

Christ Episcopal Church
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Welcome to our Church

Join us
every Sunday
morning

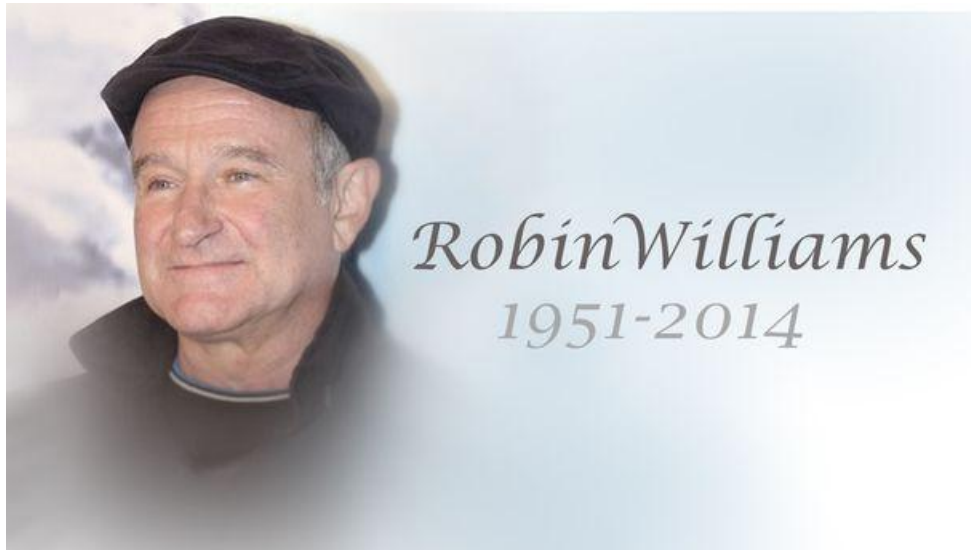
at 10:30 a.m. for
The Holy Eucharist

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Top 10 Reasons to be an Episcopalian

(from the comedian Robin Williams, who is an Episcopalian,
on a recent HBO special)

10. No snake handling.
9. You can believe in dinosaurs.
8. Male and female God created them; male and female we ordain them.
7. You don't have to check your brains at the door.
6. Pew aerobics.
5. Church year is color-coded.
4. Free wine on Sunday.
3. All of the pageantry - none of the guilt.
2. You don't have to know how to swim to get baptized.

And the Number One reason to be an Episcopalian: No matter what you believe, there's bound to be at least one other Episcopalian who agrees with you.

Small, but Mighty, Agents of God!



A one-day Vacation Bible School was held on August 2nd at Christ Episcopal. Six children participated in a day of fun, where we created several crafts, held a dance party, played games, and enjoyed the infamous "Sundaes from Heaven". Each child took home a personalized special agent badge, secret agent drink cup, and lots of prizes! A special thanks to the Boyles family for their monetary support, and to Father John, Janet Jacquez, Ann Heim, and Allison Nichols for their contributions.



Two of our "Agents", Bryce Nichols and Samuel Blake

Sunday school will resume on September 7th. Please remember to drop your kids off before church. I will bring them up around the Peace.

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP

will reconvene on Wednesday, September 3rd at 11:00am. Fr. John will start us out on our fall study of The Holy Bible. Carolyn will provide us with her customary fine lunch.

Normally, we had about 10 students last year, but this year we would hope to see that number increase significantly. There is always room for more in our Parish Hall. So make plans to be with us this fall and enjoy the Word, Soup, Salad, and Sandwiches.



OUTREACH COMMITTEE

By Jim Kerr

Rally Day is Sunday, September 7th!!! Mark your calendars. That is the day we come back to church from our Summer Vacations and get reacquainted with our Lord and our Christian neighbors at Christ Episcopal Church! What a thrill it will be to meet them again! What stories we will have to tell! What exciting experiences we can share!

At 9:30am the Choir will be tuning up under Carolyn Kerr's direction. The children will head back to classes under Amy Blake's tutorage. We, the worshippers, will sit under the spell-binding sermonizing of Fr. Kevern at 10:30am. Then, together we will stand or kneel before the Altar of Our Lord receiving The Holy Eucharist. This is the high moment of the day.

At Noon, we will gather on the front church lawn for a picnic. This second meal (the first was the Eucharistic meal--what a foretaste of Glory Devine!) is provided by The Church and served by our Outreach Committee. You have nothing to bring but yourself, family, and neighbors. Our front-lawn special will be hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, ice cream, watermelon, and drinks. You provide the folks and we will provide the food! Together, we will experience the Christian Fellowship.

Our thanks for this day is to The Lord and in fond memory of Bill Johnson and Wes and Lillias Talkington. Our thanks for the spread is given to our Outreach Committee: Mike Lawson, Bruce Hamilton, David Seamons, Jim Cormack, Glenn Boyles, Martha Hall, Jim Kerr, and their families. And a special thanks to Barb Barkley for providing all of our paper and plastic products for our picnic.

One kindness we ask of each of you: Please get the word around to everyone about Rally Day and personally invite them to come. Perhaps you could even bring them in your car or you could bring one of our elderly persons or maybe you know a backslider or an unchurched person: bring them with you. They are most welcome! May The Lord be with us on this RALLY DAY!

A word about our **After School Program**: The Outreach Committee has planned to commence an after school program for youths of the West Side Middle School and the local neighborhood. This event will take place from 3:00-6:00pm in our Parish Hall and gymnasium. This program will be made possible by our Committee and Staff personnel from FAIRMONT State University. Jim Kerr will provide oversight for this program with various volunteers for different aspects of the ASP. Our target start date will be mid to late September depending on the school calendar and Principal Lisa Lister (whom we thank for her assistance). We also thank Louise Lawson for her efforts to get the program started. Watch the Church Bulletin for later news.

Choir News

By Carolyn Kerr

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable and restful Summer! First, I want to thank Ann Patterson for playing for me on the four Sundays I was absent. I truly enjoy playing the mighty Cassavant; but, a vacation is always appreciated.

I just returned from a Conference on Episcopal Music and Services. The choir director there was Dr. Wm. Bradley Roberts from the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia. Dr. Roberts is the Professor of Church Music and composer of many church anthems. He was not only a wonderful leader and interpreter of the music we sang, but also a devout gentleman. There were probably around 125 adults in attendance and 15 children for the children's choir. It was a pleasure to be on the receiving end of the music rather than the "hot" seat. The conference was held at the Trinity Episcopal Center on Emerald Isle, North Carolina which is part of the Eastern Carolina Diocese. This experience will serve as my continuing education for this year. I appreciate so much the opportunity provided to me to attend the conference. It was truly refreshing and invigorating! LOOK OUT, CHOIR!!

Don't forget the choir year begins on Sept. 7th. We will again practice at 9:30 am each Sunday. WE WILL BE STARTING REHEARSAL AT 9:30!! (Hint, Hint)

There are already special services planned for the Fall season. One of them will be the return of the West Virginia Brass Quintet for the All Saints Service. Also a special Evensong Service is planned with the Fairmont State University Choir. I'm sure once Fr John and I put our heads together there will be other "special" additions to the Fall program.

Everyone is invited to be part of the church choir. There are no tryouts, you don't have to sing a solo unless your name is Kyle Hamilton. Come and join us as we seek to make our worship services meaningful and uplifting to everyone!

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Liturgical Assistants Calendar for 10:30am Holy Eucharist (Subject to change)

If you cannot be at church on one of your appointed days, please make arrangements for a replacement yourself. Greeters should be in place at 10:15 to greet and provide assistance to those needing help. Lectors can find their weekly readings at: <http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

Date	Greeters	Chalice	Lectors	Acolytes	Sacristans	Ushers	Counters
9/7 Pentecost 13	Mike L. Louise L.	Barb B. Caroline C.	Barb B. Carrington R.	Abby W.	Team 3 Green	Kent B. Glenn B.	Barb B. Chris M.
9/14 Pentecost 14	Steve R. Dana R.	Kyle H. Lisa C.-B.	Kyle H. Joyce H.	Hunter B.	Team 4 Green	Baker Family	Lisa C.-B. Heather H.
9/21 Pentecost 15	Glenn B. Laura B.	Neal H. Jim K.	Neal H. Dede B.	Abby W.	Team 1 Green	Glenn B. Kent B.	Toni B. Jeff G.
9/28 Pentecost 16	Scott B. Lisa C.-B.	Bruce H. Dot H.	Bruce H. Dot H.	Hunter B.	Team 2 Green	Baker Family	Jim C. Lisa C.-B.

Announcements

Wednesday, September 3rd – **Bible Study** will resume at the usual time of 11am with lunch to follow.

Sunday, September 7th – **Rally Day Picnic**. After The Worship Service, we will have a Picnic on the front Church Lawn. Tables and chairs will provide us space for our Hot Dogs and Burgers.

Sunday, September 7th – First day of **choir** and **Sunday School**.

Tuesday, September 9th – **Vestry** meeting, 6:30pm, Parish Library.

Monday, September 15th – **Outreach** meeting, 6:30pm, Parish Library.

Saturday, September 20th – **Soup Opera**.

Saturday, September 27th – The Greater Fairmont Council of Churches will hold **“Preparedness Expo”** from 10am – 3pm, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Meadowdale Rd in Fairmont.

Saturday, October 11th – **Acolyte festival** at Washington National Cathedral, 10am.



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Happy Labor Day!

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