

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lay Eucharistic Visitor & Minister Trainings: Would you like to experience communion more deeply? Would you like to help our congregation in important ways? Please consider becoming – or refreshing your training as – a Lay Eucharistic Visitor (LEV) or Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM)! LEVs work in pairs to bring communion and connection to parishioners at home. There are two upcoming opportunities for training (or re-training) as an **LEV**:

- The first option is coming up next Saturday, February 11th, from 10am-12pm in the Sanctuary
- The second option is Thursday, February 16th, from 12-2pm in Cary Lounge (with lunch provided, and Zoom available)

LEMs help serve communion in worship services, and there is a training (or re-training) on:

- Saturday, February 25th, 10am-12pm in the Sanctuary

Both are profound ministries, which let you deepen your own experience of Eucharist while sharing your time and talents. No previous experience is required. If you do have previous experience, please still attend a training for updates. Contact Rev. Emily to RSVP, ask questions, or learn more.

Newcomers Gathering: If you're new or feeling new at Christ Church Detroit, please join Danielle and Rev. Emily at Bobcat Bonnie's (1800 Michigan Ave, Detroit) on Friday, February 10th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. to hang out, enjoy yummy snacks, and learn more about one another and our life together at Christ Church. RSVP to Danielle (danielle@christcd.org) so we can get a headcount!

J2A Pancake Brunch: It's just like Shrove Tuesday, but on a SUNDAY! The J2A students invite you to their in-person pancake-palooza on Sunday, February 19th, following the 10:30 a.m. service. Classic pancakes & syrup will be on offer, plus all sorts of tummy-tempting toppings. Free will offering, with all proceeds going to support the J2A pilgrimage this summer.

Diocesan Celebration of Absalom Jones: Bishop Bonnie Perry cordially invites you to attend a service commemorating the Life and Ministry of The Rev. Absalom Jones, Prophet, Priest, and Pastor, on Sunday, February 19th, at 4:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (4800 Woodward, Detroit). The Very Rev. Owen C. Thompson, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Cincinnati, will preach.

Volunteer at Gleaners (new location): We're renewing our work with Gleaners Food Bank! Join CCD friends to help pack food at a new location (near I-94 & the Southfield Freeway) on Friday, February 24th from 1:30-4:00 p.m. There are 15 spots available. Sign up in the Atrium or via the eNews!

Lenten Book Study: On Sundays at 9:30 a.m. during Lent (February 26-March 26), our seminarian Sandy Flanigan Zull will lead a *visio divina* (divine seeing) course based on a book called *Allegories of Heaven* by Dinah Roe Kendall, which includes evocative paintings of Jesus' ministry, passion, and resurrection. No advance preparation is needed, and materials will be provided in each class.

Apollo5 Concert, March 4th: We're thrilled that the award-winning vocal ensemble Apollo5 is returning to Christ Church Detroit! Apollo5 will perform a concert in the sanctuary on Saturday, March 4th, at 7:00 p.m., and join our 10:30 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday, March 5th. Tickets are available online.

Hafli, May 20th: Save the date! Hafli, a Syrian-American dinner dance benefiting J2A youth, returns on Saturday evening, May 20th in Ledyard Hall! More information available soon.

2023 Vestry Members & Officers: Congratulations to each of the new members elected to the Vestry at last Sunday's Annual Meeting: Paul Abdullah, Mary Brown, Mary Herring, Hope Hoffman, and Josephine Powell! The 2023 Vestry met together directly after the Annual Meeting to elect officers. Congratulations to Ruth Boeder, who is the new Senior Warden, after having served as Junior Warden last year; Mary Brown, who is stepping into the role of Junior Warden with a focus on pastoral care; Stephanie Wren, who is continuing as Secretary; and Howard Matthew, who, although having just completed a Vestry term, is continuing as Treasurer. Thank you all for your leadership and service!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

adapted from *Common Worship*

Celebrant Jesus calls us out of despair into hope. Let us pray.

Reader Lord Jesus, beloved Son, strengthen us to seek and live in your love.

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, King of kings, hear us as we pray for our world and our country, especially Joe our president, Gretchen our governor, Michael our mayor, our courts and legislatures, and all who hold authority.

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, eternal Word, hear us as we pray for those who proclaim your word, especially Justin our Archbishop; Michael our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie our bishop; Emily and David our priests; Sandy our seminarian; and all who teach, preach, challenge, and encourage.

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, teach your Church to depend on your grace. In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the congregations of St. John the Evangelist, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; St. Michael & All Angels, Lincoln Park; All Saints', East Lansing; and Mother of the Savior, Arab-American Christian Ministry, Dearborn.

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, God-with-us, embrace us with joy. We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays this week, including *Clarence Banton, Jennifer Goodfellow, Gus Mondalek, Alexander Simmer*, and those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, Prince of peace, give hope to all who yearn for wholeness. We pray especially for *John Aurand, Maura Campbell, Dorothy Coleman, Miriam Costandi, Susan K. Devereaux, Judy Fallon, John Keils, Matthew Klein, Madelyn Lenhard Laurer, Mimi Van Scoter, Bob Vitolins, Mary Wilbert, Lydia Z.*, and those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Lord Jesus, Alpha and Omega, welcome into light perpetual those we love but see no longer. We pray for all who have died, especially for Salma Dib (mother of Allan and Albert Dib) who died on January 28th and was buried from the church on February 2nd, and those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)

Lord of light,

All **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, in and through you the Creator makes all things new. Transform our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory. In your holy name we pray.

All **Amen.**

SUSTAINING PRAYER LIST

Please continue to pray for these persons:

Pat Ald, Katherine Baker, Genet Barthwell, Stacey Becker, Ismat Begum, Ed Beverly, Donna Cillette, Margie Deeb, Asha Dhanarajan, David Dieter, Kate Latham Driscoll, Debbie Faust, Christine Franklin, Carol Gove, Ronald Griffin, Judith, Lauren Keils, Lucinda Keils, Nan Keils, Kelly, Mark Klein, Julia Lenhard, Edna Lock, Arnold Matthews, Ruby Mays, Thelma McCrary, Jane McFeehy, Linda Olivache, Pat, Lori Rikken, Parker Roberts, Irene Ryke, Dennis Scanland, Atticus Schoonover, Tom Solomon, John T., Sue Urbanski

To add yourself or someone you know to the prayer lists, or to inform of a recovery, please contact Rev. Emily (emily@christcd.org) or the office (officestaff@christcd.org).

The Sustaining Prayer list, intended for long-term support, is prayed on weekdays including at Thursday Centering Prayer. The Prayers of the People, for critical needs, is prayed aloud on Sundays. Thank you for lifting one another up in prayer and love.

THE 2023 VESTRY & OFFICERS

Ruth Boeder	Sr. Warden ('24)	Mary Brown	Jr. Warden ('26)
Paul Abdullah	Class of 2026	John Leney	Class of 2024
Claire Brown	Class of 2025	Anthony Mitchell	Class of 2024
Mary Herring	Class of 2026	Josephine Powell	Class of 2024
Hope Hoffman	Class of 2026	Caroline Widak	Class of 2025
M. David Jackson	Class of 2025	Stephanie Wren	Secretary ('25)

Howard Matthew, Treasurer (Non-Vestry)
The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey, Presiding Officer

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ART

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor and memory of Salma Dib, who died on January 28th and was buried from the church this past Thursday, February 2nd. May Salma's soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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The woodcut artwork on the bulletin cover is called *Let Your Light Shine*. It “reflects” today's Gospel, in which Jesus says, “Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.” About it, the artist, the Rev. Cara B. Hochhalter, writes: “Perhaps we might let God's light be reflected in the ways we live and act in this world, knowing that it comes from a source within but also beyond ourselves.” She adds, “In the image, I turned the block upside down to create a ‘shadow’ print. Once again, I was surprised at what appeared. There is an echo of the flame, in reverse, the candle itself. It is an inner light that is exactly what Jesus tells us not to hide. Perhaps finding his light inspires our own good works in the world, as we also look for it in others.” Hochhalter is a United Church of Christ (UCC) minister, who serves at the intersections of art, theology and justice. *Let Your Light Shine* is reprinted here with permission under the Creative Commons Attribution Noncommercial License of Vanderbilt University.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey, <i>Rector</i>
<i>Preacher</i>	Ms. Sandra Flanigan Zull, <i>Seminarian</i>
<i>Organist</i>	Dr. Edward Maki-Schramm, <i>Director of Music</i>
<i>Choral Octet</i>	Corinthia Sims, Katrina Van Maanen, Elizabeth Medvinsky, Calebria Webb, Dorian Dillard II, James Moore, Mariyon Turner, Greg Williams
<i>Crucifer</i>	Ava White
<i>Gospel Bearer</i>	Stella Hughes
<i>Lector</i>	8:15 Clarke Mason; 10:30 Seth Lloyd
<i>Intercessor</i>	8:15 Clarke Mason; 10:30 Jim Treece
<i>Chalice Bearers</i>	8:15 Clarke Mason, Lisa C. Jones 10:30 Jim Treece, Sandy Zull
<i>Vestry Representative</i>	8:15 Mary Brown
<i>Livestream Team</i>	Chuck Atwater, Desmond Jones, Taylor Matthew
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Bobbi Gaspar, Hope Hoffman, Sally Wheeler
<i>Floral Iconographer</i>	Richard Thomas
<i>Children's Assistant</i>	Megan Carnevale
<i>Breakfast</i>	Jon Miller, Eamon Harnois, Lurdes Arambula, and family
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Barry Dickson & Sue Webb-Dickson