



**HOLY EUCHARIST**  
**THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
January 26, 2025  
(3 EPIPHANY, YEAR C)

*Ushers will pass the collection plate during the Offertory midway through today's service, and you are invited to make a donation to support Christ Church. If you prefer, you can give online by scanning the QR code or texting an amount to **914-351-2001**. Thank you so much for supporting Christ Church!*

- 8am Worship begins on page 323 in the Red BCP

**Collect of the Day (8am)**

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen,

Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 19**

*The Psalm is said responsively by whole verse beginning with the Reader.*

The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

**One day tells its tale to another, \***  
**and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,

**Their sound has gone out into all lands, \***  
**and their message to the ends of the world.**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens**  
**and runs about to the end of it again; \***  
**nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

The law of the Lord is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

**The statutes of the Lord are just**

**and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.**

By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

**Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleans me from my secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

### **1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where

would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Luke 4:14-21**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*8am:                    Glory be to thee, O Lord*

*5pm:                    Glory to you Lord Christ*

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*8am:                    Praise be to thee, O Christ*

*5pm:                    Glory to you Lord Christ*

## **Prayer List**

*Our prayers are asked for: Julie, Anne, Kristen, Cherrie, Ari, Jennifer, Marion, Elaine, Cheryl, Scarlett, Amy, Alice, Barbara, Janet, Sandy, Jane, Beth, Ingrid, Didi, Joseph, Tim, Chris, Marilyn, Alison, Bob, Robert, Allison, Hildy, Jordan, Cathy, Tom, Bill, Mike, Sara, David, Drue, Kevin, and M&D.*

*Our prayers are also offered for Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Matthew, Allen, and Mary our Bishops, and for our Rector Matthew and our Deacon Chisara, and for all bishops and other ministers.*

*We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: Dylan, Gus, Chuck, Sam, Helen, Joseph, Philip, Jake, Matthew, Robert, Nicholas, Mitchel, Alec, Jonah, Tia, Tyrese, Terrence.*

*We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week: Julie Shenkman (1/26), Adolph Orlando (1/26), Gavin Brown (1/27), Andy Hibbler (1/30), Ann Sorice (1/31), and Zoe Anastas (2/1).*

*We give thanks for the wedding anniversary of Tai Collins and Amanda Kaufman (1/20)*



*Are we missing your birthday or anniversary? Please scan this QR code and add your birthday, anniversary, and any other relevant information, so we have it.*

## NEW OR VISITING?



*Welcome to Christ Church! Please take a moment to scan this QR code and fill out our online visitors form. If you prefer there are hard copies of this form in the pew – please fill one out and place it in the offering plate during the Announcements. This will help us keep in touch with you.*

## HOW TO GIVE



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## PLEDGE FOR 2025 TODAY



*Our 2025 Stewardship Campaign has begun. Please make a pledge to support Christ Church financially in 2025! Our goal is 150 pledges and a balanced budget. Pledge online using the QR code. Hard copies of Pledge Cards are in every pew and in the Narthex.*

## CHRIST CHURCH APP



*Download our **Christ Church App** from **Church App - Tithe.ly** to your mobile device. Enter our zip code **10803** to find the church. You can then use the app for all things Christ Church.*



**Full Orchestra Concert at Christ Church!  
Wednesday, January 29, at 7pm-8:30pm**

**Followed by a Festive Reception**

Join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Orchestra and Organ  
concert of the 2024-2025 Friends of Music Concert  
Series featuring:

**Modus Operandi Orchestra (32 players),  
conductor Justin Bischof, and  
organist David Enlow  
in a program of orchestral favorites including  
Beethoven's epic Symphony No. 7  
celebrating the 5th Anniversary of  
Christ Church's Juget-Sinclair Organ, Op. 51.**

*Modus Operandi Orchestra (MOO) is comprised of some  
of the finest players in the New York City area.  
Founded by internationally acclaimed conductor Justin  
Bischof, their concerts have been met with critical  
acclaim and a dedicated audience following.*

**Buy tickets today by  
scanning this QR Code:**





# This Week at Christ Church

## **Today, January 26, The Third Sunday after the Epiphany:**

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist with Children’s Choir Rite II (Church)
- 10:00 am – Sunday School & Nursery Care (Ranck Building)
- 11:00 am Annual Meeting of the Parish (Parish Hall)
- 3:00pm & 6:30pm – NFL Conference Championship Games (Hall)

## **Tuesday, January 28**

- 10:30 am – Morning Prayer (Zoom)

## **Wednesday, January 29**

- 5:15 pm – Holy Eucharist (Church)
- 7pm – Full Orchestra Concert (Church)
- 8:30pm – Festive Reception (Parish Hall)

## **Thursday, January 30**

- 8:00 am – Rector’s Bible Study (Zoom)
- 10:00 am – Lectionary Bible Study (Library)
- 5:00 pm – Children’s Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 5:30-7:00pm – Confirmation Class (Library)

## **Saturday, February 1**

- 11:00 am – Youth Volunteering: Clean Out Sunday School Closet

## **Sunday, February 2, Candlemas**

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist Rite II (Church)
- 10:00 am – Sunday School & Nursery Care (Ranck Building)
- 11:00 am – Meet the Artist Reception (Hoag Hall)
- 5:00pm – Choral Evensong (Church),
- 5:45pm – Pizzeria Night (Parish Hall)

# Parish Updates

## **Stewardship (as of January 22)**

We have 114 Pledges for \$501,285. Please make your pledge for 2025.

**Our Goal is 150 Pledges and a balanced budget.** Thank you to everyone who has already made a pledge; your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

## **The Artist of the Month will be Patricia Pardini.**

Her artwork will be exhibited in January & February. There will be a meet the artist reception on February 2 from 11am to 1pm.

## **We need Coffee Hour Hosts: Volunteer today!**

Are you interested in hosting Coffee Hour? There are two ways you can host Coffee Hour at 10am. 1) Provide food (snacks for adults and kids, milk, juices, etc.) that totals about \$75-\$150. 2) Donate \$200 to the Coffee Hour Fund, and we will cater it for you. You can sponsor an entire coffee hour on your own or join forces with others to get to the total food or dollars needed. Contact Marie Main if you want to donate for a catered Coffee Hour. If you want to sign up to provide food, simply sign up on the sheet in the parish hall.

# Outreach & Service

## **Outreach Request - Food Pantry**

Parishioners are invited to donate any of the following items on or before the FIRST Sunday of each month: Healthy cereal (grocery store size, no Costco or BJs boxes); Shelf-stable milk \*; 14-16oz. cans of fruit, corn, peas, or beans; 6oz. cans of tuna; 1lb. packages of rice \*; Pasta and 14-25oz. PLASTIC jars of spaghetti sauce; Reusable bags such as Fresh Direct Bags!!!; *PLEASE - NO odd, old, opened or expired food.*

## **Outreach Request - Sharing Shelf Donations**

The Sharing Shelf of Westchester is a non-profit organization founded in 2009 to address clothing insecurity and meet basic hygiene necessities of area low-income children and teens. The Shelf works to provide feminine hygiene products that will help fight period poverty and give dignity, comfort, and self-esteem to girls and young women in our area. There is a pink donation box inside the double glass doors at the lower parking lot; please help with a donation of unopened boxes of menstrual products.

## **Coming Events**

### **NFL Championship Games: Sunday, January 26, 3pm-9pm**



Join us for an afternoon and evening of playoff football on the Jumbotron in Hoag Hall! The first game starts at 3pm, the second game starts at 6:30pm. Come for either or both games or just stop by. We will have a selection of potluck gameday food and

beverages - please bring something to share! Bring your favorite game day dish, beer, or wine. Or make a donation of \$20 to the Church to help cover the costs. We will have a selection of beer, wine, soda and snacks - donations are appreciated. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

### **Candlemas: Sunday, February 2 at 5pm**

Our first Choral Evensong in more than a decade will take place at 5:00 pm on February 2. The service will include traditional and well-known choral settings of the Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, and well known and cherished evening and Candlemas hymns. Our guest preacher this evening will be the Rev. Canon Alissa Newton, Canon to the Ordinary of the Diocese of New York. We will have our first Pizzeria Night after the service (see below).

### **Pizzeria Night: Sunday, February 2 at 6pm**



Following the Candlemas Evensong (which starts at 5pm) we are having Pizzeria Night! We will have a variety of pizzas from our friends at Pizza Fenice in Pelham. We will also have salad, soda, red wine, and classic red/white tablecloths. We are asking each adult to pay \$10 to support the cost of the evening. Children and Teens eat for free. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

### **Scout Sunday & Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, February 9**

Every year on the second Sunday in February we offer Scout Sunday, which includes members and leaders from Troop 1 Pelham (chartered by Christ Church) and the Cub Scout Packs in Pelham. The Scouts are offering a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser all morning today from 8:30am until noon. Please note there is no other coffee hour at 8am or 10am, and the Scouts are asking \$10 per person (children under 6 eat free) to support the fundraising effort (Cash only).

### **Superbowl Party & Chili Cookoff: Sunday, February 9**



The Big Game starts at 6:30pm and we are having a chilifest (and other food as well). Bring your own chili for the competition with winners for "Best", "Hottest", and "Most Unexpected". Winners will receive an official Christ Church Pint Glass. If making chili is not your thing, bring your favorite game day dish, beer, or wine. Or make a donation of \$20 to the Church to help cover the costs. We will have a selection of beer, wine, soda and snacks - donations are appreciated. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

### **Saint Mathias Day: Monday, February 24, 5:15pm**

Join us for the Holy Eucharist on Saint Mathias Day.

### **Ash Wednesday, March 5, 7am, 12pm, 7:30pm**

Mass with Ashes will be offered three times on Ash Wednesday.

### **Holy Week & Easter 2025: April 13-20**

Palm Sunday is April 13 (8am & 10am), Agape Dinner / Maundy Thursday is April 17 (6pm / 7:30pm), Good Friday is April 18 (12pm), Holy Saturday / Easter Eve is April 19 (10am / 7:30pm), and Easter Sunday is April 20 (9am & 11:15am).

### **Maundy Thursday Mediterranean Feast: April 17: 5:30pm**



Maundy Thursday Agape Mediterranean Feast (catered) begins at 5:30pm. We will have lamb and chicken kabobs, humus, stuffed grape leaves, Greek and lentil salads, and many other Middle Eastern dishes. The Choir is encouraged to come at 5:30 so they can eat before rehearsal. Maundy Thursday Mass begins at 7:30pm. \$25 per adult, children and teens eat free. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

### **Mother's Day Dessert Auction: Sunday, May 11, 11:00am**

Mark your calendars for our next Outreach Dessert Auction.

### **Bishop Visitation & Confirmation: Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm**

The Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York will be with us on May 18 at 4pm to offer confirmation. All are encouraged to attend. Adults who want to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, speak to Fr. Matt ASAP.

## **Father Matt's Steak House Night / Ascension Day Mass: Thursday, May 29, 6pm / 7:30pm**



Celebrate Ascension Day with our Father Matt's Steakhouse Night at 6pm. We will have more than 30 pounds of prime rib eye steak, cooked to order by Father Matt and as much steak as you can eat. We will also have a baked potato bar, caprese salad (tomatoes, mozzarella, basil), and a selection of cheeses, desserts, red and white wines, beer, and soda. \$25 per person, children and teens are free. Please RSVP with the QR Code. The Feast is followed by Mass with Hymns at 7:30pm.

## **Confirmation Class for Youths Meeting Dates**

- Thursday, January 30, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, February 2, 5:00pm – Reading and Ushering for Candlemas
- Thursday, February 13, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Thursday, March 6, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Thursday, March 20, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 6, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 27, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Thursday, May 8, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm – Confirmation & Visitation with the Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York – The entire congregation is encouraged to attend!

## **Children's Choir**

Weekly Children's Choir (2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grades) rehearses Thursdays from 5:00-5:30 pm. The coming Sunday and Holy Day singing schedule for the Children's Choir includes Easter Sunday at 9am, and at the 10am service on Sundays January 26, March 2, March 30, May 18, and June 8. The choir is growing, and we would love for your child to join us! Please talk to our Music Director Dr. Justin Bischof for more information.

## Youth Group

Youth Group for Middle and High Schoolers next meets Wednesday, February 5 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm making sandwiches and bagging lunches with the Men's Group. Speak to Evan Felicetti for more information.

## Friends of Music Concert Season 2024-2025



Five concerts celebrating the 5th Anniversary of Christ Church's Juget-Sinclair organ. Four internationally acclaimed concert organists who are also leading New York City area Episcopalian organists. A wine and cheese reception will take place after the concerts. To purchase tickets please

use this QR code.

- **Wednesday January 29th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm** - Orchestral Concert by Modus Operandi Orchestra MOO; Justin Bischof, artistic director & conductor; David Enlow, organist.
- **Wednesday March 26th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm** - Organ Concert by David Enlow, Organist & Choirmaster, Church of the Resurrection, New York City.
- **Wednesday May 7th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm** - Organ Concert by Stephen Tharp; Artist-in-Residence (2015-2024); St. James Madison Avenue.

# CHRIST CHURCH

Episcopal/Anglican

## Clergy & Staff

The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, *Rector*  
The Reverend Deacon Chisara Alimole, *Deacon*  
Ms. Marie Main, *Parish Administrator*  
Dr. Justin Bischof, *Director of Music & Organist*  
Mr. Evan Felicetti, *Director of Children's Ministries*  
Mr. Walter Roberts, *Verger and Sexton*  
Mr. Ed Blue, *Sexton*

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The Rev. David Hoag, *Rector Emeritus*  
The Reverend Deacon Katie Lawrence, *Deacon Emerita*

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## Worship Schedule

Every Sunday at 8am & 10am: Holy Eucharist  
Sundays as announced at 5pm: Holy Eucharist or Evensong  
Wednesdays & Holy Days as announced at 5:15pm: Holy Eucharist

## The Parish of Christ the Redeemer

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to serving God through worship and service to our community and the world.*