



Worship Series: Identity

REAL IDENTITY

September - Sowing. What is our foundation? What is our Community? Christ Church has built a solid foundation from which to grow and share. Which of our strong seeds will we sow and share with the community?

Sept. 9 - REAL "Will We Choose to Hear?" Mark 7:24-37

Sept. 16 - Finding Our Points of Difference "Take My Cross...Please" Mark 8:27-38

Sept. 23 - Unique...Or Not "Sharing Our Passion" Mark 9:30-37

Sept. 30 - Leading - What does That Mean? "For Such a Time as This" Esther 7:1-6, 9-19, 9:20-22

October - Growing

Growth can mean so many things. We will examine growth based on our identity of inclusivity, our awareness of our own messiness, and our willingness to be out of our comfort zones - personal, church, and community. This is a time of recognizing and acknowledging what we have, and sharing.

November - Feeding

Through fellowship and working with other communities, we will explore food insecurity and food justice. Recognizing families and families of choice, how do we live into the tension of our privilege in this month typically known for abundance?

Student Bible Presentations, 10:15am, September 9th

As we invite our children into the experience of Church and faith in new ways we walk along side them. One of the ways we offer support for traveling the path of faith is by gifting our Kindergartners and our 3rd Graders with age appropriate Bibles that they can use at home and in their Sunday school classes. **Please join us on Sunday, September 9th in worship where we will present our children with these Bibles** and then stay after worship to sign each child's Bible so that they may know the community that cares for them now and for many years to come.



United Methodist Women (UMW) Circle Meetings

The Christ Church United Methodist Women invite all those who identify as women to attend their Circle meetings. These gatherings offer a time for conversation, light refreshment, and a program from one of the members. Questions? Email Margaret Simmons at mlsimmons@pcisys.net.

VIBE (Vision, Inspiration, **B**elief, **E**mpowerment) **Circle** meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm in the Naylor Study. Their upcoming gatherings are September 17th, October 15th, and November 19th.

Sunshine Circle meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30am in the Naylor Study. Their upcoming gatherings are September 20th, October 18th, and November 15th.



Annual Congregation Photo, Sunday, November 11th

Plan to stay briefly after worship on Sunday, November 11th for our Annual Congregation Photo. This tradition is a wonderful way to document our growing and changing community. Everyone is invited to come forward to the chancel area after worship and smile for the camera!



REAL Learning

Sunday School for the Fall, 9am Sundays

It is hard to believe that we are all already settling into the rhythms of the school year, but it has begun. As a part of that rhythm we are excited to get Sunday School started for the year on September 9th at 9am. We would love to have your kid's be a part of this part of this program. A big thank you to all the adults who have offered to be a part of our teaching teams for the next year!

Nursery: Babies – 2 Years Old

- Teachers: Karen & Essie

Frolic: Preschool & Pre K

- Teachers: Julie Major Frunz and Todd Fujinami

KidSpace: Kindergarten – 3rd Grade

- Teachers: Rebecca Bourgeois & Ann Hersom

Experience Faith: 4th – 6th Grade

- Teachers: Katherine Turpin & Laurie Fujinami

Young Youth: 7th & 8th Grade

- Teachers: Rev. Megan Armstrong, Alli Moore, Steve Hersom

Upper Youth: 9th – 12th Grade

- Teachers: Alli Moore, Kat Harrell, Clare Prickett

Adult Education, 9am Sundays, Chapel

Adults are invited to join the thought provoking conversations in Adult Seminar at 9am on Sundays beginning September 9th.

Sept. 9 - Ted Vial "Theological implications of artificial intelligence"

Sept. 16 - Rick Foster, "Homeless ministries"

Sept. 23 - Don Smith, "Contemplating Truth and Beauty"

Sept. 30 - Andrea Stanton, TBD

Oct. 7 - Ted Vial, "Theological implications of artificial intelligence" Part 2

Oct. 14 - Andrea Stanton, TBD

Oct. 21 - TBD

Oct. 28 - Cathy Kelsey "Unity and Separation among Methodists"

Nov. 4 - Erin Nourse, "Being Christian and Voodoo"

Nov. 11 - Amy Erickson, "Wisdom Literature"

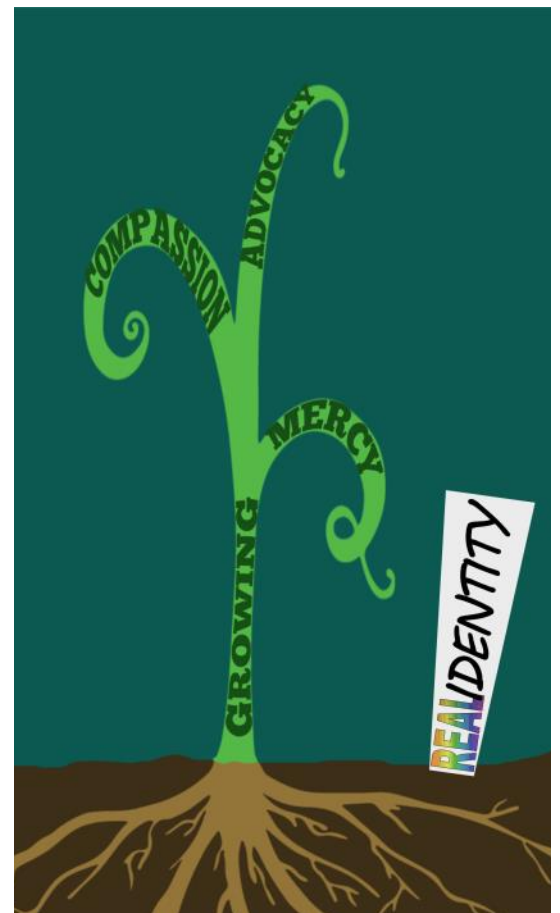
Nov. 18 & 25 - no Adult education



Financial Peace University - 11:30am, Sundays, beginning September 23rd

Financial Peace University is a 9-week course which helps individuals and families create a

budget, pay off debts, make wise spending decisions, and save for the future. Regular online price is \$149, but the first 6 people to sign up with Patrick Daskol or Rev. Megan Armstrong will get a discounted price of \$104.





#HatNotHate

During the month of October, Christ Church will be joining in the #HatNot Hate campaign to help our children and youth speak up against bullying. Are you a knitter? We are looking for people who knit or crochet to help make blue hats that we can hand out to our kids so they can wear their hats as a sign of joining together against bullying. We will be talking about bullying in our Children's Moments throughout the month of October. This link will lead you to more information and many free hat patterns for beginning knitters to advanced: <http://www.lionbrand.com/blog/end-bullying-hat-not-hate/>. Pam Thiele is helping to organize the knitting and has plenty of yarn! If you have questions please contact her at pamthiele@comcast.net

Fall Youth Group

Youth Group is getting ready to start up again for the Fall. We meet on Sunday's after worship from 11:15 – 1pm about twice a month. Sometimes we have special events and our timing is different. We will be focusing our time this fall on the questions "Who am I? and Why am I?" We will discuss personality, identity and self worth as we spend time together learning about each other, playing games and experiencing our faith in community. Our schedule shifts depending on things that are happening so please add these dates to your calendar.



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| Sept. 9 – 11:15 – 1pm, Youth Room | Youth Group Kick Off |
| Sept. 23 - 11:15 – 1pm, Youth Room | Who Am I? Identity by TED Talks |
| October 7 - 11:15 – 1pm, Youth Room | Understanding Me: Big Five Personality Test |
| October 21 - 11:15 – 1pm, Youth Room | What Does Serving Others Teach you about Yourself? |
| October 28 – 2pm – 7pm, Fundraiser | Trunk Or Treat! |
| November 10 – November 11, 6:30pm – 11:15am, TBD | Lock-In, see more details below |
| November 18 – 11:15 – 3pm, Food for All | Pack and Sort Thanksgiving Donations |
| November 25 – 11:15am - 2pm, Fellowship Hall | Experiencing Advent & Decorating the Church |

Dates to Keep in Mind for the Future:

Dec. 9 – Christmas Pageant & Parents Day Out: Christmas Fundraiser

Dec. 16th – Youth Christmas Party

Youth Lock In – November 10 th– 11th

The Youth group will have their fall Lock In from November 10 – 11th. We will meet at 6:30pm and end the next morning at the 10:15am worship. This is a night of fun and silliness. We will watch a movie, play games, eat, and enjoy each other's company. The location is still being determined so please watch for further information.

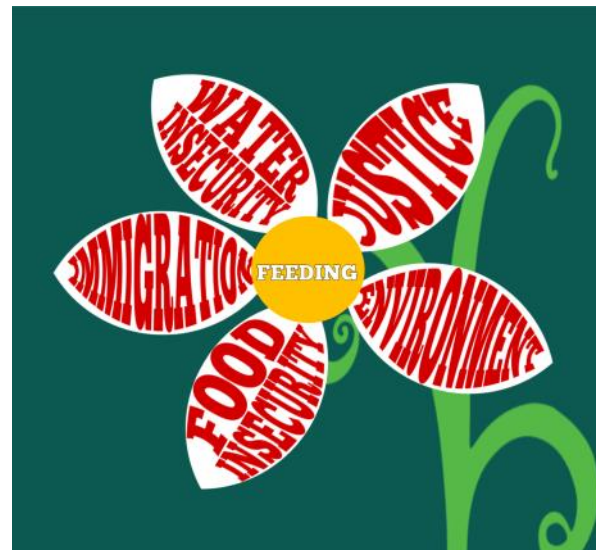


Rainbow Alley Dinner, Friday, September 14th The Center

Come support LGBTQ+ youth in Denver by signing up to provide a potluck Italian dinner for 25-30 LGBTQ youth at Rainbow Alley at The Center, 1301 E. Colfax Ave, Denver 80218, on Friday, September 14th. It is so critical that we show our LGBTQ+ youth that there are adults and faith communities who welcome them with open arms! Ready to help? Contact Amanda Trembly ajgully@hotmail.com.

CROP Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 14th, 1:30pm Sand Creek Trail

Christ Church is once again working to “end hunger one step at a time” at the Aurora CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, October 14th. CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) walks raise money to support hunger and humanitarian relief efforts through Church World Service both locally and around the world. Christ Church raised just under \$1500 last year! We should raise even more this year! Beginning mid-September you’ll find Kathi Moton at a table in the Narthex before and after worship handing out rice bags which can be taken home, filled with a donation, and returned. She’ll also sign up walkers for the Aurora Hunger Walk, and collect canned goods to be given to Aurora Interfaith Community Services. Please contact Kathi Moton with questions at kathimoton@gmail.com.



Ingathering: Giving Our Thanks, donations due November 18th

Beginning on October 28th we will be collecting food for a Thanksgiving donation. There will be grocery bags with lists of the needed items around the sanctuary and in the Narthex and we invite you to pick up one or more, fill them with items listed on the shopping list, and bring them back to the church by November 18th. The youth will then collect and organize the food and join other youth from around United Methodist Churches around Denver to sort and create thanksgiving boxes with people in the Front Range in need as we enter the holiday season.

Youth 2019 – July 10th-14th

Next summer the youth group will be attending the Youth 2019 event in Kansas City, Missouri. This is the National United Methodist Youth event attended by thousands from around the US. This trip will be a combined event and mission trip. To get there we will need to fundraise more money than in an average year so you will see more fundraisers starting right in the fall. Our first semester fund raisers will be a Trunk or Treat on October 28th and a Parents Day Out: Christmas on Dec. 9th. If you have other ideas please let Rev. Megan Armstrong or Alli Moore know. We will need to commit and register for the Youth 2019 event by the end of January.



Trunk or Treat, 3-6pm, Sunday, October 28th

The Youth Group will be hosting a Trunk or Treat for our neighborhood and community and WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Trunk or Treat is a Halloween activity in which families bring the kiddos all dressed up and instead of going house to house they go Trunk to Trunk around our parking lot. Each trunk gets decorated with a fun theme and then you hand out candy or small toys just like you would if kids came to your house on Halloween night. People who decorate their trunks often dress up as well to keep the fun of the event going. In September you will see a special sign up in the Narthex for adding your car to the Trunk Parade! If you would like to help out but don't want or can't use your car you can help in other ways which will also be available on the sign up. There will be donations taken to help support the youth group and our coming summer trip to Kansas City next year. If you have any questions please ask Rev. Megan or Alli Moore.



Election Day Refreshment, 7am - 7pm, Tuesday, November 6th

Elections are just around the corner, and Christ Church is again a voter service and polling center. Our seasonal planning team is organizing a coffee cart for the voters on Election Day, November 6th, who visit Christ Church. If you can volunteer to help set up and serve coffee, even for an hour that day, please email Julia Coleman at juliaelinoroberts@gmail.com.

Church Safety: Info & Release Form

Last year we implemented a process to check in our youth and children to our nursery, Sunday school, and youth programs. Thank you for your patience as we figured out how to make it all work. We will continue to check in in the same way as the past, however we will only be handing out name tags to those in 3rd grade and below. Another part of our safety program on top of the check in system, and the Safe Sanctuaries training that we do with all our teachers and youth leaders, is a system of having all the families fill out a registration and release form. Most families with children received this link in an email from Rev. Megan with info about your child's Sunday school class, but if you haven't yet, please fill out the form at this link: <https://christchurchum.breezechms.com/form/de74b7>



Looking Ahead

It seems silly to talk about Christmas now, but...not only does it seem to come quite quickly once school starts, but it also seems to be one of the busiest times of the year. On December 9th there will be a few things going on you might not want to miss. First of all we will have our Christmas Pageant that morning in worship at 10:15am. And secondly the youth will be running a Parents Day Out Fundraiser that afternoon. Leave your kiddos after worship with us and we will watch and entertain them while you catch up on some Christmas Shopping or just catch up on some rest. Watch for more information about these in the coming months.



Calendar

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September

- 2nd No Education Hour
- 5th 1:30pm UMW Leadership Team, Upper Room
- 9th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship, Student Bible Presentations
11:15am Youth Group - Kick Off Games & Fun, Youth Room
- 12th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 14th Rainbow Alley - Host Potluck Dinner, The Center
- 16th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship
- 17th 7pm UMW VIBE Circle, Naylor Study
- 19th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 20th 10:30am UMW Sunshine Circle, Naylor Study
- 23rd 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship
11:15am Youth Group, Youth Room
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
- 24th 6:30pm Church Council, Upper Room
- 26th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 30th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship Koins for Kids Offering for CROP Walk
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room



October

- 1st Blue Hat Day, start of Anti-Bullying Month 
- 3rd 1:30pm UMW Leadership Team, Upper Room
7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 6th 8:30am Advent Seasonal Planning, Upper Room
- 7th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship - World Communion Sunday
11:15am Youth Group, Youth Room
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
- 10th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 14th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
1:30pm Aurora CROP Hunger Walk, Sand Creek Trail
- 15th 7pm UMW VIBE Circle, Naylor Study
- 17th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 18th 10:30am UMW Sunshine Circle, Naylor Study
- 21st 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship
11:15am Youth Group, Youth Room
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
- 24th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 28th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship & Koins for Kids Offering
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
3-6pm Trunk or Treat!, Parking Lot 
- 31st 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room



November

- 6th Election Day, Coffee Cart for voters
- 7th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 10th Youth Group Lock-In
- 11th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship & Congregation Photo!
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
- 14th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 15th 10:30am UMW Sunshine Circle, Naylor Study
- 18th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship - Ingathering!
11:30am Financial Peace University, Upper Room
11:15am Youth - Food For All
- 19th 7pm UMW VIBE Circle, Naylor Study
- 21st 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room
- 22nd Thanksgiving Day, Church Office Closed
- 23rd Church Office Closed
- 25th 9am Education Hour - classes for preschool to adult
10:15am Worship
11:15am Experiencing Advent
- 28th 7pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room



FOOD FOR ALL
THANKSGIVING MEAL COLLECTIONS



Questions? Contact Us!

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