

The Mustard Seed

August 2026

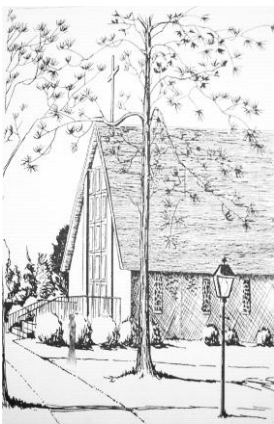
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*Christ Church –
where we gather to
worship, pray, sing,
and share so
together we may
serve our community
and the world.*

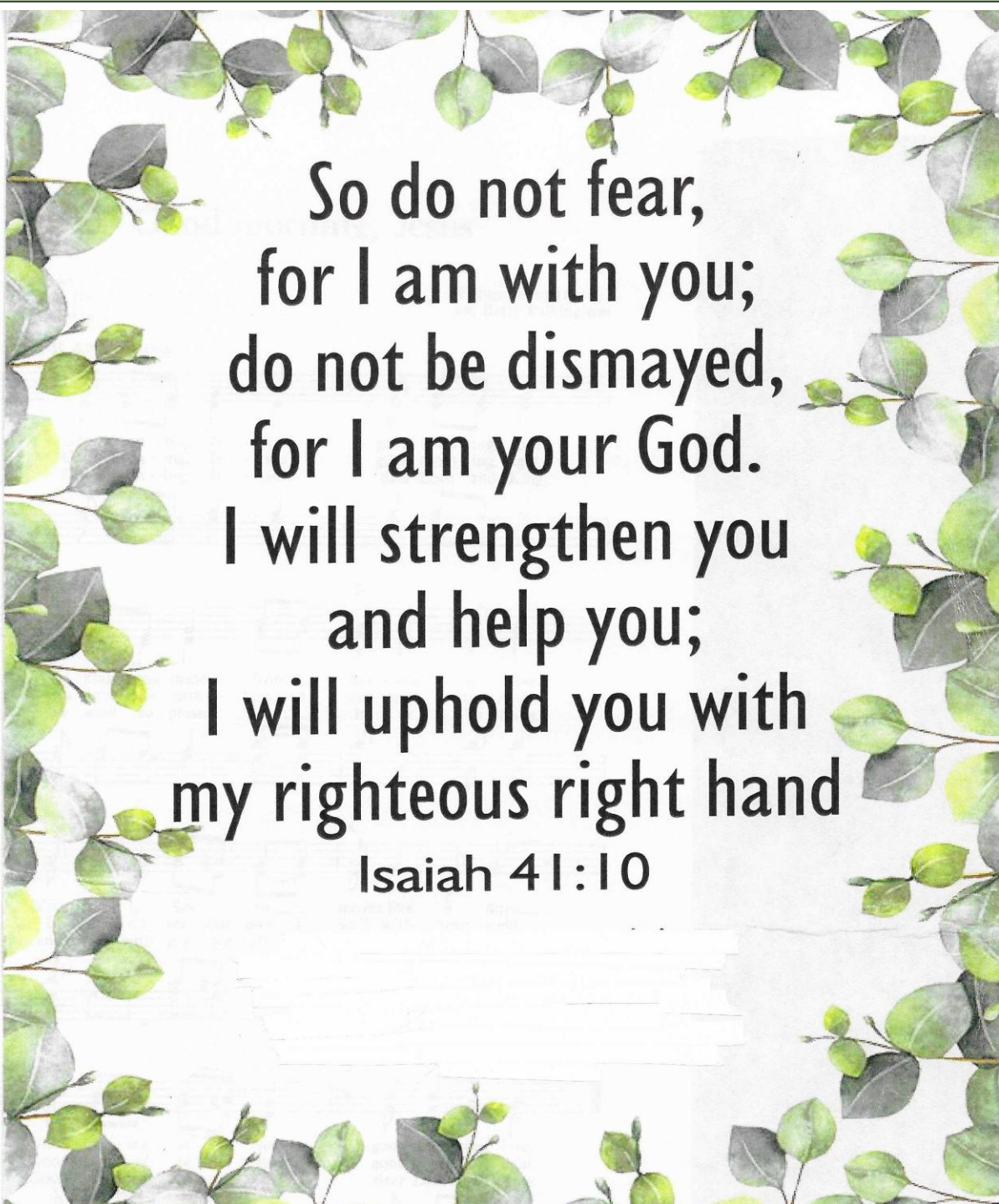


**The next Vestry Meeting
will be
Sunday, August 16th.**



Please make a note of new guidelines
for our “Cans for Kitties” program. I am
only taking aluminum drink cans for
recycling. Thanks, Sara





So do not fear,
for I am with you;
do not be dismayed,
for I am your God.
I will strengthen you
and help you;
I will uphold you with
my righteous right hand
Isaiah 41:10

**Choir Practice is in recess for the
Summer. It will be resumed this fall.**

The next ECW meeting will
be Sunday, August 2, 2026,
in the gathering room
following the service.



“
Here is the world.
Beautiful and
terrible things
will happen.
Don't be afraid.

Frederick Buechner

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~~~ Submitted by Father Emanuel~~~

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

(\*Denotes Members)

Maxine, Rick, Michelle, Helen, Anita Christman\*, Kip Carter\*, David Ford\*, Jim Abercrombie, Ben Murphy, Kristen Phillips, Belinda, Raylan, Erin Gardner, Julie Bowers, Melissa McPherson, Debbie, Cathy, Amanda Ford\*, John, Kay Lamberton\*, Mildred Wilmot, Diane Hood, Tric Deaton\*, John Port, Fionna, Allen, Rebecca Bryson, Wayne, Amelia Davis, Mike Lamberton\*, Pam Giardiello\*, Earle Holmes\*, Aubrey Crawford\*,  
Father Bill Walters



### August Anniversaries

August 28<sup>th</sup> – Bud & Carole Smith



**Please be aware that Ray's will email an invoice for flowers. Due to the high cost of postage, they have made this change. They will no longer send paper invoices.**

**You may provide your own flowers or contact the church office if you would like to use Ray's Flowers.**

### August Birthdays

August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Amanda Ford

August 4<sup>th</sup> – Stanley Johnson

August 5<sup>th</sup> – Father Bill Walters

August 12<sup>th</sup> – Linda Miller

August 15<sup>th</sup> – Bart Oliver

August 17<sup>th</sup> – Drew Clarke

August 21<sup>st</sup> – Dana Lee Walters

August 25<sup>th</sup> – Nicki Robertson

August 25<sup>th</sup> – Ernest Jenkins

August 28<sup>th</sup> – Tric Deaton



### August Flowers

August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bart & Caroline Oliver

August 9<sup>th</sup> – Philip McGuirt & Jeff Thomas

August 16<sup>th</sup> – Mike & Kathy Sistare

August 23<sup>rd</sup> – Kip Carter

August 30<sup>th</sup> – Terry & Sue Campbell



## ***AUGUST/SEPTEMBER PARTICIPANTS***

| DATE                          | L E M              | ACOLYTE/<br>CRUCIFER | USHERS/<br>GREETERS                               | TELLERS                                | ALTAR GUILD                    | LECTOR            | VIDEO<br>OPERATOR |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Sunday,<br>August 2, 2026     | Linda Baker        | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Joan Crawford<br>& Pam<br>Giardiello   | Linda Baker &<br>Merrio Morton | Ernest<br>Jenkins | Wayne<br>Johnson  |
| Sunday,<br>August 9, 2026     | Caroline<br>Oliver | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Ernest Jenkins<br>& Nicki<br>Robertson | Linda Baker &<br>Merrio Morton | Mary<br>Bemis     |                   |
| Sunday,<br>August 16, 2026    | Merrio<br>Morton   | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Kathy Sistare<br>& Joan<br>Crawford    | Linda Baker &<br>Merrio Morton | Kay<br>Lamberton  | Linda Baker       |
| Sunday,<br>August 23, 2026    | Ernest<br>Jenkins  | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Pam Giardiello<br>& Ernest<br>Jenkins  | Linda Baker &<br>Merrio Morton | Sally<br>Higgins  |                   |
| Sunday,<br>August 30, 2026    | Linda Baker        | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Nicki<br>Robertson &<br>Kathy Sistare  | Linda Baker &<br>Merrio Morton | David<br>Ford     |                   |
| Sunday,<br>September 6, 2026  | Caroline<br>Oliver | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Joan Crawford<br>& Pam<br>Giardiello   | Bart & Caroline<br>Oliver      | Lisa<br>Stamper   | Wayne<br>Johnson  |
| Sunday,<br>September 13, 2026 | Ernest<br>Jenkins  | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Ernest Jenkins<br>& Nicki<br>Robertson | Bart & Caroline<br>Oliver      | Mary<br>Bemis     |                   |
| Sunday,<br>September 20, 2026 | Linda Baker        | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Kathy Sistare<br>& Joan<br>Crawford    | Bart & Caroline<br>Oliver      | Kathy<br>Sistare  | Linda Baker       |
| Sunday,<br>September 27, 2026 | Caroline<br>Oliver | Ernest<br>Jenkins    | Mike Sistare, Jake<br>Wilson & Melton<br>Mayfield | Pam Giardiello<br>& Ernest<br>Jenkins  | Bart & Caroline<br>Oliver      | Ernest<br>Jenkins |                   |

**PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE.**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE SNACKS FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME ON SUNDAY.**

Please remember to contribute your spare change to “The Little Church” that is located on the table at the main entrance.



Monthly gifts as of July 31, 2026

\*Priest Discretionary Fund - \$22.00

Ray's Backdoor Ministry - \$25.00

HOPE - \$55.00

Sheltered - \$75.00

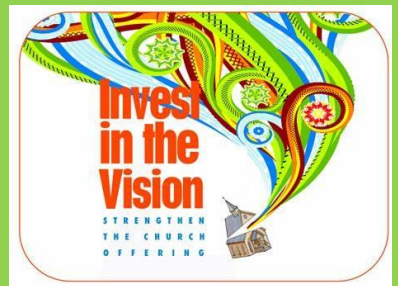
New Member Outreach - \$1,000.00

Pledge/Plate: \$6,386.90

\$8,333.00 budgeted monthly need

**This does not include any designated contributions such as EDUSC, HOPE, Sheltered, Ray's, etc.**

\*Includes first Sunday loose plate/designated donations



**Forward Day by Day booklets for August/September/October are at both entrances and in the red mailbox at the side entrance. You are welcome to pick up a copy at your convenience.**

## **August Grocery List for H.O.P.E.**

Grits, oatmeal, jelly, rice, pasta (any type), spaghetti sauce, boxed instant potatoes, beef stew, tuna, juice (any type.)

**Please remember HOPE prefers plastic containers.**

**Grocery bags are also needed.**

Place your donated items in the shopping cart located in the Narthex.



HOPE has provided over 1,108,507 pounds of food and over \$125,963 in financial assistance to our neighbors in need during the first quarter of 2026.

## **Ray's Backdoor Ministry**

Christ Church will continue to support the ongoing needs of this ministry. Please put Ray's Backdoor Ministry on the memo line of your check. God bless you richly for your ongoing contributions.

**Outreach Ministry**

