



Vocational Deacons in the Episcopal Church (and at Christ Church!)

Ordained ministries in the Episcopal Church consist of the three orders of bishop, priest, and deacon. You may have heard two types of references to deacons. The Canons of the Episcopal Church require that those in formation to become priests must serve successfully as a “transitional” deacon for at least six months before ordination as a priest. The “vocational” diaconate as a permanent role was revived in the second half of the 20th century. There had been deaconesses in the Episcopal Church since the mid-1800s. Deaconesses were women set apart for church service at a time when official roles for women in the church were limited. In 1970, General Convention voted to allow women to be ordained deacons and the deaconesses at that time were automatically included as deacons.

The deacon (whether transitional or vocational) exercises “a special ministry of servanthood” directly under their bishop, serving all people and especially those in need (BCP, p. 543). Acts 6:1-7 tells the story of the first seven deacons in the early church, charged with assuring that the widows in the community received their share of the daily food distribution. Diaconal ministry continues to emphasize social care and service, and making the needs of the world known to the people of God.

Deacons serve at worship with the specific roles to proclaim the gospel, lead intercessions, serve at the eucharistic table, and send the congregation forth at the conclusion of worship. In these activities, deacons act as sacred messengers, agents, and attendants. At services of Holy Eucharist, deacons wear a diagonal stole that drapes over their left shoulder as the symbol of their order.

Deacons serve their parishes in a non-stipendiary and limited part-time basis. They have other employment (or may be retired). Parishes often provide some funds for continuing education and also reimburse expenses related to the deacon’s ministry (expenses related to travel and parking for pastoral visits or diocesan meetings, for example).

We at Christ Church will soon have a vocational deacon for the first time! Rev. Julianne and the vestry are excited that the Rev. Deacon Suzanne Johnston, an experienced deacon, will be joining us later this month. Please stay tuned to the weekly email and announcements for more details about welcoming her and opportunities to learn more about the diaconate.



*Newly ordained deacons with their Bishop
Diocese of Fond du Lac*

EASTERTIDE AT CHRIST CHURCH



**Easter
Sunday**



Palm Sunday



**Shrove
Tuesday**



SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP

Happy Spring from Sunday School! We just had a very exciting Sunday with children participating in Solemn Communion and Children's Chapel while youth served as worship ministers during the 10:00 service. Thanks to everyone who has helped make these special events possible. The next Sunday for Youth in Church is on May 12. Sunday School will be in session through May 19, and there will be a workshop on May 26. Youth are invited to serve as worship ministers in church on June 2 during the Bishop's visit and Confirmation. All children and youth will have the opportunity to attend church on June 2 for this special day.

We are working with the Outreach Committee on volunteer opportunities for families and youth, and plan to have more details soon.



Vacation Bible School is back! "Creation Care" will be held four evenings this summer on July 30, August 1, August 12, and August 14. Please join our incoming Pre-K (age 4) through 5th grade friends for a week of exciting activities and fascinating Bible stories. Middle school and high school youth and adults are invited to volunteer

to help make the week

a success. The cost is \$10/evening, and children can sign up for as many evenings as they can attend.



Missionpalooza is also coming this August! Youth entering grades 7-12 are invited to join us Monday, August 5 through Friday, August 9 for four days of

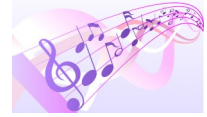
service projects in the Rochester area and an optional bonus day at Seabreeze to wrap up the fun and fellowship.

Registration for both activities is available at christchurchpittsford.com/news. More details about VBS and Missionpalooza are coming later this spring.



Music

We are blessed at Christ Church Pittsford to have eight fabulous choral scholars or section leaders, which bolster our parish choir. They provide continuity among the voice-parts of the choir when choir members are away, and they help to lead their respective sections in learning new music throughout the church year, while occasionally acting as soloists. They enrich our music program in a very positive way through their time and talents, and through their time and talents, they also benefit the community beyond our church; each of them enjoys an active performance schedule within the community as well! Here are a few events which involve members of our choir coming up in the next few months:



April 18, 20, 24, 27, 7:00pm: UR Theatre presents Othello (**Madeleine Christopher**)

April 19, 20, 7:30pm – Madrigalia choir - Earthkeeping II (**Mary Mowers**), Asbury First UMC

April 28, 6:30pm - Degree recital - **Sarah Spurlin**, Kilbourn Hall

April 30, 6:00pm - Degree recital - **Alden Wright**, Christ Church downtown and St. Paul's

May 3, 3:00pm – Eastman on East featuring **Sarah Spurlin**, Valley Manor

May 3, 6:30pm - Degree recital - **Joelle LaChance**, Kilbourn Hall

May 3, 7:30pm - Eastman-Rochester Chorus, Eastman Chorale, and Eastman Philharmonia present Poulenc's Gloria and Vaughan Williams' Dona nobis pacem, conducted by **Colin Mann**, Kodak Hall (Eastman)



Lenten Collections

Thank you everyone for the donations to our Lenten Disciplines. The folks at A Meal and More, Fostering Hope, NY, and the Veterans Outreach Center greatly appreciated our donations.

The Good Friday collection for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East raised \$303.00.

The Outreach Committee has approved 4 more grants from our endowment funds:

- **Elderberry Express** - \$1500
- **Pittsford Food Cupboard** - \$3500
- **St. Mark's and St. John's Episcopal Church** garden programs. - \$3000
- **Family Promise of Rochester** - \$3000

We also gave **Elderberry Express** \$350 for signage on their new vehicle and **A Meal and More** \$445 to purchase food to serve to the community. Both donations were drawn from the Outreach Special Gifts Fund. In May and June, we will be highlighting our partnership with Elderberry Express.

Christ Church is “adopting” **Family Promise of Greater Rochester** (FPGROC, formerly RAIHN) for the month of April. Family Promise of Greater Rochester “assists families at risk of experiencing homelessness to achieve sustainable independence by providing person-centered, holistic services in collaboration with the greater community (www.fpgroc.org).”

Information about various activities you can get involved in is shown on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Room. We sent a team of volunteers on Saturday April 13 to volunteer at Family Promise, and the organization has a fundraiser at Benucci's Restaurant in Pittsford Plaza on Wednesday, April 17.

Christ Church will provide lunch for the staff of Family Promise later in the month. Kim Hunt-Uzelac, Executive Director of FPGROC, will present “Housing is a Human Right” at our Sunday forum on April 28 at 9:00 am.

Donations of items needed are on Family Promise's Amazon wish list and at Walmart. These can be accessed on the Christ Church website under *Events*. These items are for use in their office and sharing with their clients (cleaning, personal care, and gift cards). Items can be left in the baskets outside the church office.

FELLOWSHIP

CAREGIVERS' LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 14 at 12:00 pm

Caregivers meets the second Tuesday of the month at Christ Church. The 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.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, May 4 at 10:00 am

We will gather and walk a labyrinth in honor of Mother's Day. Details to follow; please contact Nancy Dhurjaty for more information, nancydhurjaty@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Thursday, May 9th at 7:00.

We will meet in person in the Fellowship Room, with a Zoom option. As a follow-up to last month's biography, we are reading a fictional book set in Egypt: *Crocodile on the Sandbank* by Elizabeth Peters. "If Indiana Jones were a female...who lived in Victorian times, he would be Amelia Peabody Emerson." Please join us. Contact Suzanne Lee with questions (leebarry@frontiernet.net).

NONFICTION BOOK CLUB

May 21, 2023 at 3:00 pm

We will meet to discuss *Mind at Play: How Claude Shannon Invented the Information Age* by Jimmy Soni and Rob Goodman. Working at Bell Labs, Shannon's contemporaries compared him to Albert Einstein and Isaac Newton. His insights stand behind every computer built, email sent, video streamed and webpage loaded. Please contact Jim Baroody (jimbaroody@gmail.com) for more information.

STRETCH AND STRENGTHEN CLASS

Tuesdays at 9:00 am

Everyone is welcome! Please join us for our healthful "Stretch and Strengthen" class in the Fellowship Room. The cost is \$10.00 per person per class.

QI GONG CLASS

Thursdays at 9:30 am

Everyone is welcome to join us for this class let by Raphaela McCormick. It is held in the Fellowship Room and the cost is \$5.00.

WEED AND WATER GANG

The beautiful gardens at Christ Church depend on the hard work of our parishioners. Led by Linda Baroody, the Weed and Water Gang plant, water, weed, and help maintain not only the Memorial Garden but the outside gardens. If you could help occasionally or weekly please let Linda know, lbbaroody@gmail.com.



The Altar Guild meets every Saturday morning at

9:00 am

Sunday, April 21

8:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, April 22

7:00 pm CODA

Tuesday, April 23

9:00 am Stretch and Strengthen
7:00 pm Debtor's Anonymous

Wednesday, April 24

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

Thursday, April 25

9:30 am Qi Gong

Sunday, April 28

8:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Coffee Hour
9:00 am Outreach Forum
10:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, April 29

7:00 pm CODA

Tuesday, April 30

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen
7:00 pm Debtor's Anonymous

Wednesday, May 1

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

Thursday, May 2

9:30 am Qi Gong

Saturday, May 4

10:00 am Women's Retreat

Sunday, May 5

8:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
10:00 am Sunday School and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, May 6

7:00 pm CODA

Tuesday, May 7

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen
7:00 pm Debtor's Anonymous

Wednesday, May 8

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

Thursday, May 9

9:30 am Qi Gong
7:00 pm Women's Book Club

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day

8:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist
10:00 am Children's Chapel and Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, May 13

7:00 pm CODA

Tuesday, May 14

10:00 am Stretch and Strengthen Class
12:00 pm Caregivers' Luncheon
7:00 pm Debtor's Anonymous

Wednesday, May 15

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

Thursday, May 16

9:30 am Qi Gong

Sunday, May 19

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

Monday, May 20

7:00 pm CODA

Tuesday, May 21

9:00 am Stretch and Strengthen
3:00 pm Non Fiction Book Club
7:00 pm Debtor's Anonymous

Wednesday, May 22

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

Thursday, May 23

9:30 am Qi Gong

Sunday, May 26

8:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist
9:00 am Coffee Hour
10:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist
10:00 am Sunday School Workshop and
Nursery Care
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, May 27 Memorial Day

**Please join us in front of church for the parade at
10:00 am**



Easter Flowers

In Memory Of:

Jim and Muriel Blaser
Anthony and Cleo Baroody
Bruce Bachelder, Dale Cobb
Kay and Robert Moyer
Rhoda Eubanks
James R. Carbone
Frank and Ann Chiella
Lou and Mary Barnum
David W. Cox
Peter John DeBraal, John W. DeBraal
Bob Detweiler
Bill and Lillian Rader
Joe and Mary Brown
Frederick and Margaret Goeckel
The Rev. Charles and Joan Greene
Harry Barnes, Kathleen Sharrar
Frank Greene, Derrick Smith
Joyce Barker, Elizabeth Biondi
Oleg Burov, Marianne Genrich
J. Peter Bush, Cro Gorsline, Bud Frame
Robert Green

Bill Guche
Mildred and James Coyne
Bella and Joseph Groleau
Ray and Pat Lee
Ed and Rae Harris
Bill Lee, Dan Gohkban
Jean Boughton
Mildred and Baumes Marshman
Gladys Wiedrich
Barbara D. Newman

*Jim and Linda Baroody
Jessica Berlet
Gerald and Ellen Burns
Lisa Carbone
Mary Ann Chiella
Ann Clemens
Barbara Cox
Carol DeBraal
Cami Detweiler*

Nancy Dburjaty

*Gay Greene and Bob Goeckel
Jane Gorsline
Howard Green,
Roberta & Robert Marshall
Virginia Guche*

Pat Hainen

*Suzanne Lee & Wes Harris
Amy Jewett
Kay Marshman
Ceci McCurdy*

Bill, Christine, Jon, Taylor, Kaleigh, Bill II, Carrie & Arden



Jessica Panzer
Virginia and Nicholas Mazur
Mary and D'Mitro Mazur
Mary S. Fajans
Emmaline Saxton
Ruth, Eugene and Ann Ketcham
Annie Pugsley Ketcham
Stuart Panzer, Anne Panzer
Joseph Pia
Loved Ones
Mark Priest
Robert and Minnie Luskin
James and Elenor Priest
Roberts and Edwins
Susan Salamone
Mary Jane Hollenbeck
Our Loved Ones
Evelyn Sharp, Etta Frampton,
Neil Robbins, Janet Vensel
Harry Gilmore, Jr.
Loved Ones of the Shaw, Williams, Hunt, Baggett Families
Gertrude Simpson and Russ Stratton
The Strong and Sisler Family
Alec Sutherland
Rosemary McCue, James McCue
Ted Thomas
Bertram and Mary McArthur

*Robert and Nancy Panzer
Midge Pia
Jim and Joyce Porrey*

*Patricia Priest & Family
Jerome and Nirmala Roberts
The Salamone Family
The Schillo Family
Paul and Joan Schmidt*

*Daryl Sharp
John and Shirley Shaw
Caryl Stratton
David Strong
Mindy Sutherland
Deedee Teegarden
Anna Thomas
Chris Wylam*

GIVEN IN THANKSGIVING FOR

My Family
Our wonderful family
Dareus and Noemi Conover
Maya, Mateo, Noah and Phoebe Torres-Panzer
Irie Panzer, Noelle Panzer

*Carol DeBaal
John and Cindy Kline*

Nancy & Robert Panzer

EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS

*Julianne Buenting
Todd Camenish and Marilee Malmberg
Jim and Laura Despard
Denise and John French
Walter Hickey
Karen and Andy Kalinowski
Nahoko and Don Kawakyu-O'Connor*

*Jeffrey LaBarge
Bill and Ruth Mets
Alysa Plummer
Bill and Lucia Shaw
Mike and Sarah Yancey*

Easter Offerings

IN MEMORY OF:

Elly O'Connor
Jim Rhody
Tony Sorge
Ken Teegarden
Mary Elizabeth Towner, William J. Towner
Barbara Newton Towner, Larry Towner
Elmer Bassage, William R. Hapgood
Amy Doescher Wright

*Naboko and Don Kawakyo-O'Connor
Elizabeth Rhody
Laurie Sorge
Deedee Teegarden and Family*

*Susan E. Towner
Tom and Carol Wright*

IN HONOR OF:

In Thanksgiving for our Family
Family
In Thanksgiving for humanitarian workers
In Thanksgiving for the ministry of Winifred Collin
In Thanksgiving for the ministry of Julianne Buenting

*Lenore and John Harman
Warren and Doreen Olson
John and Shirley Shaw*

Laurie Sorge

EASTER OFFERINGS GIVEN BY

*Jim and Linda Baroody
Seth and Jackie Borden
John and Patty Bouchard
John and Pam Burch
Gerald and Ellen Burns
Lisa A. Carbone
Jaqueline Cave
Carol DeBraal
Jim and Laura Despard
Annette and Leon Dixon
Denise and John French
Gay Greene and Bob Goeckel
Jane Gorsline
Eleanor Rusling and James Grieve
Suzanne Lee and Wes Harris
Anne and Paul Harrison
David and Elena High
Amy Jewett
Karen and Andy Kalinowski
Jeffrey LaBarge*

*Ceci McCurdy
Bill and Ruth Mets
Nancy and Robert Panzer
Jim and Joyce Porrey
Patricia Priest
Craig and Elizabeth Rightmier
Nirmala and Jerome Roberts
The Schillo Family
Joan and Paul Schmidt
Daryl Sharp
Bill and Lucia Shaw
David Strong
Mindy Sutherland
Josiah and Seema Thomas
Kim Schaff and Cork Young
Mike and Sarah Yancey*

Easter Music IN MEMORY OF

George Berlet
Rhoda Eubanks
Family and Friends
Louise and Philip Rice
James V. Fulmer
Katharine and George Swan
Ronalee Merritt
Edgar Harrell
Jenison Newman
Charles B. Sharp, Charles Maxwell Haushalter
Minwal Hadley, June Love

*Jessica Berlet
Gerald and Ellen Burns
Margaret Chretien*

*Jim and Marjorie Fulmer
Jane Gorsline
Amy Jewett
Alan and Jennifer Jonason
Nirmala and Jerome Roberts
Daryl Sharp
John and Shirley Shaw*

IN HONOR OF

Christ Church Choir
Choral Scholars and Section Leaders

*Naboko and Don Kawakyu-O'Connor
Mindy Sutherland*

EASTER MUSIC GIVEN BY:

*Mary Callaway
Todd Camensich and Marilee Malmberg
Ann Clemens
Jim and Laura Despard
Denise and John French
Walter Hickey
Ceci McCurdy
Bill and Ruth Mets
Nancy and Bob Panzer
Jim and Joyce Porrey
Alysa Plummer
Bill and Bev Pullis
Bill and Lucia Shaw*



The Enlightener

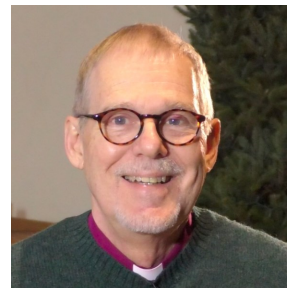
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Save the Date

Bishop Provisional Stephen Lang with join us on Sunday, June 2
We will have one service on that Sunday at 10:00 am.

We will enjoy Lugia's Ice Cream for our
coffee hour after church.



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Alden Wright

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Madeline Dembowski, Victoria Dennis

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Daryl Sharp, Pat Morrow

VESTRY

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

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

David Bieler, Thom Fogg, Laurie Sorge
Michael Lehman (Treasurer), Kay Marshman (Clerk of the Vestry)