

Christ Church Bell

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Eastertide 2023

Beloved in Christ,

This summer we expect to have an unusual and historic burial at Christ Church: the reinterment of remains of nine early settlers of Calvert County.

In the 1970s, erosion along Battle Creek began to expose bones protruding from the creek bank, near the site of the Calvert Towne settlement from the 1600s. Eventually, remains of eleven individuals were excavated from what was probably the site of the "chappell," predecessor to our Christ Church.

Towson University did a forensic archeology analysis and learned *"These include one small child, an adolescent, two young adults (20 - 29 years), and seven older adults (35 years and older). There are four females, five males, and two individuals of indeterminate sex. Two of the individuals were determined to be of Native American ancestry, while the remaining [nine] are of European ancestry."*

Forensic archeology cannot identify the individuals, but according to Kirsti Uunila, retired archeologist for Calvert County, the age and gender of one set of remains suggest they could be those of Michael Taney, an early sheriff of Calvert County. Michael's wife, Mary, is remembered in our history for writing to the Bishop of London in 1685, *"We are seized with extreme horror when we think that for want of the Gospel our Children and Posterity are in danger [of being] condemned to infidelity or apostacy,"* appealing that clergy be sent to Calvert County.

The Native American remains have been returned to a Native American tribe for reburial. We are planning to reinter the remains of the nine settlers (we think they will fit in one casket) in our churchyard. Although plans are still evolving, our tentative date is Saturday, 5 August, three weeks before the Jousting Tournament.

I wonder if Mary and Michael Taney expected Calvert County to be a thriving community three or four centuries after they were laid to rest. I hope that they would recognize Christ Church as their church and legacy, and recognize our work and witness to the community. I hope that our witness is as strong for the centuries ahead.

Yours in Christ, *Christopher +*

CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following parishioners and items in your prayers:

Joys / Thanksgivings

- Historic witness and mission of the parish in Calvert County, in Maryland and worldwide
- Buildings and 47 acres of grounds entrusted to the parish

Military

- Aaron Boudreau, David Francisco, Thomas Garcia, Michael Harris, Robert Harris, Evan Metz, Brian Riva, Peeter Pleake-Tamm

Homebound and Long-term Care

- Ruth Green, Jessica Lewis, Elaine Williams, Anne Yoe

Sick / Hospitalized / Recovering

- Aurelio Azpiazu, Johnny Brodigan, Pat Buehler, Kathy Clark, Peggy Cochran, Fred Gott, Cindy Horsmon, Vera Lind, Gil Masters, Kirk Taylor, Hank Wegner, Mary Linda Wegner, Franklin Wood, Joan Wood

Special Needs / Concerns of our Parish

- Discernment and labor for strengthening faithful parish witness & mission
- Ukraine
- Turkey
- Syria

Friends of Parish

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| - Molly | -Kay Hoile |
| -Ben Norfolk | -Viola Carroll |
| -Dorothy Franklin | -William Johnson |
| -Ann Garner | -Josh Nudge |
| -Tommy Rosnage | -Daniel Carter |
| -Ronnie Bowen | - Carrie |
| -Bruce Hance | -Bonnie Kelly |
| -Lori McCarty | -Jackie |
| -Beverly | -George Owens |

We will pray for members of the parish who are sick, hospitalized, or recovering for three Sundays in church, and then remove their names from the prayer list, unless specifically renewed. We will list Friends of the Parish for one month and then remove their names from the Bell, unless specifically renewed.

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HONOR FALLEN HEROES

Christ Church will honor our fallen heroes, and, praying for those in uniform in the armed forces of our country, on Sunday, May 28, at 9:30 am (Memorial Day Holiday Monday, May 30). A 10-minute ceremony held outdoors will include prayers, music, and Taps.

Active and retired military are encouraged to wear their uniforms or service uniform hats.

Frank Griggs was kind enough to give the list of the Fallen Heroes that have flags put in their graves each year. They are: Edwin Medell, Melvin D. Bladen, John Bond, John B. Bowen, Jr., Lawrence Bowlby, James F. Boyd, Dudley Briscoe, James H. Briscoe, James T. Briscoe, John D. Briscoe, Robert M. Coffin, William Dalrymple, Gregory W. Fare, James R. Dawson, Charles W. Denton, John R. Dickerson, Stewart D. Gibson, Frederick A. Goettel, Walter M. Gott, James C. Gott, George F. Gravatt, Norman G. Green, B. Laveille Hance, Joseph H. Henderson, Jr., John P. Hill, John Jerry Hollowell, Eugene A. Hollowell, Meredith R. Huntzberry, Albert J. Johnson, Jr., Thaddeus J. Jones, William F. Kastner, Jr., Bernard J. Kimrey, LaVere H. Kopp, Warren D. Lamson, Philip S. Lines, Freeman Lohr, Richard Loveless, Milton Mackall, William T. McDonald, Lee B. McKenzie, Louis H. McKenzie, Martin H. McVoy, Melvin O'Neill, James O'Malley, Arnold Petty, Daniel B. Priest, Norman E. Prince, William E. Rausch, John F. Roberts, W. Leroy Saunders, Raymond Shipley, Melvin E. Shoemaker, William L. Sickle,

Robert L. Sickle, Sr., August Siefreied, Jr., John E. Simmons, Betty S. Skinner, Charles Skinner, Edward G. Sledge, George L. Walker, David Watson, James A. Watson, Jr., John F. Weems, Philip G. Weems, Maurice Weems, Jr., Robert W. Wells, John D. Whisman, Thomas H. Williams, Jr., Robert G. Wood, Ralph A. Woodward, Stanley E. Wright, Herbert D. Zitzewitz.

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HeartFelt – We are now filling 8 tote bags each week for SLES. Allison Sigler picks up the bags each Thursday and takes them to school. I fill the bags each weekend. Thanks to Allison, she has been doing this the entire school year. Thanks to all of the food and money you have contributed to make it possible for Christ Church to participate.

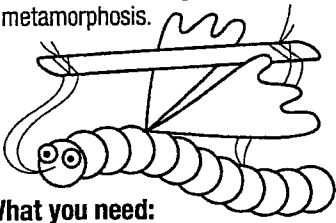
The last day for this school year for HeartFelt Bags is June 1st.

Heart F.E.L.T.
(Filling Empty Little Tummies)
A new ministry at Christ Church



CHANGED!

Make this cute puppet to show and tell the amazing story of metamorphosis.

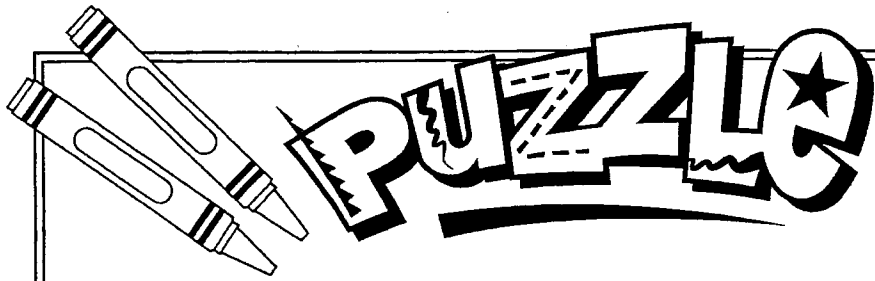


What you need:

- Needle and string
- 12 small pom-poms
- Wooden craft stick
- Scissors
- Googly eyes
- Glue
- Coffee filter
- Markers

What you do:

1. Sew pom-poms together to make a caterpillar body. Tie off that string.
2. Thread another string up through the first pom-pom, leaving 12 inches to dangle. Repeat with the ninth pom-pom, leaving two dangling strings.
3. Wrap those strings around opposite ends of the stick, adjusting their length to about 6 inches. Tie in place.
4. Glue on eyes.
5. Flatten the coffee filter and draw a symmetrical design on it. Pleat in the center to create wings.
6. Move the caterpillar puppet by holding the stick. Glue on the wings as you describe the transformation into a butterfly.



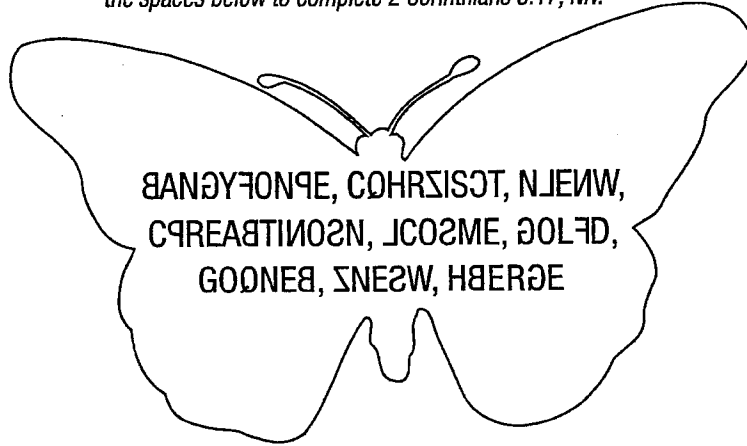
Transformation POWER



Just as the caterpillar becomes a butterfly,
God transforms us from old to new.



Directions: Cross out the backward letters. Write the remaining letters in order in the spaces below to complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV.



Therefore, if _____ is in _____,
the _____ has _____:
The _____ has _____,
the _____ is _____!

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17, NIV

Answer: anyone, Christ, new, creation, come, old, gone, new, here

I will give them singleness of
heart & action...
for their own
good
and the good of
their **children**
after them.

Jeremiah 32:39



CHRIST CHURCH



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED
	<p>1</p> <p>6:30 pm Alcoholics Anon.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:00 pm –Wed Bible Study</p>
<p>7:30 Fellowship</p> <p>8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I</p> <p>10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II</p> <p>By ZOOM @ 10:00</p> <p>11:15 Fellowship</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30 pm Alcoholics Anon.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:00 pm Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 pm –Wed Bible Study</p>
<p>14</p> <p>8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I</p> <p>10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II</p> <p>By ZOOM @ 10:00</p> <p>11:15 Fellowship</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:30 pm Alcoholics Anon.</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7:00 pm –Wed Bible Study</p>
<p>21</p> <p>8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I</p> <p>10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II</p> <p>By ZOOM @ 10:00</p> <p>11:15 Fellowship</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6:30 pm Alcoholics Anon.</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:00 pm –Wed Bible Study</p>
<p>28</p> <p>8:30 & 10 am Holy Eucharist</p> <p>9:30 am Fallen Heroes Service</p> <p>w/Fellowship following Service</p> <p>11:00 am Fellowship</p>	<p>29</p>  <p>MEMORIAL DAY</p> <p>6:30 pm Alcoholics Anon.</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Bell Deadline</p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:00 pm –Wed Bible Study</p>

Holidays and Observances: 5: Cinco de Mayo, 14: Mother's Day, 29

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WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Wednesday Evening via Zoom	9:15 – 10:30 am Thursday 4 Bible Study via ZOOM 10:00 am Holy Eucharist & Prayer Ministry 10:45 am Thursday Morning Bible Study – In Person 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	5	6
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Wednesday Evening via Zoom	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>I Love Mom</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>		

Memorial Day

may



*Mother's
Day*

PUZZLE

WORTHY OF RESPECT

On Mother's Day, we celebrate our moms and everything they do for us. How does God tell us to treat our moms?



Directions: Using the key below, fill in the blanks to complete Deuteronomy 5:16, NIV.

A	C	D	M*	N*	O*
E	F	G	P*	R*	S*
H	I	L	T*	U*	Y*

" _____ your _____
 _____ and your _____,
 the _____ your _____ has
 _____."
 _____ 5:16, NIV

Answer: "Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you." Deuteronomy 5:16, NIV

HEART, LIGHT

This Mother's Day, make a bright gift for someone special in your life.

Mom, you're the light of my life!



What you need:

- Scissors
- Cardstock
- Tape
- Mason jar
- Primer paint
- Acrylic paint (3 colors)
- Paintbrushes
- Battery-operated tea light
- Paper and pen
- Hole punch
- Twine

What you do:

1. Cut out two cardstock hearts and tape them to the jar sides, near the bottom.
2. Paint the entire jar with primer paint. Let dry.
3. Paint splotches of acrylic paint over the primer. Let dry. Remove the heart shapes.
4. Place the tea light in the jar.
5. Write a note that says, "Mom, you're the light of my life!" Punch a hole in one corner of the note, thread twine through the hole and tie the note around the jar's neck.



Patuxent Voices is having their spring concert *Let's Hear It* on Sunday, 7 May at 3:00 p.m. here at Christ Church. Can't make that date, they will be performing at All Saints Church on Friday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. and at Christ Church, Chaptico on Saturday, 6 May at 7:00 p.m.



THANK YOU OUTGOING VESTRY MEMBERS

Thank you Robert (Bob) Graham and Norman E. Prince for serving on the Vestry and helping to lead us through the Pandemic. Bob served from October 11, 2022 – April 30, 2023 filling the unexpired term of Parran Briscoe. Norman served from May 5, 2019 – April 30, 2023. Bob currently serves as a team member for the building and grounds committee and is in charge of the dishwashers in the kitchen on Tournament Day. Norman is a member of the Choir and serves on the Finance Committee. Norm said he wished he could have done more as Vestry member but felt confined due to the pandemic and thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve.

Well done good and faithful servants.

THE VESTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

OFFICERS

- The Rev. Christopher Garcia, *Rector*
- Nancy W. Zinn, *Sr. Warden*
- Bart Ewalt, *Jr. Warden*
- James G. Yoe, *Treasurer*
- Pam Briscoe, *Assistant Treasurer*
- Beverly Lusby, *Assistant Treasurer*
- Helen Prince, *Registrar*

VESTRY MEMBERS

- | | | |
|------|---------------|-----------------|
| 2023 | Bob Graham | Norman Prince |
| 2024 | Kathy Clark | Donnie McCready |
| 2025 | Peter Cochran | Patti Wahl |
| 2026 | Ron Cole | Allyson Sigler |



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AUGUST 26, 2023 - TOURNAMENT DAY



Thanks a Bunch!

Thank you, Helen Prince and Nancy Thompson, for decorating the church for Easter.

Thank you, Helen and Nancy, for taking the time to do this for Christ Church.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Prayer is offered for each person posted on the Birthday list by The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, The Daughters of the King, and other parish prayer ministries and intercessors.

Happy Birthday to each and every one of you!!! Birthdays are posted from the most current parish records. Please provide updates.

- 1 Bart Ewalt
Marisa Porter
- 2 Lisa Keeley
Gene King
Virginia McCready
John Sigler
- 3 Aliona Fulcher
- 4 Marcia Hammett
- 5 Amy King
John Yoe
- 6 Delaney Briscoe
Alice Yoe
- 7 Jeremy Dodds
Larry Lamson
- 8 Joe Bellner
Becky Smith
- 11 Chris Horsmon
Kyle Jarrett
Mike Yestramski
- 12 Steven Francisco
- 13 Hank Wegner
- 14 Fr. Kent Booth
Holly Briscoe
Stacie Browning
Ben Huether
- 15 David Campbell
Emily Mechling
- 17 Ron Cole



- 17 Joshua Garner
- 18 Danny Baker, III
Rusty Mabry
Lisa Manning
Evelyn Marney
- 19 Richard Hance
Kate Sweitzer
- 20 Ashley Bowen
Brian Ritter
- 21 Ben Horsmon
- 22 Frederick Gott
Randy Gott
- 23 Lauren Stern
- 24 Olga Booth
Marina Fulcher
Hailey Harrigan
Massey Link
- 25 Phyllis Burke
Steve Dunlap
Kayla Sickle
- 27 Brandon Call
Cheryl Garcia
Katie Prout
- 28 Luke Weems
- 29 Russell Reynolds
- 31 David Huether
Phyllis Baker
Stephen Dare

MAY ALTAR GUILD

- Kim Briscoe
- Pam Briscoe
- Chloe Ewalt
- Missy McNatt



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STAND OR KNEEL?

Easter is a 50-day season of celebration. Throughout Easter, we rejoice that we have been given new life, risen with our risen Lord. In keeping with ancient custom of the church and the joyous nature of the season, you are **encouraged to stand** (rather than kneel) for all prayers in Eastertide. *If you feel more comfortable kneeling, feel free to do so.* (Similarly, we omit the Confession in our Sunday Eucharists during Eastertide. Private confession is always available, please see Fr. Christopher.)

J.U.L.I.E.T.s

The J. U. L. I. E. T.'s will be meeting for breakfast at **Dream Weavers on Friday, May 5, at 8:30 am**. We will have the side room reserved at Dream Weavers. Plan to attend and enjoy the fellowship of fellow lady parishioners of Christ Church.

At this breakfast, we will be discussing when we will be meeting again.