

THE E-PISTLE THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 30, 2017: Third Sunday of Easter

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAYS

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite One (S)*
10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite Two (S)*
10:00 am First Steps Nursery (c1)*
Godly Play (c2)*
Say What? - Re: Form Class (L)*
7:00 pm Confirmation Class
MONDAY Parish Offices Closed

WEDNESDAYS

9:00 a.m. Women's Spirituality Group (L)*
11:00 a.m. Chapel—Ladybugs (S)*
11:30 a.m. Chapel—Honeybees (S)
7:30 pm Choir Practice (S)*

THURSDAYS

9:30 a.m. **NO Men's Group 5/4** - Rector's Office
11:00 a.m. Chapel—Honeybees Group 2 (S)*
Locations: (S) Sanctuary, (L) Library, (PH) Parish Hall,
(Seq) Sequoias,
(C1) Classroom 1, (C2) Classroom 2
Stars(*): Regular weekly events

Birthdays & Anniversaries!



SUNDAY Scott Feamster
TUESDAY Jack Lucas, Daniel Hill
WEDNESDAY Mary Jo Hossfeld
Anniversary of Mac & Jane McInnis
THURSDAY Hazel Lynn
SATURDAY Eric Laderman

Watch over your children, 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.

Stewardship Thank You Celebration Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Join us in celebrating a successful Stewardship Campaign for 2017. We met our participation goal and came close to our financial goal, which helps put our church on a solid financial footing for the year. We hope you will join us for a celebration Sunday at coffee hour following the 10 a.m. service. This is an occasion to celebrate and to say, "THANK YOU!"



Thanks to Today's Ministers !

Flowers: Tricia Christensen

8 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant/Preacher The Rev. Beth Phillips
Director of Music Michael Glick
Altar Guild Betsy Alexander
Usher Jim Raitt
Lector (Lesson) Jim Raitt
Lector (Epistle) Chet Wrucke
Intercessor Mary Hufty
LEM Betsy Alexander

10 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant The Rev. Beth Phillips
Preachers Ellen Schell & Dr. Address Malata
Director of Music Michael Glick
Deacon
Altar Guild Marty Coddington
Greeter Jane Morton
Greeter Nancy Stanwood
Ushers Stu & Kaethe Langs
Acolyte Louise Delafield
Lector (Lesson) Sandy Miller
Lector (Epistle) Ruth Ann Wrucke
Intercessor Angela Hey
LEM Angela Hey
Coffee Hour Host Sarah Halsey



Guest Preachers Today !
Ellen Schell &
Dr. Address Malata

Sunday at the 10 a.m. Service

In Our Prayers

With special concern: *Parishioners:* The Chai Family, Gail Reed, Miss Ray, Beverly Siegel, the Livingston family. *Friends and Family:* Ron Larson, LeeAnne, Dante Bermudez, Jim Varady, Owen Cance, Sharon Miller Manfredonia, Jeannette Heidrich, Stefani Schatz, Jason Mitsky, Mike Schilling, Tracy Edmond, Ron Larson, Paul Kraus

Recently Deceased: Jane Chai

On the anniversaries of their deaths: Tony Sowers, Doris Margaret Stratton

For pastoral emergencies, please call Mother Beth at (970) 948-7962.

Next Week's Ministers Sunday 5/7/17

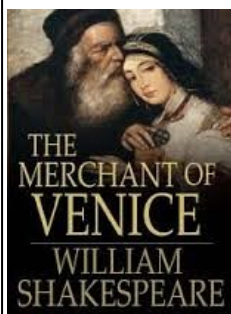
Flowers: Penny McCulloch

8 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

<i>Celebrant/Preacher</i>	<i>The Rev. Beth Phillips</i>
<i>Director of Music</i>	<i>Michael Glick</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Carol Wentworth</i>
<i>Usher</i>	<i>Jim Raitt</i>
<i>Lector (Lesson)</i>	<i>David Riggs</i>
<i>Lector (Epistle)</i>	<i>Chet Wrucke</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	<i>Betsy Alexander</i>
<i>LEM</i>	<i>Betsy Alexander</i>

10 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

<i>Celebrant/Preacher</i>	<i>The Rev. Beth Phillips</i>
<i>Director of Music</i>	<i>Michael Glick</i>
<i>Deacon</i>	<i>Dede Jamison</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Stu & Kaethe Langs</i>
<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Jack & Libby Lucas</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Diane & Trask Leonard</i>
<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Louise Delafield</i>
<i>Lector (Lesson)</i>	<i>Todd Reimund</i>
<i>Lector (Epistle)</i>	<i>Claiborne Jones</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	<i>Annemarie Redmond</i>
<i>LEM</i>	<i>Annemarie Redmond</i>
<i>Coffee Hour Host</i>	<i>Angela Hey</i>



Shakespeare Series

Our Spring seminar on Christianity through literature began again on Sunday, April 23 but it's not too late to join in. David Riggs will be leading the discussion on Shakespeare's *Merchant of Venice*. We meet at 9am in the Parish Library.



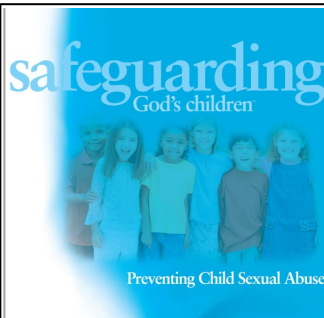
JUNE 16-18 Parish Retreat

There Are a Few Spots Left!

Register for our Annual Parish Retreat at Bishop's Ranch with a great pool and in the middle of Healdsburg wine country!

We sold out last year so register now :
Call the office or email shelley@ccpvw.org or go to:

<http://conta.cc/2lokhoU>



Safeguarding God's Children June 4 at 11:30 a.m.

Although this training is required if you work with children in this parish, you will want to attend this eye-opening training if there are any children that you love and care for in your life. Please join us, and RSVP to Shelley@ccpvw.org because this includes lunch with materials.



Come be part of a Christ Church team helping to beautify the garden at **Haven House in Menlo Park on Saturday, May 20th from 1.30 - 4.00p.m.** We will be planting flowers and vegetables while having fun and making the garden more beautiful for the homeless families living there. Everyone is welcome! Please see sign up sheet and instructions in the Narthex.



Christ Church is having a **White Elephant Sale on Thursday, May 25th from 2:30 - 6.00p.m. near the Farmer's Market in Portola Valley.** 100% of proceeds will go to support Home and Hope and Life Moves serving Homeless Families. Please bring any special items you no longer have use for, to sell at the event. Details and a collection box for items are in the Narthex. Any questions, please ask the Outreach team.



Music, Art & Soul Academy (M.A.S.A.)

Two summer sessions for children ages 3-10.
Explore music, art and God.
Contact Cara at cara@ccpvw.org to register.
Reserve your spot now!



SESSION II
June 19-22

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CHRIST CHURCH PORTOLA VALLEY

A Note From The Rector

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Vestry and I have an **important invitation** to extend to you, to every member of this parish, even to those who have not been here much recently or are totally new. We will have a town hall meeting following both services on May 7. However, the conversation will begin this Sunday at the Stewardship Celebration after the 10 a.m. service.

We recently sent out a parish wide survey and asked about different aspects of our life together from time, length and rhythm of our worship services, to music, to parish events and outreach. As you have probably observed in recent years, the rhythm of people's lives—especially in households with children—and the spirituality and sense of mission of the Church universal have undergone tremendous change. More and more people identify as spiritual but not religious.

It is no surprise, then, that on a weekly basis parishioners will express to the staff, the Vestry, or the clergy some longing for something that they feel is missing on Sunday morning or share a challenge with some aspect of Sunday morning that is not quite working for them. For example, people regularly wish we had more time for fellowship with more substantial food in the evenings from time to time. Others express a wish for certain music or more opportunities to get to know people outside of Sunday morning services. Some express a wish that the service they attend were shorter. No one expressed a desire for a longer service (except for perhaps my Michael and me).

For the past year I have asked what has worked and has not worked in the past. The conversation really made evident to me that the questions we are trying to answer are not simple technical questions about service times or liturgy choices. We need to dig deeper into what the longings and challenges are for parishioners as we all share in the life of this community of faith and as we live into our Christian faith in a rapidly changing world. Perhaps, if we can come together and share those longings and challenges, we can see if the way we have Sunday morning organized is the best (and as part of the Episcopal Church there is a limit to the extent that we can "mix-it-up") or if there might be a better way and what our mission for the future is and how we can best live into it.

Members of the Vestry, staff, and other ministry leaders will help us begin to engage in reflection and discussion about what Sunday mornings (and other times of the week) need to be for a church like Christ Church in the 21st century, in a culture that is less and less supportive of organized religion, and in a setting with more and more other activities and events taking place on Sundays and throughout the week.

Please get in touch if you have any questions. Most importantly please make every effort to attend one meeting of each part of this Town Hall, as this will shape our shared life for the foreseeable future. We look forward to seeing you there!

Peace,
Beth



Sunday After the 10 a.m. Service

One of the priorities we identified on the vestry retreat was the need to review the CCPVW mission statement and identity. We'd like your input, so there will be an opportunity to jot down your thoughts at the stewardship celebration after the 10:00 a.m. service Sunday, April 30. We'd like to know what CCPVW means to you, and what you think is at the core of CCPVW that makes it such a great place.

We'll talk through this further at Town Hall Meetings after the 8:00 and 10:00 services on May 7.

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CHRIST CHURCH PORTOLA VALLEY & WOODSIDE

The vestry is comprised of parish leaders who help define and articulate the mission of the congregation; support the church's mission by word and deed, ensure effective organization and planning, and manage our resources and finances.

COMING UP

Sunday May 7
Town Hall Meeting following
both services

Thursday, May 25th
2:30 - 6.00 p.m.

Christ Church
Out reach
White Elephant Sale
*Near the Farmer's Market in
Portola Valley.*

Sunday, June 4 at 11:30 am
Safeguarding
God's Children Training

Monday-Thursday
June 12-15
Session I—Music Art and Soul
Academy
Ocean Commotion,
Diving into Noah's Flood

Friday-Sunday
June 16-18
Parish Retreat
*at the Bishop's Ranch,
Healdsburg*

Monday-Thursday
June 19-22
Session II—Music Art and Soul
Academy
Hero Central

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