

APRIL
2025



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EPISCOPAL



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PALM SUNDAY PICNIC & EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 | FOLLOWING 10:30 AM SERVICES IN THE CHURCHYARD | CLICK ABOVE TO REGISTER!

Bring a blanket and join other families for a picnic lunch, then watch the children of Christ Church enjoy a petting zoo and take part in our annual Egg Hunt! Food will be served in the McKissick Family Courtyard. We anticipate the picnic and egg hunt will be over by 1 PM. [Click here](#) to register.

The Egg Hunt will be divided by the following age groups: Toddlers through 2k, 3k – 4k, 5k – 2nd grade and 3rd grade – 5th grade. Each age group will have a different, marked section of the Churchyard for the hunt. Participants will be given reusable bags, provided by the Vardry McBee Society, to hold their eggs, so there's no need to remember to bring basket! All candy will be wrapped and nut-free. Some eggs will have toys rather than candy.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 13 As we begin the most solemn week of the church year, we celebrate Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem with 10:30 AM liturgies beginning outside the South transept and a procession into the Church and Chapel led by a real, live donkey! Our 5 PM Tenebrae service is a somber, sung service that goes from light to dark as we meditate on the Seven Last Words of Christ.

8 AM	Chapel	Rite I Palm Sunday Eucharist
10:30 AM	Church	Liturgy of the Palms and Passion Narrative with Eucharist
10:30 AM	Chapel	Palm Sunday Children's Sabbath
5 PM	Church	Palm Sunday Tenebrae for Holy Week

HOLY WEEK NOONDAY EUCHARIST | APRIL 14-16 Please note that Tuesday's regularly-scheduled 5:30pm Healing Service in the Chapel is canceled, and Wednesday's regularly-scheduled 10:30 AM service will be moved to 12 PM in the Church.

12 PM	Church	Holy Monday Eucharist
12 PM	Church	Holy Tuesday Eucharist
12 PM	Church	Holy Wednesday Eucharist

MAUNDY THURSDAY | APRIL 17 We begin the Triduum with the celebration of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday. This special service is one of quiet reverence as we prepare for the Lord's passion.

7 PM	Church	Maundy Thursday Eucharist & Stripping of the Altar
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GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 18 We pause with Christians around the world to remember the death of our Lord on Good Friday.

12 PM	Church	Good Friday Liturgy of the Word
3 PM	Church	Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 19

4 PM	Church	Easter Eve Baptism Service
7 PM	Church	The Great Vigil of Easter, incense

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 20 Alleluia! Christ is risen! Our journey to the cross ends with a celebration of joy on Easter. No Sunday School on Easter morning.

*Nursery available. † Children's Church available.

All morning	Churchyard	Flowering of the Easter Cross <i>Bring flowers from your yard to decorate the cross on Easter morning!</i>
7:30 AM	Chapel	Rite I Eucharist
9 AM	Church	Rite II Festal Eucharist <i>featuring Parish Choir & Brass</i> *†
9 AM	Chapel	Rite II Eucharist <i>featuring Markley Chapel Musicians</i> *
11:15 AM	Church	Rite II Solemn Eucharist, incense <i>featuring the Parish Choir & Brass</i> *
11:15 AM	Chapel	Rite II Eucharist <i>featuring Markley Chapel Musicians</i> *
5 PM	Church	Rite II Eucharist <i>featuring Soloist & Harp</i>

ADDITIONAL APRIL EVENTS, IMPORTANT DATES & MORE

New Beginnings Middle School Retreat

April 4-6 | Camp Gravatt

All 6th through 8th graders are encouraged to sign up for the New Beginnings Retreat put on by the Diocese! For more information and to register for the retreat, contact [Joleen Nelson](#).

Lenten Evensong

April 6 | 5 PM | Church

Join us for a beautiful service of Choral Evensong sung by the Christ Church Parish Choir and Church Street Choral Academy, featuring music of the Lenten season.

Episcopal 101

April 6 | 9-10 AM | Parish House (Room 251)

Episcopal 101 is a one-hour class led by our clergy. Many past Discovery participants have found the class to be a helpful extension of the day for fellowship and further education about the Episcopal Church. It is an important step to prepare for confirmation or reception for members transferring from a different denomination. [Click here](#) to register.

GOAL Justice: Nehemiah Action

April 10 | 6:30 PM | Bethlehem Baptist Church (4 Harrison Bridge Rd, Simpsonville)

The Nehemiah Action is GOAL's most important annual gathering where all of our congregations come together, with public officials in attendance, to ask for clear, concrete commitments for specific solutions to community problems. In 2024 we had over 1,700 people in attendance and expect over 2,000 this coming year. For more information, contact [Kevin Mertens](#) at 864.282.3100.

Spruce-Up Saturday

April 12 | 9 AM-12 PM | Church & Chapel

Join us for a bit of Spring Cleaning at the church! Help us get our worship spaces ready to welcome everyone for Holy Week and Easter and make our spaces sparkle. All cleaning supplies provided. [Click here](#) to sign up. For more information, contact [Sarah Marczynski](#).

Club 4/5 & EYC Mini Golf

April 13 | 3-5 PM | Takeoff Mini Golf (28 Airport Rd Ext, Greenville)

We invite 4th through 12th graders to show off their skills at mini golf. Wear your Masters best! [Click here](#) to register.

Parents of Children Focus Group

April 22 | 5:30-7:30 PM | McKissick Refectory

Come dream with us as we explore how to shape next year's children's programming. Dinner is free, but please register so that we know you are coming. Children are welcome at the dinner table, and childcare will be available during the meeting. [Click here](#) to register.

5th Grade Bridge Retreat

April 26-27 | Camp Gravatt

This one-night retreat is designed to help kids transition from elementary into middle school and is their first chance to see what a diocesan retreat is like! Kids from churches across the diocese will be there. [Click here](#) to for more information. For more information, contact [Joleen Nelson](#).

Spring Confirmation & Bishop Visit

April 27 | 10-11 AM | Church

Rt. Rev. Daniel P. Richards will visit Christ Church to celebrate a service of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Any adults wishing to be received, reaffirmed or confirmed, please contact [Carrie Moore](#) or [click here](#) to complete the Confirmation Interest Form.

Don't forget...

Easter Flower
Dedications
open 'til April 7!

[Click to reach the link!](#)

Greeters
needed for
Holy Week
& Easter!

[Click to reach the link!](#)

Starting April 15,
the Church St. Bridge
will be one lane
in each direction
for several months!
Plan your route accordingly!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 DISCOVERY SUNDAY	31 MONDAY MORNING MOMS BRIDGE	1 GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP HEALING SERVICE	2 RITE I WORSHIP THE COMMON TABLE & CHILDREN'S SABBATH	3 ART OF THE SPIRIT	4 NEW BEGINNINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT	5 NEW BEGINNINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT
6 NEW BEGINNINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT COFFEE & CONNECT EPISCOPAL 101 RHYTHMS OF GRACE <i>Please note date change due to Palm Sunday. May ROG service will resume on Second Sunday.</i> LENTEN EVENSONG	7 EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS CLOSE MONDAY MORNING MOMS BRIDGE	8	9 RITE I WORSHIP THE COMMON TABLE & CHILDREN'S SABBATH	10 ART OF THE SPIRIT CHRIST CHURCH KNITTERS GOAL JUSTICE: NEHEMIAH ACTION	11	12 SPRUCE-UP SATURDAY
13 PALM SUNDAY SERVICES & EGG HUNT COFFEE & CONNECT CLUB 4/5 & EYC MINI GOLF OUTING	14 HOLY WEEK NOONDAY EUCHARIST MONDAY MORNING MOMS BRIDGE	15 HOLY WEEK NOONDAY EUCHARIST CHURCH STREET BRIDGE RENOVATIONS BEGIN	16 HOLY WEEK NOONDAY EUCHARIST	17 MAUNDY THURSDAY ART OF THE SPIRIT	18 GOOD FRIDAY OFFICES CLOSE AT NOON	19 HOLY SATURDAY
20 EASTER SUNDAY <i>No Sunday School!</i>	21 CAMPUS CLOSED	22 PARENTS OF CHILDREN FOCUS GROUP	23 RITE I WORSHIP	24 ART OF THE SPIRIT CHRIST CHURCH KNITTERS	25	26 BRIDGE RETREAT 5TH GRADE
27 BRIDGE RETREAT 5TH GRADE SPRING CONFIRMATION & BISHOP'S VISIT COFFEE & CONNECT	28 MONDAY MORNING MOMS BRIDGE	29	30	31	SAVE THE DATE! YOUTH LOCK-IN MAY 2-3 A SPRING SOIRÉE MAY 2 MAY EVENSONG MAY 4 NEW MEMBER SOCIAL MAY 4 SENIOR & ACOLYTE RECOGNITION SUNDAY MAY 4 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REG. CLOSES MAY 5 YOUTH & PARENT FOCUS GROUP MAY 6 CCES GRADUATION MAY 24 SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 25	