Christ Church
Good News & Notes!

Deadline for GNN submissions is Tuesday at noon.

A home to all sharing God's unconditional love.

Julie Smith's follow-up class on the Enneagram & Spirituality had a great turnout!





All Saints Sunday



Candles lit in loving memory & honor of our loved ones

Pledge cards will be blessed on Sunday, Nov 22nd

Please prayerfully consider making a pledge. Pledges are the driving force behind our budget development. If you're able to pledge, please complete your pledge card and return it in the offering plate, by snail mail at our PO Box 1866 (Sparta, NC 28675) or drop it off at the office. **Our pledge cards will be blessed on Sunday, Nov 22nd** – *Christ the King Sunday.*

EVERY gift makes a difference!

Altar Flowers & Coffee Hour Refreshments

A message from our Parish Life Leader, Jane Franck: We are in need of a few more volunteers so that we can provide refreshments with the coffee each Sunday. This can be as simple as a plate of cookies or cheese and crackers. Sign up is in the church parish hall.

Date	Altar Flowers	Coffee hour
Nov 8	Cynthia Grant	Cynthia Grant
Nov 15	Marybeth Lentz	Patti Phelps
Nov 22	Wanda McKnight	Wanda McKnight
Nov 29	**Altar Guild**	Mary Lee Joines
Dec 6	**Altar Guild**	Mary Lee Joines
Dec 13	**Altar Guild**	
Dec 20	**Altar Guild**	**Decoration Sunday**
Dec 24	**Poinsettias**	
Dec 27	**Poinsettias**	



Christian Formation

1:00 pm – Centering Prayer
2:00 – Book Discussion

During the month of November, the Christian Formation group will practice *Lectio Divina*. If you want to join us for this contemplative deep dive into the Gospel lesson, please come. *All are welcome!*

For Advent, we will discuss a John Philip Newell book. John P Newell is prolific writer about Celtic spirituality and our relationship to the earth. We haven't picked which of his books we'll read but we'll announce it here as soon as we do.

If you have any questions about the groups, ask Patti. She's at church most Sundays or you can email her at frankandpatti@yahoo.com.



Junior Warden Barbara Halsey in action!

Schedule

Sunday, November 8 – The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with The Rev Karla Woggon
Coffee hour follows the service
Worship Team meeting follows coffee hour

Monday, November 9
10:30 am – 30th Anniversary Planning Team meeting

Tuesday, November 10
1:00 pm – Centering Prayer group
2:00 pm – Book Discussion group

Sunday, November 15 – The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with The Rev Dr Katherine Shaner
Coffee hour follows the service

Tuesday, November 17
1:00 pm – Centering Prayer group
2:00 pm – Book Discussion group

Sunday, November 22 – Christ the King Sunday
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with The Rev Karla Woggon
Coffee hour follows the service

Monday, November 23
11:00 am – Vestry meeting

Tuesday, November 24
1:00 pm – Centering Prayer group
2:00 pm – Book Discussion group

Sunday, November 29 – The First Sunday of Advent
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with The Rev Karla Woggon
Coffee hour follows the service
5:00 pm – Taizé service



Please join us in prayer...

Intercessions for Members & Friends:
Allan Joyce, Brenda Weems, Buck Hunnicutt, Cara Todd, Cathy Davis (The Rev), Denise Seckel, Gary Medley, Janice Harrison, John & Jane Gehring, Ken & Janice Kleva, Margaret, Martha Honaker (The Rev), Pat Hardee, Rod Pace & Louise Law, Sally & Chuck Besaw, Sara Brown Davis, Rita Woodruff, Susan & Jim Doss (The Rev), and Vicky Fischer Faw. We also pray for Cliff & Kathy, Geoff & his family, Jeanne, and Marybeth as they grieve.

Intercessions for Community Friends & our Family Members:
Antje & Bill, Bonnie, Carol Greer, Chris, Debbie & Doug Bebber (Cynthia's friends), Coralie & her mother Mary, Diana Asher, Donald & Audrey Carter, Donna & Mike Hohnstine, Edwin (Nancy's brother), Erin Mohr & her family, Gwen (Ann), Inza & Blair, Isabel Tomé, Jeff & his wife Karen, Jerry & Theresa (Ann's friends), Jim & Diane (Nancy's BIL & sister), John & Diane (Judy's BIL & sister), Karen & Dick Dewald, Jonathan, Langhorne Jones, Linda/Cindy/Trent, Liz Lee Williamson (Mary Lee's cousin), Lynn Ellis, Lynn & Ajit, Michael, Mike, Paul Norman (Nancy's son), Raymond Hindman (Cara Todd's father), Rudy McKnight, Tom Warndorf, and Vanita. **And we pray for all those impacted by violence, war and weather disasters; our local neighbors that fear detention; all the foster children & foster families in AL Co, and Christ Church, its leaders & ministry teams.**

Departed:

Birthdays: Rod Pace (Nov 5), Denise Seckel (Nov 8), Linda Blevins (Not 9)

Wedding Anniversaries & other Thanksgivings: Ken & Janet Kleva (Nov 6)



Please pray for all the inmates, staff, and volunteers at River North Correctional Center in Independence, VA



Solid Rock donations needed!

Our Solid Rock representative, Wanda McKnight, shared the following information that updates the greatest needs at the food closet including the Backpack Program, now that school is in session. Please read through the list and provide whatever you're able to provide. ***All donations make a difference!***

Holiday Needs *{Each family gets one holiday bag in November & December}*

Gravy mix or jars of gravy
Canned fruit
Corn muffin mix
Sweet potatoes or yams
Stuffing mix
Brownie mix

There are green shopping lists in the wagon in the narthex. Take one!

Always Needed

toiletries (deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.)
toilet paper
paper towels
liquid dish soap
laundry detergent

Backpack Program Needs

Individually-packaged:

fruit cups
applesauce
Mac n Cheese
vegetable cups
Chef Boyardee type mini cups
crackers (cheese & peanut butter, etc.... 'Nabs)
breakfast bars
Ramen noodles

IMPORTANT: Please note the expiration date on items. Items **cannot** be donated after the expiration date.

Financial donations are also welcome. Write your check to 'Christ Church' and write SRFC on the memo line or if you decide to give cash, on the offering envelope.

If you want to contribute financially to the Backpack Program, include 'backpack program' on the memo line.

If you have any questions, contact Wanda McKnight at wandagmcknight@gmail.com or 615.707.0266.



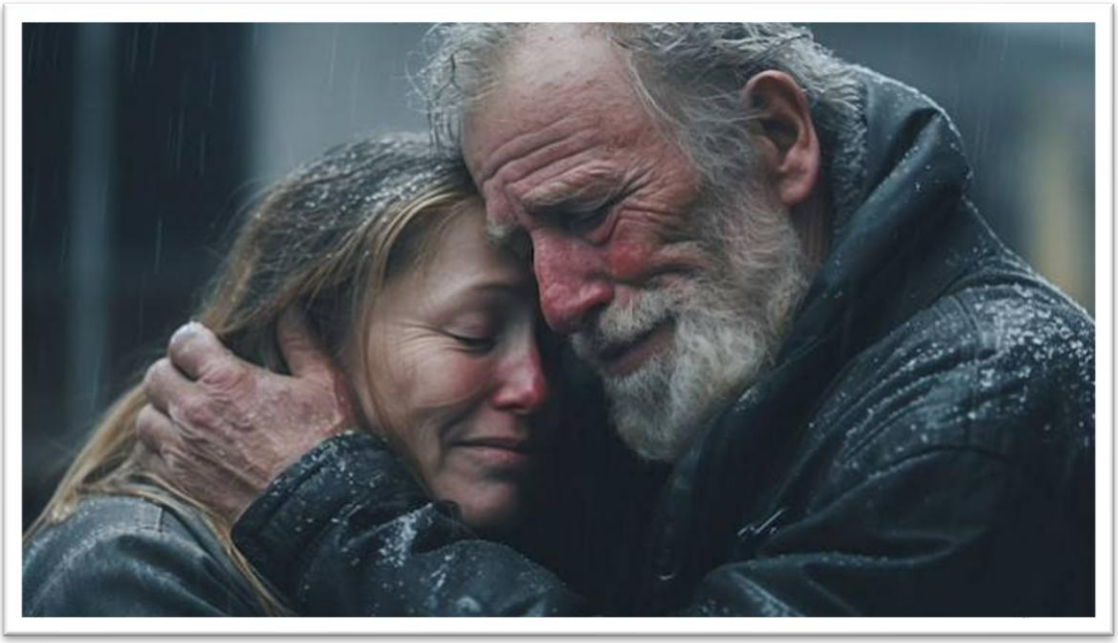
Prescription Bottle Drop-Off

We **recycle prescription bottles with lids** and *with the labels pulled off*. There is a bag attached to **the water fountain just inside the Narthex on your left** for you to leave your pill bottles in**. A BIG thank you to Ann & Frank Hazard for delivering the bottles to the vet's office!**



Try out our QR code to connect to our website:

Need prayer now?



If you have a prayer need, for example, illness, upcoming surgery, death in the family, big life decisions or needing comfort/support, there are a few ways to communicate that need. You can call or email our Priest in Charge, The Rev Karla Woggon; call or email Mary Lee at the office and she'll email the members with a Prayer Request; share your request with a Vestry member; or fill out a Prayer Request Card (found in the pew backs in the sanctuary).

If you're sharing information about another individual(s), *please make sure you have permission to share the need*. If you prefer not to share any details, you can simply email or call and ask for urgent prayer.

Also, if there are reasons to remove anyone from the prayer list, please let us know that, too.

We know the power of prayer and if each of us stops and takes a few minutes to pray for the individual(s) in need, it will have a great impact.

The Prayer Shawls/Lap Blankets are available



The prayer shawls/quilts have been moved under the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take one for someone you know and love who would benefit from being wrapped in love from Christ Church. Be sure to fill in the book in the box which tells who and why. We've had thanks expressed from new mothers to a death in the family to surgery. These are gifts made by parishioners who want to share their talent. If you're interested in making a shawl or quilt, please contact Patti Phelps at frankandpatti@yahoo.com.



Our updated website **(christchurchalleghany.org)** has a **Members Only page** that contains the most updated financial reports, Treasurers' Report, Vestry minutes, and the 2026 budget. Once you get on the website, you can easily navigate each page to review the information. *If you're interested in accessing the Member's Only section, email Mary at* christchurchspartanc@gmail.com *and she'll provide you the password.*

We also invite you to share our website – christchurchalleghany.org – to introduce the Parish and encourage others to visit.



Dial 988 for crisis line support



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