# The Angelus

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# Reflections from Rev. Simpson

As we move through Eastertide, I'm deeply grateful for all of the saints who made Lent, Holy Week, and Easter such meaning-filled journeys.

Holy Week homilies came from the manifold talents of parishioners Shona Bramble, Katherine Schexneider, and Jim Suit, along with the sermons and Eucharistic strengths of Fr. Peter Bastien, who has so generously and

wondrously served us from February through much of Eastertide. No doubt he will return to us, and we currently savor the marvelous ministrations and preaching of Fr. Hemchand Gossai. How blessed we are with all of these gifts and graces flowing from the depths of our very own parish!

Our Altar Guild, led by Anna Von Arx, brought fresh seasonal life to our worship spaces, supporting contemplation and grief to colorful shouts of endless joy. Flowers, brass, silver, wood, and stained glass shone with fresh cuttings or cleanings – all as the frequency and number of services rose. This ministry team supports worship in tremendous ways every week.

Our ushers and greeters oversaw the needs and flow of worship from the front door and "back pews", and their alert attention brings crucial strength to our services. The coordinators of these teams include Buzz Von Arx, Peter Hardinge, John Lynch, and Alan Tolerton.

The preparations of Tad Cavuoti and magnificent music offered by our choir, choristers, and guest musicians brought heaven and earth closer together in soaring song.

Acolytes with crosses, torches, incense, and bells punctuated our services with the dignity, fragrance, and energy that they uniquely convey.

The tremendous youth and children's ministries overseen by the multi-talented Michele Craig provided delight and depth for these ages in moving through these sacred seasons, including a last-minute adjustment of Easter morning events to best serve the little ones.

Outside, our "front yard" and surrounding green spaces continue to celebrate the glory of God thanks to careful tending by our gardeners, led by Janice Musselman. Gardeners include landscape designer Ann English, master gardeners Carolyn Oakford and Diana Locke, Nancy Thompson, Robert Toense, Donna Gentry, and Pete Heister.

The Fellowship Committee with every-Sunday-coffee hours make hospitality our weekly feast, with joy-filled delights for Easter overseen by Nancy Small and committee chair Bobbie Power.

Often unseen, the ministrations of Geof Fuller, Vestry member and "assistant Jr. Warden", have kept our buildings, rooftops, and all of our mechanical systems fully operational and well maintained. With buildings of our size and expanse, this is a daily responsibility that increases with the "high holy" days. Geof, amazingly with so many challenges, hasn't missed a step.

Our office staff, Judith Schneider and assistant Pam Turner, produced mountains of worship bulletins and Good Book Club inserts, along with managing the other daily challenges of our parish, and did so with grace and kindness.

Overseeing all of this was and is our incredible Sr. Warden, Christie Carrico, who leads with such intelligence, devotion, and excellence.

These saints elevated their artistry and offerings of ministry to great heights in following the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, and I'm both grateful and humbled to be part of such a community.

Lastly I commend the Good Book Club and its ongoing flow into the Acts of the Apostles. This book of scripture set up as daily readings takes readers on a truly fantastic voyage into the beginnings of

the early church. The believers gather at Christ's ascension and await the coming of the Holy Spirit in Jerusalem. The number of believers together in Chapter 1 totals "about" 120, though in the next chapter, with the windy arrival of the Breath of God and Peter's preaching, three thousand new converts are baptized on the spot! Onward goes the story of miraculous signs, wonders, healings, imprisonments, and releases, and a relentless determination of the apostles, fueled by prayer and the Spirit, to continue to profess their faith and ministrations in the name of their risen Lord. Believers sometimes numbering in the thousands join this power-filled movement and even with persecution, the Gospel spreads across much of the Mediterranean world. This is a breath-taking adventure story not to miss, as it calls us to find our place in the new worlds and works yet ahead. May our worship and mission continue into all that our Risen Lord invites us to become.

With gladness and anticipation,

Cindy Simpson

## From our Senior Warden

Many of you have approached me asking when we are going to get an Interim. All I can answer is soon, I hope. But I can keep you apprised of where we are in the process. We finally received the list of five candidates from the Diocese the beginning of Easter week. This was later than we had hoped, and was unfortunate in that we really couldn't get much done until the following week. A subcommittee of the Vestry has now met to review the resumes, and has begun interviewing the suitable candidates. By the time you read this, we should have selected, and made an offer which has hopefully been accepted by an Interim Rector. Unfortunately, since all candidates are from out of state, there will be some time involved in relocation, so I don't honestly expect that we will have an interim before June. In the meantime, the Rev. Peter Bastien has moved on to other commitments. The Rev. Hemchand Gossai has agreed to assist Cindy with preaching and celebrating during the month of May.

Despite not having Fr. McDuffie with us and having it taking longer than expected to get an Interim Rector, things at Christ Church go on much as usual. The annual meeting and traditional chicken and waffle breakfast prepared by the Youth have presumably happened. Serving Others Sunday continues through May with youth and families making sandwiches and filling food bags, and the Bargain Box will be present in the dining room. The Environmental Stewardship Committee continues its partnership with the Alice Ferguson Foundation to clean up the Potomac watershed. The Welcoming Committee will host is semi-annual Newcomers' Reception on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The Fellowship Committee is planning a welcome reception for the Interim (whenever that will be!). Other ministries continue to meet and plan.



One ministry in which we were involved came to a joyous conclusion on Sunday, April 8th, when Fr. Athanasius Choi was installed by the Suffragen Bishop of Northern Virginia as Vicar of Holy Cross Korean Episcopal Church in Fairfax, Virginia. This ministry began six years ago when Fr. Choi came to establish a Korean Episcopal congregation at Christ

Church, Rockville. His congregation grew slowing amid financial concerns, immigration issues, and language problems, and many times it appeared that this endeavor was not going to be

successful. However, the new congregation was steadfast and incredibly dedicated to the effort and continued to grow slowly. With the retirement of Fr. Valentine Han, Fr. Choi was asked to come lead the Virginia congregation as well as the one in Rockville. The two congregations



decided that it made sense to merge, since many of the congregants already lived in Northern Virginia. On April 8th, Buzz and Anna Von Arx, Alan Tolerton, Sandra Clarke, Joyce Bryant, Bobbie Power, and I attended the installation service and reception for Fr. Choi. It was a lovely service that transitioned seamlessly back and forth between English and Korean. The Korean choir that many of us heard at their holiday concert a couple of years ago sang. The traditional gifts presented at the installation of a priest were given to Fr. Choi. I think those of us from Christ Church felt a bit like proud parents at their child's graduation!

Christie Carrico, Senior Warden

# **Search Committee Update**

### **Overview**

- The Search Committee, chaired by Janice Musselman, has begun the process that will identify rector candidates and narrow prospects down to a select few, from which the Vestry will make the final selection.
- Separately, the Vestry will soon select an interim rector who will serve until a permanent replacement is chosen.
- The Search Committee has met four times so far. Cannon Paula Clark from the Diocese opened the Search Committee's first meeting by laying down core principles to which the committee must adhere (such as the need for strict confidentiality), as well as important inspirations its members should keep in mind (such as walking a prayerful path through this typically long and arduous process).

## **Ongoing Communication**

- While the committee's deliberations and candidate outreach remain confidential, the overall search process must be transparent.
- A page has been added to Christ Church's website, thanks to Webmaster Jeremy Snider, with details about the Search Committee (see "Rector Search" under "About CEC").
- Also, the committee has established and organized internal working groups and developed its
  communication process, responsibilities and conduits to provide for a flow of information to keep
  the congregation abreast of progress. Toward that end, monthly updates will be disseminated,
  typically during the first week of every month moving forward. Parishioners are encouraged to
  check the bulletin, Angelus, and website for these updates at that time.

# Narrative Statement for Diocesan Search Platform

- The Diocese maintains an online platform visited by clergy nationwide seeking positions in this region. To aid prospective candidates in learning about churches searching for a new rector, the Diocese posts on that platform an in-depth "narrative" summary from each such church. That narrative summary is prepared by each church's search committee, based on a lengthy list of questions from the Diocese.
- The Christ Church Search Committee has completed that narrative summary for submission to the Diocese. The document will be disseminated to the parish for informational purposes via the weekly email from the church office this Friday; a copy will also be posted in the near future on Christ Church's website (in the "Important Documents" section on the "Rector Search" page under "About CEC").

## **Focus Groups Planned**

- In order to attract a qualified and well-suited rector, the congregation is called to look in the mirror, so to speak, and make an honest self-assessment of who we are as a parish, led by faith and informed by the Holy Spirit.
- Accordingly, the Search Committee will conduct a series of eight focus group discussions to gather broad input. Focus groups will begin later this month and run into May. The schedule is below.

Mark Wright, Committee Member

## **Focus Group Schedule**

Please be assured that your Search Committee is hard at work on your behalf. Our intent is to keep you fully informed of our progress by giving you updates the first week of each month. We encourage each of you to read the bulletin inserts, the Friday parish emails and, most importantly, check out the website on a regular basis. Very soon, a Parish Prayer will be available for your daily use.

The committee is currently organizing Focus Groups with the intention of providing each of you an opportunity to participate in the search process by offering your thoughts, opinions, hopes, and concerns regarding the search for a new rector. Please make every effort to attend one or more of the following scheduled Focus Groups:

Tuesday, April 24th	3:30 p.m.	CES Science Room
Sunday, April 29th	10:30 a.m.	Youth Group only, Parish House
Monday, April 30th	7:00 p.m.	Murdock Room
Wednesday, May 2nd	1:00 p.m.	Chapel
Sunday, May 6th	8:30 a.m.	Parrish House
Sunday, May 6th	10:15 a.m.	Adult Forum, Murdock Room
Sunday, May 6th	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School only

Each Focus Group will meet for 45 minutes. Hope to see you there.

FHS, Janice Musselman, Committee Chair; Barbara Fennelly; Stephen Renfroe; and Mark Wright

# **Inside Outreach**

An Update on the Christ Church Outreach Program

"My Father's house has many rooms" John 14:2



"I loved it!" and "The work went so quickly that I was surprised when our shift was over." These were just a few of the comments I heard on April 7<sup>th</sup> at A Wider Circle, where some twenty volunteers from Christ Church met to help the organization get donated household goods into the hands of families in need.

Our job, along with some 40 other volunteers, was to inspect, sort, and clean the donated goods and put them on display in the bright, well-decorated showroom upstairs. Goods went fast. One of our Christ Church members said "I was amazed that once an item is in the showroom, it is gone within 48 hours! Think of how many people [A Wider Circle] is helping." I watched one young man walk out with a rug tucked under his arm, a rug I had vacuumed myself not more than an hour before. The delight on his face was priceless.

I felt especially cheered by the efforts of A Wider Circle to honor the dignity of the person in need. We volunteers were instructed to hold back any item we wouldn't want to see in our mom's house. For their part, the families in need got to pick out what they wanted from the showroom, just as they would in a real department store. They didn't have to get their selections critiqued for 'appropriateness' by a professional, like a case worker. Indeed, it seemed to me that the organization was carrying out what Jesus meant by 'my Father's house has many rooms,' which I have always interpret to mean that each one of us has a different role to play in the fabric of society and that God commands that all of us be treated with dignity.

The Outreach Committee is looking forward to doing this again. It was fun doing this intergenerational activity, and I got to meet several families I only see in passing at church. One improvement we hope to make for our next outing is a piece of clothing (t-shirt, vest) that identifies us as Christ Church. Design suggestions for a logo would be appreciated. Send them to Mary Belknap at <a href="mailto:bel.boi@verizon.net">bel.boi@verizon.net</a>.

And finally, remember that Christ Church helps those in need all year by volunteering in the Loaves and Fishes program. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month, Christ Church members help prepare and serve meals for homeless men and women at St Stephen and The Incarnation Church, D.C. This may be a perfect way for you to help others get 'the necessities of life'. Please contact Emily Correll for more information on Loaves and Fishes.

The Outreach Committee meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish House beside the church. The next Committee meeting will be May 8th. All are welcome to attend and learn more about the opportunities to live our faith through service to those who need us most. For further information, contact Ben Shuman at benofwater@gmail.com.

# **Environmental Stewardship**

Prescription Drug Take Back Day is April 28th, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Rockville Police Station, 2 West Montgomery Avenue. Please drop off your old or unused prescription drugs so they don't end up in the landfill. Here is an information sheet on why you shouldn't flush or trash your medications: http://www.takebackyourmeds.org/what-you-can-do/medicine-disposal-myths-and-facts/

### Christ Church Team Tackles Watershed Pollution



Christ Church's Environmental Stewardship Committee and fellow parishioners joined with many other volunteers around the D.C. region April 14th for the 2018 Potomac River Watershed Trash Cleanup. We were one of 300 groups participating in the Alice Ferguson Foundation's 30th annual cleanup event. Our local partner, Montgomery Parks, asked our group to tackle Buck Branch Neighborhood Park & Stream Valley Park as our cleanup site.

Sandra Clark & Alan Tolerton (with four-legged support from Gina), Janice Musselman, Rev. Cindy Simpson, Debbie Thompson, Tracy & Gabriella Wolff, and Mark Wright collectively gathered up 16 bags of trash and recycling, plus 9 large metal pieces, a small amount of wood flooring, a huge piece of AstroTurf, and a few other odd assorted items.



"Lots of balls were collected, probably about 30," observed Debbie Thompson. "But the most interesting was the bingo ball. Really, do people play bingo out in the woods?"

The stream valley portion of the park appears to be a popular location for illegal dumping, which was sad to see. Recovered metal items included a car bumper, exhaust muffler, and shower curtain pole. Also unearthed: a snorkel that would have been no use in the very shallow stream, plus a car seat that was too buried and crumbling to be extracted.

"Thanks again for helping to keep our parks and streams clean," said Henry Coppola, Stream & Park Cleanup

Coordinator, Montgomery Parks. "Hopefully we'll have you out again next spring, or anytime that you are interested in doing another cleanup project!"

The Alice Ferguson Foundation will be featuring some of our event photos in its social media channels along with a shout-out to the Christ Church team.

"Thank you to all who participated for your work, dedication, love of Creation and the Creator," said Environmental Stewardship Committee Chair Janice Musselman. "I encourage everyone, including those who couldn't join us for this particular event, to stay tuned for another cleanup at a different site this coming fall!"



## St. Francis Flock

I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh.

Genesis 9:15

### Reflections on the Lenten Film Series

In keeping with a tradition established by Father John McDuffie, St. Francis Flock pressed on with the Lenten Film Series following Father John's departure earlier this year. The three films shown during this year's series were Food, Inc., What the Health, and Cowspiracy – all of which offered possibly very new subject matter for parishioners to consider while making their six-week trek through to the darkness of Good Friday followed by the awakening brilliance of Easter Sunday. Film series attendees were treated to delicious hot meals, refreshing beverages, and scrumptious desserts. All plates, napkins, and utensils used during the film series were environmentally-friendly and biodegradable.





The main courses, deliciously homemade and prepared by Flock member Leslie Porter, were Cashew Lentil Shepherd's Pie topped with mashed cauliflower-potatoes; Spinach Lasagna with Caramelized Onions featuring a soy-based Ricotta cheese moistened with Almond Milk; and a soy-based Country Loaf accompanied by tossed Organic Romaine Lettuce salads topped with Paul Newman's Own Olive Oil & Vinegar. The films began after dinner as attendees settled into cupcakes, cookies, and a cup of hot tea or coffee with plant-based creamers.

During Lent, we Christians are

invited to reflect on the multi-faceted meanings of Christ's life, his death, and his resurrection. Sacrifice is often employed to some degree by Christians during Lent who decide to forego, modify, or incorporate a behavior, or who give up a food or beverage during Lent as a way to practice sacrifice on the Lenten walk with Christ. In this regard of sacrifice, the Flock felt it was important to bring forward the issues of food, our health, the health and treatment of the animals produced for our consumption, and the health of the environment which are often times taken for granted. The films were rather lengthy and jammed packed with



information to consider. They provided superb fodder for post-film discussions. The good news is all attendees agreed these films simply present ideas to consider because life is not always as clear cut as we may like it to be. It is not just black or white but rather all the colors of the rainbow.



"Then God said to Noah, and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth."

"God said, This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." Gen.9:8-16



The Flock would like to thank all who contributed to the success of this year's Lenten Film Series including all attendees. A very special thank you is in order for the Rev. Cindy Simpson's faith in the Flock's decision to sail into uncharted territory within Christ Episcopal Church (CEC). The Flock looks forward to engaging CEC more on the issues of food and the environment as time marches on.

## Happy Spring . . . Cleaning AND Help the Animals



Spring is the purrrfect time to clean out packed closets and drawers! Have a favorite animal? Find a nonprofit that is devoted to helping, and see if you have something sitting unused in your home that is on their wish list. Many old and unused items that might otherwise be discarded can be donated to local animal shelters, nonprofit rescue organizations, and wildlife rehabilitation centers. Have old blankets, towels, and even bath mats? Gently used pet toys? Drop them off in the shopping cart in the dining room in the basement,

and the Flock will make sure that they are brought to our local shelter – the Montgomery County Animal Services & Adoption Center. Have a stack of newspapers you haven't yet taken out for recycling? Second Chance Wildlife Center located at 7101 Barcellona Dr, Gaithersburg, MD 20879 (phone 301-926-9453) can use them and so can the shelter. Did you just inherit your great aunt's fur coat and don't know what to do with it? Between now and Earth Day (April 22nd), under the Coats for Cubs program (www.coatsforcubs.com), you can bring your real fur items for donation to Buffalo Exchange at 1318 14th St NW, Washington, DC 20005. Call (202) 299-9148 for hours. Through this program, they will make sure that your fur items are sent to wildlife rehabilitators around the country who use them to care and comfort orphaned and injured wildlife. Spring cleaning – a win-win for you and the animals!

### Reminder:

The Flock will not be meeting in May so that our hard-working and energetic members can enjoy Mother's Day. Please come join us for our regular meeting in June.

# **Ongoing Activities**

- **NEW! Field Trip!** Field trip to Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary being planned for July. Stay tuned for more details to come!
- Don't forget our pet food drive to help keep pets with their families. Please provide unopened donations in the shopping cart in the main dining area of the basement (same cart as Manna donations) and the Flock will deliver to the Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County's Chompers Pet Food Bank. Pet food donations benefit local families struggling to provide for their pets. In many cases, providing pet food to families makes the difference between being able to keep their pet or having to surrender them due to a lack of food. With our donations, Christ Church is making a difference!
- <u>Donations</u> of pet toys and old sheets, towels, & blankets are ALWAYS welcome. Many dogs, cats, and other critters are waiting for their forever families at the Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center. They would love to have toys (gently used or new) to play with, soft blankets to lay on, and sheets & towels to be cleaned up with. Drop off your donations in the shopping cart in the main dining area of the basement and the Flock will deliver them to the shelter.

- <u>Pet grievance ministry</u>. St. Francis Flock provides ministry to those grieving the loss or illness of a beloved pet. Please contact Carolyn Cole at <u>stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org</u> for more information.
- <u>Assistance to the elderly and/or disabled</u>. St. Francis Flock provides assistance to Christ Church elderly and/or disabled parishioners in driving them and/or their pet to the veterinarian. Please contact stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org if you need assistance.

All who feel called to expand their circle of compassion, please join us! Our monthly meeting is the second Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the Parish House. For more information, contact stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org.

# June 10 Newcomer Reception! All Christ Church Worshipers

Especially those new in the past twelve months and those who feel new at heart!!!



The Welcoming Committee cordially invites you to a 'Bon Voyage Party' (in the Murdock Room!) to be introduced to our parish family

Sunday, June 10, after the 10:00 AM service All in the Parish are invited!



### MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS



Janet Miranda began to volunteer at the Bargain Box shortly after she retired from the NIH, about four years ago. Having heard Donna talk about the Bargain Box, both at church and while "needling" her during Donna's many platelet donations at NIH, Janet finally capitulated and signed on as a front desk volunteer. Janet's friendly demeanor and "unusual" accent make her a favorite with the customers. She, in turn, enjoys chatting with the customers, who hail from all corners of the world and all walks of life. Janet notes that she even got to meet a customer who was visiting from the UK and lived quite near to where she grew up. She also enjoys the perks of being a volunteer, including shopping discounts. She has found some wonderful bargains at this particular "boutique."

When not working the front desk at the Bargain Box, Janet frequently takes care of her six-year old granddaughter, Harriet. Harriet, now in kindergarten, tells people that her grandmother used to be a nurse but now she works the cash register! Janet also loves to travel and tries to plan at least two international trips each year. Since retirement, she has also been able to catch up on reading. "The Bargain Box always has some great books, so I buy, read and then return them to be resold, so that works for both of us!" Janet also volunteers on the front desk with the National Philharmonic in concert at Strathmore. She loves getting together with friends many of whom volunteer at the Bargain Box and are members of Christ Church where Janet has served for many years on the Fellowship Committee.



# OUTREACH SUNDAY - $3^{rd}$ Sunday of each month

The third Sunday of the month is Outreach Sunday at Christ Church. We will be in the Dining Room on Sunday, May 20 with lots of new spring merchandise and a raffle featuring gardening.

We are in need of small and medium (grocery-size) plastic bags. Please recycle your plastic bags at the Bargain Box instead of throwing them away.

According to Gretchen Rubin in *Good Housekeeping* magazine, volunteering our time, energy, and money

is not only the right thing to do, but also boosts happiness and healthiness. Volunteers tend to live longer and show fewer signs of mental and physical aging. We would love to have you join the happy and healthy volunteers at the Bargain Box.

# The Bargain Box Thrift and Consignment Shop

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Monday - Saturday, 10 am - 4:30 pm Donna Wolohojian, Manager

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All our profits fund outreach projects in the community and diocese.

# Children's & Youth Ministries

# Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>



Worship Services are at 7:45am, 9am & 11am in the Church
Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers
Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room
Sunday School from 10:15 – 11am in the Classrooms
Youth Group from 1 – 5pm for an afternoon ALPACA FARM TOUR



# Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>



Worship Services at 7:30am, 9am and 11am in the Church

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Sunday School from 10:15 – 11am in the Classrooms– Last Class until Sept.





# Sunday, May 20th

Worship Services at 7:45am, 9am and 11am in the Church

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Dining Room - Last one until Sept.



SOS – Serving Others Sunday at 10:15am in the Murdock Room
Smart Sack Packing - Pack 340 bags of food for 84 children at Meadow Hall Elementary
School who need food on the weekends. We'll make 350 Sandwiches and Bags of
Granola for McKenna's Wagon and work on a project for the Bargain Box.
All ages welcome and many hands are needed!!!

Youth Group from 2 – 6pm for an afternoon of Mini Golf and a Picnic!





Worship Service at 7:45 & 10:00am in the Church – <u>Summer Schedule Begins!</u>
Nursery is available 9:45 – 11:30am for infants & toddlers

# Tuesday, May 29th

Appalachian Mission Trip Meeting at 7pm in the Parish House!



# 2018 Graduates



We are preparing our Graduate Celebration to be held on Sunday, June 3, 2018 and are now collecting information for all Middle School, High School and College graduates.

Please send in the information requested below ASAP to Michele Craig at <a href="mcraig@cecrockville.org">mcraig@cecrockville.org</a> or to the church office at 107 S. Washington Street, Rockville, MD 20850 no later than Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Name
School you are graduating from
School you are graduating from
School you will be attending
Degrees or Honors

Thank you and please plan to join us Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00am for a special recognition of all Christ Church graduates!

Michele Craig
Director of Children's & Youth Ministries
301/762-2191



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### OTHER PARISH EVENTS

(Date/Event/ Time/ Location)

### MAY 2018 WEEKLY SCHEDULE

REGULAR SERVICES AT 7:45, 9:00 & 11:00am Summer Schedule begins May 27 Services at 7:45 & 10:00am

**7:45 AM** Holy Eucharist Rite I a spoken service with Sermon

**9:00** AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems Choristers of Christ Church

**9:00** AM Children's Church – Murdock Room a service for children, using a story-telling theme with music for young children. 9:00-9:30am (May 6, 13, 20)

**11:00** AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems Christ Church Choir

#### **ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS**

8:25 AM Choristers Warm Up – Choir Room & Church 9:00 AM Studies in Christian Faith (*led by Fran Palmer-Hill*) 10:10 AM Adult Forum – Murdock Room

**10:15** AM Sunday School – Classrooms (*May 6, 13*)

**10:15** AM Choir Rehearsal – Choir Stalls **10:15** AM Coffee Hour – Dining Room

## **REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

Monday

7:00 PM English Conversation Practice (DR)

**Tuesday** 

9:30 AM Staff Meeting (PH)

Wednesday

12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

**Thursday** 

12:00 PM AA (PH)

4:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Youth Group Farm Trip 1:00pm (meet at the Parish House)
 Welcome Committee Meeting 6:00pm (PH DR)
 Outreach Committee Meeting 7:30pm (PH DR)

Pastoral Care Committee Meeting 7:30pm (PH LR)

11 CES School Open House **9-11am** (Jefferson Bldng) 12 Adult Supper Club **7:00pm** (home of Bobbie Power)

13 Mother's Day14

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15 *The Angelus* Submission Deadline for the Summer issue Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)

17 Governing Board Meeting **7:00pm** (MR)18

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 20 "MANNA" Sunday (Third Sunday of each month)
 Loaves & Fishes carpool 10:15am (leave from Church)
 Bargain Box Outreach Table (DR)

 SOS - Serving Others Sunday Outreach Project 10:15am (MR)
 Youth Group Mini Golf Outing 2:00pm (meet at the Parish House)

21 Dessert & Deal **6:30pm** (MR)
 22 Vestry Meeting **7:00pm** (PH)

23 Holy Eucharist at Collingswood **2:30pm** (Rockville)

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Summer Worship Schedule Begins, Services at 7:45 & 10:00am

28 Memorial Day (office closed)

29 Appalachian Mission Trip Meeting **7:00pm** (PH LR)

31 Choristers Ice Cream Treat **4:30pm** (off campus)

KEY

CEC = Christ Episcopal Church

PH = Parish House

LR = Living Room

DR = Dining Room

MR = Murdock Room

CEC = Christ Episcopal School

K = Kitchen

N = Nursery

MR = Youth Room