



# *The Window*

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



## **JULY 2018**

**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.**

# From The Rector

Dear Friends,

If I'm honest, it feels kind of weird breaking an every third-year pattern of getting ready to fly to a second (third?) tier metropolitan area for two weeks of General Convention fun. In fact, I was surprised how much losing the opportunity to serve as a deputy to General Convention played a role in my discernment about coming to Bowling Green. I attended my first General Convention in 2006. I was a rising senior at Virginia Theological Seminary and as incoming Student Body President, I was sent as a student representative. I had no legislative authority. Instead, my job was to hang out in the exhibit hall and sell people on VTS.



Being free like that had its perks. I got to snoop around the committee hearings. I was in the House of Deputies, sitting next to an Archbishop from somewhere in southeast Asia, when the election of Katherine Jefferts Schori was announced. I got to attend fancy dinners, and didn't have to stress too much about anything. Despite not being too engaged in the legislative side of things, I was still hooked. In 2009, I was still too new to get elected, but in 2012, I attended General Convention in Indianapolis as a deputy from the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. In 2015, I was fortunate enough to serve a second term, and had the pleasure of sitting on the Legislative Committee #9: Congregational Vitality. Watching people who are passionate about growing congregations both in breadth and depth was inspiring, and so, when it came time to vote for a massive budget amendment, to spend an extra \$2m on evangelism and church planting, I was thrilled to offer my "aye" vote.

With General Convention slated to being next week, I have joined with my Acts 8 friends to invite every Episcopalian to prayer. General Convention is, for most involved, eight to ten, twelve to fifteen-hour days in a row. With travel and orientations, it consumes a full two weeks. It is hard work, even to sit on one's behind for that long. The work done by General Convention can seem frivolous at times, but as the body by which vision and mission are set for our larger church, work like that which I witnessed on Legislative Committee #9 is important. Indeed, even the legislative quagmires that sometime befuddle the House can be God's work. So, in the days to come, I invite you all to join me in prayer. For the deputies from the Diocese of Kentucky: The Rev.'s Matthew Bradley, Charles Uhlick, Kelly Kirby, and the Rev. Cn. Amy Real Coultas, Mr. Jay Jones, Mr. Christopher Funk, Ms. Sarah Katherine Doyle, and Ms. Becky Depain. Pray for their work, for safe travel, for stamina and good health, and for wisdom and discernment. Pray for our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, and for the President of the House of Deputies, Gay Jennings. Pray for the staff and hundreds of volunteers who offer hospitality, lively worship, and ensure safety.

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in Austin, Texas for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Grace and Peace,

# From The Associate Rector

Dear Friends,

One of the greatest joys in my time here at Christ Church so far has been just how joyful of a place this community is; as I round the corner on my first year with you all, it is with immense gratitude that I look back on my first year of ordained ministry. Not everyone is so lucky right out of seminary, and I am keenly aware of the gift it is to be part of congregation that is vibrant and has a lot of energy because not everyone gets to truly enjoy the people they work with or are encouraged by the communal life of faith and discipleship. This year has been a gift, and I am so grateful. In my first Window article I wrote about all the guideposts that point us along the way; I wrote about how reflecting on my first month with Christ Church seemed wild, and that soon, I would be reflecting on the first year. This year brought more than any of us were expecting, and I am so grateful to have navigated it with all of you.



One of the things for which I am most grateful in my experience with Christ Church is the way in which community is genuinely a part of not just our mission statement, but it is a part of how we navigate this life of faith together. I see this community in several ways, but if I had to narrow it down, I see this life of community manifesting itself within Christ Church in one very important way: there are so many people ready to get to work, to take on projects, to lead projects, to facilitate and follow-through on projects. Leadership is one of the things at which the community of Christ Church excels at, and I think the way in which Parker Palmer talks about community in his book, *Let Your Life Speak*, rings true for my experience with Christ Church, “but if it is true that we are made for community, then leadership is everyone’s vocation, and it can be an evasion to insist that it is not. When we live in the close-knit ecosystem called community, everyone follows and everyone leads.” <sup>1</sup>

Being a part of a community is a gift, and serving this community is one as well. As I wrap up my first year here with Christ Church, know that I am overcome with gratitude at this gift of community. As I begin to think on the coming year and to begin to think, pray, and dream about where God might be calling us in this upcoming year, I am so grateful to know that we will do it as a community of Christ servants who seek to worship God with joy and wonder, to learn and grow together, and to radiate God’s love to all.

Grace and Peace,

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# Introducing Vonda Garringer

Dear Friends,

It is my delight to introduce to you our new Parish Administrator, Vonda Garringer. Vonda will join the staff on July 2, 2018, and will be responsible for assisting me in the day-to-day management of the temporal (business) affairs of the parish including the areas of bookkeeping, facility management, volunteer coordination, and communications. She will be in the office Monday through Thursday during our normal hours (9 am - 4:30 pm). Her office will be located where Ken Stein used to reside, just off the work room, and she can be reached by email at [vonda@cecbg.com](mailto:vonda@cecbg.com).

Vonda was born and raised in Winchester, Indiana. She joined the Navy a few months after her high school graduation, under the influence of her step-father, Chris, who had joined a few months prior. While in the Navy, she was an Aviation Electronics Technician who worked on the radar of the P-3 Orion, traveling to the Philippines, Guam, Japan, Korea, Hawaii, and Alaska.



After her naval career, Vonda attended Edison Community College in Piqua, Ohio, where she studied accounting. Her prior work experience includes bookkeeping, human resources, medical records, customer service, and working with both the elderly and children. She has volunteered countless hours serving her fellow Veterans.

Vonda recently moved to Bee Spring, KY to be closer to her parents, Chris and Aggie, and she currently attends Christian Home General Baptist Church near her home. The eldest of 6 brothers and 2 sisters, Vonda is an Aunt and Great Aunt many times over. She is also the Godmother to Godsons, Lance and Mark, and Goddaughter, Paige. Grand-Godmother to Xzavier and Isobel. And she is Nonna to Jeremy, Jeramiah, Lilah, and Josiah. All of whom she adores!

Please join me in welcoming Vonda to our staff.

-Fr. Steve

## **A message from Vonda:**

I am grateful, honored and excited to start the journey of being your Parish Administrator. I look forward to working with all staff, volunteers, and members in any and all of the various ministries of Christ Episcopal Church. I feel God has led me here for a great purpose and I look forward to finding out, along with all of you, just what that purpose is. May God bless and keep you!

-Vonda

## Celebrating our Graduates



**Cailey Ann Rose Surface**, granddaughter of the Rev. Howard and Linda Surface, graduated from Frank McCourt High School, New York City. She will attend Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York.

## MEALS INC

Christ Church will be responsible for preparation & delivery of MEALS, Inc on Saturday, July 28th.

Contact Kathy Wise-Leonard at [billkathy@bellsouth.net](mailto:billkathy@bellsouth.net) or [\(270\)779-5595](tel:(270)779-5595) for any information needed.



## Churches United in Help Ministry

Where does a single parent turn when one of her children, who has a broken leg, has been diagnosed with a rare bone disease and needs home care? The mother must stay home with the child so she cannot work. Then she receives an electric bill of over \$200. We had this case show up recently while interviewing people for help with utilities, emergency prescriptions, and gasoline for trips to doctors in Louisville and Nashville.

Fortunately, we were able to help this parent and refer her to other agencies for more long term help because of your generosity. But we are not able to help many people with similar problems because of a lack of sufficient funds.

If you are willing to support this outreach ministry, mark your check for HELP MINISTRY and it will go to a worthy cause. Thanks in advance for your generous support!









# VBS 2018: CLEAN WATER FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Many thanks to all the volunteers who made it a huge success! We raised \$380.33 for LWV!

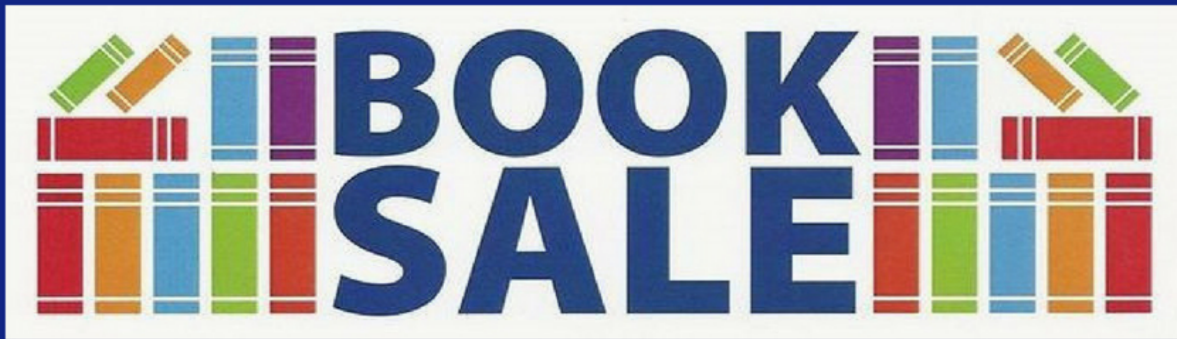


**Living Waters**  
for the **World**





# Living Waters Book Sale



The Annual Book Sale to benefit our Living Waters for the World mission begins Sunday, July 1st.

Book donations will be accepted until July 22nd



**July 8th: Circle: Pop Theology 5pm-6:30pm** We will meet in the EYC lounge to discuss current music, our faith, and where the two cross paths! Dinner provided.

**July 11th: Volunteer with Wednesday Lunch Ministry- 10am-Noon** Youth are invited to help prepare, serve, and tidy up after lunch, as well as visit with our guests!

**June 18th/19th/20th: Trip to Kentucky Kingdom.** The EYC will visit Kentucky Kingdom for one day. Details still pending. For more information, contact [Karen@cecbg.com](mailto:karen@cecbg.com)

**July 29th: Book Sale Breakdown - 11:30am-1pm** - We will stay after 10am worship to help take down the book sale and donate the books to the Warren County Library. Wear or bring work clothes. Lunch provided.

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



# Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)

EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY

## ADOPT A COLLEGE STUDENT

Mother Becca will begin collecting names of families among Christ Episcopal Church who will be interested in adopting a college student for the 2018-2019 WKU school year

Adopting a college student will be like taking our students in to be part of your family and provide them a connection point to Christ Church. It will require you to treat them to a meal once a month in your home or out and to keep up with them and their school year.

Send interest or questions to Mother Becca at [becca@cecbg.com](mailto:becca@cecbg.com).



## Save The Date

Mark your calendar for our Sunday School Kick-off: Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 9am,  
when classes for children, youth, and adults will resume.

Our Annual Pool Party will be that afternoon from 3pm-6pm at the Puckett home!

## Centering Prayer

***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.

For more information, please contact Sue Edwards ([sumace2@gmail.com](mailto:sumace2@gmail.com)).



## Second Thursday Lunch Bunch



**The Lunch Bunch will resume  
in September!**

For more information on future meetings,  
please contact  
Ann Esterle (270.782.3342)  
or Becky McCraney (270.842.8279).

## Lions Club Glasses Donations

The Evening Lions Club collects used eyeglasses for use in overseas missions to developing countries. If you would like to be a part of this mission, you may deposit your old glasses (and cases) in the Lions Collection Box at the foot of the steps in the Gathering Area. The glasses will be cleaned and their prescription strength measured before being sent with an eye specialist to areas of need. Hearing Aids are also accepted.

## Knitting And Crochet Group



**Knitting and Crochet Group  
has suspended meetings until  
Tuesday, September 4th.  
For more information,  
contact Mary Travelsted**

## English Country Dance

**Sunday, July 15  
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).



# Healing Service

Wednesdays

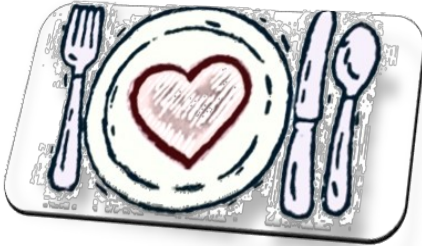
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Nave



HEALING

## Wednesday Lunch Ministry

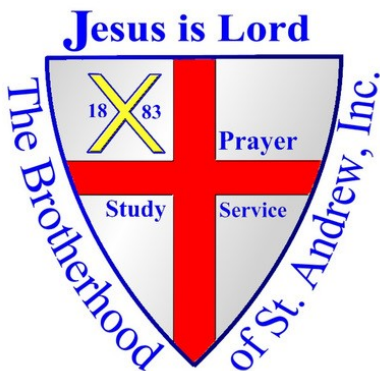


**The Wednesday Lunch Ministry**

**will resume July 11th, 2018. For more information, contact**

**Mary Cash or Janice Erbach**

## 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, July 7th and 21st.**

## Daughters Of The King (DOK)

**Sunday July 1st**

**8:50 AM**

**Hines Chapel**

The daughters will gather for devotion and a regular meeting.



## Cookbooks for Sale

The Christ Church Guild has been working toward the completion of a new cookbook. It is now finished and "A Centennial Cookbook" is now available to the parish and friends of Christ Church. Over two hundred cookbooks have been ordered and are priced at \$20 to support the outreach efforts of the Guild. If you would like to purchase one, please stop by the Church Office.

# **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

**\$4,500.00**

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

**\$3000**

Pay for the team to have a translator

Donate your frequent flyer miles

Donate by:

- Making a check payable to CEC with LWW in the memo
- Give online at [www.cecbg.com](http://www.cecbg.com)
- Adding change to the water bottle



# The Parish Register

## DEATHS

Parishioner Clint Lyle died Thursday, June 21, 2018. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, by the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## July Birthdays

7/1	Peg Coatney	7/10	Erin Massey	7/24	Hatcher Hale
7/2	John Linden	7/11	Patrick Forbes	7/24	Cassie Pankey
7/3	Janice Erbach	7/12	Chris Cecil	7/24	Janice Vokurka
7/3	Elizabeth Jefferson	7/13	Judi Hughes	7/25	Jocelyn Smith
7/4	Max Brown	7/13	Paula Lyons	7/26	Ali Greenwell
7/6	Rachael Palmer	7/15	Robert Cobb	7/26	Aubin Jefferson
7/7	Kristen Lyons	7/15	Mary Lynn Griffin	7/27	Terry DeHaven
7/7	Sharon Smart	7/15	Leigh Constans Pierce	7/27	Mark Esterle
7/7	Joe Steele	7/16	Janet Grider	7/28	Marjorie Watts
7/8	Kelly Burch	7/16	Todd Kirby	7/28	Paul Young
7/8	Kate Cline	7/18	Katherine Moore	7/29	Elizabeth Carter
7/8	Rob McBaen	7/21	Sara Carmichael	7/29	J. T. Gillock
7/8	Leah Olmsted	7/22	Jeff Joyce	7/29	J. Marshall Hughes
7/9	Mikey Crabtree	7/22	Zoe Watts	7/30	Alison Grow
7/9	Leonard Edwards	7/24	Stuart Brotherton	7/30	Albert Meier
7/9	Logan Harris	7/24	Zechariah Clayton	7/31	Karma Cline
7/10	Melinda Grimsley- Smith	7/24	Alec Gouvas	7/31	Eliza Siegert
				7/31	Richard Stone

## The Parish Online

Be sure to check the parish's website at [www.cebgbg.com](http://www.cebgbg.com) 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 [www.facebook.com/cebgbg](http://www.facebook.com/cebgbg)



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 [www.episcopalky.org](http://www.episcopalky.org)

# Financial Reports

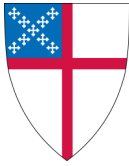
**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
SUMMARY OPERATING FUND REPORT  
FOR PERIOD ENDING MAY 31, 2018**

Account #	Account Name	MAY 2018	YTD 2018	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
<b>INCOME</b>					
	Parish Offerings	✓ \$ 45,793.64	✓ \$319,440.25	✓ \$656,563.00	49%
	Diocesan Support	2,250.00	13,875.00	37,500.00	37%
	Investment Income	0.00	0.00	79,134.00	0%
	Miscellaneous Income	500.00	885.04	4,500.00	20%
	<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>48,543.64</b>	<b>334,200.29</b>	<b>777,697.00</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>					
	Administration	4,604.66	13,699.25	45,700.00	30%
	Buildings and Property	8,912.83	46,481.00	128,500.00	36%
	Christian Formation	1,019.49	5,661.01	18,250.00	31%
	WKU Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	908.56	3,466.33	10,500.00	33%
	Diocesan and Vestry Support	8,530.00	40,293.84	98,760.00	41%
	Music Ministry	481.48	4,704.41	20,500.00	23%
	Parish Life	1,220.87	8,609.12	22,893.00	38%
	Worship	158.29	906.69	4,000.00	23%
	Staff Salaries and Benefits	37,437.56	175,275.01	428,172.00	41%
	<b>EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>63,273.74</b>	<b>299,096.66</b>	<b>777,275.00</b>	<b>38%</b>
	<b>NET SURPLUS (DIFFERENCE)</b>	<b>✓ \$ (14,730.10)</b>	<b>✓ \$ 35,103.63</b>	<b>✓ \$ 422.00</b>	

THE COMPLETE OPERATING FUNDS REPORT IS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN SURFACE HALL



Christ Episcopal Church												
Outreach Funds Report for period ending May 31, 2018												
	2018											
Fund Name	Balance - 01/01/2018	Income	Expense	Balance - 05/31/2018			2017 Income	2016 Income	2015 Income	2014 Income	2013 Income	2012 Income
All Saints Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			488.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
All Saints Scholarship	3,043.29	526.23	0.00	3,569.52			2,594.43	3,919.00	2,835.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bishop's Discretionary	0.00	1,187.00	1,177.00	10.00			959.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Churches United in Christ Help Ministry	1,113.05	3,655.00	4,000.00	768.05			9,640.00	10,519.00	13,862.00	10,904.00	11,084.00	6,610.00
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry	0.00	1,387.00	0.00	1,387.00								
Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering	0.00	60.00	60.00	0.00			25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM)	150.00	100.00	0.00	250.00			150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Relief & Development - Hurricanes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			3,556.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)	237.19	1,035.00	0.00	1,272.19			1,316.00	959.00	873.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heifer Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	670.00	699.74	865.26	0.00	0.00
Hotel Inc	650.00	1,510.00	1,760.00	400.00			3,516.00	2,960.00	510.00	1,654.00	5,115.00	4,730.00
Living Waters for the World	14,175.42	21,684.14	9,852.83	26,006.73			19,888.11	3,428.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meals, Inc	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00			573.00	250.00	325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Room In The Inn	634.20	445.00	429.20	650.00			839.00	115.00	250.00	75.00	0.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	3,664.26	906.00	2,122.18	2,448.08			4,330.00	2,811.00	5,220.00	8,419.00	7,198.00	0.00
Wednesday Community Lunch Ministry	1574 served YTD; 20 volunteers average/week											
Yoga	1,094.05	364.00	0.00	1,458.05			1,362.40	1,062.00	498.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	24,761.46	33,109.37	19,401.21	38,469.62			49,286.94	26,693.00	25,073.05	21,917.26	23,397.00	11,340.00
Rector Discretionary	819.48	1,376.80	2,318.08	(121.80)			7,928.10					
Associate Rector Discretionary	430.60	3,034.30	3,464.90	0.00			1,660.95					
Deacon Discretionary	202.80	543.40	746.20	0.00			2,353.37					
TOTAL	1,452.88	4,954.50	6,529.18	(121.80)			11,942.42					
TOTAL OUTREACH INCOME		38,063.87					61,229.36					



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**Office Hours**

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

***Wednesday***

**7:00am** Morning Prayer  
**12:00pm** Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers

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**2019 Class**

Shelley Carter  
Scott Harris  
Laura Harper Lee  
Paula Lyons

**2020 Class**

Gail Brooks  
Justin Chaffin  
Kathy Leonard  
Gary Reimer

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Ann Puckett, *Senior Warden*  
John Parker, *Junior Warden*  
Paula Lyons, *Clerk*  
Leslie Weigel, *Treasurer*  
Hamp Moore, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Mark Eastin, *Assistant Treasurer*

**Seven Parish  
Ministry Areas And  
Vestry Member Liaisons**

**Worship**

Steve Pankey and Becca Kello

**Learn —Christian Formation**

Pitt Derryberry and Kathy Leonard

**Grow —Congregational  
Development**

Scott Harris and Paula Lyons

**Radiate —Fellowship**

Gail Brooks and Shelley Carter

**Radiate —Outreach**

Justin Chaffin and Gary Reimer

**Radiate —Pastor I Care**

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**Administration**

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