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Christ Episcopal Church ~ St. Barnabas Chapel

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Christ Episcopal Church, Clarksburg and St. Barnabas Chapel, Bridgeport Guidelines for In-person Services

The guidelines that have been listed the past couple weeks in this newsletter can be found on the church website home page.

<https://www.christchurchclarksburg.com/>

CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF CHRIST CHURCH

During the pandemic we know that it is hard on individuals not to join each other on Sundays for worship. It is also hard for our church because we don't have weekly collections. The latest Financial Report given to the Vestry this past week shows a decrease of \$23,365.53 in contributions in comparison to last year at this time.

Some of you have been mailing in contributions. We thank you. It is greatly appreciated. If you would like to help support the church financially, it is easy. You can mail a check directly to the church at **PO Box 1492, Clarksburg WV 26302** or you can E-Give through the Diocesan website with NO FEES! Just go to <http://www.wvdiocese.org/pages/aa-egiving.html>. Just scroll down and click on the donate button by Bridgeport-St. Barnabas or Clarksburg-Christ Church.

Beth Ann Wilson
Parish & Financial Administrator

This Week at Christ Church, Clarksburg and St. Barnabas Chapel, Bridgeport

Sunday, August 16, 2020

**Morning Prayer on the lawn
at St. Barnabas Chapel at 9:00 AM**

Attendance is by reservation only.

Make your reservations by email now!

Email Christ Church at: christchurch1853@aol.com

Give the following information: Your name and total number of family members planning to attend.

Do you plan to sit on the lawn or stay in your car?

If sitting on the lawn, are you bringing your own chair?

Or do you need a church provided chair?

(Your reservation will be confirmed by a return email.)

Or phone in your reservation to the Church office at 304-622-3694, if necessary please leave a message.

(Your reservation will be confirmed by a return call.)

Reservations must be made by Friday 12:00 noon.

If unable to keep a reservation, please cancel.

Sunday, August 16, 2020

Zoom Evening Prayer at 5:30 PM

Join Zoom Evening Prayer by clicking on this link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5245181878>

Meeting ID: 524 518 1878

Another option is to dial in: (646) 558-8656

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Zoom Compline at 8:00 PM

Service lasts approximate 15-20 minutes.

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89782062917?pwd=T04rV0pzenJiTXFqSDF0OWRUVXJidz09>

Meeting ID: 897 8206 2917

Passcode: 933775

. . . to know, live, and share
The Good News Story of Jesus Christ.

A Prayer for Hope

Heavenly father, we are your humble servants, we come before you today in need of hope. There are times when we feel helpless; there are times when we feel frustrated. We pray for hope and consolation and that we may always come to you for sustenance. We know that you are with us always. Help us to be kind, hopeful and willing to welcome this new way of being.

Some say that the sky is at its darkest just before the light. I pray that this is true, for all seems dark. We need your light, Lord, in every way.

We pray to be filled with your light from head to toe. To bask in your glory. To know that we are in your embrace; help us to walk in your light and share that light with others. Be with us this evening and in the days to come.

Amen

In Gratitude

In a Financial Report to the vestry this past week was this statement: "All PPP Loan funds have been used as of July 15. Forgiveness Application deadline is October 30. I have begun completing the application and it will be done prior to deadline."

All of us at Christ Church and St. Barnabas Chapel owe much gratitude to Beth Ann for pursuing this \$29,100.00 SBA CARES Loan, following the guidelines for spending, and completing the paperwork required for forgiveness of this loan.

Thank you, Beth Ann!

You are appreciated more than you will ever know!

Morning Prayer Last Week



Notes from the Vestry Meeting

Rev. Nora reported that we have now had three **Sunday 9:00 AM Morning Prayer services** in the shade on the lawn at St. Barnabas with an average attendance of ten at each. She feels the services have gone well. **Weekly Zoom Compline services** have been started on Wednesdays at 8:00 PM. The **Sunday 5:30 PM Zoom Evening Prayer service** has continued.

Rev. Nora has offered to do **mid-day services** any day Monday – Friday in the **Memorial Garden** at Christ Church. She would like to hear from the parishioners to determine your interests and desires. **Please call or text 410-708-7464 or email her at revnorawv@yahoo.com.**

The **Memorial Garden** has a maintenance contract with Tyler Wanstreet for weeding and planting. We now have plants in the four urns.

The Christ Church **organ renovation** that we had hoped would take place this summer while we are out of the church has been delayed. Now we are hoping it will happen in September.

Both **air conditioner units** that cool the sanctuary at Christ Church have had problems this summer. One has been repaired and one is awaiting a new motor. Even though we are not using this area, it is important for the sake of the organ to keep the temperature at a stable, constant level.

A family of **squirrels** had taken up residency in the beams at St. Barnabas. Thanks to Lyle Blake for blocking the two entrances to these spaces.

A tentative date of December 6 has been set for the **Annual Parish Meeting**. Setting the date was the easy part. Now planning a meeting to conduct the business of the parish in these times will take a while.

The **vestry terms** of Paul McAllister and Bill Saviers will expire this year. Bill is completing an unexpired term, so he is eligible to be nominated for a three-year term.

The members of the **nominating committee** for positions to be filled at the Annual Parish Meeting are the outgoing vestry members. That makes Paul and Bill the nominating committee. If you have questions or think you might be interested in serving on the vestry, please talk to Paul or Bill.