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The Good News Weekly

of
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Upcoming Events

- 12/9/18 Holy Eucharist** at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church
12/9/18 Annual Parish Meeting immediately following the 10:00 service at Christ Church in the auditorium
12/9/18 Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Chapel
12/9/18 Second Sunday Supper at 6:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas
12/16/18 Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church
12/16/18 Christmas Carol Sing Along at 11:30 a.m. at CEC
12/16/18 Holy Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Chapel
12/20/18 Blue Christmas at 7:00 p.m. at Christ Church

Backpack Blessings Schedule

Pack after Annual Parish Meeting on December 9
 Driver to deliver backpacks December 13 – Corliss Barksdale
 Shopper for December 13 – Beth Sickles
 Pack after church on December 16
 Driver to deliver backpacks December 20 – Beth Sickles
 Shopper for December 27 – Pam Critchfield

Pledge Cards

If you have not returned your pledge card, please place it in the offering plate Sunday or mail it to the church office.

Annual Meeting – December 9

The Annual Parish Meeting will be in the auditorium immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service on December 9. The Parish Life Committee will serve cookies and coffee.

Christmas Carol Sing Along – December 16

We'll have a Christmas Carol Sing Along at Christ Church at 11:30 a.m. after coffee hour. A light lunch will be provided. Anyone that wants to come and sing carols of the Christmas season is welcome. Please invite family and friends to this joyous occasion.

Blue Christmas Service – December 20

All are invited to an ecumenical service of prayer and healing at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 20 at Christ Church. This is a service for everyone. Please invite friends and neighbors.

Serving Ministries

December 9, 2018

Advent 2 / Annual Parish Meeting

- 9:30 a.m. Choir warmup**
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at Christ Church
 This is a combined service for CEC and St. B.
 Lector: Jody Morse
 Ushers: Ben Barksdale and Kitty Clovis
 Acolyte: Nate Critchfield
 Altar guild: Kitty Clovis and Brenda Barnes
11:00 a.m. Annual Parish Meeting in auditorium
Pack backpacks prior to meeting
Choir rehearsal following Parish Meeting
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer at St. Barnabas
 Lector: Ron LaNeve
 Ushers: Nancy Cotten
 Altar guild: Nancy Cotten
6:30 p.m. Second Sunday Supper at St. Barnabas
We will have soup made by Nichy.

December 16, 2018

Advent 3 / Christmas Sing Along

- 9:30 a.m. Choir warmup**
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at Christ Church
 Lector: Bill Saviers
 Ushers: Tom Walsh and Zak Steed
 Acolyte: Nate Critchfield
 Altar guild: Kitty Clovis and Brenda Barnes
11:00 a.m. Coffee hour in the parlors
Pack backpacks
11:30 a.m. Christmas Carol Sing Along
5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at St. Barnabas
 Lector: Ron LaNeve
 Ushers: Nancy Cotten
 Altar guild: Nancy Cotten

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The Good News Story of Jesus Christ.

December 9, 2018 - Advent 2

Second Week of Advent: Journeying with Family and Friends

As we continue our Advent walk, we invite you to see the Way of Love as a journey that can expand to include family and friends. Mary said “yes” to the call to birth Jesus, God’s Word, into the world and immediately went in haste to share her good news with her cousin, Elizabeth—a four-day journey into the Judean hills. Isn’t that what happens when we hear good news? We are driven to go and tell others. The Way of Love is good news that demands to be shared.

Advent Calendar – Week 2

Sunday, December 9 - WORSHIP

What word or words from worship today have found a home in your heart? Share these words with someone close to you.

Monday, December 10 - GO

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

Tuesday, December 11 - LEARN

Read Luke 1:39-56. Tell a friend or family member about your practice of the Way of Love and invite them to join you.

Wednesday, December 12 - PRAY

Join a family member or friend for 10 minutes for prayer either in person or by phone.

Thursday, December 13 - BLESS

Call or write a family member with whom you desire a closer relationship. Tell them what they mean to you. Ask how you can pray for them.

Friday, December 14 - 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 15 - REST

On this day of rest, pause and breathe deeply with a friend or family member. Give thanks for the restorative power of love.

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 a nine-session curriculum for use anytime, a printable Advent calendar, video, and much more.