



## News from Christ Church October 6, 2021

Dear friends,

I invite you to mark your calendars for an All Souls' solemn mass on Tuesday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m.

All Souls' Day is the final day of our Allhallowtide triduum in the church calendar, following All Hallows' Eve (the day where we avoid death by tricking it to believe we are someone else) and All Saints' Day (a day of celebration where we remember the great heroes of the faith.) All Souls' has an entirely different emotional tenor. It is a day of solemnity, remembrance; it is a day to commemorate all the faithful departed, an acceptance of loss and the way of all things.

I often think of those three days in terms of a process of grief. We begin with avoidance, then denial, and finally come to an acceptance and the poignant hope of resurrection.

During the service, the names of those who have died will be read aloud. If you have anyone you would like to be remembered, [please fill out this form](#). We will also have a table in front of the altar where you can place a small memento of the person you are remembering before God on that day. And finally, our fabulous choir will help lead us in our prayers and song.

As always, all are welcome as we worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

faithfully,

Amber

[rector@christchurch.org](mailto:rector@christchurch.org)

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### **Altar flowers and aumbry candles**

If you would like to donate the weekly altar flowers or aumbry candles in memory or in honor of a person or occasion, fill out a blue envelope in the narthex or by the bulletin board by the restrooms. We will notate your donation in the bulletin that week. It's a great way to enhance the beauty of the church while recognizing a significant moment in your life.

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### **Book club**

*Fourth Wednesdays of the month, 6:30 p.m., Parish Hall*

Our next gathering will be on October 27th, when we will discuss Marilynne Robinson's novel *Gilead*. Bring your own beverage and snack.

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### **Evening prayer on Zoom**

*Wednesdays, 7:00 - 7:30 pm*

Join us this evening. [Click here for link](#). If you are interested in leading the service or reading the lessons, please [email Charlotte Trott](#).

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### **Community Breakfast**

*Saturdays, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.*

Christ Church continues to serve a free breakfast to anyone who wants or needs it. If you are interested in learning more, or in helping to prepare or serve, [contact Liz Houlton](#).

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### **Feed your family and support your church**

You can purchase ShopRite or Price Chopper gift cards every Sunday immediately following worship, or stop by the parish office during business hours Monday through Friday. At no cost to you, Christ Church earns a percentage that goes to supporting church programs.

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### **Sunday service guidelines**

Communion is served in one kind, bread only. As always, receiving communion is optional to the person. Masks are recommended for all. Distance is at one's own discretion, but do continue to be mindful of your neighbor's needs. The 9:00 a.m. service is live-streamed to the parish hall for those who would like to remain masked and distanced; alert an usher to have the priest bring communion to the room.

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**Vestry:** Matthew Mumford, Senior Warden; Bill O'Keefe, Junior Warden

Elena Chavez Carey, Billie Gallo, Linda Garcia, Judy Girod, Sharon Kelly, Steve Laico, Chris Loftus,

Charlotte Trott, Diana Van Fossen, Louise Schultz (Treasurer)

*Sundays at Christ Church*

**9:00 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist, in-person and  
livestreamed to Vimeo and the Parish Hall

**10:00 a.m.** - Coffee hour in the Parish Hall  
and on the lawn

**10:10 a.m.** - Sunday school for kids & youth

**11:00 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist, in-person

**5:00 p.m.** - Holy Eucharist on the lawn



Check our weekly  
sermons Podcast here!