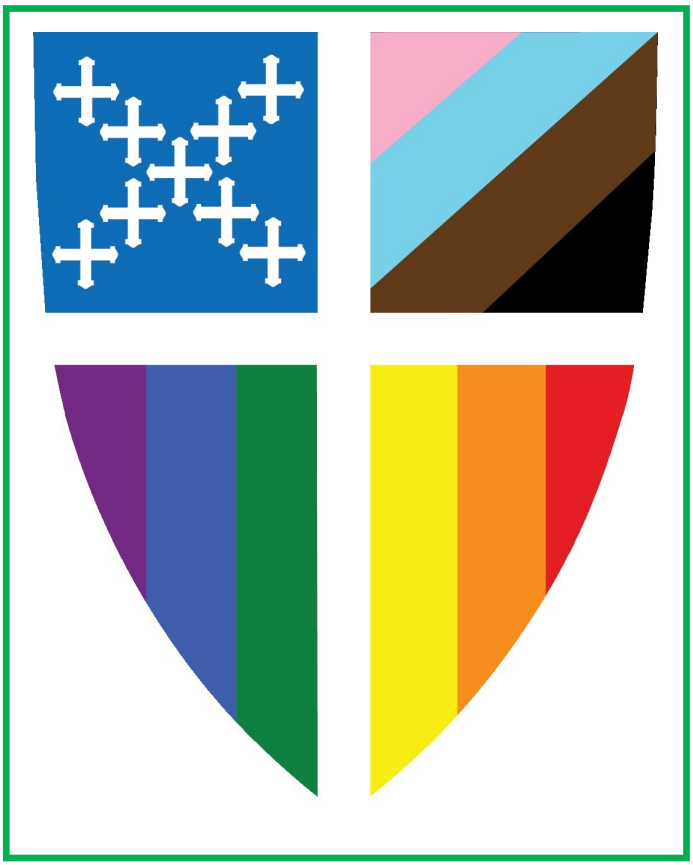
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Pride Sunday
June 21, 2026



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CHRIST CHURCH

5 Paterson Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901
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WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH, an Episcopal parish of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are glad you are here, and we invite you to enter fully into worship this morning, and to receive Holy Communion or a blessing at the communion rail. We invite you to ask questions, explore, and to make yourself known to those around you. Please pick up any other information about the parish located on the table in the back of the church. Tell us more about yourself by filling out one of the cards located in each pew. Help us to make this a place where God's grace is freely shared by all.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT ALL SERVICES. Changing stations are available in both rest rooms at the Paterson Street entrance; you can get there through the side door of the church.

WE REJOICE that you have chosen to worship here this Pentecost season. If you would like to learn more about our Parish, please phone the Parish Office at 732.545.6262. Many of our upcoming events are listed on our web site, christchurchnewbrunswick.org; we hope that you decide to join us.

YOU ARE INVITED to worship with us any Sunday.

Our regular service time is 9:30 AM.

FREE PARKING VOUCHERS
Are available for the Lower Church Street parking deck next to the church grounds.
Please see an usher for a voucher and instructions.

INTERCESSIONS

AT EVERY CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, the nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns of this community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and the departed. Please feel free to add your own petitions during the prayers, either silently or aloud. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, you may also fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS

We remember in today's prayers:
The Sick and Others in Need— *Alena, Carlos Jr., Emily, Jane, Jeannine, Lizette, Michael, Milton, Pat, Patricia, Robin, Rozie, Sarah, Suzanne, Timothy, Vincent*
Anglican Cycle *– we pray for the Church of South India (United)*
Diocesan Cycle *– The Rev. Todd Foster*
Christ Church Ministry *– Christ Church Staff*
Birthdays this week *– Andrea Cunnell, John Cunnell, Ijeoma Egekeze, Glen Gooding, Mark McMahon, Rosanna Pangasnan, Rozann Shackleton*

PASTORAL CARE

If you are in crisis, having surgery, are in the hospital and are in need of pastoral counseling from a clergy person, please do not hesitate to contact Rev. Scott Russel– 732.545.6262 ext. 1 or Rev. Daphne P. Roberts—732.545.6262 ext. 3

If you would like to schedule home communion, please contact Rev. Roberts and she will arrange for either herself, or a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to bring communion to you. Please do not hesitate to contact Rev. Russell or Rev. Roberts if you know of someone who is in need of care or counseling.

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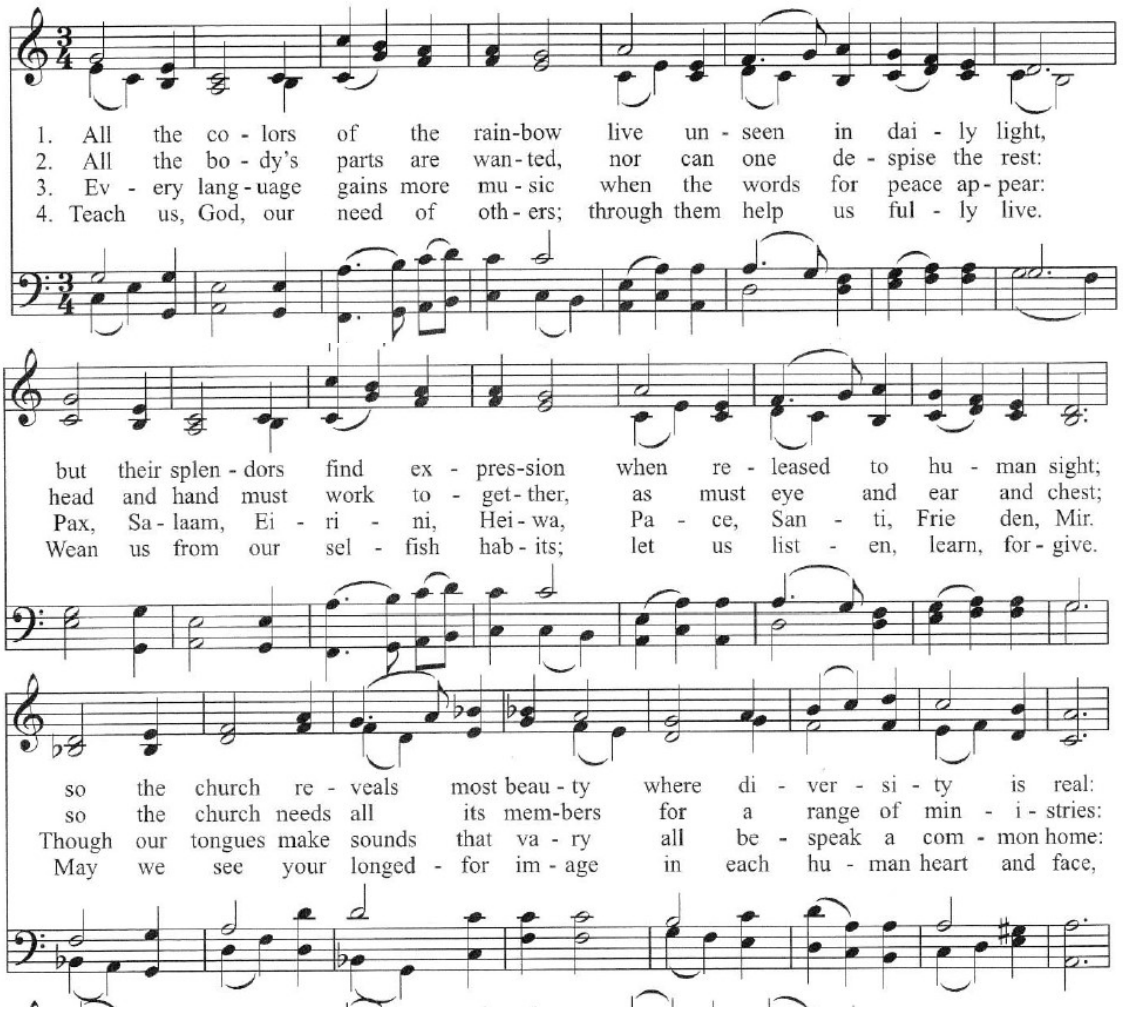
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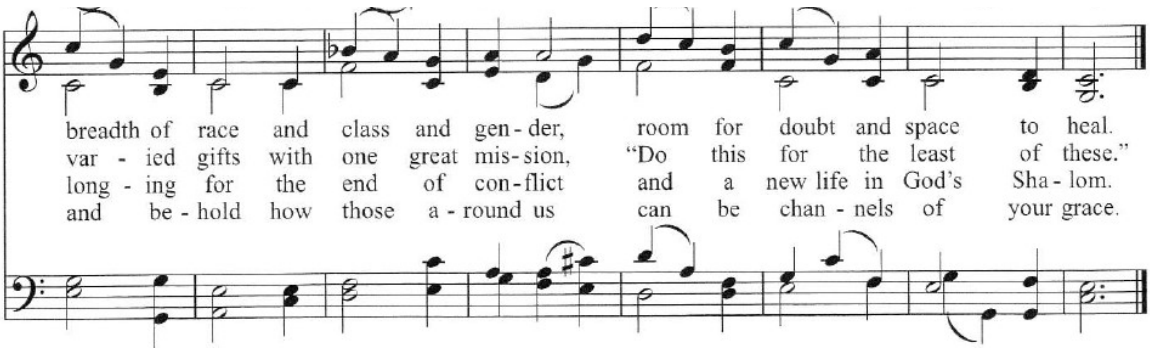
THE HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II

PRELUDE

Please stand and sing at the Procession

ENTRANCE HYMN "All the Colors of the Rainbow" Cyril V. Taylor





THE WORD OF GOD

All who are able please stand as the ministers enter and sing

The Presider welcomes the people and says

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

COLLECT OF PURITY *BCP, page 355*

The Presider says

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.***

GLORIA *BCP, page 356*

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider says to the people

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: *Genesis 21:8-21*

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring."
So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be

afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 86:1-10, 16-17

1 Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me, *
for I am poor and in misery.
2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; *
save your servant who puts his trust in you.
3 Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; *
I call upon you all the day long.
4 Gladden the soul of your servant, *
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
5 For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, *
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, *
and attend to the voice of my supplications.
7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, *
for you will answer me.
8 Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, *
nor anything like your works.
9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, *
and glorify your Name.
10 For you are great;
you do wondrous things; *
and you alone are God.
16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.
17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; *
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

THE EPISTLE *Romans 6:1b-11*

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

GRADUAL HYMN "Christ for the world we sing!" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #537**

THE GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

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

"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! "So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own house-

hold. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON Rev. Scott Russell

All who are able please stand

THE NICENE CREED

ALL **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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Leader Responding, "In the joy of the Resurrection," let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

The Leader requests the prayers of the People of God for the world, the mission of the Church, and for those individuals who have asked for or need our prayers. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.
After the last petition, the Presider adds a concluding Collect

Confession & Absolution

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

ALL **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.**

Presider 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

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

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn "Jesus! Name of wondrous love" Gibbons/Sheridan (SAB)
Music Library # 864

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP page 361

Presider The Lord be with you.
ALL **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
ALL **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

ALL **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might,**
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus

Christ 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

ALL **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

ALL **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread. After a period of silence, all sing

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
ALL **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

The congregation may kneel or sit following the Invitation. All are most welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive communion this morning, you are cordially invited to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to the member of the clergy who is serving the bread.

The Bread and Cup are given to the Communicants with these words

Minister The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
Recipient **Amen.**
Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.
Recipient **Amen.**

Spiritual Communion Prayer For Those Joining Us Online:

Gracious God, our sustainer and source of all good things in the universe. As we gather in community this day, we are mindful of those who through circumstance or conscience are unable to partake of the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation at this time. You are the source of the food and water which nourishes and sustains us. As we are the product of all we have partaken, we know that we are infused with your life-giving food and drink and that are never separated from you. Though we are many, we are joined in Christ. We are one Body, one Cup in the name of the One God. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN "Baptized in water" **Red LEVAS Hymnal II #121**

All who are able please stand

AFTER COMMUNION

Presider *Let us pray.*

All **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 your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever Amen.**

FINAL HYMN "Christ is alive! Let Christians Sing" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #182**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

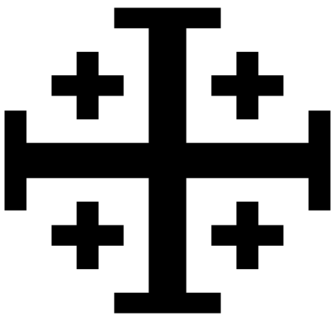
The Presider blesses the people.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



PARISH NOTES

PARISH SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 21-27

Parish Office Hours This Week:
Tuesday – 9:30am to 3:00pm, Friday – 9:30am to 1:00pm

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Choir Warm Up
	9:30 a.m.	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
Wednesday	**12:00p.m.**	**Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
	7:30 p.m.	WomenSpirit, Zoom

Sunday, June 28
Rite II

Sunday, July 5
Rite I

*JOIN US AFTER THE 9:30 AM SERVICE FOR COFFEE HOUR IN THE NICHOLAS ROOM



Join members of Christ Church Sunday, June 21 after the 9:30am service for a "Packing Party"!

We will be packing flatware for Elijah's Promise during Coffee Hour. Can't make it to the packing party, but want to help? Donations can be made via Zelle or check please note "Elijah's Promise" in the subject line.

Vestry Key Topics

1. In our efforts to continue to improve our communication strategy, Mark McMahon & Brittney Girault will begin work with Belle Ager on improving our online presence.

2. The vestry discussed the results of the recent surveys including the one administered by the search committee and the Volunteer Interest Questionnaire. Next, we will review individual responses to the questionnaire and follow up with individuals about where and how they might want to serve at Christ Church.

3. At our joint retreat with the ECMR Chaplaincy Committee, we decided to plan two joint events each season starting in the fall; one at Christ Church and one at Canterbury House.

FOURTH CENTURY! CHRIST CHURCH NEW BRUNSWICK

Clean Up Day!

Please join the Fourth Century Task Force and the Property Committee to spruce up the Christ Church Gardens on Saturday June 27, from 10 AM to 12 Noon, in ANTICIPATION of our annual Fourth of July Celebration.

We plan to do weeding, planting and other outdoor maintenance tasks - weather permitting, of course.

Please e-mail Jim Nichols (jpnarch@gmail.com) or Mel Garber (magarber59@gmail.com) to RSVP.



CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY WITH US!

Join us for a memorable and inspiring celebration as we commemorate **Independence Day** and honor **250 years of the United States of America**!

Date: July 4, 2026
Time: 10:00am
Location: Christ Church in the City of New Brunswick,
5 Paterson Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

This special event will feature:
A Patriotic Organ Concert filled with beloved American classics
A Historical Tour exploring our heritage and the story of our nation
A Reading of the Declaration of Independence as we reflect on the founding ideals of liberty and justice
Special Guest Speakers sharing insights on faith, freedom, and America's legacy
A Reception Following the Program with refreshments and fellowship for all attendees

Come dressed in your red, white, and blue and bring your family, friends, and neighbors for this historic occasion. Together, we will celebrate our nation's past, give thanks for the present, and pray for God's guidance for the future.

Join us for an morning of music, history, inspiration, fellowship, and patriotic celebration as we mark this extraordinary milestone in our nation's history!
All are welcome!

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It is time for the Christ Church July RaiseRight Order!

Paul Ambos, will be placing a new card order on the morning of **Monday, July 6.** Please place your orders accordingly. If you plan to mail him an order with a check, mail it by **Wednesday, July 1.** Please advise him by email when you mail it of what your order is so he can place it on time. If you place your own order directly on the RaiseRight website **https://www.raiseright.com/shop** or app, he will be able to see it there when he orders the monthly batch.

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

	June 21 **9:30 A.M.** Pride Sunday Rite II	**June 28** **9:30 A.M.** Rite II
Presider	Rev. Scott Russell	Rev. Scott Russell
Preacher	Rev. Scott Russell	Rev. Scott Russell
Deacon	Rev. Daphne P. Roberts	Rev. Daphne P. Roberts
Organist	Danielle Whitman	
Lector & Intercessor	Sheila Cooper	Debra Lowe
LEM	Kevin Stansbury	Artie Phills
Vestry Announcements	Mark McMahon	
Usher	Peggy Smith	Peggy Smith
Production Minister	Karen Bemis	Kabir Golphin
Altar Guild	Nancy Walworth/ Sheila Cooper	Mervis Johnson/ Margaret Brown-Stansbury
Coffee Hour	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed

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