Welcome to a new season of growing, learning and worshipping together at Christ Church. This fall, we’ve got many studies, classes, fellowship events and times of special worship on the schedule and hope you will find activities that will enrich your life, give you purpose and help guide you in your faith walk.

**Worship**

Opportunities for regular, corporate worship happen throughout the week and every weekend at Christ Church, Frederica and St. Ignatius Chapel. We offer a wide range of worship styles from simple prayer to transformative celebration that allow worshipers to draw closer to God. Join us and find your place at Christ Church!

**St. Ignatius Chapel**
2609 Demere Road, St. Simons Island

**Wednesday - Friday**
8:00 am - Morning Prayer

**Saturday**
5:30 pm - Holy Eucharist

**Christ Church, Frederica**
6329 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island

**Wednesday**
12:00 pm - Healing Service
6:30 p.m. – X Church (Beginning Oct. 11)

**Wednesday - Sunday**
5:00 pm - Evening Prayer

**Sunday**
8:00 am - Holy Eucharist, 1928 BCP
9:15 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:15 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Parish Hall
9:15 am – Kidurgy – Liturgy for Children
11:15 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I
September 10th - EYC Rooted and Relevant
– Our EYC will be leading three Rooted and Relevant Eucharist services this fall on Sunday on September 10th, October 15th and November 12th. Services take place at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

September 17th - Fearless Faith and Boundless Love Revival at Honey Creek – The Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, is traveling throughout the country this year offering a series of revivals. On Sunday, September 17th, the Diocese of Georgia will offer a revival based on Fearless Faith and Boundless Love. Join us for this day of renewal and celebration, which includes special activities for diocesan youth, at Honey Creek! Register online at https://www.episcopalrevivalingeorgia2017.org. Because parking is limited, group transportation is being arranged by Christ Church. Contact Sharon Joy at 912-638-8683 or Sharon@ccfssi.org for more information.

October 11th - X Church Resumes – Please join us on Wednesday, October 11th, at 6:30 pm, for the first X Church of the season at Christ Church, Frederica. X Church is a service of quiet contemplation, reverence and praise, and will take place every Wednesday, at 6:30 pm.

November 5th - All Saints Sunday – This is a time of reflection and celebration, as we remember those who have died. We will be collecting their names for the All Saints Book of Remembrance. If you would like to have the name of someone who has passed away since
last year’s All Saints’ Day services read during this year’s services, please be sure to add his or her name to the book, which will be available in the weeks leading up to All Saints Sunday.

**November 12th - Ingathering** – The Annual Campaign will come to a close on Sunday, November 12th. We will have the Ingathering on Saturday, November 11th and Sunday, November 12th, when we will bring the pledge cards and place them on the altar.

**November 19th - Community Thanksgiving Worship** – The service will take place at 4:00 pm at a location that will be announced. This special time of worship includes hymns, prayers, Old and New Testament readings and an offering in addition to a sermon. The Christian faith community on St. Simons gathers together just a few times for worship, which makes this a special Thanksgiving tradition.

**Formation**

Sunday school classes, Bible studies, workshops, music rehearsals, guild activities and more offer ways to grow and learn together.

**Sunday School for Children and Youth** – The younger members of the Christ Church family will begin Sunday school for the season with registration in the Parish Hall on Sunday, August 20th, beginning at 10:20 am. We have classes beginning with our PreK-Kinder-
garten (ages 4-5) class, our First and Second Grade class, the Third-Fifth Grade class, and separate classes for Middle and High School students, too. Nursery is available for our very youngest children. Sunday school follows the public school calendar and uses a curriculum that relates to each Sunday’s worship in age appropriate ways. We look forward to a year of learning and growing in God’s love!

**Adult Sunday Morning Class** – The Adult Sunday Morning Class will resume on August 20th. The class will be doing a 24-week series from The Great Courses lectures on the New Testament. The class meets from 10:30 to 11:15 am each week in the Parish Hall and the Rev. Dr. Robert W. (Bob) Brown is the facilitator and teacher for the class. The New Testament course promises to be an inspiring and educational event.

**Young Adult Sunday Morning Class** – If you’re interested in learning about boundaries in your life, please join The Rev. Ashton Wil- liston, as she leads this study based on *Boundaries: When to Say Yes, How to Say No - To Take Control of Your Life*. The class will meet in the vestry room beginning on August 20th at 10:30 am.

**EYC** – EYC will officially start the season with an Open House on Sunday, August 27, 2017, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish House. This will be a time to welcome new friends and greet old ones, as we gather for a pizza party, recreation and worship. Come find out what we have in store for the upcoming year! Most of our Sunday evenings during the fall and
spring are a time of fun, fellowship, good food, topical lessons to deepen our faith, etc. It is exciting to look back over the past couple of years and see how the EYC has developed and grown. Come see for yourself!

Pathfinders – Our third - fifth grade program has a new name! This awesome group of students will have fun activities every month, giving the children and their parents opportunities to spend time together building relationships and getting them excited about participating in EYC when the time comes.

August 20th-26th - Icon Writing Workshop – Icon writing is much more than learning to paint an icon; a painting depicting Jesus, Mary, angels or saints. Orthodox Christians consider making icons more a form of prayer than art, and believe the writer’s hand is guided by God as s/he writes in paint. Our instructor, Fr. David Holland, will guide you in creating an icon to take home at the end of the week. The icon writing workshop will meet in the Christ Church Parish Hall from 5:00 to 8:00 pm on Sunday, Aug. 20 - Thursday, Aug. 24; 8:30 am - 5:00 pm on Friday, Aug. 25; and 8:30 am - 12:00 pm on Saturday, Aug. 26. On Sunday, Aug. 27, our icons will be blessed during Sunday morning services. The cost for the workshop is $425. To register, call the church office at 912-638-8683.
For more information, contact Mtr. Becky at Becky@ccfssi.org.

August 30th - November 8th - Convictions Book Study – An eleven week study based on the book *Convictions – How I Learned What Mattered Most*, by Marcus Borg, will take place on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Marcus Borg contends that Christians in America are at their best when they focus on hope and transformation, and return to what really matters most - bringing to earth the kingdom of God Jesus talked about and transforming our relationships with one another.

September 5th Rehearsals for Hand Bell Choir, Choristers and Trebles – We’re excited to begin our musical season at Christ Church with rehearsals on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. The Christ Church Hand Bell Choir will gather in the Parish House at 2:15 pm, our young Choristers will start practice at 4:30 pm and our older Trebles will rehearse at 5:00 pm.

September 7th - Christ Church Adult Choir Rehearsal (New Rehearsal Day) – This fall, the rehearsal day for the Adult Choir will move from Wednesday to Thursday and the first meeting will take place on September 7, 2017. The time for rehearsal is changing, too, and will now be held from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. We’re looking forward to a spiritually enriching season of music ministry at Christ Church!
September 12th - October 24th - Living Compass – This seven-week journey will give participants a chance to evaluate their lives and see health and wholeness in a myriad of ways. Living Compass is a wonderful tool for a happier, healthier life. Sessions are practical and spiritually engaging at the same time. Contact Fr. Tom at tom@ccfssi.org for more information.

September 15th - 16th Enneagram Workshop – On September 15-16, 2017, Christ Church, Frederica presents the Rev. Dr. Paul Hanneman’s introduction to The Enneagram. Join Dr. Hanneman for this workshop as he explores this ancient spiritual tool... the wisdom of the Fourth Century Desert Fathers, the first Christian monastics... deep, universal and life-changing. The Enneagram is about people - how we are the same, how we are different, what makes us tick and how we get in our own way. The Enneagram offers an accurate description of the inner geography of our minds. It describes nine fundamental personality styles. It helps explain why we behave the way we do. It offers specific directions for personal growth. Friday September 15, 2017 - 7:00-9:00 p.m. “Dynamics of the Nine Personality Types, Ego Structure, Soul” Saturday, September 16th - 9:00-11:30 a.m. “You’re NOT Your Personality” (Light lunch served in Fellowship Hall.) 1:00-4:00 p.m. “Who Does God See When He Looks at Us?” For more information, please contact Billie Sargent at cony5276@gmail.net

September 27th - Wednesday Evening Bible Study – Evening Bible Study will begin on Wednes-
day, September 27th and end on November 1st. We will continue on the theme of Spiritual Growth. The group will explore, discuss and study a glossary of themes and topics like the Holy Spirit, Attributes of God, etc. - all with reference to the Bible and their application in our own Christian life and journey. The study will be held at the Vestry room in the Parish House. It will begin at 5:30 pm and end at 6:25 pm to allow participants to attend X Church at 6:30 pm in the Church. All are welcome. For further details contact Godfrey Draviam at draviamg@aol.com.

Outreach

Reaching beyond our walls to help others is what we’re compelled to do as followers of Christ. Our regular outreach projects include feeding hungry children through Backpack Buddies, addressing hunger in Glynn County through Manna House, reaching out to international visitors through the International Seafarers Center, comforting the sick and distressed through our prayer shawl ministry, working to support children in Brunswick through Glynn Episcopal Ministries and so much more. If you’d like to get plugged into any of these ministries, contact Mtr. Becky at becky@ccfssi.org or Fr. Tom at tom@ccfssi.org.

October 29th - EYC Souper Sunday Fundraiser – Our EYC and Junior EYC will be selling delicious soups and stews after the 8:00 am, 9:15 am and 11:15 am services at Christ Church, on Sunday, Oc-
October 29th. Funds raised will support their mission and outreach work.

November 11th - 19th – Thanksgiving Food Baskets – We will be collecting non-perishable foods for Thanksgiving food baskets for 23 needy families in our community on Saturday, Nov. 11; Sunday, Nov. 12; Saturday, Nov. 18 and Sunday, Nov. 19 at St. Ignatius Chapel and Christ Church, Frederica. Monetary donations are welcome, too. On Monday, November 20th, all are invited to help assemble the food baskets in the Parish Hall. Contact Jeannie Wade at jswade125@att.net for more information.

Fellowship

“Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.”

- 1 Thessalonians 5:11

As Christians, we come together for strength, comfort and encouragement. This fall, we’re offering many opportunities for sharing and fellowship at Christ Church. Join us!

August 20th - Fall Programs Kick-Off Cook-out – Sunday school classes for all ages will begin this morning at 10:30 am in the Parish House. Please join us for this enriching time of study and fellowship. Our Parish House 9:15 am service resumes this day and we will also have Kidurgy during the 9:15 and 11:15 worship services. After the 11:15 service, all are invited to our
picnic on the lawn! The church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, iced tea, lemonade and paper products - you bring your favorite summer cookout sides, salads, and desserts! Tables and chairs will be set up, but please feel free to bring your own lawn chairs and blankets.

October 1st - Blessing of the Animals – At 5:30 pm at Christ Church Parish House we will be blessing our animals. Please bring the important animals in your life, whether they’re dogs, cats, horses, goats, chickens, rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, reptiles or even bees, and join us for this wonderful celebration started by St. Francis many centuries ago.

October 6th - Parents’ Night Out – Enjoy an evening out, while we entertain the kids from 5:30-9:30 pm in the Christ Church Parish Hall. Cost: FREE! Dinner, snacks, movie, games, bouncy house, and crafts will be provided. Child care is for children 12 and under only. Reservations are required. You may call, text or e-mail Kathleen at 512-750-9299 or kathleen@ccfssi.org, to reserve a space.

October 8th - Pig Pickin’ Annual Campaign Kick-Off – Please plan to join us on Sunday, October 8, 2017, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Hall, for this year’s Pig Pickin’ and Annual Campaign Kick-Off!
Justin Hollington will once again be cooking delicious barbecue and tasty sides, while Marshgrass will keep our toes tapping with some great bluegrass music. This is a fun, family-oriented get-together, so join us at Christ Church for a great evening!

**October 30th - All Hallows Eve Family Fun Fest** (Monday night) – Please join us for a great, family-friendly evening of fun and excitement from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, at Christ Church! There will be activities for all ages, including hay rides, a haunted hallway, a carnival room for our littlest trick-or-treaters, crafts for all ages, bouncy house fun, a hot dog bar, a magic show, music and MORE. Whether you’re 2 or 102, this will be a great time for everyone!

**Save the Date:**

**December 2nd - Breakfast with St. Nick** – A delicious breakfast with St. Nick begins on Saturday, December 2nd, at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall, followed by a reading of the real story of St. Nicholas. Families, (children, their parents, grandparents, special friends), will then be guided through a series of fun activities and games. Be ready for some family time and great photo opportunities!