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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.

The Sick and Others in Need— *Arnold, Barb, Brianna, Dennis, Doreen, Edith, Erica, Florence, Georgia, Hansford, Jean, Jeannine, Jefferson, Jim, Julia, Kristen, Margaret, Pam, Pat, Robert, Stanford, Steve, Thalia, Theayer, Timothy, Tisha, Vivian, Yvonne*
Anglican Cycle *– we pray for the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*
Diocesan Cycle *– Church of the Resurrection in Millville*
Christ Church Ministry *– Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors*
Birthdays this week *– Benny Barksdale, Liz Cooper, Thomas Stone, Towanda Stovall, Douglass Watt*

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 the Rev. Joanna Hollis—732.354.1450 or the Rev. Daphne Roberts -732.991.6733.

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

PARISH NOTES



EASTER 2025

PARISH SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 20– APRIL 26, 2025

EASTER SUNDAY: THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I, SANCTUARY

10:30 a.m. FESTAL HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II, SANCTUARY*

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held following the 10:30am service!

**Hypoallergenic incense will be used at this service.*

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Tuesdayers Book Group, Zoom

Wednesday 12:00p.m. Noonday Prayer, Zoom

7:30 p.m. WomenSpirit, Zoom

12-STEP PROGRAM SCHEDULE

MEETING WEEKDAYS IN THE NICHOLAS ROOM:

7:30 AM—AA First Light



All Children are Invited to Join the Easter Egg Hunt Directly After the 10:30AM Service.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, April 21 – Thursday, April 24.

We will re-open on Friday, April 25.



Rev. Hollis will be away beginning Monday, April 21 through Saturday, April 26. If you are in crisis or in need of pastoral care please contact Rev. Daphne Roberts (732) 991-6733, deacon@christchurchnewbrunswick.org.



Join members of Christ Church Sunday, April 27 after the 10:30am service for a "Packing Party"!

Supplies will be packed for the Choice Food and Resource Center during Coffee Hour. Goodies will be supplied by the Ambos Family. We hope to see you there!

Can't make it to the packing party, but want to help? Donations can be made via Zelle or check please note "diaper donation" or "Choice Food and Resource Center in the subject line

4th Century Church
Saturday, May 3, @ 10 a.m.

Including a tour of the church properties, including the 7 Paterson, and Parish House, the Choir Loft, and the new Boilers!

RaiseRight™
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It's time for the May Christ Church RaiseRight! Order

Paul Ambos will be placing a new card order on the morning of Monday, **May 5**. Please place your orders accordingly. If you plan to mail him an order with a check, please (a) mail it by Wednesday, April 30, or, better, (b) advise him by email when you mail it of what your order is so that he can place it on time despite possible Post Office delays. Or, if you place your own order directly on the RaiseRight website or app, he will be able to see it there when I order the monthly batch.

You can avoid writing him a check by using their payment options through your checking account of credit card (checking costs a 29 cent charge per order; credit cards charge a percentage that is usually more). And if you want physical cards delivered directly to your home, you can do that through the app, although you will be charged for delivery. If you order for delivery through him, the church covers the delivery charge.

Thank you for your support of this parish program.



MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED TO MAKE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER HAPPEN THIS YEAR:

Our Clergy and Parish Staff, our Parish Choir and their Director, the Marion B. DeVoe Altar Guild, the Church Decorators, and the Church School staff who helped organize the Maundy Thursday soup supper, and the Easter Egg Hunt.

Easter Flower Memorials

Given by	*in memory of*
Yvette Bailey	Marie Thompson
	Veronica Tony
Doug Bonar & Karen Bemis	Kermit Mark Bonar
Sarah Braun	Don Braun
Bob Chant & Nany Walworth	Dick & Bettye Chant
Harriet & Frank DeMatteis	Mary & Harry Deangelis
	Catherine & Agostine DeMatteis
	Ann E. DeMatteis Caruso
Louis Van Deursen	Mr. & Mrs. Clarence S. Van Duerson
Edith DeVoe	George W. DeVoe
Mrs. George DeVoe	Edith & Shephard Hughes
Marion DeVoe	Betty DeVoe Rapacki
Elizabeth Durham	Ruth & John Durham
Eleanor Forbes	William & Eleanor Weston
Estate of Ruth Harris	Ruth & Joseph Harris
	J. Michael Harris
David H. Hobson	Hand & Sally Hobson
The Johnson & Morgan Families	Laura & William Morgan
	William Morgan, III
B. Pat Lowe & Family	Julius N. Lowe
Marjory Phillips	Leighton R. Phillips

Easter Flower Memorials (continued)

Given by	*in memory of*
Sharron Pullaro	Mary Sullivan
	Katharyna Zgoba
	Jim S. Pullaro
	Gertrude Pullaro
	Kathleen Campbell
Barry Qualls	Jamima D. Qualls
The Rydel Family	Ruth & Rudy Gerks
Doreen & Thalia Sirjue	Winston Sirjue
Towanda Stovall	David Stovall
Elaine Sullivan & Edith DeVoe	Barbara Tatarsky
The Sullivan Family	Francis Remsen
	John Dennis Sullivan
	Eleanor M. Schaefer
	George W. Hedden
Mary K. Szeles & Harriet DeMatteis	Frank P. DeMatteis
The Wisheart Family	Catherine V Wisheart
	William J. Wisheart, Sr.

Easter Flower Thanksgivings

Given by	*In Thanksgiving for*
Joan Borden	*Family & Friends*
Mervis Johnson	*Nancy & Hezikiah Rowe*

Easter Music Memorials

Given by	*in memory of*
Jeannine Der Bedrosian	James Peter Der Bedrosian
	Leo Kafafian
Shannon Pullaro	George V. Sullivan, Jr.
Barry Qualls	Jamima D. Qualls

Easter Music Thanksgivings

Given by	*In thanksgiving for*
Wendy Benjamin	*The Benjamin Family*
Bob Chant & Nancy Walworth	*Emma & Becca*
Margaret Hall	*Suzanne McDonald*
Rozie Jhamb	*For Music & Our Worship Experience*

APRIL 20, 2025
EASTER SUNDAY

taking faith home

Jesus' resurrection brings amazement and questions.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	**Luke 24:1-12**	**The resurrection of Jesus**
Monday	**Acts 10:34-43**	**Peter speaks of faith in Jesus**
Tuesday	**1 Corinthians 15:19-26**	**Confidence in the resurrection**
Wednesday	**Mark 16:1-8**	**Jesus has been raised**
Thursday	**Deuteronomy 11:13-21**	**Teach the children**
Friday	**2 Corinthians 4:7-15**	**Apostles speak the faith**
Saturday	**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**	**The Lord is always merciful**
Sunday	**John 20:19-31**	**Seeing Christ's wounds**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened. **Luke 24:12 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:
Gracious and Living God, give us ears to hear and believe the message of the resurrection and the voice to speak to others of Jesus victory over death. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:
Dear God, we thank you for this food; this is the day that you have made; let us rejoice and be glad in it through Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen. (Psalm 118:24)

A Blessing to Give:
May you rejoice that Christ is risen.

MILESTONES MINISTRY

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APRIL 20, 2025

taking faith home

HYMN OF THE WEEK

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Do you talk about your faith with others? Explain.
- Jesus' disciples reacted in different ways to the resurrection. How do you think you would have reacted?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 24:1-12.

Luke wants future disciples to pause and wonder about faith in the resurrection of Jesus. Easter morning and the announcement of Jesus' resurrection begins with fear and then leads to joy. The women are initially terrified, not jubilant. For the disciples, it begins in disbelief. They even questioned the reliability of the women's testimony. Only Peter goes to the tomb. He is moved to amazement when he sees only linen cloths, and not Jesus' body. Luke gives us an honest story that relates to our own difficulties in trusting God. Belief is not our first reaction to God's grace and mercy. Has Jesus' body been stolen or is resurrection something to believe? Clearly, the disciples aren't buying it right away. As with the disciples on Easter Sunday, we, too, can wonder, "What happened?" The tomb is empty, but the resurrected body has not yet been seen. The beauty of the Christian faith is the honest description of discipleship. Even on Easter morning, there is room for confusion and questions as well as wonderment. We are encouraged to be like Peter and explore what might be true.

Discuss: What questions do you have about the resurrection of Jesus?

Pray: **Awesome God, we thank you for the joy and wonderment that Easter brings; help us to overcome doubts and fears that we may live with hope and confidence through Christ Jesus our Risen Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you encourage someone's amazement and questions about Christ's resurrection?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Place a candle near the cross drawn on the paper on the first week in Lent. Take a moment to trace the cross with your finger and reflect on the words of the Lord's Prayer that were written around the cross during Lent. Then say the Lord's Prayer as written in Luke 11:2-4 with the addition of the doxology: **Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Light the candle and say: **Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

MILESTONES MINISTRY

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: **www.milestonesministry.org**

	Easter Sunday April 20	April 27
Presider	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Preacher	Rev. Daphne Roberts	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Deacon	Rev. Daphne Roberts	Rev. Daphne Roberts
Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
	8 AM	**8 AM**
Lector & Intercessor	Debra Lowe	Meegan Adames
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Kevin Stansbury	Debra Lowe
Vestry Announcements		Jim Nichols
Ushers		
Altar Guild	Nancy Walworth, Sheila Cooper, Mervis Johnson, Margaret Brown-Stansbury	Mervis Johnson, Margaret Brown Stansbury
	10:30 A.M.	**10:30 A.M.**
Lector & Intercessor	Paul Ambos	Doreen Sirjue
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Mel Garber	
Acolyte / Server		
Vestry Announcements	Meegan Adames	Gordon Arsenoff
Usher		
Production Minister	Steve Caruso	Steve Caruso
Altar Guild	Nancy Walworth, Sheila Cooper, Mervis Johnson, Margaret Brown-Stansbury	Mervis Johnson, Margaret Brown Stansbury
Coffee Hour		
Counters		

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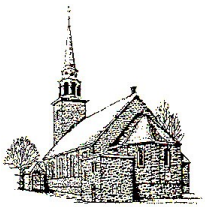
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Historic Christ Church is a mutually supportive Christian community worshiping in the living Anglican tradition of beauty in liturgy and music. Christ Church bears witness to the love of Christ in prayer, service and fellowship.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.

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The Reverend Daphne Roberts, *Deacon*
Suzanne McDonald, *Music Director and Organist-*
Brittney Girault, *Parish Administrator*
Elaine Winkler, *Bookkeeper*
Carlos Garcia, *Sexton*