



A Ministries Brochure Fall 2010



*Water your faith in the garden and grow!
Discover new ministries and put grace into action!*

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for information updates.

Growing Grateful Hearts

*August 27th, 28th, & 29th - Renewal Weekend
Led by Rev. Hill Riddle*

For Adults

Friday August 27 - 6:30 until 7:45 pm
in the Commons Room of the Parish
(Holzhalf) Hall followed by a reception.

Saturday August 28, 9:00am until noon
followed by a light lunch.

Sunday, August 29, Fr. Hill Riddle is our
preacher for the 7:30 and 10 o'clock ser-
vices.

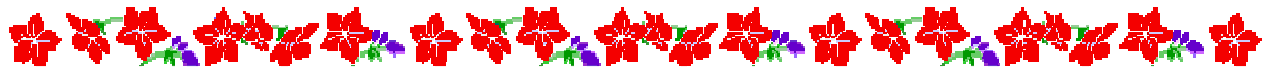
*The Rev. Hill Riddle is Rector Emeritus of
Trinity Episcopal Church in New Orleans and
the author of Bloom in Your Season: A Book
of Meditations*



Fun Water Night

Friday August 27 at 6:15pm.
For children Ages 4 to 10 on the ECC Play-
ground! Kids wear a swimsuit and bring a
change of clothes. (While mom and dad listen
to the Rev. Hill Riddle.)

Saturday August 28 at 9:00am - noon
Renewal Art Day for Kids Come for lots of
fun, renew your spirit through art. Drop off
and pick up on the porch of the Parish Hall
To save a spot, contact Mrs. Shannon Hesse-
mer at 966-3323 or
shessemer@christespiscopalschool.org.



Sunday, August 29th! - Celebration of Ministries - Rally over to Grace in Action Day This
year's theme will be "Rooted in Faith in the Garden". As God's children, we discover how God calls us to
care gracefully for ourselves, each other and our planet. Come together as we plant our roots and learn
about new ministries and opportunities. For further information, please contact Mary Anne Reidy at 985-
789-6315 or email reidyama@netscape.com.



Weekly Schedule at Christ Church

Sunday Schedule

7:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Church*
7:30 am *Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the Church*
9:00 am *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Church with the Family Choir*
Children's Service of the Word is offered for children ages 3-6.
Children who choose to participate are led out before the Gospel and return during the exchange of the Peace.
10:00 am *Christian Formation for all ages*
11:00 am *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Church with the Parish Choir*
4:00 pm *Christ Church Youth, Middle and Senior High (Two Sundays a month) **
6:00 pm *Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the Chapel*

Monday Schedule

8:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Chapel*
5:15 pm *Evening Prayer in the Chapel*

Tuesday Schedule

8:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Chapel*
11:00 am *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Garden Room at Christwood*
5:15 pm *Evening Prayer in the Chapel*

Wednesday Schedule

8:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Chapel*
8:45 am *Women's Lectionary Bible Study in St. Cecilia House*
11:30 am *Intercessory Prayer Group in the Chapel*
12:00 am *Holy Eucharist, EOW and Healing Service in the Chapel*
4:30-5:30 pm *Jr. Christ Church Youth (CCY) grades 6th- 8th Grade*
5:15 pm *Evening Prayer in the Chapel*
5:30-6:00 p.m. *All Youth Dinner (graded 6th-12th)*
6:00 -7:30pm *Sr. Christ Church Youth (CCY) Activities*

Thursday Schedule

8:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Chapel*
Noon *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel*
5:15 pm *Evening Prayer in the Chapel*
6:00 - 7:00 pm *Prayer Hut in the Chapel*
7:00 p.m. *Choir Rehearsal (beginning September 9)*

Friday Schedule

8:00 am *Morning Prayer in the Chapel*
Noon *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel*
5:15 pm *Evening Prayer in the Chapel*

Saturday Schedule

9:00 am *Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel*



All Parish Sunday Gatherings
Service times are 7:30am, 10:00am
followed at 11:00am by:

September 5th- Adult Christian Formation
Showcase of Classes with a Parish Potluck Brunch

October 17th - Tilling the Soil for Grateful
Hearts (Godly Play meets separately at 11:00am)

November 28th - A Time to Prepare our Soul:
Advent I wreath making party

January 2nd - Reflecting the Gift Given:
Christmas & Epiphany Gathering. Now that we
have been given the gift, how do we reflect on it
in the world.

February 13th - The World Beyond Our Door-
step Outreach Ministry Fair

March 13th - Lent I Program , A Time to Still
our Souls Lent I Program (Godly Play meet sepa-
rately at 11:00am)

May 22nd - How Education became Formational
including Teacher Appreciation (classes end 5/15)

Additional Worship and Programs

September 15th - Kids on a Mission and
Christ Church Youth Kick off

October 13th - Kids on a Mission and Christ
Church Youth

November 3rd - Feast of All Souls
(North Shore Youth Event)

November 17th - Kids on a Mission Outreach
Event- Turkey Train sorting party

December 5th-Advent Evensong

December 12th - Family Ministries Shop-
ping for Seniors afternoon

January 6th - Epiphany Feast of Lights
Service

January 19th - Kids on a Mission

January 30th - Episcopal School Sunday at
9:00 a.m.

February 9th - Kids on a Mission

March 9th- Ash Wed. - Children's Worship
and Kids on a Mission Event

April 1 & 2 - Diocesan Convention hosted by
Christ Church & School

April 21 - Children's Good Friday worship

April 23rd - Easter Vigil and Easter Feast



Formation & Fellowship

The Brain Team - This team meets one to two
times per month and is actively participating, cre-
ating and planning events. All members with vari-
ous talents share a common goal in connecting
people to people in all phases of parish life. We
plan several children and parish-wide events of-
fering intergenerational opportunities through
the year. Contact Mary Anne Reidy at 892-3177
or e-mail reidyma@netscape.com.

Growing Grateful Hearts Team .- A community
of Christ Church members who meet to share
their prayers thoughts on what is involved in our
becoming grateful, generous stewards in God's
kingdom now. Stewardship is a journey leading to
commitment that recognizes God as Creator and
each of us as stewards of God's creation. We are
called to co-create with God through offering our
time, talent and treasure. If you are interested
in joining us as we plan for this journey, please
contact Shelly and Mark Berry, Anne Blackmon, or
Michelle Gallagher. We welcome you!

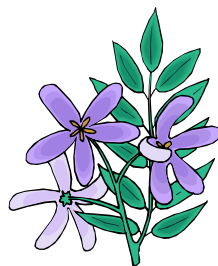
Kids on a Mission (KOM) -

Being Christ's Hands and Feet—This is an opportunity to introduce our youngsters (Grade 1-5) to life-long benefits of helping other, very needy children and families around the world through outreach. The underlying theme of this new program will be helping our children learn the importance of sharing their time, treasure, and talent. They will learn how they as "one child" can affect change for another "one child" somewhere around the world. There will be one event per month on Wednesday afternoons from 5:00-6:30pm, with dinner following. All programs are filled with fun activities including music and art. If you are a Christ Episcopal School student, you can catch the bus to the Christ Church campus at 4:15pm. For those students, aftercare will be available at the Christwood Blvd campus from 3:00-4:15pm. Childcare will be available at the church during the events for children 3 years and under. All children from ages 4 to 6 are welcome to join the events as long as they are with a parent. Kids on a Mission will also offer several outreach opportunities where they can actually interact with others within our community. Information will be posted on the website at a later date. Contact Mary Anne Reidy at 892-3177.

St. Mary's Guild - For mothers who share the common belief that children flourish when God is present in their lives. What we learn we teach. What we live we teach. Join us for prayer, study, play and support. Monthly lunch is the second Thursday 11:00 am to 1:00pm Child care is available Contact: Amanda Weir borandabam@hotmail.com;

Mother's Time Out -

Are you worn out? Please join us the first Friday evening each month in someone's hometo simply gather for a much needed Mother's time out. Check the Illuminare or visit our web-site for the location. Contact The Rev. Anne Maxwell or Mary Anne Reidy at 892-3177.



Christ Church Youth (CCY) - Way Out Wednesdays (WOW) - Come join the Christ Church Youth to enjoy your Wednesday evenings full of fun activities, music, and Godly fellowship. Our Jr. CCY (6th through 8th grade) meets from 4:30-5:30 pm. If you are a Christ Episcopal School student, you can catch the bus to the Christ Church campus at 4:15PM on Wednesdays to attend Jr. CCY youth group. Joint CCY (grades 6th-12th) dinner is offered from 5:30 -6:00 pm every Wednesday. From 6:00-7:30 pm, we begin our Senior CCY group which is geared more toward 9th through 12th graders. Our activities change from week to week, so check the calendar for each week's events.



Yearly Mission Trip - Every year the Christ Church Youth embark on a mission trip in the summer where adult and youth participants get the opportunity to get out of their everyday routine and serve others. An incredible component of these mission trips is the opportunity to welcome the Holy Spirit into our hearts as God moves in our lives. Look for details when they are available for Mission Beyond 2011.

Youth Band CCY and Monthly Youth Service - Currently we are working on bringing together youth who wish to sing and play instruments to perform for our quarterly Youth services and youth group activities. New band members are always welcome.

Boy Scout Troop 193 -

sponsored by Christ Episcopal Church

We meet on Monday nights at 7:00pm in the Commons Room throughout the school year. All boys at least 11 years old or in 5th grade or above are invited to join us for a meeting and to learn more about our troop! In addition to camping, hiking, whitewater rafting, and canoeing, you'll learn how to lead others as you develop your skills. Contact Michael Weiner at 985-789-9697

Dad's Club - Men's Club (1846 Club) - its mission is to provide an avenue for the men of Christ Episcopal Church to gather for fellowship and stewardship. The goal of the group is developing friendship within the spiritual family of Christ Episcopal Church and support its stewardship needs. Contact Vince Temples

Sisters of the Dance: - Sacred movement allows us to explore ways of using our entire selves- body and mind- to grow closer to God. Sisters of the Dance make seasonal presentations during the regular worship services at Christ Church. We also participate in workshops that focus on expressing our spirituality, not on performance. No prior experience necessary. If you are interested in experiencing embodied prayer, look in the Illuminare for announcements of upcoming meetings. Contact: Vicki Polchow at 624-5543.

Sarah Sister's - Senior women sharing experiences, enjoying fellowship, and sharing a meal with each other once a month. They meet at members homes on the second Monday of every month. Contact: Babs Epperson at 898-1984.



Third Sunday Concerts - Provide opportunity to experience wonderful music in our beautiful church setting and enjoy the fellowship of others. Concerts are held in the church at 5:00pm with a reception following in the Holzhalb Hall. Contact: Margaret Mashburn (626-5714).

Welcoming Ministry - The Newcomers Committee, Greeters and Ushers help us know each other better and to make all feel welcome. Usher and Greeter teams volunteer for Sunday morning services. Contact: Kathy Turner at 893-0282, or kturner@christchurchcovington.com.

Grace Gathering - Women sharing spiritual journeys. This group meets twice a month to share one another's stories of faith journey. This group is open to the community and women are encouraged to invite friends. Meeting on the 2nd and fourth Monday at 7:00pm at the home of Fran Phares. Facilitated by Anne Blackmon and Fran Phares.

Sunday

Godly Play - Teaches children the Bible and the Sacraments through a hands-on, artful and age appropriate method of storytelling and art; helping them become more deeply aware of God's presence in their lives. For further information, please call LaVondra Dobbs at 504-453-2512.

All parents are requested to accompany their children to the threshold doorway. Here, they will be greeted by the doorman and say "good-bye" to you. We will need you to return at the end of class to greet and pick-up your child. For all children in PK through 5th grade. We realize that this may be a sacrifice on your part, that you may be in classes learning also, but this drop off pick up is part of the Godly Play process and a safety issue on our campus. Godly Play begins on Sunday, September 12th and meets from 10am to 10:50am.

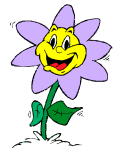
There will be three classes:

Godly Play I - Pre-K & K

Godly Play II - 1st and 2nd

Godly Play III - 3rd -5th Grade

Youth on a Holy Journey
(Grades 6th -12th)



Grapple Through the Bible (6th -8th)
This class is designed to use Biblical themes and stories that have direct relevance to the lives of our youth. This class encourages engaging participation through Bible lessons, questions, games, and testimonies. Our goal is to direct our youth to desire and facilitate a relationship with God. Throughout the year, we will have several special guest speakers. Our foundational curriculum for this class is Grapple. This class meets upstairs in the youth center and is led by Jennifer Comeaux and Michelle Gallagher.

Walk in the Word (9th -12th)
This class is focused on leading our youth to own their beliefs by exploring and questioning where they are in their relationship with God. The debate and discussion sparked by the students ignite their faith into something lively and real. This class takes the idealism and skepticism that co-exist in youth and uses that energy to help youth become engaged with their faith and their community. Throughout the year, we will have several special guest speakers. Our founda-

tional curriculum for this class is Confirm not Conform. This year is an opportunity for those interested to be confirmed in late spring. This class meets downstairs in the youth center and is led by Dawn Cox and Becky Roniger.

Childcare - Whether Sunday morning or Wednesday evening in PJs, or anytime in your favorite "onesy", the Nursery coordinated by Mrs. Buddy Anderson is a safe, caring, place for our children ages six weeks until four years old.



Adult Christian Formation Fall 2010

"Be transformed by the renewal of your minds."
Romans 12:2

Class Offerings:

Sunday Mornings at 10:00am

Living the Questions: How do we live as a Covenant People? An opportunity to explore faith through a variety of subjects from music to prayer to literature to laughter. No homework, no commitment, coffee available. Topic and facilitator changes frequently. This class meets in the Commons room of the Parish Hall. Visitors welcome.

Women Speak: This group for women of all ages seeks to build community through reflection, prayer, and conversation. They will be using The Naked Now by Richard Rohr to guide the conversation. This group is facilitated by Alison Pellegrin and meets in the Parlor of Holzalb Hall.

Empowered to Serve: Proverbs 27:17 "Iron sharpens iron and one man sharpens another." This discussion group for men of all ages focuses on putting faith into action. Facilitated by Bill Rhodes and Skip Scoggin, this group meets on the third floor of the ECC building.

The Children of Abraham: This class is a facilitated discussion about who are we as Christians. What affect does our faith have on our daily lives? Participants are expected to complete some light reading outside of class and participate in discussions in class. Abraham by Bruce Feiler will guide the conversation. Vicki Polchow and Hugh Warren facilitate and it meets in the Conference room of St. Cecilia House.

Wednesdays for Adults

Women's Bible Study - A Lectionary Bible Study led by The Reverend Tom Blackmon; Meeting in St. Cecilia House on Wednesdays at 8:45am.

EfM - Education for Ministry - A four year extensive program of the School of Theology of the University of the South, in which participants study the Old and New Testaments, church history, and twentieth century theology. Pre-registration required. Meeting in the conference room of the St. Cecilia House on Wednesday evenings 6:30-9:00 pm Facilitated by Elizabeth Higgs. Class will start on September 8.

Worship

Worship centers on the Holy Eucharist Rite I and II on Sunday mornings, Holy Eucharist Rite II weekly every day each Monday, Holy Eucharist and Healing Service on Wednesdays and Thursday evenings.

Baptism - Holy Baptism within the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Sunday occurs 5 times a year on feast days. A preparation workshop the Saturday before the feast day is required for adult candidates and the parents and Godparents of a child candidate. Contact the Reverend Anne Maxwell at 892-3177.

Adult Membership Classes -

Preparation for membership is offered each year for adults by participation in the Inquirer's Class taught by the clergy. An eight week course begins in late October on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:15pm. Contact the clergy for more information.



Lay Worship Leaders: (Some training required)

Acolytes - Children, youth, and adults starting in 3rd grade, assist the clergy in the liturgy. For further information please contact the parish office 892-3177.

Altar Guild - Prepare the altar for all worship services. Contact Barbara Magee, 809-0962.

Celebration of Life Ministry - Help ensure that basic necessities are on hand for all who have come to celebrate one's life through the burial liturgy. Contact Penny Ellis or Fran Phares.

Choirs:

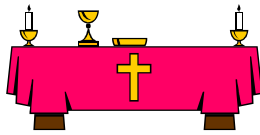
The Family Choir - Leads the congregation by singing and creating a musical offering to God on behalf of the congregation at the 9:00 service. They meet in the church on Sundays to rehearse at 8:30am This choir is open to all including families and children 10 years of age or older. Directed by Carolyn Parmenter, quilisma@bellsouth.net. All are welcome.

The Parish Choir - Leads the congregation by singing and creating a musical offering to God on behalf of the congregation at the 11:00 service. Specializes in traditional church music and rehearses Thursdays at 7:00pm and Sundays at 10:15am Directed by Carolyn Parmenter. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers -

Administer the chalice during the Eucharist. For further information

please contact Fred Bruce, 892-6161 or fred-bruce@bellsouth.net.



Flower Altar Guild - Provide weekly altar arrangements to glorify God's House. For further information please contact Anne Butts. 898-2046.

Lectors - Read the lessons during the service. For further information please contact the church office.

Wedding Committee - Attend wedding rehearsals and ceremonies at Christ Church to assist the Rector and wedding party with the customs and traditions of our church. For further information please contact Lucie Thornton, 674-5411.



Pastoral Care

Eucharist Visitors - A caring individual willing to take the sacrament of Holy Eucharist to those unable to come to the church to share with us in this sacred meal. All volunteers trained and assigned by the Clergy of the Parish. Contact The Reverend Anne Maxwell at 892-3177.

Intercessory Wednesday Prayer Group - Before the Wednesday Celebration of the Holy Eucharist with Healing Service, a small group gathers in the Chapel to prayer for those who have requested prayers by this Parish.

Prayer Hut - We come as we are, empty or full, with joy or in sorrow to find a sacred place for prayer and communion. We enter into a quiet space in the Chapel from 6:00pm to 6:30pm.

From 6:30pm to 7:00pm all are invited into a creative, safe space to pray as they are led. It may be from the Book of Common Prayer, Enriching Our Worship, other devotionals or from a love of Taizé, chant, liturgical dance. The first Thursday of the month we have a healing service within a Rite III Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We come together to be led by the Holy Spirit to be in communion with one another and with God. We lift our prayers to God assured that "Where two or more are gathered together in My Name, I am in there in the midst of them." Contact The Reverend Anne M. Maxwell for more information at 892-3177.



The Caring Ministry - Building Community through helping each other in small but meaningful ways. Contact Judy Shopf or Kim Scoggin.

Outreach

Caring for those in our community by participation in:

The Blood Bank - On campus blood drive in Fall and Spring

Caritas Early Learning Class Luncheons - Caritas is a school program for 2-4 year olds, Christ Church volunteers provide the lunch for the children. You can volunteer one day, one week, or one month. Early learning classes will be held once per week at St. Cecilia House.

The Food Bank - Covington Food Bank is always in need. Christ Church donates all year long with a basket in the Narthex. Volunteers deliver the food, and organize a drive in the Fall and Spring to increase awareness.

Heifer International - The Heifer program buys animals for those in need and teaches them to take care of their families and give back to the community. For information please contact Kerry Yeates.

Thanksgiving Turkey Train - In late October notice Tom Turkey in the Narthex. Decorated with pull off feathers this annual reminder calls us to give to those who have forgotten the possible abundance of Thanksgiving. All food care packages are assembled and distributed by our youth group with donations from you.

Christmas Gift Tree - The Christmas Gift Tree appears with the names and ages of Caritas children who are not likely to find much under their tree without our help. Buy, wrap, and bring it back to the church to spread the holiday cheer. children to placing flowers into vases to spread around to those less visited by their families.

Other opportunities include:

Caritas Summer Experience, CEEP, Habitat for Humanity, and more.

Kids on a Mission Outreach Opportunities - Details will be in the newsletter or the web site.

Community Ministry

Property and Grounds Committee

- Available for occasional gardening work days to keep all of the grounds an area of pride for Christ Church. Contact Suzanne Duggan at 807-3064 or suzannemduggan@gmail.com.



St. Francis Memorial Garden - Join the "lay-weeders" if you enjoy gardening and creating a beautiful environment around our lovely and historic chapel. For further information please contact Ralph Menetre at 892-1739.

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