### THE WINDOW

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



**AUGUST 2025** 

#### FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

As the calendar turns to August, the 2025-2026 Program Year officially gets underway. The bulletin board is once again full of the signs of new life – resurrection after the summer rest. Most of the programs aren't new, per se. The tried and true Sunday School Kickoff, Ministry Fair, and Backpack Blessing are all there.

Some are getting refreshed. EYC (youth ministry) will kickoff with me at the helm as we all



eagerly await the coming of our new Director of Congregational Development, hopefully in September. Foyer Groups will relaunch in August, giving you a new chance to meet people with whom you've gone to church for years and whose names maybe you never could quite remember.

One thing I heard coming out of the discernment conversation was the need for a third space for adult Christian Formation on Sunday mornings. To facilitate this, starting in September, I will attempt to provide for a forum every Sunday that breakfast is served. On September 7, the Bowling Green Warren County Humane Society will be here to talk about the work they do for God's beloved animals. On September 21, our Annual Stewardship Campaign will kick-off with a forum on whole life stewardship lead by me.

Hopefully there is something for you to connect with this fall. Whether it is serving in some role during Sunday worship, engaging in Christian formation, the DOK or Brotherhood, Foyers groups, or some other way, our goal this season is to (re)connect with one another after a hectic few years. Oh, and lest I forget, to help us all connect better with the Eucharist, this Sunday we will unveil new bulletins with margin notes that explain the various parts of the liturgy. If you're brand new or baptized here 70 years ago, I hope these notes will be informative and enlightening as you worship God with joy and wonder.

Grace and Peace,

# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

#### **August News**

Sunday School starts back August 17 with the Blessing of the Backpacks and Kickoff! I am very excited this year. We are growing and have added another classroom for PreK-5. This year, we'll have the following classrooms: PreK, K-1, 2-3, and 4-5. We have added some exciting new Godly Play stories, too, including Jesus and the Women, Praying the Way Jesus Taught (The Lord's Prayer), and new stories about Peter. In addition, we've updated a few favorite stories. Please join us in "Community Communion" on August 17 for our Sunday School Kickoff!

Fall Programming for Children's Church begins August 10! This year we are using the curriculum called "Bake with the Bible; A Study of Bread in the Gospels." Each lesson is 4-6 weeks long with the last two weeks preparing and baking bread. The children are sharing their bounty with their families and have recipes and products they'll bring home as we complete our baking.

Sunday School Teacher Commission takes place on August 10 at the 10am service.

We have some exciting new activities coming this Fall and a few community partnerships, too. New this year-we'll be offering children's programming during some of our evening services and activities this year like our Parish Picnic and our Thanksgiving Evening service. Follow our website, social media, and weekly announcements to find out more information. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me!

Peace & Love, Ms. Kate





#### **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 are scheduled for: Saturday, August 2nd and 16th at 8:00am.

#### **DAUGHTERS OF THE KING**

The Daughters of the King will next meet on **Sunday, August 3rd at 11:15am**in the Hines Chapel.

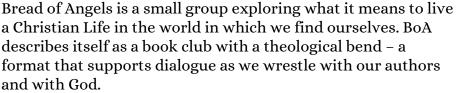


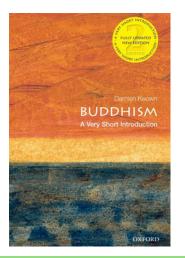


#### **Bread of Angels**

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

Open to everyone with a bit of curiosity about being Christian





This month we continue a summer tradition and explore another faith practice. This year we have picked Buddhism. Buddhism is primarily an Asia-Pacific faith practice and is followed by about 7% of the Earth's population, making it the worlds fourth largest religious religion.

The book we will read is *Buddhism*, *A Very Short Introduction*, part of a growing library of Oxford University "Very Short Introductions" created to give people like us an accessible but sophisticated look into very specific topics.



# CHURCHES UNITED IN CHRIST HELP MINISTRY



#### **SECOND TUESDAYS**

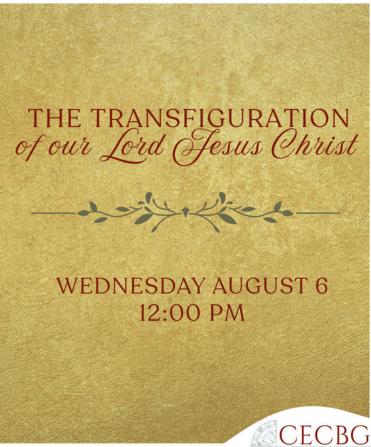
10:00 AM - NOON

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

**NEXT DATE: AUGUST 12TH** 







### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER COMMISSIONING

Give thanks and offer blessings upon those who help make Sunday School happen.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH





WHERE JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH CAN EXPERIENCE FAITH, FUN & FELLOWSHIP





Community Communion





A Foyer Group provides adult parishioners and those new to our parish a chance to get to know other parishioners and experience parish life by gathering to talk and share in friendship.

Each Foyer Group is made up of 8-10 parishioners who meet once a month, to share a light meal, either in a home, the church, or a public place.

Sign-up sheets will be available between 8:00 and 10:00 services.

A Kick-off event will be held in Moore Hall on Tuesday, August 19, at 6:00 PM. (You may also sign up that night) Refreshments: Bring an appetizer and a drink of choice to share.

For questions or more information: Contact Jim Dale: 270-991-8588 or jim@bgdepo.com

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# MINISTRY FAR



**SERVICE MINISTERS** 

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION** 

**OUTREACH** 

**PASTORAL CARE TEAM** 

**DAUGHTERS OF THE KING** 

BROTHERHOOD

**OF SAINT ANDREW** 

**CHOIR AND BELL CHOIR** 

and more!



SUNDAY AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup> 9:00 AM

COME CONNECT OR
RECONNECT WITH
CECBG AT OUR
MINISTRY FAIR AS
WE KICK OFF OUR
PROGRAM YEAR!

### FALL SEMESTER 2025 CAMPUS MINISTRY MEALS



Sign up to prepare meals for ECM, about 5-7 people, on Wednesday evenings.

Contact Father Steve with any questions.





#### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

8/01	Bob Harrison	8/13	Shann a Paul
8/02	Yuko Attaway	8/14	John Carbin
8/02	Joe Hunt	8/17	Ellen Buchanon
8/02	Ann Puckett	8/17	Thomas Stiles
8/03	Harris Pepper	8/19	Ed Tivol
8/05	David Lee	8/19	Napoleon Tisdale
8/06	Marti Harrison	8/21	Doris Love Hunt
8/06	Elaine Walker	8/21	Josh Stiles
8/07	John Hagaman	8/22	Teddi Taylor
8/07	Lynne Brown	8/22	Karen Crabtree
8/07	Barbara Leet	8/23	Lucian Hall-Heflin
8/08	Paula Morgan	8/24	Carol Barry
8/08	James Brown	8/25	Tim Huston
8/08	Bill Collins Jr.	8/26	Saundra Ardrey
8/10	Jessie Wolfe	8/26	Linda Belle Pillow
8/10	Leeann Morrison	8/30	Lara Ellison
8/10	Sale Hightower		

Happy Birthday

John Parker

Hannah Carter

Dorian Walker

8/11

8/12

8/13

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christ Episcopal Church
Operating Fund Report for period ending June 30, 2025

Account #	Account Name	JUNE 2025	YTD 2025	Annual Budget
INCOME				
	Parish Offerings	34,734.00	387,945.69	646,185.00
	Diocesan Support	3,260.42	25,062.52	50,125.00
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	103,837.75
	Miscellaneous Income	201.00	736.00	1,000.00
	INCOME TOTAL	38,195.42	413,744.21	801,147.75
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	Adminstration	3,421.42	17,316.58	25,200.00
	Buildings and Property	10,229.83	65,804.97	132,500.00
	Christian Formation	2,453.81	9,690.39	17,750.00
	WKU Episcoapl Campus Ministry (E0	0.00	5,086.83	13,153.00
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	7,575.42	45,452.52	95,405.00
	Music Ministry	1,364.06	13,920.66	18,500.00
	Parish Life	1,628.05	8,886.39	19,200.00
	Worship	1,625.55	4,891.40	5,500.00
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	31,941.05	209,699.88	456,684.13
	EXPENSE TOTAL	60,239.19	380,749.62	783,892.13
	NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)	(22,043.77)	32,994.59	17,255.62

## Items for the September Window are due by August 20th

Please send to Lisa Janecek at com@cecbg.com

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christ E piscopal Church
Outreach Funds Report for period ending June 30, 2025

Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2025	Year to Date Income	Year To Date Expense
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	2,627.44	0.00	200.00
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	895.89	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	3,414.16	4,824.80	7,500.00
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	3,205.23	56.84	0.00
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	3,116.47	0.00	0.00
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	756.03	165.00	0.00
Living Waters for the World	5,726.55	73.12	0.00
Meals, Inc	387.60	0.00	181.28
Room In The Inn	3,302.50	1,376.00	480.87
Stephen Ministry	0.00	0.00	0.00
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	5,711.85	756.00	1,505.22
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	1,388 se	rved YTD; 2	1 volunteers
Yoga	205.00	135.00	0.00
TOTAL	28,452.83	8,282.65	9,867.37
Rector Discretionary	0.00	9,634.16	9,634.16
Associate Rector Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deacon Discretionary	0.00	1,796.80	1,796.80
TOTAL	0.00	11,430.96	11,430.96
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		19,713.61	

#### **Christ Episcopal Church**

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#### **Summer Office Hours**

Monday-Wednesday: 8:30am-4:30pm Thursday and 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 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@cecbg.com

#### **Deacon**

The Venerable Kellie Mysinger kellie@cecbg.com

#### **Parish Administrator**

Vonda Garringer vonda@cecbg.com

#### **Director of Music and Organist**

C. Kenneth Stein ken@cecbg.com

#### **Director of Faith Formation**

Kate Cline kate@cecbg.com

#### **Communications**

Lisa Janecek com@cecbg.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

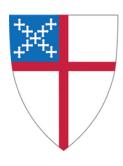
Jamie Chaffin & Les Dooley

#### Radiate: Outreach

Margie Dotson & Sharon Valk

#### Radiate: Pastoral Care

Cary McAllister & Brian Morrison



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