



Today

All Worship Services - Come support our youth as they lead our Sunday worship services. Students in grades 6 -12 are invited to participate as ushers, readers, preachers, or greeters.

The Bridge - 8:45 am | All Saints' Hall - We offer an intergenerational Eucharist service where our "tween-age" parishioners and their families can worship together and share in leadership. To participate in leading worship, contact Emily Skinner at skinnere@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Fourth Grade Bible Presentation - We will present Bibles to all registered fourth graders during the 8:45 am Bridge Eucharist today. Families are invited for a light reception afterward (10 am) in the Green Room.

Clergy Class: The Practices of Faith: Gifts for Ministry - 10 am | All Saints' Hall - Lenten series exploring different aspects of the Christian life.

Faith in Action/Popcorn Theology: Reconciliation in Real Life - 10 am | M207 - Explore a real-life story of reconciliation through clips from the documentary, *A Binding Truth*, a film about De and Jimmie Lee Kirkpatrick, MPHS grads, who visited Christ Church in 2023. To receive a link to view the documentary ahead of our discussion, register at christchurchcharlotte.org/reconciliation-real-life.

Weekly Word Bible Study: Now It Springs Forth | 10 am | M204
In Isaiah 43:16-21, God proclaims, "I am about to do a new thing." This passage invites us to move beyond the past and recognize God's continual work of renewal, even in the most unexpected places. Join Scottie Stamper, Ed.D as we reflect on how we might discern and respond to God's transformative presence in our lives today.

Children & Youth

- Sunday Nursery Care, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm, Nursery Suites
- Children's Chapel during 8:45 am worship services
- Children's Sunday School, 10 am, various locations
- Middle School Sunday School, 10 am, St. Francis C
- Youth Council, 6 - 7:30 pm, St. Francis C

Sunday Brunch - Weekly | 11 am - 1pm | Blue Room - Don't miss Chef Andrea's famous brunch! \$14 adults; \$12 seniors; \$9 children ages 4 - 10; \$50 max per family. Credit/debit cards accepted. No reservations necessary. Can you flip pancakes or check in guests for an hour one Sunday? Chef Andrea needs you! Great service option for High School students. Details & volunteer sign up: christchurchcharlotte.org/sunday-brunch-buffet.

Parents Praying Together - 6 - 7 pm | Chapel - Sundays during Lent, gather with The Reverend Chip Edens, Jane and Mike Harrell, and other parents to connect and pray together for our families.

Easter at GoodNews - Spring has arrived at GoodNews! Hop on in and see our fun colorful merchandise and selection of Easter décor to help welcome the season. Our hours are Sunday, 9:30 am - 1 pm, and Monday - Thursday, 9 am - 4 pm. All proceeds are donated to local and international organizations that support women and children.

Nursing Mothers' Space - A private space for parents to feed, care for, or calm their babies is available inside the Nursery lobby (look for signage). We hope this new space will make Sunday mornings a little easier for you and your baby.

Easter Lily Memorial Gifts - Every Easter we adorn our spiritual home with lilies in loving memory of those who have passed away and in thanksgiving for special people in our lives. Visit christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-lilies to make your gift online by April 8. Paper forms are available in the Rotunda.

OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

Palm Sunday Group Activity - Sunday, April 13 | 10 - 10:45 am | Blue Room - Sunday School will not be offered on Palm Sunday. Children ages 3 through 7th grade may be dropped off at 10 am for a group activity. Parents are invited to stay or attend The Way of the Cross (see details below).

Clergy Class: The Way of the Cross - Sunday, April 13 | 10:15 - 10:45 am | All Saints' Hall - Learn how participating in the Holy Week drama leading to the resurrection can deepen your faith. All ages are welcome to attend this half hour offering led by The Reverends Allen Pruitt and Elizabeth Walker.

Wednesday Dinner Buffet - Weekly | 5:30 - 7 pm | Blue Room - Enjoy a family-friendly meal at an excellent value (\$12 adults; \$10 seniors; \$8 children ages 4 - 12; \$45 max per family). Credit/debit cards accepted. No reservations needed. Volunteers are needed and eat free! Details & volunteer signup: christchurchcharlotte.org/wednesday-dinner-buffet.

Thursday Morning Eucharist & Bible Study - Weekly | 7 - 8:30 am | Chapel & M207 - This early morning Holy Eucharist is followed by a Bible study led by one of our clergy focused on the upcoming Sunday Gospel reading.

Undergraduate and Seminary Scholarships - The Christ Church Foundation makes annual scholarship grants to qualified college and seminary students, based on financial need, good citizenship, academic record, and involvement in extracurricular activities. Application deadline is April 30. View details and apply at christchurchcharlotte.org/give/#ccf.

Stations of the Cross - Weekdays | 8:30 am - 4:30 pm | Church and Chapel
Throughout the season of Lent, all are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross in the Church and Chapel. This mini pilgrimage takes you through the events of Christ's last day. Pick up a booklet in the Narthex to guide you through the stations and spend some time in prayer and meditation.

Spring Parish Day - Sunday, May 18 | 10 am - 1 pm - Festive Eucharist in All Saints' Hall followed by fun, food, and fellowship on the lawn. We will enjoy a delicious lunch, along with live bluegrass music, bounce houses, and much more to kick off the summer season. Dress is casual. Details & volunteer information: christchurchcharlotte.org/spring-parish-day.

ADULT LEARNING & FELLOWSHIP

The Good Book, Beginning to End | Mondays (1 - 2 pm) or Tuesdays (7:30 - 8:30 am) Weekly | Green Room or Online - Explore the story of God's love from "In the beginning" to "a new heaven and a new earth." Includes a daily reading guide and questions for reflection, plus weekly fellowship and facilitated discussion. Learn more and register (no cost) for your preferred meeting time at christchurchcharlotte.org/the-good-book-Monday-or-Tuesday.

Women's Tuesday Morning Mahjong | 10 am - noon | St. Francis A - Women of all ages are invited to play Mahjong on Tuesday mornings. Beginner to expert players gather for fun and fellowship. Due to limited space, this gathering is limited to Christ Church members. Learn more and sign up here: christchurchcharlotte.org/events/womens-mahjong/.

Women's Lifeline | All Things New: A Study on II Corinthians - Wednesdays through April 9 | 9:15 - 10:45 am | Parlor - Eight-week study on *All Things New: A Study on 2 Corinthians* by Kelly Minter. Lifeline is an intergenerational women's group. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/lifeline.

The Twelve Habits of a Reconciler - Wednesdays, March 12 - April 9 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | M206 and Virtual - Lenten series focusing on ways to nurture the gifts, characteristics, and lived practices that can move us towards reconciliation. Register at christchurchcharlotte.org/twelve-habits-of-a-reconciler.

Creative Reflections: Journaling Through Art | Wednesdays through April 9 | 1:30 – 3:30 pm | St. Francis A - Discover the transformative power of contemplative journaling through the lens of artistic expression. This five-week class is led by artist and parishioner, Peggy Williams. No prior art experience is needed—just an open heart and a willingness to explore! Details and registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/journaling-through-art.

Men's Bike Ride - Saturday, April 19 | 8:30 - 11:30 am | Little Sugar Creek Greenway - Men of all ages enjoy a leisurely Greenway bike ride on the third Saturday of each month through September. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/mens-bike-ride.

Sages Conversation & Lunch: Ask the Clergy (Almost) Anything! - Wednesday, April 23 | 10:30 am - 12 noon | Blue Room - Sages (men & women, ages 65+) and all interested parishioners are invited for lunch, conversation, and a chance to ask the clergy questions about almost anything that's on your mind! Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/sages-april.

Vespers in the Garden - Wednesday, April 23 | 6:30 pm - Dinner, fellowship, and Vespers service for newcomers. If you would like to attend but did not receive an invitation or have questions, please contact Kathryn Saunders at saundersk@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Book Discussion: The Serviceberry - Thursday, April 24 | 12 - 1 pm | M207 - This book by Robin Wall Kimmerer is a thought-provoking exploration of reciprocity, gift economies, and our relationships with the natural world. Make plans to read the book ahead of the discussion. No registration needed.

Men's Annual Retreat | April 25 – 27 | Valle Crucis Conference Center, Banner Elk, NC - Looking for a chance to reconnect, renew, and reset? The Men's Annual Retreat begins Friday, April 25 (5 pm) and runs through Sunday, April 27 (11 am). Men of all ages are invited. The cost is \$375 and covers lodging and all meals. Sign up: christchurchcharlotte.org/events/mens-retreat.

Movie Discussion: Field of Dreams - Wednesday, April 30 | 6:30 - 8 pm | M207 - Watch the movie before we meet (stream on Amazon Prime Video, Google Play Movie, or Apple TV) and join others for a discussion on the themes of renewal and redemption led by parishioner Wayne Ballard, PhD. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/movie-discussion-April.

Ben & Friends: An Evening of Music & Fellowship - Friday, May 9 | 6:30 - 9:30 pm | Blue Room - Special evening of entertainment and fellowship, featuring music from Broadway, Grand Opera, and popular favorites. Enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, beverages, desserts, and a raffle, all in support of our youth pilgrimage to Spain. Hosted by Director of Music Ben Outen and the Christ Church Friends of Music. Details & tickets: christchurchcharlotte.org/ben-and-friends.

SERVE THE WORLD

ECW Lenten Service Opportunities - Every week during Lent (various days and times), women of all ages are invited to serve together with one of our outreach community partners and connect with each other. Join us for our next offering at Shamrock Gardens for Community Easter Crafts on Thursday, April 17. Details & signup links: christchurchcharlotte.org/ecw-lenten-serve.

Christ Church's 37th Habitat Build! Saturdays through May | 2413 Sir Julius Court - We are helping Tonya Huntley and her family build their new home and need help with both construction and lunch provisions each week. Teens (16 and older) can volunteer with supervision and consent from parents. To see all build dates and register visit christchurchcharlotte.org/habitat.

Freedom School Partners Supply Drive - May 4 - 18 | Rotunda Donation Bin - Freedom School combats summer learning loss for children grades K - 8 with limited means. Christ Church sponsor a Freedom School site at Rama Road Elementary School. Help us equip this summer's scholars and interns with the tools they need. See the list at christchurchcharlotte.org/freedom-school-supply-drive.

Our Easter Offerings will support Crisis Assistance Ministry (CAM). Fifty years ago, Christ Church was one of the five founding churches for this essential organization which provides assistance and advocacy for people in financial crisis to help them move toward self-sufficiency. Today CAM has a record-high number of clients seeking assistance with rent and utilities to prevent eviction. The Easter offering will be combined with funds from our annual outreach budget and the Transforming Hearts campaign with a goal of providing a total of \$200,000 to CAM in celebration of their 50th anniversary.

SPIRITUAL WELLBEING & CARE

Lenten Quiet Day - Saturday, April 12 | 9 am - 2 pm | Blue Room - Half-day retreat with time for prayer, journaling, and silence led by The Reverend Connor Gwin. Registration fee (\$25) covers lunch and journaling supplies. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/lenten-quiet-day.

Sacred Stitches: Lenten Lessons - Wednesdays through April 16 | 5:15 - 7:15 pm | Parlor - All ages are invited to learn to knit/crochet as part of our Sacred Stitches ministry; appropriate for first-timers and those wanting to enhance their skills. RSVP to angersone@christchurchcharlotte.org.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

Easter Egg Hunt - Sunday, April 20 | 12:15 pm | Christ Church Lawn - Children will proceed directly from the 11:15 am worship services to hunt eggs, so bring basket(s) to the service. If your child(ren) plan to participate, please drop off 24 Easter eggs per child filled with wrapped peanut-free candy at the Church offices starting April 1. More details: christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-egg-hunt.

Navigators End-of-Year Celebration - Sunday, April 27 | 12:30 - 2:30 pm | M207 - 4th & 5th graders eat brunch together (\$10) and play laser tag outside. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/navigators-April.

Registration is Open for VBS! June 23 - 26 | 9 am - 12 noon | Christ Church - Vacation Bible School (VBS) is four days of faith-building, fun, and service for children, youth, and adults of all ages! Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/vbs.

Family Wellbeing Retreat - August 29 - 31 | Kanuga Conference Center - Activities and programs for adults and children ages 5 and up, plus time for rest and renewal. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/family-retreat.



Make a Pledge

Make a Pledge - if you have not made a pledge for 2025 and would like to share your intentions for the year, please visit christchurchcharlotte.org/pledge.

Ways to Give - To make a gift to Christ Church, including a payment on your 2025 pledge, use the QR code at right.



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