THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest Musician Today: We welcome soprano Lily Belle Czartorski to the 10:30 a.m. service today. Lily Belle is an established performer from Rochester Hills, Michigan. With a passion for crossover singing, Lily has traveled performing *a cappella* and pop music, and has been involved in several professional musicals either music directing or performing. Lily Belle served as the music director for Gold Vibrations, Oakland University's national award-winning *a cappella* group and is featured on their album "Anthem". She is a winner of the 2019 Oakland Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition, the 2019 Opera MODO Aria Competition, and most recently placed third and audience choice award in the 2020 Grand Rapids National Collegiate Vocal Competition. In addition to her vocal talents, Lily Belle plays the saxophone, steel drums, and piano. Lily Belle is also on TikTok and Instagram @lilybelleoftheskate where she merges comedy with opera!

Welcome, Joshilyn! Good news! We're excited to welcome Ms. Joshilyn Hoisington as our full-time Parish Administrator, starting the week of August 12th. Joshilyn currently works at Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City, and will be moving to Detroit in a couple weeks to be closer to family and friends who reside throughout the state. Joshilyn has deep experience in administration, including information technology, systems, and all things detail-oriented. She brings the same attentiveness to relationships and organization within the church, including liturgy and evangelism, and is even an accomplished musician. Joshilyn holds a B.A. in Classics from Grand Valley State University, a J.D. from Western Michigan University which led to work in legal research, and an M.S. (ABD) in Information Science from the University of Michigan. Joshilyn will be present regularly on Sundays and at special events, as well as throughout the week, and looks forward to meeting you.

Capital Campaign Projects: Construction crews will begin work on capital projects tomorrow morning! Our general contractor firm is AMHigley of Detroit, a highly respected company founded in Ohio in 1925 (coincidentally, right after Ledyard Hall was built) whose vision is "building community through mission-driven construction." Throughout these next few months, AMHigley, along with our architects at Quinn Evans and our owner's representatives at BDC Consulting, will oversee several subcontractors to start to bring our capital campaign dreams to fruition! RAM Construction will repair masonry of Ledyard Hall (fix the literal bricks and mortar), complete the restoration of the bell tower, install stormwater drainage systems in the courtyard to protect both Sibley House and the sanctuary, and waterproof the Lower Level. Detroit Cornice will replace the roof of Ledyard Hall. After that, BlackBerry Systems will replace the windows in Ledyard Hall. Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts to make this critical work possible!

Sunday Morning Book Discussion: Continuing today, join Edwina Simpson and Marguerite Carlton for continued discussion of *The Gift of Years: Growing Old Gracefully* written by Joan Chittester, one of today's most celebrated spiritual writers. This book invites us to embrace older age as a natural part of life to be cherished. Divided into 40 segments with topics that range from regret to mystery to learning to legacy, with each one speaking to the burdens and blessings of aging. Each segment is short and is a topic in and of itself, making it easy to join as your schedule allows. This group will meet Sundays in Cary Lounge or Sibley House from 9:30-10:15 a.m. If you have any questions, contact Edwina, edwinamsimpson@gmail.com, ph. 313-980-0181, or Marguerite, mcarltonjw@aol.com.

A Successful Day at Gleaners: This past Tuesday, CCD parishioners Janet Pope, Ruth Boeder, Al Carter, Kerry Crenshaw, Bob Brown, Clarke Mason, and Seth Lloyd headed out to the Gleaners warehouse in Taylor for a morning of volunteering. Alongside volunteers from Rocket Mortgage, they assembled and packed almost 800 ten-pound boxes of food. This is enough to create over 5,000 meals! It's amazing what can be accomplished in just a few hours, and how much support we can offer those in need with such a brief commitment of our time. If you are interested in joining these efforts, please let Seth know (smlloyd4@gmail.com), and watch for more opportunities as they become available.

Support our Bag Lunch Program: While members of the Outreach Committee have been actively working on the Sunday lunch ministry program, *everyone* is welcome and invited to help! Volunteers are needed to help fill the brown paper lunch bags each Sunday after the service, to help make the sandwiches, and to pass them out in front of the church. Each Sunday, we have experienced a growing number of our unhoused neighbors lining up—now more than sixty per day! To help, please let Josephine Powell (<u>license123@aol.com</u>) or any member of the Outreach Committee know. Please sign up with Josephine, on the Atrium bulletin board, or in the eNews for any Sundays through August.

Summer Hospitality: With the summer heat, the Breakfast Teams switch to lighter fare, rather than firing up the oven. To contribute to a continental breakfast over the summer, contact Betty at bettywarner48@gmail.com. Coffee Hour is also simpler, to keep things cool! We can always use a hand setting things out, or cleaning up afterwards. Sign up in the Atrium or online. Thank you!

Worship in the Park & Picnic! Our annual Worship in the Park service will take place on Belle Isle on Sunday, August 25th! There will of course be a delicious picnic to follow. Watch for more details coming soon, including how you can help out!

Online Art Classes: Parishioner & choir member Sally LePla leads fun, informal, online art classes called "Drawing with a Tea" on most Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom. The classes started in April 2020 as something fun to do during pandemic shutdown, and have been growing since then! The next series starts on Tuesday, August 6th and all are absolutely welcome to join or drop in at any time! It's a great chance to explore your creativity with Christ Church friends. No experience needed, and no expensive supplies – dollar store watercolors work just fine! Find the Zoom link in the eNews or by contacting Sally at sallylepla5283@gmail.com.

Detroit Artists Market: Parishioner Marguerite Carlton is on of the artists in the Detroit Artists Market Annual, on view through August 10th at 4719 Woodward Ave, Detroit, 48201. For more info, visit DetroitArtistsMarket.org. Congratulations, Marguerite!

Faithful Fridays: The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan has put together several resources to help parishes approach the 2024 election faithfully. Visit edomi.org/election to view recommended reading, explore opportunities for conversation, and sign up for a weekly Friday e-newsletter.

Adult Bible Study: All are welcome to join our Adult Bible Study, which will resume on Sunday, September 8th at 9:30 a.m. in Cary Lounge. There is no homework, and weekly attendance isn't required! Led by Barbara Cushing, we'll begin our year of reading with the Gospel of Mark, which we hear on most Sundays during this liturgical year, including this fall. Insightful contemporary commentators will help us through this journey. For more information, including a full syllabus, see the eNews or christcd.org/adult_education.

Giving Statements: Mid-year pledge & giving statements are in the process of being mailed to homes. Thank you so much for your generosity and support of Christ Church Detroit!

Don't Take Your Pledge on Vacation! You can fulfill your pledge even if you won't be in church on Sunday by giving online or mailing your offering to the office: 960 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48207

Stock Change: If you're thinking of giving stock to meet your annual pledge or capital campaign pledge, the transfer information has changed! Please contact Randy Gilchrist in the office (313-259-6688) for updated information on how to transfer stock to the church.

Staff Vacations: Beth Ann, Associate for Communications, will be away July 29th—August 4th.

THE 2024 VESTRY & OFFICERS

Jim Treece	Sr. Warden ('27)	Mary Brown	Jr. Warden ('26)
Mary Herring	Secretary ('26)	Paul Abdullah	Treasurer ('26)
Claire Brown	Class of 2025	Hope Hoffman	Class of 2026
Sonia Charron-Jones	Class of 2027	M. David Jackson	Class of 2025
Jennifer Collard	Class of 2027	Taylor Matthew	Class of 2025
Bobbi Gaspar	Class of 2027	Caroline Widak	Class of 2025

The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey, Presiding Officer

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ARTS

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ASSISTING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey, Rector

Organist Dr. Edward Maki-Schramm, Director of Music

Soloist Lily Belle Czartorski, soprano

Lector 8:15 Jon Miller

10:30 Jocelyn Burrell

Lay Eucharistic Ministers 8:15 Jon Miller

10:30 Bob Brown, Bobbi Gaspar

Livestream Team Chuck Atwater, Desmond Jones, Jim Treece

Sacristan Jane Forbes

Usher Sonia Charron-Jones

Floral Iconographer Richard Thomas

Nursery Staff Dahlia Medvinsky, Ari Medvinsky

Breakfast Letha Ann Steward, Phil Brown

Coffee Hour Lauren Leney