

CHART, April 2010

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2010

9:00AM FAMILY EUCHARIST

10:15AM EASTER EGG HUNT

10:45AM PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

11:00AM FESTIVAL CHORAL EUCHARIST

6:00PM SPOKEN EUCHARIST

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Letter from the Rector

April 1, 2010

Dear Friends,

This edition of the *Chart* will focus on Holy Week and Easter. When you receive this *Chart*, we will be in the midst of Holy Week. Palm Sunday will be behind us and the *Triduum Sacrum*, the three holy days (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday), will be upon us. Holy Week and Easter are at the very core of our faith. Through the liturgy of Holy Week and Easter we re-enact the bases of our faith. While we are all busy, if there is a time to take clear notice of the church and our faith, it is **this** time.

The word liturgy comes from two Greek words *λαος* (*leos*) and *ἔργον* (*ergon*). *Leos* means people and *ergon* means duty or action. Therefore liturgy is the action taken by the people. In this case it signifies the telling of our Christian story through participatory drama. We began telling our story on Palm Sunday when we re-enacted Jesus' entry into Jerusalem with our own parade of palms. Our Palm Sunday liturgy began in a party atmosphere. However, as the liturgy came to an end there was an ominous sense of dread. Our parade had turned to the fear that Jesus would not be received as savior, but rather as outcast—and even a criminal.

From Monday through Wednesday we live in uncertainty. Liturgically we go through our days (services) in a normal way. However, by Thursday, in the midst of Jesus' preparation for the Passover, it is clear that there was an impending crisis. We act out that crisis in the Maundy Thursday liturgy. Jesus had a supper with his disciples and at that dinner he washed their feet as an act of love and humility, gave them a 'new commandment' to 'love each other as he loved them,' and instituted the Last Supper. Our Maundy Thursday liturgy re-enacts all of these events. (Note that the word 'Maundy' is middle-English for the Latin *mandatum*, which means commandment.) At the end of the Eucharist on Maundy Thursday, the

consecrated bread is brought to the chapel where it is placed on an altar decorated with flowers and candles. This signifies the garden to which Jesus went to pray. It was in this garden that Jesus asked his disciples to remain awake with him and it was the place where Jesus was arrested. At the end of the liturgy the church will be stripped bare and a loud gong will end the liturgy. The church remains open for us to pray with Jesus as well.

On Good Friday we return to the garden early in the morning. We begin with Morning Prayer and the church and chapel are reserved for prayer and quiet meditation. At noon we leave the garden and travel with Jesus to Calvary where Jesus will be crucified. During the Good Friday liturgy we will read the Passion according to John, pray for the church and the world, confess our sins, bring into the church a plain cross representing the cross on which Jesus died and we will receive the consecrated bread from the reserved sacrament. The Good Friday liturgy ends in darkness and quiet.

On Holy Saturday the church remains closed. A number of churches will have a service after dark on Holy Saturday. It is called the Great Vigil of Easter and it recreates the waiting of Jesus' disciples after his death and burial and before the arrival of the women at the tomb on the third day. The church is dark when the vigil begins. A single candle is lighted (the Paschal Candle) and placed in the church. The story of creation, fall and redemption is read. Finally, additional candles are lighted, the church is fully illuminated and music fills the church. The first Eucharist of Easter is celebrated.

For us at Christ Church, there are two main services at Easter: a family-oriented Eucharist at 9:00 AM and a festival Eucharist at 11:00 AM. Each will celebrate the triumph of life over death, light over darkness and hope over despair.

Easter does not end on Easter Day; it only begins then. Easter is a 50 day celebration with two additional days of note. On the 40th day after Easter the Feast of the Ascension is celebrated and ten days later the feast of Pentecost—the giving of the Holy Spirit—brings the Easter season to an end.

I hope we will all fully participate in the re-enactment of the great story of our faith—through this Holy Week and Easter season.

This comes with my best wishes.

Sincerely,

The Very Rev'd David B. Lowry

Parish Notes:

Children's Orchestra Society/String Master Class on Friday April 9 at 7pm

The Children's Orchestra Society is presenting a String Master Class with Renée Jolles on Friday, April 9 at 7pm. Participants are COS Major Candidates: violinists Gilad Fefer and Emma Lichtenstein, cellist Aya Terki and the COS String Quintet. Admission: \$15 Adult/\$5 student at the door, reservation required. Please email masterclass@childrenorch.org to reserve your spot

Adult Education

The class on the Book of the Revelation of John, which was held in the fall, did not complete the book. This gives us another chance to review and complete the most fascinating book in the New Testament. Classes on Revelation will commence on Wednesday evening, April 14 and will continue until we finish the book.

Men's Dinner

The men of Christ Church are invited to a dinner on Tuesday, April 20 at 7:00 PM. The cost for the meal is \$10. The cuisine will be Italian (as will be the wines).

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Calendar for the Month of April, 2010

Maundy Thursday, April 1	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist	Church
	7:30 PM	Choral Eucharist with Foot Washing	Church
	10:00 PM	<i>VIGIL AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE</i> Church Closes	Chapel
Good Friday, April 2	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
	12:00 Noon	Good Friday Liturgy	Church
	7:30 PM	<i>THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION UNTIL 3PM</i> Good Friday Liturgy	Church
Holy Saturday, April 3		Church Closed	
Easter Sunday, April 4	9:00 AM	Family Eucharist	Church
	10:30 AM	<i>Easter Egg Hunt</i>	Church Yard
	10:45 AM	<i>Pre-service Music</i>	Church
	11:00 AM	Festival Choral Eucharist	Church
	6:00 PM	Holy Eucharist	Chapel
Monday, April 5	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Tuesday, April 6	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Wednesday, April 7	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
	9:20 AM	Bible Study	Parish House
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist	Church
Thursday, April 8	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Friday, April 9 <i>COS/String Master Class</i>	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
	7:00 PM	String Master Class Renée Jolles	Parish House
Saturday, April 10			
Sunday, April 11/2 Easter	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist	Church
	10:00 AM	Choral Eucharist	Church

	6:00 PM	and Church School Holy Eucharist	Church Chapel
Monday, April 12	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Tuesday, April 13	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Wednesday April 14	9:00 AM 9:20 AM 10:00 AM 7:30 PM	Morning Prayer Bible Study Holy Eucharist Finishing the Book of Revelation	Chapel Parish House Church Parish House
Thursday, April 15	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Friday, April 16	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Saturday, April 17			
Sunday, April 18/3 Easter	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Choral Eucharist and Church School Holy Eucharist	Church Church Church Chapel
Monday, April 19	7:00 AM 7:45 PM	Morning Prayer Vestry Meeting	Chapel Parish House
Tuesday, April 20	7:00 AM 7:00 PM	Morning Prayer Men's Dinner	Chapel Parish House
Wednesday, 21	9:00 AM 9:20 AM 10:00 AM 7:30 PM	Morning Prayer Bible Study Holy Eucharist Finishing the Book of Revelation	Chapel Parish House Church Parish House
Thursday, April 22	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Friday, April 23	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Saturday, April 24			
Sunday, April 25/4 Easter	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Choral Eucharist and Church School Holy Eucharist Anniversary Service	Church Church Church Parish House Church

Monday, April 26	7:00 AM	& Party Following Morning Prayer	Parish House Chapel
Tuesday, April 27	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Wednesday, April 28	9:00 AM 9:20 AM 10:00 AM 7:30 PM	Morning Prayer Bible Study Holy Eucharist Finishing the Book of Revelation	Chapel Parish House Church Parish House
Thursday, April 29	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel
Friday, April 30	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer	

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Happy Birthday!!

We are pleased to congratulate these friends and parishioners who have birthdays during this month...

Betsy Hill Ciaccio, Nicholas Cyprus, Michael Ryan, Bob Carpenter, Lucy Chaly, Emma McMahon, Christine Allen, William Allen, Analiese Deosaran, Jane Lightcap, Peter Anedel, Allison Melichar, Alex John Storozum, Kate Phillips.

Happy Anniversary!!!

Our congratulations to all those friends and parishioners celebrating their wedding anniversaries for this month...

Ted and Carole Beinecke, Lou and Marge Trapp, Bob and Betts Carpenter, Ward & Peggy Wright, William and Terry Riffin.

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SUNDAY READINGS AND ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS FOR APRIL:

MAUNDY THURSDAY – APRIL 1, 2010

Exodus 12:1-10, 11-14; Psalm 116:1, 10-17; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-17, 31-35

7:00AM MORNING PRAYER

10:00AM HOLY EUCHARIST

7:30PM EUCHARIST/WASHING OF THE FEET

VIGIL AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE CHAPEL IN CHURCH

10:00PM CHURCH CLOSES

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 2, 2010

Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; John 1:1-19:42

7:00AM MORNING PRAYER

12 NOON AND 7:30PM, GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

EASTER DAY – APRIL 4, 2010

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18

9:00AM FAMILY EUCHARIST

11:00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

6PM SPOKEN EUCHARIST

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 11, 2010

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:2,2;John 20:19-31

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 18, 2010

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:2,2;John 20:19-31

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Phyllis and Jeffrey Ivers
by Will Ivers

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 25, 2010

Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36-48

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Doreen Wedeking
by the Steuart family

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