

# The Chart



*Christ Church*  
*1355 Northern Boulevard*  
*Manhasset, NY 11030*

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## *Letter from the Wardens*

November 1, 2013

Hello Fellow Parishioners:

As we write this on November 1st, we are observing All Saints' Day, with remembrances of all our loved ones. And on Sunday of this All Saints' weekend, the choir will mark the occasion by singing the beautiful Faure' *Requiem*.

November will be a very busy time for Christ Church. Please note the announcements section of the November *Chart* for all the upcoming events, activities, and their dates.

In addition to those listed, Christ Church will host its annual **Leaf Raking and Cemetery Clean Up Day on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** We need parishioners to volunteer to help, and bring their families along, too, to assist. All should bring rakes and gloves for the effort. It will be fun for us to work together as a parish family as we beautify our campus. High school students who volunteer will qualify for community service credit.

The day after, **Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, is the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service**, to be held this year at The Community Reformed Church [last year we were the host], with Christ Church, New Heart Korean Mission Church, Lord's Vision Church [Korean], and Newtown Church [Taiwanese] participating at the 10 a.m. service.

November will also be the commencement of our 2014 Stewardship Campaign. We hope you will give prayerful consideration to what you might be able to do to financially support Christ Church. We need your help to pay our bills for services that enable our Church to operate and to underwrite all the activities we love, including the Sunday school, youth, and music programs, as examples.

We will soon be launching a Capital Campaign, to further increase our endowment and sustain our financial health for the future, as well as enable us to furnish the new Parish House when it is complete. (More on the Parish House renovation below.)

We will also be considering nominees to the Vestry. The outgoing Senior Warden will chair the Nominating Committee; one other Vestry member and three parishioners will serve as the committee. If you are interested in serving on the Vestry, please advise one of the Wardens. It is critical in this time of transition at Christ Church that we have energized and engaged leadership to guide us as we search for a new Rector and complete the Parish House project, as well as plan for our future mission and outreach.

The Search Committee is getting organized, and the Written Rector's Application Brochure is complete. The brochure will be sent to all parishioners, in case you know of a potential candidate that may fit the position. You can pass the information on to those candidates. It will also be transmitted by the Diocese to approximately 125 Rectors in the Diocese of Long Island, to solicit their interest or to have them communicate this opening to candidates they may know.

Finally, as you recall, Father Lowry has graciously agreed to see the Parish House project through to its completion. The anticipated completion date is in the first quarter of 2014. Father Lowry reported progress at the last Vestry meeting. His report indicated that the gutting of the Parish House was completed six weeks ago. All the toxic materials have been removed and have been transported to toxic waste sites. The materials for the construction of the Parish Unit [Christ Church's portion of the Parish House] and the remainder of the Parish House have been ordered; delivery of the materials has begun. By the end of November, the windows are expected to be in place and the stuccoing of the exterior should be complete. A sample window on the front side of the building has already been installed for those of you curious to give it a look as you walk or drive by.

The bank building is being turned over to Citibank, and the paving of the parking areas is substantially complete. The projected date for the opening of the bank is December 1. At that time, the parking areas will be opened. Once the parking lot is officially open, we will notify the parish so that all can return to traditional parking for services.

There have been a few unexpected challenges. The hook-up to the sewer has been delayed because Verizon has a junction box that blocks access to the Great Neck sewer line under Northern Boulevard. The sewer hook-up had to be redesigned and a lift station constructed. In addition, several places in the Parish Unit have been found to have shoddy construction, including steel beams that were joined with wire. All that needs to be corrected. In addition, the terra cotta walls between the Parish Unit and Mr. Puntillo's portion of the Parish House need to be replaced by concrete walls to fulfill fire codes. That work is being done currently.

In addition to all of the above, we would also greatly appreciate all assigned parishioners who are to serve as ushers, acolytes, lectors, coffee hour hosts, etc. to honor those assignments. If you cannot, given a schedule conflict, please find a substitute and notify the church office of the change. It is a challenge to conduct the church service if we are missing the requisite players.

We hope to see you all at these upcoming parish functions, and Happy Thanksgiving to all.

With blessings,

Pattie Gallatin  
Senior Warden

Ariana Tadler Paterson  
Junior Warden

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***Parish Notes:***

***A Message from our Director of Spiritual Formation***

*Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

- 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Are you grateful for everything in your life? I mean, REALLY grateful, in every situation, even life's greatest challenges? This is the question I've been asking myself for over a month now, ever since I had dinner with a childhood friend.

Patrick and I have known each other for almost 40 years. We grew up together, during two decades of shared summer vacations with our families. My time with Patrick represents some of my happiest childhood memories, and to this day, laughter, joy and love overflow when we are together. We are family for sure.

Even though we had similar childhoods, Patrick and I have lived very different lives. Patrick graduated from high school and joined the military, where he trained as a paratrooper and served in the Gulf War. He returned from active duty, got married at 24, moved to New Jersey, became a policeman and raised three beautiful children.

Years later, his life became extremely challenging. There were problems in his marriage, his wife committed adultery and he got divorced, creating enormous debt, which he is still working to resolve. The US Department of Veterans Affairs evaluated him as 40% mentally disabled as a result of his service in the war, and he has been working to heal from significant PTSD. This past decade has been a tumultuous journey for him.

When we met for dinner in late September, Patrick shared the details of his time in the Gulf war, the problems in his personal life, his healing process and his

hope for a brighter future. We also talked about God and his experience of attending a local Congregational Church, where he has begun to deepen his spirituality and relationship with the divine.

Patrick amazes me. I respect the way that he served our country and is dealing with the personal consequences this has created. I admire his courage, determination and honesty. Most importantly, I stand in awe of his perspective on life. As I listened to Patrick, I did not sense any pity, blame or resentment. Patrick does not wallow in "what if" or "why me." He moves through his life, dealing with his problems and trusting that things will be better, if he stands up, honors his responsibilities, leads with love and grows in faith. His overall experience is gratitude.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 says "give thanks in all circumstances." It is easy to have a grateful heart when things are going well. At these times, we always feel God's presence. We always believe in His love. We always trust that more good things are coming. It is when life is difficult, when our hearts want to harden and we want to control everything that we try to move through life without showing gratitude for the gifts from God.

Patrick is showing me a different way. When situations make him heartbroken and angry, Patrick does NOT let them make him a broken or angry person. Patrick reminds me that gratitude does not have rules or limitations. In every challenge, we can choose to be thankful and respond with courage, hope and faith. This can be a very tall order, but one that is necessary as we live our lives with God.

During this month of both Veterans Day and Thanksgiving, I honor Patrick for showing me how to truly live. I hope that if you have a "Patrick" in your life, you give thanks for him/her, because it is through their example that we learn to be filled with gratitude and find the blessings "in all circumstances."

Thanksgiving blessings,  
Lesley Mazzotta, Director of Spiritual Formation



### Upcoming Events and News

- **November Sunday Hospitality**

Now until Sunday, November 17

The following people are scheduled to host Sunday Hospitality.

	<u>COORDINATORS</u>		<u>OTHER TEAM MEMBERS</u>	
11/03	Denise & Greg Polis	365-4421	Sari & Peter Kulka	767-0222
11/10	Diana Tadler	627-0128	Penny Tadler	385-2355
11/17	Christ Church Choir			

If for some reason you are unable to host, please email **Liz Giacom** [egiacoma@verizon.net](mailto:egiacoma@verizon.net) or call her at **516-944-9760**. Coffee and juice will be provided by the church.

- **Stewardship Campaign**

The kick off for the Stewardship Campaign will begin this month. A letter from Father Charlie will be arriving in the mail during the second week of November.

- **Feast of All Saints**



Sunday, November 3

We will observe the **Feast of All Saints and the Faithful Departed** at the **10 a.m. Choral Eucharist**. At this very special service, we not only honor the heritage of the Saints, but commemorate those departed loved ones who live on in our hearts and memories. The Christ Church Choir will sing the **Requiem Mass of Gabriel Fauré**, a musical masterpiece of unparalleled beauty and serenity. The *Requiem* includes the celebrated prayer "Pie Jesu," to be sung by **Jade Blocker**, accompanied by **Wyn Stopford**, clarinetist. At the centerpiece of this service will be the reading of the names of the Faithful Departed.

- **4th Annual Raking of the Leaves**

Saturday, November 23, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Please bring a rake and gloves. A few shovels and brooms would come in handy. Come have fun and help make Christ Church beautiful! *Community service hours will be given to those high school students who participate.*



- **Women's Dinner**

Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.



Senetta Koch has kindly offered to host the **Women's Potluck Dinner** at her home at 45 West Shore Road, Manhasset. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the church for you to indicate who will attend and what you will bring - either an entrée, salad or dessert or you may contact the Parish Office at 516-627-2184 or [admin@christchurchmanhasset.org](mailto:admin@christchurchmanhasset.org). If you would like to host a pot luck dinner, please contact Holly Wright at [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com).

- **Operation Christmas Child**

Christ Church and CRC, along with our joint Sunday School, are once again participating in **Operation Christmas Child**, an exciting program that brings the joy of Christmas to millions of needy children around the world, by filling wrapped shoeboxes with small gifts and toys.

You'll find a letter with instructions and labels on the back table starting **October 20**. Please take home a gift-wrapped box (or two or three!!), which you'll find at the back of church, or use your own empty shoeboxes to fill and return to church with the appropriate label by **Sunday, November 17**.



Also, the Committee is in need of empty shoeboxes that are in good condition and wrapping paper so they can have shoeboxes wrapped and ready to be filled. Wrapping parties are **Sunday, November 10** and **Sunday, November 17** after service in the CRC Library.

We hope to reach **a goal of 150 boxes** this year, so we need your help!

- **ECUMENICAL POTLUCK BRUNCH A Thanksgiving Celebration**

Sunday, November 24, 2013, Immediately after 10am Worship

Join members of Christ Church, The Community Reform Church, The New Heart Korean Mission Church, Lord's Vision Church (Korean), and Newtown Church (Taiwanese) in a *Potluck Brunch* to share fellowship and give thanks for our many blessings.

**"BYOD"** Bring Your Own Dish...of food to share, that is... and please bring your own beverage of choice

- **Feasting on the Word**

Sundays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Reformed Church

Join us for a dynamic bible study with meaningful conversation immediately following the service each Sunday. Teens and adults meet in the Community Reformed Church sanctuary. All children under 12 meet in the CRC lounge for Gospel-based arts and crafts. All are welcome!

- **Altar Flowers**



There is an opening for Altar Flowers as a memorial or a thanksgiving offering for Sunday, November 17th. Please call Diana Tadler at 516-627-0128 or the Parish Office at 516-627-2184 if you would like to make a donation.

- **Altar Guild**

The Guild is in need of new members. Please consider joining a dedicated group of women in preparing the altar for Sunday services and decorating our lovely church. Only a little training is involved. If you would like more information contact Diana Tadler at 627-0128 or [dtadler@mac.com](mailto:dtadler@mac.com).

- **Helping Hands**

Help wanted

There are times when some of our Christ Church family need assistance, whether it is to have a meal provided for them or to be driven to an event, a doctor's appointment or to Church. If you would like to join this group of volunteers or if you have a need for a "helping hand", please let us know or talk to the Rector. Thank you in advance.

Contacts: Holly Melichar at [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com) and Carol Allen at [GoCarol26@aol.com](mailto:GoCarol26@aol.com).

- **Food for the Hungry**

The Long Island Council of Churches Food Pantry (450 N. Main Street, Freeport, 516-868-4989).is in need of food donations. Please bring your donations any Sunday and they may be left in the back of the church. Please donate unopened food and please check expiration dates before making your donations. There is such a profound need. Please help us, help them. Thank you.

- **Choir Rehearsal**

Chancel Choir (Adult) 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. , Thursday

The **Chapel Choir** will begin rehearsing for *Christmas Eve* on **Thursday, Dec. 5** at **5:30 p.m. in the church**. If your child (grades 3 through 8) is interested in leading the 4 P.M. Family Eucharist on Christmas Eve as a member of the Chapel Choir, please be sure they attend rehearsals from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Thursdays in



December. Christmas is one of the most important and special times in the church year, and it is a wonderful time for our children to join in leading the liturgy in song. For more information, please contact Andrew Yeargin, *Organist & Choirmaster*, [andrew.yeargin@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.yeargin@gmail.com) or call the church office. Please note: There will be no Chapel Choir rehearsals in November. We hope to see your child at our first rehearsal for Christmas Eve on December 5!

### Children and Youth Activities

- **Youth Retreat Day**

**Saturday, November 16, "Twelve Hours of Gratefulness,"** our day-long retreat will start at 9:00 a.m. with an exciting and action-packed adventure: Project C.A.R.E., a state of the art ropes course in Amityville, NY! We'll test our physical and mental capabilities, while building confidence, appreciation and trust! Then, we'll return to Manhasset for an afternoon of workshops, games, activities and conversations to explore and expand our gratitude and thankfulness for all that we can do, be, learn and experience in God's great world. Evening ends at 9:00 p.m. after a creative worship service, designed by the youth. Price: **\$65 for the day**, including Project C.A.R.E., snacks and dinner. **Space is limited, and advance registration is required by Sunday, November 3, no exceptions!**

### SAVE THE DATE

- **Youth Christmas Tree and Wreath Sell**

**Saturday, December 7** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**& Sunday, December 8**, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Come to The Congregational Church (1845 Northern Boulevard) to purchase your perfect Christmas tree or wreath. All proceeds go towards future programs for our joint church youth group.

**Friday, December 6** at **7 p.m.**, youth are needed to help set up for the sale and invited to stay over for a sleepover. Light snacks on Friday night and breakfast on Saturday morning provided for youth helping with the sale. This is a fun way to earn community service hours for school.

- **Youth Christmas Trip to NYC!  
Friday, December 13**

Join other community youth for a trip to NYC. Come see the Rockefeller Christmas Tree and 5th Avenue windows, shop at the Holiday Market and have dinner at a fun and fabulous Broadway restaurant. We will meet at the Manhasset train station around 4:00 p.m. to travel into the city together. The cost of train ticket and dinner is approximately \$40, paid by each youth.

- **Joint Church Christmas Pageant  
Sunday, December 15**

Calling all children and youth: we need your talents and gifts to make our Christmas pageant a huge success! We are looking for those interested in singing and speaking parts, as well as adults to help with costumes and decorations. **Pageant rehearsal on Saturday, December 14 from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.** Contact Lesley Mazzotta for more information or to sign up!



- **New Year's Youth Dinner Friday, January 10th**

- **Second Annual Youth Leadership Lab in NYC, February 8th**

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY**

- **Holiday Boutique & Craft Fair**

**Saturday, November 2, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran,**  
1901 Northern Blvd., Manhasset (across from Crate & Barrel)

German/American Café: serving Bratwurst & Hot Dogs, Home-made Pea Soup, Chicken and Potato Salad, Dessert. Bake Shop and Country Store featuring homed jams, fudge, scotch shortbread and mini-apple pies, Homemade bread and butter pickles, assorted frozen soups to go. Boutique Shop with handcrafted gifts by members and vendors. A visit from Santa from 10 am to noon

- **Old Fashioned Victorian Bazaar**

**Saturday, November 2, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. St. Luke's Episcopal Church,**  
253 Glen Avenue, Sea Cliff

Country Kitchen: Homemade James & Jellies, Baked Good & Treats, Freshly Ground Spices, Freshly Pressed Apple Cider, Homemade Hot Lunch!!!

- **ANDREW YEARGIN – Organ Recital**

Wednesday, November 6 at 7:45 p.m.

Our organist and choirmaster Andrew Yeargin will perform a program of 20th century French organ music at **The Church of St. Mary the Virgin** at 145 West 46th Street in New York (between 6th and 7th Avenues in Times Square). The 1933 Æolian-Skinner pipe organ at St. Mary the Virgin is one of the largest and most spectacular instruments in the Northeast, and is especially suited to bringing this particular genre alive with its tremendously lavish sound.

Andrew is a candidate for the Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the Manhattan School of Music and a student of organist-composer McNeil Robinson. All are eagerly invited to attend and admission is free.

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***Calendar for the Month of November, 2013***

***Daylight Savings Ends on Sunday November 3. Remember to turn the clocks back.***

Sunday Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

Sunday School at 9:50 a.m.

Feasting on the Word at 11:30 a.m. (CRC)

Wednesday Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

Thursday Choir Rehearsal, Chancel Choir (Adult) 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

**The Feast of All Saints and the Faithful Departed, Sunday, November 3, 2013** at 10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist.

**Operation Christmas Child, Sundays November 10 & 17, 2013** Wrapping parties are after service in the CRC Library. All are invited to help.

**Youth Retreat Day, Saturday, November 16, 2013, "Twelve Hours of Gratefulness."**

**Operation Christmas Child, Sunday, November 17, 2013** Unwrapped and gift wrapped filled shoe boxes should be returned to church with the appropriate label.

**Vestry Meeting, Monday, November 18, 2013** Complines begins at 7:30 p.m. and Vestry Meeting at 7:45 p.m. in the CRC basement.

**Women's Potluck Dinner, Wednesday, November 20, 2013.** Senetta Koch's home at 45 West Shore Road, Manhasset.

**Joint Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service @CRC, November 24, 2013 Fourth Food Sunday.**  
Please remember to bring in your donations for the Freeport Emergency Food Center of the Long Island Council of Churches



**\*\*\*All Sunday School Classes will meet in the CRC Lounge.\*\*\***



**Thanksgiving, November 28, 2013,** Eucharistic celebration at 9:30 a.m.

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*Sunday Readings and Altar Flower Memorials & Thanksgiving for November*

**THE TWENTIETH- FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – NOVEMBER 3, 2013**  
**The Feast of All Saints and the Faithful Departed**

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Guy Osborne  
by the Osborne Family

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Robert Schmidt  
by the Schmidt Family

**THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – NOVEMBER 10, 2013**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 145:1-5,18-22; Ephesians 3:14-21;  
Matthew 22:15-22

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Lee Wright  
by the Holly and Ward Wright

**THE TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - NOVEMBER 17, 2013**

Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

**THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – NOVEMBER 24, 2013**

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; 2 Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of My Family  
by Marie Ferraro

**Thanksgiving Day – November 28, 2013**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

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*We are pleased to congratulate these friends and parishioners who have birthdays during this month...*



Brian Lightcap (3), Kate Wright (4), John Ryan (5), Margot Cyprus (8), Erica Wedeking (22), Kathy Bindert (24), Don Koch (25), Laura Pavlovich (28), Mary Jane Whalen (28), Megan Lightcap (29).