



CURRENTS

April 14 - April 20, 2024

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 9 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 10 am Community Breakfast (U)
- 10:15 am Rector's Forum (U)
- 10:15 am Sunday School (EdW)
- 11:15 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 4 pm Easter Lessons and Carols (N)
- 5 pm Reception (L)

MONDAY, APRIL 15

- Offices Closed
- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (Z)
- 7 pm Vestry (U)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 9:30 am Staff Meeting (BL)
- 12 pm Staff Eucharist (N)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (Z)
- 7:30 pm Chorale (N)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)
- 5 pm Evening Prayer (Z)
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (SMC)
- 6 pm Community Dinner (U)
- 6:45 pm Rite 13 (B213)
- 6:45 pm Adult Formation (MH)

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

- 8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

- Offices Closed
- 10 am Chorale (N)
- 8:30 pm AA (LL)

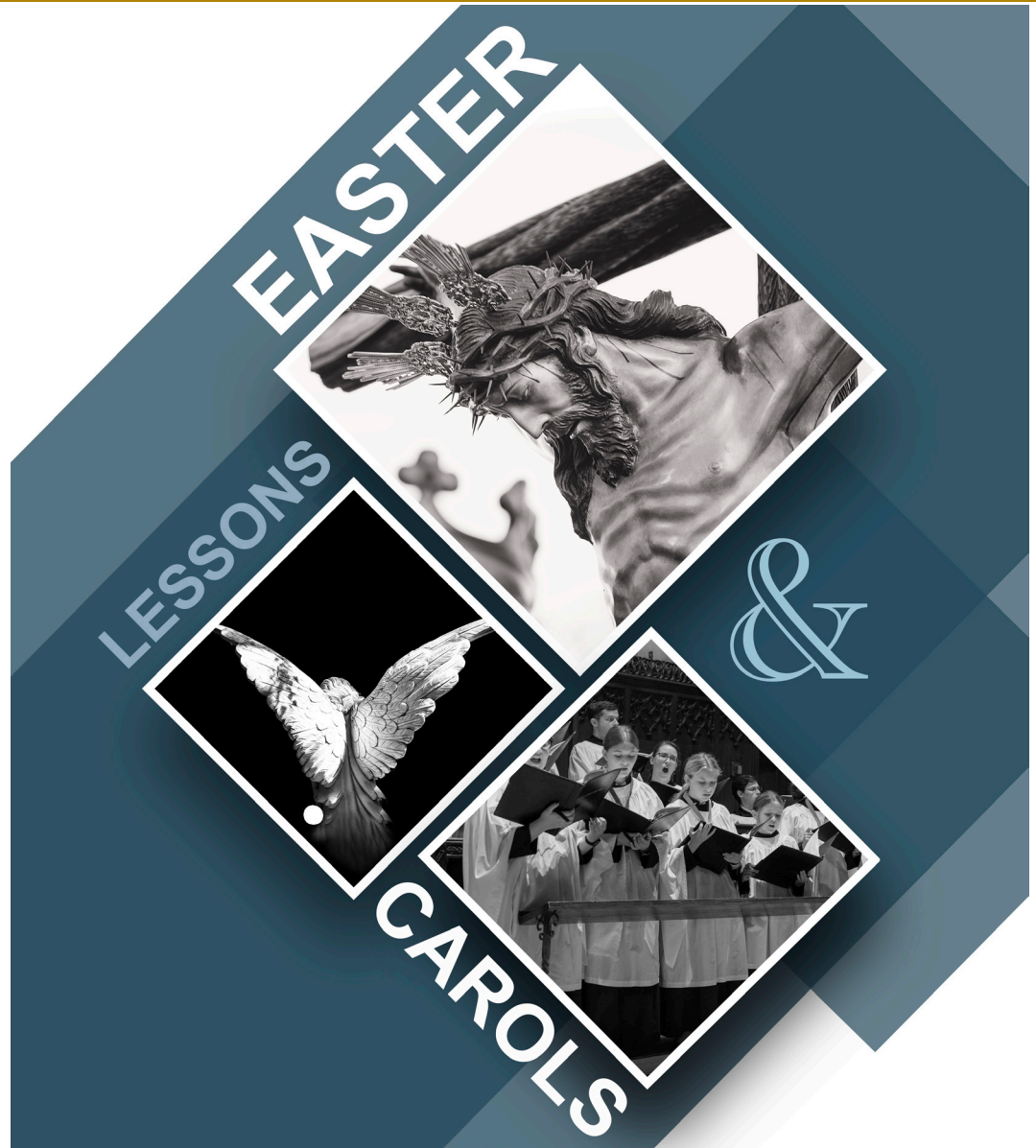
SUNDAY, APRIL 21

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)
- 9 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 10 am Community Breakfast (U)
- 10:15 am Rector's Forum (U)
- 10:15 am Sunday School (EdW)
- 11:15 am Holy Eucharist (N)
- 6:30 pm Book Group (MH)

Location Abbreviations:

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| BL - Bicknell Library | C - Columbarium |
| CR - Choir Room | EdW - Education Wing |
| FL - Front Lawn | L - Lobby |
| LL - Lower Level | N - Nave |
| O - Offsite | R - Rectory |
| SMC - Chapel | U - Undercroft |
| Z - Zoom | |

Today | 4 pm



Rector's Forum

The Gospel of Mark: Postlude

A conversation between Fr. Drew and Mtr. Maureen reflecting on the Gospel of Mark.

All Children are Welcome! Children gather at the Children's Cross for the Collect of the Day and dismissal to Children's Chapel to hear the story of Jesus and engage in a meaningful reflection of the lessons for that Sunday. They return to join in our Prayers and to share in the Peace and Holy Communion.

Parish & Community Events

Today at Christ Church

- » Holy Eucharist..... 8 amNave
- » Coffee Hour.....8:45 am Undercroft
- » Holy Eucharist..... 9 amNave
- » Rector's Forum..... 10:15 am Undercroft
- » Youth Formation..... 10:15 am Education Wing
- » Holy Eucharist..... 11:15 amNave Holy
- » Easter Lessons and Carolst.....4 pmNave

Adult Formation & Parish Life

Thursday Book Study

*Getting Involved with God:
Rediscovering the Old Testament*
Thursdays 6:45 – 8 pm | Miller Hall

Join Mtr. Maureen to discuss Ellen Davis' book about getting, and staying, involved with God—what it takes, what it costs, what it looks and feels like, and why anyone would want to do it anyway..

Book Group

Sunday, April 21
6:30 pm | Miller Hall

Join Fr. Drew and Mtr. Maureen to discuss the final book in C.S. Lewis' Space Trilogy, *That Hideous Strength*. Lewis uses the genre of Science Fiction to help the reader grow in their understanding of what it really means to be human.

A Common Thread

Wednesday, April 24 | 2-4 pm | Rm B113

Join in fellowship with like minded stitchers of all sorts and skill levels. The gathering is open to everyone who loves to craft. Bring your projects and your dreams of projects yet begun and join others as we re-knit our common lives together in prayer, laughter and friendship..

Mourning Someone You Lost?

Living with Grief: Surrendering to Grace is a new program beginning in April. For more information, contact Mtr. Maureen, mmartin@christchurchgp.org

Newcomer's Retreat
Growing Together in Faith
Friday, April 26 | 6:30 – 9 pm

Whether you're new to Christ Church or interested in learning more about our faith, everyone's invited to join Mtr. Maureen for dinner, conversation and compline. Childcare is available! Please RSVP to Colleen, cftzgerald@christchurchgp.org by April 19.

Children & Youth

Childcare for infants- 3 years old is offered during Sunday Eucharist and Forum as well as weekday programming.

Sunday Formation

Children's Chapel, 9:15–9:45 am, PK3–4th grade: Following the opening Collect, our youngest children gather for a simplified and age-appropriate liturgy in Children's Chapel.

Entering God's Story, 10:15–11:10 am, Pre-K–1st grades (B216): In an uncluttered and unhurried setting, our children gather to learn the foundational stories of faith thru storytelling, "wondering" about God's story, and engaging in creative responses, before sharing in prayer and a simple feast together.

Exploring God's Story, 10:15–11:10 am, 2nd–4th grades (B212): Through imaginative, interactive storytelling and creative response time our Exploring God's Story children not only deepen their bond of community, but learn that the expression of faith is a life of compassionate peacemaking and service to our neighbor.

Discovering God's Story, 10:15–11:10 am, 5th–7th grades (B213): As our youth continue to Discover God's Story in community they are challenged to dig deeper into the meaning of God's story to make meaningful connection to their personal lives.

Growing in God's Story, 10:15–11:10 am, 8th grade and Up (B217): Returning to stories they have long known while learning new stories along the way, our older youth continue to Grow in God's Story through reflective conversation, playful friendship, and intentional spiritual practice.

Thursday Formation

Community Dinner, 6–6:45 pm, (Undercroft): Vegetarian & gluten free options available.

Rite 13, 6:45–8 pm, Grades 5th–7th (B213): Weaving together play and reflection, study and service, our youth continue their individual journey to adulthood and a personal life of generosity and peacemaking.

Confirmation, 6:45–8 pm, (B217)

OWLS Sponsored Events

Lunch & a Movie
The Henry Ford, Dearborn
Friday, April 26 | 12 – 2 pm

Join Mtr. Maureen for lunch at Zingermans at The Henry Ford followed by a movie (details to come) at the IMAX theatre!! Contact Colleen, cftzgerald@christchurchgp.org to RSVP!



Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful

Parish & Community Events

Worship & Music

11:15 am Eucharist Returns

In hopes of reinvigorating those looking for a later Sunday morning service, we will hold an 11:15 am Choral Eucharist, through May 12.

Elijah

Sunday, May 5 | 4 pm

Pre-Concert Lecture | 3 pm

Join the Christ Church Chorale, Orchestra, and soloists in the final concert of the season as they perform Felix Mendelssohn's monumental oratorio, Elijah. From Elijah's conflict with the prophets of Baal to his ascension on a fiery chariot to heaven, this dramatic work has become one of the most beloved oratorios of all time.



Tickets

Outreach

Crossroads Service Day

Sunday, April 28

8:30 – 11 am or 10:30 am – 2 pm

Join us to prepare and serve Sunday lunch to guests at Crossroads of Michigan. Scan the QR code or contact Colleen Fitzgerald, cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org to register or for more information!



Stewardship

Journey of Generosity – 2024 Annual Campaign

“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

– Corinthians 15:57

2024 Pledge cards were mailed on March 31. Please return your card by April 19 or bring it to service on April 21.

Preliminary results will be presented on April 21 when we celebrate God's generosity and our community's!

If you prefer, you can make your commitment online – scan the QR code.



Assisting at Services

Eucharistic Ministers:

8 am Frank Stellingwerf
9 am Mary Trost
Mike DeFillipi

Lector:

8 am Susan Tawile
9 am Kate French
11:15 am Lynn Anslow

Prayers:

8 am Frank Stellingwerf
9 am Mil Hurley
11:15 am Lynnette Iannace

Verger:

9 am Katie Trost

Ushers:

9 am Ian Jones
Eric Ash
George Sutton
Tim Wood
Dick Trost

Acolytes:

9 am Emma Hanoian
Raegan Niscoromni
Conor Magee
Catherine Van Culin
Charlotte Walsh
Brynn Wood

Flowers:

Susan Mills
Sue Chaklos

We Pray Together

Please leave your written prayer request at our Reception Desk or contact **Fr. Drew** at rector@christchurchgp.org.

In order to keep all our prayers for healing meaningful and current, we keep names on the Prayer List for two weeks.

In the Diocese of Michigan

Cycle of Prayer: Saint Katherine (Williamston); Nativity Church (Bloomfield Township); Saint John the Evangelist (Piedra Blanca, DR).

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

we pray for: The Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer

this week we pray for: Sam & Elizabeth Felix and children, Beatrice, Willa, and Daphne; Kathy & Richard Fellows; Peter & Miranda Ferrara; Jay & Patty Fitzgerald and son, James; Ed & Colleen Fitzgerald and son, Jimmy; Jon Fitzgerald & Di Reynolds and children, Bailey, Taylor, and Jon; Lisa Fleming; Jim & Stephanie Flom, Jr. and son, James; Michael Flores & Mike

Fournier; William & Lisa Ford, Jr. and children, William and Nicholas.

We offer prayers for those who have died: Terry Brown, Bishop.

We offer prayers for: Alice, Ann, Bill, Dick, Doreen, Edie, Emily, Gary, Gerard, Jeannie, Jed, Jim, Kathleen, Lizzie, Matt, Michelle, Miranda, Rose, Tom, Tony, Viola.

In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries

of: Adam Beattie; Catherine Ash; Elese Kogel; Anne-Mason Colman; Hadley French; Heather Hakim; Sam Stanley; Caitlin Rose; Martha Pietsch; Robin Hartnett; Lilly Miriani; Logan MacLean; Megan MacLean; Karen Shreve; Lynn Pember; Micah Pietsch; Geoff Young.

ful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.



Lessons for the Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Psalm 4

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
**you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.**
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
**how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"**
- 3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Lessons for next week: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18