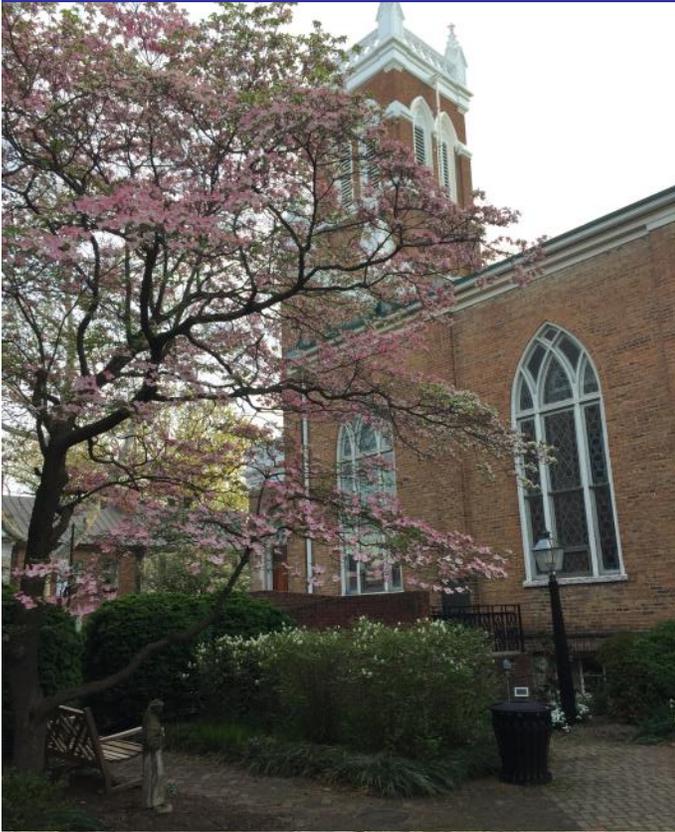
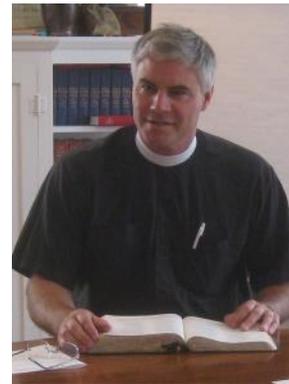


# CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# *Welcome!*



*I would like to welcome you to Christ Episcopal Church. While Christ Church has served Winchester for over 200 years, we are constantly challenged to find new ways to serve today's community - people of all ages, from near and far, with various spiritual experiences and backgrounds. This brochure is just a glimpse of our parish community and is an invitation to you. In it, we hope you might discover ways to join us in our journey as disciples of Jesus Christ. Please feel free to contact me directly or the Church Office to learn more about Christ Church.*



*Faithfully,*

*The Very Reverend Webster Gibson, Rector*  
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## *Worship*

- A traditional Holy Eucharist, without music, is offered every **Sunday at 8:00 am**. This is the Rite I liturgy. Ushers will greet you, give you a bulletin, and help with any special needs you may have.
- Our **Sunday 10:30 am** service is Holy Eucharist with full choir. This is the Rite II liturgy. Ushers will greet you, give you a bulletin, help direct your children to the nursery or Children's Chapel, and assist with any special needs you may have.
- Weekly **Wednesday Noonday Holy Eucharist** is in the Pilgrim's Chapel. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, a healing service is celebrated.
- On the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 pm, we host an All Abilities Worship in the sanctuary for people with developmental disabilities, their families, friends and all interested others.
- On the first and third Thursday of each month, we celebrate Holy Eucharist at Shenandoah Valley Westminster-Canterbury, a local retirement community, for residents there and guests. The service is at Noon.

## *Christian Formation for All Ages*

- Adults may participate in Adult Forum, which meets at 9:30 am on Sundays, and discuss various topics. There are also opportunities for Bible and book study and other groups.
- For children 3-7, there is Children's Chapel during the 10:30 am service.
- Sunday school classes are from 9:30 am until 10:15 am for children from Kindergarten to 5th Grade upstairs in the Parish Hall.
- Youth in middle school and high school participate in Sunday School classes and Youth Group, which meets on Sunday evenings throughout the program year.
- Holy Pilgrimage for youth is an important part of our formation program.

## Parish Programs

### Fellowship

Fellowship at Christ Church is for young and old alike, separately or together. Coffee Hour on Sundays is the best example of parishioners coming together to visit and share. More structured groups also meet regularly, such as the Men's Fellowship and Women's Lunch Group, and some events, like the parish picnic, occur annually. Please see the church calendar for fellowship events.

### Outreach and Mission

Looking beyond our church community to help those in need is a priority at Christ Church. Outreach projects are numerous and ongoing. Some of the projects include Salvation Army dinners, monthly collections for the local Congregational Community Action Project (CCAP), administration of the Marie Cooper Trust Fund, missionary work in the Dominican Republic and Haiti, and more. Christ Church's Treasure Box is an arm of the outreach program; it's a church-run thrift shop which donates proceeds to outreach causes.

### Music

Music is an integral part of worship, and even fellowship, at Christ Church. We are fortunate to have very talented, experienced staff leading our choirs and great participation from parishioners. The adult choir sings with our wonderful organ on Sundays at 10:30 am. The Alleluia Singers are 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders who sing at selected services, and the Cherub Choir are our youngest singers.

### Pastoral Care

Pastoral Care at Christ Church encompasses efforts aimed to care for the Christ Church family and extended family. The Knit Unto Others ministry crafts prayer shawls for the sick and the Intercessory Prayer Group is a small dedicated group of parishioners who pray independently (and at special services) for those members of the congregation who have requested prayers. The Parish Nurse counsels parishioners on health-related matters, visits the ill, and is the liaison to community resources and services.



*Sharing Christ's love  
away from the church...*



# Parish Life

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