

rolling suitcases or backpacks, and, of course, volunteers! Thanks to all of you who continue to remember the ladies of StS with your donations of items or financial support. For more information, please contact Jane Mellers at janem27442@aol.com.

Rare Breed: The Elves were at it again this month! I walked into the Christ Church kitchen and found multiple boxes and sacks of donations for Rare Breed. We continue our mission to provide sack lunches for youth in need and we deliver on the third Tuesday of each month. Please consider joining our ministry. You can sign up to bring food by visiting bit.ly/3hkSaSX. You can also leave your donations of food in the church kitchen with a note for Rare Breed. Suggested items include single-serve/pop-top entrees, such as canned chicken, microwave pasta, single-serve tuna with crackers, soup/chili, sub sandwiches, soft granola bars, trail mix, fruit cups, fresh fruit, ramen noodles, chips, Gatorade, pre-wrapped burritos, single-serve vegetables, and any creative idea you come up with!

The Support Group for Dementia Caregivers will meet on May 16 at 2 p.m. via Zoom. Here is the link to join <https://otc.zoom.us/j/7275824214>. For more information and a link to join please contact the church office at 866-5133.

The Great 50 Days of Easter: Be on the lookout in the coming weeks for our Great 50 days of Easter video which features musical performances by the choirs here at Christ Church. In the meantime, check out our video of An Easter Alleluia performed by the St. Cecilia Children's Choir on our YouTube channel (Christ Church Springfield, MO) or our website at ChristEpiscopalChurch.com.

Like, Share, Subscribe: If you are on social media or follow our YouTube channel please be sure to like, share, and subscribe to our content. Evangelism is challenging, but sharing a post, picture, or video that resonates with you is a great way to help others to "know Christ" and helps us to "make Christ known" in our community.

Get Your COVID-19 Vaccine: Anyone over the age of 16 can now receive the COVID-19 vaccine in Missouri. We urge you to get vaccinated for COVID-19 if you are able and have not yet done so. If you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine, the Greene Co. Health Department has many useful tools on its website to answer your questions. You can learn more at health.springfieldmo.gov/5068/Coronavirus.

Psalm 22:24-30

Deus, Deus meus

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Serving Rota:

Clergy: The Rev. Kenneth L. Chumbley, The Rev. Mark W. Ohlemeier

Preacher: The Rev. Kenneth L. Chumbley

Readers: Randy LaFerriere, Julia Taylor

Choir Director: Kenny Kabak

Organist: Catherine Wong

WE PRAY FOR THE ILL, including Vickie Aldridge, Steven Anderson, Margaret Banta, Kris Booth, Kirk Brantner, Charles Busch, Peggy Cannon, Mike Cox, Lucia Creamer, Ken Ehlen, Kirk Goforth, Nancy Johnson, Laura Johnson and family, Christian Heady, William Hill, Tanya Kirby, Myrna Lanier, Linda Likins, Wil Long, Margot McGinnis, Greg Messier, Dale Mills, Louise Morgan, The Rev. Mark W. Ohlemeier, Sue Reenan, Amy Reecamper, Chuck Singleton, Susie Stovall, Corky Taylor, David Taylor, Richard & Ginger Taylor, Debbie Welker, The Rev. Steve C. Wilson.

WE PRAY FOR Christ Episcopal Church (Warrensburg) in The Diocese of West Missouri, for Father Fritz Valdema and Carmel Valdema, Dr. Tram and Hannah Jones, the Lespwa Timoune Clinic in Haiti, and for the parish staff members of The Diocese.

WE PRAY FOR SPECIAL NEEDS, including caregivers and their families, healthcare professionals and their families, and for our military personnel and their families.

Birthdays This Week:**May**

- 3 Bob Johnson, Mary Lou Smith, Marion Spicer
- 5 Wally Munden
- 7 Kai Ruff
- 8 Anne Dunn, Courtney Heinlein

Readings For Next Sunday, The Fifth Sunday of EasterActs 10:44-481 John 5:1-6John 15:9-17

Sign up for in-person worship: Please be sure to sign up for worship at <https://reopen.church/r/Zkst53kb>. Pre-registration helps to ensure that we do not exceed our occupancy limit as set forth by county health officials and allows for contact tracing. You can also sign up by visiting our website at ChristEpiscopal-Church.com and clicking the "Plan a Visit" button. If you have trouble or don't have a computer or smartphone, please contact the church office at 866-5133 before 5 p.m. on Friday and we will sign you up.

The Adult Forum Resumes in-person and virtually: The Adult Forum will begin in-person meetings again starting Sunday, May 9. We will meet in the KfC room, and will also continue with our virtual option. Please sign up for the in-person Adult Forum using our reopen.church link above. This week (virtual), we will continue our discussion of From many, One: Conversations Across Differences. Our topic for this Sunday will be "Hope". We will be using GoToMeeting and you can join at 9 a.m. by using this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/606727653>, or by dialing 1-866-899-4679 followed by the access code 606-727-653.

A Brighter Haiti: Our friends over at LightfromLight encourage you to join them for the Missouri fundraiser for the Lespwa Timoun Clinic. Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased at lightfromlight.me/abhmotickets/. The event will be indoor and outdoor to accommodate for Covid precautions. If you would like to sponsor the Lespwa Timoun Clinic, please visit lightfromlight.me/abrighterhaitimo/ to donate. A Brighter Haiti will take place on Saturday, May 8, at 4 p.m. at the Diamond Room located at 2340 W. Grand Street.

OneSolePurpose Update: Bissett Shoes will arrive in May, just in time for summer! The event is scheduled for Friday, May 14, and will take place on one day instead of two this year. We will begin measuring the children's feet at noon and will pass out their shoes that same afternoon. We will need 12-15 volunteers to handle both groups. We are planning to be outside, weather permitting. If you still have not yet donated it's not too late! The cost of a new pair for each child is \$26.00. You can make your check to Christ Episcopal Church with "OneSolePurpose" in the memo line. For more information or to volunteer, contact Kathy Sheppard at 861-9971 or email kathyshepard1950@gmail.com.

Safe to Sleep: As always, the needs continue for Safe to Sleep! Currently on the list are peanut butter, decaf coffee, earplugs, disposable masks, rain ponchos, travel-size deodorant, small