

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Visitors! All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion with us today. 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.

Children are welcome to participate fully in our worship. They may receive Communion at their parent's discretion. However, for your convenience, we provide nursery care for children, infant (minimum 8 weeks old) through preschool, during our 10:30 service downstairs in Room 1 of All Saints Hall, the two story building to the left of the church.

We ask your prayers for Anne Alexick, Pamela Alsop, Etta Baker, Laura Ball, Peggy Baxter, Michelle Bell, David & Fran Bland, David Bourne, Robin Bruckner, David Cain, Barbara Canaday, Frank Carosella, Catherine Cash, Darley Family, Scott Coleman, Ann Connolly, Wayne Cox, Vivian DeShazo, Liz DiRusso, Julianna Dove, Allan Dummo, Jennifer Eagle, Kim Edwards, Scott Edwards, Ruthann Elms, Audrey Federbush, Harvey Frazier, Mary Frazier, Calib Garland, Joan Gere, Jennifer Gibson, Will Gibson, Joan Goodbody, Fred Goshin, Rose Goshin, Allan Gummo, Cordell Heflin, Dana Houck, Joe Junod, Robert Kay, Pat Kempster, Lester Kidd, Marsha Kirkpatrick, Nick Knepp, Allen Lake, Krista Sirna Lee, Charles Linton, Colleen McElfresh, Marc Family, Heather Martinez, Justin Massey, Patsy Meadows, Angie Morgan, Frances Morris, Cheryl & Dick Moynahan, Jeff Nohren, Heather O'Neill, Missy Pixton & Family, Selena Rave, Doug Reeve, Bill & Jane Shumaker, Steve Smallwood, Argyle Smith, Bill Smith, Stephanie Smith, Nick Southers, Sybil Southers, Linda Stastny, Jeanne Stoddard, Keri Stromski, Brian Sturgill; Larry Stutler, Evelin Reed, Eileen Sidereas, Christine Strait, Jerrie Teets, Michele Van Pelt, Amanda Vernon, Polly Watts, Vincent Weimer, Emilie Wieland, Tim Wienckowski, Roger Williams, Gail Womble, Mike & Frank, Herb, Janice, Judy and Bill, Noelle & Tru, Mary Rose, Veronica. *(New names added are bolded.)*

Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Ron and Tracy Magin in honor of their mothers, Dorothy Magin and Rita Pennell.

Please join us in the Great Hall for fellowship following the 10:30 service today. We'd love for you to sign up in the Communications

Center to host fellowship for a special occasion or no reason at all. Talk to Bill Butler with any questions.

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 interim rector and is used for charitable and other pious purposes.

Our Prayer Wall is back! A temporary structure out front on which people can share their prayer concerns, was an overwhelming success last year, the first year it was displayed! You can add your prayers anytime. We will share these concerns on our Facebook page. This project was funded by a New Life grant.

Junior Warden Requesting Assistance. Spring is here and with it begins grass growing season. We still need volunteers to mow the grass, using our mower or yours. Sign-up sheet is at the Communications table. The Jr. Warden's "**to do list**" is posted in the Great Hall. Please take an index card with a task and sign the corresponding number on the sign-up sheet. Thanks to everyone who has been so much help in the past and to the members and non members who will help this year. Your Church family and I appreciate it more than you know. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions: Bob McGann (540) 273-0592.

Grounds Committee. Would you like to be part of a group that takes pride in our property and works to increase our "curb appeal?" Then please join Bob's **Grounds Committee**. You do not need to be a master gardener. You just need the desire to improve the beauty of our church's grounds. Everyone is welcome! If you are unable to join us, please consider giving a monetary donation Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 8th at 12:30 in the Great Hall. Contact Bob at (540) 273-0592 for more information or to volunteer.

ECW Plant and Bake Sale a Huge Success: Due to a lack of space, we ask that you see the May Chronicler for details on this great event.

Christ Church Transportation Survey. ECM is teaming up with the Parish Care Committee and helping develop plans to transport our parishioners. First, we need to determine transportation needs; who, when and where; 8 or 10:30 AM services; church services; doctor appointments, etc. If you know someone who may need transportation (member or not), provide their name, address and telephone number to Bill Palmer, 10017 Altamont Circle, Fredericksburg, VA 22408.

You may also reach Bill through his email bnjpalmer9@gmail.com; or telephone (540) 898-5541. Also, contact Bill if you would be willing to drive along with any limitations (night driving, distance, etc.) Your input is requested by **May 14, 2018**. Survey forms are located at the rear of our Church and in the Communications Center.

Adult Education Resumes Next Week. Do you ever wonder about how and why Episcopalians do and believe particular things? Bring your questions to our Adult Forum, Sundays, 9:15 AM in the Great Hall. Our sessions will continue until we've covered everything from "Anglican" to "Zebra Book". Because our Shrine Mont Retreat is being held this weekend, Adult Ed will not take place today.

Deal Tompkins, a philanthropy specialist, will give a planned giving presentation titled *Creative Giving* at Christ Church, from 4-5 PM, Sunday, June 3, in the Great Hall. Deal will offer parishioners various financial approaches they may take to remember Christ Church in their wills and estates. He is a native of the Roanoke valley and a graduate of Randolph-Macon College. Deal has more than 30 years of experience in higher education and healthcare philanthropy. He has worked in planned giving and capital campaigns at Randolph-Macon, Sweet Briar and Emory & Henry Colleges, among others. Over the past several years, Deal has worked as a consultant with Methodist, Episcopal and Presbyterian churches to help them with planned giving, endowments and church campaigns. The public is invited.

The Thrift Shop: Thanks for all your donations; however, the Thrift Shop is bursting at the seams with inventory. If you have clothing, books, or Christmas decorations to donate, please hang onto them for a month or so that we can sell off some of our existing inventory of these items. We just don't have any more room. Thank you for understanding.

Food Pantry Back Pack Project. Already, it is time to begin thinking about the food pantry backpack project for the summer of 2018! Spotsylvania schools start in early August this year, so we will need to hand out the back packs in July! Look for donation, and adoption requests to begin in late May. If you have any other questions please don't hesitate to call Karen Watts at (540) 412-2732.

Weekly Calendar May 6, 2018 – May 13, 2018

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| Sunday <i>VI Easter</i> | 8:00 AM | Morning Prayer, Rite I |
| | 10:15 AM | Sunday School |
| | 10:30 AM | Morning Prayer, Rite II |
| | 11:45 AM | Fellowship, GH |
| | 12:30 PM | Youth Group Mtg, ASH #5 |
| Monday | 7:00 PM | Boy Scout Troop 165, GH |
| Tuesday | 8:30 AM | Morning Prayer |
| | 9:00 AM | Food Pantry Morning Prayer, GH |
| | 10:00 AM | Food Pantry, ASH |
| Wednesday | 8:30 AM | Morning Prayer |
| | 11:00 AM | Good Book Club, GH |
| | 12:00 Noon | ECM Luncheon/Mtg at Scafa's Rest. |
| | 7:15 PM | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday | 8:30 AM | Morning Prayer |
| | 10:30 AM | Quilters, ASH #8 (bring a bag lunch) |
| | 6:00 PM | Vestry Mtg, ASH #8 |
| Friday | 4:00 PM | GH Reserved for Private Event Set-Up |
| | 8:00 PM | AA Mtg, ASH Downstairs |
| Saturday | 9:00 AM | Vestry Retreat, ASH #8 |
| | 8:00 PM | GH Rented for Private Event |
| Sunday <i>VII Easter</i> Mother's Day | 8:00 AM | Holy Eucharist, Rite I |
| | 8:45 AM | Fellowship, GH |
| | 9:15 AM | Adult Forum |
| | 10:15 AM | Sunday School |
| | 10:30 AM | Holy Eucharist, Rite II |
| | 11:45 AM | Fellowship, GH |

ASH = All Saints Hall

GH = Great Hall

The Christ Church Thrift Shop

8947 Courthouse Rd., Spotsylvania, VA 22553
(540) 582-5508; Open: Tuesday thru Saturday, 10–4

Rector Search Prayer

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord.