

THE CHRISTCHURCH HERALD

PROCLAIMING THE GOOD

NEWS OF GOD SINCE 2005



Holy Cross Day – September 13

This Week

Today	Parish Breakfast, 8:15am Holy Eucharist, 9:30am Fellowship and Sunday School for all Ages, immediately following worship HS Youth Group 5:00-7:00pm, <i>The Café</i>
Tuesday	Eucharist with Healing Prayer, 12:10pm Women's Bible Study, 1:30-2:30pm, <i>New Conference Room</i>
Wednesday	Wednesday Evening Activities: + W.O.R.D. Puppet Ministry, 5:15pm, <i>Emmaus Room</i> + Classes for All Ages, 6:00pm + Choir Rehearsal, 6:00pm, <i>Choir Room</i> + Parish Supper, 7:00pm, <i>Parish Hall</i>
Thursday	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: 7:00am, <i>Parish Hall</i> Tea With the Rector: 9:00-10:00am, <i>Fr. Andrew's Office</i> Women's Bible Study: 10:00am-11:00am, <i>Parish Hall</i> Celebrate Recovery: 6:00pm, <i>Parish Hall</i>



September Gardens & Gospel Mission Drive

For the month of September, we are collecting toiletries for K-5th graders at E.D. Nixon Elementary in West Montgomery!

Toothbrushes	Soap
Toothpaste	Deodorant
Shampoo	Lotion
Conditioner	Baby Wipes
Hair Ties	Socks

Please drop-off items in the Narthex of the church.
To give financially, include "September Mission Drive" in the memo line.



Friday, September 18th at 6:30pm
at Mary Gray's home, 3038 Bankhead Ave
Please bring a dish to share!

Come celebrate Paseo
with a
Low Country Boil!



Join us for a fun evening of fellowship and food, open to adults who have attended Paseo, Cursillo, or Walk to Emmaus AND to adults who are interested in attending a Paseo Weekend.

Thursday, October 1, 6:30-8:30pm
At Ryan Farms

6593 Butler Mill Rd, Montgomery, AL 36105
To reserve a spot, please email Melissa Leisy
(mleisy@christchurchanglican.net) or Jennifer Bricken
(jennbricken@gmail.com)



THE CHRISTCHURCH

BAZAAR & Lunch

September 26th
9:00am - 3:00pm

Come and enjoy an Upscale White Elephant Sale, Silent Auction, and more!

We're still seeking upscale items for the white elephant sale and silent auction such as:

Furniture, Decorative Items, China and Glassware, all things Kitchen, Baby Toys and Accessories, Outdoor furniture, Garden Decor, and Seasonal Decor (Christmas, Easter, etc.)

Lunch will be available for purchase from 11:00am until 1:00pm

Pulled Pork Sandwich - \$8

Hotdogs - \$5



Dynamos 39 Team Applications Now Open!



Dynamos is a weekend retreat for 9th-12th graders across our diocese, offering an experience of Christ's love presented by their peers with the support of adult leaders and clergy. Returning students are now invited to apply to serve on the Dynamos Team by contacting Hannah Lindsay. Team applications close on September 22. First time student applications opening soon! Hannah will be providing transportation to Team Weekend and Dynamos 39 for all students.

Dynamos Team Weekend is Oct 23-24 at
St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral in Tallahassee, FL
Dynamos 39 is Nov 6-8 at Advent Christian Village in
Live Oak, FL

Birthdays and Prayer List

Birthdays this Week

Lyle Wilder, Kat Murchison, Dell Walter,
Rusty DeMoss, Teri Klose, and Simon Glass

Prayer List

Our Parishioners in Immediate Need

Jean Chancellor, Dana Condon, Lynn Bloch, Kevin Houlditch, Jill Burt, Rick Plaskett, Larry Cornwell, Roger Burnett, David Millo, Kathleen Johnson, Virginia Register, the Hill family, and the Byrd family

Our Parishioners Who Serve in Harm's Way

Dave Arnett, Ashley and Edward Beasley, David Brewbaker, Ted Brewer, Patrick Cain, Jon Everett Dennis, Jordan Dennis, Heath Garrison, Andy Hardy, Todd Hawkes, George Mardre, Collier Phillips, Stuart Philips, David Pickering, Samuel Preston, Aidan Quinn, Anthony Shields, Bobby Thorington, Andrew Tonnell, and Olivia Wittman

Our Vestry

Class of 2026 - Catlin Tench (Sr. Warden), Kat Murchison, Ted Klose, and Valerie Owen; Class of 2027 - Price McLemore (Jr. Warden), Susan Barnes, Tricia Seay, Pete Cobb; Class of 2028 - Derilyn Lee, Nancy Parks, Margie Stuart, and Bob Farris

Our Extended Church Family

Bishop Julian Dobbs, our Provincial Dean, Bishop Alex Farmer, Archbishop Stephen Kaziimba, Bishop Paul Masaba, Rev. Canon David Siwa, the people of Sebei Diocese, and our Uganda Christian University seminarians

Music and Worship

The **Music Program** at Christchurch includes our adult choir, contemporary praise teams, concerts, and events during the year. Our Chancel Choir rehearses Sundays at 8:45am and Wednesdays at 6:00pm in *The Nave*. Please contact Fr. Jack Lindsay at jlindsay@christchurchanglican.net with any questions.

Children’s Ministry
Birth through 5th Grade

SUNDAYS

New Mothers’ Room: Available for mothers and newborns in the Hidden Treasure Room, 2nd floor of the church.

Nursery: Birth through 4 years old. 1st floor near the Parish Hall. Children under 5 are invited to be taken to our nursery, remain with their family during the service, or any combination thereof!

Children’s Worship Services: Children are invited to follow the last cross in the procession to the 2nd floor of the church for our Children’s Worship services. All children will return at the Peace to join their families for Holy Eucharist.

Children’s Church: 5 years old through 5th Grade,

Sunday School:

Level I: 4 years old through Kindergarten

Level II: First and Second Grade

Level III: 3rd grade through 5th grade

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Puppet Ministry: 4th through 12th grade, 5:15-6:00pm, *Emmaus Room*

B.L.A.S.T. Children’s Programs: 5 years old through 5th grade, 6:00-7:00pm, *Emmaus Room*

Student Ministry
6th Grade and Above

SUNDAYS

Middle and High School Sunday School: (6th-12th grade) *Essential Christian Skills*

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us this fall to master essential and practical skills for living out the Christian faith. Each week will feature hands-on training in skills such as praying extemporaneously, interpreting Scripture, practicing generosity, sharing the gospel, practicing quiet contemplation, navigating the Book of Common Prayer, and more. *The Café*

HS Youth Group: (9th-12th grade) *Tough Topics*

Why is the Old Testament full of violence? What do Anglicans believe about predestination? What does the Bible really have to say about hell, sex, mental health, and other difficult subjects? In our teaching series this fall we will confront and explore challenging topics like these in light of Scripture. In addition to tackling a tough topic each week, all high schoolers are invited to join us for dinner, games, and Compline. 5:00-7:00pm, *The Café*

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Puppet Ministry: 4th through 12th grade, 5:15-6:00pm, *Emmaus Room*

MS Youth Group: (6th-8th grade) *Tough Topics*

Why does a good God allow suffering in the world? Is there really a sin God won't forgive? What does the Bible really say about modesty, marriage, and mental health? In our teaching series this fall we will confront and explore challenging topics like these in light of Scripture. In addition to tackling a tough topic each week, all middle schoolers are invited to join us for fellowship, games, and Compline. 6:00-7:00pm, *The Café*

Upcoming

- Fisherfolk Holy Chow: September 18
- Fairhope, AL Evangelism Conference: September 18-19
- Christchurch Bazaar: September 26
- Paseo Low Country Boil: October 1
- Blessing of the Animals: October 4
- Fall Quiet Day: October 9
- Church Office Closed for Columbus Day: October 12
- Gulf Atlantic Diocese Synod: October 16-17
- Dynamos Team Weekend: October 23-24
- Banner Making Workshop: October 31
- All Saints’ Day: November 1
- Return to Central Standard Time: November 1
- Dynamos: November 6-8

Adult Formation

Graduated High School Seniors and Above

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Adult Sunday School: *Romans*

Discover how the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Romans explains the epic rescue mission of God, how this letter fits into the grand narrative of Scripture and how we can faithfully embody its message, *Parish Hall*

Discovery Bible Study

The Discovery Bible Study is for everyone who wants to learn more about the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, *Church Office*

Women’s Class: *Deborah*

Join other women for a new class using Dr. Sandra Richter’s 8-session study, *Deborah: Unlikely Heroes and the Book of Judges*. Led by the Daughters of the Holy Cross, will use archaeology and cultural history to explore the chaotic era of Judges and the gripping story of the prophet Deborah. Discover how God calls unexpected leaders to transform national chaos and how He calls you to step out in faith today, *New Conference Room*

TUESDAY AFTERNOONS

Women’s Bible Study

Join us from 1:30-2:30pm for our new group study on Tish Harrison Warren’s book, *What Grows in Weary Lands: On Christian Resilience*. Together, we will look at how times of burnout and dryness are not signs of failure, but invitations to deeper growth. Drawing from ancient church wisdom and the author’s own honest experiences, this study offers space for our doubts and tiredness while guiding us toward lasting hope, renewal, and community, *New Conference Room*

WEDNESDAYS - 6:00pm

Stories & Teachings of Jesus

Come join Intervarsity students and other young adults in their 20s to explore the teachings of Jesus and the Kingdom he announced through inductive Bible study in the Gospel of Matthew. We’ll read closely, ask honest questions, and discover together what Jesus’ words might mean for our lives, *Old Conference Room*

NOVO

Novo is a 12-week equipping course on prayer, which introduces you to different prayer tools and helps you put them into practice every day. The course is free, but the impact on your spiritual life will be incalculable.

Classes begin at 5:55pm, *New Conference Room*

Spirit of Early Christian Thought

Join us for a new mid-week series exploring the spiritual world of the early church fathers and mothers. Using Robert Louis Wilken’s book, *The Spirit of Early Christian Thought*, we will discover how the early Christians’ passionate love for God, deep immersion in Scripture, and weekly worship can transform our faith today, *Parish Hall*

THURSDAYS

Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study 7:00-7:45am, *Parish Hall*

Women’s Bible Study 10:00-11:30am, *Parish Hall*

Explore the complete story of Jesus, from his genealogy and birth to the Great Commission, and how to live out his words today. Join us for a study on the book of Matthew, diving into the rich Jewish background, exploring the full depth of the Sermon on the Mount, and examining the unique parables and miracles that reveal Jesus as the Messiah.

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12-step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurts, hang-ups, or habits of any kind. Each meeting includes dinner, worship, a testimony/lesson, and gender specific small groups, 6:00pm, *Parish Hall*