RECTOR'S MESSAGE
The Rev. Sunil Chandy

In the collect appointed for Sunday January 27th, we pray “Give us Grace, O Lord, to answer the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works...”.

The collect is an appropriate prayer for us as we gather for our Annual Meeting. In this prayer we ask for the Grace of God, unmerited divine assistance, to give us the ability to see the light of God and then the fortitude to proclaim it! Indeed, if our church is to be effective and relevant, it will always proclaim God’s ray of hope in word and deed!
This past Advent our bible study group engaged in a study of the Book of Revelation. In this well known and mysterious book St. John of Patmos gives Christians a warning from God to prepare for a time of intense persecution of Christ followers. Game of Thrones fans might translate John’s warning to say “Winter is Coming.” But, that isn’t exactly true because the Prophet John declares, Yes, a winter is coming, but there is also a new permanent spring coming for all people as Christians fiercely persevere in the teachings of Christ!

Christ followers are warned to be vigilant, faithful, and prepared during the times of persecution to enjoy the spring that follows. God tells Saint John to speak to the seven churches in Asia Minor. They have been commissioned to carry the lamp of God to a dark world. God’s message includes specific directions to each of them. In particular to the Church in Ephesus, which is acknowledged to be a vibrant church filled with faithful and intelligent people, God issues a warning:

“I do however have one thing against you, you have abandoned the love you showed at the beginning. So remember the place from which you have fallen. Repent and do the works you did at the beginning. If not, I will come and remove your lampstand from out of its place.”

The Ephesian Church was until the fifth century a preeminent example of Christian life and witness. It was in the Church of Ephesus that the great third Ecumenical Council took place, a council which was the largest gathering of churches in that century. However, St. John’s warning rings with truth, for even in
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this great important Ephesian Church, the light of God could be extinguished. Truthfully, there is no active church in modern day Ephesus (Turkey).

What was it that the Ephesian Church abandoned? The Biblical scholar N.T. Wright suggests it was “love” - not the feeling of the emotion but the verb. Love as a verb that is self-giving and not self-seeking. Love that welcomes and ministers to the poor, the sick, or hungry. Love that invites people into a deeper experience of God. Love that forgives and has the power to transform relationships! Love that encourages. Love that helps us seek to understand rather than seek to be understood. Love that does not grandstand or is self-absorbed but a love that points to Jesus!

Christ Church is similar in many ways to the Church in Ephesus. Our church has intelligent and faithful people. We have a strong history of Churchmanship much admired in our diocese, and in both the National and International Church! Our Music program and Choir under the leadership of George Kent is both nationally and internationally recognized. We have examples of great Christian leadership in our Wardens, Betsey Rice and Caswell Cooke and dedicated Vestry members. Our finances are handled with great care by our Finance Committee under the watchful eyes of our Treasurer, Stevi Blanchette and Finance Chair, Katherine Hoxsie. Our Property continues to improve under the dedicated stewardship of the Property Committee led by Doug Lawrence. Moreover, we anticipate improving our Church building and programming through our Capital Campaign beginning in the spring. Fred Allardyce, our
capable Chair of the Capital Campaign Committee, will be able to elaborate on this.

We are a voice of faith and compassion in our larger community though our Living Supplies Closet ministry. We are a growing church, bringing in new people through our five liturgical weekly services. These services combined with special services of Compline, Evensong, Lessons and Carols, and services of blessing for the community help to nurture the spirituality of parishioners and non-parishioners. We have a thriving Bible study group, and active growing ministries ranging from the Guild of the Acolytes to the Knitters. In fact, we have over 37 different commissions and ministries that keep our church engaged in the ministry of Jesus! Yes, we are an incredible faith community, and I am grateful to God to be your Rector, Priest, Pastor, and friend!

At times it is overwhelming for one full-time priest to juggle the many activities of our church, but the yoke of leadership is lightened by our staff. I thank God for them. Starting off with clergy staff, there is Bishop Joslin, whose pastoral support has been a boon to our congregation. You can always find the Bishop either in the clergy or Parish office. The Bishop is known for offering sage wisdom, a funny anecdote, or an interesting yet occasionally obscure theological insight. The Reverend Sandra Haines-Murdocco, with her quick wit and gracious heart, helps us by celebrating and preaching at the Wednesday 10 am Holy Eucharist and the 5 pm Saturday service. Sandra also provides leadership for our important Grief Ministry with Karen Hanson and Betsey Rice. I am indebted for the help and advice that both Bishop Joslin and Sandra give
to me in the day-to-day exercise of being your Rector and priest. In June 2018 our Diocesan Bishop, Nicholas Knisely, assigned the Deacon Anne Burke to our congregation. Anne preaches once a month, and she has been a Godsend for pastoral care. Deacon Anne and Bishop Joslin, along with the Pastoral Care Commission under the able leadership of Shirley Andrews, have improved pastoral care in our church.

All of us involved in our church know, we have had some staff transitions since the beginning of 2018, but the most difficult times have passed. Every time I think about our current Lay staff I smile to myself! Our Parish Administrator, Jacquelyn Smith, has been a blessing to our congregation! Pleasant and engaging, Jackie is hard working and dedicated to our church - we are lucky to have her. I am inspired by our Sunday School Coordinator, Kristy Livingston, who has a compassionate heart and great love for the ministry of children. George Kent, our organist and choirmaster has helped us find the love of sacred music. Barbara Whitford, our Business Administrator, with her sensitive care of people and of money, always makes Christ Church better. And Phillip Kurk, our talkative, yet hardworking and faithful sexton, rounds out staff. I will reserve my gratitude and comments for our volunteer staff to be shared in person at our Annual Meeting. Let’s not forget Bob Barber who opens and closes our facility day in and day out- all year!

Yes, we are good, but there is always room for improvement. We must heed the warning of the Prophet John from that ancient Island of Patmos to not abandon our first love
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while we minister to the world. What does this mean for us Christ Church?

I realize that there many different reasons why we choose to be a part of Christ Church. Some of us come for the music, others for the sense of community, still others for sacred peace and joy we receive. Some love this place because of the selfless commitment of the people who volunteer at our Church, volunteers ranging from Sunday School teachers to Acolytes, Ushers, Choristers, Altar Guild members and Eucharistic ministers. Others love the significant and good work we do.

However, the Book of Revelation beckons our church to embrace all of the above, while never forgetting our calling to be sacred place of radical love and welcome! What is this radical love? It is the desire and ability to invite and share an experience of God in Jesus with anyone, regardless of station, political persuasion, gender, age, race – you know, everything that makes us different and special!

I believe we have already begun the journey to be a place of radical welcome and hospitality. This is why we are growing every year. This is why we are financially stronger than five years ago. Under the leadership of Connie Annand - and Deb Dunham before her - and the Stewardship Committee, our pledging has increased from $306,262 about 306 K in 2013 to about $373,000 for 2019. With the hope of receiving 14 outstanding pledges, we expect this year’s total to reach over 383K!

Further good news is that we have also gotten 12 new pledges this year! Our Church is grateful to God for those who call our Church their
Spiritual Home and are willing to take care of this home by their time, talent, and treasure!

But all of us need to help in areas that require attention. Sunday School and Youth Programs seem to have plateaued at the moment. Yet, I am confident that under the leadership of Natalie Pukas, Kristy Livingston, Emily Knowles, and our Sunday School Commission, we will figure out how to thrive against the backdrop of children who have over-committed schedules and parents with over-stressed lives.

Our Sunday School Commission is asking the questions: "How do we improve? How do we encourage children to engage in our amazing program and great church? How do we help our young people to learn about Jesus so that they could have a meaningful relationship with God?" But these questions shouldn’t be the responsibility of only the leadership and teachers of our Youth program. These are questions that all of us should be mulling over in our minds, while finding ways to support and help the Sunday School in its mission.

So where are we heading? I say it depends! I see us on the cusp of transformational growth in our church - growth that would allow our lamp of light to fill the world with God’s light, while finding meaningful spirituality and relationships. This type of growth will allow our Parish to achieve our most earnest of goals for our congregation.

But I do suggest that radical love that leads to the transformation of our church depends on two fundamental things - first, on our faith and how much we want to risk for
it. Bishop Joslin gave me a beautiful metaphor. He said the church is like a turtle. To move forward, the turtle must stick its neck out, because if it keeps its neck in its shell, it never moves forward, and if it doesn't move forward, it dies! If we don't want our faith extinguished, we must stick our necks out for it! We must risk ourselves to invite people to share in this light! We must risk ourselves to ask children to join our Sunday School and youth activities, we must risk asking our friends to join us for a church service, and we must risk by welcoming new people in our midst. We must risk by listening to them as they speak of their God-given journey and risk hearing their perspectives, which may differ from our own. We must risk learning from them as they risk learning from us. We must risk by pledging and supporting this sacred place and its ministry. No matter how large or small the pledge, everyone who sees Christ Church as their spiritual home must risk and commit to the care of this home.

Second, it depends on our attitude within our community. As your pastor I see the dedication of our paid staff and volunteers. We try so hard, and we really do our best! So I believe that an attitude of gratefulness is vital for our church and for our lives! Yes, at times in the midst of a busy and active church there will be missteps, but even our missteps will work toward the glory of God! But for this to happen, we must be grateful for each other. This in turn will lead us compassion, allowing us to encourage and to understand each other, so that the Glory of God may be seen in this Christ Church community!

So that God's light will always
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shine through our church in Westerly, Stonington, and all of South County, so that the world may always perceive the marvelous works of God!

Amen

Fr. Sunil Chandy +

Join Us, Sunday, February 17, 2019 at 2pm
$10 suggested donation at the door.

A Benefit for the W.A.R.M. Center

20 Acts, 1 Guitar

Pass the Guitar!

Welcome to our Newest Acolyte!

Andrew Kitchen has joined the Christ Church Acolyte Guild as our newest member! The acolyte is accepting members of all ages, as young as 1st grade! Please contact CaswellCookeJr@gmail.com today for more information for you or your child!
Flowers on the Altar and the Sanctuary Light are appropriates way to memorialize our faithful dead as well as to offer thanks to almighty God for special blessings. They represent for us the Resurrection of our Lord and provide grace and beauty to his House.

You are invited to place flowers on the Altar or give the sanctuary candle on Sundays during the year. During Lent, which begins this year on March 6th, we encourage the gift of the Sanctuary candle as we do not have flowers on the Altar during this time with the exception of Mothering Sunday, March 31st. However, if you do wish to request flowers during Lent, we will place them on the windows located at each side of the Altar Rail.

Flowers or candles may be placed by more than one person or family on any given Sunday. The suggested cost is $30.00. With this in mind, additional donations are left to the discretion of the donor. Checks are to be made out to Christ Church Altar Guild and “Altar Flowers or Sanctuary Light and the date” should be noted in the memo line.

Offerings for Altar flowers and Sanctuary candles and requests for dates should be sent at least two weeks in advance of the date to Christ

Enrolling New Members for 2019!

11am service members needed especially!

Please contact Fr. Sunil, Cheryl Leong or Natalie Pukas if you are interested. Or call the office at (401) 596-0197.
Church, 7 Elm Street, Westerly RI 02891, brought into the office, or placed in the collection plate. Envelopes containing the forms for requests have been placed in the Narthex of the church and outside of the office. Please be advised that the bulletins are generally printed on Wednesdays and that is why the earlier the request is received, the better. Any requests made for the same week as the request is made will most likely not be placed in the bulletin if it received after Monday. You may also include multiple dates on the form.

The opportunity is also given at Christmas and Easter for everyone to share in memorial decorations for the church through special envelopes available several weeks before the feast.

Flowers that are placed in the church are taken to the sick or shut-ins or those who are celebrating a special event in their lives by members of the Flower Ministry.

The Altar Guild will once again be selling roses to celebrate Mothering Sunday. March 31st. In the past two years we have raised funds for the to purchase and install the railings behind the altar, purchased a new printer and ink and a sound system for our Church School and Bible School and raised money toward the installation of smoke, CO2 and gas detectors in the undercroft and outside of the kitchen. The sale will begin this year during the first week of March and forms will be placed in weekly bulletins as well as the March Cornerstone. Our main focus of profits this year will be our revitalized Acolyte Guild. So far we have identified refurbishing of the second set of torches, stands for the torches and colored cinctures (belts) for our acolytes and Crucifer to wear during the various seasons of the liturgical year. Depending on the profits, we may also have funds available for other necessary projects not in the church budget. 100% of the proceeds from the rose sale go to these projects. It is not a fundraiser for the Altar Guild!

The liturgical color for this entire month will be green.
With misinformation on the rise, and trust in the media on the decline, where do we find reliable sources? How do we understand “truth,” in the context of “alternative facts” and “fake news?” Experts often disagree, so who or what can we rely on to give us the goods? Google? Alexa? Oprah?

In ancient Israel, teachers of the Law always cited sources and quoted scripture, but Jesus simply says, “I say to you...” He speaks with his own authority, not in the name of another. Jesus is very aware of who he is and that identity gives him the confidence and credibility to give orders, make judgments, and enforce obedience. It is this superior spiritual status that is the source of his authority. He is the “Holy One of God” who liberates us from the grip of the “evil one.”

We can’t believe everything we read or hear, but Jesus’ teachings are not the product of doing research, documenting sources, or fact checking. He is validated simply by who he is, the Holy One, doing his Father’s will and demonstrating that he is our “truth,” and that through him, the “truth will set us free.”

Faithfully,

Anne

Rev. Dn. Anne B. Burke
Thank you Bill Crosdale for making the Stained Glass lighting look so wonderful. This is a memorial to Fr. James Annand who was Rector of Christ Church in the 50’s and 60’s.
185TH ANNUAL MEETING

Rector Sunil Chandy honored the staff, volunteers, the hospitality committee, and retiring members of the vestry. Guests enjoyed a large spread of finger foods and desserts and listened to interesting presentations about the property improvements, the future of the church, the upcoming Capital Campaign and a dynamic financial report.
Celebrate Westerly's 350th Anniversary!

Christ Church joined other local churches and buildings to participate in the Unity Bell Ringing to mark the 350th year of Westerly's Anniversary on New Years Day. Lido Mochetti played our 10-bell chime from 12 noon to 12:01. Visit our Youtube page to watch the whole thing!
The Christ Church Knitters had outstanding Christmas Bazaar sales, earning over $1,000 thanks to all of you who purchased our handmade items. Also, thank you to whoever left anonymously so many beautiful sweaters and jingle bell jester hats that were extremely popular!

We are now working diligently on creating items for the 2019 Bazaar. We would like everyone to know that we shall gladly knit to order. Thus, if you have something in mind that you would like for yourself or a friend, please contact Andrea Scott-Ram. She will assist with yarn and pattern selections and we'll do the work.

We also have an inventory of items we are offering for sale now and during the year. We have some lovely baby sweaters available as you can see by these pictures. If you are looking for a baby gift, please consider one of these handmade sweaters. All proceeds go to the Christ Church Fundraising Budget.

We are also planning to knit a new item -- doggy sweaters! We have some patterns for you to consider or if you have something in mind, we would be happy to knit for your four legged friend! Contact Andrea for further information.

The Tea and Knitting Group meets at 3 pm on the third Monday of each month. All who knit and crochet are welcome. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, please consider joining.
JOIN A COMMITTEE OR GROUP!

Christ Church is an active Parish with over 25 committees and clubs! Make new friends and help make a difference!

Acolytes
Adult Forum
Altar Guild
Bible Study
Center for Reconciliation
Choir
Christian Formation
Craft Club
Garden & Grounds
Hospitality
Knitting Group
Pastoral Care
Poetry Group
PR/ Social Media
Peace & Justice Group
Lay Eucharistic Ministers
Lay Readers
Living Supplies Closet
Men's Club
Navajoland Mission
Ushers & Greeters
Spiritual Life Programs
Stewardship
Sunday School
W.A.R.M. Center Dinners
Welcome Committee
Young Adult Group
Young Parent's Group
USHERS NEEDED
All you need is the ability to smile and say hello! We need people who would like to serve at the service they regularly attend as well as those who are flexible and can substitute for others. Please contact Jane Pawelkiewicz Home (401)322-7661, Cell (860)933-4406 (text or call!)

HOUSE BLESSINGS
Fr. Sunil will make home visits to bless houses this Epiphany. Please fill out a form in the Parish Hall lobby or online: www.christchurchwesterly.org/houseblessing

PRAYER LIST
Please help us keep our prayer list current! Please take a look and send any updates to the secretary.christchurch@verizon.net. Please also contact us if you are ready to be placed on the Thanksgiving List of Healing. Thank you, The Pastoral Care Commission.

PASTORAL CARE REMINDER
We ask if you will kindly remember to call the church office when you or your family member are in the hospital or placed in a nursing home. It allows the clergy and us to visit, bring communion, or send flowers, etc. Due to restrictions of confidentiality, your call is the only way we will know when loved ones - family members and friends are hospitalized or placed in nursing homes.

CANDLEMAS TRIVIA
You may recall from a previous quiz that the Yuletide Season goes from Hallowtide to Candlemas. With Candlemas coming up, that is the subject for this month's quiz. For more information, look up how this is a significant event, and how it came to be known as Candlemas.

Answers on next page

1. When does Candlemas occur?
2. What is another name for Candlemas (as found in the BCP)?
3. What piece of liturgical music is associated with Candlemas?
Christian Formation Announcements

**Yawgoo Family Trip**
Join us on February 24th for family fun tubing! Meet us at 12:30 at Christ Church to carpool together up to Yawgoo!

**Young Families Potluck**
Join us on Saturday, February 23rd at 4 pm at the home of Jen and Mike Evering. Please RSVP to Jen at (860) 857-1441 (call/text)

**Early Communion**
Our early Communion program educates our young children in the sacrament of Holy Communion. It is open to all children grade 1 and above. If you are interested in having your child participate in this year’s class, contact Kristy Livingston at 401-596-0197 or stop by the office. Classes will be held 2/10 through 4/28 during Christian Formation 10:15-11:15. The Early Communion Service will take place Sun. 5/5.

**TRIVIA ANSWERS (from previous page)**
1. It falls on Feb 2, being 40 days after the Nativity.
2. The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.
3. The way Mary's Song (from Luke 1:46-55) became known as the Magnificat, Simeon's Song (Luke 2:29-32) became
# FEBRUARY 2019

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DJ TRIVIA

TRIVIA NIGHT

@ CHRIST CHURCH WESTERLY

7 ELM STREET, WESTERLY, RI
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019 @ 7:00 PM
$12.50/ EACH OR $100/ TEAM
OF UP TO 8 @ THE DOOR

POTLUCK DESSERT * BEER & WINE SOLD!

RSVP: 401-596-0197 or parishadmin@christchurchwesterly.org
Taste of India III
Saturday, March 9 at 6pm
$25 per adult
$10 per child under age 12

Join us for an exciting evening open to everyone in the community. Come and experience a meal unlike any you’ve ever had!

The Christ Church Men’s Club and Fr. Sunil Chandy are hosting. The meal will be prepared by Fr. Sunil’s brother lyte Chandy.

We will have wonderful decorations as well as live entertainment!
Email: caswellcookejr@gmail.com for more information.

Tickets available through Eventbrite
Visit www.Eventbrite.com and search “Taste of India III”

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7 Elm Street (Corner of Elm and Broad Street)
Westerly, Rhode Island 02891
EPISCOPAL 101
"The basics of our tradition"

Wednesdays at 6pm
Christ Church Parish Hall

February 6, 2019
Church History - Beginning from the 1st Century an introduction of the church's story in God's story.

February 13, 2019
The Bible (Holy Scripture) - One of the three legs of the Anglican three legged stool that describes the lens through which the Episcopal Church sees the world.

February 20, 2019
The Book of Common Prayer - The second "important" book of our tradition (next to the Bible). This class will cover history and theology of the prayer book.

February 27, 2019
Sacramental Rites - In this session we will examine the two great sacraments of the Anglican Tradition. Baptism and Holy Eucharist. We will also discuss the role of the Sacramental Rites. Ordination, Confirmation, Unction, Reconciliation of the Penitent and Holy Matrimony.

To Register, please email: parishadmin@christchurchwesterly.org, call the office at 401-596-0197 or stop by!
Be a Christ Church Acolyte!
Join us today — we want YOU!

Be a part of this great Episcopal Church tradition and learn all about why and how we worship.

Open to all ages 8 and up. Being an Acolyte makes worship even more fun and meaningful and gives a sense of pride and accomplishment.

An acolyte can assist in worship by carrying a processional cross, lighting candles, holding the Gospel book, carrying “torches”, assisting a deacon or priest set up and clean up the altar, swinging a censer or thurible or carrying the incense boat, handing the offering plates to ushers, and many other tasks.

For more information, contact Caswell Cooke at 401-932-3519 or caswellcookejr@gmail.com

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Bell-Ringing Classes & Belfry Tours
At Christ Church

Curious about the belfry setup?
Want to learn to play the Bells?
Join us to learn more about this ministry!

Contact Lido Mochetti at: (401) 596-3423
Christ Church
Newcomer Get Together

Saturday, February 9th at 1pm

153 High Street
Unit 14
Westerly, RI

Please park in the front circle or the back parking lot. Thanks!

*If you are new to Christ Church, please join us for delicious food and good conversation!*

**RSVP to Jen at 860-857-1441 or Welcome@ChristChurchWesterly.org**

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Living the Way of Love: Practices for a Jesus-Centered Life

Can you imagine a world where love is the way? A world changed from the nightmare it is for so many into the dream God has for us?

Join us February 16 to learn more about how living into the Way of Love can help create that kind of world.

Way of Love kickoff event
Saturday, February 16 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
St. Mary's, Portsmouth

You’ll hear from Bishop Knisely and seven other Rhode Island Episcopalians about how they live into each of the seven Way of Love practices. You’ll also meet with one of those leaders in a small group to brainstorm ways to bring these practices to your life and community.

Bishop Knisely challenged us at the 2018 Diocesan Convention to "live in a way that is recognizably different than the rest of the world ... to walk the Way of Love." Take a step toward that way by joining us on February 16.

Register on Eventbrite: https://thewayoflovekickoff02162019.eventbrite.com
St. Patrick’s Day
Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

ALL ARE WELCOME

Sunday
March 17th
from 5-7PM

Christ Church
Parish Hall

CELTIC ENTERTAINMENT

$14 per person includes dessert
$7 alternate children's menu available
Beer and Wine sold

Tickets in advance at Eventbrite.com (St. Patrick’s at Christ Church)
or at the office (401) 596-0197

COMPLINE SERVICE

A beautiful sung candlelight service of Compline will take place in the church at 7pm.

Compline is the monastic hour service sung traditionally at 9:00 p.m. By the end of the 4th century the hour services were in place in European and Middle East monasteries. Monks traditionally sang hour services originally started at 3:00 a.m. and Compline, a very beautiful service was the last service for the blessings of the day and to anticipate God’s gift of a new day.
Fall/Winter Services

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Rite I Holy Eucharist spoken service

Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Rite II Choral Eucharist

Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Eucharist with Incense

Wednesday 7:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 10 a.m.
Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 10:45 a.m.
Bible Study

Christ Episcopal Church

CLERGY
The Rev. Sunil Chandy, Christ Church Rector
The Rt. Rev. David Joslin, Rector Emeritus; Bishop in Residence
The Rev. Sandra Haines-Murdocco, Priest Associate
The Rev. Deacon Anne Burke, Deacon

STAFF
Jacquelyn Smith, Parish Administrator; Wedding Coordinator
Barbara Whitford, Financial Administrator
George Kent, Organist & Choirmaster
Kristy Livingston, Director of Christian Formation
Phillip Kurk, Sexton
Erin Breslin and Anthony Berling, Childcare Coordinators

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