

Christ Church

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2013

Worship at 9:30 & 11:15 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. – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Prelude ***Chorale Prelude on 'Rhosymedre'***

Ralph Vaughn Williams

Ringling of the Church Bell

Call to Worship

Katie Vigilante

Leader: The God of heaven has made a home on earth,

People: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Leader: The highest in all creation lives among the least,

People: Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Leader: Come now all who thirst

People: and drink the water of life.

Leader: Come now all who hunger

People: and be filled with good things.Leader: **Come now all who seek****All: And be warmed by the fire of love.**

Prayer of Invocation

Katie Vigilante

Scripture Reading

Hosea 11:1-4

Penny Vigilante

Presentation of Third Grade Bibles

Rev. Julie Yarborough

Leader: We are pleased to present you with these Bibles today.

People: We want you to take these Bibles home and read them with your parents.

Leader: We want the stories in this book to become stories that mean something in your lives.

People: We want you to read about Jesus and his teachings, and take them to heart.

Leader: We want you to become people of faith, guided by the wisdom found in the Bible.

All: Take these Bibles home with you and read them with our blessings and our love.

Musical Offering

I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing

Davis, Cook, Greenway, and Backer

Genesis Choir and Canticle Singers

Reception of New Members

We welcome you this day and we pledge our support for you as we grow together as a community of love and care. We encourage you to share your talents and gifts with us. We promise to be there for you in your time of need and to celebrate with you in your seasons of joy. May God's peace be with all of us. Amen.

*Welcome, welcome to this place
You're invited to come and know God's grace
All are welcome, the love of God to share
'Cause all of us are welcome here
Are welcome in this place*

(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 *There's a Spirit of Love In This Place* Words & music by
Mark Miller

There's a spi - rit of love in this place, there's a
pre - sence of peace in this room, there's the
space for grace in our hearts, there's a

spi - rit of love in this place, you can't
pre - sence of peace in this room, in God's
space for grace in our hearts, it's in

see it but it's there, just as pre cious-as the air, there's a
ten - der-ness is found peace that pass - es hu-man bounds, there's the
learn-ing to for - give that our spi - rits tru - ly live, there's a

1.
spi rit - of love in this place. There's the
pre - sence of peace in this
space for grace in our hearts.

2.
room. O A - le - lu ia, sing a - le - lu - ia, we
bless your ho - ly name. O a - le - lu - ia, sing a le -
lu - ia, there's a spi - rit of love in this place. There's a

Passing of the Peace

Scarf Dedication

Rev. Julie Yarborough

One: Creating God, we know that you weave our lives out of the very thread of being, and that we are your exquisite handiwork.

Many: Accept and bless this, our handiwork, created from simple thread by our hands, and given in love from the threads of our lives.

One: Peaceful God, you created us to live abundantly and joyfully, in harmony with each other.

Many: Forgive us that too often we respond to your gifts with hate, with bullying, with violence. Forgive our difficulty in embracing those who are different. Forgive our tendency to react to those closest to us in ways that hurt them, physically or emotionally. Teach us to be like you, nurturers and supporters of each other.

One: Inspiring God, you send your spirit to blow through us that we might find new and innovative ways to be your people.

Many: Grant that these scarves, the ministry of our hands and our hearts, may go out to the world and carry your message of

love and peace. Let them comfort those who are bullied, hurt, or frightened, and let them inspire us all to build a better world, where every one of your children is embraced and celebrated. Amen.

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Caroline Dean

Silence & Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

***Our God, in heaven, holy is your name,
Your reign come, your will done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And help us forgive, as we have been forgiven.
In the time of trial lead us into light,
For yours is the kingdom,
And the power and the glory, forever.
Our God, in heaven, holy in your name, holy is your name.
Amen***

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem

Quilt of Love

Mark Miller

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:19

Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon

“God’s Maternal Love”

Rev. Rush

Hymn # 435

We All Are One in Mission

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Benediction

Rev. Rush

Postlude

Voluntary in Classical Style

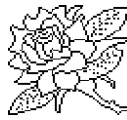
Gordon Young

Acolyte for 9:30 am: Elizabeth Markay

Greeters: Matt Ellison and family

Ushers for 9:30 am: Brandon Fisk and the Briber-Gallow 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
by Billy Cave
to honor all mothers and daughters.*

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 & 2nd graders	The Welcome Table (Kitchen B-119)
3rd - 5th graders	Good News Games I (Room B-206)
6th and 7th graders	Conference Room
8th thru 12th graders	Stay in Worship

Worship Schedule: The 2nd service will run through May. We will move to one service on **June 2nd and 9th at 9:30 am** and then from **June 16th through July and August** the service will be at **10:00 am**.

We do not have youth group this Sunday because it is Mother's Day. But we will gather on May 19th, 26th, and June 2nd to Plan Youth Sunday. High School and Middle School students please come out to sign up to participate in the service!

Save the Date:

June 2nd - Annual Meeting

June 9th - Youth Sunday

June 16th - Church Picnic

Morning Quest Group will meet Monday May 13th at 9:30am:

Women of Christ Church are invited for discussion and space to get to know more of our Christ Church community!

Dear Chili Cooks, performers and those who came out to support "Chili Mic Night,"

We would like to thank you for your support and generosity. With your help we raised \$5,000 for our partners in Nicaragua. We are very proud of the support of the Christ Church community and we thank you for rallying together for such an amazing cause. It was a great night and we hope to see you again next year!

Thank you again,

The Nicaragua Team

Erin Mooney, Kelly Franks, Lena Nazelli, Hannah Coates, Adriana Yozzi,

Vinny Caravano, Marilyn Devroye, Allison Caravano, Danny Rufolo and

Caroline Dean

The Earth Day Art Exhibit: If you wish to purchase any of the art, please contact the artist directly. -Music & Fine Arts Committee

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: JOIN WITH VOLUNTEERS from other UCC Churches to help families from the Bayshore area recover from Hurricane Sandy

Saturday, May 18, 9:00 am. We will be working in Union Beach and will meet at the Boro Hall at 650 Poole Ave in Union Beach. Our work will be assigned through the Gateway Church, which sends groups out daily to assist local residents and community groups with clean up projects. We'll gather at Boro Hall, unless you'd like to carpool from the church at 8:30am – in which case contact Rev. Rusty or Sede Spang. Families are especially welcome, Kids earn community service hours !! To sign up, contact Rev. Rusty, rustyehicks@gmail.com or Sede Spang atspang@verizon.net.

Sunday April 7, 2013	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
Second Sunday of Easter	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am

Christ Church is a community of faith where all are welcome.
Inspire. Welcome. Serve.

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