



*The mission of Christ Church is to be a diverse, inclusive community,  
which, through its lively worship of Jesus Christ and witness in His name,  
serves the Christ in all persons and stands as a beacon of hope in the heart of Detroit.*

We have been at this location in the city since 1845 and continually strive to be a beacon of hope through our outreach, worship, and hospitality. A number of Detroit's founding families established this church. Today, we are a contemporary, open and affirming, multi-racial, multi-ethnic congregation, enlivened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ in the world around us. Some of us were born into the Episcopal Church, some were received into it as adults, and some of us are just discovering or exploring it now. We are straight and LGBT, single, married, divorced, and remarried, with and without children. We are a neighborhood church for city residents, and also a destination congregation for those from surrounding areas or across the Canadian border. We are all here because prayer and worship strengthen us in our daily lives, and because we have found community, acceptance, mission, and love. We hope you too will find a home among us.

If you would like to know more about Christ Church, we'd love to talk with you after the service, or you can explore our website at [christcd.org](http://christcd.org). Feel free to sign up for our weekly email update (use the "Contact Us" web page or call the church office) which provides more information about Sunday worship, Christian education for all ages, and other upcoming events. If you need anything else, please speak to an usher or fill out one of the welcome cards in the pew.

All blessings,

The People of Christ Church Detroit

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## NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC AND ART

For this 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, our crescendo leading to Christ the King Sunday continues. (One week to go!) The service begins with the second movement from Louis Vierne's second organ symphony. I program this work often in recitals because it's a piece with many pivotal movements; its overall characteristic is a long crescendo which plays into my thinking about these November Sundays. At the offertory, the choir is singing another spiritual arranged by the prolific composer Dr. Undine Smith Moore; "I Believe This Is Jesus" is both a proclamation of faith and an invitation for all to come and see. At the communion, the choir sings a text from the Book of Revelation, "And I Saw a New Heaven", set by British composer Edward Bainton. The service closes with the final movement from Vierne's second symphony.

– Dr. Edward Maki-Schramm, Director of Music

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# THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please email announcements to Beth Ann Tesluk, Associate for Communications, at [bethann@christcd.org](mailto:bethann@christcd.org) by Wednesday, November 20th. Bulletins are printed on Thursdays.

**Readings for Next Sunday, Track 2:** Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

## **SUSTAINING PRAYER LIST** Please continue to pray for these persons:

*Pat Ald, Ed Beverly, Harold Cherry, Donna Cillette, Asha Dhanarajan, Kathryn Ellis, Sarah Esse, Bill Fleming Sr., Christine Franklin, Mary Gaines, Carol Gilhuby, Anna Herold, Nan Keils, Mark Klein, Julia Lenhard, Karen Mason, Ruby Mays, Thelma McCrary, Brigitte Meide, Loretta Meide, Joseph Mondalek, Donald Moses, Deana Peck, Lori Rikken, Parker Roberts, Bill Solomon, Michael Thompson, Rosewhitha Wallace, Karen White.*

**History of Christ Church Detroit:** Curious about our founding families and the many generations of faithful people who have built and cared for this community? Session II "The Syrians" meets today in Cary Lounge, with our final meeting this year scheduled for the 24<sup>th</sup>. Conversations will continue into next year, as we begin to celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary! Our guiding texts are *Christ Church Detroit: A Beacon of Hope*, written by our 15<sup>th</sup> rector Erv Brown in 1995, and *The Syrian Americans & Christ Church Detroit* compiled in 1990 by Syrian American members of our church. Copies of each are available for suggested donations of \$25 and \$10 respectively.

**Ingathering Next Sunday!** Ingathering is both a gathering of people, and a gathering of the harvest. Bring your pledge card to church with you on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, where we will collect them as part of worship as we officially conclude our Fall Stewardship campaign.

**Support for Pope Francis Center: DATE CHANGE!** Fr. Tim is asking for our support at the City Council meeting slated for Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> for the vote on PFC's proposed Bridge Housing Facility in the Mt. Elliott and East Canfield neighborhood. The meeting will take place in the Erma Henderson Auditorium at 10am. The Auditorium is located on the 13th floor of the Coleman Young Municipal Building located at 2 Woodward Ave #1340, Detroit, MI 48226.

**Office Schedule – Thanksgiving Week:** The office will be closed on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> in honor of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Advent Spirituals:** On Tuesdays, December 3, 10, and 17, at 6:00pm, Christ Church and Trinity (Spirit of Hope) will join together in song and reflection. Held at Trinity (1519 MLK Jr Blvd, Detroit), these lively and contemplative evening services will be based in the music and tradition of African American Spirituals. More information coming soon.

**Advent by Candlelight, December 6:** Join the women of the church for this very special evening as they celebrate the start of Advent. Ledyard Hall is decorated with festive holiday finery, and hostesses welcome our guests to share in a lovingly prepared meal of shared dishes. Reverend Emily will be our speaker for the evening. Sign up is available in the Atrium, and watch your inbox for more information about how you can participate in this wonderful seasonal tradition. For more information, contact Betty Warner ([bswarner@ameritech.net](mailto:bswarner@ameritech.net)) or Liza Parkinson ([liza.parkinson@gmail.com](mailto:liza.parkinson@gmail.com)).

**Chip Dischinger's Ordination, December 14, 11am, Cathedral Church of St. Paul:** God willing and the People consenting, the Rt. Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., 10th Bishop of Michigan, will ordain George Lane "Chip" Dischinger III, Christine Fentress-Gannon, Annette Marie Mileski, and Jean-Pierre Martin Seguin to the Sacred Order of Deacons in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Your prayers and presence are requested. Reception to follow.

**"Meditation** is one of the most ancient and universal of all spiritual practices, and it is the cornerstone of a wisdom encounter with Christ" (Rev. Cynthia Bourgeault, *Wisdom Jesus*). All are welcome to try the **CCD Centering Prayer group** on Thursdays at 11 a.m. in Cary Lounge. No experience necessary, and simple instructions are given for newcomers. For more information, contact Karen Fleming [karenflem117@att.net](mailto:karenflem117@att.net) or Jon Miller [jonmillr@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jonmillr@sbcglobal.net).

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a name to add to the Prayers of the People, please contact the Rev. Emily at 313-259-6688 or [emily@christcd.org](mailto:emily@christcd.org). We also have a box (at the Atrium entrance) to receive your private written prayers, which will be remembered by the Thursday Meditation Group. Please continue to pray through the week for those named in both the Prayers of the People and the Sustaining List in the bulletin.

**Crossroads Donations – November's Item:** Your donation of non-perishable Thanksgiving themed items may be left in the baskets in various locations in the church. If you'd like to donate a turkey, Crossroads is accepting donations of frozen turkeys at either of their locations. They are also accepting gift cards; just note that it is to be used for Thanksgiving! Thank you for your donations!

# CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER

- 17 8:15am & 10:30am **Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost: Family Service**  
8:30-9:30am Breakfast (Ledyard Hall) – *open to all, \$5 suggested donation*  
9:00am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
9:15am Youth Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
9:30am Youth Sunday School (Lower Level)  
9:30am History of Christ Church (Ledyard Hall)  
9:30am Adult Bible Study (Sibley House)  
11:45am Coffee Hour (Ledyard Hall)
- 21 11:00am Meditation (Cary Lounge)  
5:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
6:00pm Vestry Meeting (Cary Lounge) – *All are welcome and invited!*
- 24 8:15am & 10:30am **The Feast of Christ the King – and ingathering of pledges!**  
8:30-9:30am Breakfast (Ledyard Hall) – *open to all, \$5 suggested donation*  
9:00am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
9:15am Youth Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
9:30am Youth Sunday School (Lower Level)  
9:30am History of Christ Church (Ledyard Hall)  
9:30am Adult Bible Study (Sibley House)  
11:45am Coffee Hour (Ledyard Hall)
- 28 *Thanksgiving Day – Church Office Closed*
- 29 *Church Office Closed*

## DECEMBER

- 1 8:15am & 10:30am **The First Sunday of Advent**  
8:30-9:30am Breakfast (Ledyard Hall) – *open to all, \$5 suggested donation*  
9:00am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
9:15am Youth Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
9:30am Youth Sunday School (Lower Level)  
9:30am Adult Bible Study (Sibley House)  
11:45am Coffee Hour (Ledyard Hall)
- 3 6:00pm Advent Evening Prayer (at Trinity Episcopal / Spirit of Hope: 1519 MLK Jr Blvd, Detroit)
- 5 11:00am Meditation (Cary Lounge)  
5:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Church)
- 6 6:00pm Advent by Candlelight: A Women's Evening
- 8 8:15am & 10:30am **The Second Sunday of Advent**  
8:30-9:30am Breakfast (Ledyard Hall) – *open to all, \$5 suggested donation*  
9:00am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
9:15am Youth Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
9:30am Youth Sunday School (Lower Level)  
9:30am Adult Bible Study (Sibley House)  
11:45am Coffee Hour (Ledyard Hall)

# Looking Ahead

J2A Christmas Bazaar, Sunday, December 15

Opera MODO presents *Dialogues of the Carmelites*, February 21 & 22, 2020

British vocal ensemble Apollo5 performs, March 1, 2020

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