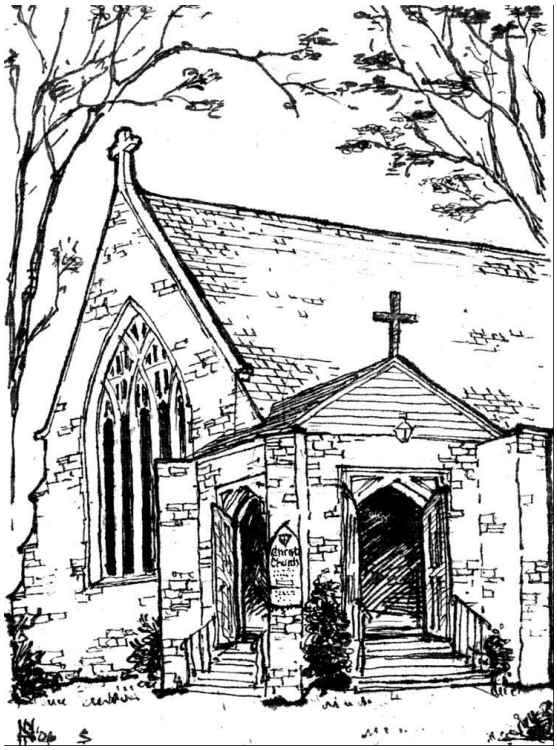
CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL

10:00 AM

All Saints' Weekend

November 3, 2024



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.

A Note to Parents and Caregivers with Children in Church

Thank you for bringing your children to church. We are so glad you are here!

We know it can be difficult at times to manage little ones during the service.

For that reason, we have provided some resources which we hope will make it easier for you and your family to enjoy worship together.

You will find books and coloring pages at the back of the Mary Chapel. Please feel free to utilize these at any point during the service.

We have installed a TV in the nursery! You are welcome to visit the nursery with your child during any portion of our service and join us via our livestream.

It is okay to take breaks. If you need to step out with your child, our parish grounds are a great place to get the wiggles out.

Above all, please remember: You and your family are very welcome here!

Though your children may be squirming, talking, or making noise, they are also observing, copying, and learning. Children are a gift and an important part of our community; we are grateful to have them worship with us.

The Word of God

ENTRANCE HYMN
By all your saints still striving **1982 Hymnal 232**

OPENING ACCLAMATION
The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY
The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE
I sing a song of the saints of God **1982 Hymnal 293**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: **Isaiah 25:6-9**

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Psalm 24

Remain seated.

1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.

2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"

4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.

5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

The people sit.

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN ***Spirit of the Living God*** **Celebrate 138**
All stand.

GOSPEL: **John 11:32-44**
All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON **The Rev. Margot Critchfield**

THE CREED
All stand.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Deacon / Leader: As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise, thanking God for the opportunity to walk in love together.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the Church, God's great gift to us. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our bishops, priests, deacons, and laypeople, remembering especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, Julia and Carol our Bishops, Melissa our Priest, James and Natalie our Deacons, and all of the lay people of Christ Church Parish.
Silence
As Christ loved us,

We walk in love.

Leader: I bid your prayers for our nation and for all nations; for all refugees, for an end to hostilities, and for all those around the world affected by climate change remembering especially those who are suffering after hurricanes Helene and Milton. We pray for a spirit of goodwill among all people. We pray for our citizens as we elect leaders, and for leaders who serve with love.
Silence
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Leader: I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts.
Silence
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Leader: I ask your prayers to help us discern wisely those we chose as leaders, and grant us grace to accept results we did not desire and the strength to never fail in advocating for a world of justice, peace, and mercy.
Silence
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Leader: I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. Please pray for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now either silently or aloud.
Silence is held for a time as people share their intercessions.
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Leader: I invite your celebrations, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with God's grace celebrating especially today Joshua Nielsen's 18th birthday in whose honor the high altar flowers have been given. May we be inspired to share our gifts of wealth, works, and wisdom with our neighbors and our Church.
Silence is held for a time as people share their thanksgivings.
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, for those who mourn, for Mary Margaret Franklin, and Marion Bryant in whose memory the lamp of presence has been given, all our dearly departed who have been laid to rest in our parish columbarium, and for those we name now with our lips or in our hearts.
Silence is held for a time as people share their intercessions.
As Christ loved us,
We walk in love.

Celebrant: Hear the prayers of your people, O God, and inspire us with gratitude and grace as we share our many gifts with You and the world You made. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN
The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE
All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS
All who are celebrating birthdays this month are invited to come forward. The presider or officiant leads the following prayer:
O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on these your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

If you wish to make a gift to support the ministries of Christ Church Parish, you may place your offering in the plate, or scan the QR code to the right to donate online. Thank you!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

DOXOLOGY **1982 Hymnal 380, v3**

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

SANCTUS ***Holy, holy, holy*** **1982 Hymnal S 125**

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

THE LORD'S PRAYER
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM *Christ our Passover* 1982 Hymnal S 154

INVITATION
The Presider invites the people to Communion with these or similar words:
Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at God's table.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

To receive the Sacrament, come forward in two lines down the center aisle, to either the main altar or the chapel altar rail. Please fill in all the spaces along the rail. Standing or kneeling, hold out your hands. The minister will place the bread in your palm. You may then receive the wine by drinking from the larger cup or intincting (dipping) the bread in the smaller cup. If you do not wish to receive the wine, cross your arms across your chest as the cup bearers come to you. If you would prefer a blessing, come forward to the rail, cross your arms across your chest, and the minister will bless you.

At the main altar, once you have received, stand and exit through the side door closest to you (either left past the organ or right through the choir room) to walk around and back into the sanctuary, using the side aisles to return to your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN
For the bread which you have broken **1982 Hymnal 341**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER
After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING
May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN
For all the saints, who from their labors rest **1982 Hymnal 287**

DISMISSAL
The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the people.
The people respond: **Thanks be to God.**

Healing prayers will be offered in the Mary chapel after the service.

Announcements

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week. Any names added this week are in bold.

Anita Chase; Caleb Eaton and family; Carol Owen; Cindy Boyer; Darlene Parnass; David Greene; Dianne Powers; Don Bolt; Donna Eby; Doug Perry; Elaine Christian; **Fred Thornton;** Greta Couter; Harvey LeSueur; John Davidson; Karen Guerra; Karen Romero; Kate Taylor; the family of Kent Kopke; Kim Fillian**;** Jack Bersani; John Crosby; Lauren Parnass; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Garrone; Louise Woodruff; Lynne Neeley; Maryanne Kerrigan; Rev. Melissa Howell; Michael Petringa; Michelle and Michael Almeida; Nicole Smith; Norm Zinger; Owen Smith; Paula Darsch; Polly Chadwick; Ray Rogers; **Ron Kleiner;** Sandy Burgess; 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, Joel Carveiro, **Aidan McKinney,** 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.

Church School News - Trunk Or Treat this Sunday!: Come in costume on Sunday to celebrate Halloween and have some fun! All parishioners are invited to participate. Students (and anyone young at heart!) will go trick-or-treating from car to car in the parking lot near the food pantry. People are encouraged to open and decorate their trunks to make the event fun and festive. No decorations?? No problem! Anyone can participate and hand out treats. Don't miss a stop at the Thrift Shoppe porch when you make your rounds!

Christmas Pageant: It's time to get ready for our annual Christmas Pageant which is presented on December 24 at the 4 pm service. There are parts for everyone! Rehearsals start in November. For more information or to sign up, contact Su D'Ambrosio at education@christchurchplymouth.org.

Apple Pies – The Evening Women's Group will be making apple pies once again on Wednesday, November 6th. They will be available for $20 each. Additional information and order forms will be available at the entrances.

Daffodil Planting – All Saints weekend we will be doing our annual daffodil planting in memory of loved ones. Saturday November 2nd 4-5 PM, Sunday November 3rd 9-10 AM and 11-Noon.

Cookbook Update – There will be a "workshop/time to type in recipes together" offered Wednesday November 6 beginning around 5:00 in the volunteer room across from the office where there is already a computer or one can bring one's own individual device for typing in recipes. You may also leave recipes at the church office. Contact Robin if you have any questions at 774-454-2776 or robinmarianielsen@gmail.com

Thank you so much ~ Robin & Anne

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Veterans Day at Christ Church November 10, 2024 - In 1918, On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I, then known as "the Great War." Commemorated in many countries as Armistice Day the following year, the U. S. honors veterans always on November 11 and is known as Veterans Day.

Christ Church Parish invites our veterans to share their stories and photos in preparation for a special presentation on Sunday, November 10th. If you are interested in this project, please contact Lynne Neeley at lneeley123@gmail.com or 973-760-3063.

Christ Church Food Pantry – The annual Thanksgiving meal distribution for 100 families will be held on Monday November 25 and Tuesday November 26. We will be including a gift card instead of a turkey, so people can purchase what they prefer for the protein. We welcome your **donations of cranberry sauce, instant mashed potatoes, gravy, or crackers** as part of the items that we include in the Thanksgiving meal bags. **Deadline: November 10.**

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 Wojtklewicz at 617-291-4634, or by email at barbara.wojtklewicz@gmail.com

Coffee House Fundraiser to benefit the Overnights of Hospitality - This benefit coffee house will take place on Friday November 8 at 7pm-9pm in the Christ Church Parish Hall, featuring talented musicians from the parish and from the Plymouth community.
Refreshments ~ coffee, tea and hot chocolate along with baked goods will be available for a minimal cost.

Free will offering baskets will be set up as well. 💯 proceeds will go to the Taskforce/Overnights winter program at Christ Church.
An additional highlight will be the artwork on display by Kat LiBretto of Inky Hands in Plymouth Center.
Your hosts are Kat LiBretto and Robin Nielsen.
Reservations are not required.

Christ Church Thrift Shoppe - November Updates~ Save the dates!

Nov 7-9 Christmas displays are out
Nov 7-9 Veterans Day ~1/2 off sales
Nov 15-16 Senior Day ~1/2 off sales
Nov 17 Volunteer Meeting ~11:30am
Nov 23 Thanksgiving Parade~Shop Closed
Nov 28 Happy Thanksgiving~Shop Closed

Shoppe Hours
Thursday and Friday 10-4
Saturday 10-1



The Christ Church Columbarium – On this All Saints / All Souls weekend, I thought it was important to point out that we have a number of friends and family who are resting eternally in our Columbarium. What is a Columbarium? It is a memorial wall that holds the cremated remains of loved ones. Where is ours? It is in the Mary Chapel. If you would like more information, please contact Louise Woodruff at Lwoodr1451@aol.com or 508-380-2922. Please pray for and remember those who are resting in peace with us.

Overnights of Hospitality - Starting Sunday, December 1st, The Plymouth Taskforce to End Homelessness, in collaboration with the Fr. Bill's and Mainspring (FBMS) organization, will offer winter emergency shelter to 20-25 single individuals through Saturday, April 5th. We can't continue this important ministry without your help.

We need folks to serve as Shelter Volunteers and Meal Providers. Shelter Volunteers commit to give one evening of their time from 4:45 to approximately. They provide support to the FBMS staff. Meal Providers prepare meals at home to serve at the shelter.

By volunteering we show our unhoused neighbors that they are not forgotten. We who have volunteered in the past have been touched by the appreciation shown by many of the guests. It has been a very rewarding experience!

The shelter rotates weekly among three congregations beginning Sunday, December 1st through Saturday, April 5th - Christ Church, First Baptist Church and St Mary's and St Joseph Collaborative at St Mary's Parish Center, using the fellowship halls. Orientation is provided.

To sign up as a Shelter Volunteer or Meal Provider, go to https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/k4w5gd. Slots for Meal Provider tend to fill up quickly. To review the Shelter Volunteer and Meal Provider guidelines, go to https://plymouth-taskforce-homeless.org

Questions? Call Connie Melahoures, President of the Plymouth Taskforce to End Homelessness at 508.367.0516 or email conmel@aol.com or call Kat Libretto, our shelter coordinator at 201.286.5591 or email katlibtetto@gmail.com

The first two weeks of the shelter season begins at Christ Church on December 22nd through Saturday, January 4th. We especially need Shelter Volunteers representing CCP for those first two weeks.

"Walk in Love" words to reflect on – shared with you from your Resource Committee

Walk in Love

Authenticity

As followers of Christ, we are called to engage in worship with authenticity and sincerity. Our devotion calls us to anchor ourselves in the unwavering love of Jesus and to radiate that boundless love to all corners of the earth. This, undeniably, forms the bedrock of stewardship. In my Jamaican cultural upbringing, the act of giving transcends mere action; it embodies a language of love. On many occasions around the Sunday dinner table, the sweet aroma of food gracefully breaks the silence, reminding me of the profound exchange of God's unwavering familial love.

God reveals the depth of Christ's love for us through the people who grace our lives—the ones who selflessly sacrifice for our well-being, and those for whom we willingly do the same. Giving is not just a monetary task. Giving is a heart task. It's something that all of us are called to do, for the kingdom of God to flourish, and for the walking, living testimonies that surround us in our lives.

So, what does it mean to truly "walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God?" For me, it means embodying sacrificial love in our everyday lives, extending grace and compassion to those around us, just as Christ did. It means seeking reconciliation and peace in all circumstances, being willing to step out of our comfort zones to minister to the marginalized, the oppressed, and the brokenhearted. Sharing the good news of salvation not only through our words but also through our actions, demonstrating God's love through tangible acts of kindness and generosity.

We need to live a life that reflects the transformative power of Christ's love, allowing His love to permeate every aspect of our being and overflow into the lives of those around us. | tENS.org

Questions for Reflection:

How can we ensure that our actions, words, and attitudes reflect the boundless love of Christ, fostering unity and growth within our spiritual communities?



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Week At - A - Glance * November 3, 2024 – November 10, 2024

SUNDAY	**8:00 AM**	**Holy Eucharist Rite I – All Saints' Weekend**
	9:00 AM	Daffodil Planting
	9:00 AM	Church School (Adults and Grades Pre-K – 5)
	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	**Holy Eucharist Rite II – All Saints' Weekend**
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour
	11:15 AM	Nominating Committee
	5:00 PM	**All Saints' Evensong**
MONDAY	**9:00 AM**	**Morning Prayer –** Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
TUESDAY	9:30 AM – 3:00 PM	Office Closed
	10:00 AM	Companions Group
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	12:30 PM	Pastoral Care
	4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Food Pantry
WEDNESDAY	**9:00 AM**	**Morning Prayer –** Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	5:00 PM	Evening Women's Group
THURSDAY	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Food Pantry
	1:00 PM	Book Study
	4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Food Pantry
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY	**9:00 AM**	**Morning Prayer –** Facebook Live
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	7:00 PM	Coffee House
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 Twenty-fifth Saturday after Pentecost**
SUNDAY	**8:00 AM**	**Holy Eucharist Rite I – The Twenty-fifth 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 Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour

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