



THE COMMUNICANT

2017

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Rector's Reflections



Dear Friends,

One of our goals at Christ Church for 2017 is to increase our visibility in the community. We have marched in the Memorial Day parade, gathered at restaurants in town for Pub Theology, prayed Compline on the Green, opened our Memorial Garden to people looking for a peaceful place to sit for a while, and increased our presence in the Hub and other Hudson publications.

Last weekend (October 14-15), we had a glorious Memorial Service for Dewey Hansen. The Parish Hall was packed for the visitation. The church was full for the service. Many people stayed for the reception. Then on Sunday, we had our community forum on the opioid epidemic. We welcomed about 50 people to Christ Church for that event, many of whom were from the community. Our guests commented on the beauty of our church and stayed to enjoy our hospitality at the reception.

We have many groups that gather at Christ Church. Our buildings are impressively busy. Every time someone enters our building, we have the opportunity to enhance our image in the community. While what we do outside these buildings matters a great deal as we increase our visibility, what we do inside matters as well. Can our guests find their way easily through the building? Do they find the building to be well maintained and a place where they are comfortable meeting? How do we show them that they are really welcome and valued here?

Two things strike me as easy ways to help our outside groups feel more welcome at Christ Church. One is to have more flyers and signs through out the building, inviting people to join us for worship, or Welcome Table, or whatever event we have coming up. The other is to offer increased hospitality to those who gather here. For example, plates of homemade cookies left for the AA groups that meet here would indicate to them that we consider them to be a valuable part of our life here, not just a group with a key to the building. Part of enhancing our image and increasing visibility in the community is for the people who gather here to leave saying "Christ Church is a really great place!"

Fabulous hospitality is not hard but it does require creative thinking and the willingness to go the extra mile. I invite us all to do some creative thinking about how we can offer even better hospitality to those who gather at Christ Church. Why? Because at the end of the day, people will know the hospitality of God through the hospitality they experience here.

Blessings,

Charlotte

Rector's Contact Information:

Contact Charlotte by email at charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson.org, by phone in the church office: 330-650-4359, or by cell phone: 937-925-5200 (before 9pm please, unless it's an emergency). This number can also be used for text messages. Please give your name so Charlotte knows who is texting her.

children's Corner



Children's Chapel will be held **TWICE** in the month of November. On November 5th and 26th, during the 10:30 service, our 3-year-olds through 3rd Graders will join a leader during the Hymn of Praise

at the front of the church for a Montessori-based bible lesson and return to their families at the Peace. Please refer to the dates and times in November.

NOVEMBER CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CALENDAR

November 5th

- Episcopal Youth Community at 9:30
- Children's Chapel during 10:30 service

November 12th

• Sunday School PreK-6th Grade at 10:15

November 19th

- Episcopal Youth Community at 9:30
- Sunday School PreK-6th Grade at 10:15

November 26th

Children's Chapel during 10:30 service



Books & Bagels: November Edition

For this month's Christ Church Book Club I invite you to read "Crazy Christians", written by the now Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, The Most Rev. Bishop Michael B. Curry, when he was Bishop of North Carolina. This book is, in a way, an extension of his 2012 address at the General Convention in Indianapolis. What does it mean to be a "Crazy Christian?" Are we crazy enough to love, follow, and serve God? Let us discover together what the answers might be in the words of our Presiding Bishop. This book is readily available on Amazon, through Church Publishing, and at various bookstores, including the Learned Owl. We will be gathering again at 9am on the 4th Sunday of the month, November 26th. If you have any questions please contact Allie Heeter via email at adeanheet@gmail.com.

Musical Notes

From the Director of Music, Valerie Thorson



The upcoming weeks will be rich with musical happenings at CCE!

On Sunday October 29th, one of our talented organ scholars, Graham Hicks, will be playing selections from his upcoming Senior Piano Recital at The University of Akron (on November 19) for the Prelude, Offertory and Postlude. Graham, a student of Phillip Thomson, is a very gifted musician and pianist and we will all enjoy hearing him play.

On All Saints Sunday (November 5) the CCE Choir will be singing two very lovely works: a setting of "Deep River" by Howard Helvey, and the "Pie Jesu" by Mary Lynn Lightfoot. Ms. Lightfoot's dedication of the piece states: "...in memory of the children who perished in the April, 1995, Oklahoma City bombing, and for all children of the world who are the innocent victims of senseless violence."

On Sunday November 12th we will be blessed with hearing some members of the Chamber Choir from WRA under the direction of Midge Karam during 10:30 worship. They will be singing "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" by André Thomas. This wonderful and lively work, accompanied by conga drums, is a perfect accompaniment to the scripture for that Sunday.

This month's featured hymn is "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee"—Number 376 in the Hymnal 1982. The text was written by Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933) a Presbyterian minister and educator. in 1907, while he was serving as a guest preacher at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. It is said that Van Dyke handed the poem to the president of the college, saying: 'Here is a hymn for you. Your mountains (the Berkshires) were my inspiration. It must be sung to the music of Beethoven's "Hymn to Joy." The metaphor of light driving away the darkness reflects a common theme in Romantic poetry and conveys a sense of ultimate hope. Beethoven's "joyful music" was adapted by British composer Edward Hodges (1796-1867).



Wednesday, November 8 Location: Lager & Vine

Come and bring a friend as we explore the intersection of faith and life. We will gather at the Gazebo for compline at 7p.m., then head to Lager & Vine for conversation.

Topic: Fear

"The most common one-liner in the Bible is,
"Do not be afraid." Someone counted, and it occurs
365 times." — Richard Rohr, Falling Upward:
A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life

Bring a friend and join us for great conversation. RSVP to charlotte.reed@christchurchhudson or 330-650-4359 and let us know you are coming so we can let Lager and Vine know how many to expect.



Breakfast Theology Sunday, November 12 9am in the Parish Hall Breakfast Provided!

Think Pub Theology, breakfast version. Our Sunday morning Adult Christian Ed will take the form of a breakfast Pub Theology on the 3rd Sunday of each Month (2nd Sunday this month). Join us for a hot breakfast and lively conversation.

Our topic this month is:

What is a Christian? "Being a Christian is not essentially about joining a church or being a nice person, but about following in the footsteps of Jesus, taking his teachings seriously, letting his Spirit take the lead in our lives, and in so doing helping to change the world from our nightmare into God's dream."

- Michael Curry, Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus

Everyone is invited for breakfast and great conversation. Please let the church office know you are coming! at 330-650-4359 or Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org)



Wednesdays at Open Door Coffee November 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Charlotte continues to hold office hours at
Open Door Coffee Company
(164 N. Main Street) on Wednesdays from
9am-11am. On the rare weeks that Wednesday
is not an option for some reason, the alternate
date will be in the e-blast the week before, the
Sunday announcements, or if the change is
very last minute, in an email.

Laurel Lake Holy Eucharist and Lunch Thursday, November 2nd at 11:00 AM



All Christ Church residents of Laurel Lake, and anyone else who would like to join us, are invited to gather at Laurel Lake's Serenity Chapel at 11am for Eucharist, then for lunch following. For more

information or to RSVP (required for lunch, but not for Eucharist), please contact Deacon Gretchen Green at ghg2@aol.com.

Healing Service Thursday, November 2nd at 9:30 a.m. Christ Church Chapel



On the first Thursday of each month, at 9:30 in the chapel, a healing service is offered for anyone who would like to ask prayers for themselves or others. The service includes Holy Eucharist. Please join us for this quiet, yet powerful, service.



All Saints Sunday November 5

Join us as we celebrate the lives of those who have gone before us, sing fabulous hymns, and light the All Saints candles in memory of our loved ones. If you would like the name of a deceased loved one remembered in the prayers that day, please let Kathy Garber know at Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org or 330-650-4359. Especially appropriate are those who have died in the past year.

Annual Fall Grounds Clean-Up

Join us on November 4th for our annual fall church grounds clean-up from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Sign-up in Parish Hall, call the church office, or email kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org. If possible, please bring gloves and garden tools marked with your name on them.

Doughnuts and coffee will be provided.

Contact Guy Wylie at 216-403-8127 with questions. We hope to see you there!



Ministry Team Night Wednesday, November 15



Ministry Teams

5pm: Worship 6pm: Outreach

7pm: Fellowship/Education (Adult)

Ministry teams are open to everyone with an interest in one of the ministry areas. The teams are a place where we help each other problem-solve if needed, bring forth new ideas, and make plans for current or future events or ministries. Each meeting lasts 59 minutes and includes some lively conversation. Please join us!

United Thank Offering (UTO) Fall Ingathering

This ministry was started by the women of the Episcopal Church over 100 years ago. Men, women, and children give daily thanks for God's blessings with coins.

The UTO committee issues grants using guidelines of compelling human needs and/or expansion of missions ministry. Every penny is used for grants. Keep an eye out in the mail for your donation letter and envelope. Little blue boxes and envelopes will also be available in Parish Hall. Your offering may be placed in the plate on Sunday, November 19th, mailed, or brought into the church office. Make checks payable to Christ Church Episcopal & note "UTO" on the memo line.





November 16th 12:00 – 1:00 PM Parish Hall

The Straight Talk About Probate

Presented by
Magistrate Paula Haas
Summit County Probate Office



Learn about what services and programs are offered in Probate Court, including an overview of the Probate Court process, their Volunteer Guardian Program and Senior Visitor Program, a general overview of estate administration, guardianships questions, advance directives, adoptions and even marriage licenses!

Please R.S.V.P. to 330-650-4359 or Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org



35TH SEASON MUSIC FROM THE WESTERN RESERVE

Music from The Western Reserve showcases six concerts with the world's finest chamber music artists. Concerts are presented at 5:00 p.m. at Christ Church, with a meet-the-artist reception follow Ing immediately after each concert. The next concert is on Sunday, November 12 and features *Ensemble HD*.

The mission of the ensemble, founded in 2009, is to bring classical music to a wide audience. Premier performances were at the Happy Dog in Gordon Square Arts District in Cleveland. Led by Joshua Smith, Principal Flute, The Cleveland Orchestra, with fellow Cleveland Orchestra members Amy Lee, Associate Concertmaster, violin, Frank Rosenwein, Principal Oboe, Charles Bernard, Assistant Principal cello, and Joanna Patterson-Zakany viola. Praised in Voix de Arts "Ensemble HD's playing glistens with virtuosity and invention" and American Record Guide "Freshness and verve brought to the music by a superb assemblage of Cleveland Orchestra Musicians."

Season Tickets \$100; Single Tickets \$20;

Students Admission FREE.

Tickets can be purchased at <u>www.mftwr.org</u>, the **Learned Owl Book Shop**, or at the door the evening of the concert. For more information visit <u>www.mftwr.org</u> and <u>www.facebook.com/mftwr</u>.

NEW YOGA CLASS!

Monday Mornings at 9:00 in Parish Hall

Join certified yoga instructor
Kay Powers for a free new yoga
class beginning on November 6th
and running for 5 weeks through
December 4th. The class is a gentle,
mindful yoga practice designed to
increase strength and flexibility,
while releasing tension, reducing
stress and promoting relaxation.
Suitable for all levels, especially
beginners and those with some yoga
experience. Please bring a yoga mat.



Christmas Card Sale to benefit the Christ Church Music Fund

Christ Church will be offering hand-designed Christmas cards for sale during coffee hour on November 26 and December 6, or through the church office during that week. Cards will be \$10 for a pack of 10. All proceeds will go to the Music Fund for Christmas musicians. Contact Eileen Gaston at eileengaston@yahoo.com with questions.





Parish offices will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th



Christmas Eve Services

8:00am: Quiet Christmas Eve

Service in the Chapel

10:00am: Christmas Eve Service

Laurel Lake ~All are welcome~

5:00pm: Festive Christmas Eve

Family Service with Holy Eucharist and Procession to the Creche

8:00pm: Festive Christmas Eve

Service in the Church

No Services on Christmas Day

It's time to build our pyramid of Yams!

Once again, we will collect 200 cans of yams for the Open M holiday food boxes. You can help us build our "Yam Pyramid" by placing your donation inside the parking lot entrance to our church. Please bring your 40 oz. cans to church no later than **Sunday, November 26th.**

Contact Susan Mailey with questions at tmail153@gmail.com.



Thank you for your generous contributions for the families of Open M.

THE CHRIST CHURCH GIVING TREE



As we look forward to the Advent and Christmas Season, Christ Church parishioners have a wonderful opportunity to help local Hudson Families who are in great need.

The Christ Church Giving Trees will be on display from Sunday, November 19th through Sunday, December 3rd bearing tags representing helpful and practical gifts that members of these families would greatly appreciate.

Please take a tag (or more than one), sign it out, and return the wrapped gift(s) to a spot under the Giving Tree by Sunday 12/3 at Noon.

This program is a great way to enjoy the blessing of giving during the holiday season.

Please call Janet Greer (216) 401-2010 or Susan Mailey (330) 714-7575 with questions:

Thank you for your participation!



Thank you to...

-The 175th Anniversary Committee: Shirley Eells, Jay Bixby, Dot Lang, Lis Hugh, Ed Gibson, Julie Micheletti and all who helped to make our 175th Anniversary Celebration a memorable one
-Lucy Kistler and Eileen Gaston for their work organizing the receptions for Dewey Hansen's Memorial Service and the Opioid Epidemic Forum
-Susan Mailey for planning the Opioid Epidemic Forum
-All who volunteered to host and facilitate our Cottage Meetings
-Pam Zuhl and everyone who helped kick off our Stewardship Campaign with a fabulous breakfast!
-All who donated diapers and gave generously to assist victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas (see note below)

Update on Pledging for 2018

As of October 26th, 66 pledge card have been returned out of the 169 packets that were given out.

For a total of \$290,000.00 for 2018.

Many thanks to everyone who has turned in a pledge card. If you have not yet turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible so the vestry can begin work on the 2018 budget. If you have lost your card or did not receive one, please contact Kathy Garber in the church office at 330-650-4359 or Kathy.garber@christchurchhudson.org. Pledge cards will be blessed at both services on Sunday, November 5.

Dear Christ Church,

Thank you for your donation of \$250 to the Diocese of West Texas for Hurricane Harvey relief. We have already been able to put money to use in the affected areas and your contribution is making a difference in the communities directly in the path of Harvey.

We continue to pray for those in Texas and beyond whose lives have been impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The Episcopal Diocese of West Texas

Hudson Ministerial Association

Holiday Laundry Detergent Drive

This year the Hudson Ministerial Association is collecting Laundry Detergent to help support the Hudson School's Holiday baskets. The Holiday Gift Baskets specifically need bigger ticket items like Laundry Detergent (preferably liquid) and Fabric Softener. These are items typically not given by the students and their families during the drive.

Thursday, November 16th will be the last day to deliver items to Rejoice Lutheran Church at 7855 Stow Road, or ask for pick up. You may bring items any time before Thursday by calling 330-760-5027 to be sure someone is there to accept them.

Thank You for your participation! We can do more together than we can separately!

Celebrating 175 Years of Worship, Outreach, and Ministry



175th Anniversary Commemorative Ornament!

In celebration of our 175th anniversary this year, commemorative Christmas ornaments will be on sale at Christ Church beginning in late November. The cost per ornament is \$15. Watch your email and the Sunday announcements for more information.





Christ Church Reflections

As told to Shirley Eells by Shel and Nancy Schweikert

Nancy and Shel moved to Hudson in 1966 when there were a total of 5500 residents in the village and township of Hudson. In 1994, the two were merged and became the City of Hudson. Shel served as our City Manager beginning in 1966 and retired after 29 years. They raised three children in their home on North Oviatt Street and now reside at Laurel Lake. Nancy was a Methodist and Shel was a Lutheran. They started to worship at Christ Church when they arrived in Hudson. Arthur Pritchett was our Rector and Allan Belton was his newly ordained assistant. They worshiped in the Chapel with two services being offered; one at 8am and the other at 10am. Morning Prayer was celebrated on the first Sunday of the month with Rite I at 8am and Rite II the rest of the month.

Nancy remembers the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) group being a very strong organization, as well as the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, of which Shel was a member. Fifty-one years later, Nancy and Shel still attend worship with us at the 10:30 service. Take a moment and introduce yourself to them!







THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Thursday, December 7, 2017 The Country Club of Hudson 11:30 am Cash Bar ~ Noon Luncheon

This celebration is for members of Christ Church, First Presbyterian Church of Hudson and friends. Men are encouraged and most welcome to attend this festive event.

Entertainment will be provided by *unreserved* the a cappella chorus from Western Reserve Academy

The cost is \$20.00 per person. There are two entrée selections:

Chicken Marsala — Boneless breast of chicken pan sautéed with mushrooms and marsala wine sauce. Served with garlic mashed potatoes and a zucchini, yellow squash and carrot medley.

Tuscan Tortellini al Fresco – Cheese filled tortellini with roasted eggplant, peppers, zucchini, and portobello mushrooms tossed in a pecorino basil aglio e olio.

Dessert of white cake with fresh sliced strawberries & white mousse and beverages are included.

Please complete the reservation form below for yourself and any guests you will be bringing.

Indicate your choice of entrée for each attendee.

Your check, made out to ECW, with "luncheon" in the memo, is your paid reservation. Submit the check and reservation form to the church office or place it in the ECW mailbox.

	Reservations must be received no late	r than Thursday, November 30.
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#### THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Name of attendee(s)	Entrée selection (check appropriate box)	
	Chicken Marsala	Tuscan Tortellini
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Jim Munson  $\sim 11/1$ Heather Swift  $\sim 11/3$ Jane Harrison ∼ 11/4 Greg Anglewicz ~ 11/7 Leslie Kass ~ 11/7 Bob Bellin ~ 11/8 Len Harrison  $\sim 11/11$ Doris Lefebyre ~ 11/11 Julie Weary ~ 11/11 Kay Eileraas ~ 11/13 Carol Donley ~ 11/14 Michael Kacprzynski ~ 11/15 Dave Petterson ~ 11/17 Gretchen Canterbury ~ 11/18 Bob Zuhl  $\sim 11/22$ Annie Greer ~ 11/24 Wesley Cicen ~ 11/26 Sarah Koebley ~ 11/27 Jenna Lund ∼ 11/27 Lauren Hopper ~ 11/29



Frederick & Leslie Kass ~ 11/12 Len & Jane Harrison ~ 11/13

### FOR THE RECORD...

**Baptism:** Alice Lucy Anglewicz was baptized on October 8th

**Transfer In:** Paul Frank, Jr. The Hopper Family: Roger, Lauren, Thomas & Peter

# **October Vestry Meeting Highlights**



- The vestry meeting opened with Bible study and prayer
- Bob Zuhl made a presentation on areas where the Christ Church bylaws need to be updated. A presentation will be made to the parish at a date close to the Annual Meeting, then the parish will be asked to vote on the revisions.
- Lou Young reported on the progress of the current stewardship drive.
- We are ahead of where we were at this point in last year's campaign in both dollars and returned pledge cards, but there are a significant number of cards that have yet to be returned.
- Lou also reported on the nominating process for the three new vestry members who will be elected at the Annual Meeting in January. Per the bylaws, a nominating committee has been formed consisting of two current vestry members and three parishioners. The Sr. Warden will serve ex-officio. The committee hopes to bring forward a slate of 6 people to run for 3 vestry seats and 5 people to run for 3 seats as Diocesan Convention delegates and 2 seats as alternates.
- Charlotte Reed reported on the 2018 CCH operating budget. Kathy Garber and Susie Vanaman are working on determining the "fixed costs" (utilities, insurance, maintenance, etc.) then a committee will be formed to make a recommendation regarding salaries and program costs. The budget will be voted on at the November or December vestry meeting, then presented to the parish on a Sunday morning prior to the day of the annual meeting.
- The replacement of the carpet in the Parish Hall with either carpet or flooring was discussed. Estimates on several options for flooring will be gathered for the next vestry meeting. In the meantime, the carpet will be cleaned in the hopes that it can be made presentable until a suitable replacement can be decided upon.
- Sarah Bhatia, our Director of Christian Education, will be on maternity leave for 3 months, likely December, January, and February.

The next vestry meeting is November 28 at 7:15 in the library.

### **The 2017 Annual Diocesan Convention**

The Bicentennial Convention of the Diocese of Ohio will meet in Cleveland on November 11. The Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, will be present to help celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Diocese. Three members of the Christ Church Choir, Ann Kirk, Heather Swift, and Eileen Gaston, will sing in the Bicentennial Choir. The business of the diocese will be conducted, including the passing of the budget and elections for various diocesan offices. Don Reed is standing for election to the Diocesan Disciplinary Board and the Rev. Charlotte Reed is standing for election to the Standing Committee. Delegates to the Convention from Christ Church are Pam Zuhl, Dave McCallops, and Janet Daniels. Please keep our delegates and the convention in your prayers.



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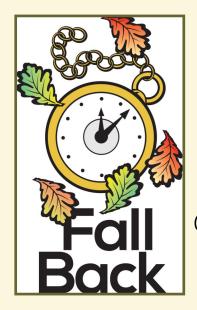
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### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Rite I/Quiet—Chapel 10:30 Rite II/Festive—Church with Children's Chapel 11:45 Coffee Hour

Nursery available for children 3 and older 10:00—12:00



Remember to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday night, November 4, and enjoy an extra hour of sleep before church on Sunday, November 5th.

(or be very early for church services!)