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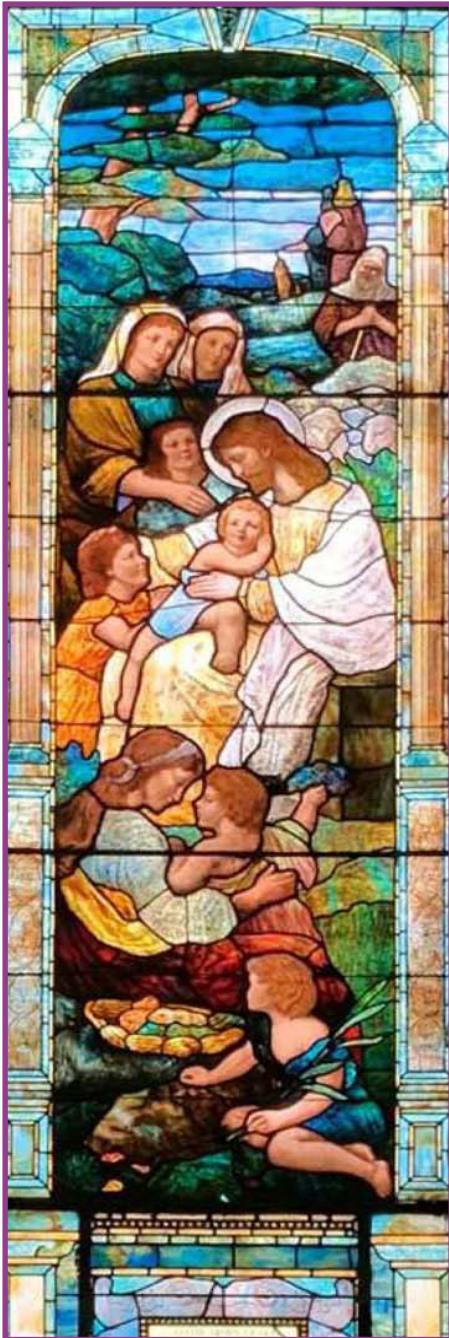


PROFILE

*Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings
with thy most gracious favor,
and further us with thy continual help;
that in all our works begun,
continued, and ended in thee,
we may glorify thy holy Name,
and finally, by thy mercy,
obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



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WELCOME

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL



MISSION STATEMENT

To embody Christ by serving our neighbors so that we share together in the power of Christ's unconditional love.

We are a house of prayer providing solace and strength to all who enter. As a friendly, compassionate, committed community seeking to carry out the missions of Christ and the Diocese of Kentucky, we strive to realize our Mission Statement.

Our Cathedral is the oldest church in Louisville in its original location and the seat of the Bishop of Kentucky since 1894. Our downtown congregation was established in 1822, and this beautiful, sacred building was finished in 1824.

The congregation of Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral is passionate about living out Christ's love in service with our neighbors. We have invested significant resources in developing partnerships for this mission, including with the Episcopal Urban Partnership, Central Louisville Community Ministries (CLCM), and Uniting Partners (UP) for Women and Children.

We seek an Associate Dean who will help us realize our vision of linking and expanding our ministries of outreach and evangelism, focusing on welcoming people into the Cathedral community through our ministries of service to our neighbors and our neighborhood.

OUR HISTORY

Christ Episcopal Church was founded May 31, 1822, when Louisville was a bustling town on the western frontier. Christ Church became the Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky in May 1894. This church, Louisville's oldest still in its original location, is today a vital presence in the center of the modern city.

Throughout its nearly 200 years, Christ Church, both before and after becoming the Cathedral, has been known for its spiritual life and quality of worship, its high standard of preaching and for its service to the community. The congregation's history of service began as early as 1835, when it founded the Protestant-Episcopal Asylum for Girls. Since that time, we have launched dozens of social outreach ministries, many of which grew into transformative organizations in their own right. These ministries include an orphanage, schools for disadvantaged children and disabled children, and a variety of ministries to those who were unhoused.

Christ Church Cathedral also has a storied history of working for justice in Louisville. The congregation marched for civil rights, founded what would become Interfaith Paths to Peace, and opened its doors to host meetings of Integrity in the 1980s.

In recent years, Christ Church Cathedral

has also begun the work of reckoning with ways in which our congregation was complicit in the evils of American chattel slavery. Research has been undertaken revealing that half the founding members enslaved people and that our building incorporated materials crafted by the labor of the enslaved. While helping to host the General Convention of the Episcopal Church in 2024, we supported a Diocesan effort which led to a resolution passed by General Convention to both acknowledge and repudiate the racist writings of our longest serving Rector and President of the House of Deputies, the Rev. James Craik.

In response to our past complicity, the Endowment Corporation of Christ Church Cathedral founded the Becoming Beloved Community Fund to financially support the ministries of the Church of Our Merciful Saviour and St. George Episcopal Church, an historically Black and an intentionally interracial congregation, respectively, with whom we are in partnership.

Today, Christ Church Cathedral serves a triple function. We are the "mother church" to the diocese. We are a diverse parish in the heart of our city. And we are a leader in the incubation of social program partnerships.



DIocese OF KENTUCKY

The Diocese includes 34 congregations and All Saints' Conference Center on Rough River Lake near its geographical center. The Diocesan offices and Cathedral are located in Louisville.

The Rt. Reverend Terry Allen White was consecrated as the Diocese of Kentucky's eighth bishop on September 25, 2010 with The Most Reverend Katherine Jefferts Schori presiding as the chief consecrator.

Diocesan staff includes the positions of Canon to the Ordinary, Canon for Congregational Vitality, Coordinator of Youth and Young Adults, and a corps of qualified administrative and support staff.

Christ Church Cathedral plays a strong leadership role in the Diocese. Parishioners have served as members of Trustees and Council, and parishioners and clergy hold leadership roles within the Diocese.



WE ARE . . .

... a downtown church for a city-wide community. Our members come from many zip codes in Louisville and Southern Indiana, seeking to live into our motto: "A church in the heart of the city, with a heart for the city."

... loving our neighbors like Jesus through various ministries, including Room in the Inn - Louisville, weekly coffee with guests at UP for Women and Children, our Justice Ministry, and our Community Breakfast.

... known for our engaging and beautiful worship services. The Cathedral has and continues to uphold the highest standards for music and worship. We maintain our heritage while looking forward and being relevant today.

... a community that offers opportunities for Christian development and teaching through Bible studies, seasonal discussion groups, partnerships with other Episcopal congregations, and guest speakers.

... a congregation that embraces change with absolute inclusivity. We support the LGBTQ community and have celebrated the marriages of several same gender couples and the Service for Renaming of a transgender member.

... working to grow our membership, to continue our relationships with other urban entities and to energize our Cathedral community with vigor as downtown Louisville revitalizes itself around us.



ASSOCIATE DEAN PROFILE

a leader of community focused ministries

We seek an Associate Dean who will collaborate with the lay and ordained leaders of the congregation in deepening our engagement with the community around the Cathedral. Our community focused leader will have a passion for engaging with all of our neighbors, including those who are living on the margins, folks who are seeking a church home, and those who are religiously unaffiliated but want to make downtown a better community. This will include learning more about our neighborhood and using that knowledge to develop a strategic plan for outreach and evangelism

We seek a servant minister with passion for transforming the life and neighborhood of downtown Louisville through new, concrete expressions of God's love. The Associate Dean will have the gifts needed to lead the sustainable growth of existing outreach ministries while also staying alert to new opportunities for serving the downtown community. The desire and ability to integrate people from other congregations and the neighborhood around us into our ministries of loving service is essential.

a servant with vision

an open-hearted evangelist

We seek a creative evangelist with a heart to welcome new folks into the life of the Cathedral, whether they are looking for a church home or come with the simple desire to create a better neighborhood in community with others. The Associate Dean will be interested in developing an innovative model of new member ministry which focuses on initial engagement with newcomers through outreach ministry, while also training members of our congregation in best practices for welcoming those who come as visitors to worship.

a member of our ministry team

We seek an Associate Dean who is excited about doing ministry as a part of a team. Sharing in liturgy planning, pastoral care, preaching, and teaching will be core aspects of the position. Our congregation is committed to engaging in sustainable ministry, sharing responsibilities so everyone is able to thrive both at the Cathedral and in their personal lives. As a part of the Cathedral staff, the Associate Dean will be able to count on other staff members for support and will seek to support other members of the team in turn.

A CHURCH IN THE HEART OF THE CITY WITH A HEART FOR THE CITY

We have discerned a call from God to focus on reaching out to individuals who do not have a connection to a church while simultaneously increasing the ways in which we are serving the needs of marginalized people in our community.



As a part of answering God's call, we partnered with UP to launch Room in the Inn - Louisville (RITI). Modeled on the ministry of the same name in Nashville, the RITI pilot program expanded

overnight shelter capacity during the coldest months of the year. This January and February the Cathedral opened space in Deans Hall for 52 consecutive nights to offer a total of 36 women and four children over 525 overnight stays. This was accomplished through partnerships with 14 other congregations, who provided volunteer support, as well as financial support from local foundations and nonprofits. We plan for RITI to continue in coming years, and hope the Associate Dean will take a pivotal role in this ministry's sustainable growth and expansion.

On the first Sunday of each month, the Cathedral hosts a breakfast for neighborhood individuals and families who are homeless or experiencing challenging circumstances. This full, homestyle meal is offered free of charge and provides an opportunity for



fellowship between our guests and members of the congregation who donate, prepare and serve the food. This is a time for sharing mutual respect, hope, humor and compassion as we live our mission of faithfully serving Christ by our example of inclusion and love for all. We average 115 guests each month.



This First Sunday ministry includes an in-gathering of nonperishable food and personal care items at both worship services. These donations are then delivered to the food pantry at Calvary Episcopal Church and to Central Louisville Community Ministries to address the needs of low income residents in our urban area.

During the week, members of the Cathedral partner with UP for Women and Children to offer coffee, food, and conversation to the over 120 clients who come seeking services each day. We also provide much needed necessities, like socks, gloves, and shirts, to unhoused neighbors through our parish office.



The Cathedral is also a founding and active member of Central Louisville Community Ministries (CLCM). Through CLCM, the Cathedral and other member congregations provide financial assistance, clothing, food, and personal care items to neighbors in need in the ZIP codes in the ministry's service area. Neighbors coming to CLCM also receive case management and compassionate care from both staff and volunteers.

Each year the Cathedral also joins with other Episcopal churches throughout the Louisville Metro area to take part in the Kentuckiana Pride Parade and Festival. Our congregation takes the lead in planning for the event, recruiting volunteers to staff our booth at the festival, and turning out participants from our congregation and others to march in the parade.



WORSHIP AND FORMATION



Our Cathedral services are centered by the Holy Eucharist, the principal act of our worship and the touchstone of our corporate and individual spiritual journeys.

Sunday schedule:

9:00 AM - Bible Study

10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist

Noon - Coffee Hour

Youth and adults are involved in many aspects of the liturgy, serving as acolytes, ushers, lectors, chalice bearers, and Eucharistic ministers to the homebound.

Special services, such as Advent Lessons and Carols, Holy Week and Evensongs incorporate the choir and bring contemplative, uplifting music to worshippers.

Christ Church Cathedral is guided by the belief that Christian education is a lifelong process and that we all need opportunities to grow our spiritual formation.

MUSIC AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL



Music at Christ Church Cathedral is part of the fabric in the celebration of the Eucharist. The Cathedral has and continues to uphold the highest standard for music and worship. The Cathedral desires to maintain our heritage of Anglican music and historical liturgies while always looking forward and being relevant today.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The original structure, completed in 1824, was built according to a modified Federal meetinghouse design. As we see it today, it preserves much of the original fabric plus a series of 19th century additions and alterations. The 1870 façade, with its two asymmetrical towers, has predominantly English Medieval sources and is made of local lime- stone. The Cathedral structure, the oldest public building in downtown Louisville, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

The Cathedral's nave and chancel comprise an inspiring space which feels simultaneously intimate and grand. An extensive renovation was completed in 2001. The narthex, stairway, balcony, nave and chancel are graced with a total of 22 stained glass windows, three of which are by the Louis B. Tiffany Company. Many of them are memorials to the loved ones of founding or early members of the parish.

The marble baptismal font is in the narthex, providing space for congregational participation in baptisms, confirmations, and reaffirmations. Seating in the nave and balcony can be reconfigured and can accommodate 300.

The Mona-Tate Russell Willig Memorial Chapel on the north side of the chancel seats 30- 40 worshipers. It is currently used for a weekday noon Eucharists and is a favorite place for small weddings.

The large window in the Chapel was

designed by Kenneth von Roenn, Jr. of Louisville. The clear glass strips are prisms which reflect sun light on the walls. Within the window, the figure of Christ is a unique double image which portrays his dual nature – the human and the divine. Christ is depicted as male/female, stone/ flesh, day/night, static/fluid. The image changes throughout the day as sunlight progresses across the glass. Prominent above the altar is a metal cross, one

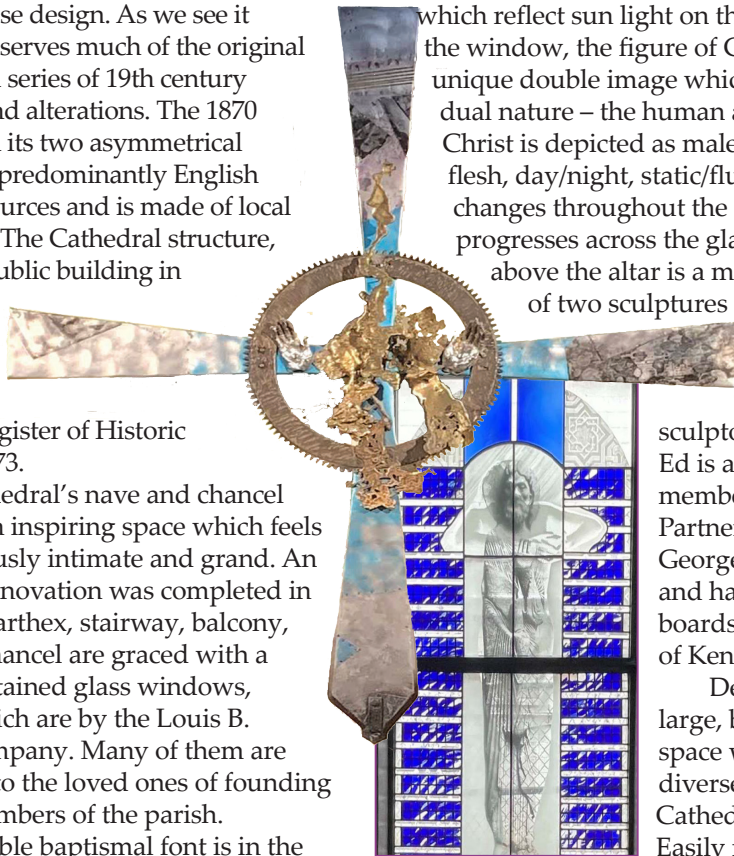
of two sculptures in the Cathedral by nationally recognized

Louisville sculptor Ed Hamilton. Ed is a long-time member of our Urban Partner church St. George's Episcopal and has served on boards in the Diocese of Kentucky.

Deans Hall is a large, bright and airy space which supports diverse aspects of the Cathedral's ministry. Easily reconfigured

and flexible in its use, Deans Hall offers space for Christian formation, community groups, Cathedral ministry teams, and social gatherings. In January 2025, Deans Hall became the site of the Room in the Inn – Louisville pilot program, offering overnight shelter to up to 15 women and children each night during the months of January and February

The Link Building connects the



Cathedral and the Diocesan House and houses the parish offices.

The Diocesan House serves multiple purposes. Most of the first floor is dedicated to Bishops' Hall - a gathering place for large groups and the site of coffee hour following Sunday worship. During the week, Bishops Hall is used by UP for Women and Children as the location for their client intake, case management and day shelter. Just off of Bishops' Hall is a small commercial kitchen and elevator access.

The second floor of Diocesan House is home to the Diocesan offices, the Chapter Room - a meeting room equipped for both in-person and hybrid meetings, the choir room, Bride's dressing room, and a utility kitchen.

The third floor of Diocesan House features a residential rental apartment (presently vacant), the Archives of the Cathedral and the Diocese of Kentucky, and the administrative offices of UP for Women and Children.

Finally, Diocesan House's lower level houses UP for Women and Children's client mail room, volunteer space, case consultation area, laundry and bath facilities, as well as storage, mechanical rooms and access tunnel to the narthex.

The Cathedral Garden and Diocesan

Memorial Garden is located in an enclosed courtyard between the nave and the Diocesan House. The Garden is a tranquil haven in the city. Benches welcome visitors and neighbors to enjoy this space during the day. Guests to UP for Women and Children often enjoy the Garden while waiting for their appointments with case managers. Weather permitting, it is a delightful place for gatherings such as Sunday morning Coffee Hour, church cookouts, and it is a beautiful site for wedding photographs.



Some members over the years have chosen to place their or a relative's cremains in the garden. Others have added memorial or honorary bricks to the walking path, inscribed with the name of a loved one.



DISCOVER LOUISVILLE

"As anyone who visits soon discovers, Louisville is one of the most unique destinations anywhere. It is a city that combines heritage with innovation, authenticity with originality, and quirkiness with friendliness. We are a different kind of Southern."
— Louisville Tourism Visitors Center



Louisville was founded in 1778 by George Rogers Clark, a revolutionary war officer. His brother, William, partnered with Merriweather Lewis to lead President Thomas Jefferson's Corps of Discovery and mapping of the western United States.

Louisville offers an array of opportunities to experience history, the performing arts, education and enrichment, sports, and nature.

Museums abound. The Speed Art Museum, the Frazier History Museum, the Science Center, the Muhammad Ali Center and the Louisville Slugger museum and factory are rich sources worth exploring.

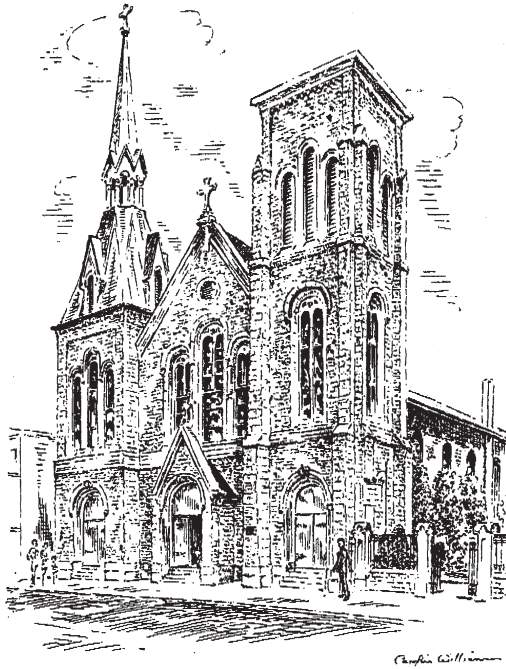
The University of Louisville, founded in 1798, leads the roll call of Louisville's institutions of higher learning. The campuses of Bellarmine, Spalding and Sullivan Universities, Simmons College of Kentucky, Jefferson Community and Technical College, and the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary offer a wide and diverse selection of programs from associate to post graduate degrees. Public primary and secondary schools offer magnet programs in a variety of focused curricula. The Louisville Free Public Library has 18 branch or satellite locations.

Performing arts organizations offer excellent regional artists and performances. These include the Louisville Orchestra, the Louisville Ballet, the Kentucky Opera, Actors Theatre of Louisville, Stage One Family Theatre, and numerous small local companies for every age group.

Sporting events range from the 2025 151st consecutive Running of the Kentucky Derby at historic Churchill Downs to University of Louisville collegiate teams, Louisville Bats AAA baseball, and men's and women's professional soccer Louisville City FC and Racing Louisville FC.

Louisville's Metro Parks include the three flagship parks and the parkways designed by Frederick Law Olmsted in 1891. Visitors enjoy year-round access and programs at the Louisville Zoo.





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