



## News from Christ Church May 25, 2022

Dear all,

Tomorrow is Ascension Day, a forgotten feast in our church calendar that marks Jesus' departure and his promise to send the Holy Spirit.

Maybe it's forgotten because it always falls on a Thursday. Or maybe there's something at work on a deeper level: maybe we have a hard time rallying around the idea of a day that celebrates the occasion when God leaves us.

I'll talk about our abandonment issues with God and what Ascension Day could mean for us tomorrow evening in my sermon. Hope to see you at 7:00 p.m.

faithfully,  
Amber

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### Great expectations

Alison and Sal Seirmarco, along with big brother Calvin, welcomed baby Alex into the world on Mother's Day. Join us in prayers of thanksgiving for the newest addition to our parish family!



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### Feast of the Ascension

*Thursday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist with choir*

Ascension Day is a principal feast of our church year, though one often overlooked. It always falls on the Thursday that marks 40 days after Easter and commemorates the moment of Jesus' ascension to the right hand of God. All are invited to this festive Eucharist.

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### First Sunday Forum: Pentecost and the boundaries

## **of God's work**

*Sunday, June 5 at 10:10 a.m.*

On the first Sunday of every month, we'll be holding a forum in the parish hall during coffee hour. This month, join the Rev. Amber Carswell to learn more about the Feast of Pentecost and how the question, "Who is my neighbor?" plays out in the Bible's many stories of boundary-setting and boundary-breaking moments.

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## **Pentecost reading in other languages**

*Sunday, June 5*

On Pentecost Sunday, we hear the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit to people of all languages and nations; Luke tells us that onlookers each heard the gospel spoken in their native tongues. It is a custom of the church to re-live this experience by reading the Pentecost story in a variety of languages at the same time during the service.

If you are willing to read in a language other than English at our services that morning, [please fill out this form](#).

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## **Rector's Scholarship**

A special gift has made it possible for Christ Church to award scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted into a post-secondary program of study. Submission deadline is June 10, 2022. Please [email the office](#) for a copy of the guidelines.

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## **Community Breakfast**

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

Christ Church continues to serve breakfast to anyone who wants or needs it. Anyone interested in learning more, or helping to prepare or serve, [email Liz Houlton](#) or call her at 845-325-1276.

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## **Evening prayer on Zoom**

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

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

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**Vestry:** Chris Loftus, Senior Warden; Bill O'Keefe, Junior Warden

Elena Chavez Carey, Billie Gallo, Linda Garcia, Steven Greh, Sharon Kelly, Gaye Murphy, Erick Storckman,  
Simon Turner, Diana Van Fossen, Abbie Opper (treasurer)

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*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

**10:10 a.m.** - Sunday school

**11:00 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist with choir



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