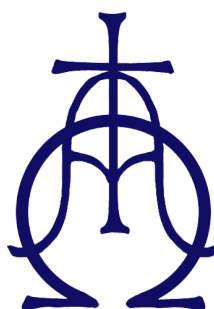

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH XENIA**NewsNote Vol. 1, No. 11**

A note from Reverend Jennifer

Last week Jesus gave his model for addressing sin: that we call out sin in a way that doesn't immediately shame the person being addressed and that calls for all to listen--and to make every possibility that the community will remain whole.

Right after Jesus gives this model, Peter asks him how many times we must forgive someone who sins against us. His suggestion of seven goes above and beyond the expected norm of three. But Jesus takes it much farther--77, or even 7 x 77 times to forgive. Jesus wants our communities to stay together. His vision is one I embrace--and one I struggle with at the same time. Paul's letter to the Romans, which we will hear and Sunday and study in our Bible study today, reminds us that there has always been disagreement in the church about what is sin and the right way to be--even though it might seem as though our own day is particularly contentious.

We're continuing a Bible study of Romans--today from 5.00-5.30. Details below!

Peace--

--Rev Jennifer

September 2, 2020

September 13, 2020 is Second Sunday

Scripture Readings for September 13

Genesis 50:15-21

Psalm 103: 1-13

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

you can find copies of the scripture on our weekly devotional as well as last week's sermon at the bottom of this note

Worship September 13, 2020

9.30 am via Zoom with Rev Jennifer

We will have a shared powerpoint for you to follow the service.

Here is the link that you will need to join--you can just [click here](#)

You can also cut and paste the URL below or follow the instructions:

Rev. Jennifer Oldstone-Moore is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday Worship Christ Episcopal Church

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sept 20: 9.30 am *Liturgy of the Word* IN CHURCH SANCTUARY
Anti-Racism Sunday--A special service in conjunction with the
Ohio Council of Churches. Our diocese's own Debby Stokes-Wayne**

has been part of the planning committee for this event. *Please contact the church office if you plan to come in person to this service.*

Sept 27: Fourth Sunday

The News Note will provide links to a list of area services you can attend.

++We will record our services for those who do not attend in person.++

Your Guide to Worship at Christ Episcopal and COVID-19

Remember: *When Greene County is at Level 3 on the Ohio Department of Health map, we will ONLY meet virtually.*

Click on the button below to check on Greene County's status

Ohio Dept of Health Map

Thank you

to those who have kept up with pledges! Our work has continued through the COVID lockdown...some parishioners are with us through the USPS (weekly devotionals are mailed out to them), some through our on-line worship each Sunday, some through phone calls (our sexton/vestry-at-large Brad is a superhero!), some through service in our bagged dinners on Sundays during the lockdown.

Click on the button below if you'd like to give your pledge via the Diocese of Southern Ohio (this is set up especially for churches like ours). Or mail or deliver your pledge to Becky at Nickell House.

Give pledge online

CALLING ALL LECTORS AND INTERCESSORS

We will be worshipping together at 9.30 on Sundays by Zoom, or by a hybrid Zoom/in person. We need YOU to help read lessons and Prayers of the People, whether in person, by Zoom, or both. Please contact Becky at 937-372-1594 to sign up. Zoom is easy to use by computer, tablet or phone--we will teach you how!

Bible Study

We will restart our Bible study of Paul's Letter to the Romans. Our companion book will be **Conversations with Scripture: Romans** by Jay Sidebotham. Copies are available at the Nickell House and in the sanctuary. We can help defray cost.

Rather than going straight through, we will pose questions that we may revisit from time to time. We'll start tonight with two quotes from the beginning of the book:

Our Bible verse today will be Romans 4:13-25. **We will meet from 5.00-5.30.**

To join the Bible study [click here](#) or use this info:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85079357367?pwd=SGZTank3ZlVndGNCbE5mMDRHNFqZz09>. if you have problems you can call Rev Jen at 937-284-0221.

Prayer List

Please keep Kim Bayless's daughter Heather in your prayers--she has breast cancer.

Other parish prayer concerns: Cynda, Claris, Barbara, Karen.

Joyous thanksgiving: Baby Amelia is now home with the family.

Please send your concerns for this list, and for our Prayers of the People at Sunday worship, to Becky or Rev. Jen.

Sermon

[Click here](#) for last week's sermon, "Calling Out, Calling in."

Weekly Devotional

Our readings this week include exploration of hunger--spiritual and physical hunger.

Suzanne Guthrie's weekly devotional is found at the button below. At the top left hand corner you will find the readings of the week.

Here is the link for the weeks readings as well as the devotional [Edge of the Enclosure](#)

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