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Dear You-

An unorthodox beginning but true to my heart at this moment in time. My desire would be to send a letter to each one of you, individually, by name. Dear Martha. Dear Jim. Dear Bill. Dear Mary. Dear You. I would respond to your specific hurt, pain, joys and wonderings. I would write about what I have heard from you. Please pray for my family. Please pray for my friend. Please pray for me. I would fill this letter with comfort, hope, trust and love. I would tell you how important you are to me and how I think about you often.

But the letter has already been written. It is the love letter called God's Word, using Jesus Christ as the instrument. God has heard our cries for help and is addressing us by name, applying salve to our wounds and unmasking the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Our texts for this month are good examples of the Dear You:

John 15:16-17 I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you.

1 John 5:13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Romans 8:27 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

The personal nature of the Word of God meets us where we are. When the news of violence and destruction make us feel insecure, we hear of God's eternal unfailing love and fidelity. When illness or disease creeps into our homes and hearts, the Holy Spirit intercedes for us. When we wonder if God cares about us at all, we hear that we were chosen. When the future is out of focus and nebulous, the eternal nature of our relationship with God holds our hand as we walk forward. Martin Luther said that the soul needs the Word alone for life.

So dear parishioner, this letter is for you, wherever you are and however you are. God's love letter, written with Jesus Christ and his Holy Spirit, continues to write your story of love. Amen to that.

In Christ's Love,
Marilu

Confirmation Reception Time and Talent Needed

Sunday, May 6th is Confirmation Sunday for our youth and adults. If you can contribute a plate of finger food for the reception at 10 a.m., wrapped and ready to place on the table, we would greatly appreciate it. Also, if you are available to help with set-up and clean-up, please contact Tara Montgomery by email at tara@christchurchville.org or 571-213-1353.

Adult Confirmation Dinner

On **Wednesday, May 2nd**, we will be hosting a dinner in the Gibson Room at 6 p.m. for everyone signed up for Confirmation, Reception or Reaffirmation with the Bishop on May 6th. Please feel free to bring any significant others (note: no nursery). RSVP: office@christchurchville.org or 293-2347. Dress is casual and no need to bring a dish—it's in your honor!

A MESSAGE FROM JOSH

Senior's Luncheon: May 17th, Noon Concert; Lunch to follow

Come join us for Bach's Lunch at noon in the church, followed by luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in Meade Hall. The concert will feature violinist Robert Simonds. Please RSVP 293-2347 or email office@christchurchville.org.

May Mindful Morning

Wednesday, May 16 9 a.m.-11 a.m.
Small Group Room

Marilu and Amanda will be joined by Cawood Fitzhugh-Bowman for a morning of mindfulness. Besides caring for patients in the UVA Family Medicine Crozet office, Cawood is an instructor for the Mindfulness Center at UVA. She studied Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction with Jon Kabat-Zinn. We are very excited and honored to have Cawood share her expertise and compassionate care with us for a mindful morning. Coffee and Bagels will start the morning. Child Care is available. Space is limited -- so please let Marilu Thomas or Amanda McMillen know if you are planning to attend.



Mission & Service

Christ Church is partnering with **Habitat for Humanity's Building on Faith Initiative**. This interfaith collaboration is a year-long program spanning build days and potluck dinners to help foster community and relationships with individuals amongst many faiths—creating a space for conversation that acknowledges and celebrates similarities and differences across various traditions. Christ Church joins the Islamic Society of Central Virginia, the Islamic Study Center, Congregation Beth Israel, the Baha'i Community of Charlottesville, Trinity Episcopal and the Sufi Community.

We are very grateful for parishioners, Erik Hewlett and Mike Kavanaugh, our Christ Church representatives. We recently met all members of the team over our first potluck dinner- and July marks our first build day. We are very excited about this initiative and we hope this pilot year marks one of many to come!



Mission & Service



Every First Tuesday of the month (February-November) we welcome 8 families and 22 children to Christ Church for the **Habitat for Humanity Community Conversations Dinners**. The dinner creates a beautiful forum for future families of the Lochlyn Hill neighborhood to get to know one another, setting the foundation for building friendships and community. After we eat a delicious dinner (prepared by CJ Green and his Our Daily Bread Kitchen Team), Habitat for Humanity



Representatives educate the new neighbors on the ins and outs of home ownership. Our volunteers are such an integral part of these dinners!!

Volunteering is a wonderful way to build relationships with not only fellow parishioners, but with the families that join us each month. We serve and clean-up the meal as well as assist with childcare. Please contact Courtenay for more information if you are interested in volunteering.

2018 BACH'S LUNCH SEASON

The **29th Annual Bach's Lunches** (see the poster on page 7) are coming soon! The format remains the same: Thursdays at noon; a half hour musical performance in the Sanctuary. Lunch may be eaten in the church during the concerts (box lunches from Baggby's will be on sale for \$7).

Bach's Lunches (Thursdays at noon):

May 3 Monticello Quintet (Nancy Brown, flute; Karen Pearce, clarinet; Yasuko Kawasaki, oboe; Clara Mincer, horn; Elizabeth Good, bassoon; Laurie Shulman, piano)

May 10 Shenandoah Consort (Margaret Newcomb, recorder; Lesslie Crowell, recorder; David Edwards, Baroque guitar; Jennifer Myer, bass viola da gamba; Nancy Dennis, soprano voice)

May 17 Robert Simonds, violin

May 24 John Bullard, classical banjo

May 31 CEC Choir and guest singers from St. Paul's Ivy, St. Paul's Memorial, Grace Episcopal Church – Franz Schubert "Mass in G" with choir, orchestra and soloists.

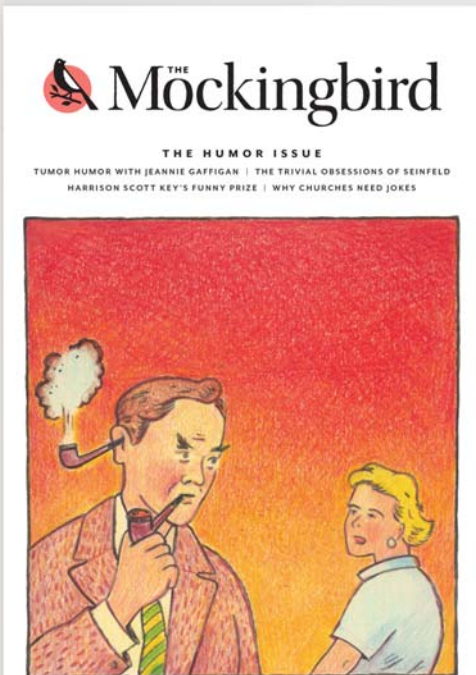


The Christ Church Preschool enjoyed a recent field trip to Bellair Farm!



Adult Education Class on Humor??!!

Join Dave Zahl on Sunday, May 13th and May 20th as he discusses highlights from Mockingbird's latest quarterly on Humor. The new quarterly is available in the church office. It includes cartoonists from the New Yorker, an interview with TV show writer Jeannie Gaffigan (comedian Jim Gaffigan's wife), an essay by Harrison Scott Key, and DZ's essay on the legacy of *Seinfeld!* Magazines are \$13, and subscriptions are available at magazine.mbird.com.



Prayer Requests

Pray for your fellow parishioners: Ruth Swift., Deb Bobka.

Pray for our leaders: Donald, our President, Ralph, our Governor, and Nikuyah, the Mayor of our city.

Pray for those on the Active Duty list: LCDR Matthew Warnecke, U.S. Navy (Karen & John Warnecke’s son); Col. Jason Morris (son-in-law of Eugene & Lanier Bogen), CPT David Downing (nephew of Carol & Jimmy Downing), LTJG Kyle David Wagner (son of Jeff & Christine Wagner), LTJG Thomas Campbell (son of Elizabeth Campbell), Ken Watson (deployed in Afghanistan), Army 1LT Alexander Symons & Marine Lance Corporal Denver Bergamin (nephews of James Moore & Sue Symons), USMC Conor James Nuelle (Karen Nuelle’s son).

Pray for the bereaved: Katherine Willard (Joe Farrar, brother), Jane Parker (Bobby Cobb, Uncle), Roseanne Simeone (Peggy Welker, mother), Claire Rilee (Bernice

Waters, grandmother), Charters Wilson (Hugh Wilson, husband), The Cason Family (Leonard Ezra Cason, Jr.), Kemp Hill (Helen Passano, mother), Steve & Alice Layman (Betty Layman, mother), Jon Shealy (Julia, mother), The Family of Kay Orrick, Kelly Oakes (Brian, brother), Anne & Ken Wilson (Bill, brother-in-law).

Please Note: We will list the bereaved for 6 months along with the deceased **relative**, if we know the name.

Please make your requests for prayer known to us: 100 W. Jefferson St. Charlottesville, VA 22902
Phone: 293-2347; Email: office@christchurchville.org

If you’re new to Christ Church, we have an **Email Prayer Chain**. There are approximately 80 parishioners on the chain at present. When we receive phoned-in prayer requests or email prayer requests in the office, we send them out to the chain as quickly as possible for prayer. If you would like to participate, please email office@christchurchville.org and we’ll add you to the list.

MAY

04 FIRST FRIDAYS ART OPENING
"Scaffold: A group show curated by Matt Kleberg"
5:30 - 7:30PM

05 LETTER WRITING DAY
Featuring Devon Sproule
1 - 1PM

08 MUSIC
A Different Thread (UK Folk) w/ Patrick Coman
8PM

12 WORKSHOP
Featuring Brother John Leather
10AM - Noon

16 GALLERY LUNCH HOUR
Bring your own lunch!
Noon - 1PM

24 MUSIC
Matt Jones and the Reconstruction (Midwestern Folk Rock) w/ Priest Potion
8PM

26 MUSIC
The Go Rounds (Psychedelic Americana) w/ Glenn Echo
8PM

29 MUSIC
Erin Cassels-Brown (Vermont Singer Songwriter) w/ Graham Stone Music
8PM

FREE TO THE PUBLIC!

THEGARAGEVILLE.COM

May at The Garage

Come celebrate the start of The Garage’s **10th season**, including Letter Writing Day on May 5 and the first Garage Workshop of the year on May 12, featuring parishioner John Coles (of Brother John Leather) who will guide us through the process of making a snazzy leather wallet (space is limited so please email Sam to signup: sam@christchurchville.org).

- MAY 4, 5:30-7:30PM: "SCAFFOLD," A GROUP SHOW CURATED BY MATT KLEBERG
- MAY 5, 11AM-1PM: THE GARAGE LETTER WRITING DAY FEATURING DEVON SPROULE
- MAY 8, 8PM: A DIFFERENT THREAD W/ PATRICK COMAN
- MAY 12, 10AM-NOON: GARAGE WORKSHOP: HOW TO MAKE A LEATHER WALLET FEATURING BROTHER JOHN LEATHER
- MAY 16, NOON-1PM: OPEN GALLERY LUNCH HOUR
- MAY 24, 8PM: MATT JONES AND THE RECONSTRUCTION W/ PRIEST POTION
- MAY 26, 8PM: THE GO ROUNDS W/ GLENN ECHO
- MAY 29, 8PM: ERIN CASSELS-BROWN W/ GRAHAM STONE MUSIC

Happenings in Children's Ministries

By Amy Avery

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner!



Come join us for summer fun: **June 11-June 14**
9:00 am to 11:15 am

- Children at **Christ Church** ages 4 to 8 years old are invited to participate.
- **Volunteers are needed. If you can volunteer one day it would be a huge help!**
- We also invite children who are in 3rd – 5th grades and Middle School students to participate as **Junior VBS Group Leaders**.
- **High school Students are invited also to sign up as leaders.**
- To sign your child up, please provide their **name, age, and any allergies** he or she may have. Visit the site at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054ca9a72da6fb6-vbs2018>

Update to April Messenger Safety Report from the Vestry

We have made progress on implementing the safety recommendations of the Vestry (see April's Messenger article). There are now four ways to enter the Church for Sunday Services:

1. The main front entrance on High Street
 2. The handicap accessible side entrance ramp on Second Street near the front entrance
 3. The two side doors on Second Street near Meade Hall
 4. Parents dropping off children for the nursery may bring them directly to the Fitzhugh House front door and ring the Nursery bell to be buzzed in.
- The back alleyway double doors will remain locked at all times.
 - The Gibson Room and Monticello Room entrances will only be unlocked for functions in those rooms, (for example, when there are Adult Education classes on Sundays).
 - The Pre-School and Youth Room have been equipped with buzz-in systems with cameras so those seeking entrance can be seen.
 - Later this month, our ushers and Vestry will meet to discuss other ways to improve safety and security.

Ascension Evensong on May 10, 2018 at 7pm

Combined Choirs of

Christ Church; St. Paul's Ivy; Emmanuel Greenwood

Join us at Emmanuel Church 7599 Rockfish Gap (Rt. 250 West) Greenwood, VA

All are welcome at this evening prayer service full of joyful music as we celebrate the Ascension of Christ 40 days after Easter.



Hello All and Happy May!

It's so hard to believe the end of the school year is here already. Though we will discontinue Youth Group for the Summer, Nathan and I are really looking forward to seeing our students more when school is out. We hope to have many fun opportunities to be together in fellowship!

Before we end our weekly Youth Groups, however, we are excited for both Confirmation and Youth Sunday in May. On May 6th, Bishop Shannon will confirm nine 8th graders who have completed our Confirmation class. We are so happy for these students who have made the decision to join the Episcopal Church. Josh and I will miss seeing them weekly!

On May 20th during the 9am service, we will have our 3rd annual Youth Sunday service. During this service, both Middle and High Schoolers are invited to actively participate in the service- whether that be chalice bearing, scripture reading, ushering, acolyting, anything- we would love to have you join us! Please email Rebecca if you are interested. It will be a great way to wrap up our year!

We will be praying for you as exam season approaches and that you would "cast all your anxieties on him because he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7).

All the Best,
Rebecca and Nathan

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Pastoral Care email (read by ministers only):
pastoralcare@christchurchville.org or call
our minister phone line at 434-806-9088.

In partnership with
Virginia Institute of Pastoral Care (VIP)
Counseling Option: Meet with Counselor
Sudie Althisar
Monday & Friday appointments
Contact 434-409-1640 or salthisar@vipcare.org

Here is the link to the Virginia Episcopalian—
Quarterly Magazine produced by the Diocese of
Virginia (hold control key and click on the link to
connect): http://www.thediocese.net/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/Virginia_Episcopalian/VE_Fall2017_web.pdf

Feed your craving for good music!

30th Annual

Bach's Lunch



May 3 - MONTICELLO QUINTET
Clara Mincer, horn; Nancy Brown, flute;
Elizabeth Good, bassoon; Yasuko
Kawasaki, oboe; Karen Pearce, clarinet;
Laurie Shulman, piano

CONCERT SERIES

Thursdays at Noon

May 3 - May 31, 2018



May 10 - SHENANDOAH CONSORT
Margaret Newcomb, recorder; Lesslie Crowell,
recorder; Nancy Dennis, soprano;
Jennifer Myer, bass viola da gamba;
David Edwards, Baroque guitar



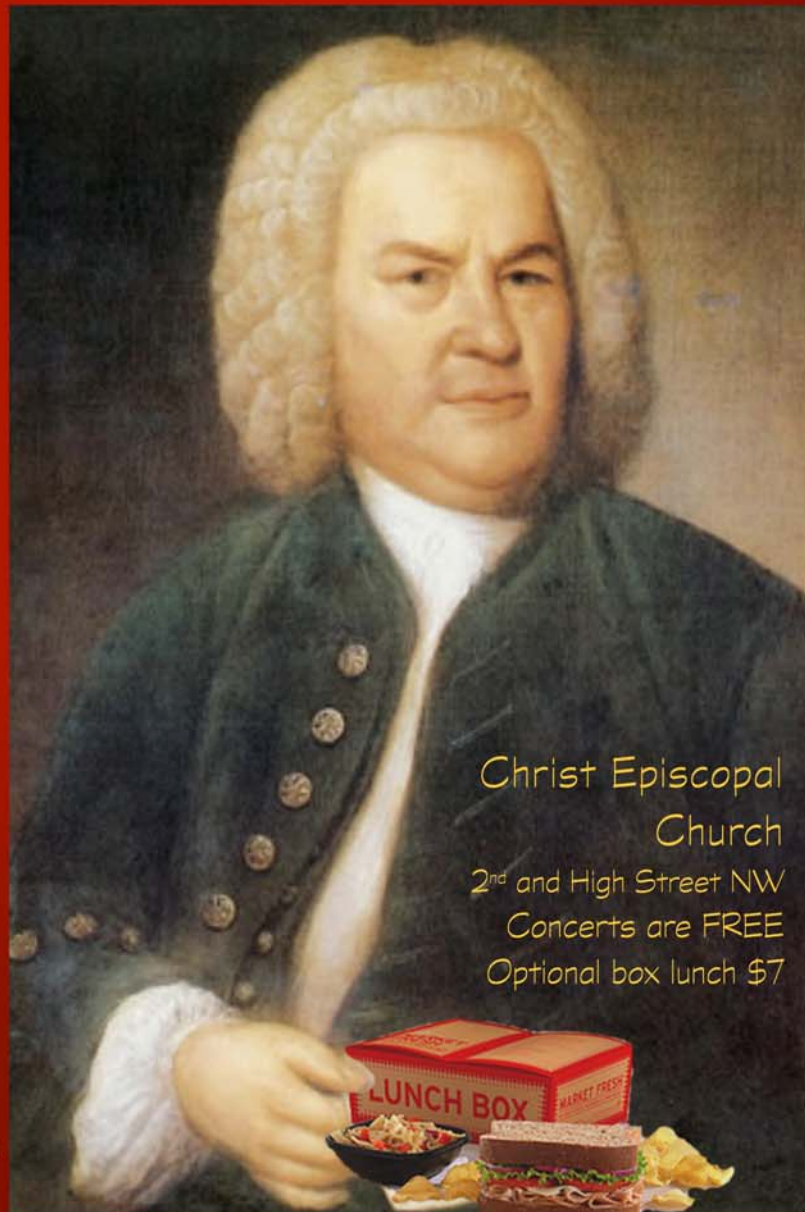
May 17 - ROBERT SIMONDS, violin
(Louisville Orchestra member)



May 24 - JOHN BULLARD
Classical Banjo



May 31 - SCHUBERT MASS in G
Church choir members from Christ Episcopal,
Church of our Savior, Grace Church Keswick,
St. Paul's Ivy, and St. Paul's Memorial
with Chamber Orchestra



Christ Episcopal
Church

2nd and High Street NW

Concerts are FREE

Optional box lunch \$7

May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 5-8 pm Habitat Dinner	2	3 Noon—Bach's Lunch Concert	4 5pm Wedding Rehearsal	5 6pm Miller/Payne Wedding
6 Confirmation Sunday 7:45am HC Rite I 9am HC Rite II 10 am Reception 11am HC Rite I 5pm HC	7	8	9	10 Noon—Bach's Lunch Concert 7pm Ascension Evensong Emmanuel Greenwood	11	12 3 pm Blue Ridge Chamber Orchestra Concert
13 7:45am HC Rite I 9am Rite II & Holy Baptism 10 Coffee Hour in the Garage! 11am MP 5pm HC	14	15 5pm Vestry Meets	16 9—11 am Women's Mindful Morning	17 Noon—Bach's Lunch Concert Senior's Lunch follows the concert.	18	19 9:30 am Private Baptisms
20 Youth Sunday 7:45am HC Rite I 9am HC Rite II 10 am Adult Ed 11am HC Rite I 5pm HC	21	22	23	24 Noon—Bach's Lunch Concert	25	26
27 7:45am HC Rite I 9am Rite II 10 am Adult Ed 11am HC Rite I 5pm HC	28 Memorial Day (Church Office Closed)	29	30	31 Noon—Bach's Lunch Concert		

Weekly Events	Weekly Events
<p>Sundays: 9:15 am Jr. Choir meets 5/6 and 5/13 4pm Middle School meets in Youth Room ends May 20 Post 5pm service High School meets ends May 20</p> <p>Mondays: 7pm Gibson Room—Adult class on Trinity ends May 14</p> <p>Tuesdays: 7 am BBC - Donovan Room (ends May 2nd) 7:45 Centering Prayer Small Group Room Noon—Our Daily Bread - Interested in serving? Contact Marilu (marilu@christchurchville.org) 7:30 pm Young Adults Bible Study ends May 22</p>	<p>Weds: 11:30 Mid-week Communion 12:15 Brown Bag Bible Study 4—5 pm Yoga in Meade Hall</p> <p>Thurs: 7 am Men's Bible Study ends May 24th 1 pm—Men's Jail Ministry 7:15—8 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal ends May 24</p> <p>Fridays: 7 pm Women's Jail Ministry</p>