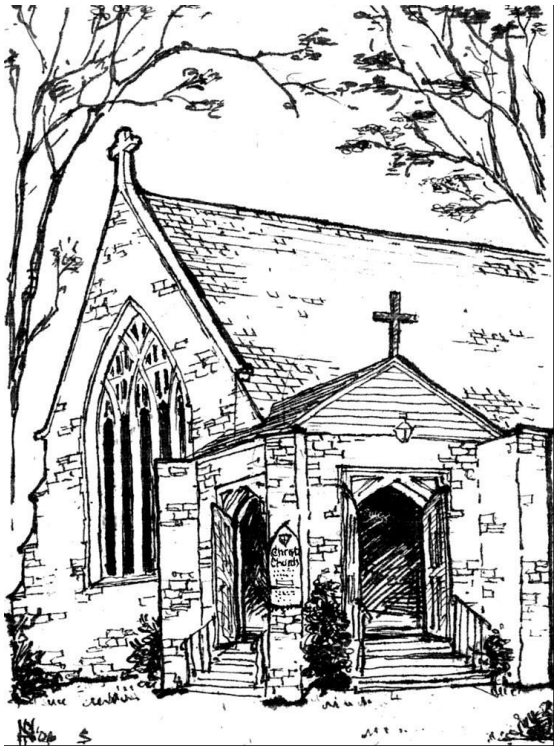
CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL

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

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 9 + 10, 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.

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; **Jim Davis;** 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:
Aidan McKinney, Andrew Barton, Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Joel Carveiro, 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.

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.

Cookbook Update – We still have a long ways to go before we can submit our recipes for publishing. The good news is that we still have plenty of time without any stress. Please drop off your recipes to the office when possible or submit recipes through the website

typensave.com
Username: CCParish
Password: garlic547

With much appreciation ~
~Anne & Robin

Join Us in Spreading Cheer! - Dear Friends, this year, our Christmas outreach program at Christ Church will be in collaboration with the Salvation Army. We're deeply grateful for their support, especially as Donna Eby recovers from her recent back surgery.

We invite you to contribute to this wonderful cause by providing gifts for children ranging from newborns to 14 years old. You can choose to donate clothing, toys, or any item that you feel would be appropriate. Please ensure that each gift is unwrapped and placed in a bag, with the age, size, and gender clearly marked on the package. The deadline for donations is December 4th.

You can deliver your gifts to the Salvation Army located at 52 Long Pond Rd. in Plymouth. If getting there is a challenge, feel free to bring your donations to the church and leave them in the volunteer office across from the main office.

Additionally, Donna Eby would like to reach out to those who are interested in sponsoring gift cards for food or gas to assist our elderly parishioners in need. If you'd like to contribute, please hand the cards to me, or you can mail them directly to Donna Eby. It may be easier to give them to me, and we will ensure they reach those who need them.

On December 9, 2024, the Salvation Army will be distributing these gifts. If you feel inclined to come and help distribute these gifts to these needy families, please feel free to just show up at 9 AM at the Salvation Army at 52 Long Pond Rd. It would be wonderful to have as many as we can of Christ Church parishioners passing out these gifts to these families.

If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to contact me, Donna Lawrence, at 508-243-2293 or via email at donnamL21@comcast.net.

Thank you for your generosity and support as we spread joy this holiday season!

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

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

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



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
Receiving Love

Author and Motivational Speaker, Brian Tracy, is noted to have said, "we should 'always give without remembering and always receive without forgetting.'"

Even as I have received, it is my endeavor never to forget. It is to this end, therefore, that I pen this reflection of a wonderful church community in Akron, Ohio in which I have seen "ways of walking in love manifested –Church Of Our Saviour Episcopal – and how they have been there for me during my times of need. In thinking of the benevolence of this great congregation, my mind reflects immediately upon three specific occasions in my life:

The first incident I recall, which was probably the most impactful to me, was when I suffered a house fire in the fall of 2018 and lost everything. This beloved church came to my immediate assistance providing me with the necessary sustenance that I needed. In addition to the basic needs, one of the families in the church graciously welcomed me into their home until I was able to get back on my feet and secure a place of my own. Further, I received a number of gift cards and care packages containing many useful items; all because the congregation had a heart to help. For this I will ever be immensely grateful.

Secondly, I recall the kidney transplant that I received in April of 2021 after having been on dialysis since 2006 (a fifteen-year period of time). Church Of Our Saviour and its beloved Rector, The Rev Debra Q Bennett, was always there to check on my well-being. During my weeks of recovery, I received many calls from the church to ascertain if I had need of anything. I think Mahatma Gandhi got it right when he said: "The simplest acts of kindness are by far more powerful than a thousand hearts bowing in prayer." Or as we read in scripture, "faith without works is dead." -James 2:17

Finally, I think of the ongoing love that the church displays on a monthly basis in reaching out to the community with its Dinner-On-Us and Friendly Clothes Closet where it provides a hot meal and also free clothing to those who have need. I have benefited from both of these; and it only reminds me that just as I have been blessed, I must also be willing to help someone else who may be in need. | tens.org

Questions for Reflection:

How has your walk in love been changed by the love you have been shown?



Derwood Fitzgerald Lockett thanks his church: Our Saviour, Akron, Ohio, for demonstrating the Grace of God – truly showing how it is manifested. "I remain completely astounded by their love and largesse!"

THE EPISCOPAL NETWORK FOR STEWARDSHIP

Week At - A - Glance * November 10, 2024 – November 17, 2024

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
MONDAY	**9:00 AM**	**Morning Prayer –** Facebook Live
	9:30 AM – 3:00 PM	Office Closed
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
TUESDAY	10:00 AM	Companions Group
	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	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
	4:15 PM	Parish Nurses
	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
	5:00 PM	Youth Group
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-sixth Saturday after Pentecost – Music with The Hills**
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	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-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour
	11:15 AM	Thrift Shoppe Volunteer Meeting

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JESUS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

MINISTERS

All the people of Christ Church Parish

Staff
The Rev. Melissa Howell, Rector
The Rev. Deacons James & Natalie 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

Wil Bernard, Barb Hurney, Kat LiBretto, Judy Lutz, Makenzie Manchester, Ellen McTighe, Becky Metzger, Amanda Peterson, and Jack Willett

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