

# Christ Episcopal Church of Kent

## News and Current Events

April 2024  
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office@christchurchkent.org

Sunday services at 8:00am and 10:00am. Our Sunday Zoom link:  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3306734604>. When asked, enter Passcode: CEC2024

### Rector Search

Feb 2024: February the vestry approved the OTM Profile. It is posted on the Episcopal page listing all parishes seeking clergy. You can see it on our parish web site under the tab labeled Search.

The Facebook posting hit the Diocesan Facebook page on April 2nd.

Please remember the names of applicants or any other information about them is confidential so please do not ask the Search Committee or Vestry members to share information.

### Baptism

Christ Episcopal Church will celebrate baptisms on Sunday, May 26th at 10am. If you would like to discuss baptism for yourself or your child, contact Mo. Mary.

### Bellwether Farm

Summer Camp Info Here. Even if you do not have kids - it is interesting.

You can invite your grandkids to attend camp during their visit with you this summer.

<https://www.bellwetherfarm.com/camps>

### Astralis Chamber Ensemble Concert

Wednesday, April 17th, 7:00pm at Christ Episcopal Church  
Free admission, free-will offerings accepted.

#### The Astralis Chamber

**Ensemble** is an innovative and dynamic ensemble performing with much acclaim across the globe. Through creative programming and presentations on the works performed, Astralis aims to make classical music more accessible and for audiences to make a lasting connection to the music. These award-winning musicians represent decades of experience across many of the world's major venues and notable concert series. Another focus of the ensemble is to support the development of the arts through new compositions and reach communities of all backgrounds through music.

  
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CHAMBER ENSEMBLE



### April 27<sup>th</sup> Lord's Lunch

Christ Church is scheduled to provide meals for those in need at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 27th. The 'Lord's Lunch', a FREE meal open to the public, is served every Saturday from 11:30-12:30 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kent. These meals serve around 50-60 people each week. Trinity provides the space, the kitchen, tableware and drinks. A sponsoring congregation/organization/group or individual provides the meal entree, vegetable, and dessert, serves the food, and cleans up after the meal.

If you are interested in helping by donating a food or dessert item, or by volunteering to cook, serve, or clean up that day, please email the office at [office@christchurchkent.org](mailto:office@christchurchkent.org) or signup through this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4EA4AE23A4FD0-48845064-april>. Thank you for helping with this important and rewarding outreach ministry!

### Sunday Short Topics

Sunday Mornings 9:15am - 9:45am - April we discuss the Apostle's and Nicene Creeds.

## Tenebrae (Service of Lights)

The service has psalms, readings, and responsories. Tenebrae includes use of fifteen lighted candles, often set on a triangular stand.

One candle is extinguished as each of the appointed psalms is completed.

The fifteenth candle, symbolic of Christ, is left lighted at the end of the final psalm.

The candle holder used for Tenebrae this year is on long term loan to us from the Diocese of Ohio. It belonged to St. Rocco's Episcopal Church.

St. Rocco's was an Italian congregation in in the Briar Hill area of Youngstown, Ohio. It began as an independent congregation in 1906. On June 15, 1918, 80 families of St. Rocco's were received into the Protestant Episcopal Church. The church thrived for many years primarily serving the Italian community.

In 1957 growth of the neighborhood led to re-location in 1957. The parish continued until the turn of the century. At the end of 2006, 100 years after it's establishment, the parish closed. Many of the things in the sanctuary were taken to the diocesan storage area. We are happy to bring the candle stands back into use at Christ Episcopal Church.



## Seeing the Face of God in Each Other

The Commission for Racial Justice will offer this two-day training on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4 at St. Paul's, Canton. This anti-racism training is required for all individuals in elected and appointed diocesan positions, and it is also open to all members of the diocese. Space is limited. The cost of the training materials and food is covered by the Diocese of Ohio. [Registration](#) is required. For questions or more information, please contact [Sara Schimelpfenig](#).

## Confirmation

The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly will celebrate confirmations at several regional services. Plan to attend confirmation at Church of the Ascension when Jo Wilson will be confirmed. Saturday, May 11th at 11:00 a.m. - Church of the Ascension, Lakewood

## Church Photos

If you have some good ones - let us see them! Email them to [office@christchurchkent.org](mailto:office@christchurchkent.org)

### **Vestry and Officers**

*Vestry terms expire January of the year noted below.*

*Officers are elected by the vestry each year following the annual meeting.*

#### **2024 Officers**

Senior Warden - Christina Rouse  
Junior Warden - Sharon Dreyer  
Clerk - Jo Wilson  
Treasurer - Benjamin Tipton

#### **Vestry**

Sharon Dreyer 2025  
Polly Kordinak 2025  
Matt Steele 2026  
Christina Rouse 2026  
Amanda Baker Greenlee 2027  
Anthony Coffman 2027  
Jo Wilson 2027

#### **Summit Mission Area**

Mission Area Reps: Sharon Dreyer (2025) and  
Polly Kordinak (2026)  
Alt Mission Area Reps: Ardrena Lynch (2025) and  
vacant (2026)

#### **Diocesan Convention Delegates (Nov 2024)**

Amanda Baker Greenlee  
Christina Rouse  
Jo Wilson  
Alt: Morgan Tipton

### **Parish office**

#### Contacts

The Rev Mary L. Staley,  
Interim Priest-in-Charge (part time)

Clergy Sabbath: Noon Sunday to 1:30pm  
Tuesday

#### Office Hours:

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am - 12:00pm  
(office may be staffed during lunch)  
Tues, Wed, & Thurs 1:30-4:00pm

Tues am, Tues-Thurs evenings and Sat am - by  
appointment.

*(There will be some scheduled office hours when  
there are meetings outside the office, and  
nobody will be present)*

#### Clergy Contacts

**Primary e-mail** [clergy@christchurchkent.org](mailto:clergy@christchurchkent.org)  
**(330) 673-4604**

*For pastoral emergencies outside office hours:  
Text the after-hours cell: 330-593-1549  
Clergy e-mail: [cec\\_kent@icloud.com](mailto:cec_kent@icloud.com)*

#### Office Staff

Terri Wallis: 9am-1pm Tues & Thurs  
Laura Rogers: 1pm-3pm Tues & Thurs  
Laura also telecommutes 6 hours/week

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**Office Phone:** 330-673-4604

## **Interested in receiving our weekly email newsletter?**

Email us at [office@christchurchkent.org](mailto:office@christchurchkent.org) to join the email distribution list.

## **OUTREACH - Sharing with Our Community**

There are baskets in our front entry where you can donate the following for various local organizations.

- Non-perishable food items for the Kent Social Services food bank.
- Eyeglasses for the Lions Club to recycle as part of its Lions for Sight program.
- Pennies for 2 Cents A Meal to help alleviate hunger and poverty.
- Aluminum pull-tabs from any container (soda, soup, etc) to support Ronald McDonald House.
- Gently used clothing for the County Clothing Center.

## **Volunteers - Still plenty of opportunities!**

- Apply baby proof covers to wall outlets.
- shredding, and sorting old files
- help organize special events
- and there is always something to be folded.

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## **Easter Vigil and Easter Day**

The candle was extinguished Friday morning as we offered communion from the reserved sacrament. We do not re-kindle the light until the beginning of the first service of Easter.

The tradition is to kindle the light with a spark from flint and stone (or something similar) then the new paschal candle is lit and carried into the church.

After church our youth went on a hunt for signs of the resurrection. They found many signs including Jesus, and butterflies.

## **Maundy Thursday**

We began with our second annual Agape Meal, followed by the Maundy Thursday service and stripping of the altar. The Vigil reminding us of Jesus' invitation to pray with him for an hour began after the stripping of the altar and continued until 8am Friday when communion from the reserve sacrament took place.

