



# CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## NOVEMBER 2023 - CHRONICLE

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Where we seek to glorify God, follow Jesus Christ, and serve all people through the power of the Holy Spirit, as a community of companions walking together in the Way of Christ's Love for all.



As we approach the final Sundays of the liturgical year, we are confronted with some of the more puzzling teachings of Jesus. On the first Sunday of the month, we are confronted with a particularly challenging teaching in which Jesus says, “Call no one on earth your father” (Matthew 23:9). If Jesus wants us avoid calling anyone on earth father, then aren't we disobeying our Lord every time we address a priest, such as myself, as “Father”? Moreover, aren't we disobeying Jesus every time we refer to our own biological fathers as “father”? Jesus also tells his followers to refrain from calling anyone on earth “teacher.” The fact that these words (“father” and “teacher”) are used frequently in church settings makes this teaching even more confusing.

On the second Sunday of November, we read the Parable of the Bridesmaids in which five bridesmaids refuse to share their oil with others. The poor bridesmaids who need more oil are then cast out of the wedding banquet and refused re-entry by the bridegroom who says, “I do not know you” (Matthew 25:12). Then on the third Sunday of November, Jesus tells the Parable of the Talents in which a servant is severely reprimanded for essentially being financially conservative. The master in the parable condemns the poor servant as a “worthless slave” who should be thrown into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth! (Matthew 25:30).

If you're curious to hear how I, *Father* Daniel, will interpret and preach on these Gospel passages (including the passage about not calling anyone “father”), then be sure to come to church each Sunday this month; and please pray for your rector because I'm *also* curious about how I'm going to preach on them! I honestly don't know yet! Although I'm familiar with the superficial and bland interpretations that many of us learned while growing up, I find most of them deeply unsatisfying and frankly soporific in the face of the Gospel's profoundly destabilizing and shocking mystery. And for me, that might be one of the main points of these teach-

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## From our Rector - *Continued from the previous page*

ings: to wake us up and to get us to pay attention (which is good preparation for Advent). Jesus wants us to wrestle with his endlessly puzzling and yet life-giving words.

I invite you to read Matthew 23:1-12 and Matthew 25 this month and reflect on these strange teachings of Jesus, ruminate on them throughout the day, and let them read you. Don't be afraid to ask tough questions and don't rush towards easy answers. As I continue to wrestle with the perplexing words of Jesus, I remain comforted and encouraged by the following advice from the poet Rainer Maria Rilke, which I offer to you as well:

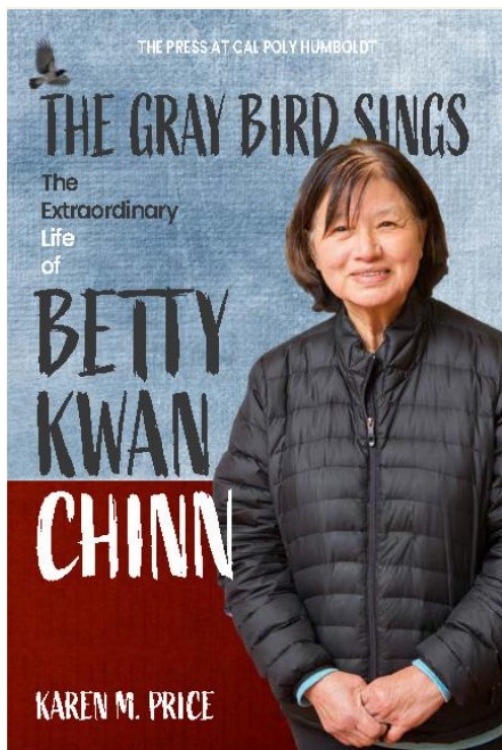
“Be patient toward all that is unsolved in your heart and try to love the questions themselves, like locked rooms and like books that are now written in a very foreign tongue. Do not now seek the answers, which cannot be given you because you would not be able to live them. And the point is, to live everything. Live the questions now. Perhaps you will then gradually, without noticing it, live along some distant day into the answer.”



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## Save the date | Saturday, February 10, 2024

### The Gray Bird Sings: The Extraordinary Life of Betty Kwan Chinn



Plan to join us as Christ Episcopal Church celebrates the book launch of this biography written by Karen M. Price. More information will be forthcoming in the months ahead.

Price, Karen M. Ph.D.. *The Gray Bird Sings: The Extraordinary Life of Betty Kwan Chinn*. Humboldt State University Press, 2023. <https://digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/monographs/21>.

### Description

“Touched by childhood tragedy, Betty Chinn brings hope to those who have fallen on hard times. Left homeless as a child in China, Chinn became mute. When she came to America, she found both her voice and her mission: aiding those without shelter on our own shores.” - *Barack Obama, awarding Betty the Presidential Citizens Medal*

She's the humanitarian compared to Mother Teresa, hailed as the “Hong Kong Angel,” and beloved by her community in Humboldt County. She miraculously survived the most vile brutalities to become a beacon for humanity and an inspiration for all. Meet Betty Kwan Chinn.



# Chamber Players of the Redwoods

presented and performed by  
North Coast musicians

Presents  
Concert No. 42

2023-2024 Concert Series  
Fall Concert

Free Admission  
*Donations are greatly appreciated*

Sunday  
November 5, 2023  
2:00 p.m

at the  
Christ Episcopal Church  
15th and H Streets  
Eureka, California

## Featured

## Chamber

## Groups



### Lyric Trio

Alyssa Morris  
Coastal Kaleidoscope (2012):  
Waves, Seals, Spring Tide  
for flute, oboe, and piano

### The J Street Trio

Franz Joseph Haydn  
Piano Trio No. 44 in E major  
for piano, violin, and cello



### Trio 301

Michael Kibbe  
Trio, opus 301 (*world premiere*)  
for violin, horn, and piano  
(In memory of Val Phillips)



Find us on the web at  
[chamberplayersredwoods.org](http://chamberplayersredwoods.org)

# Happy All Hallows Eve, dear Christ Church friends

Tomorrow is All Saints' Day. Tomorrow, I will remember the third anniversary of the last Eucharist I shared with my Dad, on Sunday, November 1, 2020. All of us were present with Dad and Mom on that day as we worshiped online with the people of the National Cathedral, and we gathered around Dad's hospital bed as a visual representation of the church universal, and shared bread and wine. We heard the text for the day from Revelation: "They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." We all sang, "For All the Saints (who from their labors rest)." The sublime solo and choir music was jazz-inspired, Dad's favorite. It was the last time I saw him smile.

We were all with Dad and Mom in their home on that day: Perry, Linden, me, and Wren and Erik, who had gotten married less than a month earlier, here in Humboldt County, in Cheatham Grove. Dad was able to greet Erik as the newest member of the family. Now, as we await the birth of Wren and Erik's first child and my first grandchild, I'd like to imagine that Dad might have also been able to see into the future and give thanks, as we do in the present, for that child, his future great-grandchild, through his daughter Jeri and his granddaughter Wren.



*All Saints' at St. Francis', Fortuna*



*Linden & Wren with Penny*

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## Happy All Hallows Eve, dear Christ Church friends - *Continued from the previous page*

November is a month that makes me think of Tony in West Side Story singing, “Something’s Coming.” (“Something’s coming, something good, if I can wait...”) Besides the All Saints communion of the church in heaven and the church on earth, there is the annual Convention of the Diocese of Northern California, a tangible representation of our small corner of that church. It will be the first time I’ve attended since 2016, and I am grateful to be going again.

In a few short weeks, we will sing “all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin,” as we give thanks for the multitude of God’s gifts. We will celebrate the last Sunday of the church year as Christ the King Sunday. In my family’s life, Perry and Linden celebrate their birthdays.

And then we all launch toward Christmas through what will seem like a very short Advent, with the 4th Sunday of Advent coming as it does this year on Christmas Eve. I know I will want to be mentally and emotionally present for every minute of that time of anticipation: the beginning of the church year, the time that all subsequent time in the holy catholic church is built upon.

So today we stand upon the precipice of all that. “Something’s Coming,” indeed. Thanks be to God for this bridge month: for the end of some things and the beginning of others; for the remembrance of and gratitude for all those on the other side of the “thin place”; for all those still living that we will greet with hugs in the annual meeting of the Diocese of Northern California; and for all our many blessings, including nourishing food, that we will share in a few weeks among ourselves and with some of the others God loves.

It’s a significant month. And what is left to say? As a dear one from Calvary Lutheran, now departed, used to say at the end of all his messages, “See you in church!”

*Below: Convention Worship at All Saints’ Redding, 2015*





**Sunday**  
**December 10, 2023**  
**3:00 o'clock pm**

**Christ Episcopal Church**  
**1428 H Street**  
*(corner of 15th & H streets)*

# MESSIAH SING-ALONG

Under the direction of David Powell, the audience will be the chorus— joined by soloists Annika Bäckström (Soprano), Carl McGahan (Bass), and David Powell (Tenor) — we will ring in the Christmas season singing Handel’s *Messiah*, Part I plus the Hallelujah Chorus. Scores will be available for loan or bring your own (Schirmer edition).

The event is Free and all are welcome ...  
come and sing or listen!

**A reception in the Parish Hall will follow the concert.**

## FRESH PRODUCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19



Fresh Produce Sunday is November 19. Baskets will be placed at the back of the nave to collect donations of fresh produce which will be blessed and then taken to St. Vincent de Paul’s dining facility on Monday morning. Thank you parishioners for remembering to help each month with your gifts of potatoes, carrots, apples, oranges, bananas, lettuce, onions, cabbage, kale, avocados, peaches, kiwis, and, and, and....







## Bach On! concert, October 29, 2023

Thank you to all Christ Church parishioners who volunteered to help at the concert! The gorgeous flower arrangements by Thomas Swanger, were enjoyed by all.

Special thanks to:

- Fr. Daniel for introducing the concert --
- Royal McCarthy for running the sound --
- Steve Cole and Elizabeth Haynes for ushering --

The next Bach On! concert will be  
**Sunday, December 17, at 4 pm**  
if you would like to volunteer to help,  
please contact: Merry Phillips

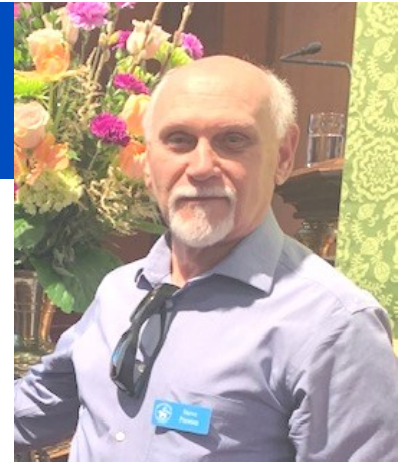


## October Pet Supply Drive a huge success!

**Thank you**  
for your wonderful  
response for our Pet  
Food Drive for the  
Humboldt County  
Animal Shelter!



## From the Senior Warden Steven Preston



# Joy! Joy! Joy!

**JOY AT JOY MASS:** After our first five Joy Mass Family Services in October, we can report that the children, parents, grandparents, and other adults attending are indeed experiencing a joyous time of worship and community-building. With visuals on the 75" TV, guitar-led singing, fun story-time, a meaningful confession and offering, a simplified Eucharist, and a snack afterward, children and adults alike are finding new meaning on a Sunday morning. As Fr. Daniel said in the *Times-Standard* article on September 30th, the goal of the Joy Mass Family Service is "to provide a new, fresh and fun way for children to come to Jesus and to give them the greatest gift they'll ever receive: a relationship with the living God." We will continue these services, and hope that over time they also bring new families into the larger life of Christ Church.

**STEADFAST AND GROWING SINCE 1870:** This phrase is part of our church logo; you know, the one with the Lamb, the cross, and palm branches. If you look around on Sunday mornings, the truth of that phrase is clear. The people of Christ Church have been returning post-pandemic. And, we have been seeing more and more visitors, some traveling away from home, and some local residents. Several new folks have been returning weekly and are becoming part of the family! We welcome our new siblings. Take time to chat with visitors or new worshippers, either after services in the reception line or during Coffee Hour. They will feel less like strangers in a strange land, and you will find new siblings in Christ who can enrich your life as well.



**LEADERSHIP SERVICE:** It's not too early to begin thinking about whether you are called to stand for election to the Vestry at the Annual Meeting in early 2024. Please speak with Fr. Daniel, other clergy, the Wardens, or current Vestry members if you need information on what is involved in this central leadership role in our parish. We will also elect five lay delegates and two lay alternates for the 2024 Diocesan Convention, which will be virtual/online (so no traveling required).

**TREASURER NEEDED:** After about 20 years, our excellent Treasurer, Dr. Bob Hines, is retiring, and we are looking for a new Church Treasurer, to be elected at the Vestry's Organizing Meeting after the February 4th Annual Meeting. If you are interested, or curious, please speak with Fr. Daniel.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Our Leader for the post-10:30 Coffee Hour, Lynne Bean, is revising our coffee hour ministry, by forming separate teams of members to set-up, clean-up, and bring food. The goal is for each team to serve only once a month. A few have been doing so much up to this point, and they're getting tired! In order for this vitally important ministry of outreach, hospitality, and fellowship to thrive, we need more people to step up and serve. Please contact Lynne (707-822-6086), or sign up on the easel in Lewis Hall.

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION:** By the time you read this, the 2023 Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California will be over. It is on Friday and Saturday, November 3 and 4, at Faith Church in Cameron Park. Our clergy, led by Fr. Daniel, five elected lay delegates (Paul Gossard, Daniel Hafer, Elizabeth Harper-Lawson, Catherine Mace, and Steven Preston) and two elected lay alternates (Roni Carlson and Lin

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## From the Senior Warden - Continued from the previous page

Chase) represent you in this important decision-making gathering of our Church. There are five Resolutions being considered; three petitions to General Convention: to add Howard Thurman to the Church Calendar; to advocate for “Migration with Dignity”; and to amend Church Canons on Holy Communion. There are two Resolutions to amend our Diocesan Canons: to allow Deacons to be Deanery Deans; and on Appointments to the Disciplinary Board. There is also a Petition to change a church’s status, and there are elections to the Standing Committee and Board of Trustees. There are also many appointments being announced, and reports from the Treasurer, other officers, and the Deaneries, Commissions, and Committees. There will be a keynote speaker and the Bishop’s Address on Friday, and Eucharist that evening, with additional business and closing dismissal on Saturday. This year there is a smaller exhibit area for Commissions and Ministries. Next year’s Convention will be virtual/online, since the “Fearless Faith Revival” is on April 27th in Sacramento and Roseville; Christ Church will be a “remote location” for the evening event with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

**DIOCESAN E-NEWS:** To keep up with the Bishop, the Diocese and our sibling churches, sign up for this weekly newsletter at <https://www.norcalepiscopal.org/#signup>.

**BELOVED COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEWSLETTER:** From the Commission for Intercultural Ministries, a very useful resource for the broader social justice activities of the Diocese and the National Church. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/BCRnewsletter>.

*Within every challenge lies opportunity! The task is to find the opportunity and to fulfill it!*

Steve Preston,  
Senior Warden

### Joy Mass Family Service

#### CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sundays | 9:30 AM

Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour  
15th & G Streets



**Please join us in a new  
Ministry adventure!**



### Centering Prayer

Tuesdays | 6:30 pm | In person and on Zoom

**Covid protocols are: Full vaccination is recommended, masks are OPTIONAL for those who are fully vaccinated, and masks are expected for those who are not fully vaccinated. Seating is distanced.**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82639812032>

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# Joy Mass – Join the Team!



With a successful start to our weekly Joy Mass Family Service, we are looking for additional volunteers to be a part of this short and colorful service in the Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour.

We are looking for individuals that can share their musical talents as well as additional volunteers to serve as general helpers.

Safe Church training is *required* prior to working with the children. If you are interested contact:

Robin Cardona, 707.267.5825;  
Vickie Patton, 707.443.1825; or  
Steve Preston, 213.304.3715



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Joy Mass Trainee  
Evan Smithler assisting with  
technology for the service.

Thanks Evan!!

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## Safe Church Creates Holy Space

May 2022  
Office of Development

The guiding principle of Safe Church is to protect the vulnerable and offer the opportunity for us, as Episcopalians, to be good neighbors to one another. The new and updated program, [Safe Church, Safe Communities](#), was launched in the summer of 2021. Safe Church, Safe Communities provides new and updated training modules for clergy, laity, and parish staff. These resources give dioceses and parishes across the church the tools necessary to ensure that the most vulnerable among us find an Episcopal Church community of faith that is welcoming and safe.

**At the present time we have 25 individuals representing our Joy Mass Volunteers, Eucharistic Ministers, Staff, Vestry, and Altar Guild completing their coursework.**

Safe Church Model Policies were adopted in 2017 and can be found on [The Episcopal Church's](#) website. They include model policies for [safe ministries](#), [for children and youth](#), and for [vulnerable adults](#). The 79th General Convention authorized the formation of The Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies and Safe Church Training. The task force presented a report to the [80th General Convention](#) outlining its progress and recommendations—recommendations that included the Safe Church, Safe Community program. At the heart of this work is the goal that all Episcopal parishes and dioceses be holy and safe places, communities from which we join to build a church that looks and acts like Jesus, where each of us is welcome and included.



# LOOKING FOR A CHURCH TREASURER



Our Church Treasurer, Bob Hines, is retiring after more nearly 20 years of serving this Parish. From our Church Constitution: *The Treasurer shall be elected by the Vestry and serve until a successor is elected. The Treasurer may, but need not, be a member of the Vestry. The Treasurer shall perform the usual functions of such office and such duties as may be prescribed in Parish Constitution. At the Annual Meeting the Treasurer shall present to the Parish a full and accurate statement of all monies received and paid during the year ... [Constitution of Christ Church Parish {DC 33.6 and DC 34.5} as amended January 22, 2023]*

**What are the usual functions of the office?** The church treasurer is a voluntary official responsible for monitoring, recording, and managing the offerings, donations, and tithes paid by church members. The Treasurer works with the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and Finance Committee to coordinate the church’s finances, such as bookkeeping and money output, into church activities. It is important to regulate its inflow and outflow and keep a proper record to ensure transparency and accountability to the church and diocese. This is where the church treasurer (and assistant treasurer) comes in and manages most of the church’s financial matters such as record keeping, depositing of funds, payroll, investments, budgeting, tax filing, etc.

If you are interested in serving as our next Treasurer, please speak with Fr. Daniel.



I took 30 pounds of donated items to the food bank in October which brings our total to 551 pounds for this year!

This month there was an additional bonus of 4 really, really good can openers. Ask me sometime what happened to one of the can openers distributed on that first Tuesday.

If you bring it - it will count. Thanks Bev.



Food for People’s Local Food Resources Coordinator Allison packs fresh produce sourced from a local farm



# Christ Episcopal Church Green Team Tip of the Month

## Replace Single Use Dryer Sheets and Fabric Softener with Wool Dryer Balls

Wool Dryer Balls are an all-natural reusable laundry solution. Liquid Fabric Softener and Dryer Sheets soften clothes and reduce static cling by coating our clothes with chemicals. Wool Dryer Balls soften clothes by fluffing fabrics as they tumble in the dryer. Misting them with water or pinning a safety pin to them before adding dryer balls to the dryer can help reduce static cling. Tumbling your small to medium sized loads with just 3 wool balls can reduce drying time by as much as 25% as well! That's a big win win! And to add another win to the list, you can buy locally sourced wool dryer balls at the farmers' market.



Did you know Wool Dryer balls (just \$9 at the Foggy Bottoms Boys <https://www.foggybottomsboys.com/>) last up to 1000 loads and they are compostable? One Thousand loads is the equivalent of 5 large boxes of Bounce or eight 88 oz. bottles of Downey. Using the wool dryer balls instead of dryer sheets or liquid softener results in a cost savings between \$45 and \$80 just for the product. Add in the energy savings from reduced drying time and it starts to add up. Just throw your wool balls in the compost when they have outlived their useful life.



According to the Environmental Working Group (ewg.org), chemicals in fabric softeners include Quats (quaternary ammonium compounds) that are known to trigger asthma and may be toxic to the reproductive system; fragrances which can cause allergies, dermatitis and breathing difficulties; and preservatives and colors that are also known to trigger asthma and skin allergies, some are toxic to marine life and others have been linked to cancer.

### **Christ Church Eureka Green Team Mission and Vision Statement**

*In fulfillment of Diocesan Resolution RI-2022, General Convention Resolution A087, and our church mission statement, the Christ Church Green Team promotes care for the earth and its resources as God's gifts for sustaining life. We strive to minimize the environmental footprint of the parish and its people by honoring the land and practicing mindful stewardship of our planet and its resources. As Christ Church Eureka, we seek to provide a carbon neutral presence by the year 2030.*







# Quilters+

The day: Wednesday, November 8

The time: 9:30 AM

The place: Lewis Hall

Our next Quilters + meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8 at 9:30 am in Lewis Hall.

We will be working on blankets for local foster children and prayer quilts for our parish. No experience needed. Supplies will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

If you have a 'portable' Christmas project or gift you are working on, you are welcome to bring it to work on and share in the fellowship.

You can bring your own project to work on. Come and enjoy conversation, snacks, and working together.

Questions? Call Peg Gardner 443-9627 or Belinda Zander 442-4222.



Save  
the dates!

“Sabbatical Adventures - Confessions of a Churchaholic”

TUESDAYS—November 28, December 5, 12, 19

5:30—7 PM | Lewis Hall

November 28 - Canterbury Cathedral, Abbey of Rievaulx, Christ Church Naples

December 5 - American Cathedral in Paris, Sainte-Chapelle,  
Chartres, Cluny Museum

December 12 - Episcopal Churches in Virginia, NY, CA, OR

December 19 - Aotearoa New Zealand, Holy Trinity Cathedral Auckland,  
Powhiri, Hobbiton, Rotarua, etc.



# Vestry Page

## YOUR VESTRY

### CLASS OF 2023:

Jim Hendry  
Junior Warden

Steve Preston  
Senior Warden

Belinda Zander

### CLASS OF 2024:

Robin Cardona

Steve Cole

Elizabeth Harper-Lawson

### CLASS OF 2025:

Roni Carlson

Heidi Erickson

Joan Stewart

### RECTOR:

The Rev. Dr. Daniel London

### ARCHDEACON:

The Ven. Pam Gossard

### CLERK:

Peg Gardner

### TREASURER:

Bob Hines

### ASSISTANT TREASURER:

Thomas Swanger

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*Minutes of the most recent Vestry meetings, Outreach, and Financial Reports are always posted on the Lewis Hall bulletin board.*

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**OCTOBER 22ND MEETING:** At its regular meeting, after opening prayer by Fr. Daniel, he led a “Check-In” time, an opportunity for Vestry members to share something for which they were thankful.

The Financial Report through September was reviewed and received.

Vestry approved the minutes of the September 24th Vestry Meeting and the written reports from the Rector, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Outreach Committee, Green Team, Pet Food Donations, and Joy Mass Team.

Fr. Daniel reviewed highlights from his written report.

Senior Warden Steve Preston asked for any questions from his written report, of which there were none.

Junior Warden Jim Hendry reported on the cost estimate of \$1,000 per door to put windows in three of the classroom doors, to comply with our insurance inspection and Diocesan recommendations. He stated he could install them himself for much less, but there would still be significant materials costs. Discussion of current use of the nursery, toddler, and Godly Play rooms during Joy Mass indicates that the doors are kept fully open, with baby gates, so Vestry decided such modifications were not needed at this time. There was discussion of other general maintenance needs, and Fr. Daniel updated Vestry on considerations being made for recruiting a part-time Sexton to address these.

Archdeacon Pam Gossard reported on her activities, and her involvement with husband Paul co-chairing the Prayer Team for the Diocesan April Revival.

Robin Cardona reported on the successful first four weekly Joy Mass Family Services, with a varying number of children and adults attending, there being 4-10 children and 10-15 adults most Sundays. Volunteers from the Team and Vestry have been doing weekly cleaning of the facilities being used. At Fr. Daniel’s request, another 5’ x 3’ banner will be ordered, to be installed at the Chapel’s G Street entry doors, to be paid from the ECS grant. Steve Preston shared a report from Thomas that about \$1,000 of the \$3,500 grant remained.

Steve Preston and others reported on the Stewardship BBQ Lunch and Auction on Saturday, October 14th in Lewis Hall. Everyone agreed that the attendance was very good and that everyone seem to enjoy themselves. The presentations, while a bit lengthy, were well-received. The auction raised \$1,650 (for the Green Team energy efficiency assessment) and more than \$300 was received in the “table bags” to defray the costs of the luncheon. Many thanks were expressed for the efforts of the volunteers who made this a success.

Steve Preston reported for the Green Team that the next round of energy efficiency assessments will be scheduled in early 2024 (probably in January) and that we should be ready to take part.

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Fr. Daniel updated Vestry on discussions by the Personnel Committee on the possible hiring of a part-time Sexton. The discussion included reviewing and modifying the existing job description. He will contact the potential Sexton to initiate discussion.

Senior Warden Steve Preston reported that he had met briefly today with the co-leaders of the Emergency Response Team, and that they will meet together to review the mission of the Team, discuss how and when to begin recruiting parishioners to the Team, and make recommendations to him to relay to Vestry.

Peg Gardner reported that the Afghani refugee family that St. Alban's had sponsored in Arcata, with our support, had successfully relocated to the Sacramento area where an apartment was waiting for them. Steve Preston added that we had sent a bedroom and a bathroom (Re)Start bin to St. Alban's for them, and that St. Francis and St. Alban's had provided cleaning and kitchen bins.

Fr. Daniel reported that we are in discussion with Diocesan Missioner Mark Dibelka and Blue Lake Rancheria about us hosting a Disaster Preparedness Fair next year. He also reported that Canon Julie Wakelee will facilitate our Mutual Ministry Review on Saturday, November 18th, from noon- 4:00 pm.

The question of adapting the new Diocesan Diversity Statements was referred to an ad hoc committee. Robin and Elizabeth volunteered to join Fr. Daniel and Steve Preston in formulating and recommending adapted statements.

Fr. Daniel, Archdeacon Pam, and Steve Preston reported on additional planning for the April 27, 2024 "Fearless Faith Revival" that will be at St. John's in Roseville, with Christ Church as a "remote location."

There was discussion of the need for landscaping and irrigation in the strip of land between the office building and the new Fish Memorial Wall. Junior Warden Jim Hendry will consult with others and bring a plan back for Vestry approval. There was consensus that it could be paid from the Jeanne and Robert Fish Memorial Fund, which had paid for the wall, walkway, and meadow landscaping.

Compensation levels for staff were discussed. Vestry voted that it be church policy that all employees must be paid at least the equivalent of minimum wage with immediate effect.

There was review and approval of adjustments made to the recently-adopted Facilities Use Fees and Application/Agreement form. These changes were made based on actual use in recent facilities rentals.

Finally, Vestry voted to call the 2024 Annual Meeting and Election for Sunday, February 4, 2024.

After a very full and productive meeting, and forty minutes overtime, Archdeacon Pam closed the meeting with a dismissal.

**The next Vestry meeting will be on Sunday, November 19th at 1 pm in the Pierson Room.**

# Called to *Serve*

## LAY MINISTRY

By Marty Vega

Have you or someone you know watched our 10:30 am service on YouTube? Maybe you've viewed one of our concerts? Our technical team makes it possible for everyone unable to attend in person to be there with us. Cameras, microphones, software, monitors, etc. – the list of what our technical team uses for streaming AND for our use in the sanctuary keeps growing.



Our team solved many mysteries and challenges, and now it's time to add new members to this ministry. Are you comfortable using a laptop or smart phone? This may be the perfect ministry for you. If you have any experience in recording, filming, or editing, your assistance, knowledge and help are very welcome.

Our other ministries welcome newcomers as well, just contact us for more information about some of these:

Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Pierson	→707 448-2025
Altar Guild	Kathy Clague	→707 822 5860
Choir	David Powell	→davidbpowell@gmail.com
Coffee Hour 8am	Peg Gardner	→707 443-9627
Coffee Hour 10:30am	Lynne Bean	→707 822-6086
Contribution Counters	Bob and Sarah Hines	→707 445-8974
Eucharistic Visitors	Elizabeth Harper-Lawson	→707 445-1726
Green Team	Steven Preston	→213 304-3715
Joy Mass Team	Vickie Patton	→707 443-1825
	Robin Cardona	→707 267-5825
Prayer Circle	Jannetje Vrieze	→jvdutchgirl@yahoo.com
Quilters +	Belinda Zander	→707 442-4222
Readers and Intercessors	Marty Vega	→707 443-9782
Technical Team	Christ Church Office	→707 442-1797
Ushers and Greeters	Sharon Kalberer	→707 630-3100
Welcome Bags	Belinda Zander	→707 442-4222





# November Birthday Wishes



Watch over your child, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Carol Binder	11/06	Caitlin Connors	11/15
Beth Powell	11/06	Fred Moore	11/17
Hannah Hogan	11/07	Elliott Musante	11/18
Megan Shewmaker	11/11	Jennaka Bozzoli	11/20
Thomas Swanger	11/14	Lynne Bean	11/21
	Hal Rosendahl	11/30	



## Happy Anniversary



O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Doug & Carol Moorehead                      11/26



Did we miss your special day? The staff apologizes for our time perception disorder with any omissions of birthdays and anniversaries. Send your special day information to: [christchurcheureka@gmail.com](mailto:christchurcheureka@gmail.com)  
We want to acknowledge and celebrate your special day next year!





CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2023

# THE SEASON OF ADVENT

The word Advent means “coming.” It is a time to slow down, be quiet and meditate about the real meaning of Christmas. These four weeks before Christmas are a time to prepare our hearts and our lives as we wait for the coming of Jesus. We focus on the promise that God made to his people and how that promise was fulfilled in Jesus. Advent is also the beginning of the liturgical year.

The season begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, December 3, and ends on the day before Christmas, Sunday December 24, which is the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve falling on the same day. This year presents unique worship opportunities. It may be a time for new beginning for us as Christians.

## Sundays of Advent

celebrated on December 3, 10, 17 and 24

Holy Eucharist | 8 & 10:30 AM | Main Church

Joy Mass Family Service | 9:30 am | Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour

**Advent Soup Suppers | Sabbatical Adventures—Confessions of a Churchaholic**

Tuesdays—November 28, December 5, 12, 19 | 5:30-7 PM | Lewis Hall

**Centering Prayer** | Mondays | November 27, December 4, 11 and 18

6:30 PM | Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour

### First Week of Advent

Rooted in Abundance 2024 Pledge In-Gathering | Sunday, December 3

### Second Week of Advent

Handel's *Messiah* Sing-along | Sunday, December 10 | 3:00 PM | Main Church

### Third Week of Advent—Gaudete Sunday

Bach On! Concert | Sunday, December 17 | 4:00 PM | Main Church

### Fourth Week of Advent/Christmas Eve

Holy Eucharist | 8 AM | Main Church

Joy Mass Family Service | 9:30 AM | Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour

Christingle Service | 10:30 AM | Main Church

## The Feast of Christ Mass

Sunday, December 24

7:00 PM—Musical Prelude for Christmas Eve  
followed by Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*Watch your weekly Email Updates for more information!*



## The November 2023 Cycle of Prayers

for our Diocese and the Anglican Communion

Please pray for the diocese, congregations, and clergy listed below on the Diocesan and Anglican cycles of prayer as well as those prayers requested by our Bishop, Dean and Diocesan Search & Transition Committees.

Every Sunday, the Diocesan Transition Committee requests that we pray for our bishop.

Look graciously on your Church and our bishop, The Rt. Rev. Megan Traquair, as she so graciously and ably serves as a caring, faithful pastor for your people, guiding and supporting us in our ministries during this time of Covid-19 and beyond.

Every Sunday in August, The Very Rev. K. Lesley McCloghrie, Dean of our Semper Virens Deanery, has asked us to pray for the people of St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Arcata.

**Intercessor:** We pray for the congregations of our deanery, this month for the people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Crescent City. We pray that the members of St. Paul's may find and fill their place in the Body of Christ as they live into this time of the world's deep need and uncertainty.

**People:** Lord, hear our prayer.



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**November 5**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Petaluma  
The Very Rev. Daniel Green, Rector  
The Rev. Laurie Warren, Deacon

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Anglican Church of Mexico  
The Rt. Rev. Enrique Trevino Cruz, Primate  
and Bishop of Cuernavaca

**November 12**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Marysville

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola  
The Rt. Rev. Carlos Matsinhe, Presiding Bishop and  
The Rt. Rev. Andre Soares, Dean of the Province

**November 19**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Roseville  
The Rev. Cliff Haggengjos, Rector  
The Rev. Marcia Hanson, Deacon

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)  
The Most Rev. Stephen Than Myint Oo  
Primate and Bishop of Yangon

**November 26**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Lakeport

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Church of Nigeria  
The Most Rev. Henry C. Ndukuba,  
Primate of all Nigeria

**December 3**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Woodland

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Church of North India (United)  
The Most Rev. Bijaya Kumar Nayak  
Moderator and Bishop of Phulbani

**December 10**

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Woodland

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

The Church of Pakistan (United)  
The Most Rev. Dr. Azad Marshall  
Bishop of Raiwind & Moderator of  
The Church of Pakistan

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If you wish to offer prayers daily for the church in the world, our Anglican Cycle of Prayer has a daily list of diocese and clergy who would benefit from your prayer ministry. This list can be obtained via this website: <https://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx>. If you do not have a computer, I would be glad to make a copy of the 2023-2026 Anglican Cycle of Prayer for you. Deacon Anne.



Dear God -

We live in a time of such division, anger, fear, hatred and violence and feel such deep sorrow. Enable us, with your healing grace, to find a place of inner peace and love so that we can become the change that is so needed in our world. Amen

*Shared by Deacon Anne from the Service of Sorrow, held on October 22, Temple Beth-El, Eureka*









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# NOVEMBER 2023

SUN	M	T	W	Th	F	SAT
<p>The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II 9:30 AM—Joy Mass Family Service 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II and livestream <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka">https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka</a></p> <p><b>Chamber Players of the Redwoods Concert   2 pm</b></p>	OFFICE CLOSED	<p>Book Launch Committee 10:30 AM   Lewis Hall</p> <p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p> 	<p>1 <b>All Saints' Evenson</b> 6 pm Main Church</p> <p>Quilters+ 9:30 AM Lewis Hall</p> <p>CC Concert Committee 4 PM   Lewis Hall</p> <p>Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Heritage Room</p>	<p>2 13th Diocesan Convention November 3 &amp; 4   2023 Faith Episcopal Church Cameron Park</p> <p>Rose Society 7 PM Lewis Hall</p>	<p>3 13th Diocesan Convention November 3 &amp; 4   2023 Faith Episcopal Church Cameron Park</p> <p>Altar Guild 10 AM</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time FALL BACK Tonight</p>	<p>4 Altar Guild 10 AM</p> <p>Memorial &amp; Celebration of Life for LAURA PERRY ROSE 11 AM   Main Church</p> <p>12:30 PM Reception</p> <p><b>VETERANS DAY</b></p>
<p>The 24th Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II 9:30 AM—Joy Mass Family Service 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II and livestream <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka">https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka</a></p> <p>12:30 PM Green Team   Pierson Room</p>	OFFICE CLOSED	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p> 	<p>15 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Heritage Room</p>	OFFICE CLOSED	<p>17 EDNC Mutual Ministry Review Vestry with Canon Julie 12 PM—4 PM   Lewis Hall</p>	<p>18 Altar Guild 10 AM</p>
<p>The 25th Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II 9:30 AM—Joy Mass Family Service 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II and livestream <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka">https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka</a></p> <p><b>FRESH PRODUCE SUNDAY</b> VESTRY meets 1 PM   Pierson Room</p>	OFFICE CLOSED	<p>Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Heritage Room</p> <p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p> 	<p>22 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Heritage Room</p>	<p>23 (Tentative) Noon Day Prayer Thanksgiving Day Potluck Dinner 1:00 PM Lewis Hall (Tentative)</p>	<p>24 Altar Guild 10 AM</p>	<p>25 Altar Guild 10 AM</p>
<p>CHRIST the KING 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II 9:30 AM—Joy Mass Family Service 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II and livestream <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka">https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka</a></p>	Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel	<p>ADVENT SOUP Supper 5:30-7 PM Lewis Hall</p>	<p>29 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Heritage Room</p>	OFFICE CLOSED	<p>1 St. Andrew, Apostle</p>	<p>2 <b>GREENING OF THE CHURCH</b> Altar Guild 10 AM</p> 
<b>DECEMBER</b>						



The Right Reverend Megan M. Traquair  
Bishop  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA



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