



# *The Window*

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

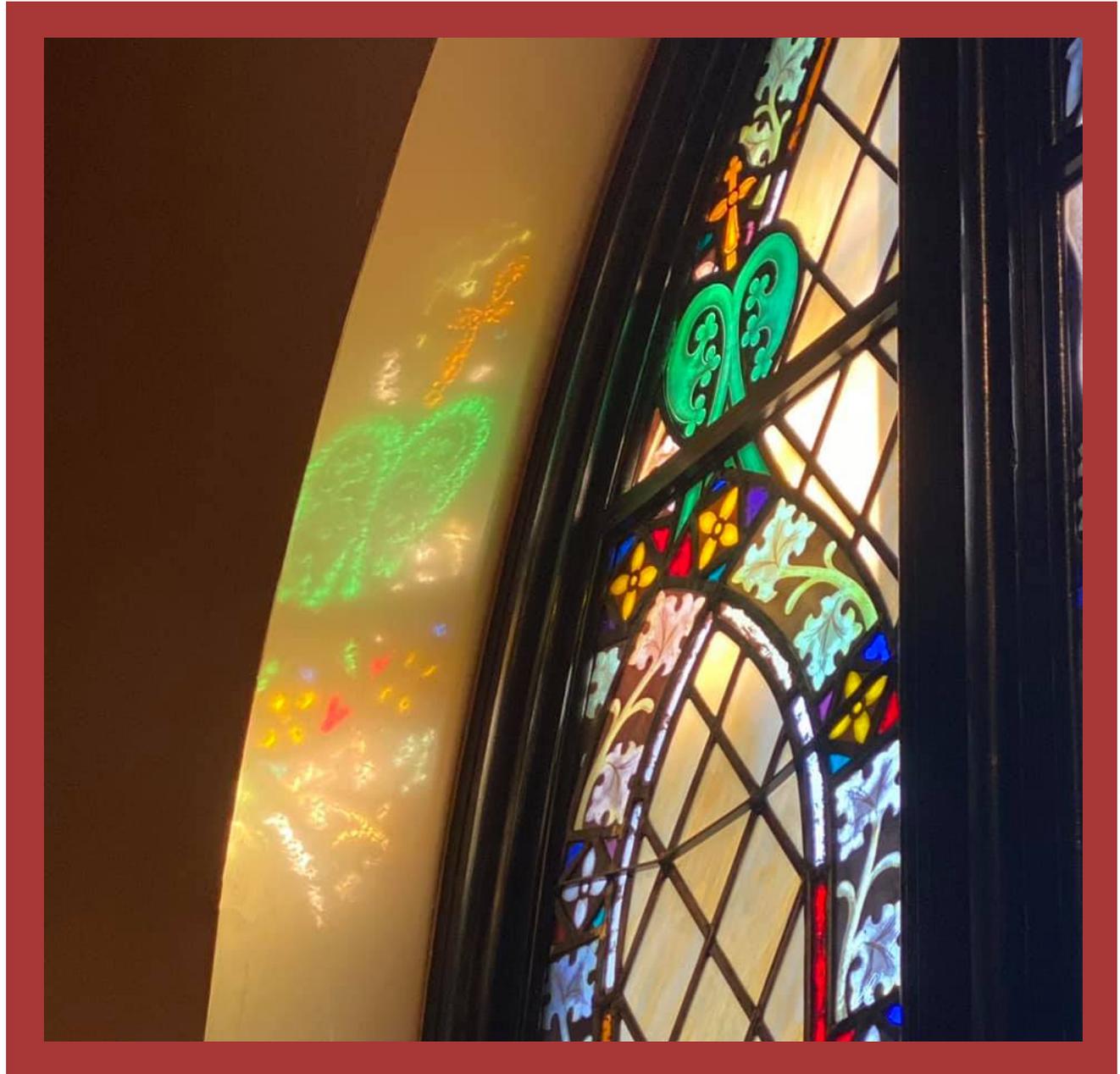


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## **OCTOBER 2020**

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Worship God with joy and wonder,  
Learn and Grow together, and  
Radiate God's love to all.**

# From The Rector

Dear Friends,

I can't remember a fall that has been more beautiful than this one. Maybe it is because I'm home more and our patio has been transformed by pandemic-era home improvements, or maybe it is that the mosquito population is beginning to dwindle a bit, but I have found myself enjoying time outside a great deal over the past several weeks. As I've sat in my rocking chair soaking in the gorgeous weather, I began to wonder if God was providing us an opportunity to give thanks and praise. I confided my ponderings in Becca, who told me she'd been feeling similarly. We brought in Kellie, who also had similar thoughts. Finally, we approached the Restart Task Force with an idea.

Weather permitting, beginning on Sunday, October 11th, ahead of the All Saints' Day services (which Mother Becca describes in her article), we hope to be able to hold an abbreviated service of Morning Prayer Rite II at 8:30am in the 12th Avenue Parking Lot. These services will last about 20 minutes so that you can be home in time for our Sunday School offerings at 9am. If you do not feel comfortable or are unable to attend in person at 8:30, please note that the 10am service will continue to be live-streamed from the Nave by our small group of staff and volunteers. The 10am service will not be open to the public.

Our outdoor services will obviously look quite different from what you remember about Sunday mornings. First, you will need to register either via Sign-Up Genius or calling the Parish Office. In order to maintain proper physical distancing, attendance will be limited to 35 households. Other COVID-19 safety requirements will be required as well. Masks must be worn at all times by anyone over the age of 2. We ask that entering and exiting the service, you do not linger and that you maintain a six-foot buffer between you and the members of other households. You may sign up to attend this service by going to <https://bit.ly/SuG4OMP>.

The Restart Task Force and I are keenly aware that Bowling Green and Warren County remain hotspots according to the most recent White House Coronavirus Task Force report September 20, 2020 - [https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/Gew2xydkRF2I3oI5pENW\\_Kentucky%209.20.pdf](https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/Gew2xydkRF2I3oI5pENW_Kentucky%209.20.pdf), and that community spread by those who are infected but asymptomatic remains a concern. We request that you do not attend an in-person service if you have any symptoms of COVID-19: fever, unexplained chest cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose, headache, newly lost sense of taste or smell, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. Additionally, we strongly encourage you to stay home and worship with us online at 10am if you are 65 years or older or have underlying medical conditions such as chronic lung disease, asthma, heart conditions, diabetes, chronic kidney disease with dialysis, liver disease, or are immunocompromised by condition or medication.

October 11th won't be a one and done opportunity to worship God together. The Restart Task Force will reconvene on October 13th to evaluate and, hopefully, to make plans for October 18 and 25. As I mentioned, we also hope to hold two services of Holy Eucharist, in celebration of All Saints' Day on November 1.

I so look forward to seeing some of you, masked and at a safe distance at 8:30am on October 11th. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call, text, or email.

Grace and Peace,



# From The Associate Rector

At the writing of this newsletter article, we are finalizing the details of our Drive Through Pet Blessing, and I cannot wait. I have excitedly told my friends and colleagues about this, because for a lot of y'all, this will be our first opportunity to be together in-person since March. I always look forward to the Pet Blessing, but this year it's different; like many folks, I'm a bit desperate for time spent with people I love and to see the smiles that I used to take for granted, for the fifty tiny conversations that used to happen every Sunday morning that I have missed more than I could have imagined. But my excitement for the Pet Blessing pales in comparison to the joy that I feel in anticipation for our All Saints' Service.

On Sunday, November 1st we will celebrate All Saints' Day with an outdoor service of Holy Eucharist. While things will look different, like masks and distancing being required and communion being distributed in bread only, I am nearly giddy with the possibility of not only being together, and the gathering of our prayers together in person, but also to share God's Holy Communion. Like many of you, this is the longest I have ever gone without receiving communion, and I'm grateful that we will get the chance to pray and to receive in person.

Our talented audio/visual volunteer team are working on the logistics for us to be able to livestream the 10:30 service as usual on Sunday morning for those who are unable to attend in person. And if you would like to receive communion but don't plan to come to the in-person worship, Father Steve, Deacon Kellie, and myself all three plan to stay after worship for a communion pick-up. And our alternative rain plan is to delay it a week, should we have to make weather accommodations. Registration will be online, or you can call the church office, as we'll need to make sure we have enough space for folks to spread out.

All Saints is one of our high holy days that doesn't get a ton of attention in our yearly rhythm, but it's one of my favorite days of the liturgical calendar. To me, there is something so powerful about the opportunity to remember those whose shoulders we stand upon, and all the ways in which the saints of God have been through impossible situations and circumstances and have come out on the other side with a testament to what God can do through our lives. As we pass eight months of online services only, these stories of those who have come before us are the ones that I need to hear. I need to remember that this is not the first time the church has struggled and had to rethink how to be the people of God in the current reality. The ways in which we are reclaiming and rethinking how our faith and communal formation plays out in the world is not anything new in the history of God's people.

But the hope that we feel, the hope that is our buoy during this season is not new, either. It is God and God alone who will pull us through this time, and this is what we will celebrate as we gather to receive Holy Communion for the first time since the pandemic hit. I am so excited to see those who can make it and to extend to you the body of Christ, the bread of heaven as we remember God's unfailing faithfulness, no matter the circumstances.



## **November 1, 2020 – All Saints' Sunday**

8:30 – Rite I

10:30 – Rite II

12th Ave. Parking Lot  
Masks and distancing required | Bring own seating  
Registration online or call the church office

Sunday

Oct. 17th

8:30 am

# Outdoor Morning Prayer

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## SOME REMINDERS

REGISTER ONLINE/CALL THE CHURCH

MASKS AND DISTANCING REQUIRED

BRING OWN SEATING

LITURGY OF THE WORD WILL BE STREAMED AS  
USUAL AT 10:00 ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE



*Children's Ministry*

# FALL GATHERING

October 25 • Sunday • Christ Episcopal Church

**Join us in the 12th Avenue parking lot for pumpkin decorating, games, and fun! Children are encouraged to wear a costume.**

**RSVP by going to <https://forms.gle/dVo3EsBDXCmbsof2A>**

Face masks will be required and physical distancing and sanitization will be practiced.



WANT TO RECEIVE  
SUPPLEMENTAL PACKETS FOR  
WEEKLY CHILDREN'S CHURCH  
LESSONS?

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH AT HOME

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To register for "Children's Church at Home" visit our website: <https://www.cecbg.com/children-ministry-s-distancing>. Those not registered will not receive packets. This is an effort to be good stewards of finances.

**FOR THOSE REGISTERED, BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER, CHILDREN'S CHURCH PACKETS WILL BE MAILED OUT WEEKLY AS A COMPANION TO THE CHURCH AT HOME ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE.**

The Children's Church curriculum follows the revised common lectionary and is published by The Episcopal Church. Intended for children ages 3-12 years of age.





# SOWING SEEDS OF GOD'S LOVE

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## CHILDREN'S FALL VIRTUAL GODLY PLAY SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children are invited to join us weekly online for Godly Play lessons!

- Sundays at 9am

Log on to our Facebook page (Christ Episcopal Church of Bowling Green) at 9am to hear a Godly Play story told by one of our CEC Godly Play teachers

- OR watch by clicking on the youtube link on our website when it is convenient for you and your family

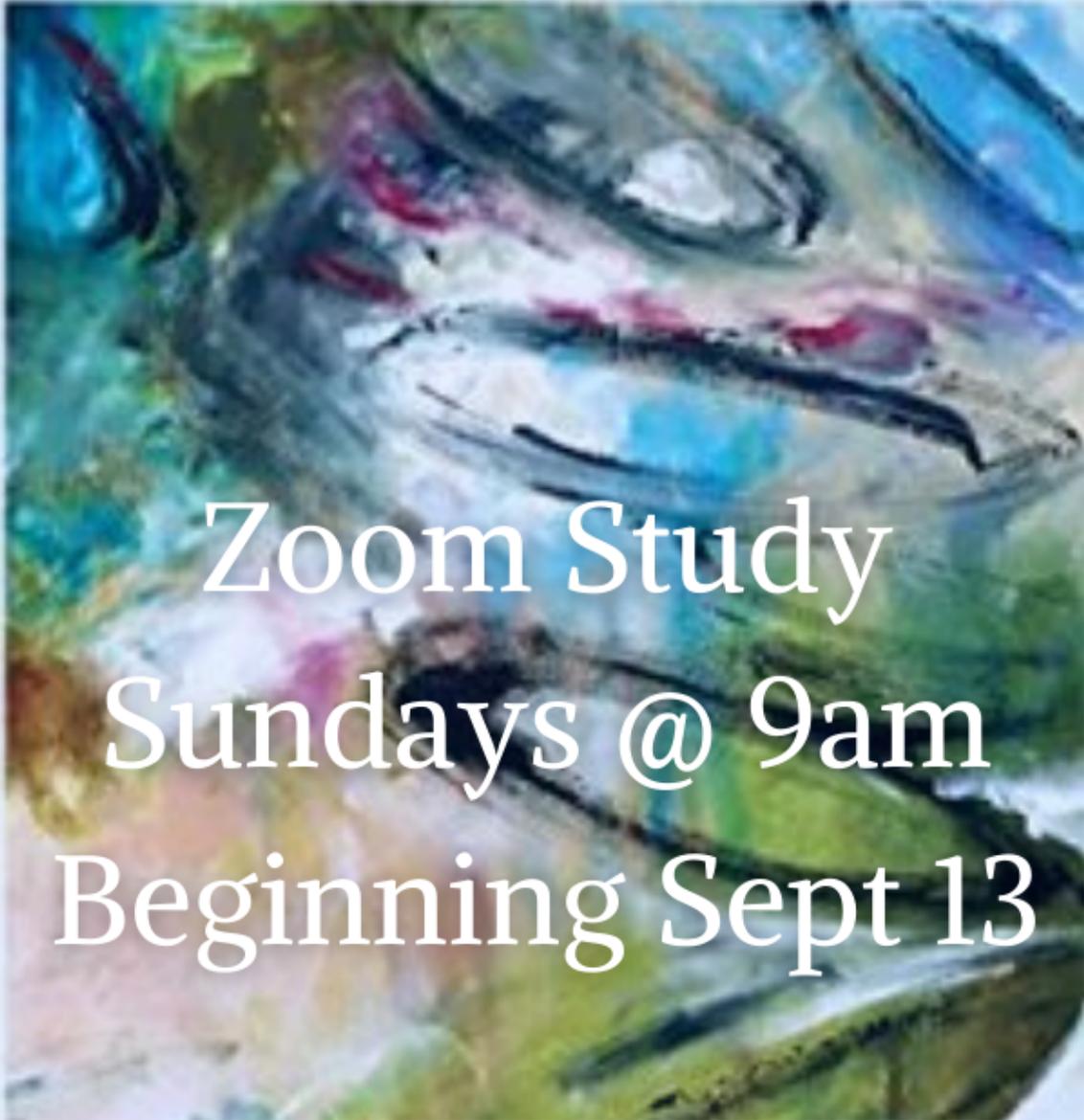
- We will study Jesus' Parables beginning Sept 13 until November 8

- Families are encouraged to watch together and discuss the wondering questions at the end of lesson

- Appropriate for all ages

# Living into God's Dream

Dismantling Racism in America



Zoom Study  
Sundays @ 9am  
Beginning Sept 13

## Living into God's Dream

Last month, during four weeks of story-telling, learning and, yes, some discomfort, Shelley Carter and Leslie Weigel led a group of CEC parishioners (plus some special friends) in a study of Ta-Nehisi Coates' book *Between the World and Me*. One unexpected element of our study time together was the sharing of written and video resources that are available for further learning and spiritual guidance for building a future without Racism.

Coates repeatedly referenced "the Dream" in *Between the World...* describing an American dream of work and housing opportunity and of physical security that was largely unavailable to the dark-skinned children of his generation. Since the conclusion of our class, as we start to study other texts, we begin to see references to another dream, God's dream for all of us, personally and communally. We realize that while Coates had provided a wake-up call, we need to look further and to look deeper into our faith, the teachings of Jesus, our Baptismal Covenant, to seek ways of addressing and changing the biased ways we treat our fellow human beings.

This self-examination has led Leslie and Shelley back to a book we had shared together in our Education for Ministry (EfM) class a couple of years ago. When we dusted it off and looked back to our underlinings, we realized that it could speak to us in a new and deeper way today. The book is entitled *Living into God's Dream: Dismantling Racism in America*. It consists of a series of essays, written by contemporary theological voices and edited by Catherine Meeks, a leader in the Episcopal Church in Atlanta where she has been a strong voice in the pursuit of Becoming Beloved Community in America.

We are excited to begin reading *Living into God's Dream* and to launch a new study group beginning on Sunday September 13, at 9 AM, to examine the messages from these brief and accessible essays. Books are available for purchase online in paperback or Kindle versions, and a supply is available at the church office.

In addition, we are working with Laura and Karen to create a study group site online where interested parishioner can learn from each other and share resources that they discover in support of the Beloved Community that God is asking us to become.

THE  
WAY  
OF  
LOVE

A Practical Guide  
to Following Jesus

Scott Gunn  
Foreword by Michael B. Curry

**FACEBOOK & ZOOM**  
**8 WEEK**  
**STUDY**

**BEGINNING**  
**SEPTEMBER 13**

A follow up to our 2018 LOFT Study, this 8 week journey through Scott Gunn's newest book will offer practical discipleship solutions for your walk with Jesus.

Lectures will be posted on Sundays via Facebook Premiere. Discussion will happen via Zoom on Wednesday nights at 6:30.

Copies of the book are available in the Parish Office.

ZOOM ADULT BIBLE STUDY  
LED BY MILISKA KNAUFT  
SUNDAYS @ 9AM  
BEGINNING SEPT 13

# CONVERSATIONS WITH SCRIPTURE:

The Gospel According to John



To participate, order the resource:  
Conversations with Scripture: The Gospel of John  
by Cynthia Briggs Kittredge  
or call the church office to reserve a copy.



Thank you for your support

# Churches United in Christ **HELP** Ministry

*As our HELP Ministry enters its fifth month since the restart,  
we're grateful for your generosity.*

*Needs are increasing, so please continue to remember this ministry.*



# Episcopal Campus Ministry

Wednesday Evening Prayer  
5:30pm - Church Garden

Sunday Night Compline  
9:00 pm - Zoom



The Episcopal Youth Community is meeting  
on Zoom, Sundays at 7pm, for games &  
fellowship & the occasional lesson.

We will also begin meeting safely in person  
as soon as possible.

Youth are invited to join our group chat on  
GroupMe. Reach out to Karen for an invite.

Zoom: 912 4807 3737 PW: youth  
Karen@cecbg.com IG: CECBG\_EYC



# The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

INVITES YOU TO THEIR PHYSICALLY DISTANCED,  
OUTDOOR MEETINGS ON THE FIRST AND THIRD  
SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8AM IN THE 12TH  
AVE. PARKING LOT.

## 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:

Ministry Leader - Elizabeth Rhodes

Card Ministry - Sharon Dyrsen

Eucharistic Visitors - Deacon Kellie Mysinger

Food Ministry - Carol DuBose & Jamie Chaffin

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Mary Travelsted

Altar Flower Delivery - Daughters of the King

Communication Coordinator - Sue Edwards

If you would like to know more about this ministry, contact one of the coordinators listed above. Kathy Leonard & Justin Chaffin are the Vestry liaisons to this ministry and can also provide additional information.

## Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King will next meet on Sunday, October 4th at 11:45 a.m. in the 12th St lot. Please bring sack lunch for yourself plus a lawn chair. We will remain socially distant and masks will be required while not eating.



# 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](mailto:missjamie12@yahoo.com)) or Carol DuBose ([caroldubose@aol.com](mailto:caroldubose@aol.com))

## The Parish Register

### *Baptisms*

Jess Raynes Kyle was welcomed into the household of God through baptism at St. George's Episcopal Church in Nashville on Sunday September 27, 2020. His parents are Neill and Elliott Kyle. His grandmother is Gretchen Broderick.

### *Birthdays*

10/01	Adrian Carter	10/12	Jan Funk	10/24	Lauren Edwards
10/02	Pat Frederick	10/13	Peggy McKillip	10/24	Doug Hunnewell
10/03	Gail McGuffey	10/14	Don Goidel	10/25	Lou Goidel
10/03	Elizabeth Forbes	10/14	Mark Shoulders	10/25	Portia Wimp
10/03	Hannah Stewart	10/14	Allison Paul	10/25	Laura Cohron
10/05	Aldis Brunson	10/15	Joanna Carey	10/25	Joshua Gwyn
10/06	Carol DuBose	10/16	Brenda Willoughby	10/25	Brock McIvor
10/06	Rick Mitchell	10/16	Clinton Mills	10/26	Barbara Hines
10/06	Jenny Greenwell	10/17	Elizabeth Rhodes	10/26	Bob Cobb
10/06	Kennady Steele	10/18	Joyce Hudson	10/26	Ken Casey
10/06	Kayden Carter	10/18	Cary McAllister	10/27	Carol Carraco
10/06	Sorcha Pattee	10/18	Katie Sieber	10/28	Ann Esterle
10/07	Harper Lee	10/19	Ellie Buchanon	10/29	Zoe Roberts
10/08	Suellen Carbin	10/21	Cortney Dale	10/30	Sarah Singleton
10/08	Adam Tabor	10/22	Laurie Joyce	10/30	Van Cohron
10/08	Wyatt Roberts	10/23	Belinda Jefferson	10/30	Spencer Joyce
10/09	Sarah Loiers	10/23	Joyce Russell	10/31	Terri Mischel
10/11	Dolores Dodd	10/23	Ava Whitlow	10/31	Cecilia Walton



# The Parish Online

Be sure to check the parish's website at [www.cebcbg.com](http://www.cebcbg.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.



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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/cebcbg](http://www.facebook.com/cebcbg)

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](http://www.episcopalky.org)

## Financial Reports

Christ Episcopal Church					
Operating Fund Report for period ending August 31, 2020					
Account #	Account Name	AUGUST 2020	YTD 2020	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
<b>INCOME</b>					
	Parish Offerings	50,526.65	487,804.38	688,873.00	71%
	Diocesan Support	2,295.00	26,610.00	38,540.00	69%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	76,893.24	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	0.00	1,175.00	2,000.00	59%
	<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>52,821.65</b>	<b>515,589.38</b>	<b>806,306.24</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>					
	Administration	764.33	18,441.45	34,600.00	53%
	Buildings and Property	9,114.36	66,978.61	125,500.00	53%
	Christian Formation	150.99	8,752.97	17,250.00	51%
	WKU Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	75.64	3,973.22	11,000.00	36%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	9,082.00	69,819.00	110,984.00	63%
	Music Ministry	696.73	10,208.80	20,600.00	50%
	Parish Life	835.71	6,105.38	17,700.00	34%
	Worship	1,548.05	4,985.40	4,000.00	125%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	32,596.65	284,672.05	449,383.03	63%
	<b>EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>54,864.46</b>	<b>473,936.88</b>	<b>791,017.03</b>	<b>60%</b>
	<b>NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)</b>	<b>-2,042.81</b>	<b>41,652.50</b>	<b>15,289.21</b>	

# Financial Reports

<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b>					
<b>Outreach Funds Report for period ending August 31, 2020</b>					
<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Balance - 01/01/2020</b>	<b>Year to Date Income</b>	<b>Year To Date Expense</b>	<b>Balance - 8/31/2020</b>	<b>2019 Ending Balance</b>
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	654.29	501.40	0.00	1,155.69	654.29
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	6,610.09	8,365.00	7,000.00	7,975.09	6,610.09
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry	1,387.00	0.00	0.00	1,387.00	1,387.00
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	3,690.98	0.00	0.00	3,690.98	3,690.98
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	1,912.69	641.50	793.38	1,760.81	1,912.69
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	774.03	5,500.00	5,750.00	524.03	774.03
Living Waters for the World	7,961.83	134.52	4,177.91	3,918.44	7,961.93
Meals, Inc	312.50	250.00	0.00	562.50	312.50
Room In The Inn	1,518.90	25.00	158.78	1,385.12	1,518.90
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	2,047.10	6,114.25	4,146.80	4,014.55	2,047.10
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry		1229 served YTD; 25 volunteers average/week			
Yoga	676.43	214.75	67.00	824.18	676.43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27,545.84</b>	<b>21,746.42</b>	<b>22,093.87</b>	<b>27,198.39</b>	<b>27,545.94</b>
Rector Discretionary	4.00	5,033.60	5,037.60	0.00	
Associate Rector Discretionary	4.00	3,181.20	3,185.20	0.00	
Deacon Discretionary	2.00	1,567.60	1,569.60	0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>9,782.40</b>	<b>9,792.40</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME</b>		<b>31,528.82</b>			

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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

### **Wednesday**

7:00am Morning Prayer  
12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers  
12:45pm Centering Prayer Community

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## Clergy And Staff

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## The Vestry

### 2020 Class

Gail Brooks  
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Kathy Leonard  
Gary Reimer

### 2021 Class

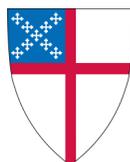
Leonard Edwards  
Bill Riedel  
Shawn Rhodes  
Adam Tabor

### 2022 Class

Linda Mitchell  
Belinda Palmer  
Shanna Paul  
Troy Puckett

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Gary Reimer, *Senior Warden*  
Shawn Rhodes, *Junior Warden*  
Belinda Palmer, *Secretary*  
Leslie Weigel, *Treasurer*  
Hamp Moore, *Asst. Treasurer*  
Mark Eastin, *Asst. Treasurer*



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## Seven Parish Ministry Areas And Vestry Member Liaisons

### Worship

Steve Pankey & Becca Kello

### Learn

#### **Christian Formation**

Linda Mitchell & Adam Tabor

### Grow

#### **Congregational Development**

Shawn Rhodes & Troy Puckett

### Radiate Fellowship

Gail Brooks, Leonard Edwards,  
& Shanna Paul

### Radiate Outreach

Belinda Palmer & Bill Riedel

### Radiate Pastoral Care

Kathy Leonard & Justin Chaffin

### Administration

Gary Reimer