



CHRIST CHURCH
The Episcopal Church of Norcross



RENEW! REJOICE! GROW!

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR 6-9-19 thru 6-17-19

- CCE Booth at Peachtree Corners Art Fest Sat. & Sun., June 8/9
- Pentecost Sunday, 2 baptisms, Chicken Fajita Sunday, High School Sr. Recognition, & 1st Communion Celebration Sun., June 9
- Wonderful Wednesday Wed., June 12, 6pm
- Sandwich Sunday Sun., June 16, 9:15am
- LifeLine Screening Mon., June 17, 8:30am

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wonderful Wednesdays Wed., June 19, July 17, 24, & 31, 6pm
- Sandwich Sunday Sun., June 30
- Haiti Summer Fest Fri., June 21, 6pm
- Family Outing—Mercedes Benz Stadium Sat., July 20, 11am
- Movie on the Lawn Sat., July 27, 6:30pm
- CCP Summer Shows Fri. & Sat., Aug. 23 & 24, 7pm

PEACHTREE CORNERS FESTIVAL



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Christ Church will host a booth at the Peachtree Corners Festival on June 8th and 9th! We need volunteers to help set up, take down, and cover shifts in the booth. To sign up, click here or visit our website at www.ccnorcross.org and look under events.

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS FOR JUNE 9TH

The altar flowers for Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 2019, are given to the glory of God by Chuck & Gwen Seeliger in thanksgiving for their 50th wedding anniversary; and by Mary Halliburton in thanksgiving for Bruce Halliburton and Ceci Duke on the occasion of their birthdays.





How We Became Episcopalians – Ken & Rita Boughrum

Of course, it was by accident. We were both raised Catholic. We mean really raised – every Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation we were in the pews, saying prayers in Latin. Rita was raised outside of Philadelphia and Ken was raised right by the beach in Asbury Park, N.J. We both were

taught by nuns until we each escaped to public school after the eighth grade. Heck, Ken was even president of the altar boys!

Like many, the rigidity of the doctrine made less and less sense to us in the countercultural late 60s. By the time we finished college, we were only going to church at Christmas and Easter (and only then if we were home visiting family).

The years passed, we married, had three kids and gradually acknowledged a foundational pull for the kids to be grounded in a faith tradition. The Catholic Church held no appeal. As these things go, a new friend in a new community of Maplewood, N.J. raved about her Episcopal church in town. An invitation quickly followed to “at least check it out.”

The liturgy was familiar, the sacraments the same, the kids were warmly embraced, and we could walk to church as a family every Sunday morning. So far, so good. Over the years, our kids developed their spiritual foundation.

We continue to feel like the Episcopal Church lets us have it both ways – a solid liturgical tradition and an open mind. Questions about faith are not simply expected, they are encouraged. Priests are married, gay, and female. The Episcopal Church is simply more realistic about the variables of the human condition and worship a God that unequivocally loves everyone. We found our religious home.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

During the 10:30am service on Sunday, June 9th, we will honor all 2019 High School Graduates, followed by cake and ice cream in the Parish Hall.

We would also like to honor all College/University (Bachelors, Masters, and Doctorates) graduates by sharing their information and plans in the June Communique. If you or someone in your immediate family is graduating in 2019, please email Karen Bass at children@ccnorcross.org right away for inclusion.



JUNE MISSION OF MERCY RECIPIENT IS RAINBOW VILLAGE

We are thrilled with the mission that Rainbow Village has continued to nurture and expand over the last 26 years. Who knew that a small idea started here at Christ Church would grow and blossom into the vibrant village it has become? Only God!



About Rainbow Village:

Rainbow Village is a transformational housing community for homeless families with children. Most of the heads of households at Rainbow Village are women fleeing lives of domestic violence and poverty. They are not just seeking a safe place to live, but also the opportunity to craft a new life for themselves and their children. Rainbow Village has set in motion a true "village" model where homeless families can find refuge, recover, and learn to rebuild their lives with the support of a community-based family surrounding them. Rainbow Village doesn't just provide a quick fix in times of crisis, but offers a long-term program that includes support services for the whole family including life skills training, character building, counseling, career development, after-school programs, financial education, and more. The goal is to break the cycles of homelessness, poverty, and domestic violence by teaching adults and children to believe in themselves again, to chart a new course, and to work a plan that enables them to once again be self-sufficient.

To learn more about how Rainbow Village is transforming lives for homeless families, visit www.rainbowvillage.org or follow us at facebook.com/RainbowVillageInc, twitter.com/RainbowVillage1, or youtube.com/RainbowVillageInc.

It's Summer Camp Time

We will be collecting items for one week of lunches for the 50 children living at Rainbow Village again this year. We will need 50 lunches a day for a total of 250 lunches for the week. The sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall at the "Lucy Booth." Donations to be delivered to the Parish Hall by Sunday, July 1st. If you have questions, please contact Rita Boughrum at graciousgardens@gmail.com

LIFE LINE SCREENING **MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2019**

The annual Life Line Screening, which will administer five (5) tests for a low cost of \$149.00, a savings of \$181.00, will be held at Christ Church, Episcopal, on Monday, June 17th, in the Parish Hall beginning at 8:30am.



To register, please visit their website at www.lifelinescreening.com/ community-partners and/or see the pink flyer in the bulletin.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS



Wonderful Wednesdays will include Storytelling, Art, and Play to make the Old Testament come alive for our children. Six sessions are available; sign up for as many or few as your schedule allows. Geared for children ages 3 – 10, older children can attend as “helpers.” June 12, 19 and July 17, 24, 31. 6:00pm–7:30pm. Email Karen Bass at children@ccnorcross.org with questions. [Click here to sign up](#) or go to our website at www.ccnorcross.org and look under Events.

HAITI SUMMER FEST

A Fundraising Event for our School in Haiti

Friday June 21, 2019, 7:00pm – 11:00pm

We will be having our annual Summer Fest to celebrate our partnership with the parish of St. Joseph’s of Arimathea and to raise money for the teachers' salaries at the school. Tickets are now on sale—\$25/person or \$60/family of three or more—and at the church office. Again this year, Daphne Gary has generously offered to prepare this culinary delight for all palates and the details of the menu will be coming soon. Also included in this party is a live auction, a silent auction, special music, activities for children and youth (it’s a family affair), along with a few special surprises. We would also like to have some very special items to be included in our auctions. If you have any items you would like to donate, please contact Daphne Gary or Annette Stewart.



Over eleven years ago we entered into a relationship with the school at St. Joseph’s of Arimathea, a relationship that has lots of love. As a result, we are now providing education to over 400 students. To quote Nelson Mandela, “Education is the most powerful weapon which can be used to change the world.”

SANDWICH SUNDAYS—SIGN UP TO BRING LUNCH ITEMS!



This year we are partnering with Smart Lunch/Smart Kids – an organization that fills in the summer gap for students who receive free or reduced lunches during the school year. We hope to make 70 lunches to be delivered to a local housing development. We need the support of the parish to provide supplies, and to make the lunches – during the Education Hour on **June 16th and June 30th**.

To provide supplies and volunteer on June 16, please click here.

To provide supplies and volunteer on June 30, please click here.



SIGN UP FOR 2019-2020 EFM CLASS

Education for Ministry classes now forming for 2019-2020. Please contact Dianne Olson at dolson42668@gmail.com or Brian Maruscsak at brianmaruscsak@gmail.com for more information.

ACOLYTES NEEDED TO ENRICH OUR WORSHIP SERVICES

We are looking for more parishioners, children, youth, adults, families (you get the picture) to join the ranks of our Acolyte program, an important ministry in the life of any parish. If you or someone in your family has an interest, please contact Brian Maruscsak at brianmaruscsak@gmail.com.



NEXT ADULT OUTING, SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2019 MERCEDES BENZ STADIUM



Our next Adult Outing will be on Saturday, July 20th, at 11:00am for a behind the scenes VIP tour of the Mercedes Benz Stadium--home of the Atlanta Falcons and Atlanta United! The \$25 ticket includes a private stadium tour, locker rooms, private boxes, and field access! If we have a group of 20 or more persons, tickets are reduced to \$15 per person. We will be carpooling from the church, so don't let driving downtown scare you from this fun opportunity. Children and youth are welcome. Lunch will follow the stadium tour at a pre-planned location. Tickets will be purchased by coordinator, Kristie Bernard. Cash or check welcome. Please RSVP by July 13, 2019.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Coffee Hour is like a tiny, weekly party where people gather, connect, and relate to each other. The food we offer is nourishment for the body, but the fellowship is nourishment for the soul. If you have ever enjoyed noshing on coffee hour goodies, consider paying it forward by hosting one of these micro-parties. The effort is minimal — especially if you host with a friend! Please consider signing up to host just one coffee hour in the next few months. Use the link below to get started! If you have any questions, contact Kathy Smith at ksmithd106@gmail.com or call at 678-644-9304.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E48A4AD2DA5FD0-summer>



VOLUNTEERS TO HELP THE CHILDREN OF NCM's CLIENTS!



Area churches provide support to NCM's clients by entertaining their children while the parents meet with their case worker. Christ Church has volunteered to cover one week in July (8-13.) Shifts are just two hours. During that time, we will play, read stories, work on art projects, and share the love of Christ! Volunteers just need to show up — no prep necessary! [Click here to sign up.](#)

NEWS FROM THE NORCROSS COOPERATIVE MINISTRY (NCM)

Express Pro and Waffle House will be at the NCM on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, from 10:00am - 12:00pm.

Learn techniques to keep your debt under control at the Money Management Class on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, from 4:00pm - 6:00pm. RSVP at 770-263-8268.

The NCM is beginning to collect school supplies. Please look for sales of paper, notebooks, pencils, markers, and other items, and bring them to the church.

Thank you for helping our neighbors in Norcross by supporting the NCM.

WEEK 5-29-19 thru 6-2-19 ATTENDANCE & DOLLARS

Wednesday	12:00pm	10
Sunday	8:00am	24
Sunday	10:30am	114
Sunday	1:00pm	<u>90</u>
		Total: 238
	Total Offering:	\$13,011.11

HAVE YOU BEEN SENT? Year to Date SENT's for 2019

	<u>#</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Adult	4	316.00
Youth	0	-0-
Total	4	316.00
Total SENTS Rec'd		62

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 6-2-19 thru 6-9-19

^{*N} Indicates that childcare is available (enter from the Parish Hall).

Sunday, 6-9-19—PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00am Peachtree Corners Festival.....
8:00am Holy Eucharist w/High School Sr. Recognition Nave
9:15am Choir Rehearsal..... Nave
10:30am Holy Eucharist w/2 baptisms & High School Recognition ^{*N}..... Nave
10:30am Children's Chapel Begins in Church
11:00am Hispanic 1st Communion Class Upper Level, Youth Center
11:30am Chicken Fajita Sunday Parish Hall
12:00pm Healing Prayer Team Parlor
12:45pm Saying the Rosary Nave
1:00pm Holy Eucharist w/High School Sr. Recognition
& First Communion Celebration ^{*N} Nave
1:00pm Children's Chapel Begins in Church
2:30pm Conversations w/Hispanic Clergy Parish Hall

Monday, 6-10-19

6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #26..... Lower Level, Youth Center
7:00pm Small Group Study Office conf. m.
7:00pm Stephen Minister supv. class..... Rm. 107, Ed. Wing

Tuesday, 6-11-19

6:30pm OSL meeting..... Rm. 107, Ed. Wing
7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal..... Parish Hall
8:00pm CA Group Youth Center

Wednesday, 6-12-19

10:00am Bible Study Class..... Rm. 107, Ed. Wing
12:00pm HE & Healing Service Nave
6:00pm Wonderful Wednesday Parish Hall & Outside
6:30pm Cub Scout Pack #26 mtg..... Lower Level Youth Center
7:00pm Men's Group Trivia Night..... Tavern at Medlock

Thursday, 6-13-19

5:30pm CCP rehearsal Nave
6:30pm Ladies Night Out..... Food Terminal, Chamblee

Friday, 6-14-19

7:30pm CA Group Youth Center

Saturday, 6-15-19

9:00am Church of the Servant sleepover (Jody Greenwood) Youth Center
12:00pm Carole Mitchell's student piano recital..... Nave
4:00pm Handbell Choir setup & rehearsal..... Nave

Sunday, 6-16-19—Father’s Day

8:00am	Holy Eucharist.....	Nave
9:15am	Choir Rehearsal.....	Nave
9:15am	Sandwich Sunday.....	Parish Hall
10:30am	Holy Eucharist *N.....	Nave
10:30am	Children’s Chapel.....	Begins in Church
12:00pm	Healing Prayer Team.....	Parlor
12:45pm	Saying the Rosary.....	Nave
1:00pm	Holy Eucharist *N.....	Nave
1:00pm	Children’s Chapel.....	Begins in Church
2:30pm	Conversations w/Hispanic Clergy.....	Parish Hall

**To see all of the major events in the life of the parish,
please visit our website at <http://www.ccnorcross.org>**

 **PRAYGROUND** 

Children learn with their whole selves – they need to see, touch, hear, taste – and yes - move. So it should come as no surprise that children also need to worship in the same way. To make this a reality for the children of our parish, we are planning to have a summer trial run of a **Prayground** beginning June 9.

Though different churches have put the **Prayground** concept into practice in various ways, the general idea is a soft space in the front of the Nave where young children can experience worship through age-appropriate materials to help keep them engaged in worship.

Instead of sitting in the back, we hope our families will move up front, and let their children use the space so they can see what is going on, feel as though they are a valued part of the service, and most importantly, learn that church is a place which welcomes us where we are.

We will seek feedback on this effort. And hope that it will be a positive experience for our entire worshipping community!

Sample Praygrounds at other churches

