

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 9 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 10:15 am Rector's Forum (U)
- 10:15 am Faith Formation (EdW)

MONDAY, MARCH 16

- Offices Closed
- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 3:30 pm Bible Study (FR)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)
- 7:30 pm Chorale (N)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (N)
- 6 pm Community Dinner (U)
- 6:45 pm Adult Formation (MH)
- 6:45 pm One Big World (B217)

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

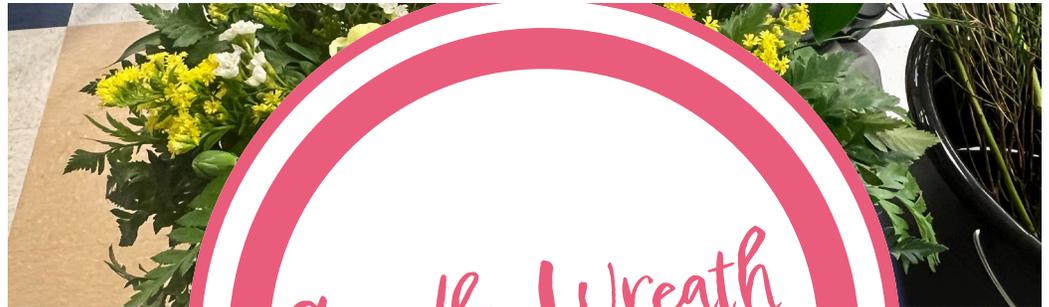
- Offices Closed
- 1:30 pm Chorale (N)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 9 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 10:15 am Rector's Forum (U)
- 10:15 am Faith Formation (EdW)

Location Abbreviations:

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| BL - Bicknell Library | C - Columbarium |
| CR - Choir Room | EdW - Education Wing |
| FL - Front Lawn | L - Lobby |
| LL - Lower Level | N - Nave |
| O - Offsite | R - Rectory |
| SMC - Chapel | U - Undercroft |
| Z - Zoom | |



Candle Wreath Workshop



**Saturday, April 4 | 1 - 2 pm
Lower Level**

Help decorate the Nave for Easter!

No flower arranging experience necessary!

Everyone 8 & older is welcome
(children must be accompanied by an adult)



Rector's Forum

Undercroft | 10:15 am

Martyrdom in the English Reformation – Member Eric Ash, History Professor at Wayne State, shares a little understood aspect of church history: Martyrdom in the English Reformation. He will explore the lives of ordinary English people, both Roman Catholic and Protestant, that were cut short by shifts political and theological in their cultural landscape.

All Children are Welcome! Children gather at the Children's Cross for the Collect of the Day and dismissal to Children's Chapel to hear the story of Jesus and engage in a meaningful reflection of the lessons for that Sunday. They return to join in our Prayers and to share in the Peace and Holy Communion.

Parish & Community Events

Today at Christ Church

Childcare for infants through aged 3 years old is offered during the 9 am Sunday Eucharist.

- » Holy Eucharist..... 8 amNave
- » Coffee Hour.....8:45 am Undercroft
- » Holy Eucharist..... 9 amNave
- » Rector's Forum..... 10:15 am Undercroft

Children and Youth Formation

Resumes Sunday, March 1 | Education Wing | 10:15 am

Using the rich and reflective principals of Montessori education, our children gather for an age appropriate, contemplative learning experience in an atrium setting. In their time together our children not only deepen their bond of community, but learn that the expression of faith is a life of compassionate peacemaking and service to our neighbor.

- » Godly Play (PreK3-1st grade) 10:15-11:15 am Ed Wing
- » Atrium 2 (2nd-4th grade)..... 10:15-11:15 am Ed Wing
- » Atrium 3 (5-7th grade) 10:15-11:15 am Ed Wing
- » MS Gathering (Grades 6 - 8)..... 10:15-11:15 am Ed Wing
- » HS Gathering Grades 9-12)..... 10:15-11:15 am Ed Wing

This Thursday at Christ Church

Dinner for March 19: Soup & Salad!!

- » Evening Prayer.....5 pmNave
- » Holy Eucharist..... 5:30 pmNave
- » Community Dinner.....6 pm Undercroft
- » Adult Formation..... 6:45 pm Undercroft
- » One Big World 6:45 pm Ed. Wing

Thursday Night Formation

**The Gospel of Matthew: Jesus – God with Us
Soup & Salad this week!**

According to Matthew, the Church is an earthly manifestation of the kingdom of God, and it is comprised of Jesus' followers who have been called out to live righteously in the world and to serve in the manner of the Christ with deep humility and unfathomable forgiveness. In Jesus, there is a new community at work for the blessing of the world. What is it that binds us together?

Children, Youth & Family

Children's Chapel, 9:15-9:45 am, PK3-4th grade: Children gather at the Children's Cross for the Collect of the Day and dismissal to Children's Chapel to hear the story of Jesus and engage in a meaningful reflection of the lessons.

Palm Sunday Readers Needed!

Looking for teens from our community to proclaim our Gospel on Palm Sunday March 29 at the 9 am Eucharist. Those interested should join us for practice on Sunday, March 22 at 11:15 am in the Nave!

Parish Life | Outreach

Living Books, Enlivening Faith

Reading in Community

How We Learn to Be Brave | Mariann Edgar Budde

Sunday | April 26 | 6:30 pm

On January 21, 2025, many Americans were introduced to Bishop Mariann Budde thanks to what The New York Times called "an extraordinary act of public resistance." During her prayer service for Donald Trump's second inauguration, Bishop Budde addressed the president directly, imploring him "to have mercy on the people in our country who are scared now." With *How We Learn to Be Brave*, she teaches us that being brave is not a singular occurrence; it's a journey that we can choose to undertake every day. If you plan on attending the discussion, please RSVP to cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org.

Pewabic @ CCGP!

Friday, April 17 | 7 pm | Undercroft

Everyone 18 and older is invited to join the OWLS for this fun event. In this one hour hands-on experience, participants will glaze a tile using the same techniques as Pewabic production staff. They will fire the tiles and return them to us in roughly two weeks. Cost is \$55 and registration is required by March 31



Serve at Crossroads

Sunday, April 26

Ages 10 and up are welcome to volunteer! Help is needed preparing (8 - 11 am) and serving lunch (10:30 am - 2 pm) to the guests at Crossroads of Michigan. Sign up using the QR code Note: if you wish to serve all day, that option is now available in the drop down menu rather than signing up twice!!



For the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on th

Parish & Community Events

Worship & Music

Flowers

The flowers this weekend are given to the Glory of God.

Candle Wreath Workshop

Saturday, April 4 | 1 – 2 pm | Lower Level

No experience necessary! Volunteers are needed to create 24 candle rings that will be placed in the Nave for Easter. Open to adults and children 8 years and older (children must be accompanied by a parent). Please bring: hand pruner or kitchen shears; 2 liter soda bottle; thin garden gloves and a 12" ruler or measuring tape. Wear clothes that can get dirty and/or bring an apron, plus comfortable shoes. Arrangements will be placed in the Nave for Easter! Scan the QR code to sign up!



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St. John Passion: Johann Sebastian Bach Palm Sunday Concert | March 29 | 4 pm

Begin the journey of Holy Week as the Christ Church Chorale, Orchestra, and soloists perform Bach's gripping masterpiece retelling the arrest, trials, death, and burial of Jesus. Scan the QR code for tickets.



Do You Know a Child Who Loves to Sing?

The Choir of Christ Church Grosse Pointe has provided outstanding music opportunities for Grosse Pointe and Detroit area children for nearly a century.

Our young singers learn the basics of singing, reading music, and fundamental musical structure. The first step in our program provides children and families an experience of our world-class choir program in a fun group environment, while providing an opportunity to explore the choir's role in our community. Parents of children with enthusiasm for music are encouraged to email Jackson Merrill, Assistant Director of Music at jmerrill@christchurchgp.org.

Welcome! We're Glad You're Here!

Are you new to Christ Church? Do you have a Prayer Request?

Connection and prayer cards are available in the pew rack. Please fill one out and place it in the Offering Plate or give it to a priest after the service.

Assisting at Services

Altar Guild

8 am Sandra Walters
9 am Liz Johnson

Eucharistic Ministers:

8 am Ben Burton
9 am Kate French
David Gerdis

Lector:

8 am John Mara
9 am Gretchen White

Prayers:

8 am Ben Burton
9 am Rema Waugh

Verger:

9 am Deb Champion

Acolytes:

9 am Jay Ash
Isaac Hall
Molly Hanoian
Charlotte Walsh
Violet Hakim
Paige Niscoromni

Ushers:

9 am Adam Waugh
Steve Fehniger
Dick Trost
Marshall Irby

Flowers:

Angela von Schwarz
Susan Mills

We Pray Together

Please leave your written prayer request at our Reception Desk or contact **Fr. Drew** at rector@christchurchgp.org.

In order to keep all our prayers for healing meaningful and current, we keep names on the Prayer List for two weeks.

In the Diocese of Michigan

Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, Pleasant Lake; Church of the Resurrection, Ecorse; Jesus the Pilgri, Barahona (DR).

In the Anglican Cycle of

Prayer we pray for: The Church of Kenya.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer

this week we pray for: Toni Book; Terry Book; John & Becky Booth, II; Ralph & Susan Booth, II; Heather Bossler-Byron; Mike & Sarah Bove and children, Zachary and Emma.

We offer prayers for:

Joan, Joyce, Katie, Marcus, Mike, Patti, Ruth.

In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries

of: Kate Lucander; Martha Williams; Scott Oranchak; Toni Book; Henry Chesterton; Brad Stocker; Clark Standish; Judie Bailey; Kathy Keating; Terry Lynch; Lisa Gage; Martha Bangs; Nina Ormsby; Frank Moran; Jeff Bauer; Jennifer Ryan; Charlie & Yolanda Turner.



Lessons for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalms 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
**and guides me along right pathways
for his Name's sake.**
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
**for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence
of those who trouble me; *
**you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.**
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Ephesians 5:8-14

Pew Bible, Page NT 150

John 9:1-41

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

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