Where Faith Takes Root

2018 FALL PROGRAMS

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Welcome to a new season of growing, learning and worshiping together at Christ Church. This fall, we have many studies, classes, fellowship events and times of special worship on the schedule and hope you will find activities that will enrich your life, give you purpose and help guide you in your faith walk.

Worship

Opportunities for regular, corporate worship happen throughout the week and every weekend at Christ Church, Frederica and St. Ignatius Chapel. We offer a wide range of worship styles from simple prayer to transformative celebration that allow worshipers to draw closer to God. Join us and find your place at Christ Church!

St. Ignatius Chapel
2609 Demere Road, St. Simons Island

**Wednesday - Friday**
8:00 am – Morning Prayer

**Saturday**
5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist

Christ Church, Frederica
6329 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island

**Wednesday**
12:00 pm – Healing Service
6:30 p.m. – X Church (Beginning Oct. 17)

**Thursday - Sunday**
5:00 pm - Evening Prayer

**Sunday**
8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, 1928 BCP
9:15 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:15 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Parish Hall
9:15 am – Kidurgy – Liturgy for Children
11:15 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite I
October 17 - X Church Resumes – Please join us on Wednesday, October 17, at 6:30 pm, for the first X Church of the season at Christ Church, Frederica. X Church is a service of quiet contemplation, reverence and praise, and will take place every Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

October 21 - Daughters of the King Service of Admission and Re-dedication – Sunday, October 21 marks the admission and re-dedication of the Christ Church St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapter, to the Order of the Daughters of the King. The ceremony will take place at the 9:15 am service. The Order of the Daughters of the King is open to all women in the Episcopal Church. Members become part of a life-long program of prayer, service, and evangelism, dedicated to the spread of Christ’s Kingdom and to the strengthening of the spiritual life of their parish. Please contact Mother Ashton for more information at ashton@ccfssi.org.

November 4 - All Saints Sunday – This is a time of reflection and celebration, as we remember those who have died. We will be collecting their names for the All Saints Book of Remembrance. If you would like to have the name of someone who has died since last year’s All Saints Day services read during this year’s services, please be sure to add his or her name to the book, which will be available in the weeks leading up to All Saints Sunday.

November 18 - Community Thanksgiving Worship – The service will take place at 4:00 pm at a location that will be announced. This special time of worship includes hymns, prayers, Old and New Testament readings and an outreach offering in addition to a sermon. The Christian faith community on St. Simons gathers together just a few times for worship, which makes this a special Thanksgiving tradition.
Formation

Sunday school classes, Bible studies, workshops, music rehearsals, guild activities and more offer ways to grow and learn together.

Sunday School for Children and Youth – Sunday school for the younger members of the Christ Church family is taught each week at 10:20 am in the Parish Hall Sunday school rooms. We have classes beginning with our PreK-Kindergarten (ages 4-5) class, our First and Second Grade class, the Third-Fifth Grade class, and separate classes for Middle and High School students, too. Nursery is available for infants to children age four. Sunday school follows the public school calendar and uses a curriculum that relates to each Sunday’s worship in age-appropriate ways. We look forward to a year of learning and growing in God’s love! Contact Ed and Lynne Turner at turner_e@bellsouth.net for more information.

Adult Sunday Morning Class – The Adult Sunday Morning Class meets every Sunday in the Parish Hall Sunday school wing, at 10:30 am. The Rev. Dr. Robert W. (Bob) Brown is the facilitator and teacher for the class. In addition to biblical study, a wide range of compelling topics is regularly explored using a variety of resources. All are welcome to join the group! Contact Bob at rwb385@gmail.com for more information.

Men’s Study Group – The Men’s Study Group meets each Wednesday morning at 10:30 am for discussion of various books that have been chosen for study. Contact Father Tom Purdy at tom@ccfssi.org for more information.

EYC – On Sunday evenings in the fall and spring, the youth meet from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall for a great time of fun and fellowship during EYC. They share a meal together, play indoor/outdoor games, participate in creative/artistic ac-
tivities, worship and study the Bible. This offers students an opportunity to unplug from their busy lives to take a “holy pause”, giving them spiritual nourishment for the coming week. Contact Laura Ann Harrell at lauraann@ccfssi.org for more information.

Pathfinders – Our third through fifth graders have an exciting time in store this year. This awesome group of students will have fun activities regularly, giving the children and their parents opportunities to spend time together building relationships and getting them excited about participating in EYC when they are older. For more information, please contact Kim Chitty at kbchitty@gmail.com.

August 26-31 - Icon Writing Workshop – Icon writing is much more than learning to paint an icon; a painting depicting Jesus, Mary, angels or saints. Orthodox Christians consider making icons more a form of prayer than art, and believe the writer’s hand is guided by God as s/he writes in paint. Our instructor, Fr. David Holland, will guide you in creating an icon to take home at the end of the week. The cost for the workshop is $425. To register, call the church office at 912-638-8683. For more information, contact Mother Becky at becky@ccfssi.org.

Choristers and Trebles – We’re excited to have already begun our musical season, with rehearsals for our young singers every Tuesday afternoon. Our Choristers (age 4-7) will start practice at 4:30 pm and our Trebles (by invitation, usually age 8) will rehearse at 5:00 pm, in the Choir Room, in the Parish House. Please contact Miss Kathleen at kathleen@ccfssi.org for more information.

September 4 - Christ Church Hand Bells Practice – The Christ Church Hand Bell Choir will gather in the Parish House at 2:00 pm, to begin another season of beautiful bell music.
September 5 -
Christ Church Adult Choir Rehearsal
The fall season of Adult Choir practice will begin on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, from 5:00 – 6:30 pm in the Choir Room, in the Parish House. We’re looking forward to a spiritually enriching season of music ministry at Christ Church!

September 5 - Adult Formation - Growing in Our Understanding of Holy Eucharist
Worship is at the heart of all we do in the Episcopal Church. We gather to be renewed in our faith and formed in our life. We take great care with worship, seeking to make it our most excellent offering. But what is it we do when we celebrate the Holy Eucharist and how does it contribute to our spiritual growth? The Eucharist is one of the key catalysts helping people to move into deeper relationship with God and neighbor. We are fed and we grow. Join Father Tom on Wednesday, September 5, 12, 19 and 26, at 5:30 pm in the church to explore this mysterious, holy meal and how we receive strength for the spiritual journey. Please contact Father Tom at tom@ccfssi.org for more information.

October 11 - Adult Formation - Conflict Transformation Training
While the majority of us prefer a congenial approach to a day’s activities and generally do not seek out quarrels, conflict seems to be a fundamental element in our lives. Everyone is experienced in conflict management, whether we seek it out, simply respond to it when we encounter it, or actively try to avoid it. But just because we encounter conflict does not mean we are trained in how to handle it. Using scripture as a model for conflict transformation, we will explore how Jesus and the apostles chose to address it. The core message of the scriptures is reconciliation and that is the goal of Christian conflict transformation and the theme of our learning.
Join the group to learn your preferred conflict response style and explore other ways to handle the inevitable bumps in the road. Get hands on, practical training in how to live in peace. The group will meet on Thursdays at 11:00 am, in the Parish Hall for five weeks, beginning October 11. For more information, contact Mother Becky at becky@ccfssi.org.

Outreach

Reaching beyond our walls to help others is what we’re compelled to do as followers of Christ. Our regular outreach projects include feeding hungry children through Backpack Buddies, addressing hunger in Glynn County through Manna House, reaching out to international visitors through the International Seafarers Center, comforting the sick and distressed through our prayer shawl ministry, working to support children in Brunswick through Glynn Episcopal Ministries and so much more. If you’d like to get plugged into any of these ministries, contact Mother Becky at becky@ccfssi.org, Father Tom at tom@ccfssi.org or Mother Ashton at Ashton@ccfssi.org.

September 12 & 26 - Backpack Buddies – The Backpack Buddies have already been hard at work, getting bags ready for the new school year and now they invite all who are interested to come join the assembly line in the Parish Hall! Packing dates for the next two months are 9/12 at 10:00 am, 9/26 at 9:30 am, 10/10 at 10:00 am and 10/23 at 1:30 pm. During the school year, Christ Church delivers the bags of weekend food to 200 children on free and reduced lunches in several local elementary schools and to homeless teenagers through the Backpack Buddies program. You can sponsor a child for the entire school year for $100, or for one semester for $50. For more information
about how you can help, contact Susan Shipman at susanshipman@att.net.

October 12 - Christ Church Comforters Kick-Off – The Christ Church Comforters Prayer Shawl Ministry creates beautiful shawls made by members of Christ Church as gifts of love to the recipients. The shawl is meant to symbolize the love and embrace of God. The Christ Church Comforters kick-off meeting for this program year is Friday, October 12, at 10:30 am, in the Parish Hall. Christ Church’s Prayer Shawls extend beyond our congregation. Prayer Shawls are delivered each year to Safe Harbor, House of Hope, Grace House, Heather House, Hospice of the Golden Isles, and the International Seafarers. All who are interested in knitting or crocheting blankets, shawls, caps, scarves and other comfort objects are welcome to join the group! Contact Gay Barron at millerbarron@bellsouth.net for more information.

November 19 - Thanksgiving Food Baskets – The annual collection of food for Thanksgiving food baskets for twenty-three needy families in our community begins November 10-11 and will continue through November 17-18. The final date for food collection is November 19, by 9:00 am. Chair Jeannie Wade asks that you bring non-perishable food items to services at St. Ignatius and Christ Church. Monetary donations are welcome, too, as they will help to purchase a turkey for each basket. Make your check to Christ Church, Frederica and note that it is for Thanksgiving baskets. Checks may be placed in the collection at each service. Food items may also be brought to the Parish Hall on weekdays. On Monday, November 19, at 9:00 am, you are invited to help assemble the food baskets in the Parish Hall. Contact Jeannie Wade at jswade125@att.net to get more information or to volunteer to help collect, assemble or deliver the food baskets.
Episcopal Church Women

Now is the time to mark your calendars for the annual ECW 2019 Tour of Homes. This is the signature fund raiser at Christ Church, and last year brought in $85,000 for local charities and missions. Tour day will be March 16, 2019 and already, plans are well under way to make this the best tour day yet. But we need everybody’s help, including YOURS! Please contact Charlotte Graham at ripandcharlotte@att.net to find out how you can get involved.

Fellowship

“Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.”

- 1 Thessalonians 5:11

As Christians, we come together for strength, comfort and encouragement. This fall, we’re offering many opportunities for sharing and fellowship at Christ Church. Join us!

BREATHE - BREATHE is a group for mothers of infants through school-aged children (pre-k through grade 12) that meets monthly for coffee, fellowship, support and a short devotional. This is a time to care for one another and take some time out of our schedules to stop and “breathe.” This is a completely laid-back group, so younger children are welcome. Contact Mother Ashton Williston at ashton@ccfssi.org for more information.

Mom’s Night Out – “There was never a child so lovely but his mother was glad to get him to sleep.”

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

All moms need a break now and then, no matter how old their children are! Whether you’ve got toddlers or twenty-somethings, join us for Mom’s Night Out, for fellowship, fun and a delicious dinner out at one of our fantastic local restaurants. Contact Mother Ashton at ashton@ccfssi.org to get on the group email list.
OMG – The O(utrageously) M(ature) G(roup) is for folks who enjoy playing cards and board games. They meet on the first Friday of each month from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm, in the Parish Hall, for lunch, socializing and playing games like Rummikub, Mahjongg, bridge, Canasta or any other game that can be played by two or more people. In coming months, the OMGs will go on the road, too. There are plans for two day-trips a year to places like Savannah and Jacksonville. The group will travel by chartered bus, dine out, take in a show or visit museums and historic locations. This is fun group and all are welcome. Even if you don’t play games, please come for lunch and fellowship! Contact Mother Ashton at ashton@ccfssi.org for more information.

Frederick Cousins Guild – The Frederick Cousins Guild meets in the evenings at 5:30 pm, in guild members’ homes, on the third Tuesday of the month, for fellowship and an uplifting program. They will begin planning their annual fund raiser, the Frederick Cousins Oyster Roast, this fall and invite all who would are interested to join the fun! For more information, please contact Louise Bartlett at louisebssi@gmail.com.

Susanna Wesley Guild – The Susanna Wesley Guild meets on the third Tuesday in each month, at 10:30 am, in the Parish Hall, at Christ Church. In addition to a monthly devotion, the group regularly invites speakers from local missions to discuss the work they do in the community, thus fostering support for these organizations. If you would like to be part of this mission-supporting group, please contact Ethel Horton at ethhorton@comcast.net.

September 23 - Church Potluck Picnic – On Sunday, September 23, immediately after the 11:15 am service, we will have a church-wide picnic on the lawn to welcome our new Associate
Rector, Katie Knoll-Le-non and her family, and to celebrate the marriage of Mother Becky and Uli Keller! The church will provide the fried and baked chicken, iced tea, lemonade and paper products - you bring your favorite side dishes, salads or desserts! Tables and chairs will be set up, but please feel free to bring your own lawn chairs and picnic blankets. You are welcome to invite guests and neighbors to join us!

**October 7 - Blessing of the Animals** – At 4:00 pm, at the Christ Church Parish House, we will be blessing our animals. Please bring the important animals in your life, whether they’re dogs, cats, horses, goats, chickens, rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, reptiles or even bees, and join us for this wonderful celebration started by St. Francis many centuries ago.

**October 14 - Pig Pickin’ Dinner and Annual Campaign Kick-Off** – Please plan to join us on Sunday, October 14, 2018, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Hall, for this year’s Pig Pickin’ and Annual Campaign Kick-Off! Justin Hollington will once again be cooking delicious barbecue and tasty sides, while Marshgrass will keep our toes tapping with some great bluegrass music. This will be a fun, family-oriented get-together, so join us at Christ Church for a great evening!

**October 28 - All Hallows Eve Family Fun Fest** (Sunday night) – Please join us for a great, family-friendly evening of fun and excitement from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, at Christ Church! There will be activities for all ages, including hay rides, a haunted hallway, a carnival room for our littlest trick-or-treaters, crafts for all ages, bouncy house fun, a hot dog bar, a magic show, music
and MORE. Whether you’re 2 or 102, this will be a great time for everyone!

Save the Date:

**December 1 - Breakfast with St. Nick** – A delicious breakfast with St. Nick begins on Saturday, December 1, at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall, followed by a reading of the real story of St. Nicholas. Families, (children, their parents, grandparents, special friends), will then be guided through a series of fun activities and games, including Advent wreath-making. Be ready for some family time and great photo opportunities!

**December 2 – Advent Choral Evensong** – Join us at 5:00 pm, in Christ Church, for this beautiful musical introduction to the Season of Advent.

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