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Weekly Highlights of Parish Life: July 19 – 26, 2026

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 19

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 10 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 11:15 am Lemonade on the Lawn (FL)

MONDAY, JULY 20

- Offices Closed
- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 8:30 am Grosse Pointe Theater Camp

TUESDAY, JULY 21

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 8:30 am Grosse Pointe Theater Camp
- 6:30 pm Finance Committee (BL)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 8:30 am Grosse Pointe Theater Camp
- 10 am Staff Meeting (BL)
- 1 pm Bible Study (FR)
- 2 pm Common Thread (LL)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

THURSDAY, JULY 23

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 8:30 am Grosse Pointe Theater Camp
- 9 am Youth Summer Service (O)
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (N)
- 6 pm Summer BBQ (FL)

FRIDAY, JULY 24

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 8:30 am Grosse Pointe Theater Camp

SATURDAY, JULY 25

- Offices Closed
- 11 am Funeral: Retenbach (C)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

SUNDAY, JULY 26

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 10 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 11:15 am Lemonade on the Lawn (FL)

Location Abbreviations:

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

SUMMER BBQ

This Thursday! 6 - 8 pm



Bring the family to an evening of fun and fellowship on the Front Lawn. We provide the burgers and hot dogs - *complete with all the fixin's* - You bring a dish to share, a beverage of your choice, and your friends and family!

Lemonade was used historically to help prevent scurvy among sailors.

Join us after the 10 am service for lemonade and treats in the Rose Garden.

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 age 3 is offered during the 10 am Sunday Eucharist.

- » Holy Eucharist..... 8 amNave
- » Coffee Hour.....8:45 am Undercroft
- » Holy Eucharist.....10 amNave
- » Lemonade on the Lawn..... 11:15 am Rose Garden

Parish Life

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. You can also fill out a new member form online by scanning the QR code.

Join the Carstens Reading Initiative

Registration Now Open

Give an hour or two each week to help a child learn to read. Scan the QR code to register! Contact Mtr. Maureen Martin, mmartin@christchurchgp.org for more information. Mentor training will take place the morning of September 17 (time TBA) here at CCGP.



Loaves & Fishes

Sundays in July

Help us collect nonperishable food to stock the emergency food pantry at Crossroads. Bring a grocery bag filled with your donation to the display in the Nave during the month of July. Items will be delivered to Crossroads in August. Lists of suggested items are available at church entrances and reception. Crossroads has expressed a specific need/desire for shelf stable protein sources.

Faiths United To Save Democracy Poll Chaplain/Peacekeeper Training

During the 2026 Midterm elections, Americans will exercise one of the most important rights of citizenship, the precious right to vote. While it is illegal, ICE will likely be at targeted polling sites, increasing fear and even keeping many from voting. Faiths United is offering virtual training on September 28 and October 15. Attendance at only one training session is required to understand changes in election laws and techniques for managing increased threats. Visit www.turnoutsunday.com to register or for more information.

Children, Youth & Family

Children's Chapel, 10:15 – 10:45 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.

Youth Summer Service Opportunities

Select Wednesday & Thursdays

Help deliver fresh produce to low-income families and seniors at the former Marygrove College site. Transportation to UDM provided by Lisa Brown – space is limited, please speak to Lisa or email lbrown@christchurchgp.org if you'd like to go! Dates are July 1 and 23, August 5, 6 and 19. We'll meet at CCGP: Wednesdays: 12:45 pm and return at 4; Thursdays: 9:15 am and return at 12:45 pm.

Camino: The Journey Begins this Summer!

Starting July 28

Every one of us is on a journey. This year, our Christ Church high school ministry is inviting you to walk it together beginning this summer – in small, close-knit groups of 5 – 7 teens built around faith, friendship, and honest conversation. Snacks provided!

Scan the QR code to sign up for one weekly session. You will attend this same session every week. If you're looking for a different time, please reach out to Lisa Brown, lbrown@christchurchgp.org and we will try to make it work!

- Tuesdays: 3:30 – 4:30 pm or 5 – 6 pm
- Wednesdays: 5 – 6 pm or 6 – 7 pm
- Thursdays: 3:30 – 4:30 pm or 5 – 6 pm



The Art & Science of Cooking: Dumplings!

July 28 – 30 | 10 am – 1 pm

Christ Church Commons maker and ULS teacher Kirsten Hibbs, owner of Dillicious Pickles, will be offering cooking classes in the Undercroft kitchen this summer for children ages 8 – 17. Cost includes a personalized apron, lots of take home food, and physical copies of all recipes created!



Dillicious: The Final Pop Up!

July 26 | Order By July 23

Kirsten will unfortunately no longer be operating as Dillicious come August, but is offering her pickles, cheese spread and bloody mary mix for one last sale – check your email for a link or scan the QR code.



I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my

Parish & Community Events

Worship & Music

Flowers

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

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 Scott Hanoian, Director of Music, at music@christchurchgp.org.

Cedar Point!

August 27 | 8:30 am – 10 pm

Join the choir on the bus to Cedar Point! The bus will pick you up at CCGP around 8:30 am and return you around 10 pm! It's the best way to travel to Cedar Point, enjoy movies and nap on the way home! In between, spend a fun day riding roller coasters (during one of the slowest park days of the season), eating funnel fries and playing games! Contact Colleen, cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org for information on pricing and any other questions! Space is limited, scan the QR Code to register!



Hearing Impaired?

To better support our hearing-impaired guests, we now offer a listening system that streams audio directly to your hearing aids through your smartphone. Belt packs are available on request.

1. Connect to our Wi-Fi: CCGP-Guest, Password: Godlovesyou.
2. Download the free ListenWIFI app from the App Store or Google Play.
3. Open the ListenWIFI app and select the Nave channel.



Questions or issues? Please reach out to a staff member or usher.

Assisting at Services

Eucharistic Ministers:

10 am Mary Trost

Lector:

10 am Lynn Anslow

Prayers:

10 am Sean von Schwarz

Verger:

10 am Deb Champion

Ushers:

10 am Karyn Weir

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: Church of the Messiah, Detroit; St. John the Evangelist, Haina, DR.

In the Anglican Cycle of

Prayer we pray for: The Church of Sudan.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer

this week we pray for: Martha Ingalls; Marshall & Libby Irby and children, Daphne and Lillian; Walter & Edie Jacques; Edward & Lis Jeffries; Hilary Johns and daughter, Chloe; Ashlyn Johnson; Ned & Liz Johnson, Jr; Laine Johnson; Sara Johnson.

We offer prayers for:

Adam, Becki, Carter, Chris, Lana, Lynn, Nancy, Stan, Walter.

In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries of:

John Freudenthal; Jane Knaus; Jon Ostrowski; Joseph Stevenson; Judy Thoma; Ren Graves; Betsy Azzaro; Pixie White; Blair & Nancy Osborn; Al & Margaret Torp; Samuel & Martha Stott; Jim & Ann Spica.



Lessons for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 11

Isaiah 44:6-8

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Psalms 86:11-17

- 11 Teach me your way, O LORD,
and I will walk in your truth; *
knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.
- 12 I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my heart, *
and glorify your Name for evermore.
- 13 For great is your love toward me; *
you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God,
and a band of violent men seeks my life; *
they have not set you before their eyes.
- 15 But you, O LORD, are gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *
**give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.**
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; *
**because you, O LORD, have helped me
and comforted me.**

Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Lessons for next week: The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 3:5-12 | Psalm 119:129-136 | Romans 8:26-39 | Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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