



Christ Church

Third Sunday in Advent

December 12, 2010

Worship at 9:30 and 11:15 am

Order of Worship

9:30 a.m. – Third Sunday in Advent

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

Ringing of the Church Bell

Prelude

Veni, Emmanuel

Marilyn Biery

Hymn # 9

O Come O Come Emmanuel

VENI EMANUEL

Call to Worship

The Fisk Family

Leader: Today we light the Candle of Joy, along with the candles of Hope and Peace. When Jesus was born we are told that the shepherds in the field were filled with joy and sang 'Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Goodwill towards all people. In God's presence there is the fullness of joy.

Leader: Let us give thanks together.

People: For the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof.

Leader: Let us give praise together.

People: For God has shown us good things.

Leader: Let us celebrate together.

All: For in God's presence there is joy.

Prayer of Invocation

The Fisk Family

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 60:1, 17b-19

Bob Petrus

A Story for Children

Rev. Julie Yarborough

(The 2 and 3-year-olds may leave for Sunday school at this time.

Church Mice Choir for children pre-K through 1st grade may leave at this time.)

Hymn # 41

O Come All Ye Faithful

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What Christ Church Means To Me

John Przedpelski

Passing of the Peace

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Caroline Dean

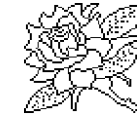
Ushers for 9:30 am: The Couselo-Remus and Keenan-Hermann Families

Silence & Prayer

Welcome! Visiting today? Please complete a Visitor Card and drop into the offering plate and join us for fellowship after today's service.

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts
As we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever.

Amen



The flowers today are given
in memory of Jeff Schwiering
with love from Clay & Kristi.

The third white candle on the altar is lit in hope of world peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Invitation to Sharing

Here is today's Sunday school schedule:

Offertory Anthem **Rejoice in the Lord Always** John Redford

2-3 year olds Room B-202

Doxology OLD 100TH

4 years - 5th graders Assembly

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Sing praise, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

6th and 7th graders Lile Hall

8th - 12th graders Stay in Worship

(Children pre-K through 7th grade may leave for
Sunday school at this time.)

To the Christ Church Community:

Scripture Reading Luke 1:5-17 Rev. Charles Rush

The Executive Board of Christ Church invites you to join us today for the seventh annual review of the financial affairs of the church, including the status of the 2010 budget and the preliminary version of the 2011 operating budget. We will bring the 2011 proposed budget to the congregation for a vote in mid-January. By that time, we expect to have sufficient information regarding pledges and operating requirements to give us all an accurate picture of 2011 prospects for income and expense. Prior to the meeting, we will provide documents for your review, including a current balance sheet detailing the church's assets and liabilities, and a summary of 2010 and 2011 operating budget figures.

Sermon "Living Out of Joy" Rev. Rush

Hymn # 40 **Joy to the World** ANTIOCH

Benediction Rev. Charles Rush

Postlude **Veni, Emmanuel** Robert J. Powell

In addition to financial matters, this meeting will provide an

Acolyte for 9:30 am: Christopher Taylor

Greeters: Anne Parker and Cathy Doremus

opportunity for us to hear your questions, comments, and suggestions about any aspect of church affairs. The meeting will be held in Barnwell Hall after the first service. We look forward to seeing you there.

Christ Church Executive Board

The Quest Women's Group: will meet this Monday December 13th at 9:30am and this Thursday December 16th at 7:30pm. We are reading Kate Braestrup's "Marriage and Other Acts of Charity." Please feel free to join us - even if you haven't read the book!

Lunches for Bridges: Next Monday, December 20th, our confirmands will deliver our White Gifts on a special Bridges Run to NYC. We need our congregation to help make lunches for this run. Email Caroline Dean if you can help out (at cdean@ccsnj.org) and please drop off the lunches on Sunday night (December 19th) between 5:00pm-6:30pm. Thank you!

Christmas Pageant: It is tradition at Christ Church that the children and youth provide the music for the Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve. If you have a child/youth who would like to play an instrument or sing during the Pageant, please give the title of the piece, composer, instrument/voice, and child/youth's name to Rev. Julie Yarborough by Sunday, December 19 at revjy@ccsnj.org or 908-273-5549.

Christmas Eve Schedule:

3:30 PM - Rehearsal for Pageant - all children welcome!
5:00 PM - Children's Pageant & Family Service
10:30 PM - Service of Lessons and Carols

White Gifts: Each year at Christ Church, we collect Christmas gifts for homeless men, women and children that are distributed by our confirmation class on a Bridges Run a few days before Christmas. If you would like to participate, please purchase items from the following list, wrap them in white paper and bring them to church on December 19. At a certain point in the service, you will be asked to bring them up to the altar.

- New blue jeans (sizes 36 & up for men)
- New Sweatshirts (hoodies) (medium & up for men)
- New work boots (size 8 & up for men)
- New coats (large & x-large)
- New thermal underwear (top & bottom) (medium & up)
- New hats and gloves
- New Toys - please, no batteries required, no x-large items
- New pajamas for children (infant through adult sizes)
- Toiletry Kits (soap, shampoo, wash cloth, cream, lip balm, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush)

Holiday Handcraft Sale Sunday December 12 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Colonial Crossroads Red Cross, 695 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ: A large collection of quilts, rugs, tote bags, greeting cards, wall hangings, and a selection of Christmas items are available. All are made by a group of Egyptian women from the Zabaleen Community of garbage collectors in Cairo. Eighteen years ago a volunteer group organized an Association to improve the lives of this community and women were brought together to learn crafts. Five years ago, Marilyn Pfaltz introduced the handmade products to Summit. You are invited to shop and make a difference, empowering these women to earn and to learn.

Interweave partners with Congregation Beth Hatikvah for Rabbi Shefa Gold weekend: On December 12, Interweave will join with Congregation Beth Hatikvah to bring nationally-known Jewish spiritual teacher Rabbi Shefa Gold to the Summit area. Rabbi Gold, author, composer, performer of spiritual music, is director of C-DEEP. For information or to register for this workshop, call 908-277-2120, visit www.interweave.org, or speak with Penny Vigilante.

Sunday December 12	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
	First Worship Service	9:30 am
	Church Mice – Barnwell Hall	9:45 am
	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	Genesis Choir - Sanctuary	10:45 am
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
Third Sunday in Advent	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
	Large Group Youth	5:00-6:00 pm

Ministers – All Members of Christ Church
Senior Minister – The Rev. Dr. Charles T. Rush
Associate Minister – The Rev. Julie Yarborough
Associate Pastor of Adult and Youth Education – The Rev. Caroline Dean
Children’s Choirs Director – Alison Vidal Caravano
Second Service Pianist – Daniel Rufolo
Office Manager – Cheryl Levy
Housekeeping – Juan and Rocio Restrepo

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