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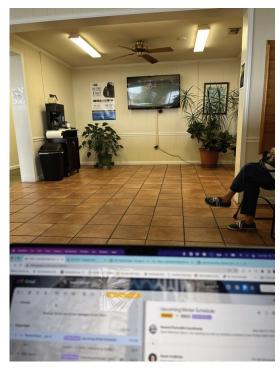
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

## **NOVEMBER 2022**

### **From The Rector**

Dear Friends,

I seem to write these monthly missives from some pretty random locations: airport restaurants, hotels, parks, and even the front seat of my car. Today, I find myself in the waiting room at Hunt Dodge, Chrysler, and Jeep in Franklin, KY for a most annoying reason. Technological advances in our vehicles mean a lot of great things. Airbags mean safer travel. Backup cameras mean less accidents. That fancy auto start/stop feature means less emissions going into the atmosphere while we wait at a light.



Of course, technological advances also mean some frustrations. I can't tell you how many airbag recall notices I've gotten over the years. Backup cameras mean lazy drivers and can actually cause more accidents. That fancy auto start/stop feature means an extra battery and when either of them go bad, it means hundreds of dollars and a four hour wait in a waiting room just like this one. I miss being able to change my own car battery. It used to be so easy.

It could be worse. *The Young & the Restless* playing on the television is much preferred to Fox News or MSNBC. The wifi is actually quite fast, and I can get plenty of work done. I've got a friend who is willing to pick up the girls from school. I'm trying to focus on these little victories because my tendency, which I think is pretty universal among us humans, is to focus on the annoyances, forgetting that life is so full of blessings.

Way back, near the end of the Book of Common Prayer, is a Prayer for a Person in Trouble or Bereavement. While the service waiting room at a car dealer might rise to that level, I find it a comforting reminder of God's desire for us to find joy, rather than to live in difficulty or sorrow.

O merciful Father, who hast taught us in thy holy Word that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men: Look with pity upon the sorrows of thy servant for whom our prayers are offered. Remember them, O Lord, in mercy, nourish their soul with patience, comfort them with a sense of thy goodness, lift up thy countenance upon them, and give them peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

When life offers you lemons, remember that God is the source of all good lemonade and pray, like I am now, for patience, comfort, and the knowledge of God's goodness.

Grace and Peace,

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### **From The Associate Rector**

Three years ago, I got to participate in an online guided reflection during the season of Advent, and last year, we extended this opportunity to those in the congregation who were interested. Jan Richardson is a writer, artist, and theologian whose words have the capacity to draw out in me what's just under the surface, and it's one of the things that I most look forward to during the Advent Season. Here is an excerpt from Advent 1 last year:

How do we find our footing when what we have counted on is shifting beneath us? What might those who inhabit the stories of Advent and Christmas have to tell us about crossing from the life we have known into the life that is waiting for us—the life that becomes possible only when we choose to say yes to it?

In the stories of this season, questions and fears about endings are met with a radical response: the end is not the end. The endings that come to us are real, and often heartrending, but they do not have the final word.

I am not talking about conjuring false cheer in the face of our losses, or trying to maintain a "When a door closes, a window opens" equilibrium. Instead, Advent asks us to consider that an ending is not a door that closes to us but a mystery that opens to us. It is an invitation into a labyrinth, one that draws us into both lamentation and celebration, knowing they are part of the same movement deeper into that mystery.

Deeper into the mystery is the best way to describe Advent as we await the coming of Christ. Advent starts at the end of this month, and if you are interested in signing up for Jan Richardson's reflections you can email me or go to the link below.<sup>1</sup> Those who sign up will receive approximately three emails a week containing reflections, music, and art that invite us to contemplate the mystery of the Nativity.



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<sup>1</sup>2022 Registration for Online Advent Meditations: https://forms.gle/u1gGPtn38Yy3PKUM9

#### From The Director of Children's Faith Formation

Greetings from Children's Faith Formation!

I have been so excited to see some new faces in our Children's Programs here at Christ Church. We recently had our Fall Gathering and a fun time was had by all. All the children who came went home with a pumpkin, a fall luminary, and a blessings bracelet. The Brotherhood served a delicious meal and the kids enjoyed the bouncy houses and the sidewalk chalk. If you stop by our College Street Entrance you can see how well our little ones know their ABCs.

We have several upcoming activities for anyone who would like to come. Even though they are primarily planned for our children, we welcome all of our community to come and participate. We will be doing Cookies for a Cause on Saturday, November 12 from 1:30-3:00pm. Our cookies will go to the dogs and puppies at the Bowling Green Warren County Humane Society this year, and everyone who helps make the cookies is invited to come deliver them to the Humane Society at 3:30 where we can hand out our cookies to our four-legged friends. We also have Advent Wreath Making coming up on Sunday, November 27 from 9:15-9:55. Anyone who would like to come and make a wreath is welcome to participate. Breakfast with Saint Nicholas is on Sunday, December 11 from 9:15-9:55, and we'll be getting plans started for our Christmas Eve Pageant in the next few weeks. We're also working on a few more dates for Godly Play Training if you are interested in helping with Sunday School. Our next training will be Wednesday, November 2 from 5:30-7:30pm. For updates and information on our Children's activities, you can go to our website: https://www.cecbg.com/children-s-ministry

## COCKIES FOR A CAUSE Saturday, November 12, 1:30-3:00pm

Our pet-friendly cookies will go to the dogs and puppies at the Bowling Green/Warren County Humane Society this year, and everyone who helps make the cookies is invited to come deliver them to the Humane Society at 3:30 where we can hand out our cookies to our four-legged friends.



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A PRAYER WALK ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DAYS AND TIMES

## November 5th - 11am

Join us as we take a prayerful walk through our neighborhood, praying with our eyes and heart wide open. During this time, we'll notice signs of hope and need, and we'll be listening to how God calls us to be present to and with our community.

# ALL SAINTS' **EVENSONG** with Necrology

Sunday November 6th

5pm

ILLUMINATED 2022 An ONLINE JOURNEY into the HEART of CHRISTMAS

We will once again be participating in an online retreat with Jan Richardson as we did last Advent. Those who register for Illuminated 2022 will receive 3-4 emails a week that containing art, music, and reflections to ground our journey into the Heart of Christmas throughout the Advent season. Contact Mother Becca (becca@cecbg.com) to register or for more information.

# WANT TO HAVE A FUN EVENING THAT ALSO SUPPORTS A GREAT CAUSE? GATHER A FEW FRIENDS AND JOIN US FOR Haven 4 Change has expanded its services! This year we will have many more children on the Blessing Tree. All proceeds of this event will go towards purchasing gifts for kids who aren't "adopted" by parishioners.

NOVEMBER	MOORE HALL			
13TH AT	QUIZMASTER: KAI CRABTREE			
6:30PM	WITH HELP FROM SELECT MEMBERS OF THE EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY			

PRIZES AWAIT OUR WINNERS! Refreshments will be available for purchase Entry Fee: \$50 per team (6 Players Maximum)



## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD 6PM Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist

Come offer thanks to God in a service of Holy Eucharist before the Thanksgiving holiday.

The service will be held in person and will also be live-streamed.

# A PRAYER FOR DIOCESEAN CONVENTION

### NOVEMBER 11TH & 12TH

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in the Diocese of Kentucky for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



# VOLUNTEER+ COMMITTEE Recruitment Event

Tuesday, November 29th at HOTEL INC 1005 Boatlanding Road in Bowling Green

#### **Come Learn More About:**

11AM-1PM or 4PM-6:30PM

Fund Development

- Marketing and Event Planning
- Finance, Housing, and Advocacy
- On-Site Volunteer Opportunities



# The Seventh Annual Madrigal Dinner



A Royal Banquet featuring The Christ Church Choir is will be Sunday December 4th, at 6 o'clock in the evening. Tickets are being sold after the 8:00 & 10:00 services now until Nov. 21st. You may also call the church office to make reservations.

Reservations are required so that we will know how many meals to prepare. Proceeds go to the Music Ministry to fund instrumentalists for special services.

The Boar's Head pageant is rooted in ancient times when the boar was the most ferocious beast of the forest, and as such, was the epitome of evil. As Christian beliefs replaced pagan customs in the Middle Ages, the presentation of a boar's head to the king at Christmas symbolized the triumph of good over evil. Plan to join us for an evening of good food, great music, and a festive beginning to the holiday season!



On the first Sunday of Advent, we will be making Advent Wreaths. This intergenerational activity is open to anyone who would like to come and make a wreath.

# Be a part of the INN CROWD

ROOM IN THE INN BOWLING GREEN CEC will once again join with other community churches and agencies hosting our neighbors who are unhoused during the cold months of winter. If you would like to help, volunteer <u>here</u>.

Being Disciples' means at least two things. It means very simply going on asking whether what we do, how we think and speak and act, is open to Christ and Christ's Spirit .... It is also about ow we as a Church go on being a being a learning community, now we grow in depth of relationship with each other and God. Rowan Williams, 104th Archbishop of Canterbury.

## BREAD OF ANGELS

### Resurrected

Sundays at 9:00 AM in the Conference Room Open to everyone with a bit of curiosity about being Christian

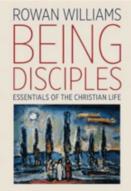
Bread of Angels is an adult forum created at CEC to be a "book club with a theological bend." By thoughtful reading and dialogue, participants focus on what it means to be a Christian in the time in which we live.

On November 6, we will begin our second "book tour" to finish the fall semester, reading Archbishop Rowan William's *Being Disciples, Essentials of the Christian Life*.

If you have been thinking about trying us out, starting a new reading is a great time to join. Feel free to show up or contact Mike Harper for more information and to arrange for a copy of this interesting little book.

> Mike Harper, Convener mike@mike-harper.com or 270 996 4380





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## ECM in November



CAMPUS MINISTRY Dinner + Worship Wednesday Evenings

> November 2 November 9 November 16

## EYC in November

November 6th: Gingerbread Architecture for SKYPAC November 13th: Trivia Night November 20th: Pop Theology November 27th: Advent Arrival







Rescheduled for 2023

# PILGRAMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND OCTOBER 17-25, 2023

Contact Father Steve or Mother Becca for more information

## **CEC Lending Libraries Now Open!**

Christ Episcopal Church (CEC) and the Daughters of the King (DOK) have the pleasure of announcing that CEC's Lending Libraries are now open for use! A variety of books can be 'checked out' from either library. The Children's Lending Library is located in the Children's Bible Study Room near College Street and the church office. The Adult & Youth Lending Library is located in Cate's Lounge near State Street inside the cabinets under the book shelves.

An online record/database of all the books in both lending libraries can be accessed through CEC's DOK website at https://sites.google.com/view/cec-dok under

'Directory of Resources' or through CEC's website link to DOK under 'Together' at https://www.cecbg.com/daughters-of-the-king. Once inside either of the Children's or Adult & Youth Lending Libraries, one can review a You Tube video titled, "CEC Lending Library Database Search Instructions" for assistance on 'how' to use the databases to locate a resource.

When checking out a book, fill out the card located in the book's card pocket with the check-out date and your name. Place the completed card in the 'Book Return' tray. A DOK Library Ambassador will appropriately file the card by author's last name in the recipe box located on the library's book shelf. It is recommended that books be checked-out for no more than two weeks at a time. This will allow as many people as possible the opportunity to check-out books from both libraries. When returning a book, simply place it in the 'Book Return' tray. A DOK Library

Ambassador will take care of appropriately reshelving the book. Now that the lending libraries are 'open for use', if you have a book to donate to either library, please place them in the marked tubs in Surface Hall. We will be happy to incorporate them into the Lending Libraries.

A committee will be formed to develop a budget and come up with recommendations for new books for 2023. Keep checking the online record/databases of both lending libraries for new additions in 2022 and 2023. If you have any questions related to the lending libraries, please feel free to contact Kate Cline or Miliska Knauft.

Reading brings happiness. It places our brains into a pleasurable trance-like state. Enjoy! 11AM -NOON OR UNTIL MEALS RUN OUT

SDAY 

Sack lunches served at via the Cloister

Doors

Financial Donations are welcome.

Contact Mary Cash, Margie Dotson, or Janice Erbach

> for more details.

#### **Brotherhood of St. Andrew**



The Brotherhood of St Andrew invites all men and male youth of Christ Church to join us in service to the church and to the community.

Our next meeting will be Saturdays, November  $5^{\mbox{\tiny th.}}$  and  $19^{\mbox{\tiny th.}}$ 

### The Order of the Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King will next meet on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. in Cates Lounge.



### **The Parish Register**

#### Deaths

Dennis Cain, husband of Wayne MacGregor and son-in-law of Maryanne Ringo, passed into the nearer preseconce of our Lord on October 7th. The Burial Office was held on October 15th.

#### **Birthdays**

11/01	Terry Fisher	11/13	Patsy Sloan	11/19	Deidre Bowen
11/01	Crawford Hightower	11/13	Ashley Tabor	11/19	Graham McKillip
11/01	Whitaker Massey	11/13	DeAnna Roberts	11/21	Ryan Loiars
11/01	Gracie Stevens	11/13	Maddox Dale	11/22	Ed Cockrel
11/02	Juliana Gilbert	11/14	Wilson Cook	11/23	Sue Wilson
11/03	Tom Nuckols	11/14	Leanna Andrews	11/24	Marcia Crabtree
11/04	Amanda Talley	11/15	Mary Cobb	11/24	Hamp Moore Jr.
11/06	Lizz Satterfield	11/15	Greg Lyons	11/26	Gail Brooks
11/07	Hollie Sowell	11/15	Anne Jefferson	11/28	Daniel McKillip
11/08	Janet Flora	11/16	Maria Siewers	11/29	Ferrell Price
11/09	Kal-El Cline	11/16	Drew Loiars	11/29	Don Pillow
11/11	Karen Towell	11/17	Leslie Weigel	11/29	Meredith Chaffin
11/12	Linda Mitchell	11/17	Shelley Carter	11/30	R. Taylor Hoskins Jr.
11/12	Shawn Rhodes	11/18	Sophie Moe	11/30	Reece Hightower
		11/19	Larry McCraney		

Financi	<b>Financial Reports</b>						
Outreach Funds Report for period ending Sep	otember 30, 202	2					
Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2022	YTD Income	YTD Expense	Balance - 9/30/2022			
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
All Saints Scholarship	1,739.83	829.00	0.00	2,568.83			
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	5,576.69	17,630.00	17,956.99	5,249.70			
City Shapers	700.00	0.00	700.00	0.00			
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry	1,387.00	0.00	0.00	1,387.00			
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	3,166.77	650.00	0.00	3,816.77			
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	1,760.81	845.00	0.00	2,605.81			
Hotel Inc	1,036.03	23,730.00	23,500.00	1,266.03			
Living Waters for the World	4,734.17	181.16	0.00	4,915.33			
Meals, Inc	1,800.29	600.00	100.32	2,299.97			
Room In The Inn	1,820.12	60.00	201.18	1,678.94			
Stephen Ministry	0.00	820.56	682.71	137.85			
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	5,570.56	3,530.00	1,672.61	7,427.95			
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry		-	-	average/weel			
Yoga	1,331.89	1,195.00	300.00	2,226.89			
TOTAL	30,624.16	50,070.72	45,113.81	35,581.07			
Rector Discretionary	0.00	21,800.16	21,800.16	0.00			
Associate Rector Discretionary	0.00	2,758.45	2,758.45	0.00			
Deacon Discretionary	0.00	1,512.00	1,512.00	0.00			
TOTAL	0.00	26,070.61	26,070.61	0.00			

76,141.33

TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME

### **Financial Reports**

Christ Epis	scopal Church				
Operating 1	Fund Report for period ending September 30,	2022			
Account #	Account Name	SEPTEMBER 2022	YTD 2022	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
INCOME					
	Parish Offerings	57,656.04	497,996.92	688,600.00	72%
	Doicesan Support	2,295.00	28,905.00	38,540.00	75%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	85,938.82	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	150.00	825.00	22,000.00	4%
	INCOME TOTAL	60,101.04	527,726.92	835,078.82	63%
EXPENSE	E				
	Adminstration	1,535.58	20,824.06	32,940.00	63%
	Buildings and Property	11,188.18	78,015.04	112,000.00	70%
	Christian Formation	2,056.47	4,800.54	16,250.00	30%
	WKU Episcoapl Campus Ministry (ECM)	2,137.74	7,909.96	10,000.00	79%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	8,478.00	70,346.17	108,736.00	65%
	Music Ministry	901.80	11,415.01	20,600.00	55%
	Parish Life	1,083.40	10,429.24	16,700.00	62%
	Worship	453.85	5,003.38	4,000.00	125%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	42,647.54	356,407.16	513,293.00	69%
	EXPENSE TOTAL	70,482.56	565,150.56	834,519.00	68%
	NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)	-10,381.52	-37,423.64	559.82	

## **Parish Information**

Be sure to check the parish's website at www.cecbg.com for any communication you might have missed. The Lancet, our weekly electronic newsletter and The Window monthly newsletter are found under the Connect menu. You can also check the church calendar along with the Ministry Scheduler under the Calendar menu.

Always remember to check Christ Church's Facebook page for up to date information and event pictures. You can like us at www.facebook.com/cecbg

We'd love it if you subscribed to our YouTube channel. You can do so by clicking here or searching for CECBG on YouTube. Subscription doesn't cost anything, and helps us reach more people to Radiate God's Love to All!

Remember to check out the Diocese of Kentucky website for all things related to the Diocese. You can find news and events along with ministries the Diocese is partnered. Go to www.episcopalky.org











MED CENTER HEALTH Health & Wellness 2022 CALENDAR

# November

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY V	VEDNESDAY T	HURSDAY	FRIDAY S	ATURDAY
30	31	1	2 Diabetes Education Camp 1-4pm	3	4	5
6	7	8 Diabetes Support Group 3-4pm	9 Diabetes Education Camp 1-4pm	10	11	12
13	14	<b>15</b> Bingo 1-3:30pm	<b>16</b> Diabetes Education Camp 1-4pm	<b>17</b> Alzheimer's Support Group 3-4pm	18	19
20	21	22	23 Diabetes Education Camp 1-4pm	24 Thanksgiving Day Closed	25 Closed	26
27	28	29	<b>30</b> Diabetes Education Camp 1-4pm	1	2	3

For more information or to pre-register for any classes and programs, call Health & Wellness at **270-745-0942** or **1-877-800-3824**.

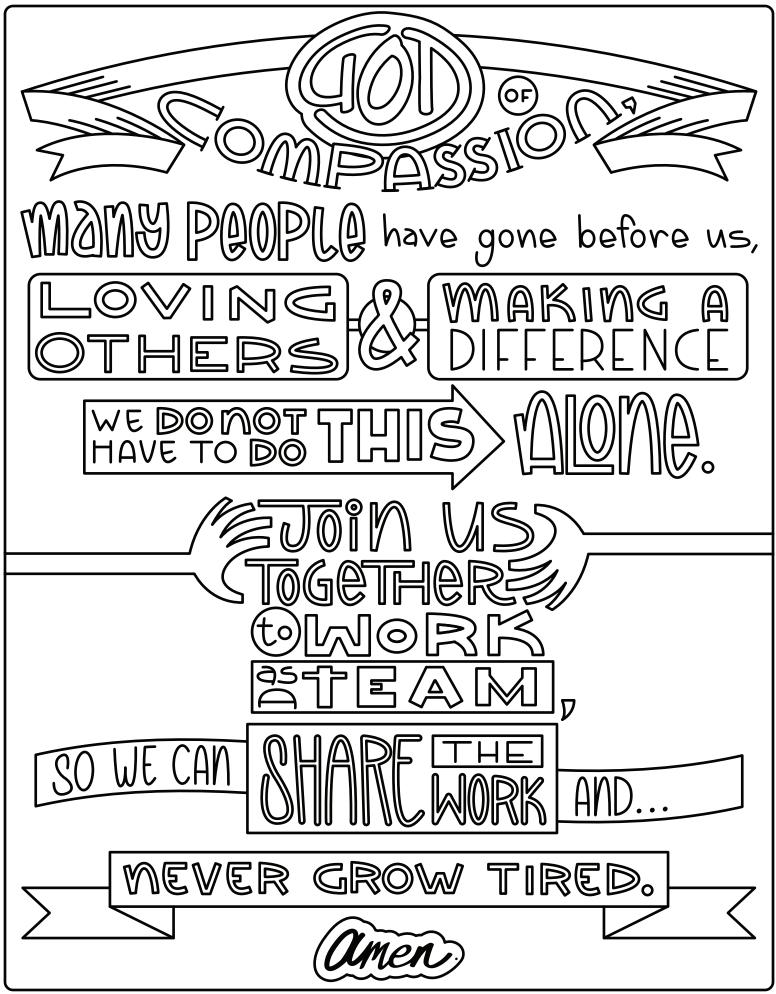
Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Closed Saturday & Sunday



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Office Hours Monday—Wednesday 8:30am—4:30pm Thursday 8:30am—1:00pm Friday Closed Service Times

Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Wednesday

7:00am Morning Prayer 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers

#### **Clergy And Staff**

The Reverend Dr. Steven J. Pankey *Rector* steve@cecbg.com

The Very Reverend Rebecca Kello Associate Rector, Chaplain to the Episcopal Campus Ministry at WKU Dean of the Four Rivers Deanery becca@cecbg.com

The Reverend Kellie Mysinger Deacon kellie@cecbg.com

The Reverend Dr. Ken Casey Deacon kencasey@cecbg.com

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Kate Cline Director of Children's Faith Formation kate@cecbg.com

#### The Vestry

2022 Class Linda Mitchell Belinda Palmer Shanna Paul Troy Puckett

2023 Class Mike Harper Peggy McKillip Paula Maier Scarlett Winters

2024Class

John Carter Jim Dale David Lee Brenda Willoughby

Belinda Palmer, Senior Warden Shanna Paul, Junior Warden Peggy McKillip, Secretary Leslie Weigel, Treasurer Hamp Moore, Asst. Treasurer Mark Eastin, Asst. Treasurer



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#### Seven Parish Ministry Areas And Vestry Member Liaisons

<u>Worship</u> David Lee

<u>Learn</u> Christian Formation Mike Harper & Linda Mitchell

Grow Congregational Development Jim Dale, Paula Maier & Scarlett Winters

#### <u>Radiate</u>

**Fellowship** Troy Puckett & Belinda Palmer

Radiate Outreach Peggy McKillip & Brenda Willoughby

> <u>Radiate</u> Pastoral Care John Carter

Administration Shanna Paul