THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attend a Dinner Gathering: The Stewardship Committee is coordinating a series of dinners in late October through early November, and all are invited! These are easy gatherings to get to know one another, explore how to connect more deeply with the church, and share what inspires us to give to this beloved community. Sign up in the Atrium or in the eNews to attend a dinner, and contact Dean (me@deanpsimmer.com) or Beth Ann (bethann@christcd.org) for more information.

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Halloween Sunday: Next Sunday, October 26th, costumes for people of all ages are encouraged, as our kids lead the way in celebrating Halloween! Enjoy a festive Coffee Hour, too.

All Souls Eucharist with Fauré's Requiem: On Thursday, October 30th, at 7:00 p.m. the choir & clergy will lead an evening Eucharist in honor of All Souls, featuring movements from Fauré's *Requiem*, followed by a sherry reception in Ledyard Hall. It's a beautiful evening to invite friends and family.

Part of the **All Souls' tradition** at Christ Church is to bring framed, labeled photos of loved ones to place on tables of remembrance throughout the sanctuary. You may bring yours at any time, and leave them in the Atrium until the 30th. They will then be on display through All Saints', November 2nd.

Memorial Flowers & Music: Dedications to Special Music & Flowers are beautiful ways to honor loved ones whom we have lost. To include a loved one by name in the list of special memorial dedications in the All Saints' & All Souls' bulletins, please make your dedications & donations by Monday, October 27th. Suggested donation of $25 per dedication. Contact Joshilyn in the office at 313-259-6688 or joshilyn@christcd.org for assistance or with any questions.

Feast of Christ the King: A church's patronal feast is when it celebrates the saint for which it's named. Here at Christ Church, we will celebrate our patron "saint" on the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday, November 23rd, with a festal liturgy and ingathering of pledges for 2026. The Feast of Christ the King is also the final Sunday of the church year, before Advent begins on Sunday, November 30th.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Gather in the Gardens: Tomorrow, Monday, October 20, at 6:00 p.m. (note the new time), join Gwen Ald outside the church for some raking and other fall tasks. As daylight wanes, we're gathering a little earlier to tidy up the gardens and prepare them for the change in seasons, and the work is getting lighter as the days get shorter! *This will be the last session of the season.* Thanks for your help!

Kitchen Renovation Update: We are in the process of contracting with a general contractor to begin renovating the kitchen. We look forward to sharing next steps soon!

Solar Panels are Coming: Christ Church is one of twelve Detroit congregations awarded a generous grant from the EPA to become a Climate Resilience Hub. This grant will provide for solar panels to be installed over parts of our buildings, so that we spend less on electricity and more on serving our neighbors. The grant will also provide a generator so that we can provide food, shelter, and device-charging during any power outages in our neighborhood.

Creation Care- Breakfast Edition: The breakfast cook teams are transitioning to poultry-based sausage and bacon in consideration of environmental impact, as well as for health and costs. It takes vastly more resources to produce a pound of industrial red meat (especially beef, but also pork and lamb) in comparison wit poultry and fish. Thanks to Jon Miller for this update!

Music

Crossroads Choir Concert: On Saturday, November 1st, at 7:00 p.m., Crossroads, a new Detroit vocal ensemble, returns to Christ Church with "A Concert for All Souls". This concert explores the expansive meaning of "All Souls" through the eyes of their artists, including choir member Mike Rowan and Detroit Women's Chorus director Jillian Burgam. Through soul-searching melodies to the Queen of Soul, the ensemble navigates belonging, loss, and the crossroads between life and death.

The next **Candlelight Concerts** at Christ Church will take place on Saturdays, November 8th, 15th, and 29th, with a range of offerings including a Tribute to Adele, Hip Hop on Strings, 90s Unplugged, and Coldplay vs. Imagine Dragons. Visit feverup.com/en/detroit/candlelight for more info & to buy tickets.

Dido & Aeneas: Opera de Metro will present Henry Purcell's opera *Dido & Aeneas* at Christ Church Detroit on Friday, November 14th at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 16th at 3:00 p.m. Opera de Metro is a Metro Detroit-based opera company in its debut season. Its mission is to inspire enthusiasm for opera in the communities of Metro Detroit, creating productions that enchant modern audiences and investing in audience education. Visit operademetro.org to learn more and purchase tickets.

The **Detroit Women's Chorus** presents a fall concert on Saturday, November 22nd at 7:00 p.m., followed by an afterglow, right here at Christ Church. The DWC is for all self-identified women, including people who identify outside the gender binary, and anyone who wishes to join their voice in support of human rights, acceptance, and social equality. There are no auditions—all are welcome. Their concerts are an absolute delight, filled with warmth, hope, and inspiration.

December Concerts: Christ Church is excited to host the following concerts in December!

- The Madrigal Chorale's Holiday Concert on Saturday, December 6th at 7:30 p.m.
- The Community Chorus of Detroit's Holiday Concerts on Friday, December 12th at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 13th at 4:00 p.m.
- Candlelight "Coldplay vs. Imagine Dragons" Concerts on Saturday evening, December 20th
- Candlelight Holiday Concerts on Friday, December 26th & Saturday, December 27th

Education

Youth Sunday School begins on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and involves Godly Play for children ages 3-12; a LEGO® Bible Group for ages 8-14; Youth Choir and Beginner Bell Choir; an Acolyte Program, a Nursery, and more. Participate in this joyful community and bring your friends & family, too!

"Preparing for Sunday" Continues: The lectionary study group led by pastoral assistant Sandy Zull continues on Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m. in Cary Lounge.

News of the People

Cheers to 100 Years! Our dear sister Thelma McCrary just celebrated her 100th birthday! Please send your well wishes to her at: 6257 Telegraph Road, Apt 226, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301-1659

In the Neighborhood

Palms Apartments Tours: Join Detroit History Tours and the Albert Kahn Legacy Foundation for exclusive tours of the under-renovation, historic Palms Apartments (1001 E Jefferson Ave, 48207) at the northwest corner of Jefferson & Rivard. Standing since 1902, this apartment building, designed by Albert Kahn, is undergoing a profound restoration. Together with your guide, you'll explore the preserved craftsmanship of the 1900s and the rehabilitation possibilities of the 21st century. Tours will take place on Saturdays, November 8th and 22nd. Visit detroithistorytours.com for tickets ($25).