



## Christ Church

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2011

Worship at 9:30 and 11:15 am

## Order of Worship

9:30 a.m. – Third Sunday of Advent

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

- Prelude **Canzona** Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
from Symphonic Chorale on Jesu Meine Freude  
Nicholas Mitchell Garcia, organ
- Ringing of the Church Bell
- Introit **Een So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come** Paul Manz  
Chancel Choir
- Hymn **Canticle of the Turning**  
see insert
- Call to Worship The MacMillan/Holley Family
- Leader: Rejoice greatly in the Lord. Proclaim God's greatness everywhere. For God loves justice and hates wrongdoing. God binds up the brokenhearted and comforts those who despair.
- People: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in God.**
- Leader: Proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners. Proclaim comfort to those who mourn.
- People: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in God.**
- Leader: Proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, God's righteousness for the poor, the outcast, the vulnerable.
- People: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in God.**
- Leader: Proclaim the coming of hope in a tiny baby, the birth of righteousness and peace for all the nations.
- People: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in God.**
- Leader: Spirit of God, anoint us as messengers of your good

news to all people. As we light this third candle of Advent, let us proclaim the promised coming of Christ's righteousness through Jesus Christ.

**All: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in God. Amen.**

Responsive Song **Come, O Redeemer, Come**  
see insert

Scripture Reading Isaiah 61:1-4 George Ross

A Story for Children Rev. Julie Yarborough

Hymn # 66 **We Three Kings** THREE KINGS OF ORIENT  
Please join in singing verses 1 and 5 of the hymn and the chorus of each verse. The Three Kings will sing verses 2, 3 and 4.  
White Gifts will be presented during the 5<sup>th</sup> verse.

Presentation of White Gifts  
(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 **after they present their gifts.**)

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Rev. Caroline Dean

Silence & Prayer

*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**

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem **Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus**  
Mark Miller  
Julian Wamble, solo with Chancel Choir

Doxology OLD 100TH  
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.

(Children 1<sup>st</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

Scripture Reading Luke 1:46B-55 Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon "The Savior within You" Rev. Rush

Hymn **Walk in the Light**  
see insert

Benediction Rev. Charles Rush

Postlude **Bring a Torch Jeannette Isabella** Keith Chapman

Acolyte for 9:30 am:  
Greeters: The Semper Family  
Ushers for 9:30 am: The MacMillan Family

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



*The flowers today are given  
in loving memory of  
Gordon and Vivian Wadmond  
and Charles and Maybelle Mixon  
by their family.*

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Sunday School Schedule through Jan 1, 2012:**

**NOTE: The Nursery and the 2's and 3's will meet as usual every Sunday, except Christmas Day!**

**Dec 11** during Sunday school we'll have a Christmas movie for pre-k through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Dec 18** during Sunday school we'll have an assembly for pre-k – 5<sup>th</sup> grade to make flavored butter and package bread for sale during coffee hour.

**Dec 25** is a short family worship service at 11:00. There is no Sunday school **or nursery care** that day.

**Jan 1** during Sunday school we'll have a movie for pre-k through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **To the Christ Church Community:**

The Executive Board of Christ Church invites you to join us this Sunday, December 11 for the **eighth annual review of the financial affairs of the church**, including the current status of the 2011 budget and a preliminary version of the 2012 operating budget. We will bring the 2012 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 2012 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 2011 and 2012 operating budget figures.

In addition to financial matters, this meeting will provide an 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

### **Holiday Schedule:**

#### **Christmas Eve:**

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

**Christmas Day:** There will be one service at **11 a.m.** It will be a shorter service with Christmas carols, readings, and Communion.

**New Years Day:** There will be one service at **11 a.m.** It will be a fairly normal Sunday service but at the later starting time.

**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 Mark Miller by Sunday, December 18 at markandrew67@yahoo.com or 908-273-5549.

### **Meditation Group will NOT meet on 12/24 or 12/31**

On January 7th, the meditation group will host a brunch in Lile Hall from 10:00-11:00am. Join us for meditation at 9am and bring a simple dish to share at brunch!

**The Confirmation Class will be taking a Bridges Run into NYC on next Sunday, December 18th.** If you would like to sign up to contribute lunches for this run email cdean@ccsnj.org for more information.

**Our first Christ Church "Meet Up" will be Sunday January 8th after coffee hour.** We will meet at the Hat Tavern for Brunch. Join us as we gather and brainstorm other "meet up" opportunities for this winter and spring. If you would

like to receive information about Christ Church "Meet Ups"  
email [cdean@ccsnj.org](mailto:cdean@ccsnj.org).

**Looking for that special gift? Want to support an area nonprofit?** This Sunday, December 11th, Peaceworks and GlassRoots will hold a holiday sale in the atrium of Christ Church, Summit from 10 a.m. to noon. Please stop by to find a perfect glass object created by Newark area youth, or a bag of that wonderful Fair Trade coffee or handcrafted item from Peaceworks.

**PROGRESSIVE DINNER, Saturday, January 28th. SAVE THE DATE**

**Seeking Progressive Dinner Hosts!** Sign up now to host the easiest dinner party you will ever give. Church Life Committee will send the invites, provide the guests (10-12 including you), a catered meal, and wine. Appetizers and Desserts at other locations.

All you do is set the table, pick up the food, greet your guests, serve dinner and join your guests at Chuck and Kate's for dessert at 10 pm on **Saturday, January 28th.**

Please email or call Nora at [macmil2@verizon.net](mailto:macmil2@verizon.net) (908-273-6942)

<b>Sunday</b>	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
<b>December 11, 2011</b>	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
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
	Middle School Youth	5:00 pm

**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

<b>December 2011</b>		
Sun, Dec 11	White Gifts presented during services	Sanctuary
Sun, Dec 11	Annual Financial Review Meeting, 10:45 am	Barnwell Hall
Mon, Dec 12	Morning Quest, 9:30 am	Lile Hall
	Deacons Meeting, evening	
Thurs, Dec 15	Pastoral Prayer Group, 10-11 am	
Sat, Dec 17	Meditation Group, 9-10 am	Small Chapel off Lile Hall
Sun, Dec 18	Vivaldi's <i>Gloria</i> performed, both services	Sanctuary
	Flavored butter and bread sale	Coffee hour
Mon, Dec 19	Parent Playgroup Meeting	Nursery
Sat, Dec. 24	Children's Pageant Rehearsal 3:30 pm	Sanctuary
	Christmas Eve Services	Sanctuary
	Family Service & Pageant 5 pm	
	Service of Lessons & Carols 10:30 pm	
Sun, Dec 25	Christmas Day Services, 11 am	Sanctuary
	Carols, readings, communion	
<b>January 2012</b>		
Sun, Jan 1	New Year's Day Services, 11 am	Sanctuary
Sat, Jan 28	Progressive Dinner	
<b>February 2012</b>		
Sat, Feb 25	<i>Let Freedom Roll</i> concert	

for updates or additions to calendar, please email Julia O'Brien at [jaywob@gmail.com](mailto:jaywob@gmail.com)

Ministers – All Members of Christ Church  
Senior Minister – The Rev. Dr. Charles T. Rush  
Associate Minister – The Rev. Julie Yarborough  
Associate Minister – The Rev. Caroline Dean  
Minister of Music – Mark Miller  
Children's Choirs Director – Alison Vidal Caravano  
Second Service Pianist – Daniel Rufolo  
Organ Scholar & Music Intern - Nicholas Mitchell Garcia  
Office Manager – Cheryl Levy  
Housekeeping – Juan and Rocio Restrepo

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