



MAY 2026



Mission Statement
To Love Others as Christ Loves Us

A Message from Mother Robin



Living in the Light: From Easter Joy to Pentecost Power

As we move through the beautiful season of Eastertide, we continue to celebrate the risen Christ—not as a past event, but as a present reality that shapes our daily lives. Easter is not confined to a single Sunday; it stretches across these weeks as a reminder that resurrection is still unfolding among us. We are an Easter people, called to live in hope, renewal, and joy.

This journey of Eastertide gently leads us toward Pentecost, when the promised Holy Spirit descends like a rushing wind and tongues of fire, igniting the Church for its mission in the world.

In these days between resurrection and Pentecost, we find ourselves in a sacred in-between: learning again what it means to trust, to wait, and to be open to God’s transforming presence. Just as the disciples gathered in expectation, we too are invited to prepare our hearts for the Spirit’s movement—fresh, powerful, and alive.

In the midst of this holy season, we also pause to honor Mother’s Day, giving thanks for the women who have nurtured, guided, and loved us—both those with us now and those whose memory continues to bless our lives. Motherhood, in all its forms, reflects God’s own care: patient, sacrificial, and enduring.

We might also reflect on Mary, the mother of Jesus, whose quiet strength and faithful “yes” made room for God’s greatest gift to the world. From the manger to the cross, and even into the early days of the Church, Mary’s presence reminds us of steadfast faith and deep trust in God’s promises. She stands as a model not only for mothers, but for all who seek to follow Christ with humility and courage.

As we continue through this season, may we carry the light of Easter in our hearts, honor the love that has shaped us, and open ourselves to the Spirit who is coming to renew and empower us.

Christ is risen—and still at work among us. Come, Holy Spirit!

Mother Robin

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WEB

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WORSHIP

Sunday at 8 am in the Old Chapel

Sunday at 10 am in the Main Church

WEDNESDAY

10 am Bible Study & Healing Service
with Eucharist

Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry-Rector
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Tiffany L. Fisher—
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VESTRY

From : Johnna Ben, Sr. Warden

Your vestry continues to work on your behalf, and we held our most recent meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2026.

As some of you may already know, Carole Lewis, our current Treasurer, has informed the vestry of her desire to retire. She has graciously agreed to continue serving in this role through the summer. The Treasurer must be a member of Christ Church. If you have accounting experience, an interest in this position, or would simply like to learn more, please speak with Mo. Robin or contact a member of the vestry. We would be happy to provide additional information.

We are grateful for the collaboration with Danielle and the daycare at the church. As with any new endeavor, there have been some growing pains. We recognize that access to the kitchen and parish hall has been a concern. John Panagis has discussed this with Danielle, and with some adjustments, we believe a solution has been reached that will allow the church reliable access to these spaces without limitation.

Parish Discernment Sessions—“Table Talks”—are scheduled following the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services on May 3 and May 24. These gatherings are part of the preparation for our “Planting for Tomorrow, Growing in Faith Today: Phase II” campaign. They provide an opportunity for you to share your thoughts on the needs and future direction of our church. We encourage you to stay after the service and participate. Your input is both valued and appreciated.



- The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry
- Johnna Ben/Senior Warden
- John Panagis/Jr Warden
- Anne Martin
- Bob Johnston
- Mike Maggiano
- Sally Mazey
- Andrew Sowers
- Kevin Knowlton
- Amie Prezioso/Clerk


Vestry and Foundation Members for 2026-2027

FOUNDATION DIRECTORS 2026

- The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry
- David Susa/Chmn
- Karen Andrus/Secretary
- Dr. Steven Watts/Treasurer
- Don Scarmuzzi
- Jeff Heakin
- Johnna Ben
- Debra Clary
- Ned Gold of Counsel
- Megan Massaro
- Carter P Lewis

Directors Emeritus


- W. Griswold Hurlbert
- Eric Doan
- Kevin Knowlton
- Dr. Lee Snelson



National Day of Prayer Event

Thursday, May 7, 2026
7:00 pm on Zoom

Join our Prayer Life Team to honor the National Day of Prayer. This is an inclusive event and will feature a variety of prayers of gratitude and guidance. To register, use the QR code or copy this link in your browser: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ecw-of-the-diocese-of-ohios-national-day-of-prayer-event-tickets-1986350963202?aff=oddtcreator>





TOWER LIGHTING

In Thanksgiving

For:

Mom & Dad

From:

**The Fisher, Nordt,
Scarmuzzi, Snelson,
and Toney Families**



- 3 John Panagis
- 7 Kay Bohren
- 7 Carol Senne
- 11 Peter Day
- 11 Brayden Panagis
- 16 Deb Clary
- 20 Janet Gladd
- 20 Sally Mazey
- 24 Angela Snelson
- 24 Jason Cleland
- 25 Faith Scarmuzzi
- 30 Aaron Woodberry



RECYCLE ALUMINUM CANS

We are collecting aluminum cans (please no cat food cans, or metal cans) in the garage. Cans to the right of the garage. Also any scrap metal can be placed there. If you have large items or need help bringing items in, call Steve 330-770-4763 Money goes to the general fund.

FORMATION

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!
June 8th-12th
8AM-1PM

joy + peace
 love

Growing in the Lord

FREE!
 Breakfast & Lunch Provided!
 Open to the Public!

For all children entering **K-6th Grade**

- ★ Bible Lessons!
- ★ Music!
- ★ Crafts!
- ★ Recreation!

REGISTER NOW!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1ST!

Registration required. | Christ Episcopal Church
 Pick up forms in the Church Office | 2627 Atlantic Street NE
 Mon-Thurs, 9 AM-2 PM | Warren, Ohio 44483
 or register online at christchurchwarren.org

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

BY: Tiffany L. Fisher

Did you know that there is a transplant for severe Type 1 Diabetics? It is called an Islet Cell Transplant.

An islet transplant works like this:

- Doctors take healthy islet cells from a donated pancreas.
- They separate out just those tiny insulin-producing cells.
- Then they infuse them into your liver through a vein (no major surgery like a full organ transplant).
- Once inside, the cells settle in and start making insulin.

Of course there is a problem with most Type 1 Diabetics getting this Transplant.

For years, islet transplants (used to help people with Type 1 Diabetes) were treated more like experimental drugs than standard medical procedures. That made them harder to offer widely, even though they showed promise. Because of this some people have created the **Islet Act**. The law says, "Let's treat donated islet cells more like organs (such as kidneys or livers). Not like manufactured drugs."

By shifting islets into the **organ transplant category**, the Act aims to:

- Make islet transplants more accessible
- Allow more hospitals to offer the procedure
- Speed up availability for patients who need it

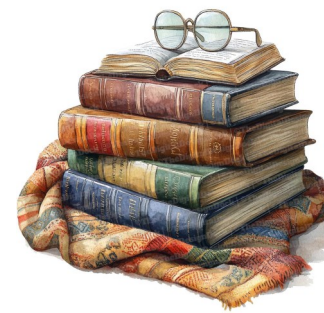
The Islet Act isn't the transplant itself—it's a law designed to remove barriers so more people can actually receive islet transplants safely and efficiently.

Some people are insulin free after this transplant. Other's need repeat transplants, but either way they are either insulin free or greatly reduced need for insulin. Much of it depends on how healthy the individual is.

In my daughter Alexis' case, she is a 21 y/o female, in good health other than her Type 1 Diabetes. She is currently on an insulin pump, but even that makes it very hard to control her blood sugar levels.

She would be the perfect candidate for this transplant. What's holding her back? Most insurance will not cover this procedure until it's labeled as a Transplant vs. a medication.

So after all that writing this is the help I need from you. I will have a form letter with addresses of the politicians in our area to send the letter to. I would appreciate any help you can give my daughter in getting this passed. She has been a diabetic since she was 10 years old. I would love her to experience some life without having to check her blood sugars all the time and dealing with the highs and



BOOK CLUB



The meeting will be Saturday, May 9th at 11:00am in the Library. We will discuss the book, "The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride. Don't stop reading!!

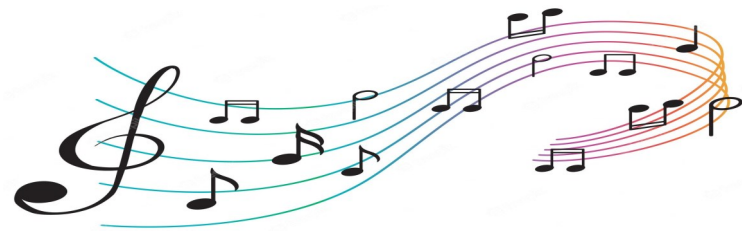
**We are working on future dates and books. Stay tuned...
Reading is FUNdamental!!!**

FINANCE

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS				
	March 2026		Year to Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income				
Pledges	\$12,993	\$12,993	\$60,122	\$60,122
All Other	\$11,776	\$11,759	\$43,695	\$43,623
Total Income	\$24,769	\$24,752	\$103,817	\$103,745
Expenses	(\$31,936)	(\$31,775)	(\$96,534)	(\$96,127)
Excess/(Deficit)	(\$7,167)	(\$7,023)	\$7,283	\$7,618

From Our Music Director

Jamie Shiell



Volunteers Needed: Brave HeARTS Fine Arts Camp

June 15–19 | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

This summer, Christ Church will welcome 50 children for a week of music, art, drama, and creativity—and we'd love for you to be part of it.

Brave HeARTS Camp is joyful, energetic, and deeply meaningful work. With professional teaching artists leading each area, volunteers are free to **build relationships, support the children, and be part of something truly special.**

We are looking for:

- **Classroom Assistants (3–4)** Support our teaching artists and help create a positive, engaging environment for children
- **Food Coordinator (1)** Plan and organize simple lunches and snacks for the week
- **Kitchen Assistants (2 per day)** Help prepare, serve, and clean up meals
- **Float/Runner (1)** Assist with transitions, supplies, and general needs throughout the day
- **Check-In/Check-Out Volunteers (1–2)** Welcome families and help ensure smooth and safe arrival/dismissal

You don't need to be an artist or musician—just someone, of any age, who enjoys working with children and wants to support a vibrant ministry of our church.

This is a wonderful opportunity to:

- Connect with children and families
- Serve alongside others in a fun, collaborative environment

Help Christ Church extend its welcome into the community

To volunteer or learn more, please contact Jamie at music@christchurchwarren.org or 330-372-4998



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED (cont.)

BY: Tiffany L. Fisher

lows of blood sugars. It is amazing how it affects her entire life. Now I know there are many people so much worse off and she is a very blessed woman. She knows it too, but she also knows that if this could help her live more of a normal life, she would like that even better. We have prayed and we know God will take care of her just like always. We also know that God puts things in our path to help it along. It doesn't always come as a WOW she's cured.

If you are able to help. I will have a form letter in the office with addresses available to send to Senators and Congressmen. I would really like to push this issue.

God bless you and thank you in advance for anything you can do to help.

CURB APPEAL FOR CHRIST

We are looking for helping hands to assist with beautifying the outside grounds of our church. From planting flowers and spreading mulch to trimming bushes and general cleanup, there is a job for everyone—no experience needed.

We are not doing this as a one day event. If you have an hour or two here or there, call the office and let us know you are coming out to work on the grounds. Pick an area you want to cover and what you want to do. Most of the work that needs done is weeding, picking up sticks, getting rid of pine cones etc. If you want to do more, let us know that also.

We are trying to get the entire grounds looking good, and it takes a lot of work to cover the area, but if we have everyone taking a section we can get it done much quicker. Everyone can play a part, and we can make God's house a warm, welcoming space for our church family and community.

Many hands make light work—even if we are working two or four

I received an email from a new “voice” at Lincoln. The sender was Lincoln’s librarian, Jill S. She wrote “We are heading to Playhouse Square on the 28th to see Cat Kid Comic Club with all of our 2nd and 5th graders.” (This was made possible through a grant written by Jill.)

She explained that they needed to eat supper early at school and wanted to do little snack bags for the kids to help them make it through until they got back to school/home later that night.

She went on to say 200 snack bags were needed. Snack bag contents include water, bag of goldfish, rice Krispie bar and bag of fruit snacks.

What an amazing experience for these kids! It makes me smile to think that CEC will be a part of that evening’s memory through the gift of a snack bag.

CEC is spreading LOVE!

Our Love Can Make a Difference for these children.

Thank You for All You Do

God Bless,

Linda

PS Definition of Love

Love is a profoundly intense emotion, deep affection, and active commitment to the well-being, growth, and happiness of another person or object.

PERSONAL HYGIENE NEEDS FOR LINCOLN SCHOOL

There is a need for hygiene products. A hygiene class is being planned for middle school special education students. Help is needed to provide the items needed for each student to receive a Toiletry Kit.

Toiletry Kit Contents include:

Shampoo	Conditioner	Body Wash
Tooth Paste	Toothbrush	Deodorant
Lotion	Comb	Brush

If you are able, please consider the gift of a toiletry item/s.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH - WARREN

BRAVE HEARTS CAMP

GRADES K-5

15-19 JUNE
9AM-1PM

ACTIVITIES:

- MUSIC
- MOVEMENT
- THEATER
- ART
- LUNCH PROVIDED

\$35 Tuition

Full Scholarships Available

Registration limited!
Deadline June 1st!

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🌐 Pentecost Sunday – Call for Language Speakers! 💧

On **Pentecost Sunday, May 24th**, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church, when people from every nation heard the Gospel in their own language (Acts 2:1–21). To mark this special day, we invite all who speak a language other than English to participate in the service. You may be asked to:

- Read a verse from Scripture in your language
- Join in a multilingual reading of the Pentecost story

Offer a prayer or greeting in your native tongue

If you would like to participate, please contact the Church Office at 330-372-4998 or rector@chirstchurchwarren.org by May 16th.

Let us celebrate the rich diversity of our community as we worship together in many tongues — one Spirit, one Church!



LINCOLN SCHOOLS (cont.)

By Linda Day

8th GRADE GRADUATION BREAKFAST

On May 26th at 8:30 AM Christ Episcopal Church will honor 101 Lincoln School 8th graders with a celebratory graduation breakfast. Two days later their elementary education will be complete. Come fall they will be attending Warren G. Harding High School as freshman.

Members from the Brotherhood will be in the kitchen cooking pancakes and sausages.

Hosts/Hostesses are needed to greet students as they arrive and provide “customer service” such as delivering second helpings and distributing a graduation a “Treat Bag” when they leave. Interested in helping please contact Tiffany Fisher at CEC 330-372-4998.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 8:00am Rummage Sale	2 9:00am Rummage Sale
3 8:00am Sunday Service 10:00am Sunday Service	4 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 7:00pm Boy Scouts	5 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Happy Bag Delivery to Lincoln 6:00pm AA Meeting	6 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am "Growing Deeper" Bible Study, & Prayer 12:00pm Weekly Bulletin Deadline to submit information 5:00pm The Chosen	7 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Church Staff Meeting 10:00am Property Discernment Committee Meeting 6:00pm Cub Scouts 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Choir Practice	8 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool	9 8:00am Toastmasters 10:30am Ladies of Love 11:00am Book Club
10 8:00am Sunday Service 10:00am Sunday Service	11 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 7:00pm Boy Scouts	12 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Happy Bag Delivery to Lincoln 6:00pm AA Meeting	13 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am "Growing Deeper" Bible Study, & Prayer 12:00pm Weekly Bulletin Deadline to submit information	14 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Church Staff Meeting 6:00pm Cub Scouts 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Choir Practice	15 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool	16 10:00am Voice Recital Rehearsal 1:00pm First Presby Cooking
17 8:00am Sunday Service 10:00am Sunday Service 12:00pm Vocal Recital	18 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 7:00pm Boy Scouts	19 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Happy Bag Delivery to Lincoln 6:00pm AA Meeting	20 CrossRoads Deadline to turn in Articles 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am "Growing Deeper" Bible Study, & Prayer 12:00pm Weekly Bulletin Deadline to submit information	21 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool 10:00am Church Staff Meeting 6:00pm Cub Scouts 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Choir Practice	22 6:00am Shining Stars Preschool	23 8:00am Toastmasters
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Christ Church Altar Guild Schedule 08:00 AM Service

MAY	
3	Clare Adams
10	Jan Henrey
17	Clare Adams
24	Beth Landers
31	Beth Landers

Christ Church Ministry Schedule 08:00 AM Service 2026

MAY		
3	Mike Maggiano	L
	Joe Gladd	LC
10	Cindy Thirion	L
	Joe Gladd	LC
17	Anne Martin	L
	Joe Gladd	LC
24	Bill Baran	L
	Kathi Kovacic	LC
31	Cindy Thirion	L
	Kathi Kovacic	LC

Christ Church Greeters Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2026

MAY		
1st	Linda Day	G
Sun.	Peter Day	NT
2nd	Carson Buydos	G
Sun.	Nancy Forrester	NT
3rd	The Massaro	
Sun.	Family	
4th	Sam Davis	
Sun.	Amie Prezioso	
5th	Gris Hurlbert	
Sun.	Therese Hurlbert	

Christ Church Altar Guild Schedule 10:00 AM Service

MAY	
3	Tess Crofford Debbie Clary
10	Kevin Knowlton Becky Watts
17	Amy Prezioso Sam Davis
24	Karen Andrus Stacy Jo Costley
31	TBD



Christ Church Altar Guild Schedule 10:00 AM Service Wednesday 2026

MAY	
6	Jan Henrey Sam Davis
13	Sam Davis
20	Morning Prayer
27	Sam Davis

Christ Church Ministry Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2026

MAY		
3	Jeff Heakin	L
	Sally Mazey	LC
10	Kevin Knowlton	L
	Steve Watts	LC
17	Sandee Skovran	L
	John Panagis	LC
24	Amie Prezioso	L
	Karen Andrus	LC
31	Janet Schweitzer	L
	Fred Schweitzer	LC

Christ Church Usher Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2026

MAY	
1st	Dan Mason
Sun.	Joe Yaksich
2nd	Jim Crofford
Sun.	Sam Heakin
3rd	Nancy Forrester
Sun.	Peter Day
4th	Don Senne
Sun.	Diane Orr
5th	TBD
Sun.	

Christ Church Coffee Hour Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2026

MAY	
1st	Sam Davis
Sun.	Amie Prezioso
2nd	Steve Watts
Sun.	Becky Watts
3rd	Lynn Peteritis
Sun.	Linda Day
4th	Liz Clark
Sun.	
5th	Pat Sullivan
Sun.	