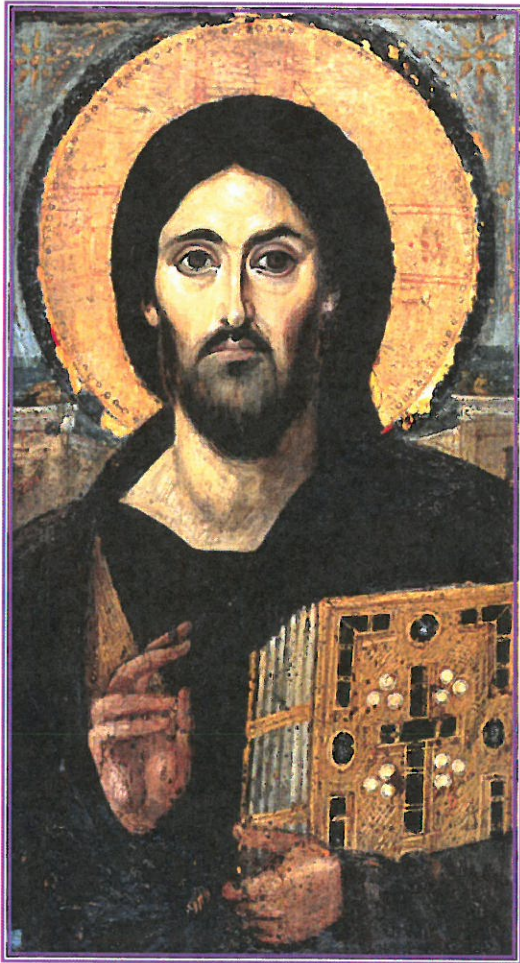


THE SEASON OF LENT AT CHRIST CHURCH



CHRIST CHURCH, GEORGETOWN
WASHINGTON, D.C.

■ AN INVITATION

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Book of Common Prayer calls us to “. . . the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word.” (BCP, p. 265). We invite and encourage you, therefore, to consider making these opportunities for worship, Christian formation, and fellowship part of your Lenten practice, and we look forward to walking the Lenten journey alongside you.

Faithfully,

The Reverends Timothy Cole, Kristen Hawley, and Elizabeth Keeler

Worship & Music

■ Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, March 1

The Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 6:00 p.m., in the church. The 6:00 p.m. liturgy will include Gregorio Allegri’s haunting setting of Psalm 51, *Miserere mei, Deus*, sung by the full choir. Nursery care will be available from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

■ Lenten Youth Choir Opportunity

The Youth Choir will once again sing the offertory anthem at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday, March 5. All children and youth who read at a first grade (or above) level are invited to participate. A pizza dinner and rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, February 28, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., in Keith Hall.

■ Choral Evensong

Sundays, March 5, March 19, and April 2, at 5:00 p.m.

The distinctly Anglican service of Choral Evensong, derived from the ancient monastic offices of Vespers and Compline, is sung by the Choir of Christ Church on the first and third Sundays of the month, October through May.

■ Weekday Holy Eucharist and Healing

This special service of Holy Eucharist, held year round, is celebrated on Wednesdays, at 7:40 a.m., and Fridays, at 12:10 p.m., in the Chapel of Saint Jude.

■ The Daily Office

Christ Church, Georgetown, is one of a small number of parishes in the diocese to faithfully keep the Daily Office year round. The office is said at 7:30 a.m. (Morning Prayer), 12:00 noon (Noonday Prayer), and 5:30 p.m. (Evening Prayer) daily.

■ Reconciliation of a Penitent

The sacrament of Reconciliation, or Confession, is especially appropriate during the season of Lent. For more information or to schedule an appointment to make your confession, contact a member of the clergy.

Christian Formation for All Ages

■ Lenten All-in

Sunday, March 5, at 10:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall Auditorium (second floor)

All Sunday School students and Youth Group members, their families, and parishioners of all ages are invited to join us for Lenten-themed crafts, food, and fellowship.

■ Tuesday Evening Lenten Program

Tuesdays, March 7 – April 4, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., in Keith Hall

Join us for five evenings of intergenerational fellowship and learning. A simple supper of soup and bread will be served at 6:30 p.m. Concurrent youth and adult programs will follow at 7:00 p.m.

For children and youth: *Harry Potter at Christ Church*

Set off from Platform 9 & 3/4 and head to Hogwarts School in the children's portion of this year's Lenten program! As we read through *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone*, we will discuss what it means to serve the greater good with our gifts, and how friendships make us stronger.

For adults: *Why EVIL exists and what is our response: An exploration of THEODICY*

The "problem of evil", or theodicy, has confronted Judeo-Christians for thousands of years. How do we reconcile our belief in a good and loving God with the reality of human suffering and tragedy? Join us for an exploration of the important and timeless challenge of theodicy with the help of four engaging speakers and several classic texts.

NOTE: Attendance at all five sessions is not expected. Drop in as you are able.

- March 7 Introduction – The Reverend Frank Wade
- March 14 The Book of Job – Dr. Barry Seltser
- March 21 The Brothers Karamazov – The Reverend Kristen Hawley
- March 28 The Sunflower – Rabbi Gerry Serotta
- April 4 Conclusion – The Reverend Frank Wade

■ Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesdays, March 8 – April 5, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m., in Keith Hall

Using the Society of Saint John the Evangelist's (SSJE) Lenten series, *Five Marks of Love: Living Life Marked as Christ's Own*, participants in this five-week series will examine the ways in which God and God's Mission express themselves in and through our lives.

■ Lenten Quiet Morning with the Reverend Martin Smith

Saturday, March 11, 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., in the Chapel of Saint Jude

In this quiet time of prayer of reflection, participants will explore the gift of their baptismal identity in an effort to realize more wholly that they are already "in the deep end" with God: immersed in the love of the Father, united with the person of Jesus, and bearing within us the intimate presence of the Holy Spirit.

■ Young Adult Lenten Exploration

Sundays, March 12, 19, and 26, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., at Saint John's Church, Georgetown

Join young adults (20s/30s) from neighboring parishes for fellowship and conversation around the theme *Seeking Wisdom in Youth (from God and from within)*. Discussion will be facilitated by clergy from the various Episcopal churches of Georgetown.

■ HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2017

Palm Sunday, April 9

- Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
- Procession & Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m.
- Procession & Holy Eucharist, 11:15 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 5:00 p.m.
- Choral Evensong, 5:00 p.m.

Monday in Holy Week, April 10

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday in Holy Week, April 11

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 12

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 7:40 a.m.
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 6:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 13

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar, 6:00 p.m.
- Prayer Vigil, until 9:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 14

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Ecumenical Service, 12:00 p.m.
(at Saint John's Church, Georgetown)
- Stations of the Cross, 4:00 p.m.
- The Good Friday Liturgy, 6:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday/Easter Eve, April 15

- The Holy Saturday Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.
- The Great Vigil of Easter, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Day, April 16

- Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
- Festival Choral Eucharist, 9:00 a.m.
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- Choral Evensong, 5:00 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 6:00 p.m.

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