

# **Ehrist Ehurch**

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Reign of Christ November 24, 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. - Reign of Christ

Prelude **Prelude on 'Slane'** Gerre Hancock

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn #555 Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Call to Worship Mason Guida

Leader: You gather us from many places. People: And make us into a quilt of love. Leader: You gather us with different talents.

People: And make us into a team of harmony.

Leader: You gather our different perspectives. And blend us into a song of praise. All:

Prayer of Invocation Mason Guida

Andrew Guida Scripture Reading Galatians 3:26-28

Welcome to God's Love Mark Miller Special Music

> Families of all shapes and kinds love the only tie that binds this gathering of open minds

Welcome! Come and feel God's love

Every person has a place within this holy, sacred space Earth's entire human race

No proof required of your worth a gift to you before your birth from God who made the heavens and earth

We'll Love each other and take care of every need encountered there within God's heart there is room to spare - Lindy Thompson

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.)

Come Ye Thankful People, Come ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR Hymn # 551

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

Offertory Anthem God of Wonders

Marc Byrd and Steve Hindalong

Youth Choir

Doxology

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 7<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

Stewardship Moment

Mike MacMillan

Musical Meditation Laudate Dominum

W.A. Mozart

Nancy Mion, solo

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 13:4-8

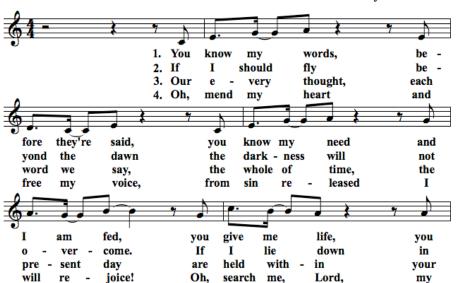
Rev. Charles Rush

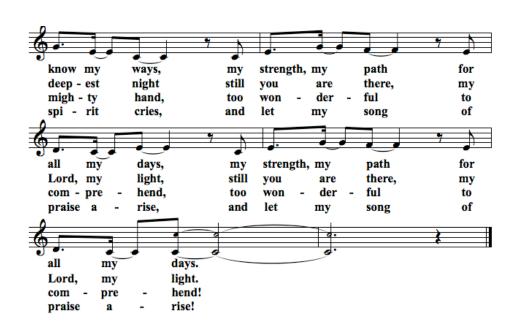
Sermon

"Blended By Love"

Rev. Rush

Hymn All My Days words by Laurie Zelman music by Mark Miller





Benediction Rev. Rush

Postlude Fanfare on 'Now Thank We All Our God' John Behnke

Acolyte for 9:30 am: Adam Witkowski Greeters: Sally Semper and family

Ushers for 9:30 am: Susanna Zeitler, Tom Ellison, Betsy Ellison

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 the Kettenrings
in celebration of the lives of
Fredric & Bettina Kettenring and
Robert & Opal Fenix

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Infants - 3 year olds Nursery (Room B-109)

Pre-K & K Room B-205

1st – 5<sup>th</sup> graders Assembly

6th and 7th graders Basement

8th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship



Our 2014 Stewardship Campaign is underway: Investing in Our Mission To Inspire, Welcome and Serve Pledge online at: http://christchurchsummit.org/pledge.html

In this season where we count our blessings and remember the many things we have to be grateful for, let's all of us give back to God through our church. The spiritual community and the people around us are foundational in our lives and deserve our support. The stewardship committee will be asking your family to pledge a financial contribution to the church for 2014. We would ask that you would be in prayer about what your family can do to make our community a vital and thriving place. In the next several weeks, we will explain some of our financial goals and needs and we will remind you of why giving here is really a joy because this community is meaningful. We need every single one of us to pull their weight in order for us to stay healthy. Thank you for what you do to make our church robust.

<u>Genesis and Canticle Choirs</u> will be singing *Wade in the Water* and *Praise the Lord* in service on December 1st. All young singers are invited to perform with us!

**Morning Quest**: We will meet on Monday, Dec 9th at 9:30am for an advent reflection and holiday brunch. For Monday, January 13th, we will read *Cry*, *the Beloved Country* the classic novel by Alan Paton, *Cry*, *the Beloved Country*. Please mark your calendars and join us. Child care is always available.

**Monday Night Yoga:** Yoga class will be cancelled on the following dates- 12/9, 12/23 and 12/30.

<u>Parsonages:</u> If you were not able to attend one of the recent information meetings on the parsonages issue, or even if you were and want to refresh your memory, the presentation and accompanying documents that were used are now available on the Church's web site. You can access them at the link: <a href="https://www.ccsnj.org/Parsonages">www.ccsnj.org/Parsonages</a>

We will shortly be sending out a survey to all members of the congregation to assess people's views on this subject with the aim of then holding a formal vote on a course of action sometime in the next couple of months.

ONLY 2 WEEKS UNTIL ADVENT WORKSHOP: Mark your calendars and Sign-up now and join us for Advent Workshop! On Sunday, December 8th, we will make advent crafts after the 9:30 service (no11:15 service), finish by noon to share a lunch of Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup then join together for a carol sing 'a' long! Adults and children of all ages will find fellowship, fun, and great food.

Join in a whirlwind of Christmas activities, making ornaments, miniature, gingerbread houses, keepsake decorations, and for the truly "crafty" and adults assembling boxwood trees or wreaths. It's the best way to kick-off the Advent Season, as well as make new ornaments and Christmas decor for our homes! Not into crafts? Then just socialize and join in for lunch and caroling. (\$5 per person)

Please sign-up now so we can purchase supplies accordingly. \$10 per person \$40 per family (max)

Additional craft charges: Gingerbread houses-mini \$5.00 Boxwood Trees \$20.00 Wreaths \$20.00

Questions? Sign-up? call Jocelyn Gueci 656-4505 or jocelyn.gueci@gmail.com

**Age-ing and Sage-ing:** Curious about what goes on in the end stages of your life? What are the challenges and opportunities? What are the "tasks" that come with the territory? What does brain research tell us? What do you want to do with your "one wild and precious life" now?

Anyone who is or who will be 60 is welcome. For more information please contact Leigh Rosoff (rleigh95@aol.com)

DATE: Sunday, December 1st, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm

**Bridges Holiday Gift Bag Drive:** On Sunday December 8th during worship we will collect gift bags for the homeless communities in New York City. Our confirmation class will deliver the gift bags on their bridges run on December 20th.

We need 200 gift bags and this is a great way to get the whole family involved in service during the holidays!

We need each of these items already assembled in a gift bag on **Sunday December 8th.** 

**Each gift bag should include:** (for each item think "travel sized")

- \*One white or plain gift bag
- \*One mini first aid kid
- \*A hand or foot warmer
- \*A packet of cough drops
- \*Travel-sized tissues
- \*A travel-sized hand sanitizer

## **Camp Bernie UCC Youth Retreat**

#### February 7th-9th

"Keep Calm & Keep it Real: Celebrating our True Selves"

Cost: \$155 Ages: 6th-12th Grade

Email Caroline, cdean@ccsnj.org to reserve a spot today!

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
November 24,	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
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
Reign of Christ	No Youth Group	

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

# **Ehrist Church + SUMMIT**

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