



The

Trumpeter

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

JUNE 2025

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

8 am - Holy Eucharist Service

10:15 am - Holy Eucharist Service

Thursdays

11 am - Prayer and Bible Study (in Person)

From The Senior Warden

Hello to the members of the church of St. Christopher's. As you can see the church has certainly been cleaned up and spruced up nicely this spring. I want to thank everyone who has participated in trimming bushes, cutting the lawn, pulling weeds, spreading mulch and planting some lovely new flowers. It certainly has made our church home look lovely. We have so much to be thankful for!

I also want to thank all the members who have taken the time to make suggestions to the vestry or staff on the things that need to be done to our church. As you can see from the following list, they have included a variety of items. As you will recall, I explained that none of these items are included in our budget and will need to find alternative funding methods in order to accomplish them. But in order to keep the faith, we must move ahead and attempt to accomplish what we can. The vestry has taken this list and after a good deal of discussion, ranked them in order of priority. I send this to you below so you will see the order of importance to the vestry. I am approaching all of you to attempt to come up with a funding mechanism to complete some or all of them. I have faith.

As you can see from the list below, there are eight items included, and two of them tied for second. Windows and dealing with our somewhat aging heating and cooling system. I hope the rest are somewhat self-explanatory but will be talking about them all with you soon.

Thanks.

Chapin Cook, Senior Warden



Please rank the following items 1 - 8, 1 being the highest priority and 7 being the lowest priority.

- 1 Outside Doors
- 2 Windows
- 3 Memorial Garden
- 4 Fans in Sanctuary
- 6 Glass wall in gathering space
- 7 Organ Enclosure
- 5 Outdoor sign

2 HVAC

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Chapin Cook (2028)

Upcoming Lessons

June 1

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

June 8

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:25-35-, 37
Romans 8:14-17
John 14:8-17, (25-27)

June 15

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

June 22

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 54:1-9
Psalm 22:18-27
Galatians 3:23-29
Luke 8:26-39

June 29

Third Sunday of Pentecost

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21
Psalm 16
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62

July 6

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14
Psalm 66:1-8
Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Find the readings every week at
lectionarypage.net



The Priest's Desk

Here we are in the month of June. It is a season of growth and gratitude. It can also be a time of reflection as we look around us at the amazing world that we live in. The trees are full, flowers are blooming and (hopefully) we will experience warmer weather!

June is also a time when many travel for their summer vacation. Something we all look forward to and appreciate. In a sense, we are all travelers on the road of life. There are times when the road is difficult. There are also times when we are humbled by the beauty of friends, family and loved ones, by the power of nature to heal, to soothe, to remind us that life is all a cycle of death and new life.

This concept of travel has made me ask some questions. "What is the collective journey for us as a parish?" Where are we going and how do we get there?

Ultimately, we are heading toward our heavenly home. But there is so much more to do before we arrive. What are we doing as a parish to make God's Kingdom known here on earth? What do we need to address or accomplish to achieve our goal? What resources do we already have that might be untapped? How can we build up our "resources" without the same people doing even more.

I certainly don't have all the answers to these questions. However, I firmly believe that together we can forge a new path and do greater things, making God's Kingdom known right here, right now.

We have a beautiful building. We have an excellent group of folks on our Vestry. We have a wonderful, caring and loving community. It is only together that we can "do" church.

So I ask you to pray. Pray for one another. Pray for your Vestry. Pray for all of the priests who currently serve our congregation. Fr. Mike, Fr. Don, and myself. Pray for our cities and towns. Pray for our government leaders. Pray for the homeless, the sick, the hungry. Pray.

I really feel that we are about to turn a corner. As we continue our journey together, I would ask that you reflect on the questions above. Pray about your responses and really dive into some prayerful reflection. Ask God to show you what role you may play here, in the building of the Kingdom of God.

As always, I am very grateful for each of you. You continue to be a blessing to me and to one another.

May the God of peace, travel with us all as we continue to discern where we will go and what we will do next.

Blessings,

Jerry+

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM...



Greetings from the Music Room!~

It's hard to believe that we will be celebrating the 7th Sunday of Easter this week, but here we are! This means that both Pentecost and Trinity Sunday are just around the corner!

The last day for choir this season will be Sunday, June 8th (Pentecost). We will be singing a favorite of Jan Taylor Hartley's, "Ain't Got Time to Die". (Linda Rathburn was the little birdie who whispered this in my ear). We all are hoping we will sing this to your liking, Jan---and everyone else's too!

Over the summer months, our music program will be offering musical solo pieces from church members who might feel so inspired to give of their talents. We will have ten Sundays of vocal and instrumental solo offerings. If you are interested in sharing your talent with the church, please drop down to the choir room and let me know, or maybe send me an email: nada@stchrisgrandblanc or maybe catch me at coffee hour and I will do my best to schedule you!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our outstanding musical team here at St. Christopher's---Thank you Bob Van Duyne, Donald Kaye, Jeff Fisk, Andrew Wilson, Mitch Sansiribhan, Sarah Loomis, Judith Conyers, Linda Rathburn, Bobbie Goergen, Cynthia Butcher, Angel Langford and Audrey Ditri.

Thank you Jeff Walker---our fabulous organist.

Thank you Luna Stoecklin for keeping our streaming service on point.

It has been a season filled with joy, good rehearsals and beautiful singing. Thank you!

I am wishing all of you a lovely summer time and looking forward to seeing everyone back in the fall. Our first rehearsal will be: September 3rd, 7:00 p.m. Be there or be square.

In Christ, I am yours,

Nada



Important Notice

Please note that there will be no Healing Service in July. The church office will be closed on Friday, July 4th in Observance of the July 4th Holiday.



Thank you to everyone who hosted coffee hour in May... Chapin Cook, Ellen Safley, Tom & Dianne Trevino, Flo Gjerstad, Dave & Karen Miller. Thank you also to everyone that brought dishes for the Easter Brunch.

There is a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please consider signing up to host! You only have to make coffee/tea and perhaps provide a small snack or treat item if desired.



The latest Vestry Meeting Minutes and Financial Statement are located on the kiosk in the narthex for review.

As announced at the Annual Meeting, all funds given toward pledges received in the current calendar year must be deposited and posted to the same calendar year. We can no longer accept advanced payment of pledges for the next calendar year. Thank you for your understanding.



The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 14 2025 at 9 am @ Hill Road Grille, 2160 W. Hill Road, Flint. Please sign up on the Kiosk.



Mark your calenders, the 22nd St. Christopher's outing to the Lansing Lugnuts game will be on Thursday, July 31st. Please look for more information in the bulletin.



The next Ladies' Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 11th at 11:45 am at Irene's Craft Kitchen & Biergarten, 210 Reid Rd, Grand Blanc. If you plan on attending, please sign up on the kiosk or contact Louise McAra at (810) 287-4334.



2025 FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION SATURDAYS

May 17

June 21

July 19

August 16

September 20

October 18



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Worship Leaders for June 2025

	LECTOR / LEM	GREETERS	TECH	ALTAR GUILD	COFFEE HOUR	ALTAR FLOWERS
<u>June 8</u>						
8 am	Dave Butler (LEM)/Dave & Melissa Butler	Jane Brewer & Susan Arm- strong	-----	-----	Shirley Showler	Available
10:15 am	Ellen Safley/An- drew Jacob (L)	Bill Anderson & Flo Gjerstad		Dawn Rutherford		
<u>June 15</u>						
8 am	Nancy Wells (LEM)	Dale & Sharon Rice		-----	Mrytle & Ken Duck	Available
10:15 am	Linda Rathburn	Becky Stermer & Flo Gjerstad		Colleen Shrank		
<u>June 22</u>						
8 am	Dave Butler (LEM)/Susan Armstrong	Neuman & Jan Convis	-----	-----	Christine Jacob	Available
10:15 am	Rod Bytwerk	Jan Taylor & Bill Hartley		Sharon Rice		
<u>June 29</u>						
8 am	Nancy Wells (LEM)/Kay Van Natta	Dave & Melissa Butler		-----	Jane Yorks	Available
10:15 am	Bob Luckey/Ka- ren Miller (L)	Rene Carpenter & Bill Anderson		Jane Brewer		