

# THE WINDOW

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# APRIL 2024

# FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

As you receive this month's Window, I am beginning my first day of sabbatical leave. As I mentioned in my article back in January, this opportunity for rest and refreshment is built into the Letters of Agreement for all clergy in the Diocese of Kentucky. You might recall that Mother Becca took one a couple of years ago where-in she hiked a portion of the Camino De Santiago in France and Spain. While my plans aren't nearly as exciting as that, I am looking forward to some intentional time of relaxation, study, and renewal.

While I am away, I am endeavoring to disconnect as fully as possible. I won't be checking my email and text messages will likely receive some kind of response pointing you to reach out to someone else on staff or lay leadership. This time away will be good for me, but I hope it will be for you as well. Your Vestry held a workday in mid-March with the hopes of getting a head start on 2024-2025 program year planning while I am away. I applaud them for this work. As Christ Church looks to continue to grow, we will only do so with vibrant volunteer ministers leading the way. I know the word "sabbatical" brings up some anxiety for some of you. Know that you are in good hands with Mother Becca, Deacon Kellie, Senior Warden John Carter, a great staff, a strong vestry, and terrific lay leadership. I will be back on July 1 and we'll hit the ground running for the next phase of life and ministry here at 1215 State Street. You will be in my prayers while I am on sabbatical. I hope to be in yours as well. I look forward to being back with you soon.

Grace and peace,

*Steve*



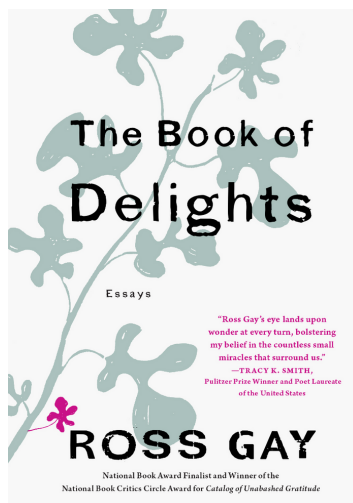
# FROM THE ASSOCIATE RECTOR

Dear Church,

I'm a sort of person that's very comfortable in the dark and heavy spaces of life. Whether it's because of the way I've had my own difficulties and struggles or those around me, I find a sense of ease when things are difficult. And like most things, it being one of my greatest strengths also makes it one of my greatest weaknesses, because I, paradoxically, do not find joy that comes easy. Our liturgical seasons guide us through all sorts of conditions of life, and if Lent is a time for penitential sorrow, Eastertide is time for unabashed joy.

I know that for me, joy always stems from a sense of gratitude about the natural world around me, the gifts and privileges of my life, and finding humor in our shared humanity. As we enter Eastertide, I'd like to invite you each into the 50 Great Days of Eastertide with the hope of each day finding bits and moments of joy. The Alleluias will ring out throughout our services during this time, and my prayer is that they will come easy in your personal life as well.

And because this practice doesn't come easy for me, I find I often need a companion along the way. One resource that I plan to return to this Easter Season is Ross Gay's book, *The Book of Delights: Essays*, in which he writes 100 essays on what sparks delight in him over the course of this 40th year of life. If you have resources that you plan to turn to as you lean toward the unabashed joy of Eastertide, I'd love to hear them!



*“Because in trying to articulate what, perhaps, joy is, it has occurred to me that among other things—the trees and the mushrooms have shown me this—joy is the mostly invisible, the underground union between us, you and me, which is, among other things, the great fact of our life and the lives of everyone and thing we love going away. If we sink a spoon into that fact, into the duff between us, we will find it teeming. It will look like all the books ever written. It will look like all the nerves in a body. We might call it sorrow, but we might call it a union, one that, once we notice it, once we bring it into the light, might become flower and food. Might be joy.”*

God's peace,

*Becca +*

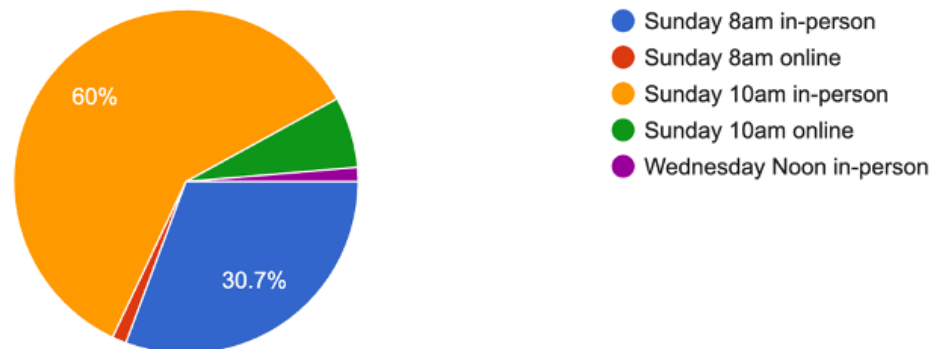


# WORSHIP SURVEY RESULTS

## March 2024 Worship Survey Results Interpreted by The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey

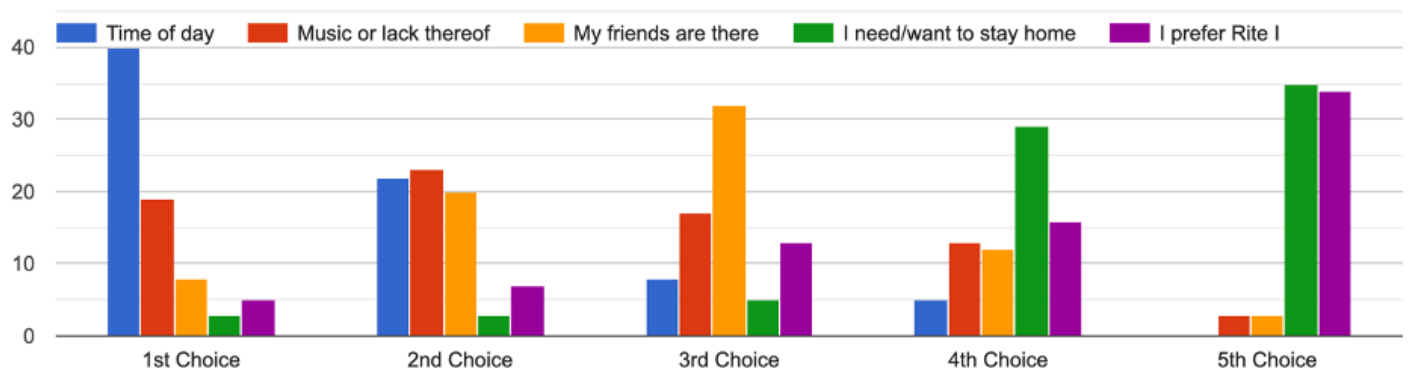
Which service do you most regularly attend?

75 responses



45 respondents attend 10am in-person, while 23 attend 8am in-person. This is a 60/30 split, which is generally in line with our average Sunday in-person attendance. The other 10% is comprised of those who worship at 8am online (1), those who worship at 10am online (5), and those who attend on Wednesday (1).

What is the most important reason for attending that service?



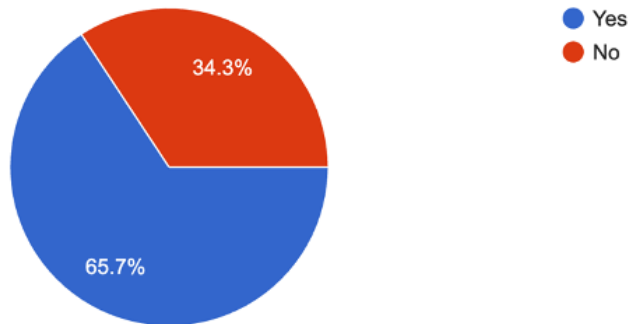
Among all respondents, Time of Day was the most cited reason for attendance with an average score of 4.29. Music or the Lack Thereof (3.56) and Friends (3.24) were a close grouping on the north side of importance, while a Preference for Rite I came in fourth at 2.1 and needing to stay home rounded out the survey results.



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If you attend 8am, is Rite I language an important part of your worship experience?

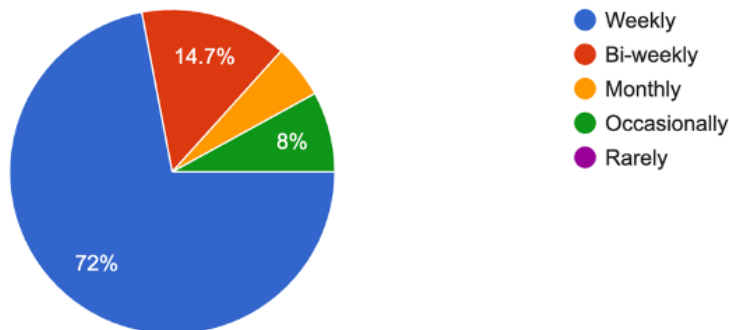
35 responses



The impetus for this survey came one Sunday as I looked at the 8 o'clock service and wondered if there were more than a couple of people for whom Rite I was important. To say I was surprised at these results is an understatement, with a full 2/3 of respondents indicating Rite I is an important part of their worship experience.

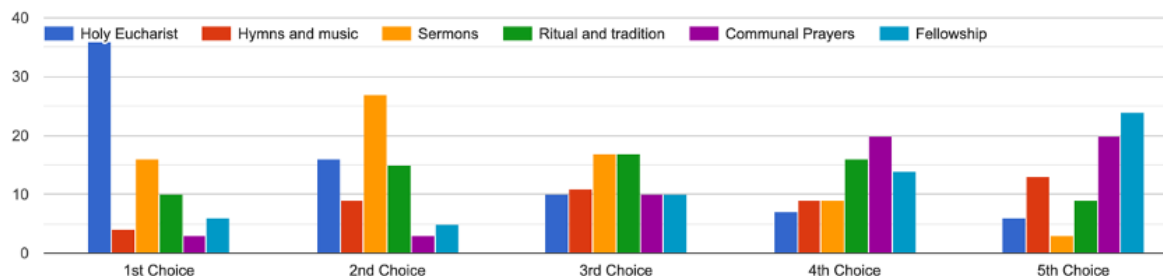
How often do you attend services?

75 responses



As you might expect with a survey like this, the vast majority of respondents are regularly engaged in worship.

What aspects of worship do you find most meaningful?



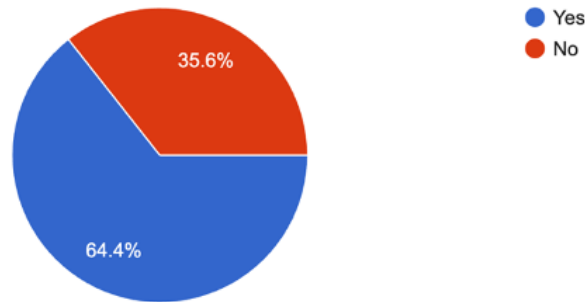
Among all Respondents, Holy Eucharist was the most meaningful aspect of worship with an average score of 4.92. Sermons weren't far behind at 4.47. Ritual and Tradition was the only other outright preference at 3.69 while fellowship (2.75), music (2.60), and communal prayer (2.56) were all near

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the middle of the pack. Among 10am Respondents, musically logically moves toward the front of the pack, slotting in as the 3<sup>rd</sup> most important aspect with an average score of 3.27.

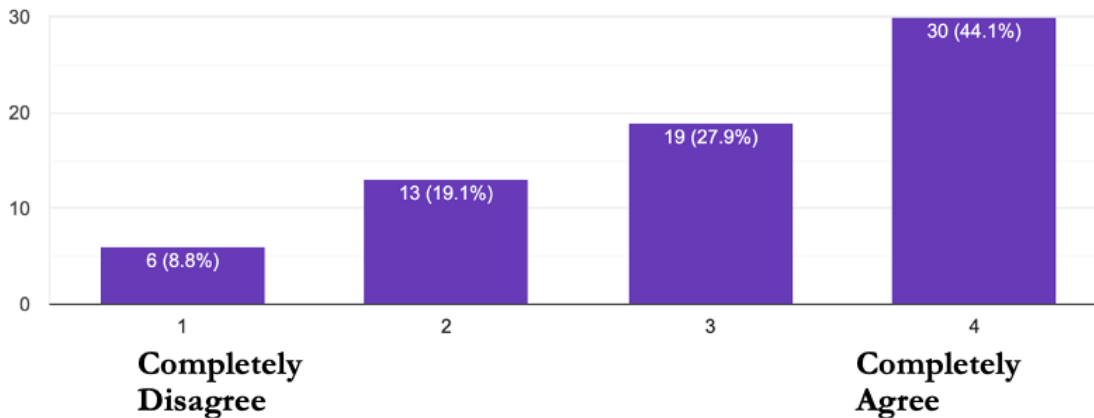
I would like to see more services that combine 8 and 10 so that we can all be together.

73 responses



I find the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Piano Mass to be refreshing

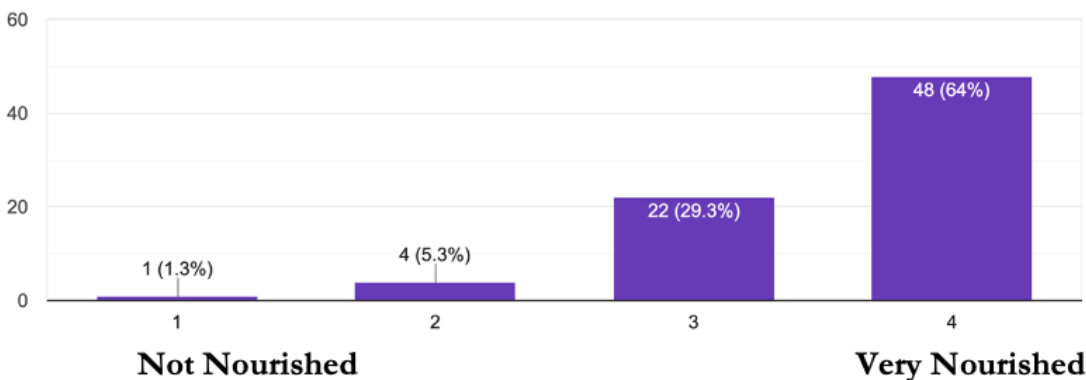
68 responses



The average score for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Piano Mass was a 3.07, which means it is very positive overall.

How spiritually nourished and connected do you feel in worship?

75 responses

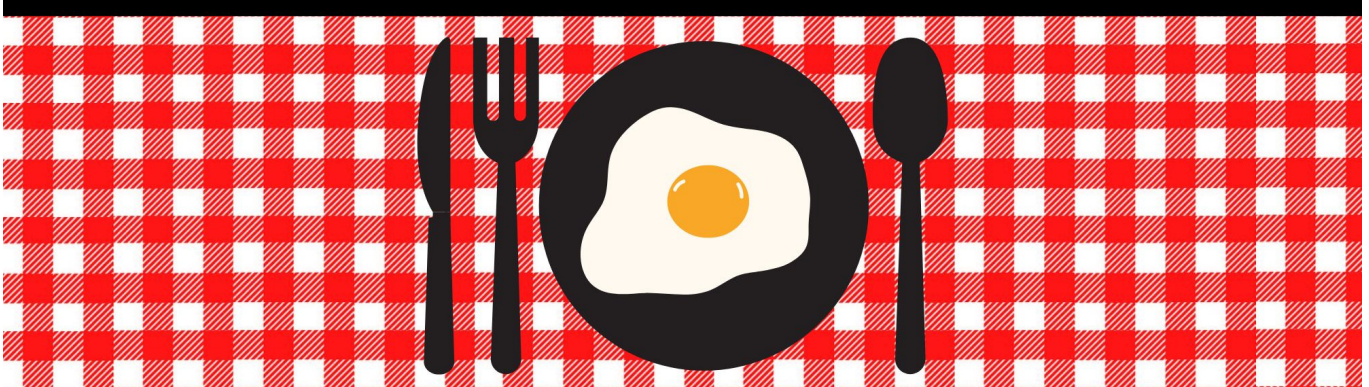
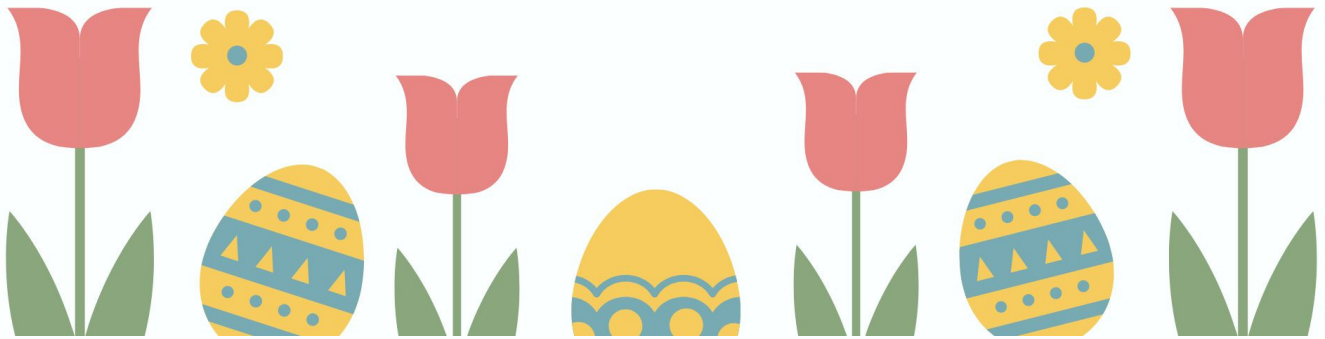


And we need not worry about our folks being nourished by worship, as its average score was a 3.56!

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

# CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

FOR  
EASTER MONDAY





# ECM in April



CAMPUS  
MINISTRY

Dinner + Worship  
Wednesday Evenings

April 3rd

April 10th

April 17th

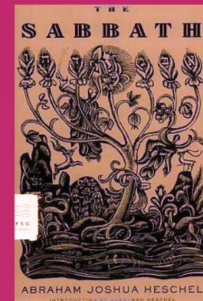
April 24th



## Bread of Angels

Sundays,  
9:00 A. M. Conference Room

Open to everyone with a bit  
of curiosity about being Christian



In April we will continue our reading of Rabbi Abraham Heschel's little book *The Sabbath*, in preparation for our Retreat at All Saints April 12-14. Our Retreat is a major milestone for Bread of Angels, Resurrected!

On our return from All Saints, we will begin reading Verna Dozier's book *Dream of God, A Call to Return.* An extraordinary lay leader, the Episcopal church credits her "with changing and revitalizing the way Episcopalians learn and use God's word in their lives."

Please join us at 9:00 on Sundays to explore Dozier's book, share perspectives, and explore what it means to be a Christian today. In Dozier's words, "... our task now is not to ask which interpretations [of scripture] are correct, but to ask "what did it mean to them [the early church]" and "what does it mean for us?"

For more information and to join our Google Group:  
Please go to [cecbg.com/boa](http://cecbg.com/boa)





# *Easter* Choral Evensong

Sunday,  
April 14th  
5pm

# RACIAL RECONCILIATION TRAINING

*Saturday - April 27th*  
*9:30-3:30*

Bishop White has placed an emphasis for the Diocese on the Racial Reconciliation Training for leaders in the church. While Zoom trainings are available, we are hosting an in-person training on Saturday, April 27th from 9:30 - 3:30. Register by March 31st by contacting Mother Becca.



# Sunday, April 28th

The Bishop's Visit and Confirmation will take place on Sunday, April 28th at both the 8am and 10am services.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR

# SENIOR SUNDAY

SUNDAY  
10AM

# APRIL 28

SENIOR AT  
BOWLING  
GREEN HIGH:  
**WILL  
DERRYBERRY**



SENIOR AT  
THE GATTON  
ACADEMY:  
**KAL-EL  
CLINE**





*DiocY Convention*



*CEC at Christmas*



*Pentecost Butterfly Release*

# We need your PHOTOS

For Parish Communications so we can share the joy of Christ Church. Send them to [becca@cecbg.com](mailto:becca@cecbg.com)

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VOLUNTEER TODAY



## VOLUNTEER FOR THE GENERAL CONVENTION

# DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters of the King will next meet on Sunday, April 7th at 11:15am in the Hines Chapel.

## BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew invites all men and male youth of Christ Church to join us in service to the church and to the community. Our next meetings will be Saturday, April 6th and 20th at 8am.



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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 04/03 Ken Cline           | 04/12 Judy Adams          |
| 04/03 Caroline Derryberry | 04/12 Amanda Derryberry   |
| 4/3 Henry Pepper III      | 04/13 Louise Gillock      |
| 04/03 Sophia Frassinelli  | 04/13 Lauren Carmichael   |
| 04/04 Angie Stewart       | 04/16 Lukas Forbes        |
| 04/04 Josh Greenwell      | 04/17 Anthony Frassinelli |
| 04/06 Tom Hart            | 04/21 Cindy Hines         |
| 04/06 John Spraker        | 04/22 Dennis Dipert       |
| 04/07 Eliza Pankey        | 04/22 Justin Chaffin      |
| 04/08 Retta Poe           | 04/25 Rumsie Massey       |
| 04/08 Bill Riedel         | 04/26 Tommy Adams Jr.     |
| 04/08 Billy Van Pelt      | 04/27 Kathy Leonard       |
| 04/11 Abby McReynolds     | 04/29 Mia Greenwell       |

**ITEMS FOR THE APRIL WINDOW ARE  
DUE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND**

# FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christ Episcopal Church				
Outreach Funds Report for period ending February 29, 2024				
Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2024	Year to Date Income	Year To Date Expense	Balance - 2/29/2024
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	2,448.75	0.00	0.00	2,448.75
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	5,009.83	5,840.00	6,300.00	4,549.83
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	3,754.62	0.00	0.00	3,754.62
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	1,989.47	50.00	0.00	2,039.47
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	256.03	50.00	0.00	306.03
Living Waters for the World	5,441.77	0.00	0.00	5,441.77
Meals, Inc	887.60	0.00	0.00	887.60
Room In The Inn	2,652.63	340.00	72.88	2,919.75
Stephen Ministry	137.85	0.00	0.00	137.85
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	9,786.80	470.00	361.09	9,895.71
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry		630 served YTD; 18 volunteers average/week		
Yoga	35.00	40.00	0.00	75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32,400.35</b>	<b>6,790.00</b>	<b>6,733.97</b>	<b>32,456.38</b>
Rector Discretionary	0.00	941.20	941.20	0.00
Associate Rector Discretionary	0.00	841.20	841.20	0.00
Deacon Discretionary	0.00	420.60	420.60	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,203.00</b>	<b>2,203.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME</b>		<b>8,993.00</b>		

Christ Episcopal Church					
Operating Fund Report for period ending February 29, 2024					
Account #	Account Name	FEB 2023	YTD 2024	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
<b>INCOME</b>					
	Parish Offerings	131,026.90	196,848.40	650,000.00	30%
	Diocesan Support	3,165.42	9,080.84	48,985.00	19%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	96,179.39	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	181.00	282.00	1,000.00	28%
	<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>134,373.32</b>	<b>206,211.24</b>	<b>796,164.39</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>					
	Administration	2,096.33	2,961.60	28,200.00	11%
	Buildings and Property	9,820.76	18,581.73	123,000.00	15%
	Christian Formation	895.73	2,619.65	17,250.00	15%
	WKU Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	767.49	2,854.65	11,000.00	26%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	7,403.17	14,806.34	92,338.00	16%
	Music Ministry	2,484.25	5,177.51	18,500.00	28%
	Parish Life	1,972.52	3,341.10	18,950.00	18%
	Worship	18.66	348.46	5,500.00	6%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	34,021.42	74,717.93	490,779.54	15%
	<b>EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>59,480.33</b>	<b>125,408.97</b>	<b>805,517.54</b>	<b>16%</b>
	<b>NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)</b>	<b>74,892.99</b>	<b>80,802.27</b>	<b>(9,353.15)</b>	



## Christ Episcopal Church

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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



# CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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OF CHRIST'S SERVANTS WHO SEEK TO:  
WORSHIP GOD WITH JOY AND WONDER,  
LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER, & RADIATE GOD'S  
LOVE TO ALL.

## Clergy and Staff

### Rector

The Reverend Dr. Steven J. Pankey  
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The Reverend Becca Kello  
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### Deacon

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### Parish Administrator

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### Director of Music and Organist

C. Kenneth Stein  
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### Director of Faith Formation

Kate Cline  
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## Vestry

### 2024 Class

John Carter  
Jim Dale  
David Lee  
Brenda Willoughby

### 2025 Class

Tommy Adams  
Carol DuBose  
Jamie Chaffin  
Sharon Valk

### 2026 Class

Margie Dotson  
David Kem  
Cary McAllister  
Brian Morrison

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*Senior Warden: John Carter  
Junior Warden: Jamie Chaffin  
Secretary: David Lee  
Ann Puckett, Treasurer  
Hamp Moore, Asst. Treasurer  
Paula Lyons, Asst. Treasurer*

## Seven Parish Ministry Areas and Vestry Member Liaisons

### Worship

Tommy Adams & Cary McAllister

### Learn

Carol DuBose & Sharon Valk

### Grow

Jamie Chaffin & David Kem

### Radiate: Fellowship

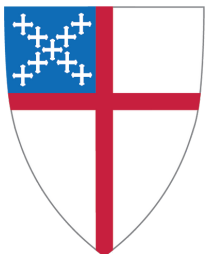
Brian Morrison & Jim Dale

### Radiate: Outreach

Brenda Willoughby & Margie  
Dotson

### Radiate: Pastoral Care

John Carter & David Lee



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