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Fall is Just Around the Corner

It's already August and fall is just around the corner! I hope you've had some time to enjoy the summer with family and friends.

On Sunday, July 24th, we were blessed with a beautiful summer day for our 2nd Annual Jazz Service in Central Park, with the Judson Jazz Ensemble. Thanks to the Community Engagement Committee for suggesting and organizing a free picnic lunch for our guests. Well done! At the offering, we collected \$213 toward the construction of our new Sharing Coat-Shed. Thanks to all for your generosity.

August 14th, 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Service at Christ Episcopal Church, Old Frontenac We are invited to join our Episcopal friends down river at Christ Church, Old Frontenac, in their new outdoor amphitheater. If you can't climb steps, I suggest you bring a lawn chair to sit on the upper-level platform, near the church building. The service begins at 9:30 a.m. with coffee hour to follow. Address: 29036 Westervelt Ave. Way W, Frontenac, MN 55026. If it rains, we'll move into the church building.

Looking ahead to Fall

Thanks to our Faithful Innovation (FI) leadership team who represent Christ Church, RW in the pilot project offered by our diocese. I am excited about this lay-led project offered by the diocese, which will help us develop skills to discern together the



Spirit's leading to serve our community. Please join me in praying for our FI leadership team and please show up when they invite your participation.

Conversation about the 8 a.m. Service:

After a summer hiatus, we want to invite all "8 o'clockers," and anyone else interested, to join the wardens and me for a conversation about the 8 a.m. service. Please join us Sunday, August 28th, at 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall for coffee and conversation.

When you see a visitor in the service, do you greet them and welcome them to Christ Church? If so, we need your passion and gifts! Consider joining the new, "Welcome" Task Force. Our goal is to evaluate and improve our culture and process of welcoming visitors and incorporating new members into the life and ministry of the Christ Church community. If you want to be a part of

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this task force, please let me know: Priest@ChristChurchRW.org or call me at 612-703-4408.

Friday Fun Nights, for all ages. Formerly known as Family Fun Nights, is back on the 3rd Friday of each month, starting October 21st. We invite families and individuals to pair up to host a

monthly Friday Fun Night. You choose the fun (pumpkin carving, caroling, game nights, movie nights, craft night, field trips, etc.) and host a simple meal. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board. Find a partner or two, and please sign up – let's have fun together.

Blessings, Letha



The Vatican Secret (or Private) Archive is home to some of the oldest and most precious works of art and treasure known in Western civilization. Founded over five centuries ago as Europe was emerging from the Dark Ages, it holds manuscripts going back nearly 2,000 years.

On 28 October 2019, [Pope Francis](#) officially renamed the archives from the Vatican Secret Archive to the Vatican Apostolic Archive.

All contents of the archive are the property of the Pope.

The Anglican Communion

Did you know that the Episcopal Church is a part of the worldwide Anglican Communion?

The Episcopal Church is a daughter of the Anglican Church, also known as the Church of England. As the British Empire colonized the Americas and other parts of the world during 17th-20th centuries, they brought the Church of England with them, forming what is now known as the Anglican Communion.

The Anglican Communion is one of the world's largest Christian communities. It has tens of millions of members in more than 165 countries around the globe. Anglicanism is one of the traditions or expressions of Christian faith. Others include Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodox, Lutheran and Baptist. The Communion is organized into a series of 41 provinces and five extra-provincial areas, The Episcopal Church, being one of them. All are in communion – or a reciprocal relationship – with the Archbishop of Canterbury (England), who is recognized as the Communion's

spiritual head. But there is no central authority in the Anglican Communion. All of the provinces are autonomous and free to make their own decisions in their own ways.

You may have heard news this week about the "The Lambeth Conference". Every 10 years (or so), the Archbishop of Canterbury invites all of the bishops in the Anglican Communion to gather in Canterbury, England to pray together and discern mission priorities for the Anglican Communion. It is happening now, and as is to be expected, there are areas of agreement and disagreement. Many of the churches in the West, including The Episcopal Church, have adopted full-inclusion of LGBTQ people, for example. This is an ongoing area of tension with provinces in the South and East. However, there are many other areas of agreement, that the global Anglican Communion can work on together, such as Climate Change, Poverty, War and Health.

See the document that the Bishops of the Lambeth Conference are working with this week as they meet.



Vestry Update

Hello dear friends at Christ Episcopal Church. I hope this finds you doing well and enjoying the summer.

We have a few things to report to you from your Vestry regarding the operations at the church.

- **We have just completed a wonderful Jazz Service in Central Park.** It was open to the Red Wing community as a fund-raiser for our coat shed. It was well-attended and may become an on-going event for Christ Church. We even grilled up hot dogs as a treat. Many thanks to all who helped with this.
- We are not ready to announce our fall schedule at Christ Church yet, as we are still working on it, but we can let you know about **an event on September 9. It is going to be a block party on Third Street from 5pm – 8pm** sponsored by the Downtown Council and Red Wing Port Authority. It is community building kick-off to the fall season, schools starting, and the beginning the local sports season. Key speaker will be Paul Allen, voice of the MN Vikings. Rumor has it we will have a Packer as a speaker as well. There will be approximately eight churches participating, each with an activity. Our activity will be a petting zoo put on by Amada Huneke. This will be a lot of fun.
- **Looking forward into 2023, Letha has given us her notice so we can be better prepared for the transition to a new Rector, Priest in Charge** or whatever route we choose to go. We have been blessed with her service as our Priest-In-Charge and we hold her in our prayers as she moves towards a well-deserved retirement. She has

been the right person at the right time for us. We have recently appointed Angela Shefveld to head up the Search Committee and begin the process of replacing Letha. Many Thanks to Angela for stepping up and taking on this important task.

- **If you get a chance, please take a look at our basement,** otherwise known as the undercroft, and the changes that are happening there. The remodel is going very well, and when completed will leave a legacy of a room that is asbestos free, with high ceilings, fresh wall and floor coverings, and windows shedding natural light. Did you know that it was originally designed as a gymnasium complete with locker room and showers? Stay tuned as we work towards our Opportunity Center to be the primary use of this room.
- **CALLING ALL RECLINERS!** If you have an old recliner chair, or stuffed chair you want to find another home for, we are interested! We are working on a pilot project at Christ Church where we would like to bring in 8-10 recliners. The more worn and comfortable the better. You don't have to move it, we will come and pick it up! If you would have something, please let Deborah know in the Church office – (651) 388-0411. Stay tuned for more details to follow. Many Thanks.
- Your Vestry hopes that you are having a wonderful Summer and we look forward to being together again.

God bless,

Charlie Brown , Senior Warden



Galileo's Trial Documents

The archive houses notes from the trial against the 17th-century scientist Galileo, who questioned the Catholic Church's view about the movement of the Earth.

Galileo, who lived from 1564 to 1642, spent the last nine years of his life under house arrest. He avoided being burnt at the stake by agreeing to recant his view that the sun, not the earth, was at the center of the universe. Still, the Vatican banned his books. The Roman Catholic church only formally admitted its "error" in condemning Galileo's assertions in 1992.

Diaconal Thoughts *by Vicki Jo Lambert*



Transcripts from the trial of the Knights Templar

After enjoying centuries of wealth and privilege as an elite army during the Crusades, the Knights Templar's prestigious status came to be seen as a liability. In effort to avoid his financial debt to the order, Philip IV of France had all the knights arrested on October 13, 1307 and charged with heresy. After being tortured, they were burned at the stake. Pope Clement disbanded the Order under intense pressure from Philip.

In 2007, the 60-meter-long document that comprises the minutes from the years-long trials was finally made public—revealing that the pope had first intended to pardon the Knights Templar before he was coerced into condemning them.

Mary Magdalene was an amazingly blessed person and chosen by Jesus to be the first person to proclaim the gospel message. Jesus promised that “The last will be first.” Certainly, that statement applied to women who were last in the culture in which Jesus lived and ministered. In Mary Magdalene we have an example of Jesus’ intention that women be lifted up, not kept in a status below that of men. If we think about Jesus coming to lift up the least, the lost, the last, and the left out, that would certainly describe women at the time of Jesus and arguably still today.

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mary Magdalene was the first person to share gospel truth with a broken world. Her love and testimony challenges us to do the same.

“From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.” (2 Corinthians)

With God’s help, we have become a conduit of love and grace to our friends, neighbors, community, and world. As Bishop Michael Curry says, “Love must move beyond being a sentiment to becoming a commitment - a commitment to seek the good and the welfare of others as well as the self. That kind of love reflects the love of God.”

My invitation for all of all is to follow Mary’s example. Courageously proclaim the risen Christ because we are God’s new creations. Make a radical commitment rooted in God’s love to seek the good and the welfare of every single human. Be the new, loving, radical creation God intends you to be.

Opportunities for Young Adults

Concerts & Convos

Every Wednesday there are Concerts in the Park. Come join Vicki and listen to free, great live music. Then, if you like, we will go over to Home Plate for convos about anything you want to talk about. She'll even buy the first round.

Holy Hiking

Come hike the bluff (or meet at the top) Saturday mornings at 7:30am. We meet at the trailhead on Bluff and 8th St. We'll read the Sunday gospel and talk about how it applies to us today. Text Vicki (651-327-9209) if you plan to join.

Ronald McDonald House

The Community Engagement Team is going to provide supper at Ronald McDonald House in Rochester on Monday, August 29. Their new guidelines include max six people (16yrs+) and proof of vaccination. CET is looking for 3 young adults to join in this valuable ministry for that evening. Contact Terry VanAllen or Vicki.

Got Your Shots?

It's August and we start thinking about going back to school. Time to get school supplies and new school clothes, the stores already have them in stock and on sale. But the other thing we should be thinking about, is my child up to date with their vaccinations?

Children today are vaccinated against 15 different diseases. That's a lot!

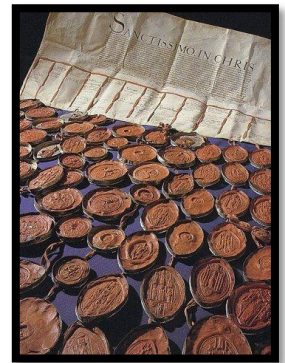
There have been many negative impacts from the Pandemic and immunization rates is just one area that COVID impacted. Vaccination rates in Minnesota are down 30.5% for 6 year olds and 30.9% for 2 year olds. That means that if you have 10 children in a room, 3 are probably not up to date with their shots. Our focus was on COVID and we forgot about other health related items that are important. Children today are vaccinated against 15 different diseases. That's a lot! Fortunately many of them are combined. You only get one shot for MMR and DPT, for example. For us grandparents, this is a lot more immunizations that our children received! I gave many

immunizations to children throughout my Public Health career and it has changed immensely since I started back in 1980 as a Public Health Nurse. I know we are all tired of hearing about COVID and should I get my child immunized against COVID. Now we are hearing about a new bug, Monkeypox. Will it ever stop? Probably not but by getting vaccinated we can decrease its prevalence in our world and eradicate some diseases.

Measles was one disease that we had eradicated from the USA but it is back. The CDC is stating that, it is not IF we have a Measles outbreak, but when. Measles has reappeared in our country due to travelers bringing it in. Measles is 90% contagious if you are not immunized. So, make sure your children or grandchildren are up to date with their shots. It could save their lives.

This is my last Caller Article as I am taking a step back from Parish Nursing due to my own health. I enjoyed visiting some of you, and educating you on health issues.

Blessings to all of you.
Mary Heckman



Letter from Henry VIII

The most renowned letter in the archives is the request from Henry VIII who wanted an annulment from his wife Catherine of Aragon so that he could marry Anne Boleyn. The letter was supported by the signatures of 85 clergymen, including the Archbishop of Canterbury. However, the Pope denied the request, declaring it a direct threat to the Catholic Church. After the request was rejected, Henry VIII started the Church of England in order to give himself a divorce.

Red Wing Food Shelf is in Need

The Red Wing Food Shelf is in need of items including men and **women's deodorant, toothpaste, bar soap, shampoo, toilet paper, baked beans, peanut butter, syrup, cooking oil, cereal, applesauce, white rice and ketchup.**

You can drop any donated items off in the back bin of the food shelf at 1755 Old West

Main St. anytime during the week.

(Christ Church also collects food shelf items and they can be left at the church)

Your donations are greatly appreciated during this time of higher need.

Red Wing Area Food Shelf Board of Directors

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 3 Jim Dressen
Margaret Hoyt
- 4 Eva Prink
- 8 Joan Foot
- 12 Madelyne Shefveld
- 13 Alyce Prink
Kathryn Prink
- 18 Becky Foot
Erik Prink
- 20 Truman Danielson
- 28 Joan Norgaard
- 30 Arlene Beckwith
Becky Schafer

Anniversaries

- 8 Scott and Amanda Johnson
- 18 Angela and Matt Shefveld
- 29 Roy and Norma Neufeldt



The papal bull from Pope Leo X excommunicating Martin Luther

On January 3, 1521, Pope Leo X issued the papal bull *Decet Romanum Pontificem*, which excommunicated Luther, thereby launching the Reformation. The earlier papal-issued *Exsurge Domine* had given Luther 60 days to recant his condemnation of the Church as outlined in his 95 Theses. Luther responded by burning his copy.

Altar Flowers for August

- August 7** Chapel **In memory of wife, Beverly**
Don Prinz Memorial Fund
Church **In memory of Ira Huron**
Barb Nelson
- August 14** Chapel **In memory of loving parents**
The children of Alice and Chuck Allyn
Church **In loving memory of Barbara Blue**
John and Maureen Blue
- August 21** Chapel **In memory of deceased members**
Junior Guild
Church **In thanksgiving for grandsons, Owen and Nathaniel**
Bud and Betty Stolpa
- August 28** Chapel **In honor of Bev (Grosse) Stevens birthday**
Beckie Plaas
Church **In honor of Jerry Stevens birthday**
Marilyn Grosse

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Peter, Grace and the Carrot Cake

Peter von Haaren died on June 6, 2022 and his Celebration of Life was held at Christ Church on June 25th. Peter was a swell guy with an interesting German accent. His wife, Barbara, was our beloved Deacon for many years; this position was unpaid. She brought us through the best of times and the worst of times. Being that Peter's favorite dessert was carrot cake, this was served at his celebration. The cake was made by the Home Plate Grill in Red Wing and was delicious.

Then, there was Gracie Anderson. Gracie was the first woman to be elected to our Vestry; that date was January 24, 1971.

Gracie was a mover and a shaker. Among many the many things she did, she talked to the owner of Lund's Grocery in Minneapolis to hire her to be their hostess, a job she felt was especially needed during those war years, to help young "war-brides" become familiar with the store's products. She drove to Minneapolis often to accomplish her goals. Gracie was also featured on the *Cedric Adams* and *Boone & Erickson* WCCO radio shows. Gracie made her "Gracie's Carrot Cake", which became a favorite in our family.

Joan Norgaard



Some of the most controversial documents in the Vatican Archives—are the ones that relate to the ongoing sexual abuse scandal within the Roman Catholic Church. As it turns out, every diocese has documents stored there too, and many have helped corroborate the Church's participation in the abuse. But documents at the Vatican's Archives are only released once they're at least 75 years old—and the archive's true owner is not the Church, but the Pope.

Gracie's Carrot Cake

2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
4 eggs, beaten
2 cups sugar
1-1/2 cups vegetable oil

2 teaspoons vanilla
2 cups (plus) grated raw carrot
1 (8.5 oz.) can crushed pineapple
(pour off excess juice)
1 cup pecans or walnuts, chopped
7 oz. sweetened coconut

Set oven to 350 degrees.

Grease and flour three 9 inch pans or one ungreased 9"x13" pan.

Sift flour, baking soda, salt and cinnamon together.

Beat eggs with a whisk; add oil and sugar to the eggs. Add vanilla.

Stir in flour mixture. Fold in carrots, pineapple, coconut and nuts.

Bake for 35-45 minutes.

Cream Cheese Frosting

1/2 cup butter
1 (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
1 teaspoon lemon juice

1 cup confectioner's sugar
Dash of salt

Cream together and frost cooled cake.

What Might God Be Up To?

Your Faithful Innovation team of five attended the first of three group sessions taking place over the next nine months to discover what faithful innovation looks like in our church and neighborhood. We are part of a pilot program offered by our diocese for Episcopal congregations in southern Minnesota. The goal is to deepen our relationship to God, each other, and our neighbors, and to find out what God is up to and how we can become a part of what God is already doing.

Our first assignment is to trace God's movement in our lives and neighborhoods. We will be asking some of you when you have felt most spiritually alive. We will be inviting you to walk our church's neighborhood with us as we all think about what God might be doing there. We may invite you to dwell in a particular scripture with us. We are on this journey and not sure where it will be taking us, but we hope you will come along and see where it leads. We will share what we learn with you each step of the way. We welcome your prayers. Thank you.



A letter from Michelangelo to Pope Julius II

The letter warned the Pope that the Vatican guards hadn't received their paychecks in three months, and were threatening to walk off the job. It's not clear what ended up happening (or not happening) as a result of the artist's warning.

Tari Carpenter, Chris Foss, advisor Gwen Odney, Angela Shefveland Pat Martin and Kathleen Malinchok The Faithful Innovation Team



Community Engagement Notes from Pat and Mike Martin

We hope you were there Sunday, July 24 to enjoy the picnic following the Jazz Service in Central Park. We served over 80 hotdogs, along with chips, ice cream and popsicles, lemonade & capri suns, and, of course, coffee. It was a beautiful day to be outdoors!

Thanks to Ron and Pat Weitnauer for grilling and Christine Reis, Kris Blaney, Terry Van Allen for serving. Thanks to the set up and clean up crews, and to the worship team for a fantastic worship experience!

For the months of August and September, we will be collecting items for the giveaway area in the entryway of Hope Coalition. They are accepting new or gently used clothing for adults and children, although

underwear needs to be new and in its original packaging and they do not need socks at this time. They also need nonperishable food items, since the food shelf is only open three days a week at limited hours. Feminine hygiene products and general hygiene products, particularly lotion, but presently not soap, are also needed. Children's books are welcome. These items can be put in the Blessing Bag bins in the entryway to the Parish Hall, which will be temporarily relabeled for Hope Coalition.

Please continue to donate as you are able to the Red Wing Area Food Shelf. You may drop items off any time in the bins at the back of the church. They will be blessed the first Sunday of each month.

Thank you for your generosity.

August 2022 Calendar and Scheduled Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3 Chapel Service 10:00am	4	5	6
7 <u>Rite II</u> 10am	8	9	10 Chapel Service 10:00 am Hospitality 5:30 pm	11 Suicide Prevention Group 7 pm	12	13 Community Engagement 10:30 am
14 <u>Outdoor Combined Service at Old Frontenac</u> 9:30 am	15 Vestry_5 pm	16 Property 5:30pm	17 Chapel Service 10am	18 MOPS 6:30 pm	19	20
21 <u>Rite II</u> 10am	22	23	24 Chapel Service 10am	25	26	27
28 <u>Rite II</u> 10am	29	30 Altar Guild 4:45	31 Chapel Service 10am	1	2	3

Hospitality Meeting August 10, 5:30 pm

Community Engagement Team
August 13, 10:30 am

Combined Service at Old Frontenac
August 14, 9:30 am

Vestry Meeting, August 15, 5:00 pm

Altar Guild , August 30, 4:45 pm

Mark Your Calendars!

The Fall Kick-Off Block Party, Friday, September 9

The Downtown Council, Red Wing Port Authority and Red Wing area churches. Featured speaker will be Paul Allen, voice of the Minnesota Vikings. More details to come.

October 8 Blessing of the Animals

October 9 San Jose Obrero meal and worship

Check Out Our New Website!

Hello parishioners. I'm Ron Weitnauer a semi-retired engineer, inventor and web developer. My wife Pat and I moved to Red Wing from Washington state (we lived near Bellingham, in the foothills of Mt. Baker) where we were both active in St. Paul's Bellingham Episcopal Church. We have both started attending Christ Church Red Wing (Pat is the new alto in the choir) and we are eager to dive right in and get involved.



Henry VIII wrote Anne Boleyn a collection of love letters which still survive today because they are in the Vatican Archives. How they ended up there, is not known, but the most likely explanation is that they were stolen from Anne Boleyn to provide evidence of her relationship with the King.

For the last several years I have run a small side business developing websites (especially for causes that I believe in). Rev. Letha and the communications committee invited me to update and enhance the Christ Church Red Wing site and to take over the maintenance and growth of the site to free up Debora for other tasks. As a new member of the congregation, I was pleased to accept and will take this on going forward as an act of stewardship and service to the community (and, of course, to our Lord). The first iteration of the new site is now live and active. Please check it out christchurchrw.org and read through some of the information there. And please let me know what you think.

The site is now on a very powerful and flexible platform and we can do almost anything you can think up: sell stuff, offer sign ups, post videos or audios, etc., etc. If you have any ideas, let's talk.

A website is a living entity and it will be my mission to keep improving ours. If you would like to see anything added, enhanced or created for the site, please let me know. The site is now on a very powerful and flexible platform and we can do almost anything you can

think up: sell stuff, offer sign ups, post videos or audios, etc., etc. If you have any ideas, let's talk.

Our website can be our tireless advocate 24 hours a day seven days a week. Let's show the world what we are all about and what we are up to.

Remember that Bishop Curry has tasked us with upping our "evangelical" game as part of his Jesus Movement program. Let's take him seriously. Every faith tradition has a "target audience", and so do we. And, of course, being Episcopalians, we have our own form of "evangelism". We don't push our faith, rather we pull people in with our love, community, acceptance and some of the most sophisticated theology ever created. Our website can be our tireless advocate 24 hours a day seven days a week. Let's show the world what we are all about and what we are up to. God's Peace!



The new logo designed by Ron Weitnauer for the website.