



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



JUNE 2026 - CHRONICLE

Steadfast and growing since 1870

Where we seek to glorify God, follow Jesus Christ, and serve all people through the power of the Holy Spirit, as a community of companions walking together in the Way of Christ's Love for all.

Generosity and Hospitality

*Gracious God, we pray that we the people of Christ Church glorify You through our **generous care for creation and our warm hospitality** to all visitors this summer, especially **wedding guests, Sunday visitors, labyrinth walkers, and the choir visiting from Finland** to perform the 'Echoes of Eureka' opera on July 20th and 21st. Guide us as we seek to follow Your Son through the power of Your Spirit. Amen.*

In our deanery cycle of prayer, we pray each month for one of the four congregations in our deanery: St. Paul's Crescent City, St. Alban's Arcata, St. Francis Fortuna, and Christ Church Eureka. This month all the Episcopal parishes in the deanery will be praying a version of the prayer above for Christ Church.

In this prayer, we pray that we may glorify God through our **generous care of creation**. Our primary mission at Christ Church is to glorify God; and this summer, we are being invited to glorify and give thanks to our Creator through our generosity, specifically in supporting the Solar Project Capital Campaign. I am thrilled to say that, thanks to the hard work of our vestry and Green Team, we are now harvesting God's gift of sunlight to fuel our ministries while saving on our utility bills and significantly reducing our church's environmental impact. Thanks be to God!



But Fr. Daniel, why are we raising funds for a project we have already completed?

Great question! The vestry decided to pay for our solar panels from our parish's reserves in order to ensure that we receive a 30 – 40% IRS reimbursement next year. If we had waited to complete the installation in 2027 or later, then we would have likely not qualified to receive this sizable reimbursement since the One Big Beautiful Bill Act is phasing out credits for clean energy.

How much are we seeking to raise?

The total cost of the solar panel installation was \$149,120 and our campaign goal is \$150,000 which will cover the cost of any possible overruns of costs. We at Christ Church Eureka have a reputation for being generous and I urge us all to live into that now. As Paul wrote to the church in Corinth, "May each of you give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). Or as Eugene Peterson put it: "God loves it when the giver delights in the giving"! So, please give what you can to support the solar project, anywhere from \$50 to \$500 to \$5,000 or more, so that we may continue to glorify God through our care of creation.

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The prayer above also uplifts one of our parish's core values: **hospitality**. This summer, we will have opportunities to extend warm hospitality to the lovely guests who will be attending the weddings of Sheena and Bert (on Saturday June 13 at 1:30 PM) and Noah and Isabelle (on Saturday August 29 at 3 PM) as well as to the many summer visitors who frequently worship with us during their vacations in the cooler weather of our climate oasis here in Eureka.

This summer, we also intend to build our outdoor prayer labyrinth so that we can extend hospitality to our neighbors who will be free to walk, pray, or play on our labyrinth 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can support this inspiring project as well by donating and engraving a labyrinth brick by clicking on this [link here](#) or using the QR code below:



Finally, I am very excited to say that we will be hosting the Vox Aurea (Golden Voice) Choir from Jyväskylä Finland this summer on July 20th and 21st at 4 PM. They will be performing selections of Finnish music as well as “Echoes of Eureka,” the stunning opera written by Eric Tuan, which follows the true story of Charley Wei Lum, a young Chinese immigrant who narrowly escaped lynching in Eureka, thanks to a courageous clergyman. We will *finish* each evening with a screening of the film documentary “Many Moons” directed by Chisa Hughes, a 22-minute-long documentary that looks at the history of Chinese expulsions in Humboldt County and the people who continued to live in the county despite the threat of white violence. Because we will be expecting that many people will want to attend this concert, we initially explored the idea of holding it at a different venue, like the Eureka Theatre. However, when the Finnish choir leaders heard about the hard work that we have been doing at Christ Church in telling the truth about our history with the Chinese expulsions, they felt moved to perform the opera *twice* in our church. So, I warmly invite you and even urge you to attend one or both of these performances on July 20th and July 21st at 4 PM.

The prayer above concludes with a reminder of our mission to follow Jesus Christ and serve all people through the power of the Holy Spirit: *Guide us as we seek to follow Your Son through the power of Your Spirit*. When we serve others, we are indeed following and serving Christ himself. Everything we are doing at Christ Church this summer (raising funds for the solar panels, building our labyrinth, hosting concerts, etc.) is being done not for our own glory or solely for our own benefit, but rather for the glory of God and for the benefit of the wider community and the entire planet. Please join us as we pray this prayer above throughout the month, as we practice generosity and hospitality together this summer, and as we shine the light of Christ ever brighter in Eureka “so that others may see our good works and praise our Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:16).

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Christ Episcopal Church
presents

Echoes of Eureka : An Opera Bridging History and Hope

July 20 and 21, 2026

4:00 pm

Each performance will be
followed by a screening of
“Many Moons,” a film by
Chisata Uyeki Hughes.



“Gives me hope for humanity.”

[We were] “swept through a soundscape of oppression, solidarity, removal and resistance. Each song immersed us deeper, pulling us into the current of history. What a journey!”



photos from performance by Piedmont East Bay Children’s Choir at the Morris Graves Museum, May 2025

Humboldt County residents once again have an opportunity to attend performances of Eric Tu-an’s opera “Echoes of Eureka.” Premiered by the Piedmont East Bay Children’s Choir in 2025, this inspiring opera will be sung again in Eureka by the Vox Aurea Choir, a flagship choir of the City of Jyväskylä's education services in Finland.

Echoes of Eureka follows the true story of Charley Wei Lum, a young Chinese immigrant who arrived in 1880’s California and settled in Eureka, a thriving redwood logging own that housed the largest Chinese community in the state outside of San Francisco. The original location of Christ Episcopal Church was just on the border of Eureka’s “Chinatown.” In 1885, an angry mob expelled Eureka’s 300 Chinese residents, forcing them onto a steamship bound for San Francisco. Thanks to a compassionate clergyman, Charley narrowly escaped lynching.

Echoes of Eureka was first performed on a tour of Humboldt County in May 2025. The project, funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, was a collaboration with Humboldt Asians and Pacific Islanders in Solidarity, the Eureka Chinatown Project, and Cal Poly Humboldt; poets Emily Jiang and Daryl Ngee Chinn; historians Jean Pfaelzer (author of “Driven Out”) and Alex Service. Partner choir Vox Aurea, directed by Sanna Salminen; and choreographer Daniel Raaflaub are now included in the collaboration.

For more information visit: <https://www.piedmontchoirs.org/spotlight-echoes-of-eureka>

For a “sneak peak” of “Echoes of Eureka”:

<https://youtu.be/obCBR3DkBUc?si=0miJjvweRbuoH3X2>



We are looking for households to offer homestays to the Finnish choristers (2 per household) and the 8 adults who will be accompanying. Here is the link to information about homestays and how to sign up:

For questions: merry@merryphillips.com or 707-382-0829

Information about homestays and how to sign up can be found at:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nbz39-i-NzNbVccgiHj-OqF9Gpdn1It88wqYQ0vX9TE/edit?tab=t.0>

Vox Aurea Choir to perform at Christ Church this summer!



We are excited to welcome the Vox Aurea Choir this summer to perform at Christ Church! Established in 1968, it is the flagship choir of the City of Jyväskylä's education services in Finland. In addition to concert performances and tours, the choir has participated in numerous national and international competitions, receiving several awards. Vox Aurea has also released a number of recordings that showcase the diversity of choral music.

The choir consists of 50 singers aged 11 to 19. Alongside its educational work, Vox Aurea actively engages in local, national, and international collaboration, while also promoting Finnish and international choral music. Collaboration with youth choirs from different countries is an essential part of Vox Aurea's work. Through these exchanges, the choir has broadened its repertoire, deepened its understanding of choral traditions across cultures, and further developed its pedagogical and strategic practices.

A spirit of experimentation and a holistic approach to artistic expression, combined with a warm sense of community, are central to the choir's identity.

In recent years, Vox Aurea has had the privilege of working with choreographer Daniel Raaflaub from Basel, Switzerland, whose contribution has elevated the choir's expressive performance to a new level."

Christ Church is looking for Host Families – for the 47 choristers and 9 adults who will be accompanying them – from Sunday, July 19, 4 pm to Wednesday, July 22, 8:30 am. What an opportunity to offer these young people a glimpse of life in the United States and support them in their artistic endeavors!

If you are interested and able to host, please click on the following link and fill out the form:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nbz39-i-NzNbVccgiHj-OqF9Gpdn1It88wqYQ0vX9TE/edit?usp=sharing>

Contact Merry Phillips (merry@merryphillips.com) if you have any questions.



THE GOOD BOOK CLUB

Summer with Paul 2026

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” Psalm

The Good Book Club for Summer 2026 has begun! This summer, we are reading through three of St. Paul’s letters:

- 1 Corinthians
- 2 Corinthians
- Philippians

Paul significantly influenced the development of Christianity, and his letters to various churches make up thirteen of the twenty-seven books in the New Testament. Together we’ll wrestle with Paul’s words and look for the blessing in them.

Copies of the reading list are in the church office, at the back of the church, or you can print your own copy at goodbookclub.org/readings. Join me in the Chapel of Our Merciful Savior at 12 noon on Fridays in June and July to discuss the readings of the week. Bring your questions, your prayers, and your curiosity to our study this summer. Bring your favorite Bible!

Besides our Friday noon local study group, the Good Book Club is offering an Online Bible Study on Thursdays at 3pm ET, hosted by Miriam McKenney (Missioner for Beloved Community, Diocese of Southern Ohio) and the Rev. Kelli Joyce (PhD candidate in Theology at Vanderbilt University). The first session will be on Thursday, June 11. The meeting link will be provided in the weekly email for those who subscribe at goodbookclub.org.

Reading the Bible is one of the best ways to grow spiritually, especially in the company of fellow travelers on the journey. The Good Book Club is a project of Forward Movement, creators of Lent Madness and Forward Day by Day, that invites us to join with others—whether locally in your church or globally online—in an immersive experience in reading books of the Bible.

Nancy+

Centering Prayer

Tuesdays | 6:30 pm

Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour
corner of 15th and G streets



Grace In Lament

The Rev. Jeri Gray-Reneberg, Associate Priest



As sometimes happens this time of year, Perry and I just returned from an extended time away. First I participated in Clergy Conference in Healdsburg, always a most welcome time of refreshment, collegiality, and inspiration. Then there was my annual MRI at UCSF – which I walk through dutifully if anxiously, knowing that it helps my doctors to keep a close eye out for any recurrence of my breast cancer – and I am thankful for another good report and clear MRI. Finally, there was a trip to Perry’s family’s small town in north central Kansas for his 50th high school reunion and annual family reunion of the Wangerins, his maternal grandparents’ family.

It was a blessing to see Perry’s mother Juanita, his siblings and cousins, and their families, and to spend time with Linden and Mason, who had also come (Mason, for the first time), and Jon (Perry’s son by his first marriage) and his wife Tiffany. It was nice to see Perry’s classmates again. And it was nonstop activity. Every day, we got together with someone for a meal or just to talk. Every day involved driving somewhere. Most people spent only the weekend there, needing to drive home, get back to work, and to return to the activities of daily life. But Perry and I spent a full week with his 95-year-old mother, enjoying her company and looking through old family photos of generations past and the photo albums she has assembled over the years of all the quilts she’s made since the 1980s.



Juanita lives each day as it comes, thankful for all her blessings and trusting God for each future moment. She gets up and down from her carpeted living room floor – where I watched her play with her four-year-old great-grandson – with the grace and ease of a much younger woman. She still loves to dance.

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Photos by Perry Gray-Reneberg

I thank God that she is still with us and able to do so much. And I am envious of her flexibility and agile mind at her age. I am also nostalgic for the 1960s, when I spent every summer day tumbling in our grassy yard – doing backbends and handsprings, cartwheels and roundoffs.

Then I remembered our keynote speaker at Clergy Conference, The Right Reverend Rob Wright, Bishop of Atlanta, and his brilliant analysis of the psyche of the Church as it exists in this time in America. He said that America is addicted to innocence, to triumphalism, and to avoidance. Later, he added nostalgia to the list. He focused on the gospel reading for the Third Sunday of Easter, the Road to Emmaus, and the grieving of the two disciples who weren't aware that they were walking with Jesus. The most important phrase in the early part of that passage is "we had hoped." "But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel." Aside from the irony in that statement, as we meditate on that phrase, we feel the disciples' grief and confusion, and are led into a place of confronting our own unresolved griefs and laments. Bishop Wright asked us, "Where is a place where things didn't turn out the way you hoped?"

I don't know about you, but I had hoped that my youthful limberness would follow me into older age, and I now know that hypermobility in age can cause stiffening as our muscles attempt to hold stretchy tendons and mobile joints in place. I am grateful to be able to walk at all, but I don't have to cover up my nostalgia and my lament over an aging body in order to be a Christian. Many of us were taught, in the words of the old camp song, "Happy, happy, happy, happy – happy are the people whose God is the Lord!" Some of us (especially women) were taught that smiling is the best form of evangelism.

But in Bishop Wright's words, "Lament is telling the truth before God." We attempt to be honest Christians, telling God the truth of our lives. We also tell the truth about the tensions of scripture. Jesus is horrifically executed before the day we celebrate as Easter. The Holy Spirit descends in a way that represents the nations of the world and then Paul is imprisoned for preaching about Jesus. And when I preach in a few weeks, we will hear the story of God testing Abraham by asking him to sacrifice his son Isaac. Hard texts. Serious tensions. As Episcopalians, we don't gloss over the painful verses or contort ourselves every which way as we try to make the diversity of the Biblical witness fit one theme. We don't deny that sometimes we struggle personally.

There is much to celebrate, and thank God for, in our lives and in our Holy Scriptures. And there are also losses that deserve to be lamented and grieved, and brought to God.

Just know that when you see me smiling, it's genuine.





SUNDAY ADULT FORUMS

Summer 2026

Sundays | 9:15 am | Lewis Hall
(between services)

Please join us on Sundays
at 9:15 am in Lewis Hall
(between services)
for discipleship
and conversation on
a variety of
topics this summer.

- June 7 The Christian Rite of Confirmation - Fr. Daniel
- June 14 High Desert Hues: a Quilting Adventure in Santa Fe - Merry Phillips
- June 21 Solar Project Capital Campaign Kick-off activities
- June 28 History and Mystery of the Labyrinth - Kathryn DeLorme
Blessing the Meadow!
- July 5 Caring for Your Body: Honoring the Holy Spirit's Temple
Jake and Stephanie Schultz
- July 12 A Scientist's Perspective on Faith - Rich Baker, Ph.D. Astrophysics
- July 19 Adventures of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) Conference
in St. Louis - Avery Alexander
- July 26 Martha and Mary Icons - David Tschoepe &
Connie Butler Art Gallery - Fr. Daniel
- August 2 Crossroads / North Coast Substance Abuse Council
Wes Harrison, Executive Director
- August 9 Domestic Violence - Pastor Jeri Gray-Reneberg
- August 16 Art and Spirituality
The Very Rev. Matthew Woodward, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Sacramento
- August 23 The Genesis Covenant and Creation Care at Christ Church
Creation Care Team
- August 30 Christian Symbolism / Liturgical Vestments, Hangings, and Linens
Mother Lesley



June 2026

Christ Episcopal Church

Wednesday Chapel Services

Chapel of Our Merciful Saviour | 9 am

June 3 — Morning Prayer

Commemorating The Martyrs of Uganda

On June 3, 1886, thirty-two young men, pages of the court of King Mwanga of Buganda, were burned to death at Namugongo for their refusal to renounce Christianity. In the following months many other Christians throughout the country died by fire or spear for their faith.

These martyrdoms greatly changed the dynamic of Christian growth in Uganda. Introduced by a handful of Anglican and Roman Catholic missionaries after 1877, the Christian faith had been preached only to the immediate members of the court, by order of King Mutesa. His successor, Mwanga, became increasingly angry as he realized that the first converts put loyalty to Christ above the traditional loyalty to the king. The Namugongo martyrdoms produced a result entirely opposite to Mwanga’s intentions. The example of these martyrs, who walked to their death singing hymns and praying for their enemies, so inspired many of the bystanders that they began to seek instruction from the remaining Christians.



June 10— Morning Prayer

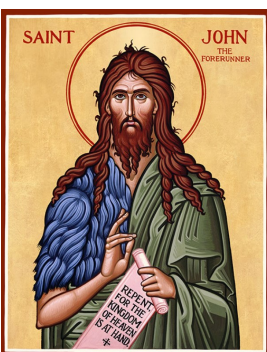
Commemorating Ephrem of Nisibis (Edessa)

Ephrem of Nisibis was a teacher, poet, orator, and defender of the faith, and the foremost Christian theologian who wrote in the Syriac language. The Syrians called him “The Harp of the Holy Spirit,” and his hymns still enrich the liturgies of the Syriac churches. Ephrem was one whose writings were influential in the development of Christian doctrine. Jerome writes: “I have read in Greek a volume of his on the Holy Spirit, and though it was only a translation, I recognized therein the sublime genius of the man.” Of his writings, there remain dozens of poems and hymns, commentaries on the Old and New Testaments, and numerous homilies. In his commentary on the Passion, he wrote: “No one has seen or shall see the things which you have seen. The Lord himself has become the altar, priest, and bread, and the chalice of salvation. He alone suffices for all, yet none suffices for him. He is Altar and Lamb, victim and sacrifice, priest as well as food.”

June 17— Morning Prayer

Commemorating Marina the Monk

Marina was born in present-day Lebanon, in the fifth century. She was the only child of her parents, and her mother died when she was still a young girl. Her father refused to remarry, and instead raised her himself until she was a teenager. At that point, he hoped to find her a husband and then retire to live the life of a monk. Marina, however, rejected this plan, saying: “Why would you save your own soul at the cost of destroying mine?” Instead, she shaved off her hair and exchanged her clothing for men’s clothes. When her father saw her determination, he relented. Selling all of their possessions, they went together to the monastic settlement in the Qadisha Valley, where he introduced her as his son “Marinos.” Marina/Marinos is particularly venerated today in Lebanon, Cyprus, and Italy, usually under the name of “Marina the Monk.”



June 24 — Morning Prayer

Holy Eucharist: Rite II commemorating The Nativity of John the Baptist

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Savior by preaching repentance: Make us so to follow his teaching and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and, following his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth’s sake; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



We spend the week living in and building a Christian community based in values of love, service and fun!

This year's camp will take place July 26-31.
<https://camplivingwatershumboldt.org/>

If you have any questions, email us at
CLWHumboldt@gmail.com!

FRESH PRODUCE SUNDAY FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S ON JUNE 21

Fresh Produce Sunday is June 21. Baskets will be placed at the back of the nave to collect donations of fresh produce which will be blessed and then taken to St. Vincent de Paul's dining facility on Monday morning. Thank you parishioners for remembering to help each month with your gifts of potatoes, carrots, apples, oranges, bananas, lettuce, onions, cabbage, kale, avo-



Youth group

Christ Episcopal Church Eureka

SUNDAYS @ 5PM

MEET IN THE CHAPEL

15TH & G STREETS, EUREKA

(PARKING LOT AT 14TH & G STREETS)

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL AGES WELCOME!



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Vestry Highlights ...from the meeting of May 26, 2026

Next Vestry meeting: June 23, 5:30 pm, Pierson Room

- Fr. Daniel opened the meeting with remarks on St. Augustine of Canterbury and the reminders of “Do not be afraid,” and waiting patiently as things take place in “God’s time.”
- The Vestry approved expenditures for replacing two tremolos on the pipe organ and the painting of the Smullin House (\$10,500). The house will be painted the same color as the church.
- There was discussion on removing the carport. A decision was postponed until cost estimates on removal versus repair are received.
- Vestry members were asked to prayerfully consider a donation to the Solar Project Capital Campaign. Grants and donations have been received and it is hoped that as the leaders in the church, Vestry members will support the project as possible.
- The church received several options from Willet Stained Glass Studios for work on restoring and maintaining the stained glass windows. The information will be reviewed in the future.
- Fr. Daniel reported on the Finnish choristers who will be performing the opera “Echoes of Eureka” at Christ Church on July 20 and 21. Homestays will be needed for the choristers and accompanying adults.
- There was celebration of the news that the installation of the solar panels and batteries has been completed and the church is fully solar powered.
- The Vestry will have a retreat on October 10. The Vestry will read Fr. Daniel’s book on St. Francis.
- Fr. Daniel reported that Labyrinth Bricks R Us will be available for ordering through August 9 for \$100 each.

Vestry minutes, treasurer’s reports, etc. are posted on the bulletin board in Lewis Hall. NOTE: The bulletin boards in Lewis Hall are in the process of being updated.

If you have questions or concerns about parish activities, please contact a member of the Vestry!

Respectfully submitted, Merry Phillips, Senior Warden

From the Junior Warden Elizabeth Harper-Lawson



Junior Warden's Report June 2026

Recent Improvements/Projects on our Christ Church Properties:

- Solar Project: In place and operational. (Project Manager: Steve Preston and Greenwired Renewable Energy Solutions)
- Thompson Building Roofing completed. (Green Team with Moore's Roofing & Services)
- Labyrinth: Soil improvement and sod placement (Dale Maples and Team with assistance from Bluestone Landscapes. Project Manager: Royal McCarthy)

Pending:

- Smullin House painting with some skirting repair/replacement (Mike St. John Painting Co. under the direction of Royal McCarthy)
- Church sign: Re-do paint and fix sign lighting. (Rene Menge of Bob's Sign and Brant)
- Courtyard: New string lighting is waiting to be installed.
- Complete ICE Signage.

Next Projects:

- Replace deteriorating backdoor in the kitchen.
- Nave: Two bronze colored ceiling fans to reduce mold and increase air flow.





Christ Episcopal Church Green Team Tip of the Month

Psalm 50:11-- I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field is mine.

Promoting Creation Care & Reducing our Carbon Footprint

The Green Team Tip of the Month is written by Elizabeth Haynes. If you have a tip to share, you can forward it to her at ehaynes@mnsi.net.

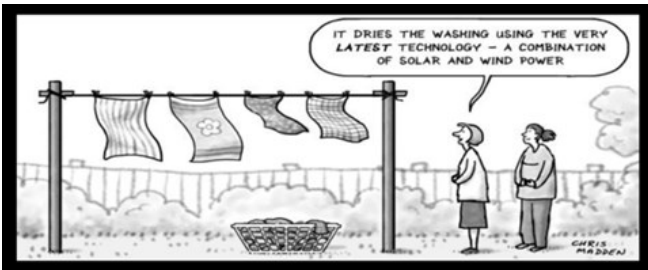
Summer Tips

As we begin to enjoy warmer sunnier weather, the Green Team thought it would be a good idea to remind you of summertime tips that can save you money and help reduce your carbon footprint.

Solar Panels: Christ Church Solar panels were installed successfully and are up and running. What does this mean for our monthly operating costs? I'm so glad you asked. In 2023, Christ Church consumed 31,676 KWh. That averages out to 2,640 KWh/month. At the current price per KWh of approximately \$0.45, Christ Church will save \$14,254/yr or \$1,187/month. While a household is not likely to see such a dramatic cost reduction, in 2024 the Lawrence Berkely National Laboratory demonstrated a household energy cost savings approximately \$2,000/year, and noted that it could even net as much as \$700/year when the costs of loans, lease payments and installation were taken into account.



Laundry: Taking advantage of the weather can save a little electricity (and money) using the power of the sun and breeze to dry our clothes.



[Energy.gov](https://www.energy.gov) indicates that the washer and dryer are among the highest energy consumers in our homes. According to [electricrate.com](https://www.electricrate.com) the average 2 person household uses about 15 kilowatt hours per week drying clothes in an electric clothes dryer. Line-drying just one load per week can save more than \$3.00/week or \$150/year.

Travel: Proper tire inflation can net one free refuel per year. Green Car Report notes that underinflated tires can result in a 4% drop in electric car efficiency. The US department of Energy puts the drop in fuel efficiency resulting from underinflation as 0.2 % for every psi of underinflation. In their report, they note that underinflated tires account for lost efficiency ranging from 0.6% to 3%. Make sure you claim your free fuel refills by keeping your tires properly inflated.



Labyrinth Quest...

Our Labyrinth is Coming to Life!

Kathryne DeLorme, Veriditas Certified Labyrinth Facilitator



Preparing the Ground

The McCarthy Meadow, site of our soon-to-be-built Labyrinth, has been in a state of great transformation! Bluestone Landscaping performed the miracle of clearing away all the old soil, grass, and weeds and tilling and leveling the ground. Thanks to Dale Maples for all his work in overseeing this stage of our project.

On May 15th, the fresh sod was laid with the help of these hardy volunteers: John Patton, Dale Maples, Jacque Ruzsala, Cynthia Packard, Jake Cruz, Dave Kearns, Marc Kunze, Jim Hendry, and Steve Preston. Heartful Thanks!

As the sod takes root, we will be able to begin the construction of the labyrinth using red bricks to create the borders of the grass pathways. We are replicating the labyrinth at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Woodland, CA, which is a Chartres style labyrinth with 11 circuits (circular paths to the center). Due to our space limitations, ours will have 7 circuits. (See the new [Labyrinth Bulletin Board](#) in Lewis Hall for photo.)

Royal McCarthy and Dale Maples will supervise the construction and volunteers will be needed for various tasks. The bricks will be recessed into the ground which will allow for easy maintenance of the labyrinth by mowing.

Cynthia Packard will lead us in a simple Body Prayer to Dedicate the Land at 3pm at our next Labyrinth Walk on Saturday July 18th.

Fundraising Campaign

Our Fundraising Campaign for the outdoor labyrinth officially began on May 24th and will conclude on August 9th. You can help by purchasing a labyrinth brick engraved with words of your choice. This form of support for our outdoor labyrinth will serve to honor a loved one, a Bible verse, poetry, a dedication, or any words you find inspirational.

For a donation of \$100 each, these engraved 4" x 8" bricks can be ordered with 3 lines (21 characters per line). You can order as many bricks as you like. These bricks will be placed around the outer border of the labyrinth. You can also team up with others to share the purchase of a brick.

For an additional donation, there are other options for bricks and also gifts you can receive for donations of varied amounts. These gift options will be on display during Coffee Hour until August 9th.

Get more details, or place your engraved brick order with **Cynthia Packard**. Contact her with any questions. Cell: (707) 845-0073 or Email: cynthiapackard.cp@gmail.com.

An online ordering website has been created for your convenience:

<http://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/christchurcheureka>

The order form is also available on our church website:

<http://christchurcheureka.org/labyrinth>

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Fr. Daniel has set our Fundraising Goal at \$10,000.

Donations of ANY amount are deeply appreciated!

Presentation June 28th

I will be giving a presentation, *Labyrinth History & Mystery*, at the Forum and also at Coffee Hour on Sunday June 28th. Come and learn more about the ancient origins and many uses of labyrinths and the *Labyrinth Revival* that began at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco in the 1990's.

World Labyrinth Day

This was our third year to join in the 18th annual Worldwide Labyrinth Walk on May 2nd. Over 50 of us joined thousands in over 30 countries walking at 1pm for World Peace. Our motto each year is, "We Walk as One at 1 for Peace." Times-Standard articles are on the Labyrinth Bulletin Board about our participation in this global event.

Upcoming Walks

We will be shifting from our monthly 3rd Saturday Walks to these specific dates for walks on our canvas labyrinth in the Heritage Room and the Chapel Labyrinth:

Saturdays July 18th, (Land Dedication at 3pm), September 12th, and December 5th.

Please plan to drop in for a walk between **2pm and 5pm** these Saturdays.

Later this summer our outdoor labyrinth will be available anytime of any day!

Watch for our announcement of a Blessing of the Labyrinth and a celebratory gathering when it is complete.





Brick Fundraising Campaign

Every Brick Tells a Story

Christ Episcopal Church Eureka Outdoor Labyrinth Engraved Brick Order Form

<https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/christchurcheureka>

We are raising funds to build our outdoor labyrinth. You can help by purchasing a labyrinth brick with your own personal engraving. Examples include names, memorials, Bible verses, poetry, blessings, dedications, etc.

The engraved bricks will be placed on the outer border of the labyrinth. The bricks will be 4 x 8 inches and will be engraved with all capital letters. \$100 donation per engraved brick, which is tax deductible.

Please print out and fill out the order form below and bring cash or check to church office or Labyrinth Table. We can also receive credit card payments. An online order page will be available soon.

If you cannot afford donating brick on your own, you can team up with one or two (or more) other partners to pool your resources and donate a brick together.





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Yes, we'd like to reserve a permanent brick. Please engrave our brick as follows:

Any Symbol Is Considered One Space (Period, Comma, Dash, Space)
All Text Is Centered Unless Otherwise Noted

4x8 Brick

4x8 Brick

Example

C	H	R	I	S	T		C	H	U	R	C	H		E	U	R	E	K	A
S	T	E	A	D	F	A	S	T		&		G	R	O	W	I	N	G	
S	I	N	C	E		1	8	7	0										

_____ **Donor Brick (\$50):** An exact duplicate brick with felt backing that you are purchasing from your organization

_____ **Souvenir Brick (\$25):** smaller option (1.5" x 3"): a miniature brick (fits in your hand) with your inscription

_____ **Additional donations** are welcome: \$ _____.

Please return this form and your check payable to:

Christ Episcopal Church Eureka
P.O. Box 861
Eureka CA 95502-0861

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Amount Paid: _____

FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 9, 2026.

If you have any questions, please call Cynthia at (707) 845 – 0073



Food for People

The Food Bank for Humboldt County

Your Support Changes Lives.

From the 2024-2025 Annual Report | The Food Bank for Humboldt County

2024/25 At A Glance



21,000

people served monthly



2.8 million

total lbs of food distributed = 2.38 million meals!



312

volunteers per month



20,352

volunteer hours (equivalent to 13 full-time employees)



449,277

lbs of food donated from local stores & diverted from landfill



34%

of food distributed was fresh produce

Value of In-Kind Donations 24/25



Donated Food



Volunteers



Donated Materials/Media Equipment/Contractor Time



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The Food Bank for Humboldt County

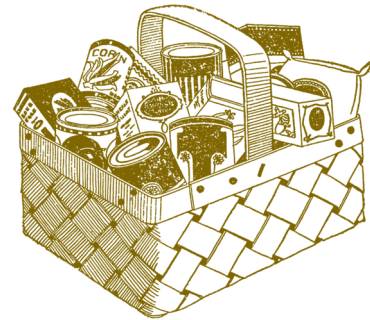
Your Support Changes Lives.

Our monthly non-perishable food donation amounted to 35 lbs in May.
Our year to date donation totals 634 lbs.

The need for donations of food for families continues in summertime
with children being at home for lunch.

Christ Episcopal Church continues to support Food for People as we are
inspired to share love and hope with others in our community.

HOW YOU CAN HELP



MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned tuna/chicken/beans
- Canned tomatoes, tomato sauce/paste
- Easy-to-prepare foods: soups/stew/chili
- Pasta
- Rice
- Dried beans
- Nuts and nut butters
- Dried fruit
- Baking mixes
- Coffee
- Alternative milks (almond/oat milk)

PLEASE NO GLASS OR HOMEMADE FOODS!

**If you would like to donate funds, you can write a check to
Christ Episcopal Church and mark the memo "Food for People."**

Called to *Serve*

LAY MINISTRY by Marty Vega



Our Church Year gracefully transitions between the cycles of Christmas and Easter, interspersed with a period we call Ordinary Time. As we enter this season, we find ourselves moving toward Advent while experiencing the warmer months of summer and fall. This is a time when we can immerse ourselves fully in our present, with fewer major feasts to pull our attention away. I invite you to take a moment to appreciate the beauty of our space and reflect on how you might contribute in simple yet meaningful ways alongside fellow members in our lay ministries.

Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers	Royal McCarthy John Patton	→ 707-498-1225 → 707-498-4536
Altar Guild	Kathy Clague	→ kjc7001@humboldt.edu
Associates & Oblates of the Sisters of the Transfiguration	Stephanie Schultz	→ 707-498-1058
Choir	David Powell	→ davidbpowell@gmail.com
Christ Church Concert Series	Steve Cole	→ 707-845-4767 (text)
Coffee Hour 8am	Peg Gardner	→ 707-443-9627
Coffee Hour 10:30am	Lynne Bean	→ 707-822-6086
Contribution Counters	Francis Rivinus	→ 805-254-4055
Eucharistic Visitors	Elizabeth Harper-Lawson	→ eaharperlawson@suddenlink.net
Green Team	Steven Preston	→ 213-304-3715
Labyrinth Walk	Kathryne Delorme	→ 707-616-1721 or → labyrinthquest@gmx.com
Office Assistants	Church Office	→ 707-442-1797
Prayer Circle	Jannetje Vrieze	→ jvdutchgirl@yahoo.com
Quilters +	Belinda Zander	→ 707-442-4222
Readers and Intercessors	Marty Vega	→ 707-273-8743
Stream Team	Perry Gray-Reneberg	→ perryggr@gmail.com
Ushers and Greeters	Sharon Kalberer Ian Haynes	→ 707-630-3100 → ihaynes66@gmail.com
Welcome Ministry	Belinda Zander	→ 707-442-4222
Youth Group Team	Jenny Harris	→ Jennyharris630@yahoo.com



June Birthday Wishes

Watch over your children, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Je-

David Griggs	06/02	Nick Smithler	06/16
Spenser Erickson	06/05	Francis Rivinus	06/23
Thomas Bond	06/06	Sheena Ruchte	06/23
Merry Phillips	06/06	Donald Verwayen	06/24
Doug Moorehead	06/10	Brax Harris	06/28
Ryler Maples	06/11	David Howard	06/29
Caren Diebold	06/13	Janet London	06/29



O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

David & Michelle Howard	06/02	Kathleen Lake & Tom Davies	06/11
Daniel & Karen Price	06/05	John & Evaonne Hendricks	06/21
Carrie & Jim Hogan	06/08	Royal & Willie McCarthy	06/22
Dale & Jill Maples	06/11	Bob & Sara Hines	06/23
		Anthony & Mary Jane Jennetti	06/28



Did we miss your special day? The staff apologizes for our time perception disorder with any omissions of birthdays and anniversaries. Send your special day information to: christchurcheureka@gmail.com
We want to acknowledge and celebrate your special day next year!



The June 2026 Cycle of Prayers

for our Diocese and the Anglican Communion

Please pray for the diocese, congregations, and clergy listed below on the Diocesan and Anglican cycles of prayer as well as those prayers requested by our Bishop, Dean and Diocesan Search & Transition Committees.

Every Sunday, the Diocesan Transition Committee requests that we pray for our bishop.

Every Sunday in May The Very Rev. K. Lesley McCloghrie, Dean of our Semper Virens Deanery, has asked us to pray for the people of Christ Church Eureka.

Intercessor: Gracious God, we pray that the people of Christ Church glorify You through their/our generous care for creation and their/our warm hospitality to all visitors this summer, especially wedding guests, Sunday visitors, labyrinth walkers, and the choir visiting from Finland to perform the "Echoes of Eureka" opera on July 20th and 21st. Guide them as they seek to follow Your Son through the power of Your Spirit.

People: Hear our prayer.



Christ Church members & friends Sacred Saunter at Trinidad Head celebrate the Feast of the Trinity, Saturday, May 30.

June 7

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Sebastopol
The Rev. Christy Laborda Harris, Rector
The Rev. Kate Sefton, Deacon

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Scottish Episcopal Church
The Most Rev. Mark Strange
Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church
& Bishop of Moray, Ross & Caithness

June 14

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Shepherd by the Sea, Gualala
The Rev. Portia Hopkins, Advisory Pastor

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Church of the Province of South East Asia
The Right Rev. Dr. Titus Chung Khiam Boon
Bishop of Singapore and
Primate of the Church of the
Province of Sout East Asia

June 21

DICESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Paul's Benicia
The Rev. Annie Mertz, Rector
The Rev. Beth Gaines, Deacon

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Church of South India (United)
The Most Rev. Dr. K. Reuben Mark
Moderator of CSI & Bishop of Karimnagar

June 28

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Healdsburg
The Rev. Sally Hubbell Rector
The Rev. Jim McCammon, Assistant Rector

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
The Most Rev. Dr Thabo Makgoba
Archbishop of Capetown and
Primate of Southern Africa

July 5

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Anderson

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church of South America
The Most Rev. Brian Williams
Primate of the Anglican Church of South America
and Bishop of Argentina

If you wish to offer prayers daily for the church in the world, our Anglican Cycle of Prayer has a daily list of diocese and clergy who would benefit from your prayer ministry. This list can be obtained via this website: <https://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx>. If you do not have a computer, I would be glad to make a copy of the 2023-2026 Anglican Cycle of Prayer for you. Deacon Anne.



June 2026

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SUN	M	T	W	Th	F	SAT
<p>Second Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II Adult Forum—9:15-10:15 AM 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka 5:00 PM—Youth Group JUST ONE CAN Creation Care Fundraising Committee 12:30 PM Pierson Rm</p>	1	<p>Writers' Group 12:30 PM Pierson Room Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>MORNING PRAYER 9 AM Chapel Staff Meeting 10:15 AM Lewis Hall</p>	<p>Foster Parents Association 9:30 am</p>	<p>The Good Book Club <i>Summer with Paul</i> 12 noon Chapel Labyrinth Committee 4pm Lewis Hall</p>	<p>Altar Guild 10 AM Piano Recital 3:00 PM Main Church</p>
<p>Third Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II Adult Forum—9:15-10:15 AM 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka 5:00 PM—Youth Group</p>	8	<p>Green Team Pierson Room 5:15 pm Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>MORNING PRAYER 9 AM Chapel</p>	<p>The Good Book Club <i>Summer with Paul</i> 12 noon Chapel</p>	<p>WEDDING Bert & Sheena 1:30 pm Main Church Reception Lewis Hall</p>	
<p>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka 5:00 PM—Youth Group</p>	15	<p>Thomas Merton Redwoods 5:00 PM Chapel Writers' Group 12:30 PM Lewis Hall Room Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>MORNING PRAYER 9 AM Chapel</p>	<p>Finance Committee 5:30 pm ZOOM</p>	<p>The Good Book Club <i>Summer with Paul</i> 12 noon Chapel Labyrinth Committee 4pm Lewis Hall</p>	<p>Altar Guild 10 AM</p>
<p>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 8 AM—Eucharist: Rite II Adult Forum—9:15-10:15 AM 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist: Rite II https://www.youtube.com/user/ChristChurchEureka</p>	18	<p>VESTRY 5:30 PM Lewis Hall Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>HOLY EUCHARIST 9 AM Chapel Nativity of St. John the Baptist</p>	<p>The Good Book Club <i>Summer with Paul</i> 12 noon Chapel</p>	<p>Altar Guild 10 AM</p>	
<p>Solar Project Capital Campaign Kick-off Activities FRESH PRODUCE SUNDAY Father's Day</p>	21	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>VESTRY 5:30 PM Lewis Hall</p>	<p>The Good Book Club <i>Summer with Paul</i> 12 noon Chapel</p>	<p>Altar Guild 10 AM</p>	
<p>North Coast Choral Artist Concert 4:00 pm Main Church 5:00 PM—Youth Group</p>	28	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>	<p>Centering Prayer 6:30 PM Chapel</p>



The Right Reverend Megan M. Traquair
Bishop
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA



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The Rev. Jeri Gray-Reneberg - Associate Priest
The Rev. Nancy Streufert - Associate Priest
The Venerable Pam Gossard - Archdeacon
The Rev. Anne Pierson - Deacon
Jenny Harris - Youth Minister

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