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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 rector@christchurchwarren.org

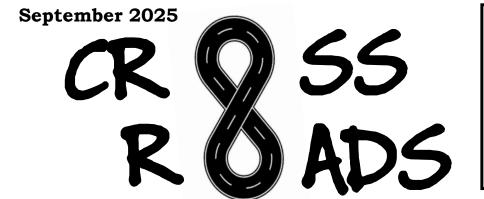
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CHRIST Episcopal CHURCH



Mission Statement

To Love Others as Christ Loves Us

A Message from Mother Robin

September 2025

"A Season of New Beginnings"

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we step into September, we begin to feel the subtle shift of the seasons. Summer's warmth slowly gives way to the crisp air of autumn. Children return to school, routines become a little more structured, and our church calendar fills with opportunities for worship, fellowship, and celebration.

This month we have two special events that mark new beginnings in the life of our parish:

Rally Day – Sunday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m.

We will gather for a joyful worship service with the return of our choir, followed by a funfilled luncheon in the Outdoor Chapel. This will be a wonderful time of fellowship, celebration, and "welcome back" for the whole parish family. Bring your enthusiasm and appetite there will be joy enough for all!

Celebration of New Ministry – Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.

We welcome Bishop Anne as we gather for a special liturgy celebrating the new union between rector and parish. My mother, the Rev. Gena Thornton will be the guest preacher. This service will also include the sacrament of confirmation and the reaffirmation of members, as we give thanks for the ways God continues to renew and strengthen our community of faith.

The change of season reminds us that God is always doing something new. September invites us to recommit ourselves to prayer, to worship, to service, and to one another. May these opportunities draw us closer to God and to each other as we begin this new season together.

Grace and peace,

Mother Robin

PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

BY: Tiffany L. Fisher

My husband and I are big sports fans. We like most of them and if it's a Cleveland team we are all in. I don't think we have missed more than 2 Indians (Guardians) games this year. I know sometimes I feel we are gluttons for punishment, but we still watch.

With two of the Indians pitchers being put on administrative leave they needed to bring someone on board to help the rest of the pitching staff. With that, Parker Messick was brought up from the minors.

The reason I am talking about this 24 y/o is because last week he had his major league debut, and he did a fabulous job. When the game was over he was interviewed and the interview blew me away. When the interviewer asked him about his performance. The first words out of his mouth were,

"I just want to give all the glory to God. I mean the enemy tried to slow me down this week. There were some delays in travel and some late nights, but once the Lord puts stuff into motion, there's nothing that can stop his plan. I'm just so grateful to be a part of that. I hope if anybody knows anything about me, it's that I am here to glorify him and that everything I have and everything I am is because of him."

This young man could have talked about what a great job HE did and how HE struck out batters and how HE really blew everyone away, but that was not his agenda. He wanted to let everyone know that the only reason he is here is for the Lord, and that anything he does is for the Lord's glory.

Once again a young man with a large platform of listeners talking about God and what he has done in his life.

There is so much talk about our young people not having time for God, and thinking they don't need God in their lives. Then you meet this young man who has so much love for God and wants to give him all the praise for the good things in his life. The best part is he is not afraid to let the world know about the good news. PRAISE GOD!!!

RETURN OF DINNER & A MOVIE WITH JESUS (THE CHOSEN)



Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 5:30 PM is the return of The Chosen. We will gather in the Narthex for a light meal and an episode of the series we have all come to love.

We will have a brief discussion afterwards.



The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry

Sandee Skovran/Senior Warden

John Panagis/Jr Warden

Johnna Ben

Kellie Cleland

Anne Martin

Bob Johnston

Mike Maggiano

Sally Mazey

Linda Day

Tiffany Fisher/Clerk

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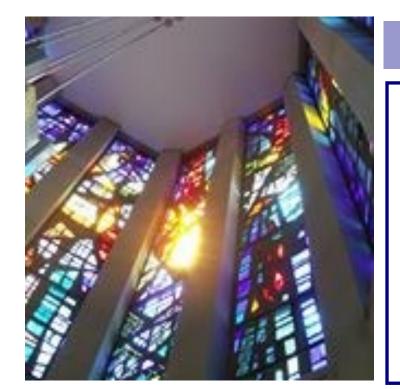
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W. Griswold Hurlbert

Eric Doan

Kevin Knowlton

Dr. Lee Snelson



TOWER LIGHTING

September Tower Lights shine in

Loving Memory of
Bill Moore

From
Paul & Marilyn Homa





<u>August</u> Birthdays

- l Ginni Baran
- 2 Kathy Hughes
- 3 Jan Henrey
- 5 Bill Thirion
- 7 Patricia Sullivan
- 10 Shannan Tomko
- 14 Anthony Woodberry
- 16 Diane Snelson
- 16 Don Scarmuzzi
- 19 Kathy Coupland
- 20 Mike Maggiano
- 20 Helen Garrigus20 Becky Watts
- 20 Becky Watts
 22 Clare Adams
- 24 Lynn Peteritis

September Birthdays

- 3 Ray Takach
- 5 Mike Cantelmo
- 5 Alexanne Griffith
- 10 Fred Schweitzer
- 17 Pam Eastman
- 17 Eric Doan
- 18 MaryAnne Stefanick
- 19 Hannah Watts
- 23 Gris Hurlbert
- 23 Gail Cantelmo
- 25 Marcia Christy
- 26 Karl Morris
- 28 Edward Costley







THE PARISH CHOIR IS FOR YOU

Rehearsals for the Parish Choir will resume on **Thursday**, **August 28 at 7:00 PM** in the Choir Room. This ensemble is open to all adults and high school students (grades 9 and above), and we are currently looking to grow. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Jamie at **music@christchurchwarren.org** or call/text **330.647.5570**.



HANDBELL CHOIR STARTING

Under the direction of Jeannine Morris, rehearsals for the Handbell Choir will be starting on Thursday, October 2, at 6 PM in the handbell room.

If you have a desire to ring bells and create beautiful music then this is the place for you. Jeannine will teach you the rest.

If you aren't sure, then come for a rehearsal and see if it's for you.



FINANCE

| FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|
| | July 2025 | | Year to Date | |
| | Actual | Budget | Actual | Budget |
| Income | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Pledges | \$8,974 | \$5,569 | \$95,868 | \$86,833 |
| | | | | |
| All Other | \$11,417 | \$11,411 | \$94,778 | \$94,095 |
| Total Income | \$20,391 | \$16,980 | \$190,646 | \$180,928 |
| Expenses | (\$30,107) | (\$21,734) | (\$217,788) | (\$207,122) |
| Excess/(Deficit) | (\$9,716) | (\$4,754) | (\$27,142) | (\$26,194) |

HAPPY MEAL DELIVERY BAGS

Help is needed!!

Someone took our Happy Meal delivery bags out of rooms 7 and 9. Each bag allows the Bag Ladies to pack 10 meals in it. Each Tuesday 10 bags or 100 meals are delivered to Lincoln School. The Community Liaisons return the empty bags to us so that they can be filled with meals and delivered to once more to Lincoln.

We would greatly appreciate the bags being returned. Plastic garbage bags are not a good substitute. Our delivery bags are purchased at Marc's but are only available at the beginning of each season.

Thank you Linda Day

RED DOOR CAFÉ

BY: Jan Henrey

RED DOOR CAFÉ

St John's Episcopal Church in Youngstown opens its doors EVERY Sunday to feed the hungry. They have many organizations and churches volunteer to supply these meals. Our church supplies this lunch three times a year, may, July and December.

For the past 20+ years my husband Wynn and I have manned this ministry. This ministry is very dear to my heart. On July 27, Wynn, Joe and Pam Gladd, and I ventured down there to serve lunch. Due to our health, both Wynn and I have found this to be very difficult. We are looking for someone to chair this ministry. This entails choosing a menu, shopping for the food, preparing the food and then serving on our designated Sunday. St. John's provides us with n approximate number of people that they served in recent Sundays.

On August 10, I spoke at the 9 AM service explaining that Wynn and I are stepping down a chairs of this ministry. I have had one person call and they would like to chair, but as the saying goes: It takes a village, not just one person.

Please consider this rewarding ministry. I'm not sure who receives more: the people who receive the food or the people who serve it.

I can be reached at 330-219-5825. Thank you!

Jan Henrey



St John's Episcopal Church Red Door Cafe



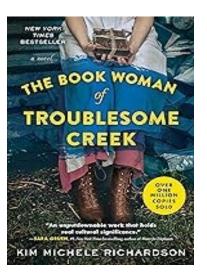
BOOK CLUB



Coming in September a book club will begin.

Please see Judy Rich, or Tobie Smith for more information or sign up at coffee hour. The first meeting will be Saturday, September 6th, in the church library at 11:00 am. Bring your lunch & join in the discussion of "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" by Kim Michele Richardson.

We have 15 people signed up so far and we are really looking forward to getting together.



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.

LINCOLN SCHOOLS

By Linda Day

LINCOLN SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2025 CROSSROADS

Welcome from the Adirondack Mountains (New York)

The Adirondack Region covers six million protected acres making it the largest natural area in the U.S. outside of Alaska. Since the age of 3 I have spent summers here. Initially the whole summer but as I grew older and got a job it was my 2-week vacation but now since I am retired it is months again.

It is one of God's masterpieces. Our 700 sq ft camp sits on the water, The Great Sacandaga Lake, a 120 mile-long body of water 7 miles across at its widest and feet across at it head. The other side is a mile across from us. Blue lake, green forests, mountain tops, birds, fish, black bears, gray wolves, moose, pitch black night sky, etc. is my heaven on earth. Camp never fails to let my mind wander. Yesterday I spoke with Tiffany. She reminded me that it was Crossroads time. Oops! My response I'll get you something by tomorrow. I had told her before I left that I could still do a September article for her.

Camp is the perfect place to reflect. My mind started to wander about Lincoln School from mittens to pantry food to Happy Meals to this year's addition – Backpacks and their contents. The next thing I knew I was thinking of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs theory.

It proposes people are driven by a set of five (5) fundamental needs that must be satisfied in a hierarchical order: **Physiological needs** – food, shelter, water; **Safety needs** – job security, health, personal protection from harm; **Love and Belongingness needs** -social connection, friends, love; **Esteem Needs** – self-esteem, respect from others; **Self-Actualization Needs** – our drive to become the best version of ourselves.

This got me to thinking about Backpacks and what they represent. I dismissed physiological and safety. Thought about belonging and fulfilling social connection.

DO YOU HAVE A HEART TO SERVE?

Do you have a desire to serve at Christ Church? If you do then WE NEED YOU!!!

There are many areas where your skillset could be used.

We need volunteers in the following areas:

Red Door Cafe

Ushers

Lectors

Chalice Bearer

Greeters

Bakers

Altar Guild

Garden Crew

Events Committee

Financial Team

Sunday School Assistants

Ladles of Love

First Presbyterian Food Prep

Parish Choir

Handbell Choir

In case you can't tell there are many parts to the church, and many areas that we can use your talents. If you feel the spirit drawing you to any of these areas, please contact the church office for further information. We need you. There is someone at the church that can assist you in learning what is needed for each of these areas. Think hard about this. Pray about it, and let us know what you are willing to volunteer for.

If you should have any questions, please call the office and we will assist you, or answer any of your questions.

Thank you for considering this, and for praying on it.



SPIRITUAL FORMATION

By: Paul Keriotis

In Zorba the Greek, Nikos Kazantzakis has his character Alexis Zorba remark: "The mountain belongs to the monastery. The monastery belongs to God. And God belongs to everybody."

For our context, we might rephrase it this way:

"The Church belongs to God. And God belongs to everybody."

This truth speaks powerfully to our time. The Church is not the possession of any one leader, group, or institution—it belongs to God. And because it belongs to God, it must always be a place of belonging for all people.

This vision challenges us to resist the temptation to see the Church as a place of control, power, or exclusion. Instead, we are called to make it a home of *radical welcome*—a space where everyone is invited into God's presence.

In a world so often divided by politics, ideology, and religion, this reminder is timely and necessary: God's presence is not confined to one group, one building, or one way of thinking. God belongs to everyone—rich or poor, believer or seeker, saint or sinner. That is the good news we are called to live and share.

It is also a simple fact: our Christ Church community sees, serves, and supports others. We do this **outside our walls** through ministries like the Food Ministry to Lincoln School, the Red Door Café, and the Men's Group Breakfast. And we do this **inside our building** through Scout Pack #11, Shining Stars Daycare, AA groups, Toastmasters, the Bi-Annual Rummage Sale, Crafting Group, First Presbyterian Lunch, Ladles of Love, Strings of Joy, and more. Let's not forget Trumbull Mobile Meals—founded by and still supported by our community—serving both "outside" and "inside."

Within our parish life, we also nurture one another through **Diocesan Summer Camp, Vacation Bible School, and parish ministries**: Altar Guild, Altar Servers, Greeters, Ushers, Bakers, Religious Education, and our vibrant Music Ministries—Vocal Choir, Bell Choir, and Godly Play. We are especially excited about new expressions of ministry now emerging: our Children's Choir, the Tween/Teen Group, and a new monthly Book Club.

Together, these ministries remind us that the Church is not ours to guard but **God's to give**—and in God's love, *all are welcome*.

LINCOLN Cont.

By Linda Day

I settled on what is important? Friendships – in part having what others have. A nice bookbag rather than a "holder of things", and old bag or nothing at all can make us a member of the group

To reach our full potential, we must follow the five steps in order. A new Backpack helps us.

HENCE BACKPACKS/BOOKBAGS ARE IMPORTANT!

Linda Day



It's that time again. October 17th and 18th will be the Fall Rummage Sale. Hours will be Friday the 17th from 8 am -9 am for the early birds and then 9 am-5 pm. On Saturday the 18th from 9 am –3 pm.

If you are able to volunteer Steve could really use your help. He starts to set up on the Monday before the Sale. That means from October 13th Monday thru October 16th Thursday the Parish Hall will be filled with items for the rummage sale. Come in and lend your time and skill. There is stocking, organizing and pricing that needs to be done. Then when the sale starts we need volunteers to run the sale and help the buyers.

If you are able to help, please let Steve know, or you can call the office and let us know.

This is one of our biggest fundraisers and we hope you can help. (you might even find some things for yourself)

SEPTEMBER 2025



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 31 9:00am Sunday Service 2:30pm Wedding- Jupina | 1 6:00am Shining Stars Daycare 7:00pm Boy Scouts | 2 6:00am Shining Stars Daycare 6:00pm AA Meeting | Deeper" Bible Study, & Prayer | 4 6:00am Shining Stars Daycare 10:00am Church Staff Meeting 6:00pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm Choir Practice | 5 6:00am Shining Stars Daycare | 6 11:00am Book Clu |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
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| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
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Christ Church Altar Guild Schedule 08:00 AM Service 2025

SEPTEMBER No 08:00

- Service
- Jan Henrey Clare Adams
- Clare Adams **Beth Landers**
- Jan Henrey **Beth Landers**

Christ Church Ministry Schedule 08:00 AM Service

| | 2025 | |
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| | SEPTEMBER | |
| 7 | No 08:00 | L |
| | Service | LC |
| 14 | Mie Maggiano | L |
| | Kathy Kovacic | LC |
| 21 | Jim Crofford | L |
| | Jan Henrey | LC |
| 28 | Bill Baran | L |
| | Ctovo Motto | |

Steve Watts

Greeters LC

| Christ Church Greeters | | | |
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| 10 | 10:00 AM Service | | |
| 2025 | | | |
| | SEPTEMBER | | |
| 1st | Judy Rich | | |
| Sun. | Dee | | |
| 2nd | Massaro's | | |
| Sun. | | | |
| 3rd | Kathy Hughes | | |
| Sun. | , 0 | | |
| 4th | Carson Buydos Sandy Schlecht | | |
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N/A

5th

Sun.

Christ Church Altar Guild Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2025 SEPTEMBER Debbie Clarey Tess Crofford & Stacy Kathy Hughes Kevin Knowlton Karen Andrus Amie & Sam Carol Senne **Becky Watts**







Christ Church Usher Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2025

| 2025 | | | |
|------|-----------------|--|--|
| | SEPTEMBER | | |
| 1st | Dan Mason | | |
| Sun. | Joe Yaksich | | |
| 2nd | Jim Crofford | | |
| Sun. | Sam Heakin | | |
| 3rd | Nancy Forrester | | |
| Sun. | Peter Day | | |
| 4th | Don Senne | | |
| Sun. | Steve Watts | | |
| 5th | N/A | | |

Sun.

Christ Church Ministry Schedule 10:00 AM Service Wednesday 2025

SEPTEMBER

- Jan Henrey
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Christ Church Ministry Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2025

| | SEPTEMBER | |
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| 7 | Jeff Heakin | L |
| | Karen Andrus | LC |
| 14 | Sandy Schlecht | L |
| | John Panagis | LC |
| 21 | Kevin Knowlton | L |
| | Sally Mazey | LC |
| 28 | Janet Schweitzer | L |
| | Fred Schweitzer | LC |

Christ Church Baker Schedule 10:00 AM Service 2025

SEPTEMBER

- **1st** Sam Davis
- Sun. Amy Preziosa
- 2nd Steve Watts
- Sun. Becky Watts
- 3rd Lynn Peteritis **Sun.** Linda Day
- 4th Liz Clark
- Sun. 5th
- N/A Sun.