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DECEMBER 20, 2020

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

AT CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN
11AM

*In preparation for the service, we invite your quiet prayers
and ask that you please silence your cell phone.*

(Please stand.)

THE OPENING SONG *The angel Gabriel*

*The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
Most highly favored lady,” Gloria!*

*Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,
“My soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name.”
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!*

*“For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
All generations laud and honor thee,
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
Most highly favored lady,” Gloria!*

*Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—
“Most highly favored lady,” Gloria!*

As the Advent candles are lit the minister and people say

Celebrant: Our King and Savior now draws near.

People: O come let us adore Him!

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

THE TRISAGION

*Holy God, Holy and Mighty.
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and as we are sorely hindered by our sins from running the race that is set before us, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

THE LESSON *Romans 16:25-27*

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER *Psalms 132:8-19*

- 8 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place;*
you, and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness,*
and let your saints sing with joyfulness.
- 10 For your servant David's sake,*
turn not away the presence of your Anointed.
- 11 The Lord has made a faithful oath unto David;*
and he shall not shrink from it;
- 12 "Of the fruit of your body*
shall I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall teach them,*
their children also shall sit upon your throne for evermore."
- 14 For the Lord has chosen Zion to be a habitation for himself;*
he has longed for her.
- 15 "This shall be my rest forever;*
here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.
- 16 I will bless her provisions with increase,*
and will satisfy her poor with bread.
- 17 I will deck her priests with health,*
and her saints shall rejoice and sing.
- 18 There shall I make the horn of David to flourish;*
I have prepared a lantern for my Anointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame,*
but upon himself shall his crown flourish." I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

(Please stand.)

THE SEQUENCE SONG *Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming*

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!

Of Jesse's lineage coming as seers of old have sung.

It came, a blossom bright,

Amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind,

With Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.

To show God's love aright,

She bore to us a Savior, when half spent was the night.

***O Flower, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air,
Dispel in glorious splendor the darkness everywhere;
True man, yet very God,
From sin and death now save us, and share our every load.***

THE GOSPEL *Luke 1:26-38*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Ted Duvall, *Rector*

(Please stand.)

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,**

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please kneel.)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Reader: For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For Foley Beach, our Archbishop, and Mark Lawrence, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service (especially Donald, our President; the members of Congress; the Justices of the Supreme Court; and all state and local authorities.) Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially _____]. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially _____], in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Dear Lord, as this calendar year draws to an end, we lift up all of Christ Church's Outreach Ministries and thank You for providing them as a way for us to reflect our love for You. They include Lay Eucharistic Visitors, East Cooper Meals on Wheels, Tree Church Project, Kairos, Haiti Partnership, HALOS, Seafarers Ministry, My Sister's House, East Cooper Community Outreach, Feeding of the Multitude, I-Beam, Fix-It, and Church on the Move. Thank You for placing the needs of others in our hearts, minds, and hands. We pray that You continue to embolden us to reach out to those in need, even as we face the challenges of a pandemic.

O mighty and most merciful God, in this time of the coronavirus pandemic and all other perils of our world, we flee to you for strength and protection. Deliver us, we beseech you, from our peril; give skill and success to all those who minister to the sick, by prospering the means made use of for their care and cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts to that heavenly wisdom which leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15)

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. (1 John 2:1-2)

(Please stand.)

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

(Please be seated.)

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

OFFERTORY SONG *Ave Maria* (Arcadelt)

Ave, Maria, gratia plena,

Dominus tecum:

Benedicta tu in mulieribus,

Et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.

Sancta Maria, mater Dei,

Ora pro nobis peccatoribus,

Nunc et in hora mortis nostrea. Amen

Translation:

Hail Mary, full of grace,

The Lord is with thee:

Blessed art thou among women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, mother of God,

Pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of death. Amen.

(Please stand.)

DOXOLOGY *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Please remove your Communion wafer from your plastic bag at this time.

THE MASS OF CREATION

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Father, all powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks. All things are of your making, all times and seasons obey your laws, but you chose to create man in your own image, setting him over the whole world in all its wonder. You made us the steward of creation, to praise you day by day for the marvels of your wisdom and power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. We praise you, Lord, with all the angels in their song of joy:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power, God of might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the

Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father, in your infinite love you made us for yourself, and when we had fallen into sin and became subject to evil and death, You, in your mercy sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. When supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples and said: take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. (repeat)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all the saints into the joy of your eternal Kingdom.

By him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever.

Celebrant and People

Amen, amen, amen (repeat)

(Please kneel.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord
whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,**

**and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Let us now receive the gifts of God for the people of God, saying together

Celebrant and People

The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

(Please stand.)

THE CLOSING HYMN *Shout to the Lord*

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like You;

All of my days

I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;

Let ev'ry breath,

All that I am,

Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing,

Power and majesty praise to the King.

*Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your Name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.*

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayers of the People

*We rejoice with Sherry
& Cash Rest in the birth
of their grandson
Andy Jonas Rest,
son of Laura and David.*

John Auld
Chuck & Jan Aydlette
Pat Barrie
Scott Barrie
Joshua Bellacicco
Sterling Bolling
Lionell Cantrell
Scott Coker
The Congdon Family
Julia Heffron Cox
The Crowley Family
Dan & Betty Ann Davis
The DePaul Family
Jody Doar
Roger Donley
The Elvis Family
Susan Eschbacher
Al Fisher
Andrew Furmanchik
Chris Goodson
Karin Harper
Jami Hemmenway
Doug & Ginny Henderson
Judy Heyward
Brooks Jenkins
Penny & Kelly Jenkins
Martha Kieffer
Barbara McCormick
Bill & Louise Miller
Dane & Peggy Nesmith
The Nolan Family
Gary & Ellen Pruitt
The Quinn Family
The Rambo Family
Roy & Martha Seay
The Sloan Family
Pam Stroud
The Williams Family
Nancy Willms

Those with job loss or
reduction in hours and pay

Expectant Mothers

Christie Cavett
Mary Gray Lewis
Maybre Osborne

Homebound

Frances Cheatham
Pat McCullough
Louise Perry
Becky Tuten
Grace Young

Deployed Military

Brian Boyer
Michael Dean
Mary Emily Slott

Please pray for all men and women
serving in the military; and for
Bishop Qampicha and the Diocese of
Marsabit, Kenya, especially our Tree
Church Partners in Game, Elebor,
Maikona, Goro Rukesa, and Badasa;
and for our Haitian partners in the
Church of the Holy Spirit.

Are you or a family member in need
of prayer? Please contact the
Church Office at 843.884.9090 or
email khunter@christch.org to be
added to the Prayer List for 60 days.



THE PEOPLE OF ADVENT

THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS

*The Rectors' Forum continues in Advent from
10:10 - 10:50am in the Parish Hall*

Advent 1 (Nov 29)

*Joseph
Fr. Ted*

Advent 3 (Dec 13)

*John the Baptist
Fr. Ted*

Advent 2 (Dec 6)

*Mary
Dr. Koch*

Advent 4 (Dec 20)

*The Christmas Gospel
Dr. Koch*

Register for this class in the weekly Service/Discipleship Registration

Christmas Services

For descriptions of these services, please visit ChristCh.org/Christmas. Registration is required. We encourage you to register early as space is limited.

CHRISTMAS EVE - DECEMBER 24

3 & 4:30pm

Children's Worship
Parish Hall

6pm

Traditional Worship
Church & Parish Hall

10:30pm

Midnight Mass
Church

CHRISTMAS DAY - DECEMBER 25

10am

Historic Worship
Historic Church

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

TUESDAY MORNINGS - 7-7:55AM - PARISH HALL

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Fellowship & Study of the Gospel
(Bring a mask!)

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, January 11 | 2-6pm

Parish Hall



Scan to Schedule Appointment

12TH NIGHT EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Wednesday, January 6 | 5:30pm

Join in the fun as we celebrate Jesus' birth with the burning of the greens and fellowship. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Add your trees and greenery to the bonfire pile on the Quad beginning 12/26.

There will be no food at this event



Please take your Communion plastic bag home with you to reuse or recycle. Thank you!

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 Thank you for wearing masks indoors and for maintaining social distancing.

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Have you moved or updated your email address? Contact Katy Hunter at khunter@christch.org to update the Church Office records.

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ONLINE DISCIPLESHIP, EVENT STATUS, & MINISTRY NEWS
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CHURCH OFFICE AVAILABILITY THIS MONTH

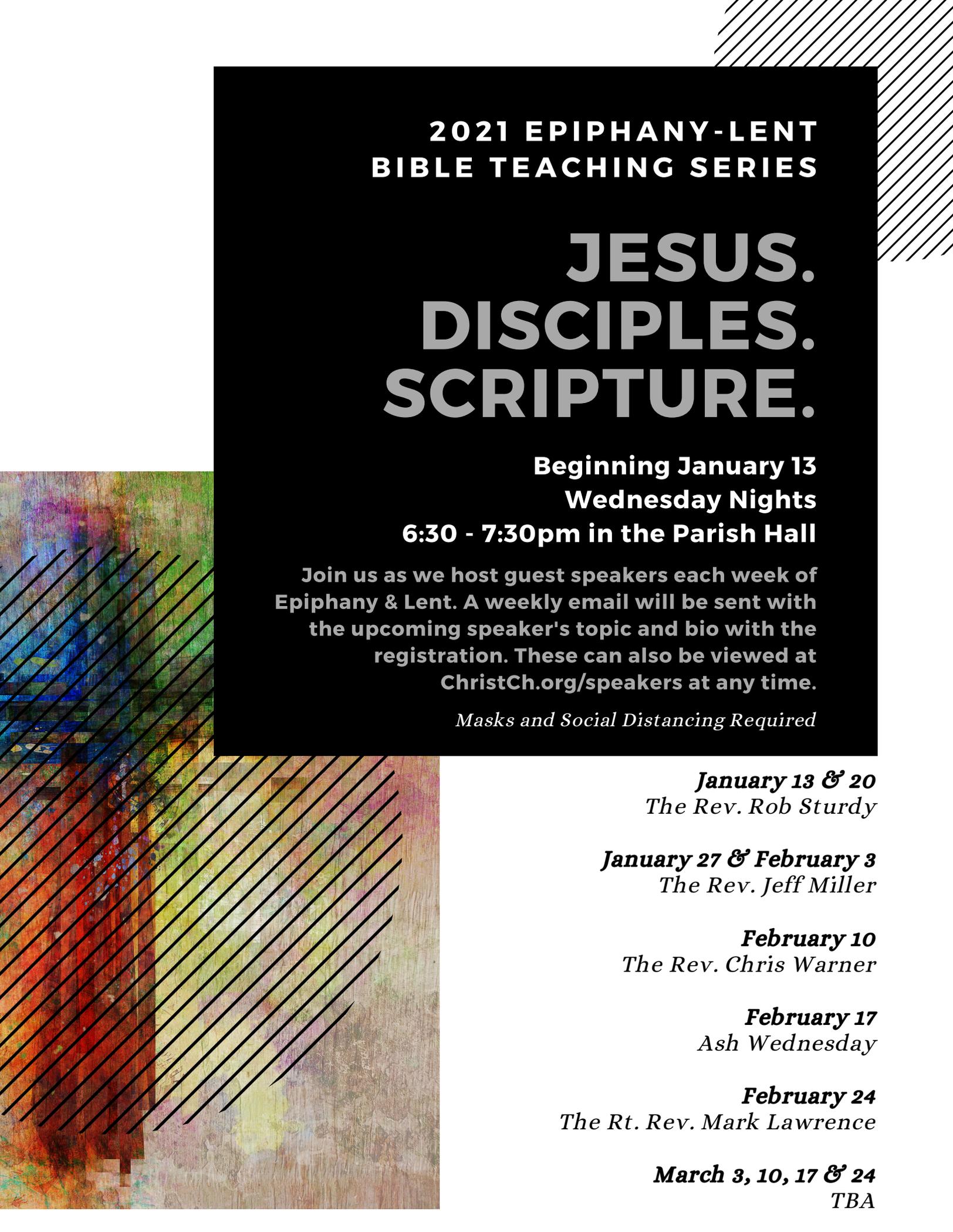
The Church Office is scheduled for a "face lift" this month. During this time, our phone lines will be temporarily disconnected in the main office and staff will be temporarily displaced. Please contact all staff via email or cell phone during this transition as many may be working remotely.

VIDEO IN CHURCH

We are pleased to announce the arrival of Christ Church's new video broadcast system. Rob Bellacicco will be heading our team of video system operators. They will be using this state of the art technology to livestream our worship services to parishioners and others joining us via Facebook. This new service will become available this month.

CONFIRMATION 2021

The Bishop will be joining us for Confirmation Sunday on May 23. Youth Confirmation classes will begin on January 10 until May 16 at 10:10am on Sunday. Register at ChristCh.org/youth-confirmation. More information on Adult Confirmation classes will be made available soon.



**2021 EPIPHANY-LENT
BIBLE TEACHING SERIES**

**JESUS.
DISCIPLES.
SCRIPTURE.**

**Beginning January 13
Wednesday Nights
6:30 - 7:30pm in the Parish Hall**

**Join us as we host guest speakers each week of
Epiphany & Lent. A weekly email will be sent with
the upcoming speaker's topic and bio with the
registration. These can also be viewed at
ChristCh.org/speakers at any time.**

Masks and Social Distancing Required

January 13 & 20
The Rev. Rob Sturdy

January 27 & February 3
The Rev. Jeff Miller

February 10
The Rev. Chris Warner

February 17
Ash Wednesday

February 24
The Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence

March 3, 10, 17 & 24
TBA