

Christ Church Parish, Kent Island  
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October 2023

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# **EPISCOPAL YOUTH EVENT 2023**

Katie Schaefer

This summer, I had the incredible opportunity to go to the University of Maryland and attend the Episcopal Youth Event (EYE). EYE is a week-long gathering composed of youth who are sent from all 9 provinces of the Episcopal Church. Since the Diocese of Easton is part of the province that hosted this year's event, I got to go early to help set everything up.

For the first two days, only Province 3, which includes dioceses from Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and DC, was at the event. We got to go to the D.C. Zoo and the National Cathedral as well. The National Cathedral was absolutely beautiful with the bells, the garden, the small chapels and the intricate designs, and the views from the top floor. During these first days, I met a great group of people that I would stay with for the rest of the week.

On Tuesday, everyone else began to arrive. My group of friends and I made signs and stood by the entrance to welcome the incoming buses. There were people from all over the country and world: Guam, Puerto Rico, all of the US States, South America, Germany, France, and more. There was an event where all the kids got to meet each other and play icebreakers. Each Diocese also brought tradable items, such as pins, T-shirts, toys, and pencils to share with other groups. Tuesday also happened to be the 4th of July and we had the chance to watch the fireworks from the football stadium. We could see the Capitol's show, as well as Alexandria's. It was truly an amazing experience.

On Wednesday, we had our first worship service. I had never attended a service like the ones there. They were loud and exciting but I felt as though I still learned lessons from the sermons. That night, we went to the first evening service, which was a healing service. A healing service is where people have the opportunity to talk to a bishop/church leader and have them pray for you or another person. I had never been to one before, and it was a very unique experience. Everyone grew closer after we supported each other during this service.

We also met the band for the event. I had never heard music quite like the songs that they were playing, but I quickly learned the dances from my friends and we ended up getting all 1200 people joining in. One of my friends went up to the band members at the

end of the night to thank them, and they offered to let him play piano for Thursday's evening service. The band members had never met in person before that day, but they all sounded incredible and were very kind.

On Thursday, we heard Bishop Curry's sermon, which was my favorite of the event. He was very passionate and it was entertaining to listen to him. We also began the workshops. There were ones about many topics, such as church, finance, climate change, and politics with the church. I attended one about baptism and how it is very important to start a relationship with God. I also attended one about finance and how to start making wise choices with money as a teenager.

That night, after the service, we had a dance party, which was very fun and uplifting. There were glow sticks, pom poms, and confetti. It was a very fun night and I met lots of new people. Every night, our "group," composed of the Diocese of Easton and the Diocese of Southwest Virginia, whom we were roommates with, would meet in the chaperones' dorm to discuss the day. I liked this because everyone got to say one thing they enjoyed, one thing they didn't like, and one thing that made them feel Jesus' presence. It was a great way to talk about everything we did while relaxing for the night.

Friday was our last full day and we made the most of it. After the morning service, we went to the "Terp Zone," which is a hangout area at UMD. It had a bowling alley, pool tables, video games, and a movie theater. After we explored the campus a bit more, we went back for a Province meetup. We discussed how we all wanted to have a Province event later in the year, and the leaders said that they would plan one. On Friday night, we had our last service and it did not disappoint. The band played multiple encores and even the bishops were dancing.

Saturday morning was very sad because we all had to leave to go home. Thankfully, our leaders promised that they would be planning an event for our province, and there will be one this spring. I feel as though the way I see my relationship with God changed after EYE. Meeting people and learning how they interpret different aspects of life, whether it be church, school, or work, was very eye-opening to me. I am so grateful to the Diocese of Easton for providing me the opportunity to attend this incredible event and for Father Mark and Jane for supporting me and telling me about it.

## **SENIOR WARDEN REPORT**

Two listening sessions have been held and a third one is planned at the time of this writing. We appreciate the time our friends took to participate in this very important endeavor; however, we still need more input in order to frame and determine where funds, time and talent should be allocated to build the community that we all need as a sanctuary from the demands of daily life.

There have been some wonderful ideas brought forward in these sessions such as a men's group, retirees' program, ways in which our youth can be part of our services and ministries, lay led learning opportunities, fund raising, etc. Participants have spoken about everything from worship, and music to how the narthex could be rearranged to promote a better flow during coffee hour. These ideas are all so important to us because they allow us to shape our budget and planning for the years ahead.

We have heard from about thirty participants, whose voice we truly appreciate. If there wasn't a listening session you could attend, seek out your vestry members and tell them! Your vestry is elected to serve and represent all members of the parish. If you aren't sure who they are, look for the gold name tags after services, check out the website or pick up one of the flyers in the narthex. Send your officers an email or give them a call. We want to hear from you, we want to represent you, we want to care for you.

As always, you are welcome to attend Vestry meetings on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm.

## **VESTRY NOTES**

- A reminder that the Fall Ministry Fair will take place on October 7 at CCPKI, we will feature our Soup Group, a food truck will provide food for attendees.
- Next shared service with Living Water will be October 8 in Christ Church, Vicar Terrance will preach.
- The 40/10 Challenge reached \$32,567.00 as of September 14, 2023 many thanks to all of the generous donors and Father Mark and Mimi Delcuze.

- The Audit for all three entities of CCPKI, church, cemetery and school is underway with Molly Canon chairing a group of dedicated volunteers. Many thanks to Laurelle McReady for all of her time and talent preparing the documents needed for this undertaking.
- The Vestry approved a \$15,000.00 withdrawal from the Blunt Fund (endowment). This is the first time this year that funds have been withdrawn from any of the endowments.
- The Property Team has provided much needed data to evaluate our current insurance coverage for review.
- A detailed proposal was discussed to install LED lighting in the church. This will be forwarded to the Finance Committee for review.

## **HELP WANTED**

Have you ever wanted to lend a hand to the church, but don't have time to commit to a weekly or monthly schedule. Well, here is your chance. The property team is looking for people to lend a hand from time to time for help with different projects. These projects range from assembling something for the Day School, helping clean out a shed to helping pick a vendor or make a recommendation on a church property project.



If this is something you would like to volunteer for please email Warren at [jrwarden@ccpki.org](mailto:jrwarden@ccpki.org).

## **SECURITY**

If you have visited the church during the week, you may have noticed a locked door. For the safety of the children in the day school. All doors will be locked when the school is in session. There will be a number to call to gain entrance. Also, when a staff member is alone in the office area the doors will remain locked for their security. If you are planning on using the kitchen door, there is now a lock box on it and you will need to contact the church office for the code.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH KENT ISLAND

# FAMILY DINNER

JOIN US ON OCTOBER 8TH  
AT 5:30 PM FOR FELLOWSHIP,  
FOOD, AND FUN!



For more information:

CALL 410 643 5921

[www.ccpki.org](http://www.ccpki.org)

## FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

It's not too late to sign up your 2nd & 3rd graders for Sunday school! Find the sign up form under the connect tab at [www.ccpki.org](http://www.ccpki.org) and return it to the office.

### YOUTH GROUP

Youth group is back and better than ever. All middle and high schoolers are welcome to join us on Sunday nights at 7 PM for youth group.

### WIGGLE WORSHIP

We are still looking for volunteers for our Wiggle Room on Sunday mornings for children Preschool-K during the 10 AM service. Email Jane at [familyministry@ccpki.org](mailto:familyministry@ccpki.org) for more information.

### FAMILY DINNER

Family Dinner is back this month! Join us on October the 8th at 5:30 in Shand hall for this month's family dinner!

## BROAD CREEK CEMETERY HELP WANTED



If you have a gas or battery operated weed whacker, please consider helping the Broad Creek Cemetery Committee cut back the grass along the left (as you enter) side of the cemetery driveway. We will start at 10:00 **on Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** and finish (a) when the job is done, (b) when the batteries die or the gas runs out, or (c) when we run out of gas. In any event, I doubt that we'll work more than an hour. If you can help or have any questions, please call Charlie Schwan 443-262-1074. Thank you.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
<b>1 Blessing of the Animals</b> 8:00 Worship Service 10:00 Worship Service 7:00 Youth Group  <i>Africa Team</i> <i>Ministry Sales</i>	2 <b>5:00 Evening Prayer</b> 7:00 Broad Creek Cemetery Meeting 7:00 Bible Study	3 5:00 Evening Prayer 5:30 EfM	4 10:00 Exec C <b>12:00 Bible S</b> <b>5:00 Evening</b> 7:30 AA Meet
8 8:00 Worship Service 10:00 Combined Worship Service with Living Water 5:30 Family Dinner 7:00 Youth Group <i>Africa Team</i> <i>Ministry Sales</i>	9 <b>5:00 Evening Prayer</b> 7:00 Bible Study	10 5:00 Evening Prayer 5:30 EfM	11 10:00 Exec C <b>12:00 Bible S</b> <b>5:00 Evening</b> 7:00 Finance 7:30 AA Meet
Brenda on vacation...Office Hours Tues 9am			
<b>15 Diocesan Heritage Sunday</b> 8:00 Worship Service 10:00 Worship Service 7:00 Youth Group  <i>Africa Team</i> <i>Ministry Sales</i>	16 <b>5:00 Evening Prayer</b> 6:30 Vestry Meeting	17 5:00 Evening Prayer 5:30 EfM	18 10:00 Exec C <b>12:00 Bible S</b> <b>5:00 Evening</b> 7:30 AA Meet
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**Regular Office Hours 9 am—3pm**

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Clergy Emergencies, contact Father Mark S. Delcuze, Rector ~ 203-240-8884

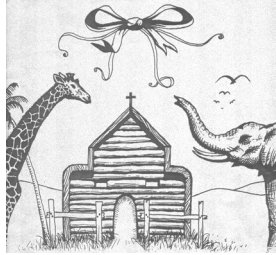
**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday**

4th Qtr Service				
		LEM	Lectors	Ushers
10/1/2023	8AM		Cathy Smith	Cathy Smith
18th Sunday after Pentecost		Liza Hamill	Jeffrey Pike	Lois Vanderbok
Proper 21A	10AM	Juanita Dombkowski	Beverly Cooper	Bernie Gast
Green		Keith Fulmer	Becky Myers	Warren Prender
Blessing of the Animals				
10/8/2023	8AM		Liza Hamill	Maria Jones
19th Sunday after Pentecost		Charlie Mead	Thom Hirsch	Lois Vanderbok
Proper 22A	10AM	Jeff Pike	Charlie Mead	Ron McCready
Green		Leslie Schneider	Carole Katrinic	Laurelle McReady
10/15/2023	8AM		Betsy Sipes	Cathy Smith
20th Sunday after Pentecost		Jeff Pike	Maria Jones	Lois Vanderbok
Proper 23A	10AM	Patrick Herlihy	Donna Guilford	John Reckord
Green		Lisa Herlihy	Helen Vansant	Leslie Schneider
10/22/2023	8AM		Lois Vanderbok	Maria Jones
21st Sunday after Pentecost		Liza Hamill	Cathy Smith	Cathy Smith
Proper 24A	10AM	Bob Rosekrans	Mike Parker	Marguerite Staronek
Green		Leslie Schneider	Leona Parker	Dan Staronek
10/29/2023	8AM		Liza Hamill	
22nd Sunday after Pentecost		Lois Vanderbok	Jeffrey Pike	Eric Hummel
Proper 25A	10AM	Juanita Dombkowski	Caroline Aland	Bob Rosekrans
White		Patti Snyder	David Lee	Charlie Schwan

ng Chart 2023				
Acolytes	Altar Guild	Counters	Greeters	Video Tech
	Dee Dee & Kevin McCracken, Eileen Shreve, Carole Tulip			
Izzy Slavin				
Katie Schaefer		Dottie Wilson	Charlie Mead	Dottie Wilson
Emily Schaefer (Crucifer)		Bob Thompson	Bob Thompson	
	Dot Deren, Cara Fehrenbacher, Fred & Linda Klingensmith, Nancy Link			
Vivian Dorsey		Kate McNealey	Becky Myers	
Reagan Hohman (crucifer)		Judy Peppel	Connie Clark	Bill Vanderbok
Landon Rosekrans				
Katie Schaefer (crucifer)	Lynne Shand, Betsy Sipes, Patti Snyder	Liza Hamill	Lois Vanderbok	
Avery Miller		Leslie Schneider	Toinette	Liza Hamill
Emily Schaefer				
	Donna Guilford, Maria Jones, Becky Myers			
Vivian Dorsey				
Samuel Radley-Taylor (crucifer)		Anna Sisson	Caroline Aland	Steve Dombkowski
Landon Rosekrans		Judy Peppel	Susie Reckord	
	Dee Dee & Kevin McCracken, Eileen Shreve, Carole Tulip			
Izzy Slavin (crucifer)		Bob Thompson	Bob Thompson	
Reagan Hohman		Dottie Wilson	Molly Cannon	Dottie Wilson
Avery Milller				

**AFRICAN TEAM MINISTRIES**  
Serving the Church in East Africa  
Through Sales of Crafts and Jewelry

**OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>-15<sup>TH</sup>**



African Team Ministries is a Christian ministry working as an intermediary between African and American churches. We provide funding for orphan and refugee relief missions and evangelism in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania . The support we receive is sent directly to our partnering Bishops to provide school fees, tuition, books, and uniforms.

# Compline

Thurs., Oct. 5, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.  
Christ Church, Kent Island

The choirs of Christ Church, Kent Island & St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis will present this brief, ancient, sung service of evening prayer. This beautiful, candle-lit service provides a peaceful ending to the day. All are welcome.

*A pre-service reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Shand Hall*



DIOCESE OF EASTON  
**FALL MISSION SUMMIT**  
**& MINISTRY FAIR**

LIVE MUSIC - INTERACTIVE EXHIBITS  
KIDS' ZONE - FOOD VENDORS- FUN

Saturday, October 7, 2023  
10am - 2pm

**FREE  
ENTRY**

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JOIN US FOR A RETIREMENT PARTY  
CELEBRATING  
THE VERY REV. MARK S. DELCUZE



SATURDAY, OCT 28, 2023  
5:30PM—8:30 PM

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH  
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STEVENSVILLE, MD

Dress- Smart Casual





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# Blessing of the Animals



**BLESSED are you Lord God, Maker of all living creatures.**

**Blessing of the Animals**  
**Sunday, October 1st**  
**10:00am Worship Service**

We will celebrate all of God's creatures, great and small! Bring your pet or a photo of your pet to church for a special blessing.

