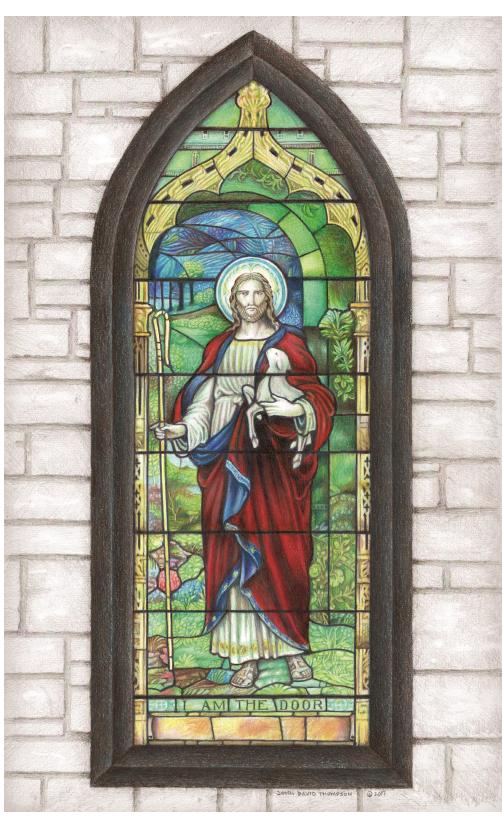


# The Window

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

# D E C E M B E R



# FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

In his Billboard Rock Chart topping hit, "The Waiting," the late Tom Petty famously wrote that "the waiting is the hardest part." He was on to something, as we all well know. Nobody likes to wait. Whether it is in the grocery line on the day before Thanksgiving or in the never-ending series of waiting rooms in the doctor's office, waiting is hard. It might even be the hardest.



I suspect that's why the 21st century American culture has all but eliminated the season of Advent. Christmas seems to come earlier and earlier each year. I just can't imagine putting up one of those "fresh cut" trees that have been sitting in front of Kroger since November the 10th, and hoping it didn't dry up and burst into flames before the 25th of December. I also can't imagine having to hear Mariah Carey sing "All I want for Christmas is You" every day for eight straight weeks. Yet, we see it. As I write this article, with a still-frozen Thanksgiving turkey at home, I know that many in our world have given up on waiting, and are deep in the joyous season of Christmas.

This is the point where many December newsletter articles written by Episcopal clergy will turn ominous, with a lament at the loss of the season of Advent and a call to keep your trees untrimmed until the evening of December 24th, but I'm not going to go there. Instead, I'm going to agree with Tom Petty. The waiting really is the hardest part. It is hard to wait for the joy of Christmas when regular life feels so difficult. It is hard to wade through the season of Advent when the world longs for something joyful. It is hard to put off, seemingly artificially, the Good News of Great Joy born on Christmas Day. Rather than taking on the role of the Advent Police and admonishing you to be dour for the next few weeks, I'm going to invite you to celebrate both seasons, side-by-side.

Just because waiting is difficult, doesn't mean we shouldn't do it. As the lessons through November and December make clear, following Jesus in this life means living in hopeful expectation of his Kingdom one day becoming fully realized on earth as it is in heaven. As we wait, we work. We work to share God's love in word and deed with the world around us. December is always full of possibilities for ministry. Whether it is taking part in the Angel Tree, Room in the Inn, Mark Richard's Advent Visits Ministry Project, the Saints of Advent, or any number of things happening in the community, find a way to work toward the Kingdom as you wait for Christ's return. At the same time, be sure to enjoy the season. In a world that for 11 months out of the year seems quite content forgetting that Jesus Christ ever existed, embrace the joy that comes into the world at the celebration of Christ's birth. Enjoy the parties, the family, the decorations, and the food. Waiting may be hard, but when we wait alongside one another, working toward the reign of God while rejoicing in the gift of life born on Christmas Day, waiting becomes just a little easier. So let's wait. Let's work. And let's celebrate. For unto us is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!

Blessed Advent and Merry Christmas,

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### FROM THE ASSOCIATE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

There are many things for which I am grateful. You will learn over our time together that gratitude is a vital spiritual discipline for me. My life and Christian walk must be steeped in gratitude. To be perfectly honest, I'm an optimistic realist with a penchant for finding silver linings, and so many times, gratitude comes quite naturally to me. I've often found, though, that when gratitude is harder to muster and when I have to strain to find the silver lining, that it makes this spiritual practice much more fulfilling. Over the past few weeks, gratitude has both abounded and been difficult to find.



Getting sick at the beginning of October and undergoing an unexpected surgery just three months after moving here and beginning this ministry with you all is something that doesn't lend itself to automatic gratitude. Mostly, at the beginning, I was just in shock as each test and different doctor revealed that this was more complex than originally thought. Then I grew a bit frustrated at the interruption of what was becoming my rhythm of life with the work here at Christ Church and WKU. Unanswered questions and an ambiguous plan forward both left me struggling to see the bright spots during this season of my life.

But then, as each day blended into the next, I grew more and more aware of all the people praying for me as word spread as we all waited to hear back from the pathology report. And then cards begin to line the stark white walls of my hospital room, and visits and calls began to fill my day. Gratitude became easier and easier as the reality of my situation became more and more clear. Yes, gratitude for the reality of a cancer-free pathology report after surgery, but also the reality that you all have quite quickly become my home and my family.

Throughout the past few weeks, I've not only been grateful for the excellent care that I received and the family and friends that have surrounded and cared for me, but also I have been so grateful for you all. I have been grateful for your prayers and your concern. I have been grateful for all those who stepped up or into my roles while I was out recovering to do our best to not let things fall through the cracks. Perhaps mostly, I have been so entirely grateful to know that once healed and released by my doctors, that I could return to our work together at Christ Church.

I look forward to coming back to the office at the beginning of the month and to return to our Sunday worship services at the beginning of Advent. Advent is a beautiful, hopeful time of year, and of all the things for which I am grateful, I am most grateful to get to begin the new liturgical year with you all this month as we work to orient ourselves toward the hope and the light for which we wait during this Advent season.



# From The Junior Warden — John Parker

I don't like winter, which brings me cold hands and feet. I don't like shoveling snow and coping with ice. Yet, curiously, I find pleasure in putting the church grounds to bed for the winter. I suppose it's partly due to my desire for neatness. But I think it's more because the tiding up of each flower bed gets me intimately familiar with what's there, and what can be there.

As we enter the season of Advent, I vow to apply my gardening experience to my personal life and take stock of what I am and what I can be. Ambitious daydreaming requires action, though. And it must be immediate, not in the ill-defined "sometime."

The Reverend Canon Jason Lewis admonished us in his recent sermon that we are to live intentionally, avoid sloth, live boldly, and work passionately for the Kingdom of God.

This Advent Prayer seems aimed at me: *Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.* 

### STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT FROM FATHER STEVE

#### **Karen Crabtree Expands Her Ministry**

Please join me in congratulating Karen Crabtree as she expands her ministry at Christ Church. Karen will continue to serve faithfully as our Director of Youth Ministry, while also taking on the role spearheading our online communications.

Beginning January 1, Karen will be responsible for expanding our social media presence, revamping the website, and publishing *The Window* monthly newsletter. Heath will still keep the church calendar and produce the weekly communication tools — bulletin insert, *The Lancet*, and the electronic bulletin board.

It will take a bit of getting used to, but be sure you email both Karen (<u>karen@cecbg.com</u>) and Heath (<u>heath@cecbg.com</u>) with all your calendar and announcement items.

Congratulations Karen!

### PRINTS FOR SALE



The front cover of this edition of *The Window* is an original artwork by local artist, John David Thompson. John was commissioned by Christ Church to paint the Christ the Good Shepherd stained glass window that is centered above the altar. Twenty-five numbered prints have been produced from the original painting and are priced at \$100 to support the Friends of Music Fund at Christ Episcopal Church. If you would like to purchase one or two or three, please stop by the Church Office and speak to Ken or Heath. The original painting will be framed and hung in the Church Office.

# EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY (EYC)

### Saturday, December 2 — 2:00—4:00pm

Gathering Area and Surface Hall

We will meet to set-up and decorate our Giving Trees. Snacks will be provided.

### Sunday, December 10 — 2:00—4:00pm

**EYC Lounge** 

Help us make gifts for the moms at Haven 4 Change. Snacks will be provided.

#### Sunday December 17 — 6:00pm

Moore Hall

Wrapping Party and Last Minute Shopping.

It's time to make sure everything is ready for our big party for Haven 4 Change! Join us after the Service of Lessons and Carols to sort gifts, wrap up, and we may even make a trip to the store to buy some gifts! Families welcome. Dinner will be provided.

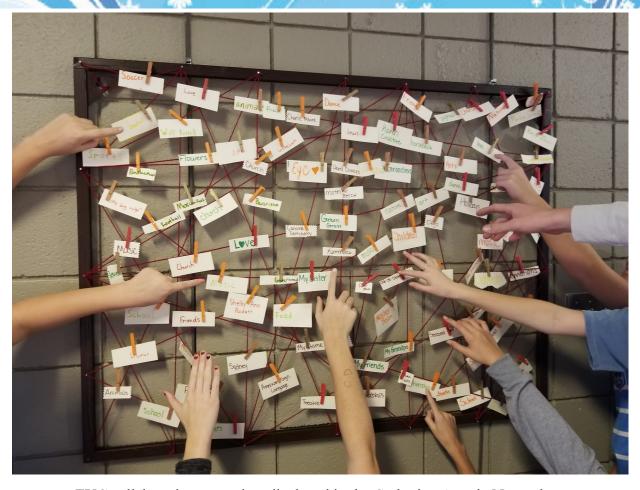
#### Monday, December 18 — 5:30—6:45pm

Haven 4 Change Christmas Party

We will meet at Haven 4 Change (1500 Parkside Drive, Bowling Green) to give gifts, share food and fellowship, and sing carols!

Please contact Karen Crabtree (karen@cecbg.com) for more information regarding EYC activities.

# EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY



EYC collaborative art project displayed in the Gathering Area in November.

### CALENDAR OF SERVICES AND HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

#### Sunday, December 3 — The First Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 9:00am Saints of Advent Forum 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two 6:00pm 4th Annual Madrigal Dinner

#### Thursday, December 7

5:15pm Saints of Advent Dinner 6:00pm Saints of Advent Forum

#### Sunday, December 10 — The Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One

9:00am Saints of Advent Forum; Breakfast with St. Nicholas

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Thursday, December 14

5:15pm Saints of Advent Dinner 6:00pm Saints of Advent Forum

### Sunday, December 17 — The Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 9:00am Saints of Advent Forum 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two 5:00pm Service of Lessons and Carols

Crèche lighting following the service

#### Thursday, December 21

5:15pm Saints of Advent Dinner 6:00pm Saints of Advent Forum

Neighborhood Caroling following the Forum

#### Sunday, December 24 — The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Sunday, December 24 — The Eve of the Nativity

5:00pm Children's Christmas Pageant with Holy Eucharist Rite Two 11:00pm Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Monday, December 25 — The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Sunday, December 31 — The First Sunday after Christmas

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Saturday, January 6 — The Epiphany

6:00pm Holy Eucharist Rite Two

#### Sunday, January 7 — The First Sunday after the Epiphany

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite One 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite Two



### 4TH ANNUAL MADRIGAL DINNER

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The Christ Episcopal Church Choir and Guests
heartily invite thee to gather in an Olde English Court
At the Fourth Annual Madrigal Dinner
and Boar's Head Festival
A Royal Banquet featuring
The Christ Church Choir

Sunday December 3rd, at the Sixth Evening Hour

menu

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- \*strenge beans
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cickets are \$40 per attendee or \$75 per couple

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all proceeds will benefit the friends of music at christ church

# THE SAINTS OF ADVENT

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**SUNDAYS AT 9AM IN MOORE HALL** 

DECEMBER 3 ST JOHN THE BAPTIST LED BY JUSTIN CHAFFIN

DECEMBER 10 BREAKFAST WITH ST NICHOLAS WITH BILL LEONARD

DECEMBER 17 ST TERESA OF AVILA LED BY KEN CASEY

THURSDAYS FROM 6-7PM IN MOORE HALL LED BY FR STEVE PANKEY

DECEMBER 7 ST MARTIN OF TOURS

DECEMBER 14 ST MARY AND ST JOSEPH

DECEMBER 21 ST CECILIA AND NEIGHBORHOOD CAROLING!

DINNER WILL BE SERVED ON THURSDAYS FROM 5:15-6PM

# CHORAL AND ORGAN CONCERT

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Stained Glass Series

Jubilate!
Choral and Organ Concert



Music of Handel Manz Holst & more

**Jubilate Singers** 

C. Kenneth Stein Organ

> Tuesday Dec. 5, 2017 6:30 PM

Free and open to the public St. Joseph Catholic Church 434 Church Avenue, Bowling Green 270-843-5511

# CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT



Calling all shepherds and angels! The children's Christmas Pageant will again be during the early 5:00pm Christmas Eve service. Make plans to be part of it!

Rehearsals will be at 5:30pm on the following Thursdays in December — 7, 14, and 21. Dress Rehearsal will be held on Saturday, December 16, at 10:00am. All children K-5th grade are invited to participate. Children 3 & 4 years old can be sheep, but it is not necessary to come to all the rehearsals. For questions or more information, please contact Laura Goodwin (laura@cecbg.com).

Calling all musicians! Do you play an instrument? Would you like to be part of our Christmas Eve service by sharing your musical talent? We are looking for children and youth to play before and during our 5:00pm Christmas Eve service. For more details, please contact Ken Stein (ken@cecbg.com).

### Breakfast With St. Nicholas

Parish-wide Breakfast with St. Nicholas Sunday, December 10 9:00-9:45am Moore Hall

Everyone is welcome and invited to attend!

Children will be visited by St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, and enjoy making crafts together.

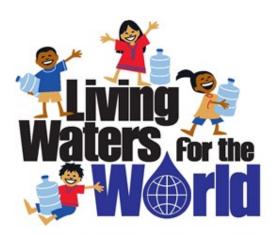
Fun for the whole family!

### Why do we celebrate St. Nicholas Day?

To learn about the true St. Nicholas: the man of faith who lived his life in devotion to Christ. Saint Nicholas loved children and cared for the needy. He brings the love of Christ and the healing of Jesus. When we honor this saint, following his example of selfless giving, we honor the Christ child who selflessly gave the greatest gift of all — himself.



### LIVING WATERS FOR THE WORLD



#### clean water for all God's children

Water Meter \$18
5 Micron Filter \$40
Sediment Filter \$75
.5 Micron Filter \$82
Pump \$186
Ozonator \$190

#### Give the Gift of Water

The 4th and 5th grade Sunday School class is learning the importance of clean water and how Living Waters for the World helps deliver it to people in need. They are learning about the water filtration system that our mission team will install in Peru and how it can take contaminated water and purify it. As an alternative giving option this holiday season, the class is collecting donations in the amount of the parts for a LWW water system. Choose, from the tiered list below, the amount you'd like to donate and your name will be added to a water drop on the wall in Surface Hall. You will also be given a card with the amount you donated to give to your special someone as a Christmas gift. For more information, please contact Laura Goodwin (laura@cecbg.com).

"Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

(John 7:37-39)

### MEALS, INC

Saturday, December 23 St. Joseph Catholic Church (434 Church Avenue, Bowling Green)

This is our final day to be responsible for preparation and delivery of Meals, Inc. for 2017. Please let me know if you can help us! Please contact Kathy Wise-Leonard (270.779.5595 or <a href="mailto:billkathyleonard@bellsouth.net">billkathyleonard@bellsouth.net</a>). Thanks for considering to help in this ministry!



# New Directory Portrait Make-Up Sessions

Friday, December 15 — 2:00—9:00pm

Saturday, December 16 — 10:00am—5:00pm

Please sign up on the sheets in Surface Hall. These will be the last opportunities to have your portrait made for the new parish directory. Thanks.



# Mark Richard Ministry Intern Project

#### ADVENT VISITS

Christ Episcopal Church will be making Advent visits to ill or infirm members of the parish and other friends. These visits are not Eucharistic visits, but simply a social visit to share the love of Christ with those who have been unable to come to Christ Church to worship.



Please consider gathering your family or a group of friends and come to Christ Church on Sunday, December 10, at 2:00pm, for refreshments and hymn singing in Moore Hall before being sent out to make your visit.

If you would like to make a visit to a parishioner or have a family member who would like to receive a visit, please contact Mark Richard (615.948.3769 or <a href="markarichard2@gmail.com">markarichard2@gmail.com</a>).

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.

\*Mission Statement adopted by the Vestry — August 22, 2017\*

# LWW TRIVIA NIGHT WINNERS



Congratulations to "Team Paula" for winning 1st place at the Living Waters for the World Trivia Night on Saturday, November 18, and also for winning Best Table Decorations.

Thanks to everyone who came out to support our Living Waters Mission Team.

# Notice Of Parish Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2018

**9:00am**—Holy Eucharist Rite Two Children's Church and Nursery during the one service. No Breakfast or Sunday School (Children, Youth, or Adults)

Following the service—Parish Annual Meeting Nursery provided during the meeting.

#### **AGENDA**

Election of 4 parishioners to the Vestry Class of 2020 Presentation of the 2017 Parish Annual Report Presentation of the 2018 Operating Budget



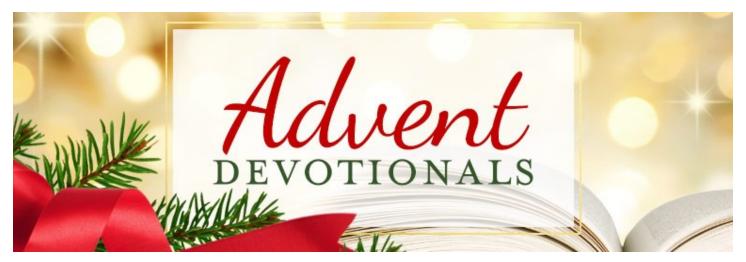
Watch for Vestry nominee biographies in the January 2018 edition of *The Window* or a special edition email.



# DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

Daily Advent Devotions are being emailed again this year to all on the parish email listing. Please check your Inbox Monday through Saturday for thoughtful reflections written by Christ Church parishioners.

Thanks to all for your contributions!



# **CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS**

### **Christmas Flowers and Music Offering**

Offerings are requested to buy poinsettias and other items to decorate the church and to help with the expense of the special music and extra musicians we have during Advent and Christmas. Any amount, large or small, would be appropriate. All donors' names and those they remember will be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletins.

To be included in the Christmas Eve bulletins, please submit your information and donation by Sunday, December 17.

Please return the form below with your check payable to Christ Episcopal Church and memo "Christmas Flowers and Music." You may drop it in Heath's staff mailbox or mail it to the Church Office.



In memory of	
In honor of	
In thanksgiving for	
Given by	

### **Staff Appreciation Christmas Offering**

A Staff Appreciation Christmas offering will be collected from now until December 17. This special offering is an opportunity to say "thank you" to our clergy, program, and administrative staff in recognition for their service to our parish. If you would like to contribute an offering, please make your check payable to Christ Episcopal Church and memo "Staff Appreciation." You can drop it in an offering plate, place it in Heath's staff mailbox, or mail it to the Church Office. All gifts need to be in by Sunday, December 17, so that the staff appreciation gifts can be paid by Christmas. These contributions will be reflected on your annual giving statement as a special offering.



# YEAR END NEWS

Please note our holiday church office hours as 2017 turns to 2018. Thanks!



Thursday, December 21 8:30am—4:30pm Friday, December 22 Closed Monday, December 25 Closed Closed Tuesday, December 26 Wednesday, December 27 Closed Thursday, December 28 Closed Friday, December 29 Closed Monday, January 1 Closed

Tuesday, January 2 8:30am—4:30pm

#### All contributions for 2017 must be received —

- in the Church Office by Thursday, December 21, 2017, or
- in the Sunday, December 31, 2017, offering, or
- post-marked no later than December 31, 2017.

All stock transfers must be completed by December 31, 2017. In addition, all online contributions must have

an "approved" status by December 31, 2017, in order to receive contribution credit for 2017.

Any contribution received, post-marked, or electronically time-stamped on or after January 1, 2018, will be credited to your 2018 giving statement.

If you have questions regarding a year end contribution, please contact Heath (270.843.6563 or heath@cecbg.com).





To the Vestry and Staff —

Please submit a report for 2017 for your parish ministry area. These will be included in the Annual Report presented to the parish at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 21, 2018.

Guidelines for your report include —

- Be brief.
- What did your ministry area do in 2017?
- What is coming in 2018?

In order to compile the 2017 Parish Annual Report, the Church Office needs your ministry area report by Sunday, January 14, 2018. Please return your report by email to Heath (heath@cecbg.com) or place it in Heath's staff mailbox in the Church Office. Thanks for your help.

# 2nd Thursday Lunch Bunch



Thursday, December 14 1:00pm The Bistro Restaurant 1129 College Street

Come join us for lunch right after the Noon Healing Service at The Bistro Restaurant on Thursday, December 14, at 1:00pm. All are welcome! For more information, please contact Ann Esterle (270.782.3342) or Becky McCraney (270.842.8279).

# DAUGHTERS OF THE KING (DOK)

First Sundays — 8:50am — Chapel

Next meeting — Sunday, January 7



# KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP



### Tuesday, December 5 — 3:30-4:30pm — Gathering Area

The Knitting and Crochet Group will resume meeting the first Tuesday of each month. This year we've had a request to do baby blankets, hats, and burping cloths. Prayer shawls are still needed. Any items made at home can be placed in the basket in the Work Room marked "to be blessed." For more information, please contact Mary Travelsted (270.781.5282 or 270.991.9140).

### CHURCHES UNITED IN CHRIST HELP MINISTRY

The cold winter weather has arrived along with very large heating bills. The less fortunate among us feel trapped when they know that Christmas is coming with gifts to buy for the children, while still feeding them and buying warm clothes and paying the big heat bill.

The Churches United in Christ Help Ministry, one of the ministries of Christ Church, is here to help those people "keep the heat on." The funds are very limited at the beginning of winter. Please help us to help others by giving a generous donation. Please make your check payable to Christ Church and designate "Help Ministry" in the memo line. Thank you!

# HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS



Christ Church contributed over \$3,500 to Hurricane Relief efforts this fall through the Episcopal Relief and Development.

Contributions provided ERD partners on the ground with critical supplies, such as food and water for communities devastated by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma and other storms.

### CENTERING PRAYER COMMUNITY

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.

Come join us in the Chapel on Tuesdays at 12:15pm. No preparation is needed. Come as you are. All are welcome.

Centering Prayer

For more information, please contact Sue Edwards (<u>sumace2@gmail.com</u>).

# 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, December 2 and 16.

Hope to see you there!

### THE PARISH ONLINE

Be sure to check the parish's website at <a href="www.cecbg.com">www.cecbg.com</a> for any communication you might have missed. *The Lancet* Friday electronic newsletter and *The Window* monthly newsletter are found under the Communications tab. You can also check the church calendar along with the Ministry Scheduler under the Calendar tab.

Always remember to check Christ Church's Facebook page for up to date information and event pictures. You can like us at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/cecbg">www.facebook.com/cecbg</a>



# HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING PRAYERS SERVICE

**Thursdays** 

12:00pm

Nave



# Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry



Wednesdays

11:00am

**Moore Hall** 

### **ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE**

Sunday, December 17 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).

### **DIOCESE OF KENTUCKY**

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 <a href="https://www.episcopalky.org">www.episcopalky.org</a>



### THE PARISH REGISTER

#### **BAPTISMS**

Maddox Kain Dale was baptized on Sunday, September 24, during the 10:00am service. Maddox is the son of Tony Tabor and Katie Buchanan. He is the grandson of Nick and Sally Heil.

Jocelyn Cecilia Smith was baptized on Sunday, October 22, during the 8:00am service. Jocelyn is the daughter of Josh and Shannon Smith. She is the granddaughter of Jenny Morehead and Chris Grinstead.

**Sydney Grace Harris** was baptized on Sunday, October 29, during the 10:00am service. Sydney is the daughter of Scott and Courtney Harris.

Merritt Lyons Hale and Daniel Broderick "Brody" Hale were baptized on Sunday, November 5, during the 10:00am service. They are the children of Daniel and Taylor Hale and the grandchildren of Gretchen Broderick.

#### **DEATHS**

Robert Arthur (Bob) Carraco died October 8, 2017. Bob was baptized on April 1, 1956, and had been a member of Christ Church since April 30, 1978. A memorial service was held Saturday, October 14, at 11:00am, in the Nave. A private burial will be in Carrollton, KY, at a later date.

Anna Judd Russell, died on Monday, October 30, 2017. Anna was baptized in 1946, and had been a member of Christ Episcopal Church since 1967. A memorial service was held Friday, November 3, at 2:00pm, at J. C. Kirby and Son Lovers Lane Chapel. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery #2.

Robert John (Bob) Schermack died on November 7, 2017. Bob was baptized in 1951, and had been a member of Christ Episcopal Church since 1951. A memorial service will be held Friday, December 8, at 10:30am, in the Nave. A private committal service will follow in the Columbarium.

### HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

12/1 Ken Stein	12/12 Jamie Chaffin
12/2 Megan Taing	12/12 Duncan McKenzie
12/3 Ann Brown	12/12 Ellie Mills
12/3 Maryanne Ringo	12/13 Adie Broadbent
12/4 Clay Sowell	12/13 Tyler Peterson
12/5 Miliska Knauft	12/13 Elaine Price
12/6 George Niva	12/13 Julie Stewart
12/6 Beth Sigler	12/14 Marcia Eastin
12/7 Fonda Hoyng	12/15 Tiffany DeLoach
12/8 Jo Owsley	12/15 Abigayle Dort
12/8 Peyton Rhodes	12/15 Stevie Hoyng
12/8 David Towell	12/15 Fred Keith
12/8 Sharon Valk	12/15 Tim Metcalf
12/9 Sarah Cohron	12/16 Hunter Adams
12/9 George Anna McKenzie	12/16 Carie Carmichael
12/9 Anna Siewers	12/16 Mary Lloyd Moore
12/10 Gil Crouch	12/17 Chris Minix
12/10 Janet Metcalf	12/17 Mary Bess Peterson

12/17 Gary Reimer	12/25 Nick Heil
12/17 Bonnie Schlicht	12/25 Robert Spiller
12/18 Chris Grinstead	12/26 John Petersen
12/19 Susan Cook	12/27 Alan Vilines
12/19 Kelsey Harris	12/28 Sally Heil
12/19 Merrin Moore	12/29 Zachary Burt
12/20 Nathan Trawick	12/29 Stephanie Crabtree
12/21 William Cleavinger	12/29 Susan Crouch
12/22 Tony Smith	12/29 Barbara Easton
12/22 Rhondetta Walton	12/29 Karen Steele
12/23 Seth Weisman	12/30 Zack Puckett
12/24 Katrina Powell	12/31 Rick DuBose
12/25 Mary Dale	



# OPERATING FUND REPORT — PAGE 1

Christ Episcopal Church Operating Fund Report for period ending October 31, 2017

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Account #	Account Name	OCT 2017	YTD 2017	Budget	Budget
INCOME					
4.10.110	Pledged Offering	44,665.92	473,767.41	594,769.00	80%
4.10.120	Prior Year Pledged Offering	0.00	2,275.00	0.00	0%
4.10.130	Loose Offering	309.39	4,864.63	4,200.00	116%
4.10.132	Non-pledged Offering	3,416.00	33,478.00	28,000.00	120%
4.10.135	Pledged Offering received in current year	0.00	15.00	1,000.00	2%
4.10.137	Non-pledged New Offering in current year	0.00	1,215.00	0.00	0%
4.10.150	Special Offerings	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0%
	Parish Offerings TOTAL	48,391.31	515,615.04	630,469.00	82%
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4.10.200	Diocesan Support - WKU Chaplaincy	1,666.67 0.00	16,666.70	20,000.00	83%
4.10.250	Diocesan Support - WKU Episcopal Campus Ministry		8,550.00	11,400.00	75%
	Diocesan Support TOTAL_	1,666.67	25,216.70	31,400.00	80%
4.10.299	2015 Porter Sims Trust Earnings	0.00	2,599.24	0.00	0%
4.10.302	2017 Porter Sims Trust Earnings	0.00	0.00	70,000.00	0%
	Investment Income TOTAL	0.00	2,599.24	70,000.00	4%
	Income TOTAL	50,057.98	543,430.98	731,869.00	74%
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EXPENSE					
5.16.100	Office	2,494.11	17,157.81	26,250.00	65%
5.16.110	Bank Charges	113.50	2,836.04	4,200.00	68%
5.16.150	Telephone	281.35	2,712.56	6,500.00	42%
5.16.160	Outside Certified Compilation	0.00	2,975.00	3,900.00	76%
5.16.180	Communications	136.47	5,172.11	10,000.00	52%
5.16.190	Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	500.00	0%
	Administration and Finance TOTAL_	3,025.43	30,853.52	51,350.00	60%
5.16.199	Facilities Use Income	0.00	(2,755.00)	(4,500.00)	61%
5.16.200	Janitorial Services & Supplies	4,174.68	39,213.31	47,000.00	83%
5.16.210	Utilities	3,342.47	33,253.57	43,000.00	77%
5.16.240	Repairs	1,517.37	12,376.96	17,000.00	73%
5.16.250	Grounds Maintenance	0.00	2,670.44	4,500.00	59%
5.16.260	Insurance	1,208.24	13,068.67	15,000.00	87%
	Buildings and Property TOTAL	10,242.76	97,827.95	122,000.00	80%
5.13.100	Children and Youth Christian Education	1,442.30	7,760.12	9,046.00	86%
5.13.110	Parents of Young Kids	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0%
5.13.120	Adult Christian Education	73.50	538.00	2,000.00	27%
5.13.200	Episcopal Youth Community	268.51	4,144.13	5,000.00	83%
5.13.300	WKU Episcopal Campus Ministry	534.65	4,278.19	10,950.00	39%
5.13.312	WKU ECM Peer Minister FICA	30.60	290.71	450.00	65%
<b></b>	Christian Education and Spiritual Formation TOTAL	2,349.56	17,011.15	28,446.00	60%
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5.18.100	Diocesan Apportionment	7,462.80	74,628.00	89,554.00	83%
5.18.200	Theological Education	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0%
5.18.281	All Saints Camp and Conference Center	0.00	200.00	0.00	0%

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Account #	Account Name	OCT 2017	YTD 2017	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
5.18.350	Diocesan Convention Deputies	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	0%
5.18.351	Vestry Development/Training/Retreat	0.00	842.49	1,200.00	70%
5.18.280	All Saints Scholarships	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	100%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support TOTAL	7,462.80	77,670.49	95,554.00	81%
5.12.200	Supplies	105.00	1,248.73	650.00	192%
5.12.201	Choir Music	0.00	654.81	1,000.00	65%
5.12.202	Organ Maintenance	0.00	722.00	1,400.00	52%
5.12.203	Piano Maintenance	0.00	245.00	350.00	70%
5.12.204	Instrumentalists	0.00	2,860.00	5,000.00	57%
5.12.205	Supply Organist	0.00	600.00	800.00	75%
5.12.210	Choir Section Leaders and FICA	780.46	7,885.39	10,500.00	75%
5.12.219	Friends of Music Income	(100.00)	(1,427.50)	(6,000.00)	24%
5.12.221	Madrigal Dinner and Concert	0.00	0.00	1,300.00	0%
	Music Ministry TOTAL_	785.46	12,788.43	15,000.00	85%
5.14.100	Parish Life	592.45	5,893.96	10,000.00	59%
5.14.125	Celebration of New Ministry Service	0.00	4,941.92	0.00	0%
5.14.200	Stewardship	220.73	253.74	2,000.00	13%
5.14.420	Congregational Vitality	678.86	1,411.92	4,375.00	32%
5.14.430	Pastoral Care Ministry	134.47	134.47	500.00	27%
5.14.440	Hospitality Ministry	0.00	0.00	500.00	0%
5.14.660	Daughters of the King	0.00	200.00	200.00	100%
5.14.500	L.O.F.T. and Sharing Faith Dinners	0.00	909.16	1,500.00	61%
	Parish Life TOTAL_	1,626.51	13,745.17	19,075.00	72%
5.12.150	Easter and Christmas Flowers	0.00	282.20	500.00	56%
5.12.000	Worship	380.94	2,668.23	3,400.00	78%
	Worship TOTAL_	380.94	2,950.43	3,900.00	76%
5.11.110	Rector Salary	4,550.33	45,503.30	54,604.00	83%
5.11.120	Rector SECA	533.00	5,330.00	6,396.00	83%
5.11.130	Rector Housing	2,416.67	24,166.70	29,000.00	83%
5.11.140	Rector Medical/Dental/HSA	2,151.60	22,349.80	25,200.00	89%
5.11.150	Rector Pension	1,350.00	13,500.00	16,200.00	83%
5.11.160	Rector Life Insurance	34.00	374.00	408.00	92%
5.11.192	Rector Continuing Education	0.00	1,175.09	4,000.00	29%
	Rector TOTAL_	11,035.60	112,398.89	135,808.00	83%
5.11.210	Associate Rector Salary	2,930.25	14,651.25	35,163.00	42%
5.11.220	Associate Rector SECA	319.75	1,598.75	3,837.00	42%
5.11.230	Associate Rector Housing	1,250.00	6,250.00	15,000.00	42%
5.11.240	Associate Rector Medical/Dental/HSA	3,143.01	6,365.00	10,000.00	64%
5.11.250	Associate Rector Pension	3,240.00	3,240.00	9,720.00	33%
5.11.260	Associate Rector Life Insurance	34.00	170.00	408.00	42%
5.11.268	Associate Rector Search	0.00	3,745.22	0.00	0%
5.11.270	Associate Rector Relocation	0.00	899.71	0.00	0%
5.11.271	Associate Rector Continuing Education	518.56	920.84	1,500.00	61%
	Associate Rector TOTAL	11,435.57	37,840.77	75,628.00	50%

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Account #	Account Name	OCT 2017	YTD 2017	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
5.11.400	Director of Music/Organist Salary	2,895.00	28,950.00	34,740.00	83%
5.11.402	Director of Music/Organist Funeral	250.00	750.00	2,000.00	38%
5.11.410	Director of Music/Organist FICA	240.60	2,272.09	2,811.00	81%
5.11.420	Director of Music/Organist Pension	283.05	2,673.00	3,307.00	81%
5.11.430	Director of Music/Organist Continuing Education	0.00	1,413.41	1,500.00	94%
3.11.130	Director of Music/Organist TOTAL	3,668.65	36,058.50	44,358.00	81%
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5.11.500	Director of Christian Education Salary	2,747.92	27,479.20	32,975.00	83%
5.11.510	Director of Christian Education FICA	210.22	2,102.20	2,523.00	83%
5.11.520	Director of Christian Education Pension	247.32	2,473.20	2,968.00	83%
5.11.530	Director of Christian Education Continuing Education	0.00	0.00	500.00	0%
	Director of Christian Education TOTAL	3,205.46	32,054.60	38,966.00	82%
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5.11.310	Director of Youth Salary	1,913.59	17,860.22	19,136.00	93%
5.11.315	Director of Youth FICA	146.39	1,366.30	1,464.00	93%
5.11.370	Director of Youth Continuing Education	0.00	496.17	500.00	99%
	Director of Youth TOTAL	2,059.98	19,722.69	21,100.00	93%
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5.11.670	Parish Administrator Salary	4,357.76	41,794.88	46,350.00	90%
5.11.672	Parish Administrator FICA	377.36	3,637.22	4,074.00	89%
5.11.673	Parish Administrator Supplemental	575.00	5,750.00	6,900.00	83%
5.11.676	Parish Administrator Pension	392.20	3,761.57	4,172.00	90%
5.11.678	Parish Administrator Disability and Life Insurance	43.63	436.30	562.00	78%
5.11.679	Parish Administrator Continuing Education	0.00	0.00	500.00	0%
	Parish Administrator TOTAL	5,745.95	55,379.97	62,558.00	89%
5.11.691	Director of Communications Salary	294.00	584.50	10,920.00	5%
5.11.692	Director of Communications FICA	22.49	44.71	836.00	5%
	Director of Communications TOTAL_	316.49	629.21	11,756.00	5%
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5.11.690	Accountant	0.00	4,994.22	16,192.00	31%
5.11.700	Accountant and Nursery Staff FICA	20.28	674.38	1,774.00	38%
5.11.750	Supply Clergy	0.00	425.00	1,500.00	28%
5.11.800	Nursery Staff	265.00	4,484.74	7,000.00	64%
5.11.900	Staff Appreciation	100.00	225.00	750.00	30%
5.17.100	Travel Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0%
5.17.210	Deacon Continuing Education	0.00	0.00	500.00	0%
5.17.275	Staff Development	0.00	410.61	750.00	55%
5.17.350	Books, Periodicals, Dues, Subscriptions	34.97	302.74	1,500.00	20%
	Other Staff Salaries and Benefits TOTAL	420.25	11,516.69	32,466.00	35%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits TOTAL_	37,887.95	305,601.32	422,640.00	72%
	Expense TOTAL_	63,761.41	558,448.46	757,965.00	74%
	Difference _	(13,703.43)	(15,017.48)	(26,096.00)	

# OUTREACH FUNDS REPORT

Christ Episcopal Church Outreach Funds Report for period ending October 31, 2017

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Fund Name All Saints Center	Forward 0.00	200.00	<b>Expense</b> 200.00	Balance 0.00
All Saints Scholarship	2,058.86	2,410.77	1,610.00	2,859.63
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	959.00	959.00	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	1,573.05	8,590.00	8,300.00	1,863.05
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM) Mission Trip	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	3,536.00	3,536.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) Mission Trip	60.00	1,316.00	1,138.81	237.19
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	0.00	2,760.00	2,760.00	0.00
Living Waters for the World Mission Trip	791.01	18,982.11	6,423.70	13,349.42
Meals, Inc	0.00	573.00	573.00	0.00
Room In The Inn	266.34	219.00	410.64	74.70
United Thank Offering - Ascension Sunday	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch	3,189.83	2,375.00	3,406.54	2,158.29
Yoga	531.65	1,174.40	800.00	906.05
TOTAL	8,470.74	43,320.28	30,192.69	21,598.33
Rector Discretionary Associate Rector Discretionary Deacon Discretionary TOTAL		6,468.20 1,081.05 2,065.92 <b>9,615.17</b>		
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		52,935.45		



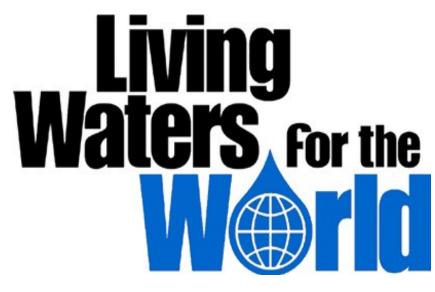
Radiate God's love to all.

# LIVING WATERS FOR THE WORLD

### **Mission Trip 2018**

Living Waters for the World is a "global outreach ministry...that trains and equips mission teams to share the gift of clean water treatment systems with communities in need. The water treatment systems and related educational programs fill a critical niche in the world water crisis—helping communities with available but contaminated water to obtain a clean water supply."

The CEC LWW mission team is planning to travel to Peru in 2018 to install a water system. We need lots of support in order to make this goal a reality!





# Here are ways you can support the mission team's efforts—

- Pray for the mission team (Initiating Partners) and the people of Santo Thomas (Operating Partner).
- Support the trip financially by donating by check in the offering plate or <u>online</u> and having your name added to a water droplet in Surface Hall.
- Help fill the 5 gallon water bottle in Surface Hall with coins. We're halfway there!
- Add coins to the water bottles in the Sunday School offering collection and around the church.

# LIVING WATERS FOR THE WORLD

# Be a Ripple in the Pond

Donate today to help the Living Waters for the World 2018 Mission Team deliver clean water to Peru

### \$500

Pay for hardware and tools

### \$1295

Sponsor a team
member to be
trained at Clean
Water U, the LWW
training center in
Oxford, MS

### \$1000

Sponsor a team member's in-country expenses

### \$3000

Pay for an initial site visit

### \$3000

Pay for the team to have a translator

### \$4,500.00

Sponsor a team member. Amount includes airfare, training, food, lodging, transportation, and immunizations

### Donate by:

- -- Making a check payable to CEC with LWW in the memo
- --Give online at www.cecbg.com
- -- Adding change to the water bottle

Donate your frequent flyer miles



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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

Wednesday7:00am Morning Prayer

#### Thursday

**12:00pm** Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers

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#### **2019 CLASS**

Shelley Carter Scott Harris Laura Harper Lee Paula Lyons

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#### Worship

Steve Pankey and Becca Kello

**LEARN—CHRISTIAN FORMATION**Shelley Carter and Laurie Joyce

# GROW—CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Scott Harris and Paula Lyons

**RADIATE—FELLOWSHIP**Pitt Derryberry and Ann Puckett

RADIATE—PASTORAL CARE
Laura Harper Lee and Hamp Moore

### RADIATE—OUTREACH

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