

Christ Church
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Second Sunday after Christmas
January 5, 2014

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. – Second Sunday after Christmas

Prelude

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn #67 ***Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning***
MORNING STAR

Call to Worship Anne Parker

Leader: Arise and shine for your light has come.

People: And the Glory of God has shone bright upon you.

Leader: All the nations will be drawn towards the radiance of this light.

People: Sons and daughters will come to it from afar.

Leader: The best things among us will bloom and grow.

All: For we shall all be filled with grace and truth.

Prayer of Invocation Anne Parker

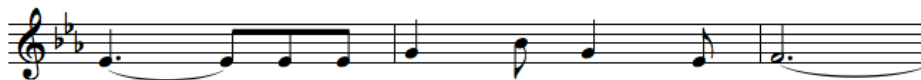
Scripture Reading John 1:1-5 Scott Nelson

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 ***This is a Day of New Beginnings*** RUSH
words by Brian Wren, music by Mark Miller



1. This is a day of new be - gin - nings,
2. For by the life and death of Je - sus,
3. Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing,
4. In faith we'll gath - er round the ta - ble



time to re - mem - ber and move on,
God's might - y Spir - it, now as then,
step from the past and leave be - hind
to taste and share what love can do.



time to be - lieve what love is bring - ing,
can make for us a world of dif - ference,
our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt, and griev - ing,
This is a day of new be - gin - nings;



lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
as faith and hope are born a - gain.
seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
our God is mak - ing all things new.

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Julie Yarborough

Silence & Prayer

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem ***I Need you to Survive*** David Frazier

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 5th grade may leave for
Sunday school at this time.)

Scripture Reading John1:9, 12-14a Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon **“The Authentic Word”** Rev. Rush

Hymn ***Walk In the Light***
words by Charles Wesley & George Elderkin
music by George Elderkin

*Walk in the light
Beautiful light
Come where the dew drops of mercy shine bright
Shine all around us by day or by night
Jesus, the light of the world!*

Service of Holy Communion

Benediction Rev. Rush

Postlude

Acolyte for 9:30 am:

Greeters: The Mixon Family

Ushers for 9:30 am: The Lubin Family

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

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

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

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

Pre-K & K Room B-205

1st – 3rd graders Creation Corner (Room B-204)

4th & 5th graders Good News Games (Art Room B-206)

6th 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.

Congregational Meeting: A meeting of the Christ Church congregation will be held on Sunday, January 12, immediately following the first service. We will review and vote on the proposed 2014 annual operating budget and on the future of the parsonages.

Save the Date for our first Open Table Dinner Church Gathering on January 12th 2014, 6:00pm-7:30pm. All Ages Welcome. Second Sundays at Mondo in Summit, 3rd Floor. Bring some food to share
Hosts needed - contact Julie revjy@ccsnj.org

Save the Date! Christ Church Men's Gathering on Saturday, **January 11th at 4:00 pm** at the Hat Tavern in the Grand Summit Hotel.

Progressive Dinner Hosts Still Needed! Thanks so much to the wonderful 11 hosts who have graciously opened their home already, but we need more! Are you available on Saturday, January 25, 2013? Do you live in Summit? Do you like to entertain but are daunted u need to do:by the thought of inviting guests, planning and preparing a dinner party menu? If so, let Church Life do the work for you. We'll send out the invites, assign guests, provide directions and take care of the food and drink. Here's all you will need to do! Get out the china and set the table for 10 or more. Pick up the prepared dinner and wine at 4 pm. Follow directions for reheating the food. Get dressed in your party clothes. Attend the cocktail party. Serve dinner at your house to your guests. Interested? Please call Tracy Robinson.

Progressive Dinner Sign Ups: Sign ups will be at coffee hour January 5th, 12th and 19th. Cost is \$45 for dinner and wine. Invitations are coming in the mail by January 11th. RSVP by January 17th. Cocktails will be in the church atrium from 6-8, then guests move to host homes for a lovely dinner and dessert. This is the largest Christ Church social event of the year so don't miss out! For more info contact Carol Angle, Tracy Robinson or Monique Taylor-Kincaid at carolangle@aol.com.

Greenfaith: The Green Committee would like to enroll Christ Church in a two year environmental leadership program sponsored by Greenfaith, a New Jersey-based interfaith coalition for the environment which leads diverse congregations across the United States in their quest for earth stewardship.

Our first step is to create a Green Team and our first initiative will be to build a collection of reusable cups for coffee hour. We invite you to bring a cup from home next Sunday that can be added to the collection. For more information please contact Marian Glenn or Nancy Davies.

Community Meditation: Christ Church is sponsoring a Community Meditation for Peace on Wednesday, **January 8th from 7:15 - 8:30 pm** in Lile Hall. Dan Rufolo will be playing meditative piano during our time together that evening. Please join us and invite your friends from the community!

2014 Offering Envelopes - For those of you who would like to use offering envelopes for 2014, you may pick up a box from the literature table next to the entrance to Barnwell Hall.

The Owl Creeks are Coming! On Friday, **January 10th at 7:30 pm**, Christ Church will host The Owl Creeks, an all female a cappella group from Kenyon College whose repertoire ranges from pop to indie and oldies. The group has existed since 1975 and currently has 11 members, including our own Clara Mooney. We are delighted to be one stop on their Northeast Tour. The concert is free and all are welcome.

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, January 12th, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm

Sunday January 5, 2014	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
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
Second Sunday after Christmas	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
	Middle School Youth	5:30 pm



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

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