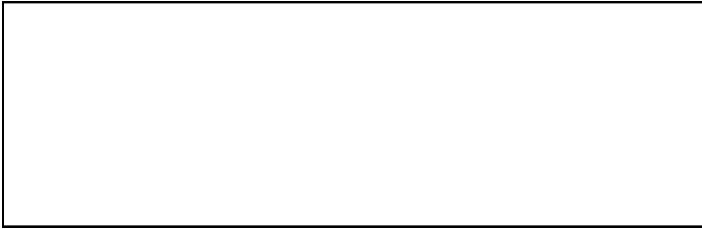


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MARCH/APRIL 2023



Holy Week and Easter At Christ Church

Palm Sunday: April 2, 2023

Service of Holy Communion
Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am
Choral Concert: Lenten Reflections 5:30 pm
(Childcare available for concert)

Wednesday in Holy Week: April 5

10:00 am Service

Maundy Thursday: April 6

5:30 pm Choral Service
Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday: April 7

12:00 pm (choral) and 5:30 pm Services

Easter Sunday: April 9

Identical Choral Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am
Nursery care available during both Services



March 1, 2023

Dear Friends of Christ Church,

We are writing to update you regarding Ron's health status and medical leave. Ron has given us permission to share with you the sad news that he has been diagnosed with a neurological syndrome known as primary progressive aphasia. In light of this diagnosis, Ron will remain on leave while he works through plans to end his active ministry.

Our next steps as wardens and vestry will be to work with the diocese to identify dedicated interim clergy.

While this is hard news to hear, our parish has come together this past year and we have accomplished much. Our wonderful staff and volunteers have kept our operations running smoothly. The input from our listening sessions provides us with the foundation for a good plan to continue our mission and nurture our parish community. We will continue to keep you updated as we work through the timing and process of Ron's transition and our next steps with interim clergy.

This has been a challenging time for Ron and he has greatly appreciated the concern and support he has received from our parishioners. Please continue to offer him your love, prayers and fellowship.

Please also join us on April 30th to celebrate Ron's ministry with all of us at Christ Church Pittsford during a special coffee hour (one following each service) that will be held in his honor.

Thank you for your continued support for Ron and for our parish.

Yours in Christ,

Hilary Guthrie and Daryl Sharp, wardens

Mark Dwyer, Jane Gorsline, Alan Jonason,

Patty Sampson-Bouchard, Jeremy Brown, Natalie Mai-Dixon,

Nahoko Kawakyu-O'Connor, Mike Kramer, Richard Smith, vestry

SUNDAY FORUM: REGRETS!

Sunday, March 12 after both services

Presented by Joyce Porrey

We all have them! Science has revealed some fascinating research on this topic and there are useful strategies to move forward from them in healthy ways. This is NOT a therapy session but a light-hearted look at a serious topic. The content of this forum is based on Daniel Pink's recently published book, *The Power of Regret – How Looking Backward Moves Us Forward*. I hope you can join me.

FORUMS WITH MARK BRUMMITT

Sunday, March 19 and March 26

He will lead us through the end of Lent.

HOLY COMMUNION CLASS FOR CHILDREN

WITH THE REV. VIRGINIA TYLER SMITH

**Palm Sunday, April 2 following the 10 am Service in the Church
(about 50 minutes)**

This class is open to children in second grade or older to learn about the meaning and practicalities of receiving Holy Communion. Children whose parents want their children to receive instruction before beginning to receive Holy Communion and children who have already been receiving communion but whose parents desire instruction are welcome to attend. Please register for the class by emailing Cindy Kline (parishadmin@christchurchpittsford.com) or by calling the parish office, 585-586-1226.



FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Friday, April 14

Mark your calendar for a night of family fun, food and fellowship. More information is coming soon.



CALENDAR

The Altar Guild meets every Saturday morning at 9:00 am

Sunday, March 5

8:00 am Service with Holy Communion
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Service with Holy Communion
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour
11:15 am Confirmation Class

Monday, March 6

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen

Wednesday, March 8

10:00 am Worship Service
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 9

7:00 pm Women's Book Club

Saturday, March 11

10:00 am Women's Retreat

Sunday, March 12

8:00 am Service with Holy Communion
9:00 am Coffee Hour
9:00 am Forum: Regrets
10:00 am Service with Holy Communion
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour
11:00 am Forum: Regrets
11:15 am Confirmation Class

Monday, March 13

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen

Tuesday, March 14

12:00 pm Caregivers' Luncheon
5:45 pm Vestry

Wednesday, March 15

10:00 am Worship Service

Sunday, March 19

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:00 am Coffee Hour
9:00 am Forum: Mark Brummitt
10:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour
11:15 am Forum: Mark Brummitt
11:15 am Confirmation Class

Monday, March 20

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen Class

Tuesday, March 21

3:00 pm Non Fiction Book Club

Wednesday, March 22

10:00 am Worship Service
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 23

4:00 pm Cloverwood Service

Sunday, March 26

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:00 am Coffee Hour
9:00 am Forum: Mark Brummitt
10:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour
11:15 am Forum: Mark Brummitt
11:15 am Confirmation Class

Wednesday, March 29

10:00 am Worship Service
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 30

11:00 am Highlands Service

Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:00 am Sunday School Workshop and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour
5:30 pm Choral Concert: Lenten Reflections (Childcare available for concert)

Wednesday, April 5

10:00 am Worship Service

Thursday, April 6 Maudy Thursday

5:30 pm Choral Service with the Stripping of the Altar

Friday April 7 Good Friday

12:00 pm Worship Service (choral)
5:30 pm Worship Service

Sunday, April 9 Easter Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
Nursery Care Available
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:00 am Sunday School Workshop & Nursery Care Available
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, April 10

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen

Tuesday, April 11

12:00 pm Caregiver's Luncheon

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP

The Sunday School program continues to grow as we welcome new and returning families. Our youngest parishioners in Pre-K through 1st grade are learning stories of Jesus's interactions with others through the Godly Play curriculum. Second through fifth graders are taking a break from well-known stories in Genesis to follow a Lenten theme called "Treasure of the Heart." The children are learning about Jesus's travels and his effect on those around him.

The Youth Group has had a busy winter, both during and outside of Sunday School. They have enjoyed stimulating discussions and fun projects with Pat Morrow on Sunday mornings, and had a terrific outing to Greystone Tubing in Walworth on a great day in February. In March, beloved retired Pittsford Sutherland English teacher and published poet George Steele will share his knowledge in a two-part Sunday School lesson called "Faith in Poetry". Several well-known poets integrated faith into their poems; the group will discuss some of these works and the relevance to their own lives and struggles.

Last chance! Confirmation classes for youth in grades 8+ start on Sunday, March 5 after the 10:00 service. Please call the office at 586-1226 if you have any questions or are interested in registering your youth.

HELP WANTED! Opportunities abound for youth and adults. Please contact Liz at sundayschool@christchurchpittsford.com if you are interested. Youth may also be able to earn school community service credit for these volunteer activities.

Acolytes: Children and youth in grades 5+ are invited to assist during the 10:00 service as acolytes. Training is available. Being an acolyte is a great way for youth to learn more about liturgy and traditions in the Episcopal church.

Classroom Volunteers: The Pre-K-1st grade and 2nd-5th grade classrooms are always looking for volunteers! Adults and youth in 7th grade or higher are encouraged to consider assisting in this important ministry. Schedules are flexible and no experience is necessary.

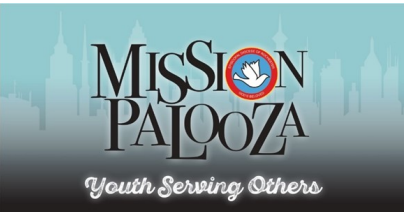
Summer Preview:

We are planning **Missionpalooza's** return for youth entering grades 7-12. Missionpalooza is a week-long event where youth participate in community service projects throughout the

Rochester area. We are tentatively planning Missionpalooza for **July 24-28**.



Vacation Bible School is also returning this summer! Come join Super Meer the Meerkat and everyone at the Hero Hotline and be "Called Together to Serve God!" Children entering Pre-K through 5th grade are invited to register and friends are welcome. Youth entering 6th-12th grade and adults will be needed to make this year's VBS a fun and exciting success. The tentative date is **August 7-11**, and we will share more information in the spring.





Our listening session brunch was a great success. If you missed the brunch and would like to see the results of the sessions, you can find them at <https://www.christchurchpittsford.com/about-us>.



The Youth Group really enjoyed the tubing outing in February!



CAREGIVERS' LUNCHEON

Tuesday, No March Luncheon, April 11 at 12:00 pm

Caregivers meets the second Tuesday of the month at Christ Church. All participants must be caring for a loved one in their personal lives. We offer nourishments for the body, mind and soul. Lead by two very experienced caregivers: Jamie Hill and Laurie Sorge. This group is not limited to members of Christ Church, that means if you have a friend or relative or even a “friend of a friend” in need, please contact Cindy at the church office at 586-1226 or Laurie Sorge at 703-3503 and we will take it from there!

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, March 11 at 10:00 am

Spring Cleaning for the Soul, please contact Nancy Dhurjaty for more information, nancydhurjaty@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 on Zoom

Our next book is *The Reading List* by Sara Adams. This is a novel about how a chance encounter with a lit of library books helps forge an unlikely friendship between two very different people in a London suburb. For additional information please contact Suzanne Lee (leeharris@frontiernet.net)

NONFICTION BOOK CLUB

March 21, 2023 at 3:00 pm to discuss *The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair That Changed America* by Erik Larsen. Larsen's book focuses on the events surrounding the 1893 Chicago World's Fair and the stories of two men: Daniel H. Burnham the architect responsible for the fair's construction, and H.H. Holmes, a serial killer masquerading as a charming doctor.

April 18, 2023 at 3:00 pm to discuss *The Agitators: Three Friends Who Fought for Abolition and Women's Rights* by Doroth Wickenden. In Auburn, NY, in the mid-nineteenth century, Martha Wright and Francis Seward were inspired by Harriet Tubman's rescues in the dangerous territory of Eastern Maryland and opened their basement kitchens as stations on the Underground Railroad.

We welcome all members of the parish and their friends to participate in the book club. Meetings will be held in a hybrid format with both in person attendance and via Zoom. Zoom information will be distributed near the date of the meeting. To get more information about the book club, to be added to our distribution list or to suggest a book for discussion please contact Jim Baroody (jimbaroody@gmail.com)

STRETCH AND STRENGTHEN CLASS

Mondays at 10:00 am (new time)

Everyone is welcome! Please join us for our healthful “Stretch and Strengthen” class in the Fellowship Room. Beginners and all levels are welcome. There is no time like winter to start improving our fitness level. Certified instructor, Lauren Lorentz, leads the class. The cost is \$10.00 per person per class.