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Weekly Highlights of Parish Life: August 9 – 16, 2026

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

- 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, AUGUST 10

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 6:30 pm Buildings & Grounds (BL)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 1 pm Bible Study (FR)
- 2 pm Common Thread (B112)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (N)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

- Offices Closed
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

- 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:

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

STUFF THE BUS!



Back to school uniform drive for Carstens Academy

Let's help Carstens students return to school in style! Please purchase uniform tops and bottoms for the youngest kids for whom there is the greatest need. Sizes needed: 4/5, 6/7, 8/10. The school uniform colors are navy, yellow and black tops and khaki, navy and black bottoms. If you would like to have your donation shipped to CCGP we would be happy to receive it, or if you'd like to make a monetary contribution, email Mtr. Maureen at mmartin@christchurchgp.org!

Chocolate chip cookies were invented in 1938 by Ruth Graves Wakefield at the Toll House Inn in Whitman, Massachusetts. Originally called "Chocolate Crunch Cookies", they were created before chocolate chips existed.

Join us after the 10 am service for lemonade and chocolate chip cookies 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

Final Summer Barbecue!

August 20 | 6 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 and vegetarian options - You bring a dish to share, a beverage of your choice, and everyone has a great evening! Help is needed with set up and working the grills - contact Colleen, cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org to volunteer!

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.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 18 | 12 – 6 pm



We will be hosting a blood drive in the lower level. To make an appointment please scan the QR code!

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

One Date Left: August 19 | 9:15 am – 12:45 pm

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! Remaining date is August 19. We'll meet at CCGP on Wednesday, August 19, depart at 9:15 am and return at 12:45 pm.

Youth Summer Game Night

Thursday, August 20 | Following the BBQ!

Join us for the summer BBQ at 6 pm then gather for fun and games including Spike Ball - Corn Hole - Bocce Ball - Sauce Kit on the front lawn.

Atrium Formation Leader Volunteer Orientation

Sunday, September 20 | 10:15 am

Join Lisa Brown for a review of the calendar, lessons, systems, etc. No RSVP or cost necessary! All formation leaders will need to take the safe church training, steps and instruction available on the CCGP web site or by scanning the QR code.



Atrium Faith Formation Listening for God

Sundays Beginning September 27 | 10:15 am

Every Sunday from September through May, we offer regular faith formation classes and activities for children and youth grades PK3 – 12. Our dedicated staff and volunteers work together to lead our children through age-appropriate lessons, crafts, and interactive discussions as they explore a new theme each week.

The Village at Christ Church

Bi-weekly on Thursdays Beginning September 17 | 4:30 pm

A welcoming community for parents to connect, share, and support one another through the early years of parenting. The Village fosters real, in-person relationships rooted in shared values, helping families feel known and connected while modeling meaningful community for our children. Open to all parents of young children, free childcare provided. Contact Lisa Brown, lbrown@christchurchgp.org for more information.



Mercy and truth have met together; right

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.

Homecoming

Sunday, September 13 | 10 am

Join us for our Fall Homecoming celebration with the last 10 am service of the season. Children should bring their backpacks to the 10 am service to have them blessed for the upcoming school year. Join us following the service for the annual Homecoming Festival with fun on the front lawn including balloon animals, games and a rock climbing wall! We'll have a BBQ lunch, ice cream and information on the upcoming program year!

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

Altar Guild:

8 am Cheryl Wesen

Eucharistic Ministers:

8 am Miles Kennedy
10 am Mary Trost
Judith Burkhardt

Lector:

8 am Cheryl Wesen
10 am Ian Jones

Prayers:

8 am Miles Kennedy
10 am Karyn Weir

Verger:

10 am Deb Champion

Ushers:

10 am Ian Jones
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: Christ United, DeWitt; Cathedral of the Epiphany, Santo Domingo, DR.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Episcopal Church.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week we pray for: Pam Kelly; Paulina & Miles Kennedy; Geoff & Mori Kimmel and daughter, Riley; Pete & Sidney King; Bob Kingscott & Sue Mara; Anthony & Katherine Kirk and son, Hayden; Judy Kling; James & Jane Knaus; Gar & Scottie Knight, III.

We offer prayers for: Adam, Becki, Carter, Chris, Elaine, Ellen, Jill, Lana, Sandra, Shaheem, Stan, Walter, William.

In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries of: Jeanie Powers; Kendall Moorhead; Marilyn Richardson; Scott Durkee; Joel Anyim; Karen Kienbaum; Lisa Baruah; Bob Moorhead; Simon Stallings; Stephanie Flom; Christy Martin; John Benson; Kitty Swickard; Hadley Hermon; Matt Hurley; Gerald Cannon; William Albrecht; Phyllis Walker; Ken & Sandra Walters; Jim & Kathleen Kastner; Ed & Elsie MacKethan, III.

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Lessons for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 14

1 Kings 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Psalms 85:8-13

- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
**for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Lessons for next week: The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 56:1,6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:10-28

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