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The Good News Weekly

Christ Episcopal Church ~ St. Barnabas Chapel November 15, 2020

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St. Barnabas Chapel 721 Hall Street Bridgeport, WV

This Week at Christ Church, Clarksburg and St. Barnabas Chapel, Bridgeport Sunday, November 15, 2020

Holy Eucharist Rite II
(wafers only)
In the Sanctuary
at Christ Church at 10:00 AM

Attendance is by reservation only.

Give the following information: Your name and total number of family members planning to attend.

(Your reservation will be confirmed by a return email.)

Or phone in your reservation to the Church office at 304-622-3694, if necessary please leave a message.

(Your reservation will be confirmed by a return call.)

Reservations must be made by Friday morning.

If unable to keep a reservation, please cancel.

Instructions for Services in Sanctuary

- 1. Enter through the red door on Main Street.
- 2. Follow the directions of the ushers.
- 3. Exit through the sacristy.

Sunday, November 15, 2020 Zoom Evening Prayer at 5:30 PM

Join Zoom Evening Prayer by clicking on this link

https://zoom.us/j/5245181878 Meeting ID: 524 518 1878

Another option is to dial in: (646) 558-8656

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 Zoom Compline at 8:00 PM

Service lasts approximate 15-20 minutes.

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking on this link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84648582408?pwd=d21BNklOekJ
Ga1ROa1Q1OHVKazBwZz09

Meeting ID: 846 4858 2408

Passcode: 933775

Upcoming Events

11-15-2020 Veterans' Service at CEC - 10:00 AM

11-16-2020 Pledge forms are due in CEC office

11-26-2020 Thanksgiving Day – Office Closed

11-29-2020 First Sunday of Advent

12-6-2020 Annual Parish Meeting on Zoom at 2:00 PM

Honoring Our Veterans

This Sunday, November 15, we will honor the military veterans of the United States, but particularly the veterans of our parish, by the reading of their names during the service. Our parish has been blessed by hundreds of members who have served in the military, including the over 80 listed on the Roll of Honor in the classroom. Currently we have the following parishioners who are veterans: Bill Saviers, Ben Hardesty, Bob Steptoe, Dick Clovis, Roland Kaholo, John

Thompson, Chris McAllister, and Ron LaNeve.
Louis A. Johnson, for whom the local

Veterans Administration Hospital was named, was a member of our parish.



Johnson

November Outreach Project

The Outreach Committee is sponsoring "Donate to Veterans" as the November outreach project at Christ Church and St. Barnabas. We are collecting useful items or monetary donations for the Louis A. Johnson Veterans Administration Hospital here in Clarksburg

The VA Volunteer Services Office says underpants, undershirts, sweatpants, and sweatshirts are needed in all sizes from medium to 2XXL. Packages of three are preferred, but not required. Of special need are TRAVEL-sized toiletries, such as shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste and other toiletries that are ALCOHOL-free (anything containing alcohol will be discarded). If you would like to make a monetary donation, make a check out to Christ Episcopal Church with a notation of VA Donation.

Donations can be dropped off at Sunday services, or at the Parish House during the week (call ahead of time if you need somebody to admit you to the building.

Contact Chuck Critchfield if you have any questions.

Annual Stewardship Campaign

Everyone should have received information about the Annual Stewardship Campaign in an email or snail mail if you do not use email. This included a letter from Rev. Nora, information about giving, and a pledge form for you to complete and return to the church office. Beth Ann needs your pledge form NOW to prepare for the Annual Parish Meeting. If you have lost your form, please call the church office and give the information to Beth Ann.

You will see in the letter Rev. Nora mentioned our year to date offering total is down by 26% this year. With a \$50,000 deficit budget and a decrease in income this year we are having to withdraw a substantial amount of money from our investment funds to pay necessary bills. This places a burden on our future.

We hope you will prayerfully consider the amount you would like to gift to Christ Church in 2021, complete the Gift Giving Form, and then return it to the Church office.

Please return your pledge form to the church by Sunday, Nov. 15 or call the office by Monday, Nov.16.

E-Giving to Churches Without Fees

Parishioners are encouraged to use e-giving at:
http://www.wvdiocese.org/pages/aa-egiving.html
Just scroll down and click on the donate button located by Bridgeport-St. Barnabas or Clarksburg – Christ Church.

Checks can also be mailed directly to Christ Episcopal Church PO Box 1492, Clarksburg, WV 26302

Prayer for Bishop Coadjutor Search

Almighty God, you have created each person with many and varied gifts and joined our lives together as members of the Diocese of West Virginia. Look graciously upon us as we search for our eighth Bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries. Give us minds to discern your will, courage to follow where you lead, and hearts to love as you command, to the glory of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

... to know, live, and share The Good News Story of Jesus Christ.

Backpack Schedule

Pack backpacks after church on November 15
Deliver backpacks November 19 Beth Sickles
Food to the church by November 19 Beth Sickles
Pack backpacks after church on November 22
Deliver backpacks December 3 Dick Clovis
Food to the church by December 3 Beth Sickles
Pack backpacks after church on December 6
Deliver backpacks December 10 Beth Sickles
Food to the church by December 10 Pam Critchfield
Pack backpacks after church on December 13
Deliver backpacks December 17 Corliss Barksdale

November Prayer For compassion and civility towards persons of other religions,

particularly when race or ethnicity is a factor (image of God, hospitality to stranger)

"God of compassion and justice, help us in this age of great division and polarization to learn the art of civil discourse and compassionate listening with those who worship you through other religions; particularly our Jewish, Muslim, and Hindi brothers and sisters. Guide us to recognize your image even in the faces of those who do not remind us of ourselves, looking past our differences to find our common interests and goals, that we may work together to bring healing to a broken world." **Amen.**

Notes from the November 9 Vestry Meeting

- Annual Parish Meeting will be by Zoom on Sunday, December 6 at 2:00 PM. Beth Ann will send you a special Zoom link for this.
- Soon after November 20 you will be receiving a ballot using Survey Monkey online or a ballot in the US mail for voting. These will need to be returned and counted prior to the Annual Parish Meeting and announced at the meeting.
- Nominations are needed for representatives for deanery meetings and delegates to convention.
 If you would like to serve in this way or on the vestry, call the church office by November 12...
- Christ Church will use the Harvard Map of color coding in Harrison County to determine when to cancel services.

Green All is good.

Yellow ... We can have services.

Orange ...The Christ Church Executive

Committee will determine if it is safe to have services.

Red No in-person services will be held.

Back in the Sanctuary November 8, 2020

We were very happy to get back into the Sanctuary this past Sunday. That sacred space has been missed very much.

Please keep in mind that a lot of work and discussion on part of the Worship Committee, Building and Grounds and the Vestry went into this decision. This was a decision that was governed by Bishop Klusmeyer's guidelines. Some of these guidelines may seem a bit unusual or intrusive but these are guidelines to help keep us safe during the Pandemic. And keeping the Parish safe while worshiping is a priority to the Rector, the staff, the Vestry and the various committees.

Moving forward, we will continue to monitor the Harvard University's COVID Risk Level map. This is the map that the Diocese is using. If Harrison County reaches orange status at the end of the week, the Executive Committee will decide whether to have in-person services. If Harrison County reaches RED status, we are under orders to cancel in-person services.

These are trying times for all us. If you have any questions, please give the office or Nora a call. If you have any pastoral concern call Nora.







