

THE WINDOW

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



NOVEMBER 2025

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

I'll never ask you to do something that I'm not willing to do. So, when I recently asked you to consider pledging donations of time, talent, and treasure, I did so knowing that I also had to make such a pledge. I give financially to the mission and ministry of Christ Church. I share my gifts, having fixed a toilet or two around here. But since I get paid to be here, giving of my time is a little harder. A commitment I made long ago was to give my time as a volunteer to an organization that is outside the Church. Over the years, I've served on several boards of directors, often for non-profits focused on early childhood education.



Recently, I was invited to serve on the Kentucky ALICE Research Advisory Committee. Two meetings and a document to read were the only requirements, which I thought I could do, though I have to admit, I had no idea what ALICE meant.

ALICE stands for Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed, and it tries to capture those who sit in the gap between the Federal Poverty Level and an actual sustainable lifestyle. The ALICE budget is based on realistic figures, on a county by county basis, for things like housing, childcare, food, transportation, health care, technology, and taxes. While the study is not yet complete, what I've

already seen is eye opening. In Kentucky 17% of households are considered to be in poverty based on the Federal Poverty Level of \$15,650 for a single person, and \$32,100 for a family of four. Those living below the ALICE Survival Budget make up another 28%! That means some 44% of Kentucky households don't make what they need to get by, even with full-time work!

Meeting ALICE was eye opening. Down here at 1215 State Street, we see many people who live in material poverty every day. Some of them are experiencing homelessness. Some are barely scraping by living in the Towers on the minimum that Social Security has to offer. Many of these folks are elderly, having worked their whole lives, having never been able to catch up. The reasons are myriad, but chief among them is an economic system that squeezes as much out of its labor force as it can in order to maximize stock values and returns on investment. I'm not saying capitalism is bad – heck, I studied business administration in undergrad – but I am keenly aware of how the capitalist system is used to exploit the working class.

I don't have answers for ALICE's situation, but having met her, I thought I'd tell you about her. I pray for our neighbors who are working yet not earning enough. Who are retired or disabled, but not able to hold it all together. Who are falling short of the essentials needed to thrive. I hope you will pray for ALICE too.

Grace and Peace,

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Siblings in Christ,

Fall is here — the leaves are changing, and the air is finally cooling down. As we look ahead to the holiday season, we give thanks for another wonderful month together and for all the ways God is at work in our parish community.

Here's a look at what's happening across our ministries:

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): Youth Sunday School continues to meet weekly in the EYC Lounge. After a short Fall Break pause, we're returning to our study of the Sermon on the Mount and exploring what Jesus' words mean for young people living out their faith today.

EYC also meets weekly in the Lounge for food, fellowship, and formation. We're always looking for additional adult volunteers to help us remain Safe Church compliant—if you'd like to join in on the fun, please contact me at david@cecbg.com.

Upcoming Event: EYC trip to **Redpoint Climbing Center on Saturday, November 8!** Youth can register via the flyer in Surface Hall or by reaching out directly.

Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM): Our college ministry continues to meet on Wednesday nights for a shared meal (thanks to our wonderful volunteer cooks!), thoughtful discussion of God Didn't Make Us to Hate Us, and a time of worship.

While our planned trip to Mammoth Cave National Park had to be postponed due to the government shutdown, we look forward to rescheduling soon!

For the Wider Parish: We had a fantastic time at our **Feast of St. Luke Potluck and Chili Cook-off**—thank you to everyone who joined and contributed! Our next **Feast Day Feast** will take place on **Epiphany, Tuesday, January 6**, in Moore Hall.

Join us **Thursday nights at 7 PM for Trivia at White Squirrel Brewery!** A small group from the parish has been competing weekly, and we'd love to add more teammates.

And mark your calendars for a **WKU Basketball game on Wednesday, January 21**, as the Hilltoppers take on Liberty University. Tickets are \$10 per person; you can sign up in Surface Hall before or after Sunday worship.

There are so many ways to get involved, connect, and grow in faith together. I hope you'll join us as we continue to live out the mission of our parish this season.

In Christ,
David



CECDBG



The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

**NOVEMBER
1ST & 15TH**

8:00 AM

*The
Order
of the
Daughters
of the King*



November 2
at 11:00 am
in the Hines Chapel

**STANDARD
TIME RETURNS
NOVEMBER 2ND**

**CLOCKS
FALL BACK
ONE HOUR AT
2:00 AM**



EVERY SUNDAY | 9:00 AM

**YOUTH SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

EYC LOUNGE





BREAD OF ANGELS

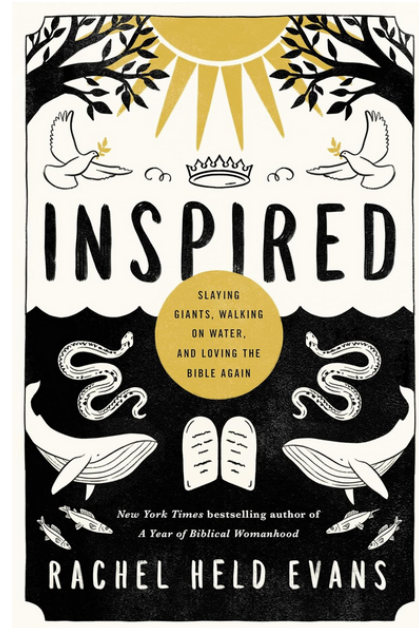
Sundays at 9:00 A. M.
In the Conference Room

Open to everyone with a bit
of curiosity about being Christian

Bread of Angels is a small group exploring what it means to live a Christian Life in the world in which we find ourselves. BoA describes itself as a book club with a theological bend – a format that supports dialogue as we wrestle with our authors and with God.

This month we are reading *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans. Evans was an American Christian columnist, blogger and author, publishing two children's books and five best selling books for grown ups. Tragically, she died on May 4, 2019, from extensive swelling in her brain that was a complication of a severe allergic reaction to antibiotics she was prescribed for a flu and urinary tract infection. Her impact on Christianity today has been enormous.

Emma Green, writing for The Atlantic, notes that Evans "was part of a vanguard of progressive-Christian women who fought to change the way Christianity is taught and perceived in the United States."



About this book: "If the Bible isn't a science book or an instruction manual, what is it? What do people mean when they say the Bible is inspired? When New York Times bestselling author Rachel Held Evans found herself asking these questions, she embarked on a journey to better understand what the Bible is and how it's meant to be read. What she discovered changed her--and it can change you, too."

*For more information and to join our Google Group
Please go to cecbg.com/boa or email mikevmi69@gmail.com*



BG MARATHON IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

**Allow extra time to navigate to church
and watch out for marathoners!**



Stewardship
Ingathering
November 2nd

Return your pledge
cards on this day as
we continue our
commitment to be 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.*

All Saints' Day

8:00 AM
RITE I HOLY EUCHARIST

9:00
BREAKFAST

10:00 AM
RITE II HOLY EUCHARIST

5:00 PM
ALL SAINTS' EVENSONG
WITH NECROLOGY
(reception to follow)



Breakfast Forums

IN MOORE HALL

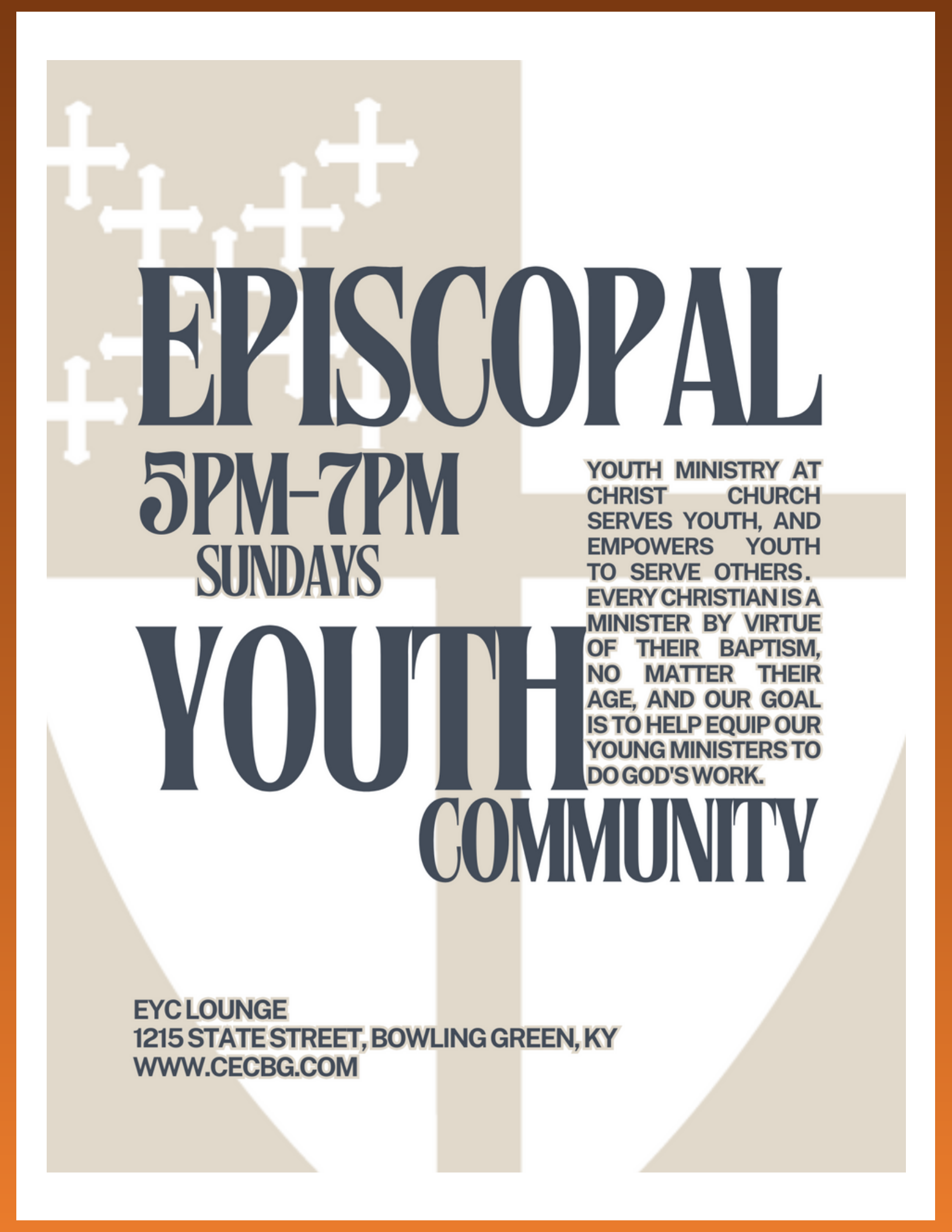


November 2nd
ROOM IN THE INN

November 16th
THE HISTORY OF CHRIST
CHURCH WITH DAVID LEE

9:00 AM





EPISCOPAL

5PM-7PM
SUNDAYS

YOUTH COMMUNITY

YOUTH MINISTRY AT CHRIST CHURCH SERVES YOUTH, AND EMPOWERS YOUTH TO SERVE OTHERS. EVERY CHRISTIAN IS A MINISTER BY VIRTUE OF THEIR BAPTISM, NO MATTER THEIR AGE, AND OUR GOAL IS TO HELP EQUIP OUR YOUNG MINISTERS TO DO GOD'S WORK.

EYC LOUNGE
1215 STATE STREET, BOWLING GREEN, KY
WWW.CECBG.COM

ECM @ WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

DINNER & WORSHIP



CAMPUS
MINISTRY

**EVERY
WEDNESDAY
5:30 PM**

Christ Episcopal Church
1215 State St., Bowling Green, KY 42141
www.cecbg.com
270-843-6563

TRIVIA



**WHITE SQUIRREL
BREWERY**

NIGHT

Every Thursday Night @ 7 PM

302 State Street



VETERAN'S DAY IS NOVEMBER 11TH

The Parish Office will be closed in honor of the holiday.



CHURCHES UNITED IN CHRIST HELP MINISTRY



SECOND TUESDAYS

10:00 AM - NOON

You can help by giving directly
to the CUIC Help fund, or by
volunteering with the ministry
to interview applicants and
provide aid when needed.

For more information,
contact Vonda Garringer

SPECIAL DATE
DUE TO
VETERAN'S DAY



NOVEMBER 18TH

8 NOVEMBER

2025

10 AM

**\$10 per
climber**



EYC ROCK CLIMBING



Please register before:

1 November 2025

REDPOINT CLIMBING CENTER
121 Flex Park Ln, Bowling Green

Register at the link above or
by contacting David Kem at
david@cecbg.com



DIOCESE *of* KENTUCKY

198th Diocesan Convention
November 14 & 15

We pray for the deputies and clergy attending from Christ Church

Altar Guild Training

*November 16
after the 10:00 service*

Have you ever thought you might like to serve on the Altar Guild but didn't know exactly what they do?

If you are interested in learning more about it, plan to attend a training session for current and prospective members.

The Altar Guild ministry is an excellent way to learn more about the practices of the church as well as helping to prepare for worship.



Every other Sunday beginning November 16



**Room in the Inn
provides shelter
for individuals
experiencing
homelessness
through the cold
weather months
from November
to March.**

**Contact the church
office if you are
interested in
volunteering.**

Opportunities Include

**Inn Keepers
Drivers
Meal Preparation
Setting up Linens
Financial Support**

[Click here to sign up online to volunteer for RITI](#)



Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
6:00 PM

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



Happy Thanksgiving

Christ Church will be closed on
Thursday, November 27th
in observance of Thanksgiving Day

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/01 Terry Fisher	11/19 Deidre Bowen
11/01 Crawford Hightower	11/21 Ryan Loiers
11/01 Whitaker Massey	11/22 Ed Cockrel
11/01 Gracie Stevens	11/23 Sue Wilson
11/02 Juliana Gilbert	11/24 Marcia Crabtree
11/03 Tom Nuckols	11/24 Hamp Moore Jr.
11/06 Lizz Satterfield	11/26 Gail Brooks
11/07 Hollie Sowell	11/29 James McGrane
11/08 Janet Flora	11/29 Ferrell Price
11/09 Kal-El Cline	11/29 Don Pillow
11/12 Linda Mitchell	11/30 Reece Hightower
11/13 Ashley Tabor	
11/13 DeAnna Roberts	
11/13 Maddox Tabor	
11/14 Leanna Andrews	
11/15 Mary Cobb	
11/17 Shelley Carter	
11/19 Larry McCraney	



FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christ Episcopal Church

Operating Fund Report for period ending September 30, 2025

Account #	Account Name	SEP 2025	YTD 2025	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
INCOME					
	Parish Offerings	26,807.55	495,074.24	646,185.00	77%
	Diocesan Support	3,260.42	37,593.78	50,125.00	75%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	103,837.75	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	51.00	1,254.00	1,000.00	125%
	INCOME TOTAL	30,118.97	533,922.02	801,147.75	67%
EXPENSE					
	Adminstration	2,297.42	25,477.58	38,200.00	67%
	Buildings and Property	12,963.43	99,564.66	132,500.00	75%
	Christian Formation	913.10	12,028.52	17,750.00	68%
	WKU Episcoapl Campus Ministry (EC	1,228.94	6,756.95	13,153.00	51%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	8,575.42	69,503.08	95,405.00	73%
	Music Ministry	1,121.02	15,330.64	18,500.00	83%
	Parish Life	1,434.05	10,599.49	19,200.00	55%
	Worship	0.00	5,598.34	5,500.00	102%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	36,213.26	310,478.66	395,551.08	78%
	EXPENSE TOTAL	64,746.64	555,337.92	735,759.08	75%
	NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)	(34,627.67)	(21,415.90)	65,388.67	

Items for the December Window
are due by November 20th

Please send to Lisa Janecek at com@cecbg.com

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Outreach Funds Report for period ending September 30, 2025

Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2025	Year to Date Income	Year To Date Expense	Balance - 9/30/2025
All Saints Scholarship	2,627.44	0.00	115.00	2,512.44
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	3,414.16	10,296.30	10,000.00	3,710.46
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	3,205.23	106.84	0.00	3,312.07
Hotel Inc	756.03	235.00	0.00	991.03
Living Waters for the World	5,726.55	140.89	0.00	5,867.44
Meals, Inc	387.60	0.00	181.28	206.32
Room In The Inn	3,302.50	1,722.00	982.31	4,042.19
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	5,711.85	957.50	2,996.21	3,673.14
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	2556 served YTD; 22 volunteers average/week			
Yoga	205.00	260.00	0.00	465.00
TOTAL	25,336.36	13,718.53	14,274.80	24,780.09
Rector Discretionary	0.00	11,073.17	11,073.17	0.00
Associate Rector Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deacon Discretionary	0.00	2,031.45	2,031.45	0.00
TOTAL	0.00	13,104.62	13,104.62	0.00
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		26,823.15		

Christ Episcopal Church

1215 State Street
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101
(270) 843-6563
www.cebcbg.com

Office Hours

Monday—Wednesday: 9:00am – 4:30pm
Thursday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IS A COMMUNITY
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
steve@cebcbg.com

Deacon

The Venerable Kellie Mysinger
kellie@cebcbg.com

Parish Administrator

Vonda Garringer
vonda@cebcbg.com

Director of Music and Organist

C. Kenneth Stein
ken@cebcbg.com

Director of Faith Formation

Kate Cline
kate@cebcbg.com

Director of Congregational Development

David Kem
david@cebcbg.com

Communications

Lisa Janecek
com@cebcbg.com

Vestry

2025 Class

Tommy Adams
Carol DuBose
Jamie Chaffin
Sharon Valk

2026 Class

Margie Dotson
David Kem
Cary McAllister
Brian Morrison

2027 Class

Neill Caudill
Les Dooley
Sue Edwards
Jimmy Stewart

Senior Warden: Tommy Adams
Junior Warden: Brian Morrison
Secretary: Carol DuBose
Ann Puckett, Treasurer
Hamp Moore, Asst. Treasurer
Paula Lyons, Asst. Treasurer

Seven Parish Ministry Areas and Vestry Member Liaisons

Worship

David Kem & Tommy Adams

Learn

Sue Edwards & Carol DuBose

Grow

Jimmy Stewart & Neill Caudill

Radiate: Fellowship

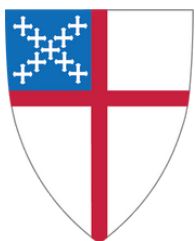
Jamie Chaffin & Les Dooley

Radiate: Outreach

Margie Dotson & Sharon Valk

Radiate: Pastoral Care

Cary McAllister & Brian Morrison



CHRIST CHURCH, BOWLING GREEN IS AN
EPISCOPAL PARISH IN THE DIOCESE OF
KENTUCKY

