

# *The Chart*



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### *Wardens' Letter*

July 1, 2014

Summer is in full swing, and no doubt you find yourselves juggling summer family fun with the rigors of daily life and its commitments. We hope that as you do you will find time to attend church when you are in town and that you will also try to attend the Home Communion throughout the summer. (RSVP please to allow our hosts to plan accordingly.)

We are excited to report that after a robust and dynamic Affirmative Inquiry Process, in which the parish, Search Committee and Vestry each played a significant role, the Vestry has identified the Rector to be called to Christ Church. We are in the final stages of finalizing details with the candidate and the Bishop's office. Upon completion, we will announcement about our new Rector and plans for the Fall. Until then, we ask that you please keep Christ Church, the Vestry and the candidate in your prayers as we complete the process. We really are nearly there!

Meanwhile, renovations to both the Parish House and the Rectory are ongoing. We are very hopeful that we will be setting a date in the fall for a ribbon-cutting ceremony and celebration.

Please remember that Christ Church relies on your pledge commitments throughout the year, including the summer. While you may not attend church as regularly during the summer, operational costs continue without abatement during the summer. Thus, we ask that you please continue your contributions even if you are unable to attend church on a given Sunday.

We wish you a summer of joy, good health, relaxation and inspiration.

Ariana Tadler Paterson

Senior Warden

William Siener

Junior Warden

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## *Parish Notes:*

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

#### **The Gift of Waiting**

*Waiting is the ingredient necessary to a life of quality.* - Gertrud Mueller Nelson

All of my friends will tell you that I hate to wait. I fidget while standing in line. I get impatient when service is slow. I become frustrated if I have to stop working on a project because I need help to finish. And don't get me started on how fixated I get if a friend does not respond to my text or email in a "timely" manner. (Truthfully, I admit I may have an irrational expectation on the appropriate time lapse between sending and receiving!)

While my loved ones joke that this lack of patience comes from a grand sense of self-importance or extreme high maintenance, I know that it comes from a more complicated reason. In a nutshell, waiting scares me. It's not the lines, the slow service and unanswered correspondence that cause my fear. It's the silence, space and emptiness that, while subtle in life's simple things, come on full force in the challenges, conflicts and desires of life. This is the waiting that causes me to fear, and in turn, to question my dreams, distrust my abilities, diminish my worthiness and doubt God's unique plan for me.

How is it possible that good things will come at the end of my waiting period, despite many contrary experiences in the past? How can my stomach pain be nothing serious when my friend was diagnosed with stage 3 ovarian cancer? Why will I get the job of my dreams when my cousin is unemployed for the third year in a row? Why will my relationship work out when my neighbor's spouse was caught cheating with a colleague? How do I dare trust that God will take care of me and turn my greatest longings into the most joyous realities when so many others struggle and suffer in this world?

These questions have only one answer: *Wait and have faith.* I wish I could fully embrace it, but I know that while I can reassure myself with wise words of encouragement, my head spins with other ideas. Waiting is a burden. It is yet another obstacle to overcome. It is God, once again, saying "You can't have this." It feels like "No!" "In No Way!" "Not ever!!"

This summer, with its long days and relaxed schedule, I want to shift my belief about waiting. I want to befriend it. I want to trust it. I want to believe it is necessary for a life of abundance, joy and peace. When I find myself waiting, for a phone call or the fulfillment of a precious dream, I want to see it as time to rest, not work; a pause, not the end; a gift, not a punishment. I want to welcome its stillness as an opportunity to pray, be present in the moment, believe in a beautiful future and fully invite God in.

I'll let you know how it goes. It's definitely going to be a challenge, but I already can't wait to get started!

Summer blessings in your time of waiting,

Lesley

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### *Upcoming Events and News*

The Church Office will be closed from Saturday, July 12 to Monday, July 21. If there is a pastoral issue, please contact Fr. Charlie Colwell at 516-584-6122. All other calls should be directed to Warden Bill Siener at 516-570-0679.

#### **Substitutes Needed:**

The Parish Office is looking for volunteers to be substitutes for the monthly Assignment Schedule. You will only be called if a regularly scheduled parishioner is unable to fulfill their assignment. Please send the office your contact information so that you may be included in a list to be distributed to those on the assignment schedule.

Thank you to the following people who have volunteered to be substitutes, Heather Bennett, all positions, and Ward Wright for Chalice Bearer and Usher.

### July Assignment

Valerie Siener is having difficulty scheduling people to fulfill the Assignment Schedule. People are placed on the schedule and do not attend the service. If you know that you (and your family) will be away, please send Valerie an email at [siener@optonline.net](mailto:siener@optonline.net) with the days that you cannot serve so that you will not be scheduled. This notice should be sent to Valerie at least two weeks before the new month begins. For example, if you will be unable to serve a weekend in August, please notify Valerie no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot serve when assigned, please find a **substitute** and **notify** the office of the change no later than 12:00 pm on Friday.

### July Sunday Hospitality

#### Now until Sunday, July 27

Families have been asked to provide refreshments and serve **ice tea and juice** to both adults and children following the 10 a.m. service in the Church. Beverages for children and adults will be provided by the Church. Each Hospitality hour team will be responsible for bringing food items of their choice for **25-30** people (i.e. cookies, coffee cakes, donuts or bagels).

The following people are scheduled to host Sunday Hospitality.

July 6	Valerie Siener	570-0679
July 13	Kelly Butler	illinikelly@yahoo.com
July 20	Debbie Czegledy	365-6773
July 27	Cathy & Greg Trezza	484-2265



*Hospitality will now be held near the front side door on the eastside of the church.* If for some reason you are unable to host, please email **Holly Melichar** [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com) or call her at 516-404-6688.

### Summer Hospitality Volunteers

The Summer Schedule has begun and continues through August 31, Labor Day weekend. Volunteers are needed to provide "Hospitality/Fellowship" for *August 24 & 31*. A sign-up sheet will be located in the back of the church. If you should have any questions, please contact Holly Melichar at [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com) or 516-404-6688. **Iced tea and juice** will be provided by the Church.

### Summertime - Informal Home Communion

#### Wednesday Evenings in July at 7:00pm

The following have volunteered to host the Informal Home Communion.

July 9	Carlyn & Bill Casey	30 Brookside Drive, Plandome
July 16	Carol and Tom Allen	29 Eakins Road, Manhasset
July 23	Meaghan & John Janedis	51 Hawthorne Place, Manhasset
July 30	Laura & Bob Pavlovich	20 Gristmill Lane, Manhasset



Thank you to those who have volunteered their homes for the Home Communion. If for any reason you are unable to host, please contact Holly Melichar at [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com) or 516-404-6688 as soon as possible. **There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the church each week for you to indicate who will attend and what you will bring - - either an entrée, side dishes or dessert.**

**If you plan to attend the Home Communion for July 16 and do not RSVP on the sign-up sheet, please contact Holly Melichar, Fellowship Chair, so that the host can plan accordingly. The Parish Office will be closed that week and will not be able to relay this information to the host.**

## Second Annual Summer Arts Camp

Donations needed for Second Annual Summer Arts Camp: Please consider making a donation to our summer arts camp for underprivileged children. We need multiple donations of the following items:

- Gift cards to Michaels for art supplies and materials
- Gift cards to King Kullen for healthy snacks and drinks
- Scholarships (\$40 per child, 25 children total)



Our camp, offered in early August, will include five days of art-making, theater activities and bible study to nurture children's faith and deepen their relationship with God. Your support will help make this program a reality for dozens of children who, otherwise, would never get this opportunity. **Please make your donation check payable to CRC.** For more information, contact Lesley Mazzotta: [lesleymazzotta@gmail.com](mailto:lesleymazzotta@gmail.com) or 917-623-4554.

## Joint Women's Ministry is Making Blankets

Our Joint Women's Ministry is launching a summer long outreach project for our local hospital.

If you can knit or crochet, help us by making blankets for babies (3x3) and adults in the Palliative Care Units (5x5). We are also looking for donations of new fleece blankets. All blankets will be blessed at our worship service and delivered in early September. The women's ministry team is happy to offer a quick lesson, for those who have never knit or crochet before. Just ask!! More info to follow. In the meantime, if you have questions, contact Lesley Mazzotta: [lesleymazzotta@gmail.com](mailto:lesleymazzotta@gmail.com) or [917-623-4554](tel:917-623-4554)



## Coat Drive



As part of Christ Church's mission and community outreach, we are asking parishioners to donate any gently-used adult or children's winter coats/outwear that may be outgrown or no longer used. There is a coat rack at the back of the church for parishioners to use when donating coats. Coats will be collected and donated to organizations in the Fall, for their distribution to needy people for their use as we go into the winter months. So, as you clean out your closets to change from winter to spring clothes, please think to donate any coats to this purpose. See Vestry Members Carol Allen or Nick Cyprus who are chairing this effort, should you have any questions.

## Nursery Care will resume in September

### Fellowship

Fellowship is an important part of the Christ Church community. With our newly renovated Parish House opening this year, it will be a great space to have many more functions like the men's and the women's dinners, family parties and cocktail parties. If you have ANY suggestions or IDEAS please send them to Holly at [hbm10078@gmail.com](mailto:hbm10078@gmail.com) or call her at 516 404-6688.

## "Feasting on the Word" will resume in September

### 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

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.



## Children and Youth Activities

### • Youth Mission Trip 2014

**July 21 - 26, 2014**

This the combined Youth Groups of Christ Church, the Community Reformed Church, St. Mary's and the Congregational Church are heading to (drum roll please...) Atlanta, GA to join **Passport Camps** for a week of mission work!



Passports is a nonprofit company whose goal is to work for integrated, ecumenical, inspirational weeks of summer camp that model important lessons like service in the name of Christ. Founded in 1993, they have developed a reputation for creative, high quality Christian programs for students; moving and theologically stretching worship; an energetic staff; and hands on mission and discipleship experiences for youth and mission education for kids. They value both a freedom to dream, as well as a respect for tradition.

Our headquarters for the July week will be in a local church in Atlanta. We will be serving at various mission work sites for 6 hours each day. Most of these will likely involve working with Atlanta's homeless population, soup kitchens and possibly inner city children. We will be working, serving and living with other youth groups from around the country during the week. I believe the total capacity at our mission site is 75 youth.

Please keep our Manhasset youth in your thoughts and prayers as they travel to Atlanta, GA for a week of mission work from July 21 -26. A group of 32 young people and 5 adult chaperons will be serving Atlanta's homeless population and inner city children at various work sites around the city for 6 hours each day. Evenings include creative, high quality workshops, worship, fellowship and fun with other youth from around the country. For more information on the program, visit: [http://www.passportcamps.org/home/youth/Youth\\_2013/M2.html](http://www.passportcamps.org/home/youth/Youth_2013/M2.html).

## Vacation Bible School

**August 25-28**



Registration is now underway for the Vacation Bible School entitled, "Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and Build With God". VBS runs from 9AM – 12PM, Monday through Thursday at the Congregational Church, Manhasset. During the week, children will enjoy creative crafts, fun games, wonderful songs and exciting Bible stories. They will receive a colorful t-shirt, snacks, and a week to remember. The Vacation Bible School is open to all children ages 4 through 12. The materials fee for the week is \$50, and scholarships are available as needed. Space is limited, so call and register your child today by calling the Congregational Church office at (516) 627-4911.

## Save the Dates

### Second Annual Youth Fall BBQ/Messy Games Day

**Saturday, September 13**



A day of muddy tug of water, water balloon fights and other messy competitions along with good food, conversation and fun to kick off the new church year. Join your friends and other community youth from 12pm - 2pm at Rev. Lori Burgess' home, 90 Country Club Drive, Port Washington.



## Welcome Back Sunday

### September 14

Please join us for our first Sunday back from summer. Sunday School for Pre-K thru 9<sup>th</sup> grade starts at 9:50, worship services begin at 10:00 followed by our annual Ice Cream Sundae Sunday hospitality with the Community Reformed Church. Parents, watch your mail for our Sunday School information packet coming in late August.



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

### Town of North Hempstead Announces Schedule for Popular Senior Program FunDay Monday

Town of North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth and the North Hempstead Town Board are proud to announce the 2014 schedule for the FREE FunDay Monday senior program.

FunDay Monday, organized by the Town's Department of Community Services, has been a favorite of seniors in the Town for decades, and includes a series of events held every Monday from July 7th to August 25th at North Hempstead Beach Park in Port Washington. The four hour long events run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and feature a different theme each week.

"FunDay Monday is a fantastic series of events that allows our senior residents to see both new and familiar faces," said Supervisor Judi Bosworth. "Residents are able to have a lovely time at the beach, while enjoying entertainment and fun activities."

Each week, senior residents can take advantage of entertainment, fitness, games, music, and dancing. The weekly class schedule also features line dancing from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., yoga from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., and mahjong from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. In addition, FunDay Monday offers photo shoot hours from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. with photos being available to download at: [www.NorthHempsteadNY.gov/FunDayMonday](http://www.NorthHempsteadNY.gov/FunDayMonday).

The FunDay Monday Summer Event Schedule is:

- July 7** Welcome Back Seniors – Let the show begin, with a taste of Broadway by Sweet Lorraine.
- July 14** Swing Party – Swing into action with Jerry Costanzo and his swing band!
- July 21** Sock Hop – You don't need to put money in the Juke Box to rock along with Vic Vincent.
- July 28** Health Fair – Do you know someone who would benefit from the information and services at our annual Health Education Fair? Invite them to come or bring them with you
- August 4** Blue Hawaii – Sing along with Savannah Sky, then take a trip to the Polynesian Island with the amazing Dance Aloha, and let your dreams come true in Blue Hawaii.!
- August 11** Mardi Gras – Dancing, feathers, beads and masks! It's a celebration of jazz with local favorite Vincent Rhodes.
- August 18** Happy Anniversary FunDay Monday! – Take a historical tour across three decades of FunDay Mondays with our MC: KCG.
- August 25** HomeTown USA Family Day – You don't want to miss our celebration of American traditions, a special Salute to the Armed Forces, and the music of Banjo Rascals.

Free transportation is available. Seniors can call 311 for a list of bus pick-up locations or for more information on any of these events. If you wish to drive, there is no parking fee for seniors who attend FunDay Monday. Rain dates will be on Thursdays of the same week.

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**Calendar for the Month of July 2014**

Sunday	Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the Church.
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. in the Chapel.
July 4	Independence Day - Church Office closed.
July 9	Home Communion at 7 pm at the home of Carlyn & Bill Casey.
July 12 to 21	Church Office Closed. Parish Administrator on vacation.
July 16	Home Communion at 7pm at the home of Carol and Tom Allen.
July 21	Vestry Meeting, Compline at 7:15 pm and meeting at 7:30 pm in the CRC Lounge.
July 23	Home Communion at 7 pm at the home of Meaghan & John Janedis.
July 30	Home Communion at 7 pm at the home of Laura & Bob Pavlovich.

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***Sunday Readings and Altar Flower Memorials and Thanksgiving for July***

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 6, 2014

Genesis 24:34-38,42-49,58-67; Psalm 45:11-18; romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30  
Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Sandra Payson by Mrs. Lorinda deRoulet

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 13, 2014

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23  
Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Peggy Wright by Mr. Ward Wright

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 20, 2014

Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 39:1-11,22-23; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43  
Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Louis A. Trapp, Jr. by The Trapp Family

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, JULY 27, 2014

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11,45b; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52  
Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Nancy & Joseph Cioffi  
by Mrs. Louise Fribush

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

Brian Sternemann (5), Rosemary Andel (12), Gabbie Kessler (12), Emma Carr (14), Suzanne Parker (14), Max Smitham (22), Tim Carr (24), Evans Cyprus (24), Marlana McGill (27), Joseph Miletich (30).

*Our congratulations to all those friends and parishioners celebrating their wedding anniversary...*

Timothy and Lisa Carr (1), Arthur and Lisa Field (4)

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