

Christ Church Announcements for the week of Aug 17, 2025

2025 Back-to-School Drive

A new school year begins in September, and The Calico Cat Pantry (of which we're a member) seeks our support for their annual Back-to-School Drive. For the past 28 years we parishioners have given generously to help students in need begin the school year equipped for success. These children are from families who have qualified for Pantry support, so the need is clear.

The Calico Cat Pantry currently serves 40-50 school-age children who need our assistance. Ideally the Back-to-School Drive will provide \$50 in gift cards to each child, for a total of \$2,500. Last year, Christ Church parishioners generously donated \$655 to this worthy cause.

This year we've been asked to contribute \$25 Target and Kohl's gift cards the Pantry can distribute to their client families. You may donate gift cards or funds that can be used to buy gift cards. If you write a check, please make it payable to Christ Church and write "back-to-school" on the memo line. We have also set up a back-to-school donation line on the parish Vanco page for gifts via credit card. Cash works too!

The official deadline is August 30. Please try to make your donation by Labor Day (September 1) so any needed clothing can be bought before school starts. No matter when or how much you are able to contribute, your gift will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for supporting our neighbors in need! Barbara Garrity

Rummage Sale

Mark the calendar for our annual rummage sale!

Dates: March 20 & March 21. You can start dropping off your summer and spring items, costume jewelry, pocketbooks but please hold onto Christmas and large items. You can leave items in room 118 on Sundays.



Just a few more weeks until our choir returns! Mark the calendar for Sept 10th as the day some of us can go back to lip synching and listening to our talented choir!

Texas Flood Relief

As we have all witnessed the horror of the Texas floods over the Fourth of July weekend, many Christ Church parishioners are looking for ways to help. [Episcopal Relief and Development](#) (ERD) is working through the Diocese of West Texas to get help to those most in need. Other ways to help include [World Central Kitchen](#) , who has been on the ground for days providing fresh meals to impacted families and first responders. Another option is the *Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country*. This is a long established group that has set-up [the Kerr County Flood Relief Fund](#) which will support rescue and rebuilding efforts.

For those who would rather give through their church account, any cash or checks (made out to Christ Church) should have Texas Flood Relief in the memo line or you can give through the special Texas Flood Relief Fund set-up in Vanco. Donations made through the church will go to ERD's U.S. Disaster Fund. Thank you for your generosity to those who have lost so much and please continue to pray for the families impacted by this tragedy.

Baptism Dates

Please contact the office if you would like to schedule a Baptism. We have the following dates available: November 2.

The Christ Church Cycle of Prayer

During our Morning Prayer service we will pray for a few parishioners by name. This way, our entire parish will be prayed for by name at least once each year. Parishioners prayed for this week:

Monday : The Noecker Family

Friday: The Nikolakos Family

PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES - YOUR ATTENDANCE WILL MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE!

Month	Event
August	Crochet Club 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm – August 14 and August 28th
September	Summer Soiree – September 12th