

THE WINDOW

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED FOR THE PARISH AND FRIENDS OF
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY



MARCH 2024

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

Some of you might recall hearing about a city/county-wide initiative called City Shapers. It began with an organizational meeting in February of 2020, and, well, you know what has happened since. While COVID certainly hampered the work of the City Shapers cohort, it was made up of intrepid and hard-working people who care deeply about this community. For months we met via Zoom and then in socially distanced spaces with masks. We went out into the community, met our neighbors, and listened to what they saw as needs right in their own neighborhoods.



When the tornadoes hit in December 2021, several of us had to step back from our City Shapers work to build the infrastructure of long-term recovery, but what we learned from the cohort informed us, even as that group also continued to meet even until now. Recently, I received a set of minutes from the most recent gathering of the City Shapers Cohort and was glad to see that two members of Christ Church, Shelley Carter and Kevin Brooks, continue to be a part of that conversation. Since their work is often behind the scenes and may have gotten lost in the aftermath of COVID and then the tornadoes, I'd like to share a little bit about what they are up to.

Early in the process, the focus of City Shapers homed in on the West End. A couple of the themes that came from our discussions with those neighbors were that they often feel disconnected, not just from the wider community, but from their own neighbors. Additionally, the population on the West End is often not as able to access information either due to limited internet connectivity or the lack of relationships. A new idea that has come forward is a walking group in the West End to engage with neighbors as well as to provide information about cost saving possibilities that might be unknown – things like prescription drug savings cards or phone plans for the elderly. The dual nature of this program – connecting and informing – reminds us of the core work of City Shapers.

City Shapers is also attempting to bring downtown churches back together. Two meetings have been held thus far: one at First Christian Church and one at First Baptist Church for congregational leaders to share their experiences in outreach ministry and to hear from local non-profits who are doing the work of outreach and community development on a daily basis. I've had the opportunity to attend both of those meetings, and I hope they continue, as we are so much stronger as a community when we work together.

City Shapers continues to be a real gift to Bowling Green and Warren County, and I am grateful for their work in building relationships, listening, learning, and working together to address the underlying causes of material poverty in our community.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve', is written in a cursive style.

FROM THE ASSOCIATE RECTOR

Dear Church,

In my annual report for 2023, I wrote about the things I've been joyful about in our common life and work at Christ Church and the things I'm holding in prayer. One of the things I've been holding in prayer is the reality that with the elimination of the Director of Youth and Communication staff position, all of your clergy and staff have had to take on new-to-them responsibilities. I'm holding this in prayer not just for those who take on those roles, but also for the life of the church. I know it's got to be a bit confusing about who to check in with about your Ministry Scheduler questions or who to send something you'd like to advertise in the parish. And when folks have come in to ask a question about this, we've realized that when Father Steve goes on Sabbatical next month, it'll all change for three months as well.

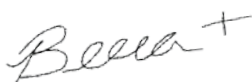
For questions around your Ministry Schedule for service minister roles, you can contact Vonda. she will run the quarter in late April for May, June, and July. You'll need to submit to her your exclusion dates when she contacts you so that we can have an up-to-date schedule. Vonda is also creating the slides that go over our livestream worship so that those worshipping from afar can follow along the service and she will also be making the bulletins when Steve is on Sabbatical.

Kate has taken on the bulk of the organizing responsibility for the Youth; if you would like to be trained to be a youth volunteer or to provide meals for EYC, please let her know.

When it comes to digital communications, we're taking a tiered approach. Vestry members Jamie Chaffin and David Kem will soon be organizing a social media team which will help with previously scheduled posts to keep our online presence active; if you are interested, please contact one of them. I've reworked the website and hope that you take time to go check it out. With the range of responsibilities I have, I plan to update the website about twice a year while monitoring the engagement and connections that come through that avenue regularly. And I am creating the Window monthly. If you would like something to be included in the Window, the deadline is the 22nd of the month before the Window comes out. For the April Window, however, the deadline will be March 20th, as the last week of the month (and last week before Steve's Sabbatical) is Holy Week and I will need to get the Window put together in the early part of the week.

My hope is that all of this has been and will continue to be as smooth a transition as possible, but no doubt things will and have fallen through the cracks. I know that you all are and will continue to be gracious, but also don't forget to remind me more than once if you see something that's missing! I appreciate reminders! Christ Church has a lot going on and it's a real joy!

God's peace,



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

Youth Faith Formation



EYC is having their first Fundraiser this month. We are having a Trivia Night on Sunday, March 10 from 5:30-7:30. Please join us for a fun night of fellowship and trivia. Teams are \$50 each and can be 5-8 players. We'll have Charcuterie boards for pre-order available and concessions, too. Paper forms can be picked up at Vonda's Table in Surface Hall or [click here](#) to fill out the online form EYC Trivia Night . Our Youth have worked really hard to get things ready for March 10. If we have a good turnout, our plan is to make it a new quarterly tradition here at Church. If you have questions, feel free to contact Kate Cline.

On March 17, EYC is gathering here at CEC with other Downtown Churches' Youth to have a dinner and a game night.

If it works out this month, we'll have a volunteer block of time at the Humane Society on Saturday, March 23.

Children's Faith Formation

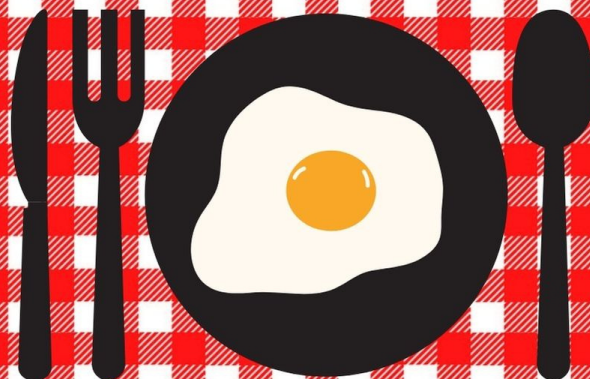
Easter is this month. We'll have our Rise and Shine Easter Breakfast on March 31, and our traditional Easter Egg Hunt during Sunday School time. We hope everyone gets to come to these fun and exciting celebrations. We'll continue to have Youth Confirmation classes and Children's Activities this month until March 20 on Wednesday nights.

Ms. Kate



BREAKFAST

IN MOORE HALL AT 9AM



MARCH 3

Provided by the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

MARCH 17

Provided by the Bread of Angels Sunday School Class

Lenten

Choral

Evening

Sunday,
March 3rd
5pm

LENT AT CHRIST CHURCH

Mondays at Noon

Stations of the Cross in the Nave

March 4, 11, & 18

Tuesdays at Noon

Lenten Theological Reflection
in the Conference Room

March 5 & 12

Wednesdays at Noon

Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers

March 6, 13, 20, & 27

Thursdays at Noon

Individual Rite of Reconciliation
in the Chapel

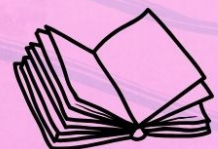
March 14

Wednesdays in Lent - 6:30pm

Conference Room

Book Study on *Will You?: A Lenten
Study on Baptismal Promises*

March 6, 13, & 20





**EYC FUNDRAISER NIGHT!!
SUNDAY-MARCH 10 5:30-7:30PM**

**ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE IN SURFACE
HALL @ VONDA'S TABLE AND ONLINE**

5-8 PER TEAM-\$50 PER TEAM

TRIVIA CATEGORIES

- CELEBRITIES FROM KY
- GOSPELS
- SPORTS
- WORLD HISTORY
- CHURCH HISTORY

**PRE-ORDER CHARCUTERIE BOARDS (\$30 EACH; 2 FOR \$55; LARGE WITH
EVERYTHING \$75)**

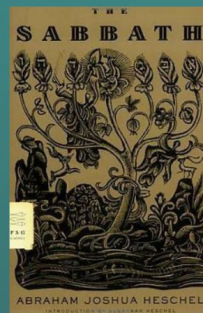
PRIZES: 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD PLACE



Bread of Angels

Sundays,
9:00 A. M. Conference Room

Open to everyone with a bit
of curiosity about being Christian



When we meet March 3d, we will be completing our journey with Rev Becca Stevens, Chaplain at Vanderbilt and life force behind Thistle Farms, and her amazing book Practically Divine and its candid hands-on approach to loving our neighbors.

We will turn our reading to Rabbi Abraham Heschel's little book The Sabbath, published in 1951 it has become a classic perspective on the day God rested. We will read it in preparation for our Retreat at All Saints April 12-14.

Bread of Angels will host breakfast for the Parish on March 17th – ya'll come!

For more information and to join our Google Group:

Please go to cecbg.com/boa

A photograph of several colorful Easter eggs (red, orange, yellow, green, blue) in a cardboard carton, resting on a wooden surface. The image is used as a background for the top section of the flyer.

ECM in March

EPISCOPAL



CAMPUS
MINISTRY

Dinner + Worship
Wednesday Evenings

March 6

March 13

March 27

A background of diagonal rays in shades of yellow, orange, and light blue, radiating from the bottom left corner, creating a sunburst effect.

Daylight Savings Time

don't forget to set your clocks
ahead by one hour on
saturday; march 9th

March 12th
6:00pm
The Capitol



The Philadelphia Eleven

A screen of the documentary film, The Philadelphia Eleven, which tells the story of the first eleven women ordained to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church will be shown at The Capitol Arts Center on Tuesday, March 12th at 6pm. This event is sponsored by Christ Church, but is free and open to the public.

By the Grace of God

The Right Reverend
Terry Allen White
Bishop of Kentucky

will ordain

Ken Casey

to the Sacred Order
of Priests
in Christ's one, holy,
catholic, and apostolic Church

Saturday, March 16, 2024

10:30 am CDT

at Trinity Church

720 Ford Ave.

Owensboro, KY 42301

Your presence and prayers are requested

Clergy: White Stoles

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

St. Teresa of Avila Chapter of the Daughters of the King

Prepare for 2024

Over a period of three years, the National Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) created a 2018-2021 Strategic Plan of The Order. This plan was created in response to and through the efforts of hundreds of Daughters and was designed to be a roadmap to guide the order's ministries, ensure continuity between National Councils, and build on the inspired foundation of the Order's past. This strategic plan is still being used. The plan presents a set of six prayerfully developed strategic goals. They are:

Goal #1 - Inspire Spiritual Growth and Development

Goal #2 - Strengthen Our Call to Service and Evangelism

Goal #3 - Nurture and Grow Our Members

Goal #4 - Raise Up and Mentor New Leaders

Goal #5 - Foster Community and Build Connections

Goal #6 - Instill a Spirituality of Giving

In January 2024, our chapter's DOK executive team discussed and prepared a draft 2024 Action Plan. This plan included several possible actions that could be taken in order to meet the goals of the National DOK in 2024. At the February 4, 2024 meeting, the draft was presented to the chapter's Daughters, discussed, voted on and approved. Following is a copy of that action plan. Daughters of St.

Teresa of Avila Chapter will:

1. Provide special deliveries for shut-ins, e.g., Easter lilies and small baskets of candy, Poinsettias and small baskets of candy, Christmas cards, etc. (Meets goals #2 and #5 of the National DOK's strategic plan.).
2. Participate in intergenerational events, e.g., VBS, Sunday School, EYC and ECM events, etc. (Meets goals #2, #3, and #5 of the National DOK's strategic plan.).
3. Support Brittney Carter's music program. Brittney is in charge of the music program at State Street Baptist Church (Meets goal #5 of the National DOK's strategic plan.).

HOLY WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

MARCH 24 - 31

Palm Sunday - March 24th

Holy Eucharist Rite I & II with
Blessing of the Palms beginning in the Buckberry Garden

Holy Tuesday - March 26th

Downtown Churches Combined Holy Week Service and Lunch
Noon at State Street United Methodist Church

Holy Wednesday - March 27th

Noon Eucharist in Nave
6pm - Service of Tenebrae in Nave

Maundy Thursday - March 28th

Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist and
Foot washing - 6pm in the Nave

Good Friday - March 29th

7am - Spoken Good Friday Liturgy
Noon - Good Friday Liturgy with Music
6pm - Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - March 30th

An Easter Vigil with
Dinner Church & Baptisms - 6pm in Moore Hall

Easter Sunday - March 31st

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music at 8 & 10 in the Nave

DOWNTOWN CHURCHES HOLY WEEK SERVICE



TUESDAY - MARCH 26 AT NOON
SERVICE IS FOLLOWED BY LUNCH
HOSTED BY STATE STREET UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
1101 STATE STREET

Your paragraph text

The
Brotherhood
of Saint
Andrew



Fish Fry

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

Join the Brotherhood of Saint
Andrew for the annual fish fry after
Stations of the Cross on Good Friday

***Good Friday -
March 29th
6:30 pm
Moore Hall***



DioKY 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

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

FOR
EASTER MONDAY

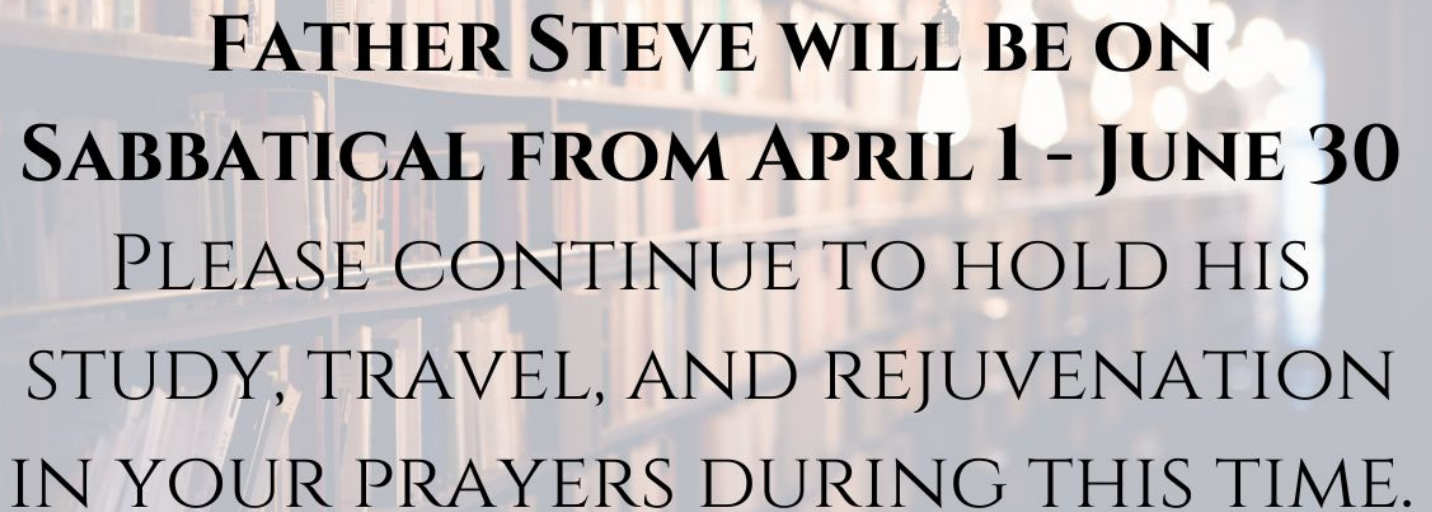


Saturday - April 27th

9:30-3:30

RACIAL RECONCILIATION TRAINING

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.



**FATHER STEVE WILL BE ON
SABBATICAL FROM APRIL 1 - JUNE 30**
PLEASE CONTINUE TO HOLD HIS
STUDY, TRAVEL, AND REJUVENATION
IN YOUR PRAYERS DURING THIS TIME.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters of the King will next meet on Sunday, March 3rd 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, March 2nd and 16th at 8am.



03/01 Mike Buchanon Sr.	03/14 Doug Lawhorn
03/02 David Attaway	03/15 Skip Cleavinger
03/02 Polly Moore	03/16 Cindy Peterson
03/02 Roman Tabor	03/18 Carrie Buchanon
03/04 Jeff Cash	03/18 Christopher Sigler
03/04 Christopher Chaffin	03/20 Donnie Sowell
03/06 Sylas Stevens	03/21 Henry Gilbert
03/07 Matilda Botwin	03/21 Crystal Stiles
3/9 David Burch	3/23 Ashley Reynolds
03/09 Barbara Powell	03/24 Shelby Moore
03/12 Phyllis Hancock	03/29 Nya Stevens
03/12 Camden Travelsted	03/30 Beatrice Grimsley-Smith
03/13 Henry Pepper	03/31 Sue Edwards
03/13 Jimmy Stewart Jr.	03/31 Dominic Frassinelli

**ITEMS FOR THE APRIL WINDOW ARE
DUE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH**

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christ Episcopal Church				
Outreach Funds Report for period ending December 31, 2023				
Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2023	Year to Date Income	Year To Date Expense	Balance - 12/31/2023
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	2,731.75	577.00	860.00	2,448.75
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	2,529.73	28,080.10	25,600.00	5,009.83
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry	1,417.00	0.00	1,417.00	0.00
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	961.88	2,792.74	0.00	3,754.62
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	2,605.81	179.00	795.34	1,989.47
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	1,016.03	28,240.00	29,000.00	256.03
Living Waters for the World	5,022.63	419.14	0.00	5,441.77
Meals, Inc	2,299.97	1,050.00	2,462.37	887.60
Room In The Inn	1,775.08	1,377.00	499.45	2,652.63
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	8,252.56	5,140.50	3,606.26	9,786.80
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry		2721 served YTD; 18 volunteers average/week		
Yoga	2,576.89	100.11	2,642.00	35.00
TOTAL	31,327.18	67,955.59	66,882.42	32,400.35
Rector Discretionary	0.00	6,192.43	6,192.43	0.00
Associate Rector Discretionary	0.00	4,327.43	4,327.43	0.00
Deacon Discretionary	0.00	2,179.22	2,179.22	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	12,699.08	12,699.08	0.00
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		80,654.67		

Christ Episcopal Church					
Operating Fund Report for period ending January 31, 2024					
Account #	Account Name	JAN 2023	YTD 2024	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
INCOME					
	Parish Offerings	65,821.00	65,821.00	650,000.00	10%
	Diocesan Support	5,915.42	5,915.42	48,985.00	12%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	96,179.39	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	101.00	101.00	1,000.00	10%
	INCOME TOTAL	71,837.42	71,837.42	796,164.39	9%
EXPENSE					
	Administration	865.27	865.27	28,200.00	3%
	Buildings and Property	8,760.97	8,760.97	123,000.00	7%
	Christian Formation	1,932.12	1,932.12	17,250.00	11%
	WKU Episcoapl Campus Ministry (ECI)	2,087.16	2,087.16	11,000.00	19%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	7,403.17	7,403.17	92,338.00	8%
	Music Ministry	2,693.26	2,693.26	18,500.00	15%
	Parish Life	1,368.58	1,368.58	18,950.00	7%
	Worship	329.80	329.80	5,500.00	6%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	31,641.08	31,641.08	487,613.63	6%
	EXPENSE TOTAL	57,081.41	57,081.41	802,351.63	7%
	NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)	14,756.01	14,756.01	(6,187.24)	

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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

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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

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

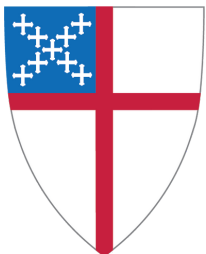
Brian Morrison & Jim Dale

Radiate: Outreach

Brenda Willoughby & Margie
Dotson

Radiate: Pastoral Care

John Carter & David Lee



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