



ST. CHRISTOPHER BY THE RIVER

JUNE/JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Beloved,

As we conclude the season of Easter and move into the long season after Pentecost, I thought I might, for the liturgy nerds among us, take this opportunity to explain a liturgical “why do we do that?”. You’ll notice this Sunday that the Paschal Candle (tall, white Easter candle that has been in a place of prominence since Easter Day) has been moved out of that place of prominence and to the baptistry at the back of the church. The Easter season now concluded, the Easter candle goes to live at the side of the baptismal font. But why the change? And why does it go to be stored near the font?

You’ll notice the year “2026” marked on the candle. As Easter celebrates the new life we have in Jesus, so we also get a new Paschal candle each year. The candle is also a sort-of timekeeper. It is a visible reminder that, as the candle burns over the course of time, it shortens. But even as it is a reminder of our mortality in that way, so is the candle emblazoned with the Greek letters Alpha and Omega. These letters are a reminder to us that God is with us at our beginning (Alpha, the first letter of the Greek alphabet) and at our end (Omega, the last letter of the Greek alphabet).

For this reason, the Paschal Candle has been called the “bookend of life”. The Paschal Candle goes to live next to the font because (outside of the season of Easter), it is most often used at baptisms. As a baby or adult begin their life in Christ through baptism, the Easter candle is lit to remind us of the new life taking place in the sacrament. So, too, the candle is also used during funerals and is placed and lit next to the coffin or urn. In death as in life, the resurrected Christ meets us so that even at the grave, we can make our song the Easter song: “Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!”

In this changing of liturgical seasons and reflecting on the Paschal Candle being the “bookend of life”, I am reminded of one of my favorite poems by one of my favorite poets, Mary Oliver. In her poem “The Summer Day”, she closes with the profound *question* “Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?” This question, like the towering Paschal Candle, calls us to think about our lives and what they contain. The Paschal Candle represents Christ being the bookend of our lives, and the emblazoned characters of Alpha and Omega also remind us that what we do between our beginning and our end is also valuable and full of all the gifts that we have in Christ. The next time you are at the church, I encourage you to spend a few moments seeing the Paschal Candle up close. Offer thanks to God for God’s presence that will never leave us or forsake us and that is with us even until the end of the age.

In the love of Christ,

Gabriel ✙.



PRIDE PARADE SATURDAY JUNE 6

Join Father Gabriel, the Bishop and many others to march in the Pride Parade on June 6th. Please see Father Gabriel if you are interested in participating.

Attendance. *Present:* Father Gabriel Lawrence, Charlene Currutt, James Gallagher, Dr. John Irwin, Hayley Kosmatka, Aud.D., Dr. Bruce Long, Linda Sylor, Kitty Thomas, Brian Wright; Rick Hamilton, Treasurer

Absent: Ron Lee

Opening

Prayer. At 11:30 a.m., with a quorum present, Fr. Gabriel recited an opening prayer.

Election of Officers

Charlene and Dr. Irwin John have agreed to continue in their roles as Junior and Senior Warden, respectively.

Fr. Gabriel asked Linda Sylor to serve as clerk. Linda agreed. Rick Hamilton will be continuing on as Treasurer.

Moved, Elect Officers as Discussed, John > Second, James > Carried

Meeting Intervals

All agreed that we will hold our meetings on the third Sunday of each month. The next meeting is March 15 immediately following the 10:15 service.

Retreat

Our Vestry retreat this spring will be held at the home of John Irwin. A date will be sent in the next week.

New Business

Char noted that we should consider sprucing up our parish grounds, perhaps on a Saturday before Easter. It's possible that we might ask parishioners to help. Char will keep us updated.

Closing

Moved, Adjourn the meeting, John > Second, James > Carried.

The meeting concluded at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Sylor, Clerk



MEET OUR DEACON, LYDIA BAILEY....Grounded in an experience of God's love pervading all people, all creation, I was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in 2013. However, my ministry began long before then. Since 2007 I've been on full-time staff as the coordinator of volunteers at the 2100 Lakeside Men's Shelter, operated by Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry. The shelter is the largest shelter in Ohio, serving nearly 3,000 men who are homeless each year. Through organizing volunteers, I am living into my diaconal vocation of being a "bridge person," advocating for people experiencing homelessness by connecting corporate social responsibility groups, faith communities, and engaged citizens in volunteer work at the shelter. In addition, I serve on the board of Diocese of Ohio's Episcopal Community Services.

I love serving at St. Christopher's by the River since 2016. The people, liturgy and Gospel bring me alive with reverence and sunny hearted community. I've much appreciated parishioners volunteering at the shelter in several capacities- not the least of which is serving a monthly lunch.

I was honored by The Center for Community Solutions with a 2025 "Greater Cleveland High 5 Award" for my work at the shelter including creating the "Portraits of Strength" and "Portraits of Homelessness" exhibits, which highlight individuals experiencing homelessness and the importance of second chances.

I received my BA from Reed College, Portland, Oregon fostering a deep awareness of environmental justice issues that continue to be part of my theology today.

When not at work or church, you might see me walking our dogs in the woods or listening for the first bird at sunrise, cup of coffee in hand – happy for another day to begin again with God.

Present: Father Gabriel Lawrence, Charlene Currutt, James Gallagher, Dr. John Irwin, Ron Lee, Linda Saylor, Kitty Thomas, Brian Wright; Rick Hamilton, Treasurer *Absent:* Dr. Bruce Long, Hayley Kosmatka, Aud.D

Openings

Prayer and Welcome. Rev. Gabriel Lawrence began the meeting at 11:51 a.m. with a prayer.

Minutes, Feb 22. and Mar. 1 Meetings. *Moved, Approve the Vestry Minutes for February 22 and March 1 as Amended, James; Second, Char > Carried*

Illness. Along with prayers for Dr. Bruce Long and Hayley Kosmatka, Aud.D, Vestry members signed cards for them.

Reports, Rev. Gabriel Lawrence, Priest-in-Charge

February and March have been busy; a baptism, the pancake breakfast — and annual meeting preparation. Updates:

Parochial Report, Submitted in Early March. Fr. Gabriel thanked Mary, Patti and Rick for their preparation efforts.

Staff Support. Letters of agreement are written for all staff. Each has a clear role description, a pay increase — and information about their pensions, mostly well-received. Their signed letters are due next week.

Getting Acquainted. Vestry members who haven't yet met with Fr. Gabriel should schedule a session.

Three Weddings within the Next year. One will be held outdoors. Communications with the families have been positive. He will be reviewing our fee schedules, and would like to create planning guides for weddings and funerals.

Upcoming Baptism. On Easter morning, Alex Brenner will be baptized at our 9:00 a.m. service.

Housing Allowance. As a parish with a rectory, per the employment agreement, up to \$11k can be claimed by our Priest-in-Charge as tax expense for furnishings and some utility costs. We would set the \$11k of the total salary aside on a tax form. *Moved: Approve the \$11k housing allowance, John > Second, Kitty > Carried*

Vestry Leadership Opportunities

New Camera, Loft. Ours is decades old; funds are available. John has spoken with Yuri and will source a new one.

Fireproof, Waterproof Safe for Our Records. We need to securely store and protect baptismal, wedding and funeral documents, as well as deeds and some silver in the Sacristy. After sourcing a safe, we need to find someone to deliver and place it. Reaching out to a few churches about their experience with vaults may be helpful. James offered to do the research; Rick offered to digitize the papers using his book scanning technology.

Annual Parish Audit, Rick. This must be completed prior to the November Convention. Rick will document procedures for how funds are handled. Linda, Brian and John offered their help. [Noted: AI could prove useful in support of this work.]

Centennial, 2027. Fr. Gabriel reviewed information about St. Christopher's 50th anniversary. He will form an event-planning committee by May or June. The Bishop will visit on St. Christopher's Day, July 25. Also:

Yuri will serve as a resource regarding historical and musical events. We could have a float in the July 4th parade. For planning, Rick will retrieve parish scrapbooks archived with the Diocese; John can scan them. They can provide material for an exhibit during our celebration. Also, John thinks that our building may be on a historic register. This could help us turn into a "destination". As event examples, Linda and Eric will share a list of some of the bicentennial events held by St. James. Also, perhaps a donor could be identified to help fund our Centennial celebrations. Please send ideas to Fr. Gabriel.

Last Adult Forum. On Sunday, March 15, the discussion topic is "What the church is."

Report, Sr. Warden, Dr. John Irwin

John is pleased to return to Vestry after an illness. He referred us to his report in the annual meeting booklet, and reflected on his leadership learning experiences and the associated work needed while we were without a priest.

Report, Jr. Warden, Char Currutt [Rectory]

Completed Repairs. 1] An internal part in the dishwasher was replaced; 2] A kitchen sink trap leak was repaired; 3] A plumbing issue was addressed by McHugh Plumbing; 4] The gutter work was completed. [An overcharge will result in a future credit.]

Outstanding Issues. These include a main water line leak, corroded basement piping to replace, a PVC trap issue — and the need to remove sump pump debris each year. For a leak in the ceiling that went down into the kitchen, the estimate was high. Char contacted a different, family-owned business. Also, the Amish did a great job putting the eaves back up. Rotten wood and shingles can be fixed.

Steeple Repairs and Funding. Estimate #1 is for \$77,750, including liquid vinyl coating and a 20-year warranty. Estimate #2 using acrylic paint and weather-resistant wood is pending. Note: On March 14, that vendor examined the steeple, swept it, then launched drones after finding only dirt and nests. We are also seeking a third estimate. Regarding funding, Char is procuring the estimates; Hayley will research grant opportunities.

Report, Treasurer, Rick Hamilton

Pension Payment Tasks. Rick is transitioning this work to CPA Patti for day-to-day management. He will oversee her efforts.

CPG Pension Reconciliation. We are paying \$5,300 versus a calculated amount of \$5,600.

Expense Highlights. Supply clergy costs were over budget due to the final payment to Fr. Rich Israel.

Income. *Pledge income* is tracking as expected, though variable through the year; *non-pledge income* is strong at \$11,000 YTD.

Repairs and Maintenance. Costs are at 30% of our annual budget at just two months. Utilities are at 30% of budget. Given the current oil situation in the middle east, we may see volatility.

Restricted Funds. Vestry may make changes to these fund types. Rick is reviewing vestry-established restrictions [\$67,000 total].

Investment allocations. These are at \$10.8k.

Planned Purchases. We will buy a printer for Fr. Gabriel's office, new chairs for him and Mary — and a table-top stand-up desk.

Event Planning Report, Ron Lee

The Pentecost picnic will be held on May 31. The parish will provide fried chicken; parishioners will bring pot luck items. [We need to provide clear communications about what types of food to bring.]

NEMAC Updates, the January 2026 Meeting, Linda Sylor

—Diocesan Council/NEMAC Future. Rev. Chris McCann reported that given concerns including low funding requests, Diocesan Council will be holding listening sessions. An announcement about any change is expected during the November convention.

—NEMAC Events, Sandy Pavick. Parishioners of any NEMAC parish are welcome. Options. A chili cook-off [Fall], a disc golf picnic at a local park [Summer], and a dinner theater outing [Winter]. There's also a concert at St. Martin by the Fryderyk Chopin Institute of Ohio, and the annual Bocce Tournament at St. Andrew. Captains. Tickets are \$16. A motion was approved to book Friday, June 12 7:00 p.m. — and to fund the \$100 booking fee.

Key Upcoming Dates, Rev. Gabriel

Saturday, March 28	Church cleanup day, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, April 2	Agape Meal, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 19	Next Vestry Meeting
Sunday, April 26	Church Reimagined, 1:30 p.m. [Lunch provided in our fellowship hall]
Saturday, May 2	Vestry Retreat. 9:30 a.m. — 2:00 p.m., home of Dr. John Irwin. [Coffee and lunch provided]
Sunday, May 31	Pentecost Picnic; parish supplies friend chicken; sides are pot luck

Closings

Prayer. Rev. Gabriel Lawrence led our concluding prayer.

Adjournment. *Moved: Adjourn the meeting, Linda > Second, Kitty > Carried*

The meeting concluded at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Sylor, Vestry Clerk

Dear Village Family,

Our church steeple (a symbol of faith that has stood in our community for generations and an iconic symbol of our beloved village) is in urgent need of restoration. Historical records show that the steeple received a major renovation in 1930, and the last significant care it received was more than forty years ago. In the 1980s, our beloved Bruce Thomas and his company provided a significant improvement, but time and weather have taken their toll.

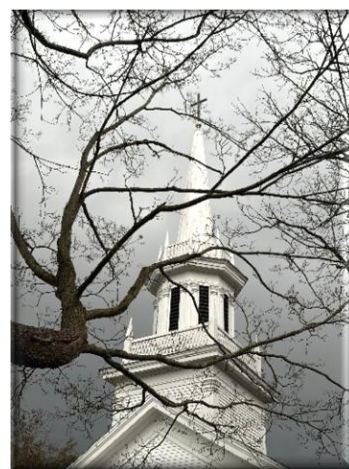
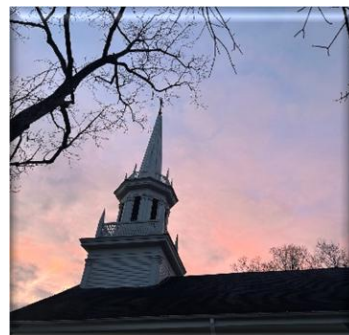
Today we are facing several serious issues, including a rusted cross and ball, severe deterioration from rotted support wood, peeling paint, and other structural concerns- repairs for which can no longer be delayed. To preserve this cherished part of our church, we have contracted FROST Architectural Preservation Incorporated to begin the restoration work in mid-to-late July. Total cost of the restoration is projected to be around \$95,000.

In order to move forward, we are reaching out to our generous parishioners and friends for financial support beyond annual pledges to help fund this essential project. Any contribution you feel led to give will make a meaningful difference in safeguarding the beauty and integrity of our spiritual home. As always, we thank you for your continued support, love, and dedication to our spiritual home.

Financial gifts can be sent directly to St. Christopher by-the River. Please send any questions to the parish office at stchrisbytheriver@gmail.com.

With gratitude,

Father Gabriel, Priest-in-Charge



Here is the church, here is the steeple, open the doors, and see all the people! Please consider helping to save our church steeple!



FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

~Charlene Currutt

Hello everyone, I wanted to share an update on a few important projects around the parish. Our faithful 32-year-old air conditioner finally reached the end of its life last month. After reviewing three estimates, the vestry has decided to move forward with W.F. Hann Company for the replacement. Thanks to this decision, we'll be keeping cool and comfortable with a new and much-improved unit this summer.

Speaking of improvements, many of you have heard me talk about our iconic steeple, whose cross watches over Gates Mills. The entire steeple is now in need of significant repairs. You may have already seen the notice in the Pink Sheet or received a letter explaining the situation. As always, this parish and community have stepped up whenever we've needed you, and I trust that this time will be no different. As your Junior Warden, I want to thank you in advance for your generosity, care, and continued support of our church home.



FIRST & THIRD SUNDAY COLLECTION



Just a reminder that each month on the first Sunday here at St. Christopher's, all undesignated (cash) donations put in the plate are donated to our sister church, St. Luke's Episcopal Church located on the West Side of Cleveland in support of their outreach ministries.

The Third Sunday collection is set aside for the Rector's Discretionary Fund. This is a fund that is used at the sole discretion of the Rector (or Priest-n-Charge) "...for the poor and for other charitable and pious purposes. Gifts to the poor are the primary purpose, and payments for food, rent, utilities, medical bills and the like for persons in need are typical uses of these funds. Other charitable and pious purposes would include gifts to any recognized charitable organization (the same ones to which an ordinary individual could make a deductible gift). However, the purpose of any such recognized charitable organization, must be consistent with the primary purpose of providing aid to the poor." -Diocese of Ohio



FOOD PANTRY JUNE



Cereal!!!!

No Cheerios!
Breakfast Bars
Oatmeal
Packs
Toaster
Pastries

FOOD PANTRY JULY

Paper goods – Toilet Paper, feminine products, napkins, paper towels, tissues, laundry detergent, dish soap





Do **YOU** know which bin the banana peel goes in? Hopefully you didn't miss Lucy Lytle's fun demonstration on our new recycle bins! Please keep trash out of the recycle bin.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

- 1 Claire Morgan
- 2 Frank Ventimiglia
- 11 Charley Marston
- 13 Nancy Irwin
- 18 Frances Dickenson
- John Irwin
- Jim Mitchell
- 21 Connie Lincoln
- 22 Randy Cole
- Barb Miller
- Gini Negrelli
- 23 Anderson Osolin
- 25 Riley Brenner
- 29 Brittany Benek



- 1 Sandy Batcheller
- Clay McMullen
- 3 Alison Benek
- Chris Pucell
- Lydia Bailey
- 5 Diana Everett
- Stephen Morris
- 8 Elisabeth Blossom
- 11 Joan Allgood
- 12 Elise Champ
- 21 Bill Reynolds
- 23 Katie Everett
- Jay Lammers



RUMPKA RECYCLING OVERVIEW **SINGLE STREAM MATERIAL ACCEPTABILITY**

FACTORS THAT DETERMINE WHAT RUMPKA ACCEPTS FOR RECYCLING

Rumpke must have end users to purchase the material, and users that can accept the quantity and quality of material received by Rumpke, and Rumpke must be able to safely and effectively separate the material.

RUMPKA ACCEPTS FOUR CATEGORIES OF MATERIAL



PLASTIC BOTTLES, JUGS, TUBS & DISPOSABLE CUPS

- Bottles & Jugs:** The top of the container must be smaller than the base, usually with a screw on lid.
- Tubs:** Butter tubs, yogurt containers, cottage cheese, sour cream, chip dip, and whip topping containers; single serve containers of fruit, pudding and Jello.
- Cups:** Disposable plastic cups (not accepted in Central Kentucky)

TO RECYCLE: Empty and rinse the containers. Lightly flatten water bottles and soda bottles. Do not stack tubs. Reattach lids for bottles, jugs, tubs and cups. Straws and stoppers should be thrown in the trash.



PAPER, CARDBOARD, CARTONS & CUPS

- Junk mail, newspapers, magazines, telephone books, paperback books, paper bags, cereal and cracker boxes, pizza boxes, cardboard boxes, milk cartons, juice boxes, broth cartons, juice boxes, and disposable paper cups (paper cups are not accepted in Central Kentucky)
- Helpful hint:** If the paper product tears and breaks down in water it is acceptable.

TO RECYCLE: Pizza boxes must be free of food and excessive grease. Cardboard boxes must be flattened and placed inside the cart or stacked neatly beside the cart. Empty and rinse cartons. Remove lids and straws and throw in the trash. Plastic lids from paper cups should be removed and thrown in the trash.



METAL CANS & CUPS

- Non-hazardous and non-flammable material only. No scrap metals.

TO RECYCLE: Empty and rinse containers. Lids that are attached should be pushed inside cans. Loose pull top lids may be placed in recycling bins.



GLASS

- Any color of glass bottles and jars once used for food and drink.
- Mirrors, window glass, and drinking glasses are not acceptable.

TO RECYCLE: Empty and rinse containers. Metal lids should be placed loose in recycling bins. Plastic lids should be removed and thrown in the trash.

FLOWER DEDICATIONS

MAY 2026

In loving memory of:

- Those individuals and families who continue to grieve for their loved ones by Kathy & Jim Pender.
- Sarah Christy Dickenson and Jeffrey Rockwell Cudlip by Frances & David Dickenson
- Michael Pender by his parents, Jim & Kathy Pender and siblings Katie & Marc
- Rindy Collister by Dan Collister

And to the Glory of God by
Annette Lowe and Doug Dolch.

SUNDAY MAY 31			MONDAY - 1	TUESDAY - 2	WEDNESDAY-3	THURSDAY-4	FRIDAY- 5	SATURDAY-6
8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist			BB Presort 10-12	9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM:	NA Hayley Kosmatka							
LECTOR:	NA Fran Sarkisian & Neal Lee							
ALTAR:	Sally Conley Neal Lee							
USHERS	NA Neal Lee							
HOSTESSES ** PICNIC – Ron Lee **						8:00 AA		

SUNDAY JUNE 7				MONDAY - 8	TUESDAY - 9	WEDNESDAY-10	THURSDAY- 11	FRIDAY- 12	SATURDAY- 13
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist			9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM: Charley Marston		John Irwin							
LECTOR: Annette Lowe		Cally Hoyt & Dixon Morgan							
ALTAR: Teri Ianni		Neal Lee		Coffee hour outside	6:00 Centering Prayer				
USHERS NA		Brian Wright & Dixon Morgan							
HOSTESSES		Judy Holmes							

SUNDAY JUNE 14 : Fr. Dan Schoonmaker		MONDAY - 15	TUESDAY - 16	WEDNESDAY-17	THURSDAY- 18	FRIDAY- 19	SATURDAY-20
8 am Holy Eucharist	10:15 am Holy Eucharist		9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM: Becky Everett	Chandler Everett			BB Presort 10-12			
LECTOR: Teri Ianni	Chandler Everett & Neal Lee						
ALTAR: Sally Conley	Lucy Lytle						
USHERS NA	Ron & Neal Lee						
HOSTESSES	Lucy Lytle						
					8:00 AA		

SUNDAY JUNE 21			MONDAY - 22	TUESDAY - 23	WEDNESDAY-24	THURSDAY- 25	FRIDAY- 26	SATURDAY-27
8 am Holy Eucharist	10:15 am Holy Eucharist	Vestry Meeting		9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM: Charley Marston	Brian Wright							
LECTOR: Annette Lowe	Eric & Linda Sylor							
ALTAR: Sue Marston	Linda & Eric Sylor							
USHERS NA	Leslie Marting & Kurt Liljedahl							
HOSTESSES	Becky Everett							
				6:00 Centering Prayer		8:00 AA		

SUNDAY JUNE 28		MONDAY - 29	TUESDAY - 30	WEDNESDAY-1	THURSDAY- 2	FRIDAY- 3	SATURDAY-4
8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist			9:00 Staff Meeting	BB Presort 10-12			
EM:	Charley Marston James Gallagher						
LECTOR:	Annette Lowe Dison Morgan & Chandler Everett Sr.						
ALTAR:	Patty Grebenc Leslie Marting						
USHERS	NA Charlene Currutt & Peter Thatcher						
HOSTESSES Elise Bennett							
			MARY ON VACATION: OFFICE CLOSED				
					8:00 AA		

SUNDAY JULY 5			MONDAY - 6	TUESDAY - 7	WEDNESDAY-8	THURSDAY-9	FRIDAY- 10	SATURDAY-11
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist			OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE OPEN 10:00 Finance	OFFICE OPEN	
EM:	Charley Marston	John Irwin						
LECTOR:	Kitty Thomas	Cally Hoyt & Neal Lee		FATHER GABRIEL AT BELLWETHER: CAMP CHAPLAIN				
ALTAR:	Patty Grebenc							
USHERS	NA	Brian Wright & Dixon Morgan		6:00 Centering Prayer			8:00 AA	
HOSTESSES	Sue Marston							

SUNDAY JULY 12			MONDAY - 13	TUESDAY - 14	WEDNESDAY-15	THURSDAY- 16	FRIDAY- 17	SATURDAY- 18
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist		9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance BB Presort 10-12	OFFICE CLOSED 8:00 AA		
EM:	Kitty Thomas	Hayley Kosmatka						
LECTOR:	Teri Ianni	Judy Holmes & Lucy Lytle						
ALTAR:	Sue Marston							
USHERS	NA	Ron & Neal Lee						
HOSTESSES	Charlene Currutt							

SUNDAY JULY 19			MONDAY - 20	TUESDAY - 21	WEDNESDAY-22	THURSDAY- 23	FRIDAY- 24	SATURDAY-25
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist		9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM:	Charley Marston	Brian Wright		6:00 Centering Prayer				
LECTOR:	Annette Lowe	Eric & Linda Sylor						
ALTAR:	Sally Conley							
USHERS	NA	Leslie Marting & Kurt Liljedahl						
HOSTESSES	Neal Lee							

SUNDAY JULY 26			MONDAY - 27	TUESDAY - 28	WEDNESDAY-29	THURSDAY- 30	FRIDAY- 31	SATURDAY-1
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist		9:00 Staff Meeting	10:00 Finance	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM:	Kitty Thomas	James Gallagher						
LECTOR:	Teri Ianni	Dixon Morgan & Fran Sarkisian			BB Presort 10-12			
ALTAR:	Teri Ianni							
USHERS	NA	Ron Lee & Peter Thatcher				8:00 AA		
HOSTESSES	Elise Bennett							

SUNDAY AUGUST 2			MONDAY - 3	TUESDAY - 4	WEDNESDAY-5	THURSDAY- 6	FRIDAY- 7	SATURDAY-8
8 am Holy Eucharist		10:15 am Holy Eucharist	OFFICE OPEN	9:00 Staff Meeting	BB Presort 10-12	OFFICE CLOSED		
EM:	Kitty Thomas	John Irwin		MARY ON VACATION: OFFICE CLOSED				
LECTOR:	Michelle Brockett	Judy Holmes & Chandler Everett Sr.						
ALTAR:								
USHERS	NA	Brian Wright & Alison Wolf		6:00 Centering Prayer		8:00 AA		
HOSTESSES		Kathy Pender						

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Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:15 AM Holy Eucharistic Rite II

Find our weekly worship on [YouTube](#).

Parish Office

Staffed T-W 9:00-5:00

440-423-4451

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St. Christopher by the River



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9:00 – 5:00

TUES & WED only



JUNE 7



SAVE THE DATE:
SEP 8, 6:00 PM

**CELEBRATION
OF**



*The Bishop will be here to bless
the new journey between Father
Gabriel and St. Christopher's.*