


MONTHLY

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2026

CCSTUDENTS 

AUDITORIUM



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Joshua's Place is more than just helping with food insecurities. It's about the connection and being able to talk, celebrate highs, and get through lows together.

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joshua's place

CELEBRATING 3 YEARS OF JP AT CC!

This month marked three years of partnership between Christ's Church and Joshua's Place through the Mason Food Co-op. What started as a shared vision to serve our community has grown into something truly special, providing support, connection, and care for so many families.

Joshua's Place recently celebrated this milestone and shared their gratitude for Christ's Church and the volunteers who help make the co-op possible each week. Susan Simendinger, JP Site Director, shared these encouraging words about our church family: "Such an amazing group of people with the biggest hearts, the most servant spirits, and the kind of people who make this co-op feel like family. So grateful for each of you!"

Susan asked some of the families what the co-op meant to them and here is one of their responses, "Ephesians 3:20 comes to my mind and heart when I think of what Joshua's Place means to me... 'Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think...' When my family faced health issues and a tremendously severe decline in income, Joshua's Place was there for us. What was once pain turned into a blessing far greater than help with groceries twice a month. Joshua's Place became a true family. I found myself connected with Godly brothers and sisters in Christ who made my family feel like a priority and had an important role to play in witnessing the true meaning of what we are to do as Christians and how to serve others. I have never experienced a love like this before. Our family is truly blessed by Joshua's Place in an Ephesians 3:20 kind of way that only God can do."

We are thankful for three years of meaningful partnership with Joshua's Place and for the incredible volunteers who continue to serve with compassion and generosity. Their dedication has helped create a place where neighbors are supported, relationships are built, and community truly feels like family.

A YEAR OF CRAFTING FOR CHRIST

The numbers are in for the Crafters for Christ group from 2025! This incredible group completed 197 shawls, 10 lap robes, and 379 newborn hats—each one created with care to bless someone in need.

In total, the group used 207 skeins of yarn throughout the year, with each shawl or lap robe requiring about four skeins to complete.

If you come across yarn on sale or have extra skeins you'd like to donate, you can drop them off at the front desk with a note labeling it for the Crafters group. Donations to this ministry are always appreciated and help them continue sharing comfort and encouragement through their handmade gifts

PAUSE FOR PARENTS EASTER EVENT

Our ministry partner, Pause for Parents, recently hosted a special Easter event at Christ's Church, welcoming 466 kids and caregivers along with 100 volunteers for a day of celebration and connection. Events like this create space for families to experience joy, community, and encouragement together.

Amanda Nolasco, Family Event Coordinator for Pause, shared her gratitude after the event, saying, "The event went really well and we are grateful for the use of your space and continued support for Pause."

We're thankful for the opportunity to partner with Pause for Parents and support the important work they are doing to serve families in our community.



CCTweens put their knowledge to the test at the Trial by Trivia event. Big winner of the night: Cole Forste!



Man Church closed out their winter session with a Chili Cookoff. Taking the top spots: 1st Place Andy Kamp, 2nd Place Mike Asher, and 3rd Place Darrell Boreing.



The 5th–6th grade tweens recently wrapped up their Bible studies. The boys, led by Wes Davis and Tim Koch, studied Lies Boys Believe with a group of eight boys.

The girls studied the book of Esther and celebrated with an Esther Party that included games, crafts, pizza, and making 50 snack bags for those in need. They also created no-sew tie blankets symbolizing God’s protection in Esther’s story, with two additional blankets made to donate. The girls group, led by Michelle Weiss, included 11 girls.



Eleven families recently participated in Baby Dedication, committing to raise their children in the ways of the Lord. Thirteen little ones were celebrated with a special on-stage prayer, along with a pre-service breakfast and gathering for the families.



DIFFERENCE *Maker* OPPORTUNITIES

For the third year in a row, we are offering The Great Hunt, a community event where we will share the Easter Story followed by an Easter egg hunt for families. We need your help to ensure the success of this event! Check out the opportunities and let us know if you can serve!

- 9,000 more eggs to Stuff! (Thursday, 4/2 @ 10:00am, Chapel)
- Event Day help, Saturday, April 4:
 - Two more Group Leaders

[SIGN UP](#)



Does your teen need service hours, or do you simply enjoy cleaning and want to serve the church? We’re looking for a few volunteers to help spot-clean classrooms after Sunday services. Serve as often—or as little—as you’d like. Email Steve Montgomery below for more details!



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THREE DECADES OF DEDICATION

After more than thirty years of dedicated service at Christ's Church, our beloved Susan Hursong is retiring! While we'll miss her dearly, we wish her all the best as she begins this next chapter of life. When asked what she's most looking forward to, she didn't hesitate: "Spending more time with family." She's also excited to enjoy more gardening time, but when asked what she'll miss the most, she shared, "Working with the wonderful friends who have supported, comforted, and inspired me throughout the years."

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Susan's retirement farewell in the chapel. Her work and dedication have left a lasting impact, and she will be greatly missed!



MARCH BAPTISMS

Congratulations to those who chose new life after saying "yes" to baptism. Please join us in praying for their journey ahead and that they would continue to grow in faith, walk closely with Jesus, and boldly live out the hope and purpose He has placed within them.

March 1: Olivia Fugate (14)

March 8: Drew (10) and Grace (8) Parks



Olivia



Drew



Grace

APRIL SERMON SERIES: BUILT DIFFERENT

Beginning April 19, we'll start a twelve-week series through Ephesians called Built Different. Many of us try to define ourselves by success, relationships, approval, or just keeping it all together—but Ephesians tells a different story. Before you ever did anything to prove yourself, God had already made a decision about you. This series is about discovering who you truly are in Christ—and learning to live from that identity, not just believe it.

As we walk through Ephesians, we'll see how God doesn't just change what we do; He changes who we are—from the inside out, both as individuals and as a church. This series explores identity, purpose, unity, and real-life transformation. It's about being built on something stronger than your circumstances. Step into this journey—each week is an opportunity to experience what it truly means to be built differently.

April 5 – Easter

April 12 – Standalone message

Built Different Begins: Weeks 1–3 – Who You Are in Christ

April 19 – Chosen Before You Chose

April 26 – Praying Bigger Than You Think



ATTENDANCE & GIVING

MAR 1	564	\$45,087
MAR 8	531	\$49,102
MAR 15	544	\$69,287
MAR 22	637	\$34,918
MAR 29	544	\$26,522

STAY CONNECTED!

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Helping Children With Loss

April 9 - 30th
Thursdays
6:00 - 8:00PM

Childcare provided for 1-4th graders in the form of a kids bible study, offered at the same time.

WHEN CHILDREN GRIEVE
For Adults to Help Children Deal with Death, Divorce, Pet Loss, Moving, and Other Losses
JOHN W. JAMES and RUSSELL FREDERMAN
Authors of The Grief Recovery Manual
with DR. LESLIE LONDON MATTHEWS

CHRIST'S CHURCH

RED LETTER CHALLENGE

Small Group
April 12 - May 17
Sundays at 9am

CHRIST'S CHURCH

SPONSOR-A-BEAR SUNDAY - APRIL 26

For only \$5 you can sponsor a bear that will be provided to someone who is in need of some extra love and care.

CHRIST'S CHURCH

WOMEN'S EVENT
PLANT SWAP
Wednesday, April 29 • 6:30PM

Ladies, join us for guest speaker and Master Gardener David Lautzenheiser. Please bring a plant (cutting or potted) and a salad to share.

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