

CHRIST + CHURCH

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PASTORAL CARE

CLERGY CRITICAL CARE VISITS & FOLLOW-UPS

- Christ Church Clergy visit primarily parishioners requiring critical immediate care.
- Clergy also follow-up for the long-term sick and needy.

LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (LEVS)

- LEVS visit and bring Holy Communion to members who are unable to come to Church.
- LEVS receive training and annual updates for pastoral care, education and Diocesan certification.

OCEAN COUNTY CAREGIVERS & HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

- Christ Church members serve as “Caregivers” assisting the vulnerable and elderly living throughout the County.
- They join a thousand or more Caregivers working to serve one of the nation’s largest populations of retirees.

PRAYER TEAMS, THE ORDER OF ST. LUKE & DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

- Prayers teams –formally and informally– offer prayers for the sick and needy.
- Church publications regularly offer names of those in critical need of prayer.
- A Healing Eucharist is offered each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel.
- The Monday Night Prayer Group meets weekly to pray for all those on the Parish prayer list and for other concerns of the Parish.
- Members of The Order of St. Luke pray before each weekend Liturgy with those requesting healing prayers.
- The Daughters of the King pray for the clergy, the parish, for all those in need, including the families of deceased loved ones.

PRAYER QUILTS AND PRAYER SQUARES

- Personally-made, unique prayer quilts are made as requested for those who are sick.
- Each quilt is presented to the Congregation who pray for the sick person by individual ‘knot-tying’.
- Clergy then bless the quilts on behalf of all sending this special gift to home or hospital bed.
- Prayer Squares are made by parishioners for distribution to the homebound, the sick or anyone in need.

CHRIST CHURCH SATELLITE COMMUNITIES

- The Christ Church Community at “Brandywine” (Assisted Living) is a satellite ministry of Christ Church. We celebrate every Wednesday at 2pm with Prayers & Music.
- The Christ Church Community at “The Havens at Silverwoods” (Assisted Living) is a satellite ministry of Christ Church. We celebrate every Friday at 1pm with Prayers & Music.
- Other possibilities for satellite communities include: at-risk populations, refugees and immigrants, those affected by loss and disaster, and persons who exercise regularly.

DEATH, DYING & BEREAVEMENT

- Clergy and Staff assist all members and their families with the full-range of planning for dying and death. This is done by making appointment with Church Clergy.
- Clergy meet with families at the time of a loved-one’s death to plan the funeral.
- Bequests and Estate-giving to the Church are planned through the Clergy or the Church Office.

PASTORAL MINISTRY

- Parishioners volunteer to check in on the lonely and homebound through phone calls, notes, or visits.
- Holiday cards are sent to the sick and homebound

EMERGENCY & DISASTER MINISTRY

- Christ Church plays a leadership role at the Jersey Shore assisting individuals and families with spiritual counseling.
- Clergy also serve as Chaplains for Emergency Preparedness and participate in local, regional and Diocesan disaster relief and planning organizations.

TWELVE (12) STEP GROUPS

- Christ Church hosts many weekly support groups (some meeting every day of the week) for people with addictions.
- Counseling and support is available to individuals as needed by contacting the Clergy.