



**Christ Church**  
+ SUMMIT +

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
March 2, 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. – Last Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude *Communion* Louis Vierne

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn #488 *The God of Abraham Praise* LEONI

Call to Worship Joe Salsberry

Leader: We light a light in the name of the Maker,

**People: Who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for us...**

Leader: We light a light in the name of the Son,

**People: Who saved the world and stretched out his hand to us...**

Leader: We light a light in the name of the Spirit

**People: Who encompasses the world**

Leader: And blesses our souls with yearning...

**All: God above us, God beside us, God beneath us.**

Prayer of Invocation Joe Salsberry

Scripture Reading I Samuel 16:7 Scott Nelson

Service of Baptism for Natalie Rose Merrick  
Presented by  
Benjamin and Alison Merrick

**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 Benjamin and Alison in telling the Gospel in our midst, so that their child and all children may live with us for Christ, showing forth God's love for all people.**

Song of Dedication

***Natalie, 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.***

A Story for Children Rev. Charles Rush  
(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 #507 *I Come With Joy* DOVE OF PEACE

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Rush

Silence & Prayer

Rev. Jim Colvin

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem

**Brother James' Air**

Arr. Gordon Jacobs

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.)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:28

Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon

**“Spiritual Love  
Spiritual Beauty”**

Rev. Rush

Gathering Song

***Come to the Table of Grace***

Words & music by Barbara Hamm

*come to the table of grace  
come to the table of grace  
this is God's table, it's not yours or mine  
come to the table of grace*

Service of Holy Communion

Benediction

Rev. Rush

Postlude

***Sortie on 'Dove of Peace'***

Mark Miller

Acolyte for 9:30 am:

Greeters: Sally Semper and family

Ushers for 9:30 am: The Reynolds family and Roz Kendellen

***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  
in celebration of  
the Baptism of Natalie Rose Merrick  
by The Merrick 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	Creation Corner (Room B-204)
4th & 5th graders	Good News Games 2 (Art Room, B-206)
8th thru 12th graders	Stay in Worship



**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

**Congregational vote on Sunday, April 6th regarding the parsonages:** Over the past several months the congregation has been invited to become acquainted with the issue of the parsonages via mailings and informational meetings. An online survey was then conducted. The e-board considered the results of that survey and felt that two options should be retained for a congregational vote. Either sell Stony Hill Court and rebuild on New England Avenue or simply sell New England Avenue.

The e-board feels that both of the final two options are reasonable and wishes to give the congregation an opportunity to express its collective will in a formal vote on April 6<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 service. There will be no 11:15 service that day.

**Save the Date for the Men's Retreat April 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>**

**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.

DATE: March 9th, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm

**GREEN FAITH:** Everyone is invited to join the Green Team in participating in a Lenten Fast...from Carbon. Participants receive a daily email with the day's suggested carbon-reducing activity, along with information about the carbon impact of the activity. You are not expected to be able to do everything suggested, but serious consideration of each day's activity can raise awareness about how our day to day living impacts

the environment and inspire us to make the changes that we can. You can join the fast by signing up online at <http://www.macucc.org/pages/detail/2410>

**Organizing CERT Team in Summit:** The City of Summit Office of Emergency Management Police and Fire Departments are establishing a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and recruiting volunteer participants for the eight-week training program on Monday evenings in March and April.

The goal is to educate volunteers about disaster preparedness and train them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT members will also help with non-emergency projects to improve community safety.

CERT training is free and open to all Summit residents age 16 and older. The 20-hours of training are classroom based with few physical requirements.

For more information or to request an application, contact Lt. Cantone at [CERT@cityofsummit.org](mailto:CERT@cityofsummit.org) or download the application online at <http://cityofsummit.org/police>

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***New Prayer Concerns and Joys:** We pray for all our women on Retreat at St. Marguerite's Retreat House, Mendham, NJ*

<b>Sunday March 2, 2014</b>	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 – Life Hall	11:00 am	
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am	
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am	
	<b>Last Sunday after Epiphany</b>	Confirmation Bowling Night at Madison	4:45 pm
		Bowling Lanes	

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Inspire. Welcome. Serve.

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