



BRING YOUR KIDS † TO CHURCH! †

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."

WE OFFER A VARIETY OF CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

"Messy Church" Eucharist 9am Sundays

Parents & young children worship in a relaxed atmosphere while children do a craft that reflects the Gospel

Children's Chapel (3-7 years)

Our "Sunday School" for young children during the sermon, returning after the Peace

The St. Nicholas Choir (Grade K-2)

Our weekly rehearsals are full of joy and music

Children's Choir (ages 8+)

Open to anyone who loves to sing

Acolytes (ages 8+)

Serve as torch bearers & banner bearers

"Bagels and Bibles" (Grades 3-5)

Children gather every Sunday during the first half of the service for Bible lessons and conversations about faith

Confirmation Students will learn and explore faith in a robust program

Holy Communion Classes "Grapes & Grains"

(Grades 1-3) Thursdays, 4:30 - 5:15pm

Youth Group (High School & Middle School) Students gather for meaningful and faith filled conversations.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 12, 2024 · 9 a.m.

Messy Church

Please stand as the music begins

Opening Song *sung by all*

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| 1 Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today. | 3 All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore. |
| 2 O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills,
in this world and the next. | |

Opening Acclamation

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

Prayer (Collect)

<i>Priest</i>	God be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Priest</i>	Let us pray.
	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.

Please sit

The Epistle

1 John 5:9–13

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John.

You can listen to humans talk and talk and talk, but God's talk is greater, because God testifies to Jesus being his Son. If you believe in the Son of God, you have that voice of God in your heart. And if you don't believe what God says about Jesus, you make God out to be a liar. Here's what God actually says about it: God gave us eternal life, and this eternal life is in God's Son. If you have the Son in your heart, you have life. And if you don't have him in your heart, then you don't have life. I write this to you who already believe, so that you'll know for sure that you have eternal life.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 17:6–19

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

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

Jesus was praying for his disciples and this is what he said to God: "I have done what you asked me to do, make your name known to the people you gave to me. They keep your word. Now they understand that everything I have you have given to me. I gave them the words you gave to me. They believe that you sent me. Now I'm asking you this on their behalf; you have glorified me in them. I am about to come to you, but they will still be here in this world. Protect them, Father, so that they may be one, just as you and I are one. I protected them while I was here with them. And now I'm leaving them. I want them to have complete joy in their hearts. Protect them from whoever wants to hurt them. Make them holy and true, just as your word is holy and true. Just as you sent me into the world, I'm about to send them, equipped with the truth."

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> <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>	...or donate via Realm: Scan this QRCode
		
<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 bread,

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

	<p style="text-align: center;">How to Receive Communion</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Members of our Pastoral Care Team take Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound, reside in local assisted living or nursing facilities.</p>
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Communion Song *sung by all*

- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"
And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

- 2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you
And famine will bring you no fear
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield
And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand
- 3 You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come
And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

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.**

Closing Song *sung by all*

God's love is to the left (echo)
God's love is to the right (echo)
God's love shines bright all day (echo)
God's love when I sleep at night

Refrain:

Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves me
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves me
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves me
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves me

God's love is to the front (echo)
God's love has got your back (echo)
God's love is here and there
God's love is everywhere

Refrain

God's love is really high (echo)
God's love is way down low (echo)
God's love is up and down (echo)
God's love is all around (echo)

Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves **ME**
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves **YOU**
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves **ME**
Shoo be dabba shoo be da do
God loves **US ALL**
God loves us all
He loves us all

Dismissal

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



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**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.



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Celebrate with us!

275th Celebration

Reception, Seated Dinner, and Dancing

Join us for an evening

Friday, September 13, 2024

6:30 pm



Gather to celebrate our magnificent church and the people who came before us to build this incredible faith community. We will also look toward the next 275 years. It will be a special evening of fellowship, toasts, a delicious seated dinner catered by Applausi Osteria Toscana, and dancing. Special guest Bishop Jeffrey Mello and Rev. Marek Zabriskie will bless our next 275 years. We have so much to celebrate!

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