

Christ Church

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7, 2012

Worship at 9:30 am

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

Order of Worship

9:30 a.m. – Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

Ringling of the Church Bell

Hymn **Who Is My Mother, Who Is My Brother?**

BUNESSAN

words: Shirley Erena Murray
music: trad. Gaelic melody



Who is my mo - ther, who is my bro - ther?
Dif - ferent - ly a - bled, dif - ferent - ly la - beled
Love will re - late us, co - lor or sta - tus
Bound by one vi - sion, met for one mis - sion



All those who ga - ther round Je - sus Christ:
wi - den the cir - cle round Je - sus Christ:
can't se - gre - gate us, round Je - sus Christ:
we claim each ot - her, round Je - sus Christ:



Spi - rit - blown peo - ple, born from the Gos - pel
Crutch - es and stig - mas, cul - tures' e - nig - mas
Fa - mi - ly fail - ings, hu - man de - rail - ings,
here is my mo - ther, here is my bro - ther,



sit at the ta - ble, round Je - sus Christ.
all come to - ge - ther round Je - sus Christ.
all are ac - cept - ed round Je - sus Christ.
kin - dred in Spi - rit, through Je - sus Christ.

Call to Worship

Stephanie Fisk

Leader: Let your kingdom come;

People: Your kingdom which is freedom and love,

Leader: Which is sisterhood and brotherhood,

People: Which is righteousness and life,

All: Which is truth and justice.

Prayer of Invocation

Stephanie Fisk

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-36

January Hagan

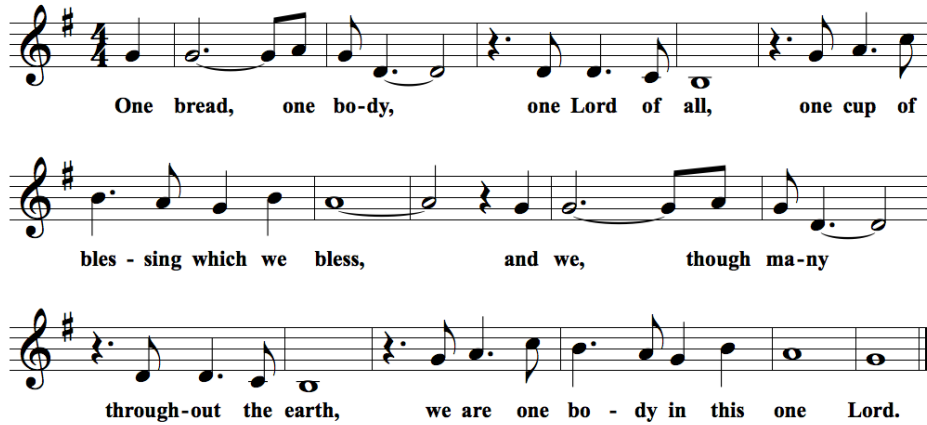
A Story for Children

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 **One Bread, One Body** ONE BREAD ONE BODY
words & music: John B Foley



One bread, one bo-dy, one Lord of all, one cup of
bles - sing which we bless, and we, though ma-ny
through-out the earth, we are one bo - dy in this one Lord.

(choir will sing verses, congregation is invited to sing the refrain)

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Caroline Dean

Silence & Prayer

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem **Prayer of St. Patrick**

R. Voorhaar

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 Pre-K through 5th grade may leave for
Sunday school at this time.
6th & 7th graders who are involved
in the musical may leave as well)

Scripture Reading

Luke 8:19-21

Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon

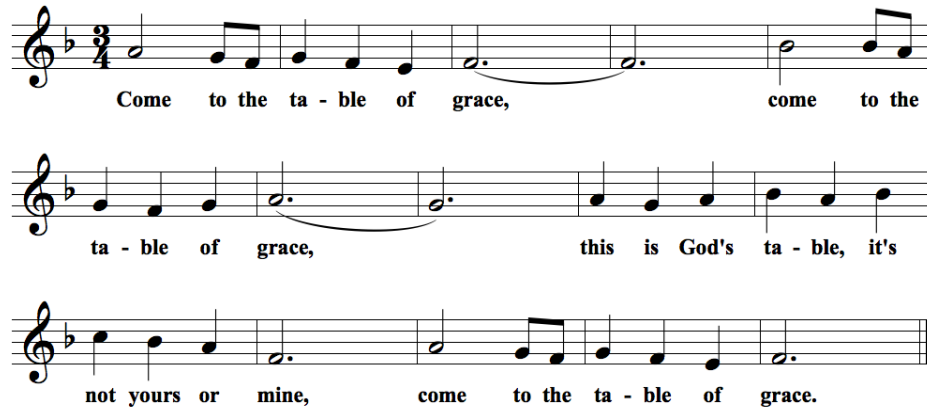
“Re-Focus on the Family”

Rev. Rush

Service of Holy Communion

Song

Come to the Table of Grace



Come to the ta - ble of grace, come to the
ta - ble of grace, this is God's ta - ble, it's
not yours or mine, come to the ta - ble of grace.

Benediction

Rev. Rush

Postlude

Acolyte for 9:30 am:

Greeters:

Ushers for 9:30 am: George Ross and the Vigilante and Taylor-Kincaid families

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
by Al and Peggy Mac Rae
in loving memory of their parents
Fred and Eliza Mac Rae
Roscoe and Edna Hazard*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here is today's **Sunday school** schedule:

2-3 year olds	Room B-202
Pre-K & K	Room B-205
1st – 5th graders	Barnwell Hall
6th & 7th graders	Those who are not in the play should stay in worship today.
8th thru 12th graders	Stay in Worship



We welcome Tom Shelton as our guest organist this morning.

There will be a “New Member Sunday” on October 21st at the 9:30 service. If you are interested in joining the church or have questions, please speak to Chuck, Julie, Caroline or contact Carol Angle, at 918-1005 or jerseyangle@aol.com.

Do you know someone who is looking for a church home? Please consider bringing friends and neighbors to the **Open House Sunday on October 21st**, either at 9:30am or the jazz service at 11:15am. Our worship services on October 21st will be especially "visitor friendly" and we will be offering sessions after the service for visitors to learn more about children's, youth, and adult opportunities in our church community.

Another option is our **Youth Families Open House on October 28th from 4pm-6pm** in the atrium at the church for visiting families to learn more about our vibrant youth program (grades 6 - 12) and the many popular youth service opportunities throughout the year. We take two trips each summer with our high school students. We do a week long construction service project in upstate New York and we take a trip to do service learning in Nicaragua every summer.

Email Rev. Caroline Dean at cdean@ccsnj.org if you are interested in learning more about Christ Church's youth opportunities. And contact our welcoming committee for more information about Open House Sunday or to RSVP to the Youth Open House night: suzannzeitler@gmail.com, or 908-418-1115.

An acolyte training session will be held after the first worship service today. All children in 3rd – 5th grade who would like to be an acolyte are encouraged to attend. Please meet Rev. Julie Yarborough at the back of the sanctuary immediately following Sunday school.

Yoga for Youth Mission: There will be no Yoga session on Monday, October 15th. But yoga will continue this fall & winter on Mondays from 7:00pm-8:15pm. All of the proceeds go to our summer youth service projects.

YOUTH SCHEDULE:

October 7th- Middle School **5:30pm**: Photo Scavenger Hunt
October 14th – High School **5:30pm**: Murder Mystery Night
October 21st - Middle School **5:30pm**: Bonfire Night
October 28th – No Youth Group

Age-ing and Sage-ing is meeting this Sunday at 10:45am in Barnwell Hall to discuss the spirituality of "age-ing and sage-ing" and it's many challenges and joys.

Leigh Rosoff is facilitating the discussion again this year.

Upcoming meeting dates are November 4th and December 9th.

SAVE THESE DATES:

October 14th: Inspiration Sunday: What inspires you? Learn more about what Christ Church's plans are for the future and what it can mean for you!

October 21st - Welcoming Sunday: Do you have friends who would fit in perfectly here at Christ Church? Invite them to worship where we will have special sessions for interested visitors.

October 28th - Service Sunday: Do you want to learn more about service efforts at Christ Church? Join us to explore how we are serving in our own community and around the world.

Sunday October 7, 2012	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
	First Worship Service	9:30 am
	Church Mice – Barnwell Hall	9:45 am
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	Genesis Choir - Sanctuary	10:45 am
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
	Middle School Youth	5:30 pm

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Second Service Pianist – Daniel Rufolo
Administrator – Cheryl Levy
Housekeeping – Juan and Rocio Restrepo



Christ Church

✦ SUMMIT ✦

SHARING OUR STORY...

Identifying the essence of Christ Church is an initiative that started about ten months ago. This program represents an ongoing effort to better define our Church and its commitment to inclusivity and support. This program is a way to tell our story. This insert is just the beginning of that process.

Our Church Mission:

The mission of Christ Church is to...

INSPIRE... Through worship services, religious education and cultural programs, we aim to enrich life and provide spiritual purpose.

WELCOME... We are an open and affirming community. All are welcome at Christ Church.

SERVE... Our members dedicate their resources, talents and time to the outreach efforts of our church. These efforts with our community and the neighboring towns, and extends globally to any community in need.

CHRIST CHURCH...

Providing a Positive Approach to Spirituality

Communicating a Special Place

Christ Church is a spiritual and inspirational environment where all are welcome and valued. The essence of who we are and what we stand for is not always easy to communicate within our congregation much less to the outside community. Therefore, it is essential to the growth of our church that we are clear and consistent in delivering our message.

The goals of the initiative are to:

- Identify what is unique about Christ Church
- Provide a clear understanding of our character and values
- Better articulate our message through words and visuals
- Strengthen bonds within our congregation
- Build awareness of our church in Summit and the surrounding communities.

Our plan includes providing the staff, church committees and the congregation at large with the language and tools – both printed and digital materials – to better tell our story about our spiritual home...now and in the future.

Here is what is planned for the near future.

FOURTH QUARTER 2012

- Roll out of phase one of the communications program
- Art Show - Crosses of Christ Church
- Exterior banners installed
- Getting church committees up to speed on the program
- New formats for weekly bulletins and This Week emails
- Begin advertising holiday services in local publications

FIRST QUARTER 2013

- Improved permanent signage installed
- Prepare current website to become members only site
- Begin developing new Christ Church website
- Programming around communicating church themes
- Launch new monthly e-newsletter
- Launch public relations initiative to publish thought-provoking topics
- Launch the storytelling project