

Christ Church

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany February 23, 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. - Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude Sonata Op. 2 No. 2, Largo appassionato

Ludwig van Beethoven

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn #281 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM RHONDA

Call to Worship Carl Shesler

Leader: O God of life, of all life and of each life,

People: We lay our lives before you;

Leader: We give our lives to you

People: From whom nothing in us is hidden. Leader: You are before us, God you are behind.

People: You are around us, God, you are within.

Leader: O God of life, O generous Spirit,

All: Renew us with your life, tonight, tomorrow and

always.

Prayer of Invocation Carl Shesler

Scripture Reading Mark 9:20-24 Leslie Kepner

Service of Baptism for Scarlett Hope Core Presented by Lauren and Chris Core

We receive this child as a new person in Christ. We offer our understanding and support as she explores life. We enfold her in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join with Lauren and Chris in telling the Gospel in our midst, so that their child and all children may live with us for Christ, showing forth his love for all people.

Song of Dedication

Scarlett, we greet you on this glad morning; We are so happy that you are here.
Our fondest wishes go with you always:
God guard and keep you all through the years.

Story for Children (The 2 and 3-year-olds may lea 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.) Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Julie Yarborough

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

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem

No Eye Has Seen Chancel Choir Mark Miller

Doxology

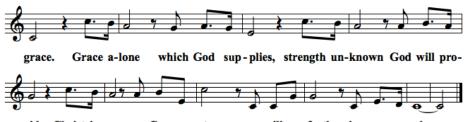
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Sing praise, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

Scripture Reading Matthew 10:16 Rev. Charles Rush "Religion or Spirituality" Sermon Rev. Rush Hymn Grace Alone **GRACE ALONE** Ev-ery prom-ise can make, ev-ery prayer and step of faith, we Ev-ery soul we long e-very heart we hope to teach, to reach, is on-ly by God's grace. ev-ery dif-ference we will make share this peace is on-ly by God's grace. ev-ery where we Ev - ery moun-tain will climb, ev-ery ray of we hope we shine, ev - ery tear we lov - ing word we wipe a - way, bless - ing left be - hind God's is on-ly by

to praise

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vide. Christ in us our Cor-ner-stone, we will go forth in grace a - lone.

Choral Benediction

Postlude **Sonata Op. 2 No. 3, Allegro** Ludwig van Beethoven

Acolyte for 9:30 am:

Greeters: Matt Ellison and family

Ushers for 9:30 am: Terry Baker, Lisa Murray, Mary Dickey, Patty Caputo

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 in loving memory of Bill and Rosemarie Taylor given by the Gelber Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

Pre-K & K Room B-205

1st - 3rd graders Good News Games (Art Room B-206)

4th & 5th graders Prophet's Playhouse (B-210)

6th and 7th graders Basement

8th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship



Worship Notes:

We welcome guest director Jason Bishop and accompanist and organist, Helen Raymaker.

'Grace Alone' Music & Words by Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson

<u>Evening Quest</u> meets next Tuesday night 2/25. At 730 pm at 51 Wade Drive- all Christ Church women and friends are invited!!

GREEN FAITH: There will be a meeting of the Green Team and others interested in green goings-on between services this morning. We will talk further about the steps to becoming a member of the GreenFaith congregations, as well as ideas for beginning the process during Lent. All interested are invited to attend. Please bring your refreshments into the conference room, to join the discussion. Questions? Ask Marian Glenn.

Christ Church's 18th Annual Women's Retreat

Boundaries, Balance and Blessings: Let Your Yes be Yes and Your No be No

March 1-2, 2014 St. Marguerite's Retreat House, Mendham, NJ

\$110 for overnight and three meals \$70 for days only and two meals (no breakfast)

1:00 pm Saturday – 1:00 pm Sunday (note time change!) Open to All Women – Friends Welcome!

Join us at Open Table Dinner Church Gathering on March 9th 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 for the Men's Retreat April 26th-27th

| Sunday | Choir Practice – Sanctuary | 8:45 am |
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| February 23, | First Worship Service | 9:30 am |
| 2014 | 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 |
| Seventh Sunday | Middle School Youth Group | 5:30 pm |
| after Epiphany | High School Youth Group | 7:00pm |

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

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