



**“LETS KEEP
LOVING ONE ANOTHER
BECAUSE LOVE
COMES FROM GOD.**



1 JOHN 4:7

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28,
9 AM**



BRING YOUR KIDS TO CHURCH!

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we welcome you.
We offer a variety of children's programs for all ages



At Christ Church we are deeply committed
to our Children and Youth Ministries.



RELIGIOUS UPBRINGING IS LINKED TO BETTER HEALTH AND WELL-BEING DURING EARLY ADULTHOOD

According to a study from Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health...



Healthy, Happy Kids

Kids and teens who are raised with religious or spiritual practices tend to have better health and mental health as they age.

Positivity & Life Satisfaction

Researchers found that people who attended weekly religious services or practiced daily prayer or meditation in their youth reported greater life satisfaction and positivity in their 20s...than people raised with less regular spiritual habits.



Helps me remember I am part of something bigger in this world

They were also almost 30% more likely to do volunteer work and 33% less likely to use drugs in their 20s as well."

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 28, 2024 · 9 a.m.

Messy Church

(Please stand as the music begins)

Opening Song *sung by all*

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| <p>1 Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Praising Thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!</p> | <p>3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are Thine:
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.</p> |
| <p>2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and Heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise:
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Blooming meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.</p> | <p>4 Mortals, join the mighty chorus,
Which the morning stars began;
Father-love is reigning o'er us,
Brother-love binds man to man.
Ever singing march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.</p> |

Opening Acclamation

<i>Priest</i>	Alleluia. Christ is risen.
<i>People</i>	Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayer (Collect)

<i>Priest</i>	Loving Jesus: Protect and sustain us with your hand. Open the door of your love that, sealed with your wisdom, we may be free to serve you with joy. Amen.
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(Please sit)

The Epistle

1 John 4:7-21

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John.

Let's keep loving one another, because love comes from God. If you know how to love and actually love people, then you know God! If you don't love, then you don't know God. God. Is. Love. Here's how God showed his love for us—God sent his only son to live in the world, so that we might live through him. Since God loved us so much, we should love each other. No one has seen God or knows what God looks like, but if we love one another, God actually lives in us and when we love, then people will see God in us. God has given us his Spirit so that God's love in us might be real and perfect. Love is stronger than fear. We love because God loved us first. If you say you love God but hate your brother or sister, you're a liar. If you can't love someone you can see, how can you love God whom you can't see? Here're two things we all should do: Love God. Love our brothers and sisters.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples this:

I'm like a vine and my Father is the vine grower. He snaps off the branches that aren't producing, and pinches the ones that are producing so they'll produce more fruit. The words I've spoken to you have washed over you and made you clean. You are a part of me, just as I am a part of you. Branches don't exist on their own. They have to be attached to the vine, don't they? If you stick with me and stay attached to me, all kinds of fruit will grow. Working together, we can do great things. If you follow me, God's power, which is in me, will be in you too.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon *(please sit after the opening prayer)*

The Rev. Tim Hamlin

Kids' Creed (The Nicene Creed) *standing, said by all*

Priest Do you believe in God?
People We Believe!
Priest Do you believe in Jesus?
People We Believe!
Priest Do you Believe in the Holy Spirit?
People We Believe!
Priest Do you believe in one holy Church?
People We Believe!
Priest Do you believe in the forgiveness of sins?
People We believe!

Our Prayers

(Please stand)

The Peace

Priest The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Hellos and What's Happening

	<h2>Digital plate offering</h2>	...or donate via Realm: Scan this QRCode
	<p>Our parishioners fund our church. We do not receive money from the Diocese or National Episcopal Church. Please prayerfully consider donating to our growing community of faith.</p>	
<p>Please consider monthly or annual intentional giving. For more info: Elizabeth Peyton epeyton@christchurchgreenwich.org</p>		

Please stand as we offer our gifts to God and we sing together a hymn of praise:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Priest All thanks and praise
Are yours at all times and in all places,
Our true and loving God;
through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word,
the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.
You laid the foundations of the world
and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb;
You brought forth all creatures of the earth
and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing,
all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;
And so as the morning stars sing your praises
we join the heavenly beings and all creation
as we shout with joy:

People **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Priest Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all,
your Word has never been silent;
you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations,
you delivered them from bondage
and led them to a land of promise.
Of your grace, you gave Jesus
to be human, to share our life,
to proclaim the coming of your holy reign
and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
you have freed us from sin,
brought us into your life,
reconciled us to you,
and restored us to the glory you intend for us.
We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took break,
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,
gave it to his friends and said:
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This cup is the new Covenant in my Blood,
poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension,
longing for Christ’s coming in glory,
and presenting to you these gifts
your earth has formed and human hands have made,
we acclaim you, O Christ:

People

**Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Priest

Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts of bread and wine
that they may be to us
the Body and Blood of your Christ.
Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power,
may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ,
and in the fullness of time gather us
with all your people
into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
we worship you our God and Creator
in voices of unending praise.

People **Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.**

Priest And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **Our Father who art in heaven,**

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

And the power, and the glory.

For ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and the Invitation



How to Receive Communion

All are invited to receive Communion. Extend both hands palms up, placing one hand directly on top of the other. You can dip the bread into the wine or sip from the cup at all stations. For gluten free (GF) wafers, please extend both palms down. A special GF chalice is available on the credence table.

Members of our Pastoral Care Team take Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound, reside in local assisted living or nursing facilities.

Communion Song *sung by all*

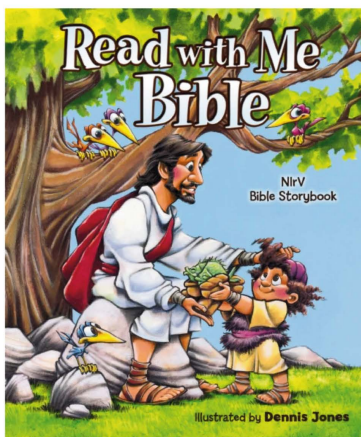
Morning by morning I wake up to find,
The power and comfort of God's hand in mine.
Season by season I watch Him, amazed
In awe of the mystery of His perfect ways.
All I have need of, His hand will provide
He's always been faithful to me.

I can't remember a trial or a pain
He did not recycle to bring me gain.
I can't remember one single regret
In serving God only, and trusting His hand.
All I have need of, His hand will provide
He's always been faithful to me.
This is my anthem, this is my song
The theme of the stories I've heard for so long

God has been faithful, He will be again
His loving compassion, it knows no end
All I have need of, His hand will provide
He's always been faithful,
He's always been faithful
He's always been faithful to me.

Post Communion Prayer *said by all*

Priest and People **God, You have given us the bread of life and the cup which saves us; you have brought us together and made us one with you and all your people in heaven and on earth. Now, with the help of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, send us out into the world to love all people. Amen.**



We love this children's bible! It's packed with vivid illustrations and tells the stories in an age appropriate way.

Ask an usher for a copy while you are sitting in church.
They are available to purchase at Dogwood Books & Gifts

(Inside Christ Church downstairs)
Open Tuesday - Saturdays 10-4
Sundays 10 - 2



Closing Song *sung by all*

Shine from the inside out
That the world will see
You live in me

Shine from the inside out
That the world will see
You live in me

Cos You know me
And You love me
You fill me
So send me

You know me
And You love me
You fill me
So send me

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Join us for an evening
Celebrating
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**CHRIST CHURCH
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Celebrate with us!

Friday, September 13, 2024
6:30 pm
Reception, Seated Dinner, and Dancing
christchurchgreenwich.org

Tickets & Info



**A choral concert celebrating
90 years
of the Choirs of Christ Church Greenwich
Sung by the Combined Choirs
of Christ Church Greenwich
Saturday, June 1, 5:00 pm**

JOY!

Director of Music Jamie Hitel will be joined by Visiting Artist Dr Philip Moore and Visiting Artist-in-Residence Professor James O'Donnell directing the choirs in music based around the theme of 'Joy'.
A reception will follow the concert.



Scan for tickets or go to christchurchgreenwich.org





Upcoming Events

Reserve your spot on christchurchgreenwich.org

Sunday, April 28, 11:15 am, Creation Care Sunday Forum

Parish Hall - Coffee, breakfast and discussion

"Environmental Stewardship: Integrating Environmental Care into Business and Investments." Join us for a panel discussion with business leaders, addressing how businesses are integrating the environment into their operations, products, and strategies, and how we can bring the ethos of creation care into our professional lives.

Wednesday, May 1, 12:00 pm, Preach & Teach with Rev. Tim Hamlin **Chapel**

Join us at lunchtime for this 30 minute Holy Eucharist. Lunch will be served after the service on the first Wednesday of every month. In-person only.

Saturday, May 4, 9:00 - 11:00 am, Spring Campus Clean up

Meet outside the Parish Hall

Roll up your sleeves to help us identify invasive plants and discuss good ideas to advance the environmental health of Christ Church. Families are welcome.

Saturday, May 11, 8:30 - 11:30 am Volunteer for Spring Treat Boxes!

Parish Hall

Help bring springtime joy into the lives of parishioners who need cheer. We need volunteers to donate cookies (preferably home-baked) and to help create decorative boxes (with instruction!). We especially need volunteers to deliver the boxes to local parishioners who are so happy to receive thoughtful gifts from their church. Sign up on the CCG website.

Thursday, May 16, 6:30 pm, Author Talk with Peter Layne Arguimbau

Dogwood Books & Gifts

Renowned painter Peter Layne Arguimbau is most notorious for his classical marines. His work is owned by art collectors all over the world. The focus of his life's work has been applying his skill through his love of the sea, producing masterpieces of America's Cup contenders to every class of vessel ranging from fine racing sloops, schooners, catboats and dinghies. Peter sails on S/Y Molly Rose, a 30 foot catboat built in 1935, that he frequently uses as his summer studio. Peter is going to talk about his life and work in an evening of conversation with a reception.

Thursday, May 23, 6:30 pm, Author Talk with Patricia Chadwick

Dogwood Books & Gifts

In her newest book, "Breaking Glass: Tales from the Witch of Wall Street," Patricia Walsh Chadwick continues to tell the story of her bizarre upbringing that she began in her 2019 memoir, Little Sister. In this coming-of-age follow-up, she revisits her childhood through a different lens, offering insights into how the experiences of her early life shaped her character and helped her forge her path in business and finance.