COMMUNITY NEWS



CHRIST CHURCH IN PICTURES

In July the youth traveled to Ft. Meyers, Florida to work in the neighborhood of Harlem Heights. This area was greatly impacted by Hurricane Ian in September 2022. Our youth worked for 5 days rebuilding homes for those who are still displaced by this destructive storm. Tasks included demolition, dry wall, remediation, and general clean-up. In addition to working like crazy, we had fun, too. We got to know some new friends, worshiped, and enjoyed time together. We are grateful to Christ Church for helping to send us on this impactful mission trip.





- Joleen George



Mentor/Mentee Ice Cream Social August 13, After 10:30 AM Services



Who doesn't love a banana spilt on a hot Sunday? Join us for a mentor/mentee social right after 10:30 AM church! This is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with your mentors and mentees ahead of the program year! Register using the QR code. For more information, contact Joleen George at jgeorge@ccgsc.org.

Habitat for Humanity-Summer Builds

There are many opportunities to help our neighbors this summer by volunteering at Habitat for Humanity. Please sign up using the QR code. Contact Kevin Mertens if you have any questions at kmertens@ccgsc.org.

EFM - Education For Ministry

Education for Ministry (EFM) is a four-year program of theological education by extension for the laity offered by the Sewanee. EFM offers an opportunity to discover how to respond to the call to Christian service. Please contact Kevin Mertens kmertens@ccqsc.org for more information.

AT CHRIST CHURCH

In-Person and Online Worship Offerings

Online worship continues to be available on our YouTube Channel: Channel name: @ChristChurchEpiscopalGVL

Summer Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I Markley Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II Historic Church 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II Markley Chapel

First Tuesdays 5:30 PM Healing Eucharist, Rite II Markley Chapel

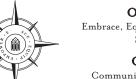
Wednesday 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I Markley Chapel

For full descriptions and detailed information, please visit our website at www.ccgsc.org.



Save the Date:

August 8 - Sterling School Supply Drive Ends	kmertens@ccgsc.org
August 13 - Return to Regular Worship Schedule	dduncan@ccgsc.org
August 13 - Vestry Nominations Open	Dbenedictsc@gmail.com
August 13 - Mentor/Mentee Ice Cream Social	jgeorge@ccgsc.org
August 15 - Basketball Registration Opens	ablencowe@ccgsc.org
August 16 - Ponder Anew Art Exhibit Tour	melizjenko@gmail.com
August 17 - Young Adult Thursdays	lbunch@ccgsc.org
August 19 - Men's Ministry Whitewater Rafting	f.mckissick@fairwayford.com
August 20 - Pit Stop Sunday School Summer Socials	stacybnixon@gmail.com



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Welcome

At Christ Church Episcopal, we have been gathering for 200 years as a community to worship God and demonstrate faith in our daily lives. In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you. If you are visiting or are new to our parish, contact Chantal Smith, Director of Welcoming at csmith@ccgsc.org. Otherwise, scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera

or fill out the blue card in your pew so we may contact you. To learn more, visit our website at www.ccgsc.org or contact us at 864.271.8773.



The Rev. Dr. Harrison McLeod, Rector

A JOYFUL COMMUNITY



Vestry and Diocesan Convention Delegate Nominations August 13 - September 10

Beginning August 13, nominations will open for qualified persons to stand for election as Vestry and Diocesan Convention Delegate. The parish will nominate members for four (4) Vestry openings, with three-year terms; and one (1) person to serve a four-year term as Convention Delegate. Serving as a lay leader at Christ Church is an opportunity to help lead and embody our mission to Embrace, Equip and Empower Apostles to Serve Jesus Christ. Be sure to talk to your prospective nominees beforehand to be confident they would like to run. If you are interested in serving, you can nominate yourself. Nomination forms may be found outside worship services and in the Parish House during the Nominations Period. For more information, contact Nominations and Elections Committee Chairs:

Dena Benedict at Dbenedictsc@gmail.com or Nelson Arrington at nelsonarrington@vmmanning.com.

Ponder Anew Art Exhibit Tour Wednesday, August 16, 6:00 PM Lenz Gallery, First Presbyterian Church

Interested in the beautiful, rich religious art masterpieces of the Baroque era? Join a free tour of the amazing "Ponder Anew" exhibit which features French, Dutch, and Italian Old Masters of

the Baroque era in a curated collection that chronicles the Creation, the Fall and Redemption. This breathtaking collection of paintings was once owned by Medici princes, popes, and French nobles are on loan from the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University. Mimi Jenko, a trained docent for the collection under Bob Jones' Executive Director Erin Jones, will guide our group through the Lenz Gallery. Questions? Contact Mimi Jenko at melizjenko@gmail.com. Register for this special evening using the QR code.

Young Adult Third Thursdays, August 17, 5:30 PM, Fireforge

All young adults (18-39) are welcome to join us for fellowship at Fireforge (311 E Washington St) on the Third Thursdays of the month. Contact Rev. Lindy at lbunch@ccgsc.org for more information.

Confirmation Meeting August 20 and 24

Have a youth who will turn 16 by April 1, 2024 and is interested in confirmation? Join us! We will have a parent info meeting for Confirmands after the 10:30 AM service on Sunday, August 20, and Thursday, August 24, 6:00 - 7:00 PM! For more information, contact Joleen George at jgeorge@ccqsc.org.

SHARING LIFE

Condolences to:

The family and friends of Bonnie Mitchell. Kim Owen on the death of her mother in law, Norma Owen.

Pit Stop Sunday School Crew Summer Socials August 20, 6:30 PM, 10 Montrose Drive, Greenville, 29607

Time to refuel! Join the Pit Stop Sunday School Crew for some summer socials. Welcoming to all! Join us for a grill out at the Nixons. Food will be provided, and bring along your favorite beverage! Let Stacy know you are planning to come! Questions? Contact Elizabeth McKissick or Stacy Nixon at EMcKissick@youturnhealth.com or stacybnixon@gmail.com.

Worship Volunteer Dinner & Training August 27, 6:00 PM, McKissick Refectory

Ushers, lay leaders, greeters, and livestream volunteers are invited to gather for BBQ, fellowship, and training as we kick off the programming year. If you'd like to be a part of these ministries, come join us or email Sarah Marczynski at smarczynski@ccqsc.org for more information.

Basketball Registration Opening Soon!

Registration will be open from August 15 through September 17. More information to come!



Meet Your Teacher Ice Cream Social (3k through 5th grade) August 20, After 10:30 AM Services

Please join us following the 10:30 AM services on August 20 for a relaxed, fun ice cream social where you and your children will meet their Sunday School teachers for the '23-'24 program year at Di Christ Church. Register using the QR code. For more information, contact Cara Horn at chorn@ccgsc.org.

Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday, August 20, 10:30 AM Both Services

contact Cara Horn at chorn@ccgsc.org.

We invite all students and teachers to bring their backpacks, messenger bags, briefcases, tote bags, etc., to be blessed during the service. For more information,



Christ Church •••-**Book Distribution Ministry**

We meet every Wednesday from 1:30 - 3:30 PM. Contact Angelle Reichert at angellereichert@gmail.com



Men's Ministry Whitewater Rafting, August 19

Adventure awaits! Join the Men's Ministry as they tame the rapids of the Chattooga River. This August, the men of Christ Church will brave the whitewater for some fun and fellowship in the great outdoors. Men and kids are welcome. Youth must be 8 or older for the mostly class 2 and 3 rapids with one class 4. Camping on the evening of August 19 is available for those who would like to stay. Register now using the QR code! \$129.95 per person. For more information, contact Foster Mckissick at f.mckissick@fairwayford.com.

Calling all 7th – 12th graders! Join the Acolyte Ministry at Christ Church. Acolytes are very important and help lead worship at many Sunday services, Christmas, and weddings. **New acolytes** should plan to come for lunch in the undercroft and then stay for training in the Church. No pre-registration required. For more information, contact Gayle Saylors at 864.430.8218.

Save The Date! Mental Health Awareness Day Sunday, September 17

This event is open to 1st grade through adults. Learn how to deal with your sadness and loneliness and how to reach out compassionately to others who appear lonely and sad. More information to come!

Women's Intergenerational Bible Study & Kick-off Social Mondays, 6:30 PM | September 11 - October 23

Women of all ages, and faith journeys, are invited to a six-week Bible Study on Monday evenings starting September 11. We are delighted to debut a brand-new study Practical Faith - A Journey Through James. Embracing Authentic Faith in a Contemporary World written by Victoria Fleischer. Each session will include a teaching, reflection on workbook homework and small group discussion. The Book of James is a profound guide for Christian living, challenging us to grow in our faith, live out our convictions, manage our words wisely, and foster supportive, honest Christian communities. Whether you've grown up hearing Bible stories or you're exploring Scripture for the first time, this study is for you. We will have a kick-off social on August 28, 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Register today using the QR code. For more information, contact Anne Green Buckner at abuckner@ccqsc.org.



IN JESUS CHRIST

August 13 we are returning to regular worship schedule!

8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist in Markley Chapel 10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist in Markley Chapel 10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist in the Church with Children's Church 5:00 PM Rite II Contemplative Eucharist in Markley Chapel

Acolyte Training, August 27, Following 10:30 AM Services, Church



