

Christ Church Parish

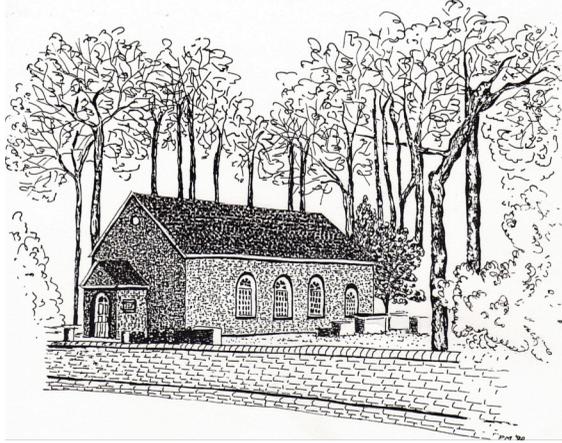
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April 2018

A joy-filled church



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Sunday Services:

8 AM

A quiet traditional Service of Holy Communion

10:30 AM

A Family Service of Holy Communion

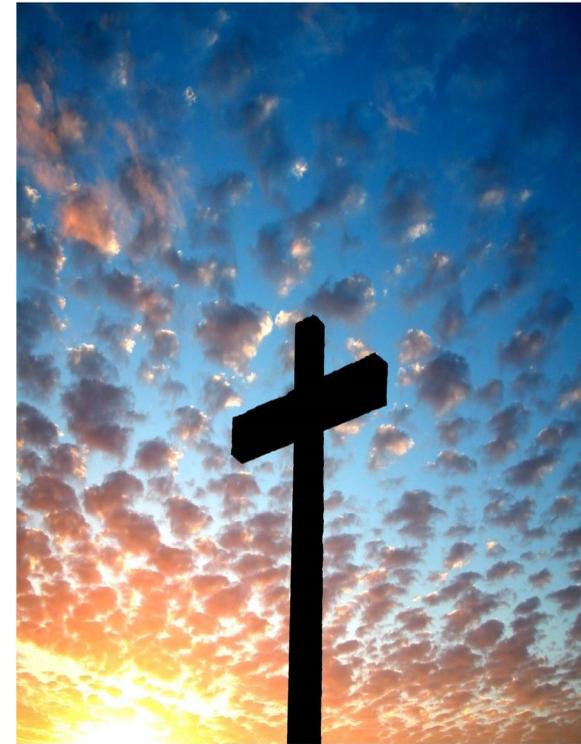
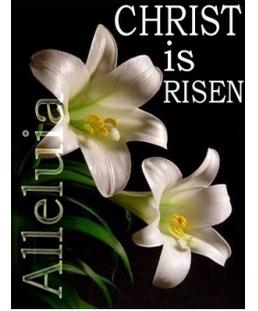
with Music and Choir

The Rev. Stuart Wood

Priest in Charge

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Father Stuart's Message for April 2018

EASTER 2018

I loved you on earth
I will meet you in heaven

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Sacred

To the memory of

Mary P. Butts

Wife of

George W. Butts

Who departed this life

March 25th 1852

In hope of a glorious resurrection

Aged 33 years 10 months 5 days

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Farewell dear George wipe off your tears

Here I must lie, till Christ appears;

And when he comes I hope to rise

Unto a life that never dies.

The preceding words are carved on the tombstone of the first wife of one of my great great grandfathers. I do not know whether or not those parting words were actually written by George's wife Mary or

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something that was just put on her stone, but they express an Easter hope and faith in what awaits us on the other side of this life.

When Mary Magdalene arrived at Jesus' tomb on that first Easter morn, she did not carry that hope with her. She came with spices to anoint his body. She came with her fears, her grief and sadness, her dashed expectations, and maybe even her anger at God for allowing this to happen to someone that she loved. But when she finally left the tomb, she left all of those fears, questions, and feelings there in the tomb where they belong and she left with the joy of the risen Christ in her heart, and the faith and hope of a life that never dies in her soul and on her lips. What change there must have been on her face as she returned to the disciples with the Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

I too find myself overwhelmed at times with all the violence in the world; such as the shootings in our schools, the bomber in Texas, and the many world conflicts that fill the news. Then there are the natural disasters and my own personal issues; and I know that I'm not alone in those feelings. I've heard people say that we need to lay these burdens at the foot of the cross, but I think that I would like to be more like Mary Magdalene and bring them to the tomb and leave them there. For that is where they really belong. Let those things go and come away with Mary Magdalene's joy. For it was that hope and that joy that allowed May P. Butts, a young 33 year old mother, to tell her husband to wipe off his tears for she would meet him in heaven.

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia.

Faithfully,

Stuart C. Wood



Jim Ray 4/2

Susan DeSimone 4/2

Connie Cross 4/6

Miller Smither 4/7

Mavis Mangum 4/9

Elaine Meyer 4/12

David South 4/13

Susie Loustaunau 4/19

Homer Hartung 4/20

Nicole Davis 4/23

Grace Parker 4/24

Doris Radcliffe 4/29

“End of Life Planning” Brochure

Complete on line and print or print out and complete No one knows how you would like your treasures and assets distributed when you leave this earth.

No one knows, have you finalized funeral arrangements, selected pall bears, or bought a cemetery lot.

Friends and family will not remember your favorite charities and church, or who gets the family air looms.

Family and friends will appreciate that you made these decisions and completed this brochure.

Parishioners are encouraged to complete this planning brochure while healthy and able to communicate with family, clergy, and estate planning professionals. In doing so, you create/update important estate planning documents i.e.; Medical directives, Power of Attorney, and will/trust, that enables you to live as desired with quality end-of-life care.

Equally as important, “Do you want a church service (Rite I or Rite II) and Holy Communion? What scriptures and hymns do you want read and sang at your service? Do you want family/friends to share reflections? Who do you want as pallbearers, how would you like your obituary to read? How will you remember your favorite charities and church?”

Do not assume relatives and others know what you want. Do this yourself. This will be greatly appreciated by your loved ones.

Father Stuart is available to meet with parishioners to finalize their individual plans. For computer entry/documentary issues, please contact Robin Wells.

Jack Hellems

Chairman, Endowment Fund Board

Altar Guild and Flower Guild Party

Sunday, April 15, 5-7 p.m.

At the home of Marilyn and Dave South

987 Mill Wharf Road, Wake, Va.

Hosted by Marilyn South, Altar Guild Chair

And

Harriette Floyd, Flower Guild Chair

Please bring a side dish to share. Your spouse or special other is, of course, also invited.



A little church humor

The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 p.m. — prayer and medication to follow.

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

This evening at 7:00 p.m. there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.



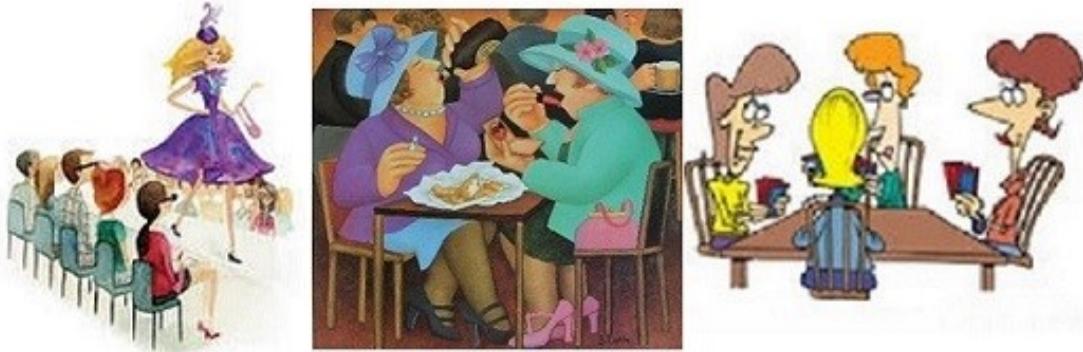
SORRY, SON...THERE'S NO APP FOR THAT

Church Calendar for April 2018

| Date | Time | Event |
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| 3/29 | 6:00P | Maundy Thursday—Foot Washing |
| 3/30 | 12:00P | Good Friday |
| 3/30 | 1:00P | Stations of the Cross |
| 3/31 | 7:30P | The Great Vigil of Easter |
| 1 | 10:00A | Easter Sunday—Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| 2 | 8:00P | AA Meeting |
| 3 | 12:00P | AA Meeting |
| 5 | 6:45P | Weekly BSA Troop 341 Meeting |
| 8 | 8:00A | Holy Eucharist Rite I |
| 8 | 9:00A | Brotherhood Breakfast |
| 8 | 10:30A | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| 9 | 8:00P | AA Meeting |
| 10 | 12:00P | AA Meeting |
| 10 | 6:00P | Vestry Meeting |
| 11 | 9:30A | Mid-Week Eucharist |
| 12 | 6:45P | Weekly BSA Troop 341 Meeting |

Church Calendar for April 2018

| Date | Time | Event |
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| 15 | 8:00A | Holy Eucharist Rite I |
| 15 | 10:30A | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| 16 | 8:00P | AA Meeting |
| 17 | 12:00P | AA Meeting |
| 18 | 9:30A | Mid-Week Eucharist |
| 19 | 6:45P | Weekly BSA Troop 341 Meeting |
| 22 | 8:00A | Holy Eucharist Rite I |
| 22 | 10:30A | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| 23 | 8:00P | AA Meeting |
| 24 | 12:00P | AA Meeting |
| 25 | 9:30A | Mid-Week Eucharist |
| 26 | 6:45P | Weekly BSA Troop 341 Meeting |
| 29 | 8:00A | Holy Eucharist Rite I |
| 29 | 10:30A | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| 29 | 5:30 | Celtic Service |
| 30 | 8:00P | AA Meeting |



*The Women of Christ Church
Annual Spring
Fashion Show, Luncheon & Afternoon of Games*

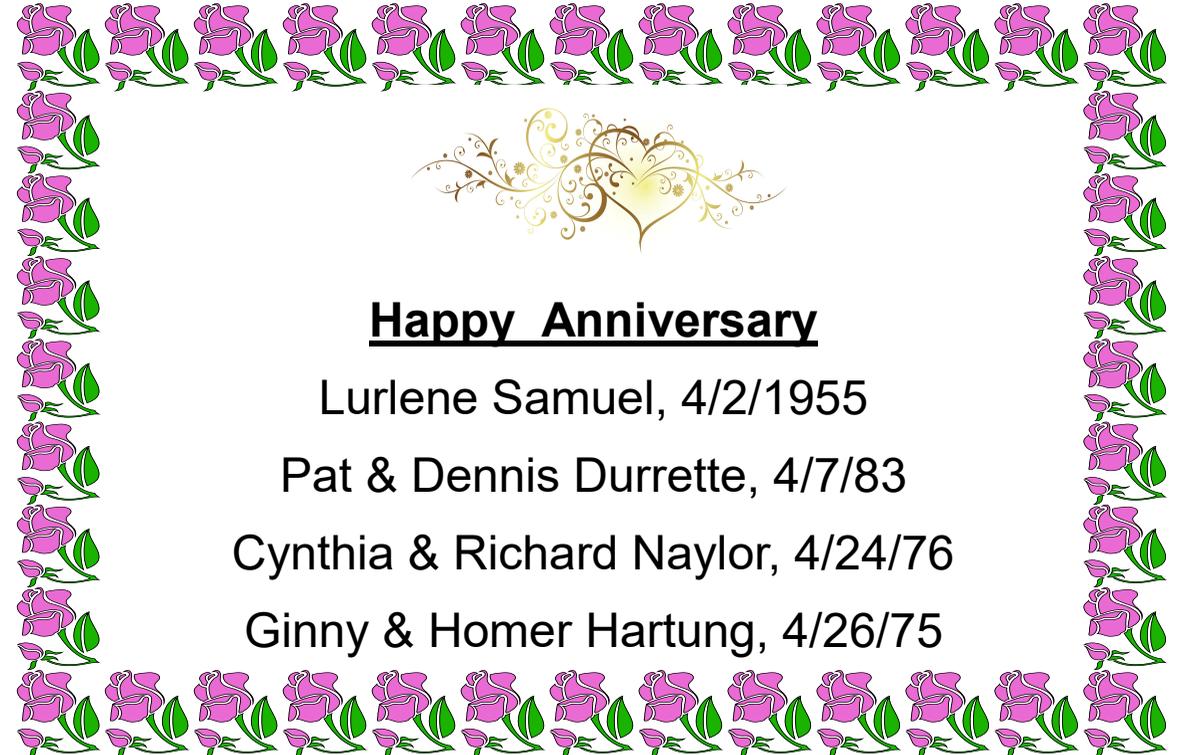
Tickets are going fast for the upcoming event on April 20th. Tickets are \$25.00, models will present Spring Fashions from Cyndy's Bynn, Bristow's Store, Lowe Tide, and Re-Sail Boutique. The ladies are preparing a delicious lunch served following the Fashion Show, and then...Game ON! Mah Jongg, Canasta, Bridge, Samba and more are played by our enthusiastic guests. Over half of the tables have been reserved already, so please call Grace Parker 758-3540 or email her at parkgrace2010@verizon.net to reserve your table of 4. Those not wishing to play games in the afternoon are still more than welcome to enjoy the fashion show and lunch. Cost remains just \$25 per person, with proceeds going to support the many organizations, scholarships, and activities the ECW includes in its annual plan. Any questions, ask Grace! Don't miss the fun!



MOVIE NIGHT IS BACK!

Find a seat, relax, grab some popcorn, a soda and join us on Wednesday, April 25th at 7:00 pm. The Movie will be announced soon.

Please Join us!



Happy Anniversary

Lurlene Samuel, 4/2/1955

Pat & Dennis Durette, 4/7/83

Cynthia & Richard Naylor, 4/24/76

Ginny & Homer Hartung, 4/26/75