Monday

Bolshoi Music
3:00pm (Coursen Room)

Self Compassion
7:00pm (Library – 74 Park)

Thursday

Choir Rehearsal
8:00pm (Coursen Room)

Saturday

Wright Funeral
1:00pm (Church)