

# Christ Church

## Fourth Sunday of Easter April 27, 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. – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Prelude in E Flat Major J.S. Bach

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn # 108 Christ Is Alive! TRURO

Call to Worship Ryan Sebastian

Leader: Blessed are the poor, not the penniless, but those whose hearts

are free.

People: Blessed are the meek, not the soft, but those who are patient and tolerant.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful, not those who forget, but those who

forgive.

People: Blessed are the pure in heart, not those who act like angels, but those whose lives are transparent.

Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers, not those who shun conflict, but

those who face it squarely.

All: Blessed are those who are persecuted for justice, not

because they suffer, but because they love.

Prayer of Invocation Ryan Sebastian

Scripture Reading Psalm 16:5-11 Dave Sebastian

A Story for Children Rev. 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 # 115 Come, Ye Faithful Raise the Strain ST KEVIN

Passing of the Peace

Guest Speaker Margaret Momber, Student/Partner Alliance

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** 

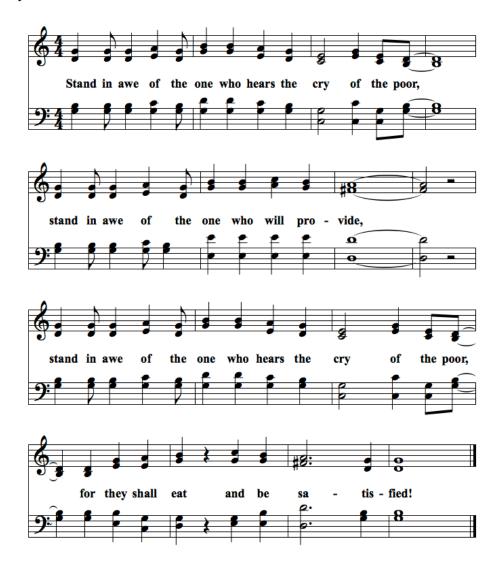
Offertory Anthem **Be Not Afraid** Craig Courtney

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. Scripture Reading John 20:19-31 Rev. Charles Rush

Sermon "The Virtue of Doubt" Rev Rush

Hymn



Benediction Rev. Rush

Choral Response

Postlude **Sonata in E-flat** W.A. Mozart

Greeters: Patrice Compton

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 given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. David Arnott by Lee and David Arnott

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

Pre-K & K Room B-205

1st graders xxxxxxx (Room B-xxxx)

2nd graders Good News Games I (Media Room)

3rd graders Creation Corner (Art Room)

4th & 5th graders The Welcome Table (Kitchen B-119)

6th and 7th graders Basement

8th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship



<u>Save the Date</u> for the 2014 Chili Mic Night on May 2nd at 6:30-9:30pm: We need chili cooks or performers. Email cdean@ccsnj.org to sign up to participate. The proceeds go to support our partners in Nicaragua!

<u>Save the date:</u> Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. The Jed Levy Quartet will perform music from their new release "The Italian Suite", a ten movement original work by Mr.Levy, that contains musical portraits of people, places and things that made an impression on the composer while touring and performing in Italy. There will also be a pre-concert talk/meet the artist at 7pm. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for students. They can be purchased at coffee hour on May 2nd and May 8th, online at christchurchsummit.org or that evening, at the door.

<u>Christ Church welcomes Student/Partner Alliance</u>, a local non-profit organization, with its offices now in our Church. Student/Partner

Alliance supports low-income, inner city high schools students with scholarships and mentoring. Margaret Momber, the Executive Director, will speak about the Alliance's programs and important volunteer opportunities to help Newark area inner-city high school students. She will be available after the service for questions and more information. Or you can contact her at: mmomber@studentpartneralliance.org or 908-522-0405 to learn more about how to become a mentor for an inner-city high school student.

<u>Family Promise Hosting:</u> Our guests from Family Promise are coming once again. (They come four times a year, and this year three of the visits take place in the first part of the year). They arrive on Sunday, May 4, and we are looking for volunteers to partake in this interesting experience. You will receive an email this week from Meredith Guida via Sign-Up Genius that will expedite the scheduling process. Please consider this joining us!

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: Sunday, June 1, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm Aging and saging this week and 5/4 for June 1

Another Update: Nicaragua Container Shipment, Saturday May

**10**: The May container shipment is still on, despite the death of PeaceWorks director Jim Burchell. Your donations of gently used, outgrown or no-longer-needed items are a welcome boost to our partner organizations in Nicaragua:

**For Inhijambia (street children's project)** - School supplies including colored pencils, composition books, and book bags. Play-Doh for preschoolers. Dolls. Duplo, Lego, and other toys that don't require knowledge of English. Summer clothing/shoes for babies through teens. Swim suits and swim trunks up to size adult small.

**For the Jubilee House clinic** - Sturdy metal file cabinet. Microscope. Otoscope. Nebulizer.

**For the Masaya teen sewing co-op** - Attractive lightweight fabrics. Thread. Shears. Notions.

**For all -** Fans. Small TV. Refrigerator. Freezer. Blender. Towels. Bed linens. Tools. Sports supplies (baseball, soccer, volleyball).

Inhijambia's Mirna Sánchez wrote: Toys and dolls are especially important these days. We have a few new little girls living with us at the project, some from near the dump and others from similarly awful places. In their whole lives these girls never had an opportunity to play. Now they sleep with their dolls and stuffed animals and, according to our night watch staff, they wake up at all hours to make sure they're still there. They give them names, have conversations with them, and when they leave for school they say things like, "Now, you be good while I'm gone."

Please put as many of your donations as possible into banana boxes, which are strong and stack easily. You can get banana boxes free from any supermarket produce department. Limited storage space is available in the church basement. Preferably just bring your donations to the church parking lot on Saturday, May 10 before noon. Any questions, contact Marilyn Devroye mptd@msn.com or Dan Ocone ocone@rutgers.math.edu

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
May 11, 2014	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
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
Fourth Sunday of	Middle School Youth	5:30 pm
Easter	High School Youth	7:00 pm

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