



# THE COMMUNICANT

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK



## LUNCH 'N' LEARN: PRAYING OUTSIDE THE LINES

Sunday, Feb. 23 | 11:30 AM | *Hospitality Center*

Local artist and author Hannah Burr will talk about how she came to write her first book *Contemporary Prayers to \* [whatever works];* specifically, the role of creative practice, contemplative practice and prayer as a strategy of survival. Hannah learned to pray at a dark time in her life, which inspired her writing and artistic practice. She'll share images from her studio practice, her writing process, her personal philosophy of prayer, and her discovery of a personal God. This talk will have humor, color and depth as do the prayers in Hannah's books.

### ABOUT HANNAH BURR



Hannah Burr is an award-winning visual artist originally from Boston MA, now a resident of Ann Arbor, MI. Her work has been on view at many museums, and she has written three artist's books: *Contemporary Prayers to \* [whatever works]* 2013, *Help me [ ], do the thing.* 2016 and *Elements: a love letter to all things everywhere* 2019. Burr leads workshops on the intersection of creative and contemplative practice, coaches creative pioneers, and draws on 22 years of meditation practice. She's a graduate of Brown University.

Questions? Contact Pastor Manisha: [mdostert@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:mdostert@christchurchcranbrook.org)

### HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND:

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**5:00 PM** | Sanctuary  
HOLY EUCHARIST

**6:00 PM** | Guild Hall  
SATURDAY SOCIAL HOUR

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

**8:00 AM** | St. Dunstan's  
HOLY EUCHARIST

**9:00 AM** | Hospitality Center  
SUNDAY FORUM

**9:30 AM** | Room 206  
NURSERY CARE (0-3 YEARS)

**10:00 AM** | Sanctuary  
HOLY EUCHARIST

**11:30 AM** | Conference Room  
CHRIST CHURCH 101

**11:30 AM** | Guild Hall  
COFFEE HOUR

**11:45 AM** | Hospitality Center  
EUCHARISTIC VISITOR TRAINING

**5:00 PM** | Sanctuary  
CONGREGATIONAL EVENSONG

## CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

**Monday, Feb. 17**  
IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS' DAY

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:



## LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Saturday, Feb. 22 | 9 AM – Noon | Sanctuary

Come and be refreshed and be formed into Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, the lay people who read from the Scriptures and help distribute Holy Communion at worship services. You will be certified by the Diocese. Lunch is included so you can also break bread with your fellow Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.

Register Here: [rsvpccc.org/laytraining](http://rsvpccc.org/laytraining)

Contact Nathan Costa:  
[ncosta@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:ncosta@christchurchcranbrook.org)



## HELP NEWCOMERS FEEL AT HOME

Sunday, Feb. 23 | 11:30 AM | Library

Are you outgoing? Do you love meeting new people? Join us for lunch & meet the members of the Greeter and Welcome Ministries. We will have a short training about Welcoming Newcomers to CCC and a discussion about plans for these ministries as we roll further into the new year.

Contact Jill Bednas:  
[jbednas@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:jbednas@christchurchcranbrook.org)



## CURIOUS ABOUT HANDBELLS?

Wednesday, Mar. 18 | 7 – 8:30 PM | 201/202  
Wednesday, Mar. 25 | 7 – 8:30 PM | 201/202

What does it take to make those beautiful sounds of handbells? Interested in trying out our bells and chimes? Cranbrook Ringers is hosting two Handbell Basics mini-workshops. You may attend either session. No music reading necessary.

Contact Donna Hughes:  
[dhughes@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:dhughes@christchurchcranbrook.org)

# ADULT FORMATION:



## GEORGE HERBERT'S POETRY OF THE INCARNATION

Sundays Feb. 23 & Mar. 1 | 9 AM | Hospitality Center

Do Cupid and God have anything in common? Are amorous darts and wounded hearts only for star-crossed lovers? Can the phrase "all is fair in love and war" apply to God? Join us to explore the ways in which this priest and poet transforms love conventions to reimagine our relationship with a loving God, centered on Christ.

Contact Father Chris: [charris@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:charris@christchurchcranbrook.org)



## CHRIST CHURCH 101: NEWCOMER ORIENTATION

Sunday, Mar. 1 | 11:30 AM | Conference Room

Exploring CCC as a possible spiritual home? Want to know more about the Episcopal Church and its history and traditions? Interested in possible membership? Join us for this basic orientation to CCC, the Episcopal tradition, and Christianity.

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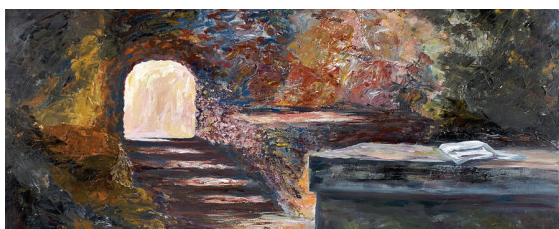


## WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Wednesdays | Noon | Room 201 & 202  
February Topic: *Interfaith Conversations*

Continue walking in your faith journey during the week with other women at CCC. In our second season of the year, Interfaith Conversations, we are going to learn about Buddhism, the ancient faith, and how it is finding new life in modern American culture.

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## PRACTICING RESURRECTION: LOOKING AT LENT

Wednesdays, beginning Mar. 4 | 6 – 8 PM | Hospitality Center

In Lent, Christians traditionally follow Jesus on his way to the cross and Calvary. But the Resurrection we celebrate on Easter is more than a happy ending. Looking at key passages in the gospels and important works of art, this series will help us see the Resurrection as an everyday practice of making room for Christ's victorious love in our lives. A special parallel program will be held simultaneously for children grades 1-4, and childcare is available.

Contact Father Chris: [charris@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:charris@christchurchcranbrook.org)

# UPCOMING EVENTS:

## BECOME A Member

### WANT TO JOIN CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK?

Simply complete a New Member form at the Welcome Table at coffee hour or visit [rsvpccc.org/membership](http://rsvpccc.org/membership)

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### NEWCOMER CALENDAR:

#### CHRIST CHURCH 101 NEWCOMER ORIENTATION

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A basic orientation for anyone wanting to learn more about CCC, the Episcopal tradition, or Christianity.

#### SHROVE TUESDAY

Tuesday, Feb. 25 | 6 PM | Hospitality Center

Meet fellow CCC parishioners in a relaxed environment as we prepare for the season of Lent.  
[rsvpccc.org/lipsync](http://rsvpccc.org/lipsync)

#### NEWCOMER OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, Mar. 8 | 11:30 AM | Library

Join us for an introduction to the church, meet the clergy, and get your questions answered!

### ITEM OF THE MONTH: FEBRUARY

#### PAPERBACKS & ACTIVITY BOOKS

We are collecting new and used paperbacks and new activity books for Bound Together, an after school tutoring program in Pontiac. Our book donations will expand the resources available for this impactful program, and should be suitable for K-5. Thank you for joining in this ministry of love for our neighbors!

**Purchase Activity Books:**  
[rsvpccc.org/iotm](http://rsvpccc.org/iotm)

**Contact Hunter Torres:**  
[htorres@enyeco.com](mailto:htorres@enyeco.com)

### GRIEF ONE DAY AT A TIME

Sunday, Feb. 23 | 2 – 3:30 PM  
Conference Room

Have you experienced the death of a loved one or a significant loss in your life? This is an ongoing grief support group that meets twice a month. We will help you explore your feelings of loss and offer support in understanding the grief process. Led by Victoria Laurenzi-Jump, Pastoral Care Associate, and Karin Hoffecker, whose son and mother recently died.

**Contact Victoria Laurenzi-Jump, Pastoral Care Associate:**  
[vjump@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:vjump@christchurchcranbrook.org)

### SHROVE TUESDAY: PANCAKE DINNER & LIP-SYNC BATTLE

Tuesday, Feb. 25 | 6 PM  
Hospitality Center

The night before Lent, we welcome all to our annual pancake supper and lip-sync battle, sponsored by the Music Department! Donations will benefit the Handbells program. After supper will be a short ceremony in the courtyard to burn palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.

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[cwells@christchurchcranbrook.org](mailto:cwells@christchurchcranbrook.org)

### PROPHETS, POETS & PREACHERS: PR. NADIA BOLZ-WEBER

Sunday, Mar. 1 | Sanctuary | Doors: 4 PM  
DYC Performs: 4:30 PM | Service: 5 PM

Featuring former stand-up comic and recovering alcoholic Nadia Bolz-Weber and the Detroit Youth Choir. Bolz-Weber is the founder and former pastor of a Lutheran congregation in Denver, House for All Sinners and Saints, bestselling author and renowned speaker. This event is free and open to the public.

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### SACRED JAZZ CONCERT: WATER FOR THIRSTY SOULS

Friday, Mar. 13 | 7:30 PM | CCC  
Saturday, Mar. 14 | 7:30  
Hartford Memorial Baptist Church

Our Sacred Jazz Concert last year was nothing short of transformational! This year we are bringing together Rodney Whitaker, Alvin Waddles, The Ngoma Za Amen-Ra New African Cultural Theatre, Christ Church Cranbrook, and Hartford Memorial Baptist Church to explore this year's theme. Free and open to the public. Doors open at 7.

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## FELLOWSHIP & SMALL GROUPS:

### MOVIE NIGHT: THE HEIRESS

Thursday, Feb. 20 | 6:30 PM  
Hospitality Center

This 1949 film starring Olivia de Havilland and Montgomery Clift is an award winning masterpiece of love, deception and betrayal. De Havilland portrays an aristocratic young woman living under the scrutiny of her malevolent father. When a penniless suitor proposes, her father threatens disinheritance. Based on Henry James' novel Washington Square. Join us for fun, food and a fantastic follow up led by Mike Frank. Bring a friend!

Questions? Contact Judy Frank:  
dujybelle@aol.com

### BOOK CLUB:

#### BLACK NARCISSUS BY RUMER GODDEN

Monday, Mar. 2 | 7 PM | Library

Five nuns confront nature—physical and human—in a remote Himalayan convent in this intensely human story of devotion, faith, and madness. This beloved bestselling novel stands among the finest fiction written in the twentieth century.

Questions? Contact Linda Popoff:  
linda.s.popoff@comcast.net

## NEWS & Notes

### SIGN UP FOR DAILY LENTEN REFLECTIONS

Each day during Lent you will receive a Scripture reading along with a meditation authored by our clergy, staff, and parishioners. During this season of reflection on our Christian faith, these devotions can help your spiritual journey by inspiring and challenging you.

[rsvpccc.org/lent2020](http://rsvpccc.org/lent2020)

Contact Sarah Buckley:  
sbuckley@christchurchcranbrook.org

### LITTLE LAMBS IS RECRUITING ASSISTANT TEACHERS

Little Lambs at CCC is recruiting Assistant Teachers for our center. We are seeking candidates with a minimum of 1-year early childhood experience who are available to work 10+ hours per week.

Contact Kerry Malczewski:  
kmalczewski@littl lambsatccc.org



### QUESTIONS?

CONTACT KATE BELL (Children):  
KBELL@CHRISTCHURCHCRANBROOK.ORG  
248.659.2992

KELLIE HERDADE (Youth & Teens):  
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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2020

June 15-19 | Church-wide

This year we head to the TREES to learn of the amazing environmental aspects God has gifted us. Woodlands Camp will guide us through trees around the world and throughout the Bible.

Registration is now OPEN for PARTICIPANTS (kids 4 years old through rising 5th grade - 5th graders are eligible for a special early junior leadership role!) and VOLUNTEERS (rising 6th graders, through adults)

Seeking SPONSORS to help us meet very special material needs.

The cost is \$40/ child, or \$60/ family.

Volunteers and Participants Register Here: [rsvpccc.org/VBS2020](http://rsvpccc.org/VBS2020)



### BABYSITTING CLASS

Saturday, Mar. 28 | 8:45 AM - 4:15 PM  
Room 201/202

This course is designed to help youth ages 11-15 learn skills to deliver the care that families need. Registration is required and friends are welcome! \$100.00

Register here: [rsvpccc.org/babysittingclass](http://rsvpccc.org/babysittingclass)



### YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

June 21 - 27 | Copperhill, Tennessee

Youth are invited to join us as we minister where people have little to provide for their families. Very few spots are left, so be sure to register ASAP if you are interested!

Register here: [rsvpccc.org/tennessee](http://rsvpccc.org/tennessee)



### REGISTER FOR CAMP

July 5 - 10 | Living Water Ministries

Register NOW, as this is a popular week. No money is required at registration, and everyone from 3rd grade through high school is welcome. We carpool together as a church to camp.

Register here: [rsvpccc.org/livingwater2020](http://rsvpccc.org/livingwater2020)

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs: 9 AM - 5 PM  
Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM