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THE FOURTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION  
JUNE 20, 2021

*Christ Church is a vibrant, inclusive community that serves individuals and families of all ages and backgrounds. Each person who comes to us is a special gift of God, and we seek to honor you with the return gift of our hospitality.*

*O God, show us your image in all who come here today, that we may welcome them, and You. Amen.*

## TODAY at Christ Church – All are Welcome!



*The Harp (Lift Every Voice and Sing) by African American artist Augusta Savage.*

In 1939, Augusta Savage was commissioned to create a sculpture for the New York World's Fair. Titled *The Harp*, the work was strongly influenced by James Weldon Johnson's song, "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

*The Harp* was exhibited in the court of the Contemporary Arts Building of the 1939 World's Fair where it received much acclaim. The sculpture depicted a group of twelve stylized black singers in graduated heights that symbolized the strings of the harp. The sounding board was formed by the hand and arm of God, and a kneeling man holding music represented the foot pedal. No funds were available to cast *The Harp*, nor were there any facilities to store it. After the fair closed, it was demolished as was all the art. For more information: visit the Smithsonian American Art Museum at [www.americanart.si.edu](http://www.americanart.si.edu).

Today we will sing *Lift Every Voice and Sing* from the Episcopal hymnal by the same name as our opening anthem. This hymn is considered to be Black National Anthem and holds an honored place in the cultural history of our country.

## BELOVED COMMUNITY

“The Beloved Community” is a term that was first coined in the early days of the 20th Century by the philosopher-theologian Josiah Royce, who founded the Fellowship of Reconciliation. It is a global vision, in which all people can share in the wealth of the earth; where poverty, hunger, and homelessness will not be tolerated because human decency will not allow it; and where racism and all forms of discrimination, bigotry, and prejudice will be replaced by an all-inclusive spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood. Love and trust will triumph over fear and hatred. Peace with justice will prevail over violence. While conflict is an inevitable part of human experience, conflicts can be



resolved peacefully and adversaries can be reconciled through a mutual, determined commitment to nonviolence and cooperating together in a spirit of friendship and goodwill.

Beloved Community is based on justice, equal opportunity, and love of one's fellow human beings. In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., “The end is reconciliation; the end is redemption; the end is the creation of the Beloved Community. It is this type of spirit and this type of love that can transform opponents into friends. It is this type of understanding goodwill that will transform the deep gloom of the old age into the exuberant gladness of the new age. It is this love which will bring about miracles in the hearts of men.”

The goals of this ministry are:

- To engage our church and our community in a collective, ongoing discussion to work towards improving relations among peoples of all races, creeds, and nations. There is no single path for every person. People will draw on different resources and experiences and come to diverse answers to similar questions.
- To bridge divides in our church and our community through learning, civil discussion, sharing, and when necessary, respectfully agreeing to disagree.
- To nourish multiple venues for engaging in the work of justice, healing, and reconciliation, and to understand the complexity and specific structural and historical challenges of our church, our nation, and our times.
- To reduce conscious and unconscious bias, calm social anxieties, and improve overall interracial interactions by seeking to understand and then to be understood.
- To partner with the Diocesan Reparations Committee and area historians to research and learn about the long and complex history of our church, particularly in the area of racial relations, to discover the truth about our past, to try to understand with open minds and hearts, and to learn to forgive and to ask for forgiveness in return.

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We welcome you to the  
Christ Episcopal  
Community in all  
our languages  
of love!



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**All are invited** to take their seats at Christ Church, filling seats from front to back and wearing masks to protect those who are not yet fully vaccinated. It is so wonderful to be in a time of renewal and a time of recommitment to this beloved Christ Church Community.

You're invited to sing with your masks on!



We thank The Rt. Rev. Carl W. Wright,  
Bishop Suffragan for Armed Services and Federal Ministries,  
for leading us in worship today!



**Our Nursery is OPEN**

9:45am until after the service.

All infants and toddlers (6 months - 4 years old) are welcome.

## FLOWER DONATIONS

We have opportunities to pick a date to donate altar flowers, especially July, August and September. These flowers beautify our church on Sundays and then are delivered to those on the pastoral care list or who have something to celebrate. Please call Judith Schneider, our Parish Administrator, at 301-762-2191, or email her at [jschneider@cecrockville.org](mailto:jschneider@cecrockville.org).



Throughout the month of June, Christ Episcopal Church recognizes LGBTQ pride month.



## COMING UP at Christ Church

### THINGS COMING UP

**June 21-25** The office will be **closed** all next week Monday, June 21 through Friday, June 25 to accommodate reorganization of the Parish House.

**July 4** Independence Day We will commission the newly elected vestry of Christ Episcopal Church and the newly formed Board of Trustees of Christ Episcopal School. It will be a celebration of this community as it walks forward in mission and ministry.



**The Outreach Committee** is looking for volunteers to participate in our first ever Habitat for Humanity event on **Saturday, September 11**. Our local chapter, Habitat for Humanity, Metro Maryland, is helping a local family build their own home and our volunteer hours will speed up the project. No skills or tools required and anyone over 18 can participate. We ask only that you commit to work for the full day. We'll depart from the Church at 7:15 am and return before 4 pm. Space is limited, so let us know early if you are interested. This September 11<sup>th</sup> will be the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 'the' September 11. What better way for our church to show our commitment to the future than by working together as a community to help a family achieve their goal of living in decent, affordable housing.

We've scheduled two more events with Habitat. On **October 16** we'll build playhouses, stools and wooden chairs on our Church grounds. The items either will be given to 'our family' to furnish their new home or be sold to help the ongoing work of our local Habitat chapter. On **November 14**, volunteers from Christ Church will man the ReStore on East Gude Drive. ReStore is a retail outlet operated by Habitat that specializes in the resale of quality used furniture and building supplies.

For further information on any of these events, please email [outreach@cecrockville.org](mailto:outreach@cecrockville.org) or call Mary Belknap 301 251 1486.

## COMMITTEES—SCHEDULE YOUR EVENTS FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR!

The Church calendar for the upcoming program year is being compiled. Space for Church programs/events will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis, so please send your requests early to Judith Schneider at [jschneider@cecrockville.org](mailto:jschneider@cecrockville.org), or call 301-762-2191. Even if you plan to continue with Zoom meetings, please let us know that too so we can include them on the calendar and help advertise your activities. Thank you!



## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CHURCHES In the Diocese

St. Alban's Church, DC and Iglesia San Albano  
Pray for all fathers and those who have been as fathers to us.

**BIRTHDAYS:** *Gene Cheek, Matt Davis, Maggie Fennelly, Peggy Gilliam, Summer Hardinge, Juliana Martin, Hal Roach, Kevin Roach*

**ANNIVERSARIES:** *Kevin & Barbara Fennelly, Peter & Marilyn McCabe, James & Laurel Pepper, Bill & Madeleine Thompson, Ron Tipton & Rita Molyneaux*

*If your birthday and/or anniversary have been erroneously omitted, we apologize. Please contact the church office and please complete a Data Base Update Form.*

For pastoral care emergencies, call  
The Rev Carol Cole Flanagan at 202-288-9694; or  
The Rev. Meg Ingalls at 352-406-9204.

### In the Anglican Communion

The Church of North India (United)

### FOR THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Information about people on the prayer list is posted in the Narthex and hallway opposite the Vesting Room. To request prayer, please contact a member of our clergy. As with all such requests, the prayer may be for public focus or private (restricted to those on the Pastoral Care committee).

**PARISHIONERS:** *Richard Cole, Phena Darner, Audrey & Paul Fehnel, Anthony George-Ikoli, Gwen Jackson, Lois James, Kaye Kubas, Scholastique Mbuyi Kaseya & family, Diana Locke, Morgan Lynch, John Mattingly, Evert Milla & family, Tyler Peter, Jan Schiavone, Janice Spear, Laura Spears, Ellen van Valkenburgh, Sarah Varney, Parishioners who are essential workers*



**Announcements for the Sunday bulletins are due by noon on Wednesdays. Thank you!**

### CHRIST CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Meg Ingalls, *Interim Rector*  
The Rev. Carol Cole Flanagan, *Interim Rector*  
Jason West, *Director of Music Ministry & Organist*  
Michele Craig, *Director of Children's & Youth Ministries*  
Judith Schneider, *Parish Administrator*



### THE VESTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH

Emily Pearce, *Sr. Warden*  
Bayo Lanionu, *Jr. Warden*  
Charles Griffiths, *Treasurer*  
Michelle Kang (22)  
Diana Locke (22)  
Henry Mulzac (22)  
Bola Adeolu (23)  
Emily Correll (23)  
Peter McCabe (23)  
Victor Ban (24)  
Peggy Gilliam (24)  
Bryant Trost (24)