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SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
(Livestreamed)

THURSDAYS

6:10 p.m.—Meditative Music
6:30 p.m.—Evening Prayer or
Compline
(Livestreamed)

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Our Next Indoor Service

Sunday, December 13, 2020

8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Christ Church Parish Hall

The 10:00 a.m. service will be streamed live!

[Click Here to Watch](#)

Due to Social Distancing requirements, seating is limited.

To reserve a space at the service,

please go to www.cckqp.net

or if you are unable to reserve a seat online,

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT CHRIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 24TH—CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 P.M.—HOLY EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

6:00 P.M.—HOLY EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

8:00 P.M.—HOLY EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

DECEMBER 25TH—CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 A.M.—HOLY EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 27TH—1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

10:00 A.M.—HOLY EUCHARIST

All services will take place in the Parish Hall. Due to Social Distancing requirements, seating is limited at each service. Please RSVP at www.cckqp.net to make sure you have a seat. Masks must be worn at all times and a signed Regathering Covenant is required.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST CHURCH

Interactive Noonday Prayer

Monday—Friday

12:00 p.m.

[Click Here](#) to Join in



Holy Eucharist

Thursday, December 17, 2020

At the Parish Hall

6:10 p.m.—Quiet Music

6:30 p.m.—Service

*A time for prayer and singing
after a long day!*

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH](#)

CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Pray for Parish Members: Caroline Baldwin, Jennifer Bryant, Gale Edger, Mike Moore, Ben Pecson, Dorothy Pecson, Virginia Raley, Joan Schuhart, Pat & Fred Wyant, Stephen Hunt, Cindy Donaldson, Betty Fuqua, Marilynn Butterfield, John Owens, Georgia Hurry, Michael Sirk, and Kathy Healy.

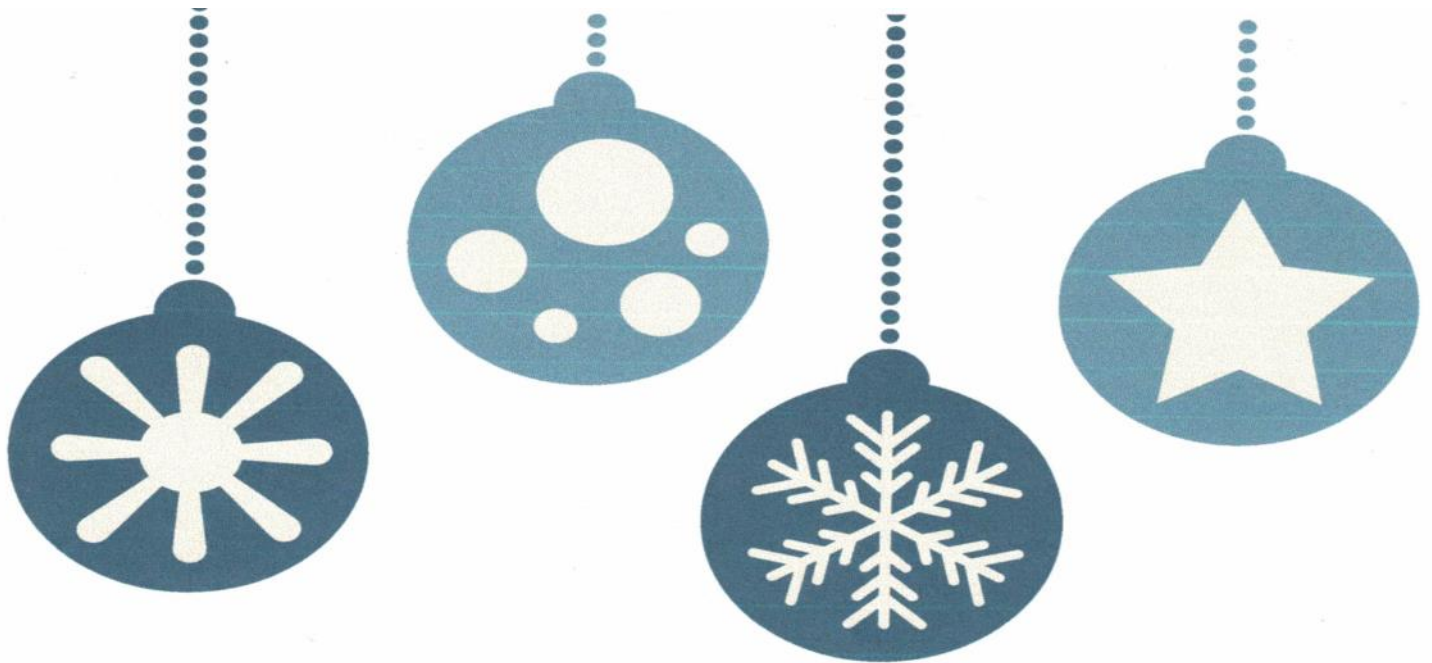
Also pray for: Lily Smith – Blackwell; Philip Quade, Tim Butler – Burch; Richard Griffith - Colton; Luther Wolfe, Carolyn Cave, Bill Cave, Tom Berry, Eidson Mulling – Cooper; Marvin Jones, - Donahue; Frank Gough, Joyce Donaldson- Donaldson; Cheryl Stubbs, Marvin and Kathy – Eaton; Frances Clemenos – Edger; Myra & Ken Fitch, George Frioux, Anika Yamamoto– Fitch; Krystal, Annabelle and Chase – Frawley; Debbie and William Windsor – Friess; Joe Fuller – Fuqua; Jessie Tysinger – Graves; Linda Dickerson, Linda Marlo – Hailey; Jim Krider, Glenda Lurba, Lewie Jenkins – Harhai; Scott Peabody - Heflin; John Ford, Lynn Boan – Jayroe; Gretchen Jubinski – Jubinski; Kay DesMarais – Kauffman; Jan Barnes, John Felicitas, Karen Russell, Shannon Tierney, John Cook – Loker; John Bernier, John Gradwell – McCubbin; Chris Gass – Molish; Betty Mintz, Kayla Baker – Monshower; Carolina Montillo, April Parlett, Judie Gibson and Family – Montillo; Jessica Higgs – M. Oliver; Janet Oliver, Frank Davis – T. Oliver; Tom Meiser, Dan Norris, Norie Smith, Greg Rumpf, Lauren Zimmerman -Penk; Lucy Cardwell and Rob Harding – Reeves; Jennifer Peacock – Rocheleau; Joe Turner, Betty Roush - Saunders; Shophi Grace, Nicholas, Ed & Cynthia Brown, Shane Roberts, Kathleen Huntington, Johnny Schuhart, Johnny Keenan - Schuhart; Barbara Carlton – Shupe; Frankie Tippett, William DeLorme, Margie Cheseldine – Simmons, Carli Trost, Donna Mae Duggin, Eddie Becker, Jackie Sirk Lacey--Sirk; Mary Ellen Foster, Jackkie Dickey, Patricia Kittleman, Mike Gudis –Smith; Nick Potts, Margaret Roberts, Matt Castle – Tierney; Candi Kocevar – Topolski; Nicci DeVous, Kolby Inman – Tyner; Father Paul Brisbane – Wesley; Bruce Tobiasson, Ed Poplin, Johnny – Westerfield; Eddie Gerlach, Ann Marie Healey, George Gerlach, Barrett Wright, Hope & Eddie Brouwer Ancher, Margaret Donahue- Wright. **Recently Departed – Virginia Raley.**

EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON CYCLE OF PRAYER—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Please pray for the following parishes and concerns this coming week:

- ◆ St. John's Church, Georgetown
- ◆ St. John's Preschool, Georgetown
- ◆ St. John's Church, Lafayette Square
- ◆ St. John's Church, Norwood

Prayer Requests



CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Requested Items: Pop-Top Cans, Cereal, Snacks for kids, Bottles of Juice, Soup, Canned Vegetables, Dinner Mixes (Hamburger Helper, Mac & Cheese), Peanut Butter and Jelly, and Canned Meat

Please drop off you food donations either at the Parish Hall when you come for a service or on the front porch of the

[Christ Church Rectory](#)

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Thank You for your support!

Advent 2020

Gather around every day this month to read the story of how God sent joy to the world with the gift of His Son, Jesus. While you're at it, spread some joy of your own as a family!

PARENT CUE

<p>A young couple, Mary and Joseph, get engaged.</p> <p>Kick off the month with hot chocolate for everyone. Take turns talking about your favorite Christmases of the past.</p> <p>1</p>	<p>One day, God sends the angel, Gabriel, to Mary. Gabriel has some very special news!</p> <p>Ask everyone to choose someone, and write a personalized Christmas card to them. Put each card in an envelope, address and stamp them, and mail them.</p> <p>2</p>	<p>Mary is greatly troubled when she hears the angel's greeting.</p> <p>Decorate your bedroom doors with wrapping paper, and put up a sign with a Christmas greeting.</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Gabriel responds to Mary, saying: "Don't be afraid. God is very happy with you!"</p> <p>Take a car ride or walk on foot to see Christmas lights and decorations in your neighborhood or community.</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Gabriel tells Mary the special news: She will have a baby boy, and the baby will be named Jesus.</p> <p>Clean out the toy bins, closets, and drawers. Donate items to a local shelter or thrift store.</p> <p>5</p>
<p>Gabriel shares with Mary more details of God's plan: "Jesus will be great and will be called God's very own son!"</p> <p>Have a family picnic in front of the Christmas tree.</p> <p>6</p>	<p>Mary doesn't understand how she can have a baby without being married, but the angel, Gabriel, assures her of a great truth: Nothing is impossible with God.</p> <p>Read a Christmas book or google a story online. Read it aloud together.</p> <p>7</p>	<p>"I serve God with my life and want all that you have said to happen," Mary tells the angel, and he leaves.</p> <p>Hide candy canes around your house. Have a family candy cane hunt, and see who can collect the most.</p> <p>8</p>	<p>Mary visits her cousin, Elizabeth, and is so overwhelmed with God's goodness, she sings a song of praise.</p> <p>Have a gift wrapping competition. Who can wrap the fastest?</p> <p>9</p>	<p>Caesar Augustus wants to know how many people are in his empire, so he tells all the people to go back to their hometown to be registered and counted.</p> <p>Google search Christmas traditions around the world, and ask your family to vote on a new tradition to adopt.</p> <p>10</p>
<p>Joseph brings Mary, who is pregnant, to his hometown of Bethlehem to be counted.</p> <p>Gather your extra towels and blankets, and wash and dry them. Then, as a family, go together to donate them to an animal shelter.</p> <p>11</p>	<p>While Joseph and Mary are in Bethlehem, the time comes for the baby to be born.</p> <p>Eat dinner together by candlelight or Christmas lights.</p> <p>12</p>	<p>Mary gives birth to Jesus, wraps Him in swaddling cloths, and lays Him in a manger because there is no room for them anywhere else.</p> <p>Grab some stuffed animals and towels or small blankets. Search how to swaddle a baby. Encourage everyone to try swaddling. Have a contest to see whose is best!</p> <p>13</p>	<p>At night in a nearby field, shepherds are watching their flocks.</p> <p>Bundle up and go outside after nightfall. Look at the stars—those are the same stars the shepherds saw in the sky the night Jesus was born.</p> <p>14</p>	<p>The sky lights up—God has sent an angel to the shepherds to tell them the good news of Jesus' birth.</p> <p>Ask everyone to sign a family "Thank You" card to your mail carrier. Feel free to add a bottle of water and a \$10 gift card for lunch!</p> <p>15</p>
<p>When the shepherds see the angel, they're afraid!</p> <p>Get those phones ready and have a silly, Christmas-themed photoshoot.</p> <p>16</p>	<p>The angel tries to calm the shepherds, saying: "Don't be afraid. I bring wonderful news that will bring joy to all of the world!"</p> <p>Create a playlist using everyone's favorite Christmas song. Then, crank up the volume, press play, and have a family dance party!</p> <p>17</p>	<p>"A Savior, the Rescuer you have been waiting for, is born today!" the angel proclaims to the shepherds.</p> <p>Grab blankets and popcorn, and have a Christmas movie marathon together.</p> <p>18</p>	<p>The angel explains the shepherds will find the Savior, a baby, wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.</p> <p>The big day is almost here! To prepare, turn up the Christmas music, assign chores, and clean the house from top to bottom.</p> <p>19</p>	<p>More angels come to celebrate the good news—they arrive at the shepherd's field and begin praising God!</p> <p>Declare today is Red and Green Day! Tell everyone to dress in all red and green—even if it doesn't match!</p> <p>20</p>
<p>The shepherds leave their flocks and hurry to find Mary, Joseph, and the baby, who is lying in a manger.</p> <p>Break out the cookie cutters, and bake Christmas cookies together.</p> <p>21</p>	<p>After they see the baby, the shepherds excitedly go and tell the good news to everyone they see!</p> <p>Call or FaceTime a family member, and sing them a Christmas carol.</p> <p>22</p>	<p>The shepherds return to their flocks, praising God for all they have seen and heard.</p> <p>Enjoy a family board game night in front of the Christmas tree.</p> <p>23</p>	<p>Mary names the baby Jesus, just as the angel told her to do.</p> <p>Choose a scene from the Christmas story, assign roles, and act it out.</p> <p>24</p>	<p>God has sent Jesus to rescue us because God loves us so very much!</p> <p>Read the story of Jesus' birth from Luke 1:26–2:21. Remember the greatest gift of all—the hope we have in our Savior, Jesus!</p> <p>25</p>

#AdventWord

a global advent calendar

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| 29 | TENDER | 12 | HONEY |
| 30 | DELIVER | 13 | GO |
| 1 | STRENGTHEN | 14 | REST |
| 2 | EARTH | 15 | WORSHIP |
| 3 | REBUILD | 16 | PRAY |
| 4 | FELLOWSHIP | 17 | LEARN |
| 5 | GLORY | 18 | BLESS |
| 6 | SPEAK | 19 | TURN |
| 7 | COMFORT | 20 | REJOICE |
| 8 | PATIENT | 21 | MYSTERY |
| 9 | MERCY | 22 | WISDOM |
| 10 | BAPTIZE | 23 | HOLY |
| 11 | WORD | 24 | PROCLAIM |

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BULLETIN INSERTS

December 13, 2019 – Advent 3 (B) Third Week of Advent: Journeying with Community

As we continue our Advent walk, we invite you to see the Way of Love as a journey that includes the community. The witness of Zechariah and Elizabeth who bring infant John to the Temple to be circumcised reminds us of the importance of our faith community to sustaining the Way of Love. Just as the community did for John’s family, communities provide a place for discernment, sometimes challenging us and other times affirming us. Communities celebrate and mark important moments along the journey.

Sunday, December 13

WORSHIP

Pray for each person as they receive communion. Imagine who you’d like to see at church next week. Invite that person to join you.

Monday, December 14

GO

Choose to take a different route to work, to school, or to play today. Whom or what did you encounter differently?

Tuesday, December 15

LEARN

Read Luke 1:64. When Zechariah could finally speak, he began by praising God. For what can you praise God? Share on social media or with a friend.

Wednesday, December 16

PRAY

Keep a lookout for anyone who might seem lonely, stressed, or sad. Offer this simple invitation: “May I pray for you?” Then offer

prayers – silently or aloud – on the person’s behalf as you move through your day.

Thursday, December 17

BLESS

Identify a blessing you have that you could give away. Share this blessing with your church, a local ministry, or your community.

Friday, December 18

TURN

Turn away from the busyness of the week and turn toward someone who gives you life or to whom you give life. Give thanks.

Saturday, December 19

REST

In Genesis 1-2, God calls the creation “good” and rests. What can you proclaim to be “good” instead of “not enough” as a witness to God’s love for the world today?



For more Advent resources related to the Way of Love, visit episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove. There, you’ll find links to the full Advent curriculum *Journeying the Way of Love*, as well as *Living the Way of Love in Community*, a nine-session curriculum for use anytime.

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REFLECTIONS ON THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

(DECEMBER 13, 2020) —THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcome to Christ Church. On this Third Sunday of Advent we again are focused on John the Baptist. Today we hear more about John's ministry and his response to questions raised by his message. An important issue for many in the days of the early Church was the relationship between Jesus and John. In response to those who believed that John the Baptist was the Messiah, the early Christians remembered John's own words: "I am not the Messiah...I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.'"



The first reading is Isaiah's poem of the anointed one and his ministry of peace, healing, and redemption. In his first sermon Jesus applied this passage to himself. In this Advent time we anticipate our celebration of the birth of the anointed one who comes to save.


The second reading is the conclusion of Paul's first letter to the Church in Thessalonica. He wrote this letter to encourage them to persevere in the Way as they waited for the return of Jesus. Paul assures them that the Lord will return but that their lives now are to reflect the nature of God's Kingdom rather than to be spent in sitting back and awaiting the End.

The Church's Eucharist is a foretaste of that coming of Christ which is still ahead. In word and sacrament, song and story, we encounter the Reign of God in our midst and we reveal that future joy to the world. Like John the Baptist we are sent ahead of the One who is coming and our joy is to see God's presence in the world increase.

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Stewardship 2020

	2020	2021 (As of 12/11/2020)
Commitments/Pledges Received	66	37
Commitments/Pledges Totals	\$158,458	\$112,578

Thank You For Your Support!

Your commitment to Christ Church each year is more than simply paying the bills. You are partnering with the rest of your church family to do the good work that Jesus us asks us to do. We are helping to build God’s kingdom by ministering, not only to members of our parish, but by touching countless lives in the world around us and sharing the message that God loves them too!

It is never too late to make a commitment to support the mission and ministry of Christ Church. A Commitment/Pledge Sheet is included on the next page. Thank you for your support!

Faithfully yours in Christ,
Chris +

rites of passage

Please forward Birthday and Anniversary information to Fr. Chris at frchris@cckqp.net

December Birthdays

- 1 Ethan Frawley
- 1 Tad Burch
- 2 Donna McCarthy
- 2 Michelle Eaton
- 6 Dan Donahue
- 12 Cecelia Owens
- 14 Richard "Ricky" Gilliam
- 19 Kathy Wesley
- 22 Kathy Cooke
- 25 Logan Wright
- 28 Chip Burton
- 30 Dottie McCubbin
- 30 Lillian Ferrari
- 31 Donna Reeves
- 31 Sharon Montillo



VIRGINIA RALEY

March 11, 1917 – December 7, 2020

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord!

On the Lighter Side...



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