

Christ Church (Episcopal)

Reading, Pennsylvania

IN the city. WITH our neighbors. FOR everyone.



The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 31, 2025

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Today's Readings

The First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Cover image: "The Wedding Banquet (Luke 14)" *source unknown*

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: We pray for strength to follow Jesus wherever God calls us, saying, Help us to follow.

Intercessor: Jesus said: 'Whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant.' Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'Unless you change and become humble like little children, you can never enter the kingdom of heaven.' We pray for our children, their parents, teachers and schools. Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'Happy are the humble; they will receive what God has promised.' We pray for those celebrating this week: Kathleen Frankowski, Matthew Boggs, Jessica Helwig, John Helwig, Patricia Kelly and Brian and Fianna Holt. Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'Be merciful as your Father is merciful; love your enemies and do good to them.' We pray for all of those in authority and those living in fear and danger, the people of Ukraine and the Holy Land, especially those suffering from malnutrition and dying of starvation. Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'Love one another, as I love you; there is no greater love than this, to lay down your life for your friends.' May God be with those printed on our prayer list in the bulletin and any that we name now... Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'Go to people everywhere and make them my disciples, and I will be with you always, to the end of time.' We pray for ourselves and everyone who seeks to follow you, especially Bryce, our rector, Kevin, our bishop, Sean, our presiding bishop, The Church of South India (United) and St. James', Dundaff; Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Jesus said: 'This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.' We pray for all of those who have departed, remembering Diane Richards Morgan. Savior, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

Celebrant: God of mercy, you know us and love us and hear our prayer: keep us in the eternal fellowship of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

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8am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

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The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand

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

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

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 Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord have mercy

People: **Christ have mercy**

Celebrant: Lord have mercy

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord:

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (The Psalm is read responsively by whole verse)

Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

**I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said,
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."**

And yet my people did not hear my voice,
and Israel would not obey me.

**So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts,
to follow their own devices.**

Oh, that my people would listen to me!
that Israel would walk in my ways!

**I should soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.**

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him,
and their punishment would last for ever.

**But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.**

The Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

At the end of the reading

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Please stand

The Gospel Reading: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (full text on page 3 of this bulletin)

Before the reading

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

People: **Glory be to you, Lord Christ.**

After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord:

People: **Praise be to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

The Homily

Please stand

The Nicene Creed 358

The Prayers of the People (page 4 of this bulletin)

Intercessor: Savior, we hear your call.

People: **Help us to follow.**

Confession of Sin 360

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements and Blessing of the Football Teams

Celebrant: If you are highly invested or not, The gridiron is getting hot. So many people in our nation have dreams, For their pro or college football teams. Some teams need God's help quite a bit, But we're Episcopalians, we bless if you're a miss or a hit. It doesn't matter if your team is looking good or a bit of a mess, Let us hold aloft everything that we have brought to bless.

All: God of the field and huddle and flea-flicker-play, Bless all of our team's things that we have here today. If we win it all, we give glory for your mercy; But even if we stumble and fall, we will still wear this jersey. Thank you God, for the joy of supporting and cheering, Be with us in the highs and lows of the season that is nearing. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A on page 361)

The Sanctus 362

The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 11

The Lord's Prayer and Breaking of the Bread 364

The Invitation to Communion 364

Everyone is invited to receive. There will be two chalices for receiving: the first to drink from and the second chalice is for intinction (dipping the host instead of drinking.) Gluten Free wafers are available; if you require gluten free please indicate this when receiving. If you would prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this by crossing your arms while at the communion rail.

The Post-Communion Prayers

The Celebrant first prays the following:

Celebrant: Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then all say together on page 365

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

8:00 AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist

Reverend Bryce Wandrey

Communion Assistant

Rick Wolf

Lector and Intercessor

Dane Miller

Altar Guild

Linda Jones Captain,) Linda Lacey,

Brittany Underkofler, Armani

Rodriguez and

Julie-Anna Gonzalez (Trainee)

Usher

Ellen Sunderman

Regular Christ Church Office hours:

Monday: 8:00 am - 2:00 PM; Tuesday 8:00AM-12:30PM

Wednesday 8:00 am - 2:00 PM

The Christ Church Mission

We are grounded in the values of love, service and faithful stewardship. Firmly rooted in compassionate collaboration, we welcome partnerships that nurture our neighbors and address pressing issues in our community. We endeavor to be a cornerstone for the city of Reading, enabling all that come through our doors to experience the dignity, purpose and opportunities that God desires for everyone.

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Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982

Prelude *Chorale Prelude on "Wo soll ich fleihen him"* BWV 646

Please stand

Processional Hymn 365 *Come, thou almighty King*

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Kyrie

Gregory Murray



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The Offertory Anthem *Chorale prelude on "Wer nur lieben Gott Lässt walten"*

BWV 647

Presentation Hymn Praise to God, immortal praise (Hymn 288 verse 1)

Praise to God, immortal praise,
for the love that crowns our days;
bounteous source of every joy,
let thy praise our tongues employ:
all to thee, our God, we owe,
source whence all our blessings flow.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A on page 361)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

The celebrant continues with the Great Thanksgiving on page 361

The Sanctus

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 362

The Lord's Prayer

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The Fraction Anthem

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Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and ne-ver be
 hun - gry. Eat this bread, drink this cup,
 trust in him and you will not thirst.

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The Agnus Dei

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The Communion Hymn 304 *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

If Eucharistic visitors are being sent forth today to take the sacrament to people at home, the following prayer is said after Communion:

Celebrant: In the name of God, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

All: **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

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The Blessing

The Closing Hymn *Thy hand O God has guided*

1 Thy hand O God has gui - ded thy church from a - ge to age
2 Thy he - ralds brought glad ti - dings to grea - test as to least
3 Through many a day of dark - ness, through many a sce - ne of strife
4 Thy mer - cy will not fail us, nor leave thy work un - done;

The won - drous tale is writ - ten, full clear on ev - ery page;
They bade them rise, and has - ten to share the great King's feast;
The faith - ful few fought brave - ly to guard the na - tions' life.
With thy right hand to help us, the vic - t'ry shall be won;

Our fore - bears owned thy good - ness, and we their deeds re - cord;
And this was all their tea - ching, in ev' - ry deed and word,
Their go - - - - - spel of re - demp - tion, sin par - doned, hope re - stored,
And then by all cre - a - tion, thy name shall be a - dored,

And both of this bear wit - ness: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
To all a - like pro - claim - ing: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
Was all in this en - fold - ed: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
And this shall be their an - them: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

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The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Chorale Prelude on "In dir ist Freude"*

BWV 615



Art Show

Works by Pam Shields Roule and Elaine Soltis

Opening Reception Friday, September 5, 6 - 8 pm Show runs through September 21
Trinity Lutheran Church
527 Washington Street, Reading
A former Christ Church Member, Pam Shields Roule lives and works in West Reading, and exhibits her works at the Ceres Gallery in NYC where she has been a member since 2011. Elaine Soltis is a major studio artist at GoggleWorks.

Gallery Talk

Ms. Roule and Ms. Soltis discuss their work
September 10, 7 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
527 Washington Street, Reading

Our Class

A readers theater production
Sunday September 28, 3 - 5 pm
Christ Church
A powerful story that follows the lives of a group of Polish children from 1925 into WW II and the Holocaust

The Beauty of Ukrainian Music

Organ Recital by Gail Archer
Friday, October 3, 7 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
527 Washington Street, Reading
A program deeply rooted in the rich tapestry of Ukrainian musical heritage.

Barynya - Uniting with UKraine

Slavic Music and Dance
Sunday, October 5, 3 pm
WCR Center for the Arts
140 North Fifth Street, Reading
Spirited traditional folk performances presented by Ukrainian Kozak Dancers, a group dedicated to honoring the Slavic arts and culture.

Faith Healer

Drama
October 10, 7:30 pm, October 11, 7:30 pm and October 12, 3 pm
WCR Center for the Arts
140 North Fifth Street, Reading
A play portraying an artist as a charlatan/miracle worker who tours with his wife. The cast includes Christ Church's own Kat Brantman.

Dogs in Space

Puppet Theater
Sunday, October 19, 12 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
527 Washington Street, Reading
Tucker's Tales Puppet Theater returns, as dogs and cats hilariously compete to be the first to conquer space.

Fuller details are listed at <https://www.fallfestivalofthearts.org/2025-events>

10AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
Reverend Bryce Wandrey

Gospel Book Bearer
Derek Morris

Organist and Choir Director
John Painter

Communion Assistants
Terry Rowles and Andrea Griffith

Verger
Jeff Morris

Crucifer
Andrea Griffith

Lector
Anita Powell

Acolytes
Alex Brantman and Zoe Morris

Intercessor
Fran Graeff

Altar Guild
Linda Jones (Captain,) Linda Lacey,
Brittany Underkofler, Armani
Rodriguez and
Julie-Anna Gonzalez (Trainee)

Ushers
David Emes, Joann Hyneman,
Garrett Hyneman and Jack Lacey

Mark your calendars for special guests at our Adult Forum (9:05am in the Parlor)

September 28 - Liz Cohen from Mary's Shelters

October 12 - Holly Wolf from Opportunity House

October 19 - Laura Biancone from LGBT Center

November 16 - Elizabeth Vendley from Lighthouse Women's and Children's
Center

November 23 - Rabbi Brian Michelson from Oheb Shalom Reform Congregation
(also our 10am guest preacher)



Are you looking for a time to gather with others and enjoy lunch? You are invited to gather at Saucony Creek Franklin Station (100 S 7th St, Reading, PA 19602) at 12:30pm on Tuesday September 2nd and Tuesday September

16th. Fr Bryce will be there and hopefully you will be too! This is a time to gather, enjoy time together and grow as a community.

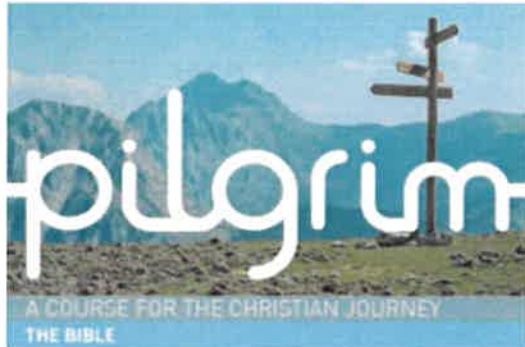
For those in need of our prayers....

Runette	Kristin	Wyatt	Beverly
Connie	Randall	Cindy V.	Elaine
Chase	Parker-Stewart Family		Jeri
John Ryan	Ivar	Zach	Doris
Lisa S	Pat	Nancy	Kevin
Michael	Jeff	Earl	Cindy
Marlene	Lola	Sandi	MJ
Bowie	Mary Jo	Ralph, Carol, Shelly	Briana
Rory	Tim	Lauren	Scott
Angelica	Vincent	Byron and Sherry	Kate
Kim	Lisa	Elizabeth and David	Max
Jason	Randy	Paul	Rory
Becky	Ella	Wayne	William
Rebecca	Penny	Marilyn	Susan
Anita			

Kindly submit any names you would like to be added to the prayer list by emailing Kim @officemgr@rdgchristchurch.org or writing the name on the paper on the table.

Sidewalks and Doors!

You will have noticed that the sidewalk outside our doors on 5th Street is being/ has been replaced. This work has been on the Property Team's agenda for quite awhile but our application was only recently approved by the city. The sidewalk was becoming a safety hazard and since the work is our responsibility it was decided that the work needed to be completed as soon as possible, especially with our Bicentennial celebrations approaching in May 2026. Our Madison Street doors, over the past few months, have become security issues with one barely closing and the other having issues with the lock set. Multiple quotes were received and the best one was presented to the Finance Committee and Vestry on August 21st. Work to replace those doors will begin soon.



Adult Forum

What is the Bible? How was it given to us? How can we read it today? This six week Pilgrim Course on The Bible will help us answer all of those questions and more. The Bible is one of the most influential books in the world and is still the bestselling book of all time. Join us in the Parlor at 9:05am every Sunday as we journey with the many books and authors of The Bible.



This past month our Vestry met and came to two important decisions. Upon recommendation from a Fundraising Task Force --which met numerous times over the past few months, consulting parishioners, local banks and our investment firm-- we have decided to fund the next phase of our plaster restoration from our investment money market funds. We have already received a pledge of \$150,000, which will help to pay for the early phases of this work and keep our investment portfolio strong. Secondly, after months of consideration and comments, we approved a Protocol Regarding Interactions with Immigration Agencies. This Protocol will now proceed to the implementation stage in consultation with our Security Task Force. You can view the document by going to our website and viewing our application for facilities use.

Welcome to Christ Church

We are happy to welcome you to our church and worship services. Here are some things that you may find helpful. If you would like to know more about us there are cards that you can fill out hanging in each pew. Please hand your completed card to an usher as you leave today. Please join us after the service in our Fellowship Hall (down the stairs near the front of the church and on your right at the bottom of the stairs) to get to know us better. The most readily accessible restroom is through the door near the front of the sanctuary. Once you go through that door turn right; the restroom is across from the elevator. Parking is available for free on the street on Sundays and in the M&T parking lot behind the church on the corner of Washington Street and Madison Ave.

Vestry

Diane Morris (Senior Warden/Stewardship)
Chuck Brantman (Junior Warden/Property)
Anita Powell (Pastoral Care)
Pam Wheat (Grants)
Carolyn Handy (Hospitality)
Rick Wolf (Finances)
Bob Kappenstein (Worship)
Kim Alarcon (Security Task Force)
Mary Arguelles (Children/Youth)
Jill Braun (Community Ministries)
Matt Hoelscher (Community Ministries)
Michelle Rowles-Cranmer (Daycare/Nursery Initiatives)

Our Ministries

Worship

Acolytes
Altar Guild
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors and Intercessors
Vergers
Guitar and Taizé Services
Healing Team
Centering Prayer
Morning Prayer
Ushers
Kristallnacht Service

Music

Parish Choir
Bell Ringers
Children's Choir
Fall Festival of Arts

Education

Adult Forum
Library
Children's Ministries
Education For Ministry
Bible Study
EYC

Pastoral Care

Cards and notes
Prayer Lists
Eucharistic Visitors
Flower Delivery
Pastoral Visits

Fellowship

Sunday Fellowship Hour
50+ Club
Hospitality Committee

Business

Property
Churchyard Maintenance
Stewardship Team
Planned Giving
Communications
Capital Campaign
Security Task Force

Community Outreach

Opportunity House
Rummage
Mary's Shelter
Narcotics Anonymous
Literacy Council of Reading-Berks
ESL Dinners
Daughters of the King
Episcopal Church Women
Helping Harvest
Veterans Coalition of PA
Angel Tree
Berks Youth Chorus
Sunday Service
Livestream
Berks County Community Foundation

Altar Candle Memorials for August are given for Blessings Received by Susan Frankowski; Paul and Alice Swain and Arthur and Mary Hoare by Stephen and Charlotte Hoare and Sherry Feick Chandler by David and Judy Feick.

Altar flowers are given today for the Glory of God and in Loving memory of their daughter, Diane Richards Morgan from her parents, Stella and James Richards.



Do you need prayers? All of us have our times when we don't feel whole and we need someone to pray for us. Or, we have someone in our lives who is broken and needs healing. Our Healing Prayer Team is back on the 3rd Sunday of every month to pray for you and with you. If you would like to join them please come up to communion early (after the ushers and choir), commune with our prayer team, receive anointing with holy oil and then proceed to the baptistry for healing prayers.

The next monthly Dinner at Opportunity House will be on September 13th. The sponsor this month will be ECW.

This Week at Christ Church
Sunday, August 31—The Twelfth Sunday
after Pentecost with the Blessing of the
Football Teams

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9:05AM Adult Forum
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
4PM—5PM NA meeting

Monday, September 1 Labor Day

Office closed
12PM—1PM NA meeting

Tuesday, September 2

9:30AM Zoom Centering Prayer
12PM—1PM NA meeting
12:30PM—Fellowship Lunch at Saucony

Wednesday, September 3

9AM Staff Meeting
10AM-1PM ECW Rummage Sale
12PM—Noonday Eucharist
12PM—1PM NA Meeting
5:30-7PM NA Meeting

Thursday, September 4

9:30AM Bible Study
9:30AM Zoom Centering Prayer
11AM Morning Prayer in the Chapel
12PM—1PM NA Meeting
5PM-6:30PM NA Meeting

Friday, September 5

12PM—1PM NA Meeting

Saturday, September 6

10AM-1PM ECW Rummage Sale
12PM-2PM NA meeting

Sunday, September 7—The Thirteenth
Sunday after Pentecost

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9AM Sunday School Kick off
9:05AM Adult Forum
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
1PM Golf Tournament at Heidelberg CC
4PM—5PM NA meeting

Upcoming Events

September 3,6,10 ECW Rummage Sale
10AM-1PM

September 7 Sunday School Kick-Off in the
parish hall 9-9:45AM

September 7 Christ Church and Trinity
Covenant Golf Tournament at Heidelberg
CC at 1PM

September 10 9/11 Remembrance with
Eucharist at 12 noon
Interfaith Service at Christ Church at 7PM

September 12 Christ Church Night with the
Fightin' Phils at 6:45PM

September 13 Dinner at Opportunity House
hosted by ECW

September 14 Service Participants Training
with a pizza party

Save the Date for our Bicentennial Events!

May 9-10, 2026 Consecration weekend
Events Saturday afternoon and Sunday
church-hours

July 18th, 2026 Neighborhood Block Party
on Court St.