

January 2023

# The Guide

*We embrace all  
as we journey  
the way of Jesus*



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#### Office Hours:

Monday–Thursday  
9 a.m.–4 p.m.  
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#### Worship Schedule:

Check calendar on back for  
worship, Bible studies, and  
Youth & Children's Ministry

#### Christ Church Staff:

**Rev. Dr. Edward Goode**  
Pastor

**Kelly Kuhnhein**  
Director of Outreach  
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**Toni Sheffer,**  
Music Director/Organist

**Max Gise**  
Guitarist

**Talia Zoll**  
Vocalist

**Jeff Searcy**  
Custodian

**Barb Walkenhorst-Derby**  
Bookkeeper

**Michele Wright,**  
Communications Director

**Rev. Dr. David V. Schwab**  
Pastor Emeritus

## Ringling in the New!

Just this past week (writing this on December 19), there are two major new things here at Christ Church. We have a new front walk and front doors along with the nearly finished renovation of what will be the history room. First I want to thank those who helped make these things happen: Bill Hitch, Larry Stinson, Mark Sheffer, Barry Petracco, Bert Bathiany, Theiry Paillette, Jill Draper, Bob Witte, and David Hosea. Also, a big thank you to everyone who contributed to the capital campaign which funded the new walk and doors!

These two spaces represent several significant things for me. First, the walk and doors represent this is a safe and open place for anyone. The new sidewalk is safer for walking, and the new doors are easier to open than the old ones. But the doors also speak to me about how we are to be open to the world beyond the walls of the church. Christ calls us beyond this space to be in the communities and the world around us with the Good News of Jesus. I think of that when stand in the front of the sanctuary and see Ft. Thomas Avenue out those doors. As you leave worship each Sunday, may you have a similar perspective; you are not just going home but also going out as a witness to what Jesus has done in your life and can continue to do in the world.

The history room speaks something else to me. First, it speaks of our connection of who and what has come before us. We are part of a



long legacy of faithful people who have laid a literal and figurative foundation for our life together today. I am grateful for the ways that this room will reflect this reality. I am also grateful for what will happen in that room. Each Sunday, a group of people gather at 9 a.m. for Bible study. We have covered a *lot* of ground in this group but there is also a desire to go deeper in faith and in life with that group (along with other Bible study groups that meet). My prayer with this space is that it represents a deep heart for all of us to grow as followers (disciples) of Jesus.

As I look to a new year here at Christ Church, if those two areas — outreach and discipleship — are at the center of what we are and do, I know God will do amazing work in and through us. And those two areas are at the heart of our guiding statement: *We embrace all (outreach) as we journey the way of Jesus (discipleship)*. I'm excited for the year ahead!

Grace, Peace, Love, and Joy,  
Pastor Ed



## Schedules for January

### Liturgists

- Jan. 1 Barry Petracco
- Jan. 8 Jane Petracco
- Jan. 15 Laura Petracco
- Jan. 22 Marcia Storm
- Jan. 29 Carolyn Tyler

### Deacons

- Jan. 1 Jack Hurtt
- Jan. 8 Jean Braun
- Jan. 15 Amy Thornton
- Jan. 22 Melissa Cox
- Jan. 29 Barb Korpik

### Ushers

- Jan. 1 Jack Hurtt  
Shelley Kappesser  
Steve Kappesser  
Audrey Bernhard
- Jan. 8 Jean Braun  
Debbie Paillette  
Thierry Paillette  
Jay Wainscott
- Jan. 15 Marcia Storm  
Scott Turner  
Jane Petracco  
Carol Himes
- Jan. 22 Jean Braun  
Nancy Pinguely  
Greg Vogel  
Andy Borah
- Jan. 29 Barb Korpik  
Audrey Bernhard  
Steve Weber  
Patti Miller

## Lunch and Learn

Join us on Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 11:30 a.m.

Our guest presenter will be Dr. Jeffrey Williams, a retired history professor and Department Chair of History and Geography at Northern Kentucky University. His presentation "An Historical Perspective on Putin's War with Ukraine," should help us understand the events leading up to this devastating war.



Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. followed by the presentation at noon. For lunch reservations call or email Nancy Hunter.

## Singing to God

From Toni Sheffer

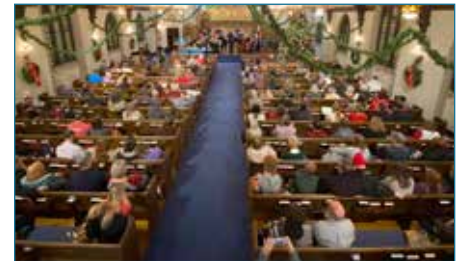
It is to God and about God that we sing! Singing has such a unique way of bringing your heart, soul, and mind together to focus entirely and completely on God. If you love to sing, would enjoy a small group experience within our church, and would like to be a part of leading the congregation in weekly services, join the choir. You will be welcomed with open arms.

The ability to match pitch would be necessary. The rest you will learn. **The choir meets on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.** If you have questions or concerns, contact Toni.

## December Photos



A few of the volunteers at the Holiday Walk



The Holiday Walk concert in our Sanctuary



Making gingerbread churches during Sunday School



Our children's service – telling the story of Christ's birth



Christmas Eve noon service – Important visitors taking questions from our children



Our Christmas Eve late service

# Church Council Meeting Notes

11/28/2022

In Attendance: Pastor Ed Goode, Snezana Tenhundfeld, Jen Korpik, Bert Bathiany, Betsy Beimesche, Jenny Herrmann, Donna Hoffman, Debbie Paillette, Sallie Schmidt

- **Gathering/Centering:** Shared dinner and Ed thanked the council for their work this year. Ed shared poems from Carrie Newcomer's "Permeable Life" and "Showing Up"
- **Opening Prayer:** Ed lead us in prayer
- **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved.
- **Financial Report:** Bert said we were \$16,000 short (balance vs. budget). The expenses are still lower than expected. We are at ~\$200,000 in pledges for 2023. Jenny made a motion to approve the Financial Report for September. Jen seconded. Report approved.
- **Pastor's Report:**
  - **Advent** — Started **Nov. 27th** Devotional books are available
  - **Holiday walk on Dec. 4th**
  - **Children's Program** — **Dec 18th** The children will perform their Christmas Program
  - **NKY Youth Ministry** is doing well and averages 30 kids per meeting. Meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month

- **No Council meeting in December.**
- **Building Updates:**
  - **History Room** — flooring and trim have been done
  - **Railings** — to be installed when parts come in (they have been delayed)
  - **Concrete and front doors** — Should be completed by Christmas. People will have to enter by different doors until finished.
  - **Dishwasher** — maintenance to be done.
- **Mission Team:**
  - Still collecting items for Brighton Center and Hosea House.
  - Collected gifts for families at Camp Washington UCC
- **By-laws Review:** Reviewed Article V Several changes discussed.
- **Nominating Committee:**
  - Ed will be asking for volunteers and for council to reach out to any members who may be interested.
  - Asking council members with terms ending to consider staying on another term or to please let them know if they are not.
- **Personnel:** Debbie attended the financial committee meeting and they discussed raises for the staff.
- **Meeting Closed with Prayer:**

# Dec. Attendance

	In Person	Online
12/4/22	103	12
12/11/22	143	23
12/18/22	144	14
12/24/22-1	83	N/A
12/24/22-2	89	N/A
12/25/22	N/A	40



## Prayer Requests

**Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:**  
Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Faye Gately, Jim Gracey, Joy, Genevieve Lyons, Margi McKenna, Pierce, Ev & Jack Weber, Don Spaulding, Tom Cox, Nicole and Zach Lawson, Marie Shields, Barry Bordenkircher, Bob Derby

*Names underlined indicate request for first name usage only*

**We have started a new prayer list. Please call the office if you or someone you know would like to be on the list: (859) 441-2565**

# January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Natalie Orme  
Ramel Vogel  
Jeffrey McDonald  
Gayle Francis  
Kenneth Weidinger  
Bert Bathiany IV  
Kathy Leftin  
Fran McAllister  
Peter Borah

Ella June Stevenson  
Michele Wright  
Bradley Leftin  
Tammy Weidinger

Steve & Fran McAllister 52 yrs.  
Stephen & Pam Weber 46 yrs.  
Ken & Stella Pendery 70 yrs.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>10:30 am - Worship</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED New Year's Day Observance</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>1:30 pm - Art Group 7 pm - Overeaters Anonymous</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>7 pm - AA Group</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>NO UCC Clergy 6:30 pm - Choir</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>
<p><b>8</b></p> <p>8:30 am - Fellowship 9 am - Adult Discipleship 10:30 am - Children's Christian Education 10:30 am - Worship</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>9:30 am - SPARK Homeschool</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>12 pm - Bible Study 1:30 pm - Art Group 7 pm - Overeaters Anonymous 7 pm - Finance Meeting</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>12 pm - Green Team 3:30 pm - Small Group Zoom Link is: <a href="https://bit.ly/ccwednesday">bit.ly/ccwednesday</a> 7 pm - AA Group</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>10 am - UCC Clergy 6:30 pm - Choir</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>
<p><b>15</b></p> <p>8:30 am - Fellowship 9 am - Adult Discipleship 10:30 am - Children's Christian Education 10:30 am - Worship 11:30 am - Mission Team</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 9:30 am - SPARK Homeschool</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>12 pm - Bible Study 1:30 pm - Art Group 7 pm - Overeaters Anonymous</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>3:30 pm - Small Group Zoom Link is: <a href="https://bit.ly/ccwednesday">bit.ly/ccwednesday</a> 7 pm - AA Group</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>10 am - UCC Clergy 6:30 pm - Choir</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p><b>21</b></p>
<p><b>22</b></p> <p>8:30 am - Fellowship 9 am - Adult Discipleship 10:30 am - Children's Christian Education 10:30 am - Worship</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>9:30 am - SPARK Homeschool 6 pm - Executive Council</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>11:30 pm - Lunch &amp; Learn 1:30 pm - Art Group 7 pm - Overeaters Anonymous</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30 am - Mom's Group 3:30 pm - Small Group Zoom Link is: <a href="https://bit.ly/ccwednesday">bit.ly/ccwednesday</a> 7 pm - AA Group</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>10 am - UCC Clergy 6:30 pm - Choir</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>
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