

Weekly Church Chat from Christ Episcopal Church, Toms River

This email provides events/ deadlines for the upcoming week or so and may not represent all scheduled activities at Christ Church.

April 6, 2018

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Would you like to make a set of **ANGLICAN PRAYER BEADS**? The Order of the Daughters of the King will be placing an order for Prayer Bead kits from the Sisters at St. John the Baptist Convent, Mendham, NJ. If you would like to order a kit (or kits) please contact Caroline Saunders at 732-228-9904 or csaunders928@gmail.com by **April 6**. The cost is \$5.00 per kit. Please watch for a "Save the Date" for an upcoming ANGLICAN PRAYER BEAD Workshop sponsored by The Order of the Daughters of the King.

You are Invited to the following events:

Yom Ha-Shoah: A Service of Remembrance Commemorating the Victims of the Holocaust. Key note speaker, Ms. Eva Wiener, an infant when she and her parents boarded the SS St. Louis on May 13, 1939 with over 900 Jewish refugees hoping to escape the Third Reich. Tuesday, April 10th at 5pm at Beth Am Shalom (1235 Route 70, Lakewood)

Annual Community Yom Hashoah Holocaust Remembrance Program "Recovering Memory Through Art" with Claire Boren, Holocaust Survivor – Wednesday, April 11th at 6:30pm at Ocean County College, Gateway Building.

Reading of the Names – Join us as we honor the memory of the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust. Thursday, April 12th 9am-5pm at Congregation B'nai Israel (1488 Old Freehold Rd. Toms River)

Germany: From Remembering the Shoah to Antisemitism of Today with Rev. Albrecht Lohrbacher – An expert on Jewish/Christian and German/Israeli relations, Rev. Lohrbacher has dedicated his life to making reparations for his forefather's sins to the Jewish community.

Wednesday, April 18th at 7pm at Congregation B'nai Israel (please RSVP by 4/13 to info@cbitr.org or 732-349-1244)

Yellow Holocaust Remembrance Candles available at Christ

Church. We burn the yellow candle in our homes to remember the Holocaust. The date of Holocaust remembrance is the evening of April 11th into April 12th. Yellow candles are available at church today through April 12th. We ask for a \$2 donation to offset our cost per candle, as you are able.

IHN Guests will be at Christ Church April 15-22, please see sign up board in church foyer and consider supporting this great ministry to our community.

...a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted... Ecclesiastes 3.2. It is finally time to wake up our **Christ Church Garden**. Anyone interested in “leasing” a plot or helping to garden our church food ministry plots, please come to a planning meeting 9am on April 22 (Earth Day!) in Disciples Hall. Dale

The Order of St. Luke will be co-sponsoring a Healing Mission on Saturday, April 28th at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Whiting. There is a poster on the bulletin board with details and registration forms on the name tag table. The theme of the mission is “The Power of Prayer”, presented by the Rev. Richard Kitz. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Perry at 732-349-2705. These missions are always inspirational and uplifting.

Book Study: Our next all-parish read will be, "Listening Below The Noise: A Meditation on the Practice of Silence", by Anne D. LeClaire. Publisher's Weekly describes this book this way: "Against the cacophony that pervades our lives, novelist LeClaire offers a persuasive antidote: silence. Sixteen years ago, LeClaire decided to devote a 24-hour period to not speaking, and it became a twice-a-month practice. LeClaire draws deeply on this experience in calling for a wholesale rethinking of noise

and a greater appreciation for quietude and nature." Mother Petrina is obtaining a limited number of copies. You may obtain a copy from her or directly from Amazon for about \$14. You are welcome to join the Sunday morning discussion group meeting at 9 AM in the Chapel beginning **April 29**. Other groups may also be form. If you are interested in joining a group or starting a new group, please see Deacon Ted or Mother Petrina.

The Food Pantry: Current needs in our FOOD PANTRY are: Long life milk, grape jelly, canned fruit (any kind), vegetable soup (not tomato), flour, sugar, salt, vegetable oil and microwaveable meals. Thank you for all your recent donations.

If something happened to you, would we know about it? Do the people who care about you know to notify the church right away in case of your hospitalization, or an accident, or an extended illness, etc? Please give them the church's contact information with clear instructions to contact us right away. We hope to be praying for you during any incidents rather than after the fact. Thank you!!