

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All people who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Holy Trinity are invited to receive Communion with us today. Children may receive at their parent's discretion. If you are a visitor or a newcomer, please fill out one of the cards in the pew and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. The Book of Common Prayer, or Prayer Book, is the red book in the pews. Page numbers are denoted in the bulletin with the shorthand "BCP". The Hymnal is the blue book. The "S" numbers indicate Service music found in the front of the Hymnal, while the other numbers are hymns found in the latter section of the book.

Children are welcome to participate fully in our worship. However, for your convenience, we provide nursery care for children, infant (minimum 8 weeks old) through preschool, during our 10:30 service in Room 1 of All Saints Hall.

We ask your prayers for, Anne Alexick, Carleigh Atkins, Doris Atkins, Etta Baker, Laura Ball, Peggy Baxter, Michelle Bell, Robin Bruckner, Hazel Brummett, Marlene Brummond, David Cain, Barbara Canaday, Sally Castles, Ann Connolly, Darley Family, Danny Clark, Judy Clinedinst, Ann Connolly, Alice Cooper, Matthew Cox, Warren Cox, Wayne Cox, Vivian DeShazo, Joseph Doby, Cameron Eagle, **Paul Earls**, Kim Edwards, Scott Edwards, Ruthann Elms, Alexandra Engstrand, Audrey Federbush, Holly Frazier, Mary Frazier, Calib Garland, Joan Gere, Jennifer Gibson, Will Gibson, Fred Goshin, Rosemary Miranda Goshin, Allan Gummo, Christian Hall, James Hayes, Lauren Johnson, Robert Kay, Joseph Kenkel, Lester Kidd, Nick & Ronni Knepp, Ronnie Krista Sirna Lee, Sharon Lee, Paula Lewis, Charles Linton, Marc Family, Carol Lorgus, Colleen McElfresh, Ron Magin, Heather Martinez, Patsy Meadows, Mike Mills, Dorothy Mohn, Angie Morgan, Frances Morris, Cheryl & Dick Moynahan, Jeff Nohren, Heather O'Neill, Jim Pines, Mary Rounds, Marc Plummer, Selena Rave, Doug Reeve, Claire Samaha, Charlotte Shackelford, Bill & Jane Shumaker, Claudia (Suzy) Small, Steve Smallwood, Bill Smith & Linda Smith, Guy Smith, Jr., Nick Southers, Sybil Southers, Linda Stastney, Jeanne Stoddard, Christine Strait, Keri Stromski, Brian Sturgill; Joseph Suriano Jr., Keisha Thomas, Daneen Tyson, Michelle Van Pelt, Evelin Reed, Joe Venable, Emilie Wieland, Tim Wienckowski, Roger Williams, Mike Witt, James Wyant, Tim

Zafrano, Adam, Becky, Chris, Don, Eli, Elizabeth & Family, Herb, Judy and Bill, Lee, Noelle & Tru, Mary Rose, Michael, Pete, Veronica. (*New names added are bolded.*)

Altar Arrangements are given today to the Glory of God.

Today, and every first Sunday of the month, the loose plate offering is designated for the rector's discretionary fund. This fund is administered by the rector (or senior warden) and is used for charitable and other pious purposes.

The Chronicler, our monthly newsletter, is available today. If you receive a paper copy you may pick it up at the back of the church. Otherwise, the newsletter is available online on the parish website.

Please join us in the Great Hall for fellowship following the 10:30 service. Sign up in the Communications Center to host fellowship for a special occasion or no reason at all. Honor a family member, friend, or special date/occasion by hosting a fellowship any Sunday of your choice. Talk to Bill Butler with any questions.

2018 Pledge Cards. Thank you to all the members of our church family that have turned in your Pledge Cards. We pray that God will continue to bless our Christ Church family graciously and abundantly! If you need a pledge card, they are available in the back of the church and in the Communications Center.

Charlie Hilderbrand is continuing his study on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* during Adult Ed. Class resumes today and the last class will be held next Sunday, Dec 10. Thank you, Charlie, for leading this class intended to foster a deeper understanding and practice of Christian community. Lots of interest in this!

Forward Day by Day, November/December/January 2018 is available in the back of the church and at the Communications Center. Pick up a copy, in regular or large print, and make this devotional booklet a part of your daily routine.

Election Time for the Vestry: In January, we will be electing three new vestry members to replace outgoing members Bill Butler, Sue Roberts and Linda Wieland. These new members will serve a three-year term. Candidate forms can be found at the Communications

Center and at the table in the back of the church. The form provides a job description that includes all of the qualifications and requirements. Please feel free to speak to any of the current vestry members to find out what this entails. Nomination forms must be turned in to Linda Wieland no later than **December 15**. Please prayerfully consider serving our church in this capacity.

Need Readers for Lessons and Carols on December 31: If you can help at the one service (10:30 AM) service that day, please contact Linda Rooney at linda_rooney@msn.com.

Jeffrey A. Packard Outreach Building. We're going UP. Phase Two is underway as you can tell by looking at the end of the parking lot. If you would like to contribute to this Phase by buying a \$500 share in the building contact Roy Smith - or put your check designated for "outreach building" in the collection plate. In Phase Three, finishing the inside, there will be opportunities for us to save money by doing some of the work ourselves. Got skills? See Roy.

Welcome Fr. Ron Okrasinski who will be celebrating the seasons of Advent and Christmas with us.

The Thrift Shop's income: For the period ending Nov 18-25, we sold \$1,259.97 worth of merchandise. Thanks to all that work so hard to keep the shop running and to those that do pickups so that we have the merchandise to sell. The shop continues to request donations for resale. Remember, tax time is fast approaching. Whatever you donate is tax deductible.

Cat's Meow. Elaine Wyant has another shipment of the Christ Church replica arriving on or about Dec 6 and will distribute on Dec 10. For now, you may still place your order and receive it at that time. Contact Elaine for more information.

The next vestry meeting is 7:00 PM Thursday, December 14.

Deadlines: Announcements: **Noon Wednesday**

January Chronieler: **December 15**

Weekly Calendar

December 3 – December 10, 2017

Sunday <i>1 Advent</i>	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:15 AM	Adult Ed
	10:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:45 AM	Fellowship Hour, GH
Monday	OFFICE CLOSED	
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 165, GH
Tuesday	8:30 AM	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Morning Prayer
	7:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	8:30 AM	Morning Prayer
	10:30 AM	Quilters, ASH #8
Friday	6:30 PM	AA Mtg, ASH Downstairs
Saturday		
Sunday <i>2 Advent</i>	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:15 AM	Adult Ed (last class for the year)
	10:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:45 AM	Fellowship Hour, GH

ASH = All Saints Hall

GH = Great Hall

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Prayer for Week One of Advent

Dear Jesus, you are the HOPE in our messy world. This advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice and focus on what's really important. We place our HOPE in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth at Christmas. Amen