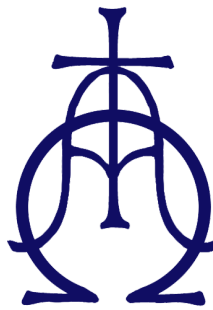
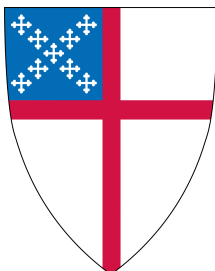

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The Feast of All Saints**Welcome!****Celebrant and Preacher : Rev Dr Jennifer Oldstone-Moore****We *WILL* stream to Facebook this week.**[Link to Facebook page](#)

I think I love the Feast of All Saints more than any other holy day in the church. It is the day that brings home for me the humanity of Jesus in the manner in which people who hear the call then move and act in ways that bring the Kingdom wherever they are, whatever they may be doing. Some years my daily devotions include reading a saint-a-day from Robert Ellsberg's book *All Saints*. A favorite saint whom I return to over and over again is Brother Lawrence, who worked at a monastery in the kitchen. He wasn't a monk, just a kitchen hand. One day a high-ranking visitor to the monastery happened to go into the kitchen and spoke with Brother Lawrence, finding this lowly kitchen worker to be indeed a saint of God, worthy to teach others the Path of Love. Brother Lawrence told him:

“The time of business does not with me differ from the time of prayer, and in the noise and clatter of my kitchen, while several persons are at the same time calling for different things, I possess God in as great tranquility as if I were upon my knees at the Blessed Sacrament.”

I think my life's Work is to hear Jesus' call to transformation in every minute of every day, however humble the work of the moment, and to feel Jesus' presence in every work that I do.

The angels sang on the night of Jesus' birth long enough for the shepherds to take notice.

The voice of God at Jesus' baptism spoke only two short sentences.

The Transfiguration, when Jesus was shown in all his glory, was a few seconds long.

The rest of his life Jesus was with us, among us, as us—plucking grain, cooking fish, talking to a woman at the water cooler (okay, at the well), holding children, going to weddings and funerals. This is what Brother Lawrence not only knew, but had put into the center of his life: *every moment of our human lives can be holy and true.*

My prayer for this week: that we all find Jesus in the moments of our small, blessed lives, sanctifying these lives so that all we do is the work of Christ.

Peace,

Rev. Jen+

Upcoming Events at Christ Episcopal Church

Nov 7 All Saints' Sunday

Nov 21 St Cecilia Day hymn sing

Nov 28 First Sunday of Advent

Dec 21 The Longest Night (Blue Christmas)

Check this newsletter for more information as the dates get closer!

We need the names of the beloved departed for our All Saints necrology, which will be read on Nov 7th. You can send Nikki an email or give her a call in the office.

It's Time to Fall Back

Daylights Savings Time is this weekend. Remember, before you go to bed this Saturday night, be sure to set your clock back one hour! We'd hate for you to come to church an hour early on Sunday. :-)

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NEW Parish Office Emails

We need to split up the main email (ChristEpiscopalXenia@gmail.com). Please update the emails in your computer for Rev. Jen, Becky or Nikki.

Rev. "Enjoying a Hike Among the Leaves" Jen - CECX.Priest@gmail.com

Bookkeeper "Pumpkin Spice" Becky - CECX.Bookkeeper@gmail.com

Parish Admin. "It's November already?" Nikki - CECX.Office@gmail.com

New Healing Service

We have a midweek healing service on most first, second, and third Wednesdays. This will be a liturgy for healing and communion.

The next service is November 3rd at 11:00 am in the sanctuary.

*In order to protect the ill and those who care for them, **masks will be worn over nose and mouth by all at this service**, regardless of vaccine status.*

Scripture Readings for All Saints' Day

Isaiah 25: 6-9

Psalm 24

Revelation 21:1-6a

John 11:32-44

If you're on a computer, you can [click here to read the Scripture Readings](#).

You can find copies of our weekly devotional at the bottom of this note.

Questions? Seeking? Curious?

Join our *Seekers/Confirmation series* that meets on **Mondays at 6.30 in the Nickell House**. Much of this series will derive from the "The Book of Common Prayer: A Spiritual Treasure Chest" by CK Robertson, a book many of you bought pre-COVID. We will explore what it means to be Christian and Episcopalian, talk about faith and religion, and basically have a great time.

All are welcome.

Attention Choristers! (And all who like to sing!)

Choir is just beginning under the direction of Choirmaster Chris Oldstone-Moore. Please let the Nikki know if you're interested in raising your voice in song!

We Need Your Musical Input!

What's *your* favorite hymn? We want to know! You can either email Nikki [here](#), give the office a quick ring at 937-372-1594, or add it to the form in the Church!

Current COVID-19 Protocols

New Update from our diocese (as of August 2, 2021):

- *People attending services and meetings held indoors are to resume wearing masks, even if they are vaccinated*

- *Communion in one kind, bread, only.*

- *singing with masks on*

- *no seating limitations*

Read the complete guidelines [here](#). Please be prepared for changes as we continue to learn about this virus.

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You Oughta Be in Pictures!

We need your help to take pictures of our church, parish hall, and people! We will use them to not only update our website but also to have for other needs as they arise. Once you have pictures, you can contact Nikki via phone or email and she can help you get the pictures to the office once she knows the details of the camera you are using. Please take pictures whenever the opportunity presents itself - or when the mood strikes you!

Prayers for your daily devotions:

Current Prayer List

We pray for healing for those who suffer from any illness or distress, especially Rick, Kim, Ruth, Cynda, Heather, Doug, Earl, Claris, Dolores Faulkner, Amelia, and Simon, Jenna and Dave - and for all who suffer because of COVID-19.

Long Term Prayer List

Madysun, John, Jess and Tim, Heidi, Karen, David O., and Diana and Peter.

We Mourn the Passing

We pray for Dale Faulkner, Mr. Sturgin, and Father Dennis Dempsey who entered into God's Nearer Presence. We also pray and bless all their family and friends.

Our Valuable Vestry

Want to keep up with our valiant Vestry? We will begin posting a link to the minutes for their meetings. Just check this space after the second Wednesday of each month when the Vestry meet to stay in the know. **Vestry Minutes 09/08/21**

Your Vestry members are:

- Jennie Hudson, Senior Warden
- Bradley Alexander, Junior Warden
- Debbie Gillespie, Member at Large
- Rick Bayless, Member at Large
- Jim Goins, Member at Large

Spare Calendars

Do you have any 2022 calendars that you won't use? Brad needs them! Please bring them by the office or the church whenever is convenient.

Weekly Devotional

Our weekly devotional comes from Suzanne Guthrie's "At the Edge of the Enclosure: Soul Work for Sunday." This is a lovely devotional that takes a spiritual pilgrimage each week with reflection, prayer, art, poetry, and commentary on the scriptures. There are links to other resources; Rev. Jen loves the Visual Commentary on Scripture **Edge of the Enclosure**

There is a tab on the main page that will take you to the scripture readings for the week.

Weekly Scripture Reading

Last Week's Sermon

Click the link for Rev Steve's sermon. **Sermon from October 31st, 2021.**

2022 Holy Land Pilgrimage & Study Tour

Tour Leaders – Canon Jason Oden & Rabbi Brad Hirschfield
March 17 – March 26

Scholarships are available for lay leaders, postulants, candidates, and clergy through the Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership's Stand and See program and the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Features of the trip:

- Explore the sites of the Holy Land (Jerusalem, West Bank, and Galilee) through a diverse theological and political lens
- Discuss Becoming Beloved Community in the context of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict
- Discover the ancient and modern sites, people, stories, and events of the Holy Land through articles, podcasts, and films curated by Canon Jason Oden
- Unique stops on the itinerary curated by Rabbi Brad Hirschfield and local guide Gary Kamen, including Roots, a grassroots movement promoting understanding, nonviolence, and transformation among Israelis and Palestinians
- Worship at St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem
- An extended visit with The Rev. Nael Abu Rahmoun, vicar of Christ Church in Nazareth, to learn more about the peace and justice work that he and the congregation are engaged in for the Nazareth community.
- Spiritual Practices and Experiences: Daily prayer, Eucharists, Stations of the Cross, baptismal renewal vows in the Jordan River

Cost: \$3,690 – Sharing a Room \$4,580 – Private Room

[For more information and to register, click here!](#)

Beware Spoofed Emails!

Both Rev. Jen and Bishop Smith have once again been a target of email spoofing - this one an elaborate request for Ebay gift cards for cancer patients.

Things to remember:

1. Rev. Jen, Bishop Smith, or anyone from our church or the diocesan office, will **NEVER** email you a request for money or gift cards.
2. As with any questionable email, **always check the sender's actual email address**. Even though the sender line says a name you know, the email address was a gmail account, not the normal official email address.
3. Rev. Jen, Bishop Smith, and most of the people involved are gifted writers and accurate speller. The messages in question contained several atrocious spelling and grammatical errors.

THE RED FLAGS OF ROGUE URLs

Spotting malicious URLs is a bit of an art. The examples represented here are some of the common tricks used by hackers and phishers to fool users into visiting malicious websites. The methods shown here could be used by legitimate services, but if you see one of these "tricks" you need to make sure you're dealing with the organization you think you are.

Look-a-Like Domains

Domain names which **seem** to belong to respected, trusted brands.

Slight Misspellings

Microsoftonline
<v5pz@onmicrosoft.com>

www.lInkedin.com

Brand name in URL, but not real brand domain

ee.microsoft.co.login-update-dec20.info

www.paypal.com.bank/login?user=johnsmith@gmail.com

ww17.googlechromeupdates.com/

Brand name in email address but doesn't match brand domain

Bank of America
<BankofAmerica@customerloyalty.accounts.com>

Brand name is in URL but not part of the domain name

devopsw.com/login.microsoftonline.com?userid=johnsmith

Domain Mismatches

Human Services .gov
<Despina.Orrantia6731610@gmx.com>

https://www.le-blog-qui-assure.com/

URL Domain Name Encoding

https://%f7%f7%f7%f7%6B%6E%6F%f7%62%654.%63%6F%6D

Strange Originating Domains

MAERSK
<info@onlinealxex.com.pl>

Shortened URLs

When clicking on a **shortened URL**, watch out for malicious redirection.

https://bit.ly/2SnA7Fnm

Overly Long URLs

URLs with 100 or more characters in order to **obscure the true domain**.

http://innocentwebsite.com/irs.gov/login/fasdjkg-sajdkjndfjnbkasldjfbkajsdbfkjbasdf/adsnfjksdngkfdgfgjhfgd/ght.php

Open Redirectors

URLs which have hidden links to completely different web sites at the end.

t-info.mail.adobe.com/r/?id=hc347a&p1=evilwebsite.com

File Attachment is an Image/Link

It looks like a file attachment, but is really an **image file with a malicious URL**.

INV39391.pdf
52 KB

https://d.pr/free/f/jsaec
Click or tap to follow link.

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New COVID Booster Guidelines per the State of Ohio

On October 22nd, the Ohio Department of Health released its guidelines to medical providers about the shots.

Booster shots for the Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines were authorized for people ages 18 and older under certain conditions on Thursday.

The state said no one under that age should take a booster vaccine.

The state said those who received a Johnson & Johnson vaccine are allowed to get their second shot at least two months following the initial dose.

For those who received the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine, there's a few more guidelines. Those eligible for a booster shot must have received their second dose at least six months and meet any of the following criteria:

- 65 years and older
- Those 18 and older who live in long-term care settings
- Those 18 and older who have underlying medical conditions
- Those 18 and older who work or live in high-risk settings

For now, those who have taken a Pfizer/Moderna vaccine should not exceed three total doses.

When and where can you get a booster shot?

Eligible Ohioans can get their booster shots immediately. Those wanting to get the shots can most likely find them at pharmacies, federally qualified health centers, doctor's offices and other locations.

NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY

Christ Church Share 1 to 1 Outreach:

We are starting a special area to collect clothes for children in foster care!
Please spread the word and donate as able.

We need winter coats (especially kids) and blankets for the winter!

We need volunteers to help with our Community Clothing Closet!

Do you have any spare time? Want to help our community? Would you like to spend time with other people doing the same? Even if you just have an hour or two, please give the office a call and we'll figure out a time that works. ***This includes people who might like to come in when the office only has one or two people in it.***

We need clothes for our community! While we gladly accept all clothing in good condition, we especially need items for school-aged kiddos, teens, and men. Hygiene items are always in great need. Contact the office for details.

On All Saints' Day, it is not just the saints of the church that we should remember in our prayers, but all the foolish ones and wise ones, the shy ones and overbearing ones, the broken ones and whole ones, the despots and tosspots and crackpots of our lives who, one way or another, have been our particular fathers and mothers and saints, and whom we loved without knowing we loved them and by whom we were helped to whatever little we may have, or ever hope to have, of some kind of seedy sainthood of our own.

-Frederick Buechner
The Sacred Journey

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