



The Window

A monthly newsletter published for the parish and friends
of Christ Episcopal Church of Bowling Green, Kentucky



A butterfly at Pentecost enjoying a rest on Eucharistic Minister Carol DuBose. Photo by Laura Goodwin

JULY 2019

**Christ Episcopal Church is a community of Christ's servants who seek to —
Worship God with joy and wonder,
Learn and Grow together, and
Radiate God's love to all.**

From The Rector

Dear Friends,

In my letter informing the congregation that we would be closing our porches to overnight sleeping, I mentioned that the Cloister Community had opened our eyes forever. I'm amazed at how true that statement is as I move around town and see many people who had been invisible before. Even in the shadows of dusk, I can recognize Earl, Red, Jeff, Nicole, and others as they walk around town headed home from work and toward a place to lay their heads for the night. While my heart aches for our neighbors experiencing homelessness, this ability to see is, in many ways, an answer to the prayer we make in Eucharistic Prayer C, that God might "open our eyes to see God's hand at work in the world around us."

As we continue to seek to have our eyes open in order to see our neighborhood, the Sacred Conversations group plans to engage in four prayer walks Wednesday, July 17 at 7pm, Saturday, July 27 at 9am, Wednesday, August 7 at 7pm, and Saturday, August 24 at 9am. The purpose of these four prayer walks will be discernment – asking God to help us to see where we might be called to serve in our community. As the Presiding Bishop's Canon for Evangelism, Reconciliation, and Stewardship of Creation puts it, these prayer walks are a chance to "walk through our neighborhood praying with our eye and hearts wide open. It's noticing signs of hope and signs of need, and how God call us to be present to both." These walks are not the proselytizing prayer walks, knocking on doors and seeking converts, that you might be imagining, but rather, they are a chance to see with fresh eyes the roads we travel with great regularity. There is no need to commit to all four walks. Even if you can only make one, God will use your vision as a way to help us imagine God's dream for Bowling Green.



We will offer four pre-planned routes for prayer walkers – up the hill to WKU, down to Circus Square, Adams Street, and Park Street. At least two of these routes are handicap accessible either via power chair or automobile. Following the 30-45 minute walk, each small group will have a chance to reflect on what they saw (and what they didn't see), as a way to focus our attention on where God is already working, what God is already blessing, and what God might be calling us to see anew. I hope you will join us as we pray for our community.

Grace and Peace,

Steve

From The Associate Rector

Dear Friends,

One of the quickest ways to establish connection with people you don't yet know is to share a meal with them, and if we invite folks into our homes for that meal, the connection only deepens. With two years serving as Chaplain to the Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM) at WKU under my belt, I would like to try something new for the college students and for the congregation as well. From what I understand, it has long been the pattern of Christ Church to provide home-cooked meals to our college students on their ECM night, and this has been a joy to see, but starting next month, I'd like to ask a bit more of those who would like to be a part of this ministry.

Rather than dropping off a meal at the church on Wednesday afternoons, I would like to ask you all if you would be willing to invite our campus students into your homes, share a meal, and worship with us. One of the things that I have found in the past two years is that college students can get a free meal almost anywhere, but what they are craving, perhaps what we all need, is a deeper connection. The magic of sharing a meal in a home is that this connection happens naturally, as you share pictures of your children or grandchildren and talk about that piece you got while traveling overseas; the connection develops as we share the story of who we are and when we listen to others.



My hope and prayer for this is to not only deepen the connections within the Campus Ministry group, but also to help deepen the connection between the congregation and ECM. Our group is small, but we spend intentional time with each other to not only enjoy each other's company, but also to develop our lives of faith. At this phase of life, most of our college students are deeply questioning much of what they have believed and carry new and unfamiliar difficulties in life, and a true gift of campus ministry is getting to walk alongside them during this time and to see just how deeply thoughtful and sincerely they engage big questions.

As you discern about hosting ECM one night this semester, feel free to bring any questions to me. I'm seeking out folks willing to open their homes, but as a reminder, we don't need them to be perfect or spotless; all that is needed is a willingness to host and coordinate dinner (cook, order something, or picking up Chickadee's all work). I'm happy to talk through this in more detail, but the basic idea is that ECM will gather at the church at 5:30 on Tuesday evenings during the semester and go to people's homes, where we will share dinner and communion together, with the hope that as we draw together, we will draw closer to God not only on Tuesday nights, but through the rest of the week as well. Check your schedule, and contact me to sign up for a date below:

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Episcopal Campus Ministry – Tuesdays in Fall 2019 Semester

August 27

September 3, 10, 17, 24

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

November 5, 12, 19

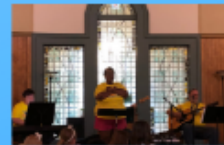
December 3

A huge thanks to all who volunteered at Vacation Bible School 2019 as group leaders, youth helpers, food preparers, band members, registrars, station leaders, artists, etc.

IT WAS A SUCCESSFUL WEEK BECAUSE OF YOU!



The children collected children's books for HOTEL INC and supplies for the Humane Society and each night made a craft for the visiting organizations: Canvases for Habitat for Humanity, Reusable Grocery Bags for the Mobile Grocery, and pet toys for the Humane Society. It was a great week of learning to love our neighbors!



Our CEC Living Waters for the World water project still needs your financial support!



Choose Christ Episcopal Church as your favorite charity and .5% of your purchases will automatically go to our water project!



THE LIVING WATERS FOR THE WORLD MISSION TEAM
PRESENTS

Trivia Night

**OUTWIT YOUR COMPETITORS WITH
GENERAL FACTS AND TRIVIA**

July 20 @ 6PM Moore Hall
\$75 per team (8 people or fewer)

Prizes will be awarded!

Registration opens July 7th

Childcare available upon request

The background of the entire image is a close-up photograph of vibrant green leaves, likely from a basil plant, with prominent veins and a slightly glossy texture. The leaves are arranged in a dense, overlapping pattern, filling the frame. A white rectangular box is centered on the image, containing the text.

PRAYER ON THE PORCH

Come pray with us.

MONDAYS AT 4:00PM
AT THE BENCHES



SUMMER

NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER WALKS

**JOIN THE SACRED CONVERSATION GROUP AS
WE PRAYERFULLY WALK OUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 - 7PM

SATURDAY, JULY 27 - 9AM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7 - 7PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 - 9AM

WHAT IS A NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER WALK?

It's not just walking around. It's not just praying. It's walking through your neighborhood praying with your eyes and your heart wide open. It's noticing signs of hope and signs of need, and how God calls you to be present to both. Take a walk. Listen closely. Pay attention. Offer prayer. Notice what God is up to. Then re-imagine how your ministry could join God and join your neighbors.



SIMMONS
COLLEGE OF KENTUCKY

40 DAYS OF PRAYER

FOR THE LIBERATION OF
AMERICAN DESCENDANTS OF SLAVERY



1619 - 2019

Commemorating 400 years of slavery
and its evolution in America

JOIN US IN

40 Days of Prayer

Beginning July 12th, we will join members of the Diocese and others as we pray for 40 days commemorating 400 years of slavery in America.

Prayer books are available at the church office for \$5 or on Amazon for \$10. A follow-up six week Adult Sunday School offering will begin August 11.



Join us Sunday, August 11th at 9am
in the Gathering Area for Sunday school
Kick-off for all ages!

GUIDED BY GOD

*Get equipped for life's adventures in
Sunday school!
(No Sunday school May 26-August 4)*

SAVE THE DATE

**EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY
MISSION TRIP
SEPTEMBER 13TH-15TH**

Pastoral Care Meal Ministry

Most of us experience times in our lives when we need a little help or would appreciate knowing that we are cared for. A prepared and delivered meal is one expression of love and caring that many of us are able to provide. The Lay Pastoral Care Committee would like to organize this effort so that Father Steve and Mother Becca can offer meals to parishioners in times of need, such as recovering from surgery or when grieving.

If you would be interested in participating in this ministry or would like to know more, please contact either Jamie Chaffin (missjamie12@yahoo.com) or Carol DuBose (caroldubose@aol.com)



Lay Pastoral Care Ministry

The Lay Pastoral Care Ministry is designed to assist the clergy in providing love, care and concern to fellow parishioners and to be a “ministry of presence.” The following persons coordinate the various aspects of this ministry:

Visitation -- Richard Greer;

Card Ministry – Sharon Dyrsen

Eucharistic Visitors -- Helen Siewers;

Communication Coordinator – Sue Edwards

Food Ministry – Carol DuBose & Jamie Chaffin

Prayer Shawl Ministry -- Mary Travelsted;

Altar Flower Delivery – Mary Hart Lyle;

If you would like to know more about this ministry, contact one of the coordinating persons listed above. Kathy Leonard & Bill Riedel are the vestry liaisons to this ministry and can also provide additional information.

Centering Prayer



Be still and know that I am God. (Psalm 46:10)

Do you sometimes feel the noise of the world puts you on overload? Do you ever seek a few quiet moments just to sit in silence so you can “hear” what is really important? If so, then we may be the group for you.

Centering Prayer will be enjoying a summer break until mid-August. Check back for exciting updates!

To learn more, please contact Sue Edwards (sumace2@gmail.com).

MEALS, INC

Christ Episcopal Church is responsible for Meals, Inc. on Saturday, August 3rd. Anyone interested in helping with pickup of food, setup or delivery, please contact Kathy Wise-Leonard at (270)779-5595.



English Country Dance

Sunday, July 21st
2:00pm
Surface Hall

English Country Dance is back at Christ Church. Social dances from the 1700s (think Jane Austen), to the present, in the

English Country Dance style. All dances are taught and prompted. No partner is necessary. All ages are welcome and beginners are always encouraged. We meet the 3rd Sunday of each month in Surface Hall from 2:00—3:30pm. There is no charge. Please wear non-marking, comfortable shoes. For more information, please contact Jan Campbell (270-535-2258)



Daughters Of The King (DOK)



Sunday July 7th
8:50 AM

The Daughters will gather in the Chapel for prayer and fellowship.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew



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

We meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month in the Conference Room at 8:00am for fellowship and sharing a reflection on Sunday's Gospel reading.

Our next meetings will be Saturdays, July 6th & 20th.

Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry



Wednesday Lunch Ministry will resume on **July 10th**.

In the interim, you can help stock the pantry with White Albacore Tuna. You can drop your donations in the kitchen or at the front desk.

For more information, please contact Mary Cash (MaryGCash@gmail.com)

Friends of Music Ministry

There are many ways you can help the Music Ministry at Christ Church! We always appreciate your prayers!

If God has given you a musical gift please come join us! Choir rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:30, or join us for special services such as Lenten Evensong, the Great Vigil, and Easter. Contact Ken Stein (Ken@cecbg.com) for rehearsal times before those services.

You can be a Friend of Music by giving specifically to Friends of Music fund. This helps us with instrumental musicians for our special services.

Other ways to help:

Sewing— upkeep of our choir robes used in services, and making costumes for special events. Boar's Head Festival (Madrigal Dinner) set-up, decoration and clean-up



Healing Service

Wednesdays
12:00pm in the Nave



HEALING

The Parish Online

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



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

The Parish Register

Births

Tiffany DeLoach and Jimmy Curry welcomed their daughters, Oakley Elizabeth and Reagan Hannah, on June 24th. Oakley and Reagan are receiving NICU care and are growing stronger every day. The Curry family welcomes your prayers.

Birthdays

07/01	Peg Coatney	07/11	Patrick Forbes	07/24	Stuart Brotherton
07/02	John Linden	07/12	Chris Cecil	07/24	Alec Gouvas
07/02	Elizabeth Skillern	07/13	Judi Hughes	07/24	Zechariah Clayton
07/03	Janice Erbach	07/13	Paula Lyons	07/24	Hatcher Hale
07/03	Elizabeth Jefferson	07/15	Mary Lynn Griffin	07/25	Jocelyn Smith
07/06	Rachael Palmer	07/15	Leigh Constans Pierce	07/26	Aubin Jefferson
07/07	Joe Steele	07/15	Anne Nuckols	07/26	Ali Greenwell
07/07	Kristen Lyons	07/15	Robert Cobb Jr.	07/27	Mark Esterle
07/08	Kelly Burch	07/16	Todd Kirby	07/28	Paul Young
07/08	Kate Cline	07/16	Janet Grider	07/29	J. Marshall Hughes
07/08	Leah Olmsted	07/21	Sara Carmichael	07/29	J. T. Gillock
07/09	Leonard Edwards	07/22	Jeff Joyce	07/29	Elizabeth Carter
07/09	Mikey Crabtree	07/22	Zoe Watts	07/30	Alison Grow
07/10	Melinda Grimsley	07/24	Janice Vokurka	07/31	Richard Stone
07/10	Erin Massey	07/24	Cassie Pankey	07/31	Karma Cline
				07/31	Eliza Siegert



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

What Does Christ Church Mean To You?

Christ Church is so much more than just the place we worship on Sunday mornings. Christ Church has been the backdrop for the most important events in my family. My grandparents, Pete and Virginia Shanks, joined Christ Church after they were married. My parents, Brent and Alison Grow, were married there and even though I grew up in Franklin, we drove to Bowling Green to attend the 8 o'clock service with my grandparents. Let me tell you, when you are a teenager driving from Franklin....that is an early service! The 8 o'clockers that remember my grandparents probably remember how my grandfather, would wait until the last possible minute to go to communion and my grandmother would roll her eyes as the rest of us gestured for him to stand up. I guess he didn't believe in standing in line for very long! After church, we would go to breakfast at Bob Evans. There was not much of a chance that we would vary our weekly routine!



Although Josh grew up Catholic in Oldham County, he felt at home and comfortable at Christ Church when we were dating. Therefore, we were married at Christ Church and decided that is where we wanted to continue to worship as a family. Of course, we still had to attend the 8 o'clock service! We still laugh about the fact that after his first Easter service, my grandmother looked at him and said, "they mean well, but I don't know why they think we want all that music." Both of my grandparents passed away in the time after we married but before our first daughter, Ali was born. Both of their funerals were held at Christ Church just as they had wished.

The circle of life continues and now our daughters, Ali (12) and Mia (10) who were both baptized at Christ Church, attend the 8 o'clock service and share a pew with their grandmother. At least the breakfast routine has changed from Bob Evans to Corner Bakery!

No one knows what the future holds or where our girls will end up, but I will always treasure the memories at Christ Church that now span across four generations of my family.

Congregation in the Community



Father Steve with Jamie and Justin Chaffin at the Project Resource stewardship conference in Asheville, NC



Anna Siewers, All Saints Camp Program Director, leading a cake walk. Karen Crabtree, sadly, did not win.

Financial Reports

Christ Episcopal Church					
Operating Fund Report for period ending May 31, 2019					
Account #	Account Name	MAY 2019	YTD 2019	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
INCOME					
	Parish Offerings	39,530.78	285,655.57	666,176.00	43%
	Diocesan Support	2,295.00	16,975.00	38,540.00	44%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	67,051.33	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	25.00	1,375.00	3,225.00	43%
	INCOME TOTAL	41,850.78	304,005.57	774,992.33	39%
EXPENSE					
	Adminstration	1,719.94	11,064.02	37,000.00	30%
	Buildings and Property	8,647.44	58,317.77	123,300.00	47%
	Christian Formation	1,749.82	5,991.54	18,250.00	33%
	WKU Episcoapl Campus Ministry (ECM)	228.33	3,857.23	11,000.00	35%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	8,026.25	40,879.93	104,315.00	39%
	Music Ministry	1,176.54	9,043.41	20,500.00	44%
	Parish Life	596.84	5,464.36	18,200.00	30%
	Worship	550.34	3,012.95	4,000.00	75%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	35,538.56	180,295.87	432,513.33	42%
	EXPENSE TOTAL	58,234.06	317,927.08	769,078.33	41%
	NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)	-16,383.28	-13,921.51	5,914.00	

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Outreach Funds Report for period ending May 31, 2019					
Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2019	Year to Date Income	Income from Transfers	Year To Date Expense	Balance - 5/31/2019
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	627.64	400.14		0.00	1,027.78
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	1,592.09		1,592.09	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	6,530.09	3,140.00		4,000.00	5,670.09
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry	1,387.00	0.00		0.00	1,387.00
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	850.18	0.00		217.85	632.33
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	1,472.19	1,074.00		0.00	2,546.19
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	1,820.00	489.00		2,002.97	306.03
Living Waters for the World	11,447.91	1,755.76		1,741.65	11,462.02
Meals, Inc	62.50	0.00		0.00	62.50
Room In The Inn	1,060.05	80.00		65.25	1,074.80
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	2,264.69	864.41		2,611.06	518.04
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry		1982 served YTD; 23 volunteers average/week			
Yoga	967.05	332.58		127.20	1,172.43
TOTAL	28,489.30	9,727.98	0.00	12,358.07	25,859.21
Rector Discretionary	315.00	2,104.39		2,419.39	0.00
Associate Rector Discretionary	266.00	1,917.87		2,183.87	0.00
Deacon Discretionary	116.00	958.95		1,036.54	38.41
TOTAL	697.00	4,981.21		5,639.80	38.41
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		14,709.19			

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL church

Office Hours Monday—Thursday
8:30am—4:30pm
Closed Fridays

Service Times

Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One
9:00am Sunday School
10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Tuesday

12:15pm Centering Prayer Community

Wednesday

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

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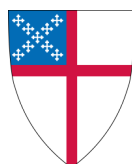
The Vestry

2019 Class
Shelley Carter
Laura Harper Lee
Sarah Loiars
Paula Lyons

2020 Class
Gail Brooks
Justin Chaffin
Kathy Leonard
Gary Reimer

2021 Class
Leonard Edwards
Bill Riedel
Shawn Rhodes
Adam Tabor

Shelley Carter, *Senior Warden*
Gary Reimer, *Junior Warden*
Paula Lyons, *Clerk*
Leslie Weigel, *Treasurer*
Hamp Moore, *Asst. Treasurer*
Mark Eastin, *Asst. Treasurer*



Seven Parish Ministry Areas And Vestry Member Liaisons

Worship

Steve Pankey, Becca Kello
Gail Brooks & Paula Lyons

Learn

Christian Formation
Sarah Loiars & Laura Harper Lee

Grow

Congregational Development
Shawn Rhodes & Adam Tabor

Radiate Fellowship

Leonard Edwards & Gary Reimer

Radiate Outreach

Shelley Carter & Justin Chaffin

Radiate Pastoral Care

Kathy Leonard & Bill Riedel