

Ehrist Ehurch

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8, 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. - Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude Fanfare on 'Nicea' Mark Miller

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn # 138 Holy, Holy, Holy NICEA

Call to Worship Penny Vigilante

Leader: The world belongs to God,

People: The earth and all its people.

Leader: How good it is, how wonderful,

People: To live together in unity.

Leader: Love and faith come together,

People: Justice and peace join hands.

Leader: If Christ's disciples keep silent

People: These stones would shout aloud.

Leader: Open our lips, O God,

All: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Prayer of Invocation Penny Vigilante

Scripture Reading Luke 9:10-17 Penny Vigilante

Acts 2:43-47

A Story for Children

Rev. Caroline Dean

(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 # 326 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Rev. Julie Yarborough

Meditation *Living Spirit, Holy Fire* #3109 Worship & Song

Silence & Prayer The Lord's Prayer #3071 Worship & Song

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem Sometimes a Light Surprises

Craig Courtney

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!

(Children Pre-K through $5^{\rm th}$ grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

Scripture Reading	Acts 11:2-12A	Rev. Charles Rush
Sermon	"Real Neighbors"	Rev. Rush
Hymn # 339	Be Thou My Vision	SLANE
Benediction		Rev. Rush
Postlude	Toccata in d minor (dorian)	J.S. Bach

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Infants – age 3 Nursery

Pre-k and K Room B-205

1st -3rd graders Barnwell Hall

4th & 5th graders Room B-206

6th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship



Parents of 6th and 7th graders!

Please join Rev. Caroline Dean in the Art Room on **September 15th** at Christ Church during coffee hour at **10:45 am** to learn more about our middle school youth group and it's events this year.

Feel free to invite friends who might be interested!

Middle School Youth Group meets every other week during the school year on Sunday nights from **5:30pm-7:00pm**

And we have fun activities throughout the year - like service opportunities and retreats - friends are always welcome.

Youth Schedule!

September 15th – Middle School Night 5:30pm:

September 15th – High School @ 7:00pm Rise & Nicaragua Night

September 22nd - Middle School Night 5:30pm

September 29th- No Youth Group (All Church Retreat)

Meditation Group this Fall! Join us on Saturdays at 9am in the chapel by Lile Hall this fall for meditation group. Our first session is this Saturday September 14th. It is an approachable and wonderful group - feel free to invite a friend as well. Email Caroline at cdean@ccsnj.org for more information.

Christ Church Inter-Generational Retreat Sept 27 – 29, 2013

The retreat will be held at Grove Hall in Ocean Grove, NJ from Friday evening – Sunday morning. Families, singles, couples are all welcome! All ages are invited. Programming will be appropriate for ages 5 and up. Younger children are welcome to come, but no childcare will be provided. Cost: \$200 per adult, double occupancy; \$25 per child. Rate includes lodging for two nights, three meals on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday and all programming costs. \$100 day rate if you'd like to join us for Saturday programming and meals. To reserve your spot, send in a check made out to ChristChurch with "Fall Retreat" in memo line, attn: Julie Yarborough. Questions? Contact Rev. Julie Yarborough at revjy@ccsnj.org or 908-273-5549

Morning Quest: The morning Quest group for women is reading <u>The Red Tent</u> by Anita Diamant this summer, with the intention of discussing it at our first fall gathering on September 16 from 9:30 – 10:45 a.m. All women are welcome and encouraged to attend. Free childcare will be provided. Contact Julie if you need a copy of the book – she has extra copies in her office.

Yoga will resume again on Monday nights on September 23rd from 6:00pm-7:15pm in Lile Hall. All of the donations go towards our youth service trips. Heidi Smith is teaching again this fall! Spread the word and feel free to invite a friend!

September is Blood Cancer Awareness Month: Jeannette Brown is raising funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. You can help with this donation two ways. You can donate online to her "Light the Night" webpage. http://pages.lightthenight.org/nj/Prince13/JBrown

Later in September, you can dine at California Pizza Kitchen in the mall at Short Hills, it is on the second level near Berberies. The dates are September 25 and September 26. I had lunch their on Sunday. It is very family friendly and not just pizza. They have salads, pasta and deserts. You will have to have a flyer for this, which will be available later. Twenty percent of your check will go to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Reminder, there are members of Christ Church who are survivors of blood cancer or who succumbed to blood cancer.

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
September 8,	First Worship Service	9:30 am
2013	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
Twenty-third	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
Sunday in	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
Ordinary Time	No Youth Group	

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

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