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Sally Boblitt graduated from the University of Rio Grande with honors in history on Saturday, May 8th, 2021. She finished school in 2020, but Graduation was postponed until this year. She is currently employed as a teacher at Springfield High Schools.

Ben Hasecke graduated from Springfield High School on May 29th. He is excited to attend Butler University in the fall!

Katie Sharp graduated with an MS in Chemistry and Biochemistry from the University of Oklahoma. Katie completed her Ph.D. in Stem Education from the University of Kentucky. A graduate from Stephens College in 2015 with a degree in Biology and a minor in Chemistry, Dr. Sharp will return to Stephens College to teach as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry.

Ian Egley Waggoner graduated from Villanova University, May 14, 2021 with a Bachelor of Business and Philosophy. He will attend Law School in Fall 2021, at one of the following University of Illinois, Vanderbilt University, Northwestern University, or Notre Dame. He hopes to know for sure which school he will be attending by early June.

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The Church Office
observe the following
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Juneteenth: June 21

Independence Day: July 5



FROM THE RECTOR

Rev. Cannon Dr. Lee Anne Reat

We Shall be Changed

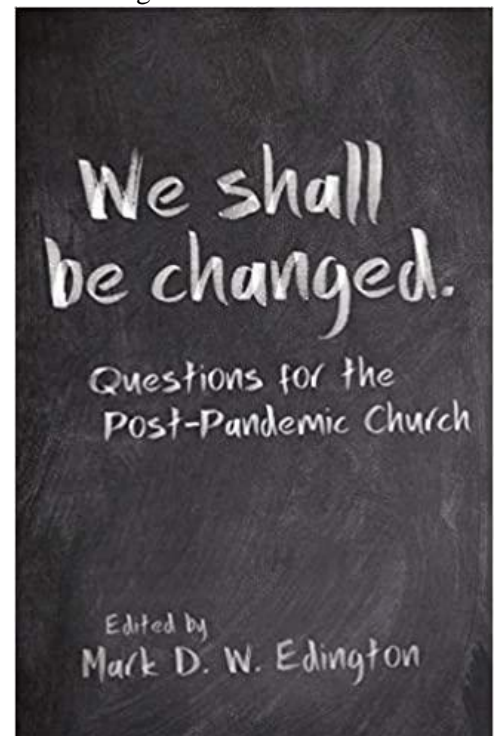
How the pandemic and racial reckoning will change the Church

Our world has been rocked over the last year by not one, but two pandemics – Covid-19 and the deep roots of racism in our nation. As more and more people are vaccinated and the number of Covid cases declines, mandated masks and social distance restrictions are being relaxed. At the same time, police killings of Black citizens, efforts to tighten restrictions on voting access, and deeply rooted economic injustice continue to haunt us.

We long for things to calm down and return to “normal”. We long for the “way things were”. But what have we learned that can enhance our “new normal”? How can we preserve some of the positive lessons we have learned from this period of social isolation and build upon them? And how can our ministries respond to the racial and economic realities of our community and world in new, creative, and life changing ways?

Bishop Mark Edington asked similar questions and sought responses from thoughtful leaders in the Church in the book, *We Shall be Changed: Questions for the Post-Pandemic Church*. He describes this past year as having the breath taken away from us – the breath in our lungs from illness and the breath of our lives by the racial violence in our nation. He states, “This moment of pandemic has....made our moment one of unparalleled urgency for the Christian message; for it is only the victory of the Cross over death and the grave that can finally liberate us from constructing inequalities and supremacies that seek the false promise of protection from fears already defeated....Will we, or will we not, proclaim that message not just in words but in actions, not just in declarations but in decisions?”

Join in reading and discussing *We Will be Changed*. Nine copies of the books are available, free of charge, in the narthex (east entrance). If you take one, please sign the list beside the books so that we can follow up with you. We will gather via Zoom on **Monday, June 14 from 7 – 8:30 PM**. The link will be sent closer to that date.





Denny Wells	June 2
Beth Deger	June 3
Audra Trillana	June 5
Amil Anderson	June 5
Ron Dowling	June 8
Joyce Spangler	June 9
Sally Schwartz	June 10
Judy Johnson	June 16
Barb Kelly	June 25
Sharon Wells	June 26
Will Hasecke	June 28



Joan and Al Hurley	June 7
Will & Margaret Mattox	June 11
Kent Brooks & Rick Incorvati.....	June 15
Steve & Denise Sharp	June 16
Dave & Bonnie Bingman	June 19



David Bingman	July 4
Sue Allender	July 6
Anne Randolph.....	July 7
Anne Guyton- Dunbar	July 8
Catherine Waggoner	July 9
Leon Durrenberger	July 10
Christina McGregor	July 11
William Mattox	July 13
Katherine Sharp	July 15
Devon Tuggle	July 18
James Jr. (Jamie) McGregor.....	July 24
Steven McGregor	July 24
Rick Dunbar	July 25
Jake Mellett	July 25
Cash Sullivan	July 26
Michael Schmitt	July 27
Owen Dooley	July 29
Benjamin Cox	July 31



Audra and Eman Trillana.....	July 5
Lori Swafford and Rand Smith	July 7
Ron Dowling and John Richardson..	July 9
Cathy and Ed Hasecke.....	July 12
Jake Studebaker and Alan Ladd	July 21



PRAYER MINISTRY

Praying for Our Needs and the Needs of Others

Daily prayer is central to our spiritual lives. We give thanks and adoration to God, we ask for forgiveness and guidance, we offer our lives to God, and we lift up our needs and the needs of others for healing. Our prayers can be as simple of inviting God’s presence into our consciousness or as specific as asking for the healing of a particular person facing a particular challenge.

One of the primary gifts of community is the offering of prayers for other people in our circle and on behalf of their loved ones. Every week in the Prayers of the People a list of names is lifted to God for healing. At other times a small group on a parish prayer chain gets news of people in special need of prayer. The names of those on our prayer lists are not always familiar to us. We often do not know the circumstances behind the prayer requests. But that does not matter. We don’t need to know the person – God already does. We don’t need to know why we are praying – God already knows. All we need to know is that God is listening and caring for and responding to the needs of all God’s children.

Only the names, and occasionally the relationship to a parishioner, will be shared in church and through the prayer chain. If an individual wishes to share details, it is that person’s choice to do so on a one-to-one basis. Otherwise, privacy is preserved.

The ministry of prayer is the sacred calling of all Christian. We are to make time each day to respond to God in thought and action, with or without words, lifting the needs and joys of our lives as they intersect with the wider community and world. If you feel called to a deeper prayer ministry, please be in touch with our prayer chain coordinator, Anita Beardsell.



Worship... Offering meaningful, relevant, and welcoming worship in the Episcopal tradition for people of all ages.



**Prayer Services Offered
Wednesdays at Noon**

The Rev. Canon Dr. Lee Anne Reat and Judy Johnson will take turns offering a Noonday Prayer service on Christ Church’s Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/christspringfield.org/>) at noon. The Noonday Prayer service’s text is located on page 103 in the Book of Common Prayer or online at <https://www.bcponline.org>



Calling in Via Telephone for Sunday Worship Audio

Below are instructions for calling in via telephone to listen to the audio of our virtual Sunday morning service.

1. A few minutes before 9:00 AM, call **312-626-6799**. A recording will answer, saying “Welcome to Zoom!”
2. It will ask you to enter your Meeting ID, followed by #. That’s **841 1414 5583#**
3. When asked for your Participant ID Number press #
4. When asked for your password, enter **712122#** Now you’ll be able to hear our worship!

NOTE: if you don’t hear anything right away, don’t panic. Sometimes we run a few minutes late, so just hang on and trust that we’ll begin as soon as we can.

Revised Common **LECTIONARY**

June/July				
Date	First Lesson	Psalm	Second Lesson	Gospel
June 6	Genesis 3:8-15	Psalm 138	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1	Mark 3:20-35
June 13	Ezekiel 17:22-24	Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14	2 Corinthians 5:6-17	Mark 4:26-34
June 20	1 Samuel 17(1a, 4-11, 19-23)	Psalm 9: 9-20	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	Mark 4:35-41
June 27	2 Samuel 1:1,17-27	Psalm 130	2 Corinthians 8:7-15	Mark 5:21-43
July 4	Ezekiel 2:1-5	123	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
July 11	Amos 7:7-15	85:8-13	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
July 18	Jeremiah 23:1-6	23	Ephesians 2:11-22	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
July 25	2 Samuel 11:1-15	14	Ephesians 3:14-21	John 6:1-21

African Bible Study Wednesday at 7 PM

African Bible Study meets each Wednesday via Google Meet. To join, share your interest and send your email address to Keith Doubt at kdoubt@gmail.com. Ten minutes before the meeting, Keith will send an email invitation to the group. Click on the link, and you'll be in!

What is African Bible Study? The approach used is sometimes called African Bible Study, which refers to the method's origins. It is a very structured, very disciplined, and very meditative approach to learning from scripture. It not only discourages but prevents crosstalk and intellectualizing on a reading. It instead encourages listening to others and ourselves as opposed to talking as a group.

THE FORMAT

Opening Prayer: O Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life,

which you have given us in our savior Jesus Christ, Amen.

Procedure:

1. One person reads passage slowly.
2. Each person identifies the word or phrase that catches their attention. (1 minute)
3. Each shares the word or phrase with the group. (3-5 minutes, NO DISCUSSION)
4. Another person reads the passage slowly (from a different translation, if possible.)
5. Each person identifies where this passage touches their life today. (1 minute)
6. Each shares. (3-5 minutes, NO DISCUSSION)
7. Passage is read a third time (another reader and translation, if possible.)
8. Each person names or writes: "From what I've heard and shared, what do I believe God wants me to do or be? Is God inviting me to change in any way?" (5 minutes)
9. Each shares their answer. (5-10 minutes, NO DISCUSSION)
10. Each prays for the person on their right, naming what was shared in other steps. (5 minutes)

Closing: The Lord's Prayer



Christ Church on Social Media!

If you're on Facebook go to Christ Episcopal Church's Facebook page and like the page. You'll receive information on upcoming events, learn historical facts, and view beautiful pictures. You will be in the know! If you would like to view the Facebook page and are not on Facebook you can visit Christ Church's web page at christsspringfield.org, scroll to the bottom of the home page, click on the small **f** and it will redirect you Christ Church's Facebook page.



Church Staff

All staff are currently working from home as much as possible!

Priest In-Charge: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lee Anne Reat

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Your Vestry

Vestry at Large: Bonnie Bingman, Kay Koeniger, Jimmy Ryan, Denise Sharp, Linda Mortensen, Joyce Spangler, and Keith Doubt



Procter Summer Camp in peaceful farmland of London, Ohio, is committed to bringing students, and families, to a faith-based community. We are intentional about sharing God's love with one another and with our campers; children and adults. We seek and serve Christ in all people with whom we interact at camp, modeling joy, respect, and inclusiveness. We provide experiences, instruction, and an introduction to ministry in the Episcopal Church. In this one-of-a-kind program, campers select their own focus for the week.

When partnered with great memories, safe environments, life-long friends, and amazing fun, Procter Camp is sure to be a week that will keep them talking for ages! Be sure to check out our specialty camps for specific program focuses and age group. We'll see you at camp!

For more detailed information, please visit <https://www.proctercenter.org/camp/>

Family Camp

There are six camp sessions.

I- June 16-19 **II-** June 30- July 3 **III-** July 8-11

IV- July 15-18 **V-** July 22-25 **VI-** July 20-August 1

Senior High Camp

June 20-26

A session for campers going into grades 9-12

Silver Camp

August 2-5

A session for campers 50+



Now that we are offering an in-person service, if you would like to sponsor the Altar flowers email Kelly Zeller at zellerk0611@gmail.com. Please be very specific in what or who you are dedicating the altar flowers and if you have a particular choice of flower. Indicate how you would like the flowers to be handled after the service (will you take them home or donate them). The suggested donation is \$45.

Dates that are still open:

June 13th and 20th

July 11th and 25th

August 1st, 8th, and 15th

September 5th and 26th

October 3rd, 24th, and 31st

November 7th and 14th



Singing Returns to Christ Church

Beginning Sunday, June 6 hymns will once again be part of our 10:00 AM worship – as long as we continue to wear masks and stay appropriately distanced from one another. This is in accordance with newly published diocesan safety guidelines. We will continue to wear masks while inside the building just in case some worshippers are not yet fully vaccinated.





Outreach... helping to provide the physical, material, social, and spiritual needs in Springfield and beyond



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**CONTINUE to PULL for the Dayton Ronald
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Keep saving PULL-Tabs from pop, beer & flavored water aluminum* cans as you celebrate graduations, summer holidays & family get-togethers in a socially distancing way.

*Note: ALUMINUM PULL-Tabs will NOT stick to a magnet as steel pull-tabs will.

Bring PULL Tabs in zip-lip bags (snack, sandwich, quart, or gallon size) to church & DROP the entire bag in the designated box on the table by the East Entrance doors.

Contact Deb Southward if you have MORE THAN a GALLON-sized zip-lip bag FULL so as to make other arrangements for pick up.

RMHC has reopened 14 guest-room house to provide a safe, home-like environment in which families with sick and injured children can stay while the children healing.

TOGETHER we can help families stay CLOSE during medical crises.

Deb Southward 937-925-1977 (call/text)

dpsouthward@aol.com



Keep Saving those Pennies!

Just a REMINDER! Continue to \$AVE PENNIES for the Warder Literacy CENTER The Warder Literacy CENTER is opening on a limited basis & there will be a growing need for their services given that kids have been out of school (some without access to computers) & will need to play catch up. Rolls of pennies can be dropped in the Hollenbeck House mail slot or returned in the church building. THANKS in advance for everyone's continual support!

A note from the Haseckes

We wanted to let you know that we will be moving to the DC area this summer. Though this is an exciting move, it is bittersweet to be leaving this beloved community and church, especially. We are thankful for the many experiences, memories, and friendships we made here at CEC. We also give thanks for so many of you who provided such a loving and supportive community of faith for our kids as they made their way through.

We are moving June 23rd to this new address and are hopeful that you will keep in touch:

[3464 25th Ct South
Arlington, VA 22206](https://www.google.com/maps/place/3464+25th+Ct+South+Arlington,+VA+22206)

With gratitude and fondness,
Cathy, Ed, Emily, Ben, and Will (& Milo, the 13 yr old cat)



Food Pantry Dates June 16th and July 21st

Volunteers are needed before and on drive through pantry days to help unload food, pack food, and provide customer service. No matter your level of comfort with in-person contact, there is a volunteer opportunity that's right for you!

Volunteer to help PRIOR to Pantry Day

Currently, food pantry groceries are being pre-bagged so that on pantry distribution day, filled bags can be placed into client's cars. This has created an opportunity for you to volunteer as a pantry helper with little to no contact with other individuals. It is also an opportunity for your family or "pod" to volunteer bagging groceries. Ann Chitkara will arrange for either you or your pod to be the only group working on the project at one time.

A glimpse of the work involved: as soon as all the groceries are unloaded onto tables in the parish hall, you would go around the tables loading specific items into bags and placing the bags on specified pallets or tables where they will sit until pantry distribution day. The work also involves clearing out and breaking down cardboard shipping boxes. We are currently seeking packing volunteers for July and August.

Please look at your calendar. If you and or your pod are willing to commit to a block of 3-4 hours on either **June 10th and 11th, and/or July 15th and 16th**, let Ann know. Together you can arrange a time when Ann will meet you at the Church and provide specific directions. Ideally, all the groceries should be bagged for distribution by **June 16th and July 21st**.

Please call 937-925-4008 or email Ann Chitkara at annnovaswim@gmail.com with questions or to let her know that you are willing to help.

Volunteer to help ON to Pantry Day

June: The Drive thru Food Pantry will be on **June 16th starting at 11 AM**. Volunteers are needed to help unload food, pack food, and help with customer service.

July: The Drive thru Food Pantry will be on **July 21st starting at 11 AM**. Volunteers are needed to help unload food, pack food, and help with customer service.

If you would like to volunteer for pantry day itself, contact either Ann Chitkara at annnovaswim@gmail.com or Anne Randolph at annejrand@aol.com to volunteer.

Woof! Woof! Purr...

There is a growing need for pet food in our community. If you would like to donate, place your dog food, cat food, or dog biscuits in the



black receptacle in the East Entrance or email Kelly Zeller at zellerk0611@gmail.com to drop it off at the Parish office. Donations will be distributed at the Food Pantry. Hungry cats and dogs and their humans thank you!



Rainbow Table

In August Christ Church will take its next turn assisting St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rainbow Table, a weekly free hot meal provided to the community on Fridays. There are two shifts. The first shift prepares the meal and sets up from 9 AM to 11 AM. The second shift comes in at 11:30 AM to serve and clean up, finishing at 1:30 PM. You may help at just one session or as many as you are able.

No need to sign up, just show up at 27 N. Wittenberg Avenue,
and they'll find a job for you!