



Weekly Update August 12, 2020

Our Vision

We are a growing community of believers committed to walking with Christ, welcoming all, and serving God by serving others.

Church Open for Silence & Prayer

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12 noon – 1 pm

Fr. Steve available for conversation

Sunday In-Person Services: 9 and 11 am

9am service is also livestream

Dear Friends,

We're coming up on 1 month together, here at Christ Church Warwick, and I must say I'm enjoying both! That is to say, at Christ Church I am experiencing the sanctity of your sacred space and the fellowship of your saints. In Warwick I am experiencing the pleasure of a small town.

Both are precious.

In our weekday times of opening the Church for Silence and Prayer, people have come in each day, sinking into a pew in blessed relief. Some talk with me. Some sit for a long time, and some short. All enjoy the air conditioning! If you're sheltering in place at home alone, this might be a time when you arrange to meet a friend, first for prayer then to go for a socially distanced walk in the park. If you're sheltering with family, this is a time to find some silence with God alone, and then bring God's Peace to others.

Bringing God's Peace to others is the great ministry necessary now. "The Episcopal Church Welcomes You" has always been the sign at our door and in our hearts. It means that regardless of race, creed, color, national origin or sexuality, "the Episcopal Church Welcomes You." We know that we are most deeply all the Children of God. This knowledge imposes an obligation too, however. Having been welcomed by God, and finding sanctuary in God's Church, we are anointed to bring God's welcome to all others whom we meet.

God entrusts love to us. Let us pass it on to others.

Peace,



Please join us this evening at 7pm
[Click here for the link](#)

What can you expect on Sunday

The doors of Christ Church will be open Sunday for two services at 9:00 and 11:00. What follows is a little information about what you can expect.

- +Only the red doors to the Church will be open to enter the building. If you need to enter a different door, please call ahead.
- +Every effort has been made to make the nave as reasonably safe as possible. The room has been sanitized and the pews have been wiped down.
- +Face-coverings are required while in the building. If you forget your own, a face-covering is available for you.
- +Hand sanitizer will be available just inside the door.
- +Your name will be written down as you enter for contact tracing purposes.
- +We can safely distance up to 40 people in the nave.
- +There will be no congregational singing, and responses will be said at low-volume.
- +Plexiglass "sneeze-guards" have been placed in front of the lectern and pulpit so that the preacher and readers can speak without being masked.
- +Bulletins and the Alms basin will be pre-placed before the service.

The Eucharist will be celebrated at both services:

- +The wine will not be distributed.
- +The priest will scrub his hands before setting the table, and sanitize his hands before the distribution. Only the person receiving and the priest will touch the wafer.
- +The priest will wear a mask at all times other than when at the pulpit.
- +There will be no acolytes or Eucharistic Ministers assisting.
- +Social distancing will be observed, and reception will be made standing.
- +After receiving the wafer, the individual should turn away and move at least six feet from the person behind before consuming (waiting until you return to your seat is also suggested).
- +Additional seating is always available in the Parish Hall. If there is overflow seating in the parish hall, the priest will distribute communion there as well.

Thank you all for your understanding as we, Christ Church, moves through this unprecedented time. The doors will be open.

Thanks Be To God.

Intercessory Prayers

To add a name to our weekly intercession list, please send the name to prayer@christchurch.org.

The intercession list will be available as you enter the church on Sunday mornings. You are welcome to add a name (first or baptismal name only). There are three areas: 1) for those who are ill or need special prayers 2) for those who have died and 3) for thanksgivings to God.

Let us all remember each other, family member, friends, and the world in prayer each week.

BARGAINS + RECYCLE/REPURPOSE

CHRIST CHURCH
THRIFT SHOP:

**SUMMER 2020
RE-OPENED**
within guidelines

SHOP & DONATE
Saturday 9:30am-12noon

- face coverings required
- capacity is limited
- no children under 16
- changing rooms are closed
- no access to bathrooms
- donations are quarantined at least 72 hours
- there are new restrictions on donations:
due to CDC guidelines & limited capacity, donations
are screened upon arrival to determine what
can/cannot be accepted
- thanks for your patience & understanding while we
keep everyone's health & safety our top priority!

50 South St, Warwick NY · parish hall basement, door on driveway side

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Saturday Breakfast has been suspended until further notice!

The Reverend Stephen C. Holton, Interim Rector

Contact Fr Steve for pastoral care or conversation

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rector@christchurch.org

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Articles for Christ Church Eblast newsletter are due by 2pm on Tuesday before
Wednesday publication

VESTRY: Matthew Mumford - Senior Warden, Mark Arnowitz - Junior Warden
Elena Chavez Carey, Judy Girod, Sharon Kelly, Steve Laico, Chris Loftus, Barbara Mann (Recording Secretary),
George Mindos, Kristen Neavin, Louise Schultz (Treasurer), Charlotte Trott and Cheryl Walters

Anyone wishing to read the Vestry meeting minutes,
please contact the parish office for a copy.

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Worship
Schedule

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