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Weekly eNews & Notices—August 11, 2011 Pentecost

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*"...a community of faith
called to seek and serve
Christ in all persons at the*

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Worship and Liturgical Participants

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Installment #5 in our summer series on environmental sustainability.

This week Lynda Bernays provides an article from GreenFaith.org on

[Water Conservation](#) in the home.



Announcements

Service of Remembrance

This year marks the 10 year anniversary of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. **Mark your calendars** and plan to join us in a Service of Remembrance on Sunday, September 11 at 7:30 pm. The service will feature prayers, readings and Fauré's *Requiem* sung by



crossroads: The Body of Christ offering infinite respect and radical hospitality to ALL people."



Parish Leadership 2011

Greg King ('12)
Senior Warden

Lynn Winkelman ('13)
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the Christ Church Choir and the Trinity Cathedral Choir with orchestra. All proceeds from the free will offering will go to charity. For more information please contact [Justin Miller](#).

Scripture readings for this week, Pentecost 9: Genesis 45:1-15, Psalm 133, Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32, and Matthew 15: 10-28.

Volunteers needed to work on the shrubbery around the Community Garden. Karen Greer is coordinating the work day on Saturday, August 20 from 9 am to noon. Please bring rakes and shovels. Your help is appreciated and needed! Contact [Karen](#) for more details.

The Cleveland Ecumenical Institute 2011 Fall course brochures have arrived and are on the table in the Great Hall.

Family Promise Day at the Zoo! Family Promise (formerly IHN) is having a fund raising family walk and fun fest at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo on Saturday, August 20. A flyer with detailed information and registration form is on the website at [Family Promise Zoo Walk](#).



Family Promise has scheduled a collaborative hosting week at Lyndhurst Community Presbyterian Church, on Mayfield near Richmond. Lynda Bernays has offered to be responsible for Friday and Saturday nights -- Aug 26 and 27. If you are available to spend any time with us on either of those nights, let her know. We'll need dinner (5:30 – 7 pm), evening supervision (7 - 8:30 pm) and overnight (Stan and Lynda unless others volunteer). So basically about 5 people each evening. Contact Lynda Bernays if you can help -- [eMail](#) or call 216-337-5946.

Are you interested or involved in the issue of Sustainable Food?

Christ Church is part of the Greater Cleveland Congregations' effort to develop solutions to some of our community's most pressing needs. One need is access to sustainably produced food. If you are interested in this issue, or if you are already involved in this issue in some capacity, please contact our Sustainable Food Action Team Leader, Katie Ong-Landini, at marykather@aol.com or at 216-561-0788. An Action Team member will contact you to get further details. If you need more information, please speak

to Katie. Thank you!

Community Gardeners Please remember to weed and water your plots on a regular basis so you don't lose your plants.

Hospitality Ministry needs your help.

Please consider providing snacks for fellowship time following Sunday services. We have many visitors during the summer months and this simple gesture adds to the sense of welcome. If you need suggestions on types of food and quantities, see Marion Dingus. Please sign up on the sheet in the Great Hall so that we can properly plan for each week's fellowship time.



Summer Schedule

Even though most of the weekday activities are on summer hiatus, Sunday worship continues at 8 am and 10:30 am. Remember to come and refresh your spirit on Sunday mornings and refresh your body at other times during the week.

Volunteers Needed

Could you help make one of life's most challenging moments easier for people in your own community? You're invited to explore the possibility of becoming a Hospice Volunteer with the Visiting Nurse Association! A wide range of volunteer skills are needed, from spiritual companionship to sewing pajama pants, friendly visits with patients to respite care, creating seasonal decorations and gifts for patients, office/clerical assistance, bereavement assistance, school and group service projects and many other possibilities. Bi-lingual volunteers are especially needed. Volunteer trainings take place Tuesdays September 13 through October 11. Call now to register: 216-902-7352 or email ssvolunteer@vnaohio.org for more information.



A Church for the 21st Century

You're invited to consider what we might be in the future. At the April 3rd Adult Forum Architect Brad Gellert presented some of the result of his team's study and analysis of our building and some suggestions for improvements and modernization. For those who missed his talk (or want to re-examine what he showed) the slides of his presentation are now available through a link from the church's website at [URS Gellert Presentation](#) They will also be shown in a continuous loop on the big screen TV in the Great Hall periodically over the next few weeks. Please take a few minutes to look at what was shown, and to think about how we can best make our building serve our spiritual mission in the years to come.

Host A Home Eucharist



Christ Church is offering an opportunity for you to host a home Eucharist at your residence. The earliest Christians always worshipped in people's homes before the era of church-centered worship.

As part of the gathered communities worship in those days an agape meal, or love feast, was prepared and shared as part of the eucharistic celebration.

We invite you to have and experience a home eucharist at your house this year. You may invite fellow Christ Church friends, neighbors, friends, co-workers or whomever you feel would enjoy worshipping God and being with good people.

Many people will be intrigued by the idea of gathering with Christians outside of the normal church building.

Your meal could be simple, (pizza and salad, a barbeque) or more elaborate, although we are not looking for a gourmet experience! Soups, salads, good breads, casseroles and an easy desert would be perfect.

You could even bake your own bread for the eucharist – we have some good honey wheat recipes for eucharistic bread that we can share. Some of you may even make your own wine to share for the celebration.

A program of some simple Bible study could be a part of the evening or a discussion on a current event and how our faith informs us about it. Or, no program is needed at all but just the opportunity to engage in good fellowship and conversation.

A sign up sheet with available dates is located on the table in the Great Hall. Please confer with the rector about a time and a program if you desire it. If there is a date that you would like to host that is not listed on the sign up sheet, please consult with the rector—other options are available.

Altar Flower Donations. We have several weeks in the coming month available for sign up. The cost is \$75 per week and can be split between two donors. Flowers can be given in memory or honor of a loved one. Please contact Don Jackson, Parish Administrator to arrange a date and to provide commemoration information. A new chart is posted next to the office door.

Other Parish Announcements

Weekly Deadline Reminders: eNews submissions and **Sunday bulletin** announcements are due by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Thanks for adhering to these times. It does help the office work flow.

Recycling Reminders: At Christ Church we recycle:

- INKJET & LASER TONER CARTRIDGES: bring your computer printer cartridges and deposit them in the box ***under the Vestry bulletin board*** in the Great Hall. No need to bring the packaging, we only send the cartridges back. We receive a fee for each cartridge recycled.
- Plastic, glass, and aluminum ONLY go in the **LARGE** blue receptacle in the Great Hall, near the south hall door (please put food waste in the other containers in that room).
- Non-alkaline household BATTERIES—look for the container under the desk in the Great Hall. Alkaline batteries are not hazardous and may be disposed with other trash. Non-alkaline batteries will be accepted for recycling.
- PAPER only in the Abitibi bins outside (no food, no plastic, no cardboard). Bring any other paper products from home and we receive a fee by the pound for all paper in the bins.
- **PAPER only in the small blue baskets** around the church. These are emptied into the Abitibi bins outside so the same content rules above apply to these containers.

Persons who wish to pay their pledges using stock will now do this through an account with the Diocese of Ohio. Members or their brokers may contact the Parish Administrator for complete information.

Liturgical Participants

Sunday, August 14, 2011

Liturgical Assistants at 8:00 am: Carol Franklin

Liturgical Assistants at 10:30 am:

Lector: Mark Swaim-Fox

Sub-Deacon: Bob Elliott

Chalice Bearers: Laura Borgione & Leslie Swaim-Fox

Usher Team Leaders: Linda Graves

Vestry Counting Teams: Mark Biggerman & Nancy Cooke

Sunday, August 21, 2011

Liturgical Assistants at 8:00 am: Valerie Schmedlen

Liturgical Assistants at 10:30 am:

Lector: Patricia Burgess

Sub-Deacon: Graham Lanz

Chalice Bearers: Marion Dingus & John Shelley

Usher Team Leaders: Kerrin Buss & John Schneider

Vestry Counting Teams: Jenn Lanz & Christina Rouse

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