

# **Christ The King Episcopal Church**

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**Worship Plan for Sunday, May 19th, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.**

**The Day of Pentecost – The Holy Eucharist Rite Two**

**The Word of God**



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*Junior Warden: Jermaine Smith*

## Welcome to Christ the King Episcopal Church

Welcome to Christ the King Episcopal Church in Willingboro, NJ, a vibrant and growing Episcopal parish in Willingboro, Burlington County, New Jersey. Over the past 60 years, the fabric of Christ the King has been woven by the Spirit from the lives and gifts of diverse people; their desire to live their faith through worship, service, study, and stewardship; and the ever-evolving life of Burlington County itself.

Our parish is guided by its mission to share God's love for all people. Together we seek to build relationships with one another and with our neighbors, to cultivate compassion, to deepen our knowledge and spiritual practices, to work for justice rooted in essential human dignity, and to live as conscientious contributors to the life of our city and the Anglican Communion worldwide. As we grow together in service and love, we know ourselves, first and foremost, as followers of Jesus.

We are delighted to welcome you today; thank you for the gift of your participation and prayers. If you are new to Christ the King, please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy or one of the Ushers.

**Meditation:** In The Presence of Jehovah

**Processional Hymn #460 – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!**

**Opening Acclamation (BCP p-355)**

*The people standing, the Celebrant say:*

Celebrant            Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People                The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect of Purity (BCP p.355)

*The Celebrant say,*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Opening Anthem or Song of Praise LEVAS 243 Glory to God or (BCP p.356) The following is Sung, all standing*

**Gloria: LEVAS 243 Glory to God**

Glory, Glory, hallelujah,  
Lord we praise your Holy name,  
Glory, Glory hallelujah,  
Lord we praise your Holy name.  
Glory to God in the highest, and  
peace to His people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty  
God and Father, we worship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for  
your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord  
God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sin of the world: have  
mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive  
our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Glory, Glory, hallelujah,  
Lord we praise your Holy name,  
Glory, Glory hallelujah,  
Lord we praise your Holy name.

**Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day:**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also with you*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Word**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

**First Reading: Acts 2:1- 21..... Olin Mitchell**

*The people sit.*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed

and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 104:25-35, 37..... Olin Mitchell**

*(Said antiphonally, alternating between the Leader and People)*

<sup>25</sup>O Lord, how manifold are your works! \* in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

<sup>26</sup>Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, \* creatures both small and great.

<sup>27</sup>There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, \* which you have made for the sport of it.

<sup>28</sup>All of them look to you \* to give them their food in due season.

<sup>29</sup>You give it to them; they gather it; \* you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

<sup>30</sup>You hide your face, and they are terrified; \* you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

<sup>31</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \* and so you renew the face of the earth.

<sup>32</sup>May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \* may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

<sup>33</sup>He looks at the earth and it trembles; \* he touches the mountains and they smoke.

<sup>34</sup>I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \* I will praise my God while I have my being.

<sup>35</sup>May these words of mine please him; \* I will rejoice in the Lord.

<sup>37</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul. \* Hallelujah!

**Celebrant and People:**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:\* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27.....Debbie Stewart**

**The people sit.**

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Anthem:..... Praise Choir

**Sequence Hymn – I’m goin a sing when the Sprit say Sing. -  
LEVAS # 117**

**The Gospel**

**All stand.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>26</sup>Jesus said “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the

truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

(John 15:26-27;16:4b-15)

Reader     The Gospel of the Lord.

***People     Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**SERMON HYMN**

**Verse 1: “Alleluia”,   Verse 2: “God is With Us”**

**The Sermon.....The Rev. Vernal Savage**

**The Nicene Creed**

All stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from



heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Prayers of the People**

*All remain standing.*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

### **Silence:**

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world; *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For [N. our Presiding Bishop, and N. (N.) our Bishop(s); and for] all bishops and other ministers;

*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

### **Silence:**

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great*  
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

**Silence:**

We will exalt you, O God our King.  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*  
We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

**Silence:**

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them.  
*Who put their trust in you.*  
We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Leader and People**

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Celebrant:**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**The Peace**

*All stand.*

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

**Peace Hymn: Blessed Be the Name..... LEVAS #78**  
**Announcements**

**Offertory Sentence**

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. Revelation 4:11

**Offertory Anthem: ..... Praise Choir**

**Offertory Hymn: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing – L- #111**

**Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>

**Celebrant proceeds:**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Celebrant and People:**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest.

**Celebrant continues:**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you

have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
Celebrant and People:

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [     ] and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons

and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

**People and Celebrant:**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the  
glory, forever and ever. Amen."

**Fraction Anthem [LEVAS 268] Christ Our Passover (BCP p. 364)**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore, let us keep the feast.  
Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore, let us keep the feast.  
Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore, let us keep the feast.

**Sanctus: [LEVAS 269] Lamb Of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Grant us peace.

**Invitation**

The Gifts of God for the People of God  
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with  
thanksgiving.

**Distribution**

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen]  
Grant us peace.

**Communion Hymn:** O, let the Son of God en-fold you– LEVAS #118

**Ablution Song** - Hallelu

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**Celebrant and People:**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**Priest, gives the blessing**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Retiring Hymn: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit ..... LEVAS #120

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

Thank you, Lord, Thank you, Lord, Thank you, Lord I  
just want to thank you, Lord.

Vs. 2. Been so good, Vs. 3 Been my friend

**Announcements – News - Thoughts**

**The Day of Pentecost** - May 19th, 2024

JOIN US FOR SERVICE EVERY SUNDAY AT 09:30AM

PUBLIC WORSHIP HAS BEEN RESUMED

CHRIST THE KING EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICE ON YOUTUBE &  
ZOOM:

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**CLICK [HERE](#) TO JOIN ON ZOOM MEETING ID: 863 7403 5494  
PASSWORD: 007431  
TEL # 646-558-8656**

PLEASE SAVE THE LINK TO SIGN IN EVERY SUNDAY AT 09:30 AM

**Tuesday Bible Studies 7:00pm Zoom**

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting:**

Join us on Wednesday nights for prayer service on Zoom at 7:15pm. Wednesday Prayer Meetings are now on Zoom (Using the Church Zoom Link):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86374035494?pwd=R3lrV1ZMTG5pUE9zZnlldngyNTZTd09>

Meeting ID: 863 7403 5494; Password: 007431.

We have an extensive prayer list that includes the sick and shut-in, grief, war and violence, and other categories. You can add names to our list by placing names in the box in the prayer alcove, located in the back of the church, by email [ctk@christthekingnj.org](mailto:ctk@christthekingnj.org) or call 609.877.2992, or by contacting one of the prayer group members: Diane, Helen, Linda, Sarah, Carolyn, Martha or Pastor Savage. Contact the Church Office for contact information of the names on the prayer list.

Our Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need. We humbly beseech thee to behold, visit, and relieve thy sick



servants below for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of thy mercy; comfort them with a sense of thy goodness; preserve them from the temptations of thy enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In thy good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the residue of their life in thy fear, and to thy glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Men Of Christ the King Monthly Meeting**

The MOCTK monthly meeting is held the second Saturday of every month at 10.00am on Zoom. All the Men of Christ the King are members of this group and are expected to attend. Next meeting is June 8, 2024, at 10.00am.

Zoom ID: 818-7152-9383, Password: 359999

### **Give Easily from Here:**

Click [here](#) give now to make a donation or make your contributions to Christ the King Episcopal Church, Willingboro, New Jersey at any time, even if you are on vacation. You will receive an email confirmation for your transaction.

### **Emergency Contact Information:**

All parishioners wanting to add an emergency contact to the church's directory, please write the contact's name and number and put it in the collection plate. This information will be kept PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL.

### **Life Group Ministries**

The Women's Life Group has resumed meetings on Thursdays, 3:00-4:15 PM. We invite any women interested to call with questions or for information. Carolyn Booker 412-337-2576.

### **Looking To Join the Altar Guild Ministry?**

We are looking for new volunteers; men and women, to join us in preparing the sanctuary for Sunday services. All are welcome to come and learn about this labor of love! Please call Linda Anderson at 609760-1050 for more information. Thank you!

**May Birthdays:**

04th – Sharon Scott-Rogers

06th – Ivana Lockett

**22nd – Florence James**

**23rd – Debra Adkins**

**24th – Martha Johnson**

**24th – Daphne Scott**

29th – Kenrick Mitchell

**The People's Sermon Preaching Cohorts**

I am desirous of working for the improvement of preaching within Christ the King and inviting you to consider to be part of an initiative to be part of cohorts of 4-6 congregational teams (a priest/deacon/along with 3-6 congregation members) who gather with professor Shauna Hanna via zoom six times over 2 months. Participant evaluations suggest that the cohorts benefit individuals and congregations in a variety of ways. They have begun to:

- understand what preaching is and why we do it,
- develop more creative and participatory Bible studies,
- prompt congregation members to listen to sermons in new ways,
- equip lay preachers within congregations.

If this is of interest to you, please do not hesitate to speak with Rev. Fr. Vernal Savage to participate.

**The Episcopal Church Women – Women's Day**

The ECW will be celebrating Women's Day on Sunday June 9, 2024, at Christ the King Church 9:30 am. Our Guest Speaker will be Kimme Carlos, Speaker, Author, Advocate on Mental Health and Social Justice. She is the proud daughter of Dr. John W. Carlos, 1968 Olympian and civil rights activist.

Please join us and invite your family and friends.

### **The Beautification Committee**

The Beautification Committee is asking for donations of Mulch, Soil, Flowers, Vegetables, Cash, etc. Any question, please contact Helen Baylock @ (609) 440-3742.

### **Celebration of Ministry**

We have received confirmation from the Bishop Sally that the service for the celebration of ministry will take place on Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> in the evening. Please save the date. As soon as we have more information you will be notified.

### **Mother's Day Thank you**

We would like to thank Martha Johnson for her donation of ten beautiful gift baskets honoring our Amazing Church Mothers. Mother's Day  May 12, 2024.

### **Leave – Rev. Vernal Savage**

Father Savage will proceed on leave from the church from Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> and will be absent for two (2) Sundays. These Sundays, May 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Father Savage return to the church Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. During Father Savage's absence the Rev. Javanie Byfield will be the supply clergy and will also be staying in the rectory.

### **Vision**

My hope is for us to be a community following Christ and be comfortable with our faith. We, as Christ followers, would then as faithful followers live out this faith in our community and the wider community. My hope as well is that it will ignite in us a burning desire to invite others so that they are introduced to this faith in us.

# SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY, INC.



**EPSILON ZETA SIGMA ALUMNAE CHAPTER  
PO BOX 507  
BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY 08016**

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

It is the mission of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. to enhance the quality of life for women and their families in the U.S. and globally through community service, civil, and social action. Our goal is to achieve greater progress in the areas of education, health awareness, and leadership development. Our members, affiliates, staff, and community partners work to create and support initiatives that align with our vision.



**Epsilon Zeta Sigma Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Application Scholarship amounts are \$1922, \$1000, and \$750.**

**The Epsilon Zeta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. provides scholarship aid to students, regardless of race or sex, in pursuit of higher education.**

**The minimum requirements:**

1. Acceptance at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university.
2. Minimum “B” average.
3. Demonstrated community service.

**The following documents must be submitted with the completed application:**

1. Most recent official sealed high school transcript.
2. An essay highlighting the applicant’s achievements, goals, extracurricular activities, and community service, with a minimum of 500 words.
3. Two (2) letters of reference. Examples of suitable references include teacher, counselor, pastor, employer, or another individual familiar with the applicant’s academic abilities and character.
4. A copy of the applicant’s official ACT or SAT scores.
5. A copy of the applicant’s official acceptance letter to the two or four-year accredited university that the applicant will attend.
6. A copy of the applicant’s fall 2024 semester course schedule. If you do not have your course schedule when you submit your application, please indicate when you will receive your schedule.

**DEADLINE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY June 1, 2024**

Please mail the completed application and required documents to:

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.  
Epsilon Zeta Sigma Chapter  
PO Box 507  
Burlington, NJ 08016  
Attn: Scholarship Committee

**Applications received after June 1, 2024 will not be reviewed.** Please allow enough time for delivery. Incomplete application packets will not be reviewed. All provided information will remain strictly confidential and used exclusively for the purposes of evaluation. Email [maryrleach@gmail.com](mailto:maryrleach@gmail.com) with questions.

Scholarship recipients will be notified via mail or email. **Funds will not be released until we receive a copy of your fall 2024 course schedule.**

**241st Diocesan Convention**  
**Call for Nominations**  
**May 2024**

To the Clergy and Congregations of the Diocese of New Jersey:

I would like to call your attention to the upcoming nominations for the offices at the 241st Annual Convention to be held in November 2024.

In accordance with Canon 5, Section 3 of the Constitutions and the Canons of the Diocese of New Jersey, a list of the offices to be filled by election at the 241st Diocesan Convention, the Nomination Recommendation Form as well as a list of the Nominating Committee members will be available on the Diocesan website.

The Nominating Committee requests that the clergy and lay leadership of each of our churches, review the lists of offices to be filled by election, publicize them to their congregations, and recommend candidates appropriate for those offices.

Please complete the Nomination Recommendation Form for persons whom you have recommended or for yourself. Submit it to the address at the bottom of the form or complete it online here: <http://www.formstack.com/forms/?408210-fFQ7hk5oRm>. The deadline for submission is August 15th.

Please provide a statement of qualification in 75-words or less (or advise that this will be supplied by the nominee), as this statement is not provided by the committee. All names submitted will be placed in the nomination process and will be subject to confirmation of eligibility. You can make copies of the nomination form. It is also available online at 241st Diocesan Convention page. Please make this material known and available to your congregation.

# Community Shredding Event



**Saturday, June 8, 2024**  
**10:00am to 1:00pm**

**Christ The King Episcopal  
Church Parking Lot**

**40 Charleston Road,  
Willingboro, NJ 08046**

## **Free Community Event**

**Confidential/Sensitive Documents ONLY**

**No Books, Newspapers, Binders,  
Magazines, Plastics, or Junk Mail**

Sponsored by :

**Christ The King Episcopal Church  
Parish Life Committee**



**Location:** Kennedy Center  
 429 JFK Way  
 Willingboro, N J 08046

**Date:** Monday, May 20, 2024  
 Tuesday, May 21, 2024



**Time:** 09:00 am - 2:00 pm  
<https://telegov.njportal.com/njmvcmobileunit/>

\*Please note: Cancellations may occur due to weather conditions or at the discretion of the MVC over unforeseen circumstances.

**OUR "AGENCY-ON-WHEELS" OFFERS ...**

**Driver Licenses**

The Mobile Units provide the opportunity for drivers to renew their license, obtain a duplicate license, change their name or address on their license, add a boat endorsement, add a veteran designation, register to vote and/or make organ donation selections.

**Non-Driver Identification Cards**

The Mobile Units can provide residents with photo identification that may then serve as a primary or secondary form of personal ID.

**Registrations**

Drivers may renew their registration or obtain a duplicate registration card for their vehicle in the Mobile Units.

**REAL ID**

Mobile units can provide **REAL ID** to a limited number of customers. Customers that have scheduled appointments for **REAL IDs** must arrive no later than 11:30am, the day of appointment.

**License Plates**

The Mobile Units allow drivers the option to surrender license plates.

**Placards**

Drivers may obtain a Persons with a Disability, Purple Heart, or Disabled Veteran placard from the Mobile Units.

**Examination Permits**

Customers can apply for an examination permit to take a written (law/knowledge) test. However, the written test itself is not available in the Mobile Units.

**PLEASE VISIT NJMVC.GOV FOR TEST LOCATIONS**

**WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE**

NJMVC Mobile Units are wheelchair accessible and easy for all to use.

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## **MVC Mobile Unit Coming To Willingboro and Palmyra!**

The MVC Mobile Unit is coming to Palmyra and Willingboro in May! The mobile unit will be in Willingboro on Monday May 20 and Tues May 21 at the Kennedy Center (429 JFK Way) and at the Palmyra Community Center on Thursday May 23. It can process RealIDs, non-driver IDs and registration renewals. [Make an appointment for either location here](#). Note: Disability placards and license plate surrenders do not need appointments.

## **FAFSA Assistance Events @ Westampton Library**

On Monday May 13th, we are once again bringing the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority to help parents and students with the FAFSA form! The program, held in partnership with the Burlington County Library System, will start at 5:30pm and will be held at the Burlington County Main Library, 5 Pioneer Blvd, Westampton. Previous events have filled up quickly so [please RSVP here!](#)

## **Business Assistance Event In BurlCo!**

I am proud to partner with the New Jersey Business Action Center to host a Small Business Assistance event on Friday May 31st from 8-11am at RCBC in Mount Laurel where business owners (or prospective entrepreneurs) can learn more about how to start or grow a business and obtain access to programs. Free breakfast will be provided, but seats are limited so [attendees must RSVP here](#).

## **Where's My Anchor Property Tax Relief?**

The filing deadline for the ANCHOR property tax relief program was the end of December. However, many residents who applied have not received their benefits yet. If you filed, and have not received your benefit yet, you can check the status of your [application online here](#). If you still require assistance, please email our office at [SenSingleton@nileg.org](mailto:SenSingleton@nileg.org) with your name, address, phone number and when you applied - a member of our team will assist!

## **No Greater Love**

Scripture:

\_12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command.....\_  
John 15:12-14 NIV\*

Today's Word:

Perhaps the most intense love and protective instinct in the experience of mankind is that of parents toward their children. There is little that most mothers or fathers wouldn't do for a baby. If a truck posed a threat to the little one, it wouldn't surprise us if they jumped in front of the moving vehicle without a second thought.

Wouldn't you like to be cared for with this kind of intensity? You are. In fact, the Lord's love toward you is far deeper and more secure than that of even the most caring, tuned-in human parent. And what God did for us is proof. Romans 5:8 says that while we were living in disobedience, He sent His only Son to die on the cross for us.

Think about a father giving up his child for people who choose to rebel against him. What a tremendous sacrifice and cost! Jesus' death took the place of the punishment that we deserved. If we accept this gift and decide to follow God, He no longer sees us as guilty. Rather, He justifies us, makes us righteous, and changes our ultimate destiny: instead of facing everlasting separation from Him, we will enjoy His presence eternally. What's more, almighty God adopts us as His children forever.

Our heavenly Father guides, protects, and counsels us as we walk through life—and promises us that we are secure in Him throughout eternity.

How incredible that the Creator of the universe would love you and me in this way! Do you know and experience the security and sweetness of

His care? Gratitude and praise should flow from your heart. In turn, love others deeply out of thankfulness for the love that you have received.

**Prayer for Today:**

Father, thank You that You are a loving, gracious, God. Thank You that You've offered me forgiveness and the gift of a new life in You. Thank You that Your love is perfect, it never fails, and that nothing can ever separate me from Your love. Help me to love others deeply out of thankfulness for the love that I have received from You. I pray that my life would be filled and overflowing with the power of Your love so that I can make a difference in this world, and bring honor to You. In Jesus' precious Name, Amen.