

**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL**

5:00 PM / 8:00 AM / 10:00 AM

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7 + 8, 2024
Season of Creation



WELCOME

Christ Church is an Episcopal Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts. We welcome and honor the God-given gifts that make us unique as individuals and strong as community. You and your family are welcome regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status or prior religious affiliation.

Announcements

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week.

Any names added this week are in bold.

Arnie Kaupp; Bill Lutz; Family of Clara Clements; Caleb Eaton and family; Carol Owen; Cindy Boyer; Dianne Powers; Don Bolt; Doug Perry; Elaine Christian; John Davidson; Karen Guerra; Karen Romero; Kate Taylor; Kim Fillian; Lauren Parnass; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Garrone; Louise Woodruff; Lynne Neeley; Margie Kaupp; Maryanne Kerrigan; Michael Petringa; Michelle and Michael Almeida; Nicole Smith; Norm Zinger; Owen Smith; Ray Rogers; Sam Barry; Sharon Steadman; Steven Mills-Price; Suzanne and Dave Salois; Suzanne Williamson-Vico; Tim N.; Tina MacAllister; Tyler Christian; Valerie B. Pflock; William Underhill

We ask your prayers for those serving in the military and their families:

Andrew Barton, Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Josh Zabin

From the Office

In order to have your announcements included in the weekly bulletin and *Keeping Connected*, please send them to the office by 12 Noon on Wednesday. They should include date, time, place, description of event and contact information and should be written exactly the way you want them to appear.

Keeping Connected – Christ Church's weekly eNewsletter can now be found on our website christchurchplymouth.org. Visit our website to view the newsletter or scroll to the bottom of the page and enter your name and email to have it sent directly to your inbox.

Church School News - It is time to register your student/s for Church School! We need a new registration form for each student every year, so please fill this out even if you think we already have it. Forms are available in the Church School classrooms or online at christchurchplymouth.org/faith-education/

Classes for students in grades PreK-5 start this Sunday, September 8. We will have class at 9 AM and a special Welcome Back Ice Cream Social at Coffee Hour! Older students, and adults are invited to join Rev. Melissa at 9 AM in the Hospitality Suite for a discussion focused on the lessons for the day or join choir rehearsal with Lea in the sanctuary.

- **PreK-1 Students:** Meet with Amanda Peterson and Wendela Correia in the basement classroom
- **Grade 2-5 Students:** Meet with Makenzie Manchester and Su D'Ambrosio in the classrooms on the 2nd floor of Hall House. Please enter by the door in the driveway.

Church School Help Needed! We are always looking for volunteers to help in our classrooms. Volunteers assist the lead teacher with class activities and ensure that we adhere to minimum adult supervision requirements for Safe Church guidelines. You can volunteer for one week, be on call as a substitute teacher, or join our Church School team. Please consider sharing your time and talent with our youngest parishioners by volunteering to help in our Church School classes! Contact Su D'Ambrosio at assunta999@gmail.com for more information.

Middle School and High School Youth Group

We are excited to be moving in a new direction with our older youth at Christ Church. This year we will be using a Youth Group model as formation for our older students. We know that children in Middle and High School are busier than ever and with that in mind we will be holding a Youth Group once a month. The first meeting will be Friday, September 20th. This meeting will include a light dinner, introductions and the showing of a Pixar movie. These movies are engaging, entertaining, and fun. They also happen to have many layers and messages that can connect to broader and more spiritual topics. Our meeting will conclude with topics to think about for future discussions and a quick game. The following month will take place on Sunday, October 20th at 11:30 am. It will be a facilitated discussion of the Pixar movie focusing on connections made, thoughts for the following month's movie and a quick game. Our meetings will continue with this alternating schedule throughout the school year.

Hopefully the shift to monthly meetings will allow the older children of Christ Church to participate in some of the other ministries that are offered. Such as, serving as an acolyte, singing in the choir, or simply being more present during Sunday service. We are hopeful that opportunities for mission trips and community outreach and involvement will also come out of a unified and motivated Youth Group.

Parents will still register their students for Church school at christchurchplymouth.org/faith-education/. Please feel free to reach out to Rebecca Metzger at radmetzger@gmail.com, Su D'Ambrosio at assunta999@gmail.com or Reverend Melissa at revmelissa@christchurchplymouth.org.

Thank you for your support of our youth at Christ Church.
Peace,
Rebecca Metzger

Interested In Acolyting? - With our regular Sunday church schedule about to begin, we are looking to add to our current group of acolytes. Acolytes assist the ministers during the service to help things run smoothly. This enhances the worship service and is an important ministry. Traditionally acolytes are youth over the age of 9. With the complexity of everyone's schedules we will be having a few different training sessions or refreshers for anyone interested in serving as an acolyte. These will take place at 9 a.m. on 3 Sundays throughout September. September 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Please email Rebecca Metzger- radmetzger@gmail.com with a date that you are available. Please respond to Rebecca even if you are already on the acolyte list. Thank you!

Bloomin' 4 Good Program - For the month of September, the purchase of a \$10.99 bouquet in the sleeve marked "Bloomin' 4 Good" from the Stop & Shop at 127 Samoset St in Plymouth will brighten a home or make someone's day while also directing a \$1 donation to the Christ Church Food Pantry. This is a great way to broaden awareness in the local community and raise donations for our organization to help fight hunger. The more bouquets sold, the greater the donation we will receive from Stop & Shop! To learn more about this program, please visit stopandshop.2givelocal.com.

Christ Church Food Pantry – This week we are low on: baked beans, kidney beans, spaghetti sauce, coffee and snack bars.

All are welcome to the Christ Church Food Pantry!

We are open by appointment: Tuesday 4:00-5:15, Thursday 12:00-1:15 and 4:00-5:15, and Saturday 10:00-11:15. Call the pantry message line: 508-746-4959, ext 6, BY 1 PM THE DAY BEFORE YOU WISH TO PICK UP YOUR ORDER. Our volunteers check messages and return your call from their homes to ask you what you need.

Leave a message if you wish to donate non-perishable food and household items, or you may leave your donations under the mailboxes outside the office or in the front entrance to the sanctuary. Squirrels like to get into any bags left on the porch of the food pantry!

If you wish to volunteer, contact Eileen Paris at eileenpca@aol.com
For more information, please contact Barbara Wojtkiewicz at 617-291-4634, or by email at barbara.wojtkiewicz@gmail.com

Christ Church Thrift Shoppe - Outreach~ Near and Far - Nadia DosSantos, friend and supporter of the Thrift Shoppe, helped volunteers empty racks of unsold summer clothing last week. Nadia, who has partnered with the Thrift Shoppe for the past 2 years, ships greatly needed clothing to her Haitian homeland. Her desire to help extends to the sorting and allocating of remaining items for her parish family at the Brazilian Foursquare Church in North Plymouth. We are grateful for Nadia and all in our community who help us support our neighbors in need, both near and far.

Please consider helping us replenish our racks by donating gently worn in-style fall and winter clothing. We are no longer accepting summer items. Also in need are housewares, fiction books, kitchenware, and decorative items that are clean, in working order, and from non-smoking homes. The green collection bin located in the Narthex may be used for smaller donations.

As we begin our merchandise transition to Fall, we give thanks to the many volunteers, donors and shoppers, who together helped to contribute to a most productive and prosperous summer at the Thrift Shoppe.

Volunteer opportunities are always available and all are welcome regardless of age, experience, or affiliation with Christ Church.

Summer Shoppe Hours - Thursday and Friday 10-4 and Saturday 10-2

Week At - A - Glance * September 8, 2024 – September 15, 2024

SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:00 AM	Church School (Adults and Grades Pre-K – 5)
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II – The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour Ice Cream Social
MONDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
TUESDAY	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Food Pantry
	5:30 PM	Finance Committee
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	6:30 PM	Vestry Meeting
THURSDAY	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe
	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Food Pantry
	4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Food Pantry
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
SATURDAY	10:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe
	10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Food Pantry
	5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Rite II – The Seventeenth Saturday after Pentecost
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:00 AM	Church School (Adults and Grades Pre-K – 5)
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II – The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour
	11:15 AM	Thrift Shoppe Volunteer Meeting

Christ Church Parish
Seeking Christ in Ourselves * Serving Christ in the World

JESUS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

MINISTERS

All the people of Christ Church Parish

Staff

The Rev. Melissa Howell, Rector
The Rev. Deacon James Thomas
David Tyler, Parish Administrator
Lea Tyler, Choir Director
Su D'Ambrosio, Sunday School Coordinator

Officers and Vestry Representatives

Bill Ferguson, Senior Warden
John Steele, Junior Warden
Ray Rogers, Treasurer
Brenna Buckley, Clerk

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM