



Christ Episcopal Church

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In December of last year, I heard God tell me to turn the radio station to K-Love (Contemporary Christian station). I have listened to K-Love off and on over the years if they played a song I knew, but never really just listened to the station and the messages. They have a 30 day challenge in January to listen to only K-Love and see what God does in that time. I made a decision that I would listen to the station exclusively in the car through the month of January.

I found myself quickly learning new “favorite songs” and singing along to many of the songs that were played. I found myself with a renewed spirit and desire for my children to hear a message that was rooted in God and His love. While the girls may have rolled their eyes a few times at first I found our family enjoying the music. I even heard Alexa playing some of the songs in my home. My radio station scrolls more now but I find myself landing on the Christian stations more regularly and letting my heart be renewed on a daily basis.

During this time in our country and our lives we as Christians struggle with the division and discord in the world around us. I thought about that decision to make a change for positivity. When I have the urge to listen to the news lately I think I will turn on Christian Radio instead. However, what does this have to do with Christ Church Danville?

I believe we have decided to turn that dial to positivity and in the last year we have made the most of Father Tim’s departure from us. We have been blessed to be led in worship by multiple talented priests that we have come to know and love. Rev. Dr. Alicia Alexis took at position as Priest-In-Charge at Epiphany so we will not be seeing her as much. We are blessed to continue to have Rev. Gene Anderson, Rev. Grayce O’Neill Rowe and Rev. Kurt Alsiyao to celebrate with us. Since the beginning of the year we have only had two Morning Prayer services and our music ministry, with the direction of Gary Sullivan, has continued to support us each week in worship. While we were forecasting a loss this year in our budget our members have once again stepped up and we are staying in the black.

We are all busy people with many things to do in the day, but I appreciate everyone’s dedication to Christ Church and its ministry. We need each and every one of us to continue the work of the church. If you are interested in pursuing a ministry in the church please talk to me or a member of the Vestry so we can make that happen.

Several weeks ago, during his sermon, Rev. Gene Anderson reminded us that we are not Democrat or Republican first....we are Christians. May we remember this during this time of great turmoil and each tune our radios to love, kindness, positivity and prayer.

Faithfully in His Service,
Kristi Ross, Senior Warden



We are busy getting ready for our "Bingo Night", which will be September 6, 2024, from 5:30 - 8:30 pm. We are in the process of getting the food shopping done and getting prizes gathered. We will have tickets out soon, so please remember to pick yours up and some for your friends and neighbors. In a couple of months we will be sending out our yearly donations to various groups and later in the fall discussing if we want to have another fundraiser this year.

The ECW is made up of ALL the women in our congregation. Please join us. Our next Meeting will be August 18th, after the church service.

Lu Sullivan,
ECW President

ECW Prayer

Almighty God, we pray that you will bless our work in our mission and ministry in the world. Help us to pray fervently, labor diligently, and give liberally to make known the power of your love given through your son, Jesus. Let us not forget the lessons from the past nor the challenges of the future. Anoint us with your grace and shine in our hearts as we reflect your light throughout the world. -Amen



NIGHT!

Friday, September 6th

5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

FOOD, PRIZES, FUN!!

\$10/adult & \$6/children

1 Hot dog, Chips, Drink,

Cookie, and 2 Bingo cards

Additional food and Bingo cards available for purchase

Christ Episcopal Church
BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY
AUGUST 11th, 10:00 A.M.
All Students and Educators are invited to bring their backpacks, briefcases, or tote bags to worship for a special blessing to begin the new school year surrounded in prayer.



Please join us as we celebrate our youth and teachers with a blessing and gift to remember their Christ Church family and to know that God's strength will be with them throughout the year.

The loose collection on this Sunday is donated to the Don Haney Memorial Scholarship Fund.



The Prayer Shawl Knitters/Crocheters continue their work over the summer. We have many Prayer Shawls in the Outreach Room waiting for a forever home. This past Sunday Rev. Anderson blessed a Prayer Shawl, with more to be blessed as they are completed.

When taking a Prayer Shawl, please remember to put this information on the sign out sheet: who it is for, the reason, and the date taken.

Lu Sullivan,
Prayer Shawl Coordinator





Sunday School will be resuming Sunday, September 8th.

We will continue to meet in the Adam & Eve Youth Rooms during the beginning of the service.

I look forward to seeing our youth members and exploring the Bible with them.

- Kristi Ross

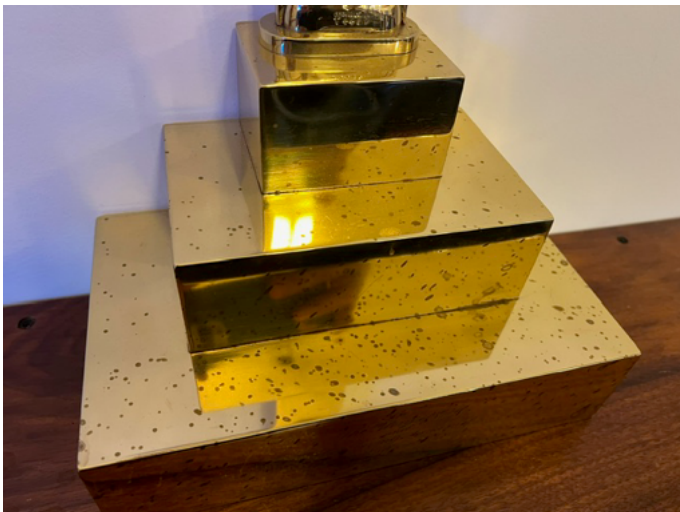


The Altar Guild has 4 members who take turns setting up weekly for Sunday Services. We have many more who help on Sunday's cleaning up after the service.

I appreciate all who "stepped in" when I was absent for the past three months.

We are in the process of getting new Altar Linens, as many of ours have finished "their journey." We are also in the process of having some of our brass crosses cleaned and re-lacquered. All should be looking good in the near future. The money for these items will come from the Memorial Fund. If you would like to make a donation in memory of someone please speak to John Ross.

Lu Sullivan,
Altar Guild Director



Want to have a good time, crafting or just enjoying conversation with a group of ladies? Christ Church is the place to be. We always have a good time! It is a time of gathering and being with each other. We have many laughs and sometimes a few tears; that's what happens in life.

Our next get together will be August 3rd and then August 17th, from 10:am to 12:00 pm. Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks, yarn, or whatever you do for a hobby and join us! Or as one person said, "I come to have some good adult conversation"!

Lu Sullivan,
Coordinator

Interested in becoming a Chalice Bearer?



Eucharistic Minister
(Chalice Bearer):
A lay person authorized to administer the Consecrated Elements at a Celebration of Holy Eucharist.

You must be a confirmed adult (age 16+) member of the congregation and complete some online training to be licensed with the Diocese.

There are also non-licensed ways you can help before, during, and after Sunday services.

Ushers, Readers, Acolytes, Hostesses, and Altar Guild members are needed each week. Please speak to Kristi Ross or Marge Fifield for more information or to be added into the rotation schedule.

Class of
2024

***Congratulations
Graduates!***

Julia Fifield graduated on Wednesday, June 5th from Pearson High School. Julia is the youngest child of Lucas and Selena Fifield and granddaughter of Marge Fifield. Julia plans to attend PCCC in the Fall and hopes to transfer to UNC-Greensboro for Architecture. We wish Julia good luck and blessings on this new journey.



Griffin Sands graduated on Saturday, May 25th from Tunstall High School. Griffin is the eldest son of Andy and Sharon Sands and grandson of Nancy Sands. Griffin plans to attend Radford University in the Fall in the Davis School of Business and Economics. We wish Griffin good luck and blessings on this new journey.



***Birthdays &
Anniversaries***



August

John & Margaret Benz – Anniversary	1
Gary & Lu Sullivan – Anniversary	1
Sarah Oakes	3
Barney & Nancy Seagle - Anniversary	3
Shaun Anderson	5
Raylin Boyd	9
Curtis Vick	10
John & Kristi Ross - Anniversary	10
Pauline Ross	12
David Hill	23
Griffin Sands	24
Curtis & Sally Vick	25
Levi Burris	28
Tom & Rena Howard - Anniversary	29

September

Michael Hyler	5
Michael Jones	6
Phillip Brummett	7
Michael Moroni	8
Luke Burris	12
Michael Boyd	13
Mikayla Hall	16
Tom Howard	19
Matthew Benz	20
Jarod Wilson	21
Marge Fifield	22
Ben Haney	23
Pam Boor	26
Leilani Cochran	30



The ECW is providing a cake the first Sunday of each month to celebrate the Birthdays for that month.

Please join us to celebrate with our members!



Below, is a condensed version of the June 30th, 2024, Treasurer's report. The latest full report is posted on the front hall bulletin board. Since we are 50% through the year it's easy to look down the right side at the %'s to see how we are doing. Anything over 50% would be over budget (Good for Revenue at 71.91%).

We are doing exceptionally well on the revenue side with pledge giving far exceeding what we had budgeted. All the expense categories are currently under budget with the exception of Other Expenses at 50.62%. This category includes the Diocesan Pledge (half has been paid) and Miscellaneous from which we have spent slightly over half of the budgeted amount on food for the Seder supper and church picnic. When the budget was approved at the end of last year we were forecasting a \$526 shortfall but we currently have received \$14,298.14 more than we have spent for the first six months of 2024.

In addition to the money that we collect and spend on the Church's Operational Budget there are 10 designated funds that are in no risk savings, checking, CD's, money market, and annuity accounts totaling \$331,365.74 The McCollum Fund is the largest of these funds with a balance of \$262,908.18.

Thank you to everyone for keeping their pledges up-to-date, especially over the summer. If you have any questions or would like further information on the budget or any of the funds please let me know.

In His Name,
John Ross, Treasurer

	Actual YTD thru 6/30/24	2024 Budget	% of Budget
Total Operating Revenue	\$40,253.00	\$55,980.00	71.91%
Clergy Compensation	\$8,662.36	\$18,982.00	45.63%
Building Expenses	\$6,782.63	\$13,622.00	49.79%
Utilities Expenses	\$3,314.83	\$7,318.00	45.30%
Program Expenses	\$4,462.77	\$10,775.00	41.42%
Office Expenses	\$179.20	\$765.00	23.42%
Other Expenses	\$2,553.07	\$5,044.00	50.62%
Total Operating Expenses	\$25,954.86	\$56,506.00	45.93%
Net Income	\$14,298.14	-\$526.00	

Funds / Accounts	Balance
Operating	\$26,298.14
Youth	\$2,541.51
Memorial	\$3,773.67
Discretionary	\$1,605.37
Flower	\$1,147.26
Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$945.75
Hile Building	\$14,835.71
Don Haney Memorial Scholarship	\$7,089.85
McCollum	\$262,908.18
Sullivan Music	\$3,618.66
Collumbarium	\$6,601.64
Total	\$331,365.74

August/September 2024 Service Assignments

Date	Reader	Chalice	Elements	Servers	Ushers	Altar	Hostess
August 4 10:00 am HE	Shaun Anderson	Sarah Oakes & Marge Fifield	Shaun & Dinah Anderson	Abigail Ross	John Ross	Pat Irwin	Cathy Hyler
August 11 10:00 am HE	Bob Chenery	Shaun Anderson & Mary Ross	Bob & Janis Chenery	Brantley Boyd	John Benz	Marge Fifield	Janis Chenery
August 18 10:00 am HE	Marge Fifield	Bob & Janis Chenery	Cathy & Michael Hyler	Mary Ross	Shaun Anderson	Sarah Oakes	Marge Fifield
August 25 10:00 am HE	Janis Chenery	Sarah Oakes & Marge Fifield	Shaun & Dinah Anderson	Catherine Daniel	David Hill	Lu Sullivan	Bonnie Hill
September 1 10:00 am HE	Sherry Gott	Shaun Anderson & Mary Ross	Marge Fifield & Pat Irwin	Abigail Ross	Jake Howard	Marge Fifield	Kristi Ross
September 8 10:00 am HE	Jason Hall	Bob & Janis Chenery	David & Bonnie Hill	Brantley Boyd	Jerry Oakes	Pat Irwin	Pauline Ross
September 15 10:00 am HE	Kathy Hoffman	Sarah Oakes & Marge Fifield	Bob & Janis Chenery	Catherine Daniel	John Ross	Lu Sullivan	Nancy Sands & Pat Irwin
September 22 10:00 am HE	Pat Irwin	Shaun Anderson & Mary Ross	Jerry & Sarah Oakes	Abigail Ross	John Benz	Sarah Oakes	Dinah Anderson
September 29 10:00 am HE	Nancy Sands	Bob & Janis Chenery	Cathy & Michael Hyler	Mary Ross	Shaun Anderson	Marge Fifield	Cathy Hyler

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Crafting Fellowship 10:00 a.m.
4 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rev. Grayce O'Neill Rowe Coffee Hour following	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Back to School Sunday Rev. Grayce O'Neill Rowe Coffee Hour following	12	13 Tuesday Fellowship Lunch Bunch Santana's 12:00 p.m.	14	15	16	17 Crafting Fellowship 10:00 a.m.
18 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rev. Gene Anderson Coffee Hour following ECW Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rev. Gene Anderson Coffee Hour following	26	27	28	29	30	31 Crafting Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

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<p>1</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rev. Grayce O'Neill Rowe Coffee Hour following</p>	2	3	4	5	<p>6</p> <p>Family Bingo Night 5:30- 8:30</p>	7
<p>8</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Sunday School Rev. Kurt Alsiyao Coffee Hour following Vestry Meeting</p>	9	<p>10</p> <p>Tuesday Fellowship Lunch Bunch Villages 12:00 p.m.</p>	11	12	13	<p>14</p> <p>Crafting Fellowship 10:00 a.m.</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Sunday School Rev. Gene Anderson Coffee Hour following ECW Meeting</p>	16	17	18	19	20	21
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