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Every Perfect Gift

Time, Talent & Treasure

Our stewardship effort this year carries the theme Every Perfect Gift. I write to thank you for your time.

Every pledge campaign begins with gratitude, and that is my message to you. I am inspired by your generosity – by the simple acts of love and kindness you have displayed in the midst of a pandemic, and by the unseen work you have done in the service of God and our church community. Thank you! I cannot say it enough.

We frequently talk about the three-legged stool of Time, Talent, and Treasure when we discuss stewardship, though we rarely focus on the power of each of those elements. I am grateful for the ways in which you have given all three, and here I focus on your time.

Time may be the greatest gift, because it is a gift that we can't replace. When we give of our treasure or our talent, they come from renewable streams. But time, once given, can't be reclaimed. This is why I am inspired by the ways that you give of your time to this community.



Whether your gifts of time are measured in hours spent engaging in a ministry, participating in our services, volunteering in the community, or in minutes spent on the phone or in person reaching out to each other — taking care of each other — the people of Christ Church are generous with their time!

In his timeless work, The Little Prince, Saint-Exupéry says of the Prince's tending of his beloved rose, "It is the time you have spent on your rose, that makes your rose so important." Our church is that rose, tended gently and blessed abundantly by the effort, love, prayer, and time you give.

You will soon be hearing more about our gifts from our leadership, in our liturgy, and in our common life together. You are a gift, each of you, and you are gifts to each other and to a world in need of Christ's love — blessed with every perfect gift that comes from God above.

Gratefully yours,

Tom
Tom

Coming SOON!

The Rev. Canon Anne Hallmark



Rev. Canon Anne Hallmark

*T*he people of Christ Church are in for a real treat! The celebrant and preacher for our service on Sunday August 1st is the Canon Missioner for our region, the Rev. Canon Anne Hallmark.

Anne began her ministry as the Canon Missioner of the Northern Region of our diocese in June 2018. She is part of our diocesan staff and serves as an advocate and resource for the parishes in this northernmost region.

Anne is a seasoned parish priest and interim pastor, having served over thirty years in congregations within the Dioceses of Virginia

and Chicago. She brings extensive knowledge and experience in congregational leadership to our diocese, as she is a proven leader and teacher in areas of organizational change, prayer practice, capital campaigns, and more. She earned her Masters in Divinity from Seabury Western Theological Seminary in 1987.

On a personal level, I was stunned and delighted when Anne's addition to our diocesan staff was announced. Many years ago — back at the turn of the century — a parish I had served fell on hard times a few years after my departure. Issues between the new Rector and the parishioners reached a boiling point, and the Rector left. The parish was beset with serious divisions.

The parish called Anne as Interim Rector. She not only helped heal the festering wounds; she led the parish in a multi-million dollar renovation of the church. I had never heard of such an accomplishment in an interim period.

When Anne's arrival in Northern Michigan was announced, I knew we would be in good hands.

You will be in good hands On August 1st as you welcome our Canon Missioner to Christ Church.

In Christ,

Tom

Prayer List FOR AUGUST

Please Pray for your Brothers and Sisters

Peter Pace

Glen Berger

Deb Stutzman

Doris & Gunnar
Lundteigen

Ann Puffpaff

Nan Binns

Rev. Peggy Nattermann

Anders McCarthy

Cynthia & Hewitt
Johnston

Luke Albrecht

Carolyn Bliss

Steve Fowle

Darrah Daly



Persons are removed from our Prayer List at the end of each month.

Please contact John Fiedorek at

jfiedorek@gmail.com

to add the names of friends and family to our Prayer List

“Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.”

– St. Teresa of Avile, d. 1582

Christian STEWARDSHIP 101

Full disclosure: when asked to write about stewardship and its meaning to me, I realized I should do some research. I thought, I can't be the only one at CEC who often hears a reference to the importance of being a good steward. But what exactly does that mean? So, I went back to school (so to speak) and did what my cherished English teacher used to tell me. Whenever I had a question, he'd say 'Look it up and keep looking. Not just for an answer but until you understand the answer and can share that understanding'. So here is what I understand...

No less than Oxford Languages defines the word 'stewardship' as the job of supervising or taking care of something, such as an organization or property. All well and good and in truth I sort of knew that. However, in the Bible, arguably the best resource book gifted to humans, Jesus tells us in Matthew 10:16, "be wise as serpents, and harmless as doves". Huh? So, I continued. In the parable of the talents, I learned the stewards invested well, knowing God doesn't want us to just write a check and then check our hearts and our minds at our collective red doors. When God gave each of us the gift of life, He also entrusted us with all of life's resources. As God's stewards we became the managers, not the owners, of those gifts and it is our responsibility not only to manage those gifts but to find joy in doing so. It is not about giving back to God. It's about using those gifts he has given each of us to accomplish things that matter in His world. Not so we humans can pat ourselves on our backs but so we



Kathy Boyer

honor God's wishes in how we live our lives. Stewardship is a joyful act for us as individuals, for the community and for the betterment of the world God created.

The Episcopal Church of Washington defines stewardship as 'what I do, with all I have after I say, I believe in you Lord'. To paraphrase, it's using those blessings God

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has given us to do the work God is calling us to do. Pretty simple isn't it. Except silencing our daily world is never easy as we try to hear God's messages. In the darkness of our times choose to be the light of God's purposes.

Stewardship is about changing lives for the better, including our own. It's about that joy we talked about. Because if we aren't honoring God with joy, it probably isn't stewardship. If you

are not smiling when you drop your weekly envelope into the basket you probably filled in the wrong amount. Too much or too little. Give a happy amount knowing it will continue to help in God's world. Remind yourself every time you make someone else's life better to thank God you were able to do just that. Share your time and your blessings any chance you get and make stewardship your way of life. It's a great way to make God smile.

*Gratefully,
Kathy Boyer*

It's Harvest TIME

*W*e, at the Stutzman Farm are excited to announce it is finally time to harvest our wheat. We planted the wheat last fall and waited with anticipation to see if it would survive the winter. We were very excited this past spring when we saw the wheat peeking through the soil and now, we are eager to eventually use the wheat for our communion bread at Christ Episcopal Church. BUT first it has to be cut, thrashed and milled. We welcome anyone to come help with the harvesting or to just join us in fellowship.

Please join us on Friday, July 30th from 2:00pm to



Taylor SERIES

at Christ Church

Christ Episcopal Church invites you to join us for an
Organ Concert by Philip Pratt

**Wednesday,
August 11, 2021
7:00 p.m.**

Christ Episcopal Church
200 State Street, Charlevoix, MI
(Corner of State and Clinton Streets)

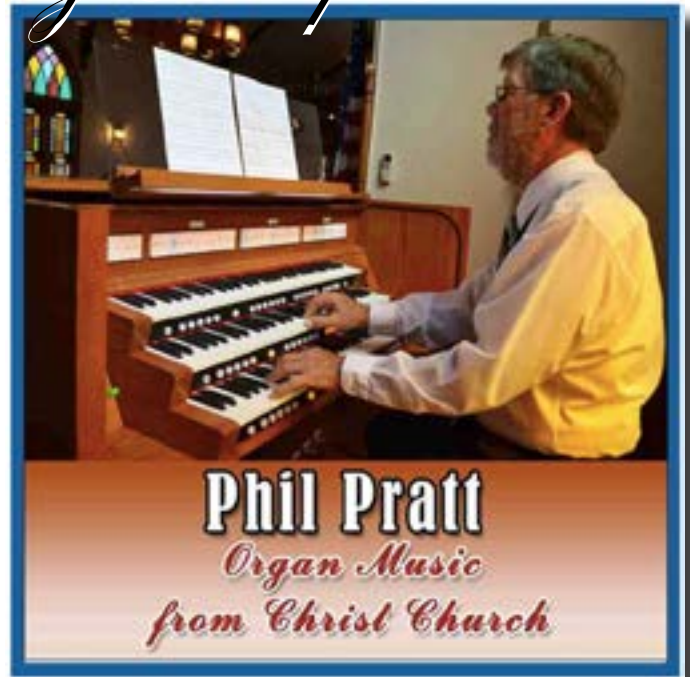
Reception following the concert
in the Parish Hall

Phil Pratt, CEC Minister of Music, will present an organ concert on Wednesday, August 11th at 7:00 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church. If you have attended any of Phil's previous concerts, you know we are in for a treat!

Phil has recorded CDs and DVDs of the music he played at prior concerts. Copies of these CDs and DVDs will be available for purchase. The entire purchase price will be donated to the CEC Scholarship Fund.

Following the concert, you are invited to enjoy a reception in the Parish Hall.

This event is sponsored by the Taylor Series of Christ Episcopal Church, Charlevoix.



Toccata in B minor (Eugene Gigout)

God of Grace (Paul Manz)

Gabriel's Oboe (Ennio Morricone)

*Prelude to the Te Deum
(Marc-Antoine Charpentier)*

Civil War Medley (Philip Pratt)

Reverie (Philip Pratt)

Semper Fidelis (John Philip Sousa)

Maple Leaf Rag (Scott Joplin)

Ave Maria

(Johann Sebastian Bach and Charles Gounod)

Now Thank We All Our God (Sigfrid Karg-Elert)

Highland Cathedral

(Michael Korb and Ulrich Roeber arr. by Charles Callahan)

Hornpipe Humoresque (Noel Rawsthorne)

Toccata on "Amazing Grace" (Christopher Pardini)

Taylor SERIES

at Christ Church

Live stream and audio equipment has been permanently installed at Christ Church thanks to the Taylor Series. You will notice the camera mounted under the balcony and a speaker mounted in the center of the sanctuary. We believe you'll notice the crisp and clear sound from the audio equipment. Both of these tools add to our worship in ways unimagined before the pandemic. Again, live streaming services can be enjoyed on the church website or YouTube.



Video camera installed for live streaming church services



Technician from Buday Sound Advice installing audio equipment at CEC

Shame corrodes the very part of us that believes we are capable of change. – Brené Brown

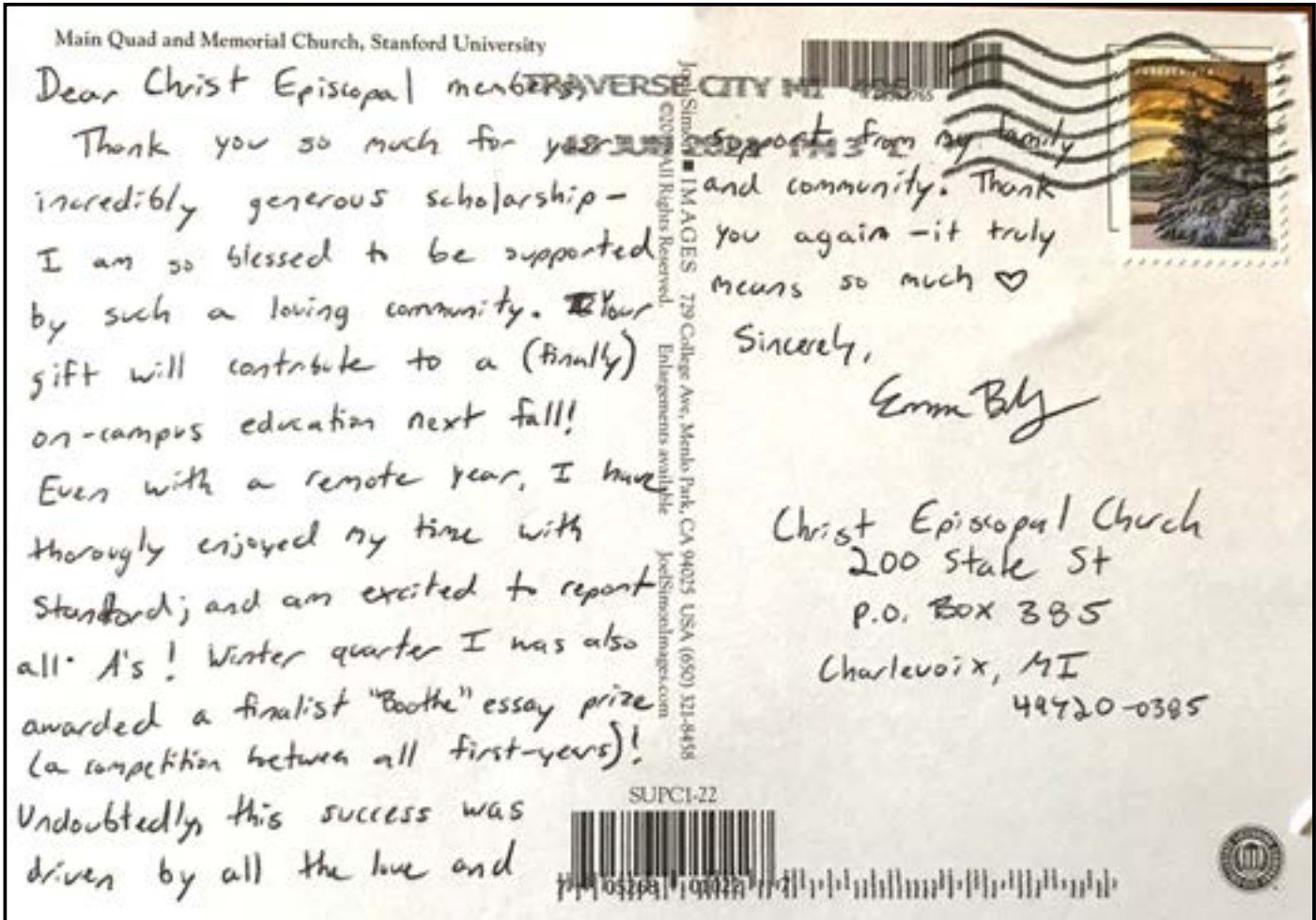
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by 5p.m. August 23

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CEC *Scholarship* MAIL CALL

In the Scholarship Mailbag this Summer



Emma Buday

Emma Buday provided this art rendering of Stanford University's Main Quad and Memorial Church.

Vulnerability sounds like truth and feels like courage,

Truth and courage aren't always comfortable, but they're never weakness. — Brene' Brown



Hayden Dvoracek

Thank you once again for the scholarship, I will begin my senior year at NMU in August. I am grateful for your support of money, prayers and treats through the years.

With gratitude,
Hayden Dvoracek
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Thanks

Thank You

Dear Christ Episcopal Church,

Thank you so much for your continued support in my education at Michigan State University. This fall will be the start of my junior year, pursuing a degree in environmental biology with a minor in mathematics.

Thank you so much,
Sincerely,

Macy McPherson

Macy McPherson

Macy McPherson, 2019 scholarship recipient from East Jordan High school sends a thank you note to CEC. She is now a student at Michigan State University.

Kind words will
unlock an iron door.
– Turkish Proverb

CEC *Scholarship* MAIL CALL

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Kara Feury

Scholarship recipient, Kara Feury, 2020 graduate of East Jordan High School sends thank you note to CEC.

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Grace

If grace is so wonderful, why do we have such difficulty recognizing and accepting it? Maybe it's because grace is not gentle or made-to-order. It often comes disguised as loss, or failure, or unwelcome change.

– Kathleen Norris

BAPTISM *Celebrations*

ON THE SHORES OF LAKE CHARLEVOIX JULY 4, 2021



Baptism of June Nancy Kirkpatrick on shore of Lake Charlevoix on July 4, 2021



Fr. Tom O'Dell baptizes Luke Thomas Kirinovic on shore of Lake Charlevoix on July 4, 2021. This was CEC's last outdoor service for 2021

A Summer with Jon Meacham

Join us as we spend a part of our summer immersed in American history and find God's hand at work in the story of our nation. In these sessions with the Rector we'll have the Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham as our guide.

We meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays at the north pavilion at Ferry Beach. Bring a lawn chair.

August 17 & 24

His Truth Is Marching On:

John Lewis and the Power of Hope

**NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS
OF THE YEAR BY THE WASHINGTON
POST AND COSMOPOLITAN**

John Lewis, who at age twenty-five marched in Selma, Alabama, and was beaten on the Edmund Pettus Bridge, was a visionary and a man of faith. Drawing on decades of wide-ranging interviews with Lewis, Jon Meacham writes of how this great-grandson of a slave and son of an Alabama tenant farmer was inspired by the Bible and his teachers in nonviolence, Reverend James Lawson and Martin Luther King, Jr., to put his life on the line in the service of what Abraham Lincoln called "the better angels of

our nature." From an early age, Lewis learned that nonviolence was not only a tactic but a philosophy, a biblical imperative, and a transforming reality. At the age of four, Lewis, ambitious to become a minister, practiced by preaching to his family's chickens. When his mother cooked one of the chickens, the boy refused to eat it — his first act, he wryly recalled, of nonviolent protest. Integral to Lewis's commitment to bettering the nation was his faith in humanity and in God — and an unshakable belief in the power of hope.

Meacham calls Lewis "as important to the founding of a modern and multiethnic twentieth- and twenty-first-century America as Thomas Jefferson and James Madison and Samuel Adams were to the initial creation of the Republic itself in the eighteenth century." A believer in the injunction that one should love one's neighbor as oneself, Lewis was arguably a saint in our time, risking limb and life to bear witness for the powerless in the face of the powerful. In many ways he brought a still-evolving nation closer to realizing its ideals, and his story offers inspiration and illumination for Americans today who are working for social and political change.

August 31

The Soul of America:

The Battle for Our Better Angels

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
and Pulitzer Prize-winning author
Jon Meacham helps us understand**

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the present moment in American politics and life by looking back at critical times in our history when hope overcame division and fear.

ONE OF OPRAH'S "BOOKS THAT HELP ME THROUGH" • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR

- *The Christian Science Monitor*
- *Southern Living*

Our current climate of partisan fury is not new, and in *The Soul of America* Meacham shows us how what Abraham Lincoln called the "better angels of our nature" have repeatedly won the day. Painting surprising portraits of Lincoln and other presidents, including Ulysses S. Grant, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, and Lyndon B. Johnson, and illuminating the courage of such influential citizen activists as Martin Luther King, Jr., early suffragettes Alice Paul and Carrie Chapman Catt, civil rights pioneers Rosa Parks and John Lewis, First Lady Eleanor

Roosevelt, and Army - McCarthy hearings lawyer Joseph N. Welch, Meacham brings vividly to life turning points in American history. He writes about the Civil War, Reconstruction, and the birth of the Lost Cause; the backlash against immigrants in the First World War and the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s; the fight for women's rights; the demagoguery of Huey Long and Father Coughlin and the isolationist work of America First in the years before World War II; the anti-Communist witch-hunts led by Senator Joseph McCarthy; and Lyndon Johnson's crusade against Jim Crow. Each of these dramatic hours in our national life have been shaped by the contest to lead the country to look forward rather than back, to assert hope over fear — a struggle that continues even now.

While the American story has not always — or even often — been heroic, we have been sustained by a belief in progress even in the gloomiest of times. In this inspiring book, Meacham reassures us, "The good news is that we have come through such darkness before" — as, time and again, Lincoln's better angels have found a way to prevail.

The Book of Common Prayer

O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by everywidening circles of fellowship, and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

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Ministry Schedule **AUGUST**

2021

Ministry	<i>Sunday August 1</i>	<i>Sunday August 8</i>	<i>Sunday August 15</i>	<i>Sunday August 22</i>	<i>Sunday August 29</i>
OT Lesson & Psalms	Mark Olson	Nancy Porter	Deb Stutzman	Steve Hall	Bob Barrett
The Epistle	John Masson	Mark Andresky	Roger Peak	George Perrett	Mark Olson
Prayers	Lisa French	Tom Garner	Susan Flanders	Rick Wertz	Mark Heydlauff
Ushers	John Fiedorek Chris Nyland	Don Collier Marge Kirinovic	George & Wendy Perrett	Mark Andresky Marsha Hall	Rick Wertz Sharon Witucki
Greeters	David & Penny Loving	Betty Stephen Ruth Willis	Jeff & Nancy Porter	Chris Nyland Don Collier	Brownie & Susan Flanders
Crucifer	Roger Peak	Rick Wertz	Brownie Flanders	John Masson	Dorothy Miller
Altar Guild	Ann Bahr Betsy Collier	Susan Flanders Nancy Porter	Lisa French Deb Stutzman	Linda Wertz Dorothy Miller	Marge Kirinovic Betsy Collier
Vestry Duty	Kathy Boyer	David Loving	Marsha Hall	Mark Heydlauff	Don Collier

Authenticity

Authenticity is a collection of choices that we have to make every day. It's about the choice to show up and be real. The choice to be honest. The choice to let our true selves be seen.

– Brene' Brown

Ministry Schedule **SEPTEMBER**

2021

Ministry	<i>Sunday September 5</i>	<i>Sunday September 12</i>	<i>Sunday September 19</i>	<i>Sunday September 26</i>
OT Lesson & Psalms	Phil Pratt	Lisa French	Mark Heydlauff	Steve Hall
The Epistle	Gary Stutzman	Bill French	Ruth Willis	Lea Peak
Prayers	Sheila Garner	John Masson	Betty Stephen	Tom Garner
Ushers	Brownie Flanders Susan Flanders	Marge Kirinovic Chris Nyland	Jeff Porter Nancy Porter	Don Collier Marsha Hall
Greeters	Marsha Hall Patti Masson	Peter Pace Sharon Witucki	Judy Colt Deb Esenther	Mark Andresky Don Collier
Crucifer	Roger Peak	Brownie Flanders	Rick Wertz	John Masson
Altar Guild	Nancy Porter Lisa French	Linda Wertz Ann Bahr	Deb Stutzman Dorothy Miller	Susan Flanders Marge Kirinovic
Vestry Duty	David Loving	Anne Stanley	Linda Wertz	Betty Stephen

Episcopal Church Women's Prayer

Almighty God, we pray that You will bless our work in mission and ministry in the world. Help us pray fervently, labor diligently and give liberally to make known the power of your love given through your Son Jesus Christ. Let us not forget the lessons from the past nor fear the challenges of the future. Anoint us with your grace and shine in our hearts as we reflect your light throughout the world. Amen