

THE BEACON

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Planning ahead . . .

MARCH 2009

- 1 Life at Christ Church Class
12:30PM
Eucharist at 5PM
- 3 Lenten Series 6:00PM
- 6 Sages Potluck Dinner
6:00PM
First Friday Concert 8:00PM
- 8 Daylight Saving Time
begins
Life at Christ Church Class
12:30PM
- 10 Lenten Series 6:00PM
- 14 Volunteer Gardeners
10:00AM to Noon
- 15 Life at Christ Church Class
12:30PM
Bride Dinner and
Discussion 5:00PM
- 17 Lenten Series 6:00PM
- 21 St. Mary's 350 8:30AM
- 23 Shelter Dinner at Old First
Reformed 6:00PM
- 24 Lenten Series 6:00PM

APRIL 2009

- 5 Palm Sunday
LGBT Potluck 6:00PM
- 6 Holy Monday Noon Eucha-
rist and 6PM Evening Prayer
- 7 Holy Tuesday Noon Eucha-
rist and 6PM Evening Prayer
- 8 Holy Wednesday Noon
Eucharist and 7PM Tene-
brae
- 9 Maundy Thursday Noon &
7PM Eucharist
Agape Dinner 5:30PM
- 10 Good Friday Noon to 3PM
Service and 7PM Service
- 11 Volunteer Gardeners
10:00AM to Noon
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 13 Shelter Dinner at Old First
Reformed 6:00PM
- 18 St. Mary's 350 8:30AM
- 19 Bridge Dinner and
Discussion 5:00PM
- 25 One-Day Life at Christ
Church Class 8:30AM-
2:30PM

2009 Baptism Schedule

April 12(Easter), May
31(Pentecost)

MIXED MESSAGES:

Toward a Christian Ethic of Consumption

Driving home from Vermont after Christmas, our 14 year-old-rather-battered minivan blew a seal and spewed nearly every drop of oil along the interstate, causing the certain-death "check engine" light to flash ominously.

So, when the Philly Car Show opened, not only did it seem practical to peruse the latest cars, the debates over the economy, the stimulus package, and the fate of America's automotive industry deemed it patriotic. Not only could I help get our economy back on track and buy an environmentally friendly car, I could get 0% financing. They were practically giving them away!

We're still driving our old Honda.

But wouldn't buying a new car help keep a job from vanishing, and wouldn't it be good for the beleaguered bank? Such are the mixed messages about consumption.

Consumption--specifically the acquisition, use and distribution of the earth's resources--is at the heart of all Christian ethics, and during Lent, in my preaching and in the Rector's Forum, I am going to focus on the complex issues of ethical consumption. Rather than focusing on what a Christian should give up as a penance, I urge us to take on the issue of what we consume, and do we consume rightly.

I get that the environmental challenges facing the human community on their fragile home, Earth, are directly related to over-consumption and its pace. But I also get that personally lowering consumption is not much of a solution. As important as reusing cloth grocery bags are, as a discipline, what we bring home in the bags, and how we get them home, presents ethical challenges. We aren't going to recycle our way through the quagmire; the issue is not putting all of the cardboard boxes from Land's End (or wherever) at the curbside, but grappling about how many cardboard boxes are enough. Still, depending on what pundit and prognosticator we listen to, we are in a serious recession or devastating depression. There is debate as to what role over-consumption has played, but right now the message from our political leaders is: buy a car, build a home, repair a bridge, and don't let Best Buy go the way of Circuit City.

At the beginning of Lent, our *Book of Common Prayer* puts this confession on our lips: *We confess to you, Lord, our self-indulgent appetites and ways, our exploitation of other people, our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our waste and pollution of your creation, and the lack of concern who come after us. . .*

Those words were written long before the current political and ecological debates. The Christian Church has made these issues central to its ethics for centuries. I hope we make it our Lenten discipline to learn and act on these ethics anew.

Tim Safford

RECTOR'S FORUM

10:10 A.M. on Sundays

TOWARD A CHRISTIAN ETHIC OF CONSUMPTION

During the season of Lent, our *Book of Common Prayer* calls us to examine our consumption of resource, asking us to assess “our self-indulgent appetites and ways, our exploitation of other people, our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our waste and pollution of your creation, and the lack of concern who come after us. . .” Our Lenten prayers call us right into the current debate about how much we consume of the earth’s resources and its impact on the global economy. At the same time, we are living in economic turmoil, and some suggest that it is over consumption that has brought us here, and others who suggest that robust consumption will lead us out.

What are we to do? What is a Christian ethic of consumption?

March 1 — Sloth

What is sloth, do we have it, and how do we get rid of it? Can we avoid sloth, should we? **Assignment:** Bring to the Forum one week of catalogues and credit offers received in the mail, and count up the email offers for purchases, etc.

March 8 — Greed

Many a pundit and politician have blamed the economic collapse and market turmoil on “a greedy few.” Is that right? Or, does greed arise out of a greedy populace that encourages and rewards this vice? What can an individual do? **Assignment:** Go to Biblegateway.com, and type the word “Greed” into the word search. Be prepared to share which passage is the most insightful into today’s economic problems.

March 14 — Managing Money in Difficult Times—*Please see the announcement below for this important offering, related to the Forum topics.*

March 15 — Envy

Consistent with our Tuesday evening Lenten program on the Ten Commandments, are we aware of how we covet? How does envy drive our own personal consumption, if at all? **Assignment:** Make a list (not for sharing, unless you want to) of all purchases over the last year that you wanted, but didn’t need. Reflect on what role envy played.

March 22 — Gluttony

If we define “gluttony” as consuming too much, and hoarding more than we need, are we personally responsible if we live in a gluttonous society? Do we live in a gluttonous society? **Assignment:** There will be two readings available the weeks before that approaches this topic from two opposite points of view.

March 29 — Wrap up and discussion

Some would argue that our economic system cannot regulate consumption; only market forces, such as the price of gasoline (as an example) will alter human behavior. Can we adopt a “rule of life” as individuals, and a church community, that would regulate our consumptive habits as a specific religious practice?

Managing Your Money in Tough Times

As we experience this period of economic recession and continued uncertainty, it makes sense for many of us to look at our family budgets and determine how we can stay whole and out of economic trouble over the coming months. In the spirit of helping people to be wise stewards of what they have, Christ Church would like to offer a Saturday morning seminar on this issue, **March 14**. During the morning (8:30 A.M. to 12:00 noon) we will discuss the following issues and concerns: Healthcare, credit cards and credit card debt, and the notion of living our lives under the theology of “enough” rather than the consumer mantra of “More and more and more”. If you are interested, please call **Cecilia** at 215-922-1695 and let us know you would like to come.

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES & PROGRAMS

March 1 The First Sunday in Lent

- 9:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am Rector's Forum
Journey to Adulthood – 11 to 17 year olds
Atrium 2 Class – 7 to 10 year olds
11:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
12:30pm Life at Christ Church Class
5:00pm Holy Eucharist in the Great Hall

March 8 The Second Sunday in Lent Daylight Saving Time Begins

- 9:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
9:30am Children's Music Class – 4 to 6 year olds
10:10am Rector's Forum
Faith and Family series
Journey to Adulthood – 11 to 17 year olds
Children's Music Class – 7 to 10 year olds
Atrium 2 Class – 7 to 10 year olds
11:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
12:30pm Life at Christ Church Class

March 15 The Third Sunday in Lent

- 9:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am Rector's Forum
Faith and Family series
Journey to Adulthood – 11 to 17 year olds
Atrium 2 Class – 7 to 10 year olds
11:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
12:30pm Life at Christ Church Class
5:30pm Bridge Dinner and Discussion

March 22 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 9:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
9:30am Children's Music Class – 4 to 6 year olds
10:10am Rector's Forum
Journey to Adulthood – 11 to 17 year olds
Children's Music Class – 7 to 10 year olds
Atrium 2 Class – 7 to 10 year olds
11:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon

March 29 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 9:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am Rector's Forum
Journey to Adulthood – 11 to 17 year olds
Atrium 2 Class – 7 to 10 year olds
11:00am Holy Eucharist and Sermon

EUCHARIST AT 5 – ALL ARE WELCOME

Please join us in the Great Hall of Neighborhood House **March 1** with Holy Eucharist at **5P.M.** The worship space is candlelit and quiet beginning at 4:30 for individual prayer or meditation.

Change Your Clock

Don't miss the Services on Sunday **March 8** as Daylight Saving Time begins and we spring forward one hour.

EGG HUNT IN THE GARDEN

Our egg hunt will begin Easter morning, **April 12**, at 10:10 A.M. in the North Garden. Don't forget to bring a basket! Atrium 2 church school (ages 7-10) will be closed on Easter. Atrium 2 children are warmly welcomed in big church during our 9:00A.M. & 11:00A.M. Services.

TEA SANDWICH MAKERS NEEDED

Christ Church needs over 1000 tea sandwiches for our Easter Sunday Reception after the 11:00A.M. Service on **April 12**. If you are able to make tea sandwiches, please contact **Cecilia Wagner** at 215-922-1695, ext. 21 or cwagner@christchurchphila.org

INSIGHTS FROM THE ATRIUM

At prayer recently, the children in the atrium said:

“Thank you for my whole family.”

“I want to pray for the person I saw under the bridge.”

“Please help me to find my stuffed black and white doggie.”

“I want to pray for the people who had leprosy.”

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CHRIST CHURCH

TUESDAY LENTEN SERIES BEGINS

We all know about “the 10 Commandments,” from church or movies or bad jokes. But how relevant are they anymore? What did they mean in the first place – and what can they mean to real life now? Let’s break open both meaning and misunderstanding in our Lenten discussion series, *The 10 Commandments: Relic or Reality?* on **March 3, 10, 17, and 24**. The Great Hall will be open between 5:30 and 6:30 for those who wish to bring their own **brown-bag** dinner. The program begins at 6:30 with brief worship, followed by a conversational presentation and discussion, with prayers closing the evening by 8 p.m.. No rsvp needed for the program. But **please** rsvp for childcare by the Friday before each program date (to **Cecilia** at cwagner@christchurchphila.org).

FAITH AND FAMILY: KIDS AND THE VIOLENCE IN OUR WORLDS

Violence affects the lives of children and teens in different ways. Some kids can feel overwhelmed, vulnerable, and at risk by news of violence in the world, finding it hard to separate something that happened somewhere else from what happens close by. Other kids may struggle to understand how what they say and do to express frustration and anger in a lower-tolerance environment, such as school, can be misunderstood and reacted to. Come join us at 10:10 on **March 8** and **March 15** for discussion with **Priscilla Singleton**, family counselor and director of the Paoli office of the Council for Relationships. All parishioners welcome and encouraged to attend. Questions? Check with the **Rev. Susan Richardson**.

GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

We will offer a special afternoon for our Church School children on Good Friday, **April 10** from noon to 3:00pm **Leza Kramarenko** along with volunteers will lead our Church School children (ages 4 and up) in a special "Last Supper" presentation in which they will act out the parts of Jesus and the disciples. Lunch will be included. Parents are encouraged to drop off children at noon so they may attend church. Registration is needed. Parent volunteers are invited to participate. Please see Leza for volunteer sign-up. Childcare for infants to 3 years old will be available in the nursery. To register, please see Leza in the Atrium Church School or contact her at lezavetak@gmail.com.

AGAPE POT-LUCK DINNER

On Maundy Thursday, **April 9**, we will gather together for an Agape pot-luck dinner at 5:30pm. Please bring a dish to share in the tradition of the Middle East and Mediterranean regions.

SANDWICHES FOR THE HOMELESS

Come join the crew of sandwich makers who once a month cheerfully make 350 bologna sandwiches for St. Mary's. We gather next on Saturday, **March 21 & April 17**, 8:30-9:30A.M. Kids love to help, too! Questions? Please contact **Wayne Christman** at waynechristman@comcast.net.

LIFE AT CHRIST CHURCH CLASS

Each Sunday, when we say, “*Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome here,*” we mean it. We pray that Christ Church is the right place for you to shape your faith journey. For each of us, the journey is different, but our destination is the same: to be fully alive in God and keenly aware that we are disciples of Jesus Christ. If this is the right place for you, then we hope you will become a member.

Our next Life at Christ Church class will be held as a one-day class, Saturday, **April 25** from 8:30am to 2:30pm in Neighborhood House. The class is an opportunity to ask any and all questions about Christ Church, the Episcopal Church, and your place in our community of faith. Lunch and childcare are provided.

Please contact the **Rev. Carol Anthony** at carolanthony@christchurchphila.org with any questions. To register for the class, contact **Cecilia Wagner** at cwagner@christchurchphila.org or 215-922-1695, ext.21. If you need childcare please let us know.

GUATEMALA, ST. PETER'S AND CHRIST CHURCH

Looking for an opportunity to reach out and serve Christ in the world? Christ Church and St. Peter's Church are recruiting a team of volunteers to provide a week of “hands-on” service at the Canterbury School in Guatemala this coming June. If participation in this mission venture sounds like the service opportunity for you or you want to make a contribution please contact the **Rev. Carol Anthony** at 215.922.1965, ext. 23 or carolanthony@christchurchphila.org for more detailed in-

formation.

PARISH WIDE FOOD DRIVE DURING THE SEASON OF LENT

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us adore him.

On Sundays we pray for those among us who are being directly affected by the current economic turmoil in our country. We live in tenuous and anxious times today with less money and resources. Hunger in our country is growing and the profile of hunger in America is multifaceted, as diverse as the nation itself, especially in these times of economic hardship.

During Lent, the Christ Church faith community will gather canned goods for St. Peter's Food Cupboard. Here's what is needed:

Canned meat **Canned vegetables**
Canned fruit **Canned beef stew, ravioli, pasta, etc.**

Donations can be placed in boxes at the back of the church on **Sundays in March.**

St. Peter's Food Cupboard, located at 313 Pine Street, has provided food for local families in need since 1987. They distribute supplemental bags of groceries to about 90 families weekly. They also offer Benefits Bank counselors, a free service to help people apply for food stamps and other benefits for which they may be eligible, and, a translator for Chinese speaking clients. Like most food cupboard programs, St. Peter's has seen an increase in requests for food and a decrease in available goods to meet the needs of their clients.



JOBS BULLETIN BOARD

In our effort to aid people in the congregation and the Christ Church community during these tough economic times, we have established a Jobs Bulletin Board in Neighborhood House. From time to time we have people who are looking to hire people and, equally, we have people who are looking for positions. On the Jobs Bulletin Board we will provide short one or two sentence descriptions of the jobs being offered and those jobs being sought. If you are interested in pursuing the jobs being offered or if you know of someone looking for a person who fits the description of the job seekers, please e-mail **Palmer Hartl** at kphartl@aol.com and he will put people in touch with each other. Also, if you would like to participate and are looking to hire someone for a position, please contact Palmer and you can become a part of the Christ Church Jobs Bulletin Board.

EASTER MEMORIALS

At this time of year you have the opportunity to remember loved ones and to offer special thanks by making a donation to the Easter Flower Fund or to the Special Music Program. Donations to the Flower Fund will cover church decorating expenses for our Easter celebration. Donations to the Special Music Program will be added to the Special Music Fund which augments our special services, such as Easter morning, with additional instruments. Thank you for this generous gift. **Please use the enclosed envelope and submit your Easter Memorial by Monday, MARCH 30.**

EQUALITY FORUM NATIONAL INTERFAITH SERVICE

Christ Church is proud to welcome the 5th Annual Equality Forum National Interfaith Service on Sunday, **May 3** at 5P.M.. Based in Philadelphia, Equality Forum is a national and international nonprofit LGBT civil rights organization with an educational focus. This year's sermon will be delivered by the **Reverend Susan Russell**, president of Integrity, USA and priest at All Saints Church in Pasadena, CA. The interfaith service will feature religious leaders from many traditions, and powerful, transcendent choral music.

CHRIST CHURCH GARDENERS

The volunteer gardeners gather monthly for work in the North Garden. Please join us on **March 14 and April 11** at 10:00am. Newcomers are always welcome. We hope to see you there. Questions? Please contact **George**

Niedermayer at niedy711@aol.com.

MUSICAL NOTES

Faure's Requiem at the 11:00A.M. Service

On the first Sunday in Lent, **March 1**, the 11:00A.M. Service will include Faure's *Requiem* as sung by the Christ Church Choir and directed by John Binsfeld, organist/choirmaster.

FIRST FRIDAY CONCERT SERIES

March 6 at 8:00P.M. we'll continue this concert series with music of Haydn and Arvo Pärt for String Quartet. First Friday concerts are free and are totally funded by the generosity of friends within our community supporting them in memory of loved ones. You can be a patron or a sponsor of these events, too. Contact **John Binsfeld** for more information.

GOOD FRIDAY MUSIC AT CHRIST CHURCH

On Good Friday, **April 10**, at 7:00pm, we observe the day as we welcome **Poor Richard's String Quartet**, performing Haydn's *Seven Last Words of Christ* with narration.

THE BRIDGE

DINNER AND DISCUSSION

Folks in their 20s through early 40s gather at 5:30 for dinner, drinks, music, and some theological conversation, whatever that means. The topic this time: "How We Connect With Our Bodies." Faith isn't much use if it's not connected to how we experience love, life, pain, and growth through the bodies we journey in. And Christianity is, by definition, an incarnate faith. So bring your bodies, faith, and questions – they're all great ways to go deeper together in the connections with each other and ourselves. For more info or to rsvp for dinner, email the **Rev. Susan Richardson**, srichardson@christchurchphila.org. **Upcoming Dates: March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21**

JUSTICE WORK WITH THOSE STRUGGLING WITH HOMELESSNESS

We gather once a month to create unique, excellent meals, and eat and enjoy fellowship with the men at Old First Reform Men's Shelter. And there are always a few folks who get together the day before to head to the Italian market to buy the freshest, best ingredients – go local, go green! **Next shelter dates: Monday, March 23 and April 13** at Old First Reformed, corner of 4th and Race Streets, 6 to 8 p.m. For more info on how to help shop, cook or serve the food, contact **Anne McAteer** at ackoerner@yahoo.com or **Nick DiPatri** at ndipatri@gmail.com.

OUR LIVING HISTORY

CHRIST CHURCH TOURISM NEWS

The tourism staff has selected new themes for 2009. The church theme is *Christ Church in the Age of Washington* and the burial ground theme is *American Artists, Writers, and Composers*. Neil Ronk and John Hopkins have researched and written new tours, and have unearthed interesting stories with connections to Christ Church and the Christ Church Burial Ground.

We also plan to continue *Sarah's Story: Slavery in Philadelphia* at the church. The performance will take place in the church on Thursdays from May through September at 1:00PM. Private, evening performances are available by reservation. Please call Anne McLaughlin at 215-922-1695 x 32 or amclaughlin@christchurchphila.org to book a performance or for additional information.

Christ Church resumes regular hours on March 1. Hours are Monday-Saturday from 9:00AM-5:00PM and Sunday from 1:00-5:00PM. Christ Church Burial Ground reopens for another season on March 1. Join us as we celebrate the Burial Ground's 290th anniversary in 2009. Hours are Monday-Saturday 10:00 AM-4:00PM and Sunday 12:00-4:00PM, weather permitting.

FELLOWSHIP and FAMILY

SAGES POTLUCK SUPPER

Seasoned members of our congregation will gather on Friday, **March 6** at 6:00PM for a Potluck Supper and then attend the First Friday concert in the church at 8PM. If you are interested, please rsvp to **Cecilia** at 215.922.1695, ext 21 or offer your suggestions on other Sage activities to **Jean Bodine, Kate Hall, Gordon Leggett or Aileen Moleski**.

GAY & LESBIAN FELLOWSHIP

As a welcoming church, Christ Church is blessed to have gay and lesbian parishioners involved in every aspect of our life together. The Gay & Lesbian Fellowship provides a way for new folks to meet others who share a similar journey. Make plans to join the LGBT community and friends for a potluck dinner in Neighborhood House on Sunday, **April 5** at 6:00pm. Bring a favorite dish and a friend to share in the fellowship. RSVP to the **Rev. Carol Anthony** at cathony@christchurchphila.org by 4/2.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Sunday April 26, 5-7:30 p.m. in Neighborhood House, is our next Parents' Night Out. Kids will be upstairs for a program and pizza. Please rsvp to **Cecilia Wagner** (cwagner@christchurchphila.org) by Friday April 24 with the number of kids and adults. Any other questions? Check with **Susan**, at srichardson@christchurchphila.org. All are welcome, including those with teens and grown kids; and it's a great time to bring along a new family to enjoy the Christ Church community.

YOUTH GROUP, GRADES 7-12

Bring your questions and feelings and even a friend, and join us for fun and a chance to talk in a different way from anything else in your busy life. *Journey to Adulthood* is a spiritual and educational program for youth ages 11 to 17 years old. **Where:** the 3rd floor of Neighborhood House. **When:** 10AM each Sunday

PARISH BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to our parish family members celebrating birthdays these months:

March 1, **Bill Rogers, Zakki Strunk, Henry Vega**
March 3, **Elizabeth Maltby**
March 4, **Luke Brown, Patricia Byrne**
March 5, **Nicole Monte, Robert Yaros**
March 6, **Peggy Bailey, Dexter Lanctot, Corinne Miller, Zachary Robinson**
March 7, **Ashleigh Bond**
March 8, **Sonty Lanctot**
March 9, **Hayes Bakken, David Fletcher, Eugene Frohlich, Jr., The Rev. Tim Safford**
March 11, **Don Brewer**
March 12, **Ann McLaughlin**
March 13, **Kabele Cook, Paige McMeekin, Mike Rickels**

March 14, **Janee DeAndrea, Nicholas Haines**
March 15, **Donna Ennis, Charles Grobelny, Dot Hasse, Franklin Lane**
March 17, **Linda Knox, Benjamin Lawless**
March 18, **Greg Staton**
March 19, **David Haines, Jr.**
March 20, **Conrad Cook, Dan Maltby, Emma Staton**
March 21, **Brian Knuettel, Karen Monte, Don Smith**
March 23, **Tom Ringe, Jessica Schane**
March 24, **Rachel Anthony, Patrick DeGouveia, Nancy Lowell, William Walker**
March 25, **Elizabeth Fleming, Gina Rogers**
March 26, **Danny Yaros**
March 27, **Luke Fraga, Owen Knight, Paul Pickering, Kaden Skariya**
March 29, **Charles Landreth**
March 30, **Bob Harper**
March 31, **Kathie Lanctot**

April 1, **Kai-Zu Boeckheler, John Ellis**
April 2, **Kim Brownson**
April 3, **Ysabel Staton**
April 4, **Dave Auten**
April 5, **Mary Ann Kalb**
April 6, **Betty Cecil, Hawley Pruitt, Giavanna Rogers, Emma Rita Staton**
April 7, **Elizabeth Milford, Cindy Ringe**
April 8, **Kay Bozarth**
April 9, **Allison Liby**
April 10, **Jane Frantz, Laura Tereshko, Emerson Tobia**
April 11, **Ted Tatarian**
April 12, **Meredith Auten, Marianne Bond, John Chaudrue, Joni Maltby**
April 15, **Jason Tiefenback**
April 16, **Bob Celata, David O'Connell**
April 17, **Nathalie Bartle, Ulrich Boeckheler, Bryant Bozarth, Jessamyne Simon**
April 18, **Susan Gill**
April 19, **Eleanor Bravo**
April 20, **Garth Gill**
April 21, **Nicholas Christianson, Andrew McMeekin, Jr., Bill Sommerfield**
April 22, **Deanna Pinel, Edwin Robinson**
April 23, **Blake Christoph**
April 24, **Carey Celata, Jill Gill**
April 25, **Russell Hartge**
April 26, **Charles Brault, Craig Murray**
April 29, **Carol Smith**
April 30, **Allan Grobelny, Garcia Warren**

Did we miss your birthday? Please contact **Cecilia** in the church office.

Christ Church: A user's guide

9:00 AM Eucharist and Sermon

Rite II, celebrated with vocal quartet, organ and hymns.

10:10 AM Christian Education

Adult education each Sunday in Neighborhood House. Education for Children and Youth on the second and third floors of Neighborhood House from September to June.

11:00 AM Eucharist and Sermon (*all through Lent*)

Rite I or II celebrated, with organ and hymns, and vocal leadership from Christ Church Choir

11:00 AM Morning Prayer and Sermon (*returns in after Easter*)

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM each Sunday.

Wednesdays

12:00 Noon Eucharist

Rite II, briefly and informally celebrated with a short homily. About 20 minutes, this liturgy is a perfect addition to relieve "hectic downtown life syndrome."

Visiting/Getting in touch

The Church, located on 2nd Street just north of Market Street in Old City Philadelphia, is open for visiting, prayer and meditation from 9am to 5pm daily.

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