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Weekly Highlights of Parish Life: August 30 – September 6, 2026

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

- 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 31

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

- Offices Closed

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

- 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 |



The first cookie was made in Persia in the 7th century AD – perhaps because this was one of the first places to grow sugarcane.

Join us in the Rose Garden following the 10 am service for lemonade and treats!

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

Homecoming & Ministry Fair

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!

Thursdays at Christ Church

September 17 – November 19

Join us for the Holy Eucharist at 5:30 pm followed by community dinner at 6 pm and formation at 6:45 pm!. This year's adult formation class will focus on Tish Harrison Warren's book "What Grows in Weary Lands: On Christian Resilience". Books available for purchase from Mtr. Maureen!

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.



Sunday Book Study

The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters

Sunday, October 15 | 6:30 pm | Miller Hall

This multi-generational debut novel detailing the 1962 disappearance of a four-year-old Mi'kmaq girl and its fifty-year impact utilizes alternating perspectives – focusing on the victim's brother battling guilt and the stolen child navigating a hidden identity – exploring themes of trauma, systemic injustice, and grief. Books available for purchase from Mtr. Maureen!

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.

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.

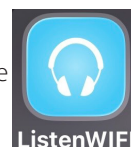
The Village at Christ Church

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.

Hearing Impaired?

If you're struggling to hear the spoken word during a service or event in the nave, we now offer a listening system that streams audio directly to your smart phone and your attached hearing aids or other listening device (such as AirPods or headphones). Belt packs are available on request. To use your smartphone and personal hearing device:



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.



LORD, I love the house in which you dwell

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.

Evensong

Sunday, September 20 | 4 pm

The service of Evensong (or sung Evening Prayer) is drawn almost entirely from the Bible: Psalms, lessons from the Old and New Testaments, and Canticles (songs of praise from the Scriptures). Music is an integral part of this service, and the choirs offer sung prayers to God on behalf of the people of God. A reception follows the service in the lobby.

7th Annual Hymnathon!

Saturday, October 3 | 8 am – 6 pm

Join us as the Christ Church Choir sings every hymn in the 1982 Hymnal. Join us in person to bang the gong to end a hymn immediately, or ring the bell to sponsor more verses! (\$20 each!) Hymn and chorister sponsorships available NOW! All proceeds benefit our music program. Scan the QR code for more info!



Concert: Home

Sunday, October 25 | 4 pm

The Lakeshore Chamber Singers open our 2025–2026 concert series with a concert featuring music that reflects on the 250th anniversary of the United States of America. The performance will include music by American composers Caroline Shaw, Stephen Paulus, Eric Whitacre, Marques Garrett, and many more. Free-will offering.

Assisting at Services

Altar Guild

8 am Cheryl Wesen
10 am Miles Kennedy

Eucharistic Ministers:

8 am Cheryl Wesen
10 am Miles Kennedy
Mike DeFillipi

Lector:

10 am Eric Ash

Prayers:

8 am Cheryl Wesen
10 am Lynn Anslow

Verger:

10 am Katie Trost

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: St. James', Grosse Ile; St. Peter's, Hillsdale.

In the Anglican Cycle of

Prayer we pray for: The Church in the West Indies.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer

this week we pray for: Mark & Susan Lorenger; Jan & Beverly Lovell; Eric Lucander; Terry & Laura Lynch; Scott & Mindy MacGriff; Ed & Elsie MacKethan, III; Brian & Lisa MacLean and children, Logan and Megan; Tom & Elizabeth MacMillan and children, Gerald and Brooke.

We offer prayers for:

Al, Becki, Chris, Helen, Jack, Jeff, Jill, Jimmy, Lana, Peter, Sandra, Stan, Todd.

In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries

of: Laura Green; Lillian Irby; Roy Ritchie; Bruce Greening; Elsie MacKethan; Emme Bachand; Rebecca Beard; Amber Everham; Janet Ridder; Gar & Scottie Knight, III; Matt & Mil Hurley; William & Cathy Collison.



Lessons for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 17

Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Psalms 26:1-8

- 1 Give judgment for me, O LORD,
for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Matthew 16:21-28

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Lessons for next week: Homecoming Sunday

Acts 1:1-11

Psalms 47

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

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