



# Parish Notes

## Christ Church Cathedral

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#### Children's Christian Formation Interest Session: March 8

The Rev. Susan Mills and the Rev. Whit Stodghill have volunteers to take the lead on starting a children's Christian formation class on Sunday mornings. All parents and kids, as well as adults who might be interested in volunteering with this ministry once per month, are invited to an interest session next Sunday, March 8 in Deans Hall. Grab some snacks at coffee hour and come for a conversation about how we help our kids learn more about God's love and the life of the church.

#### Capital Campaign Kick-Off

You are cordially invited to attend a catered luncheon to celebrate the congregational solicitation phase of our Capital Campaign! Please join us on Sunday, March 15 in Bishop's Hall after the 10:30 worship service. Dean Matt will welcome you and will offer information and updates about the campaign. Invitations will be mailed soon, requesting an RSVP to assure a bountiful gathering. The Campaign Committee is excited about the launch of this final portion of our campaign and we look forward to sharing our enthusiasm about the Cathedral's work, ministries, and future with you.

#### The Kohler Family Scholarship

The Kohler Family Scholarship Committee meets bi-annually to review applications for students requesting financial assistance to attend college, university or vocational programs. Applicants must be baptized and be a member of a church in the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky. The applicant must show financial need, academic promise, be baptized, and be willing to provide additional supporting information as stipulated on the Application. Scholarships are available once a semester. Applications are accepted up to June 15th for fall semesters, and up to November 1st for spring semesters.

For more information, please see the website [here](#)

#### Save the Date: Parish Fellowship Weekend at All Saints Center June 12-14

You are invited to a parish fellowship weekend at All Saints Center on June 12-14. Come to the shores of Rough River Lake for a time to relax, pray, and play together. All of the amenities of All Saints, including a pool, canoes, hiking trails, and a disc golf course will be available to us, as well as the comfortable accommodations and excellent food at the Lodge and Inn.

Additional information about pricing and a registration form will be forthcoming, so please keep an eye out for updates. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Dean Matt.

Articles for *Parish Notes* must be sent to [susan@ccclou.org](mailto:susan@ccclou.org) by COB on TUESDAY

### Midweek Noon Eucharist at the Cathedral

Join us for noon (12:00–12:30) services of Holy Eucharist each week at Christ Church Cathedral.

✦ Tuesday, March 3: John and Charles Wesley,  
Priests

Chapel Leader: Tom Thill

Celebrant: The Rev. Edgar Wallace

### Information on upcoming funeral services

The Cathedral will hold funeral services for Marcia Wilmet this coming Saturday, March 7 at 2 PM, with doors opening at 1 PM. A reception will follow the service in Bishops' Hall.

The Cathedral will hold a reception in memory of Annett Swann in Bishops' Hall on Saturday, March 14 at 3 PM.

### Contemplative Evening Prayer Service Has Resumed

You are invited to Evening Prayer in the Cathedral Chapel each Sunday at 5:30 PM, beginning February 22. Our service is quiet, simple, and contemplative, offering those who worship a space to connect with God while letting go of the rush and noise. Light refreshments will be served in the narthex following worship.

### Confirmation and Baptism Class Lent 2026

Are you interested in Confirmation or Baptism? Want to know more about the Episcopal Church? Then this class is for you! Participants will meet with Fr Charles once a week for an hour during Lent of 2026, beginning this Sunday after worship. By the end of the class you'll be ready for Confirmation or Baptism on Easter. The class will also prepare you for Reception or Reaffirmation of your Baptismal Vows. Not sure what all of that means? You will by the time we're done!

We'll use the book *Being Christian and Being Disciples* by Rowan Williams with excerpts from *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices* to guide our conversations, though your input will help shape the course as well.

The class will meet in the Chapter Room after coffee hour.

### Going deeper during Lent with the Poetry of Rev. Jon Swales Began last Wednesday

This Lent, Fr. Edgar Wallace is guiding a group in reading, contemplation, and conversation through the poetry of Rev. Jon Swales. The group is meeting in the Chapter Room on Wednesdays at 5:15 PM, running through March 25. All are welcome to join us! You do not have to have been to the first session to participate.

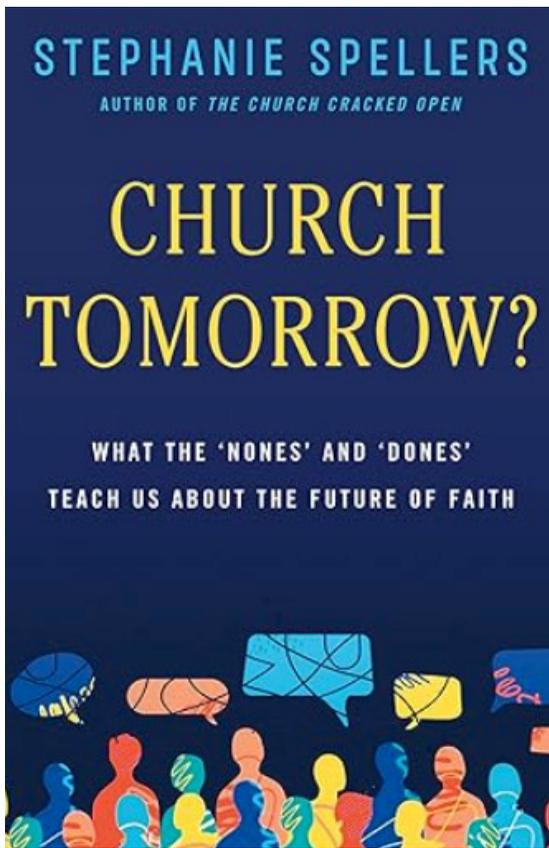
Jon Swales is an Anglican priest, prophetic theologian, and poet. He is the founder and leader of Lighthouse West Yorkshire, a fresh expression of church and grassroots charity rooted among people who have been battered and bruised by the storms of life, particularly those facing homelessness, poverty, and social exclusion.

He is the author of *Lament and Hope: Prayers for the Climate and Ecological Emergency* and *Let Me Be the Kind Who Weeps*, a collection of poems written out of grief, joy, vulnerability, and stubborn hope. His writing draws on Scripture, the prophetic tradition of the Church, and the voices of those who are too often unheard.

Much of Jon's work centres on cruciform faith, lament, liberation, and ecological justice, asking what it means to follow Jesus in a time of climate breakdown, social fracture, and spiritual exhaustion. His poetry and prayers are offered as companions rather than conclusions — words to help people stay human, attentive, and open to God in hard places.

### Mark Your Calendars! Louisville Master Chorale March 22 at 3:00 PM

The Louisville Master Chorale presents for its final concert of the 2025-2026 season: Felix Mendelssohn's fabulous Oratorio *Elijah*, accompanied by a 39-piece orchestra. This majestic piece will be presented on Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 3345 Lexington Road. The chorus includes Cathedral choir members Tom Peters, Stuart McCloy, Liam O'Daniel-Munger, Bryan Platt and Randy Peters. Tickets are \$30 with discount for students and can be purchased at [louisvillemasterchorale.org](http://louisvillemasterchorale.org) or you can get them from Randy Peters. Do come hear this magnificent piece!



## Canon Stephanie Spellers to present 2026 Brennan Lecture March 12 @ 7pm ET at Christ Church Cathedral

The Nones, Dones, Unchurched, spiritual-but-not-religious (SBNRs). Call them what you will, they're a dominant force in American religion and the majority among Millennials and Gen Zers. Come to a public lecture where Canon Spellers will explore themes from her new book *Church Tomorrow?* where she presents hard truths about declining religious affiliation in America, paired with stories and wisdom from her interviews with dozens of young people who either grew up with no faith or gave up formal religion.

**Free Public Lecture**

**Pre- Registration Requested**

**Register Here:** <https://episcopalky.wufoo.com/forms/mpwaosj14prinf/>

## Pray at the Altar of Repose this Holy Week

The Episcopal Urban Partnership will be joining together for our observance of Holy Week this year. As a part of our worship, we will have an Altar of Repose at Calvary Episcopal Church. In response to Jesus' request for his disciples to keep watch with him before his Passion, we invite those who wish to keep vigil at the Altar of repose before the blessed sacrament. You can sign up for an hour following the worship service on Maundy Thursday through to the morning of Good Friday here: <https://tinyurl.com/bdsvwkr8>

## Weekly Bible Study

Our weekly Bible Study is held every Sunday (except the first Sunday of the month) at 9 A.M. in the Chapter Room on the second floor of the Diocesan House. If you want to attend online you can also join via Zoom. Just click on the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/69vbtu8m>

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# Chapter Notes

February 19, 2026, Meeting

## **Election of Officers**

Bishop Terry White selected John Kiesel for the position of Senior Warden. The Chapter elected the other officers: Graham Whatley for Junior Warden, Kent Echler for Secretary, and Kay Shields Wilkinson for Treasurer.

## **Property Issues**

John Werst reported that the drywall repairs, including painting, located in the UP area of the basement, are completed. The recent plumbing blockage from the restrooms in Deans' Hall was resolved with clearance to Second Street.

Pending projects include increasing cameras and other improvements to the live stream, installation of signs in the rear parking lot, and fixing the timer garden lighting system.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Kay Shields Wilkinson reported on January's Financial Statements noting the increase in receipts in the pledge amounts and the excellent financial position in the two bank accounts. She has received notice from LG&E that gas prices will increase by 4% and electricity will increase by 11% in 2026. The scheduled budget revision in July will reflect these increases.

## **Capital Campaign**

Dean Matt Bradley announced that a meeting was held with a representative from National Fund for Sacred Places for the purpose of conducting an "Economic Halo Effect Study". The study uses 50 different metrics to estimate the average annual economic impact of the Cathedral's ministry in the community.

Also, Nick Sollog, our capital campaign consultant, met with the Cathedral's campaign leadership to prepare for his training session

with 13 identified "gift workers" on Saturday, February 21. The Capital Campaign "Kick-Off" luncheon will be held on March 15. In the meantime, the advance gift phase will begin, soliciting donations from congregational members and friends.

## **Nave Speaker System Upgrade**

Regarding the proposed upgrade of the Nave speakers to digitally steerable models, a donor with family connections to the Cathedral has offered to cover the expense of the speakers with the understanding that the Chapter will pay for the electrical work necessary to support the installation. The Chapter authorized the installation expense.

## **Dean Matt Bradley's Sabbatical**

Dean Bradley requested that he be authorized the recommended twelve-weeks' time for his sabbatical. He proposed that a Sabbatical Subcommittee be formed consisting of the Associate Dean, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, yet-to-be identified others, and himself to address projected activities, needs, and specific issues which would occur during his absence. The Chapter unanimously granted his request to occur from June 15 until September 8, 2026.

## **Proposed LED Lighting Projects**

Dean Bradley discussed two areas of need for replacement of lighting fixtures with LED compatible ones. One site is the UP areas in the basement (cost of \$4,440) and the other location is the Diocesan offices (cost of \$3,975). These considerations will be addressed at the March Chapter meeting.

John L. Kiesel, Senior Warden

# We Pray . . .

Prayer is at the heart of Christian community. We use this space to bring before God and the community the needs of those we love. Please submit prayer requests for yourself and others to the church office: [info@christchurchlouky.org](mailto:info@christchurchlouky.org). We will include those names here so that the community may join you in prayer..

. . . in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America  
. . . in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, St. Paul's Church, Hickman  
Anne Braden, Civil Rights Activist is commemorated March 6

**. . . for Cathedral members in need of healing**

Judy Donahue, Kitten Lawless, George Hubbard, Carlos LaGantta  
Ginger Shackleton, Dean Weller, Ann Vellom

**. . . for Cathedral members in our abiding prayers**

Jim & Dean, Carol Brown, Dorothy Converse, Charles Cooksey, Michael L. Foster,  
Maurice Gordon, Terry Laun & Art Embrey, Ashley Pasteka, Hollis Real,  
Ginger Shackleton, Len Sjogren, Joy Stultz, Tim Tice, Betty Lynn Williams

**. . . for family and friends of Cathedral members**

**requested by**

Larry Maxwell, Cindi Mills	Michael Allemang
Clara Eskridge, Bill Smith	Matt Bradley
Marge Brown	Carol Brown
David Davies, Pam Williams	Jerry Brown
Debbie, Ellis, Honey, Jessica, Jody, Larry, Marilyn, Packy	Jim & Becky Collings
Aidon, Kelly Brown, Tom Everhart, Anne Steele, Ed Swan, Gail & Alex Ocana	Dorothy Converse
Tom & Andy Rochester	Page Curry
Molly Muennich	Cynthia Fanning
John Clark, Elizabeth Foster, Michael Foster	Mike Foster
Ron Adams, Kathy Bischoff, Diane Flechler, Charlie Grubbs, Judy Horton	Bobbie Fritton
Phillip Koloff, Byron & Leilani Sprankle, Lindsay Tompkins, Nejsja Yenawin	
Forrest Cook, Mike Freund, Paul Fussenegger, Sr., David Hammer, Julie Jones	Vance Fritton
Melissa Masterson, Jenny, Lee & Walter Morris. Gibbs Reese, Alex Rohleder	
Justin Gallahar	Lea Ann Garbrough
Rorie Guillen	Rob Guillen
Ric Hovda	Diane Kyle
Eric Zoerb	Sissy Lanier
Art, Nick & Sally, Judi, Gregg & Mary, Whitney, Elvin, Charles Raith	Terry Laun
John, Becky E., Paula Hamilton, Martha Hyatt, Dave Kalinowski, Peggy Kalinowski	Kitten Lawless
Leisa, Kailey	
Caroline Potter, Kevin, Shay, Molly, Sammy, Noah	
Foster care children in the Commonwealth of Kentucky	
Philip Mitchell	Hunter Lumbatis
Patsy Cox, Judy Cummins	Jan Margerum
David Ellis, Yihong Liu	Jerry Marsh
Alice, Graham, Cillian	Randy Peters
Ellie Barrowman	BlossomMarshall
Mary Dade	Randy Peters
Stephen Peters	Tom Peters
Ally, Jim	Susan Shockey
Michael, James, Joey	Tom Thill
Jada LaShi, Khem Tice, Emily Tout	Tim Tice
Keith & Lisa, Corbin Harris	Carolyn Van Zant
Heather Rubsamen	Ann Vellom
Carolyn White	Terry White
Jared Stivers	Kay Shields Wilkinson
Tom & Karen Doyle	Mike Wright

**. . . for those celebrating birthdays**

Gary Coats, Susan Torok

**. . . for those celebrating anniversary of ordination**

The Rev. Susan Mills

**Additions or deletions to the Prayer  
Lists must be sent to Tom Thill  
[thillt49@yahoo.com](mailto:thillt49@yahoo.com)**