



**Christ Church**  
Sixth and Main Streets  
Clarksburg, WV

# The Good News Weekly

## Christ Episcopal Church

September 1, 2019

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**St. Barnabas Chapel**  
721 Hall Street  
Bridgeport, WV

### Upcoming Events

- 9/1 Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church
- 9/1 Holy Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Chapel
- 9/2 Labor Day – Office Closed
- 9/4 – 9/10 Rev. Nora on Vacation
- 9/5 Backpack Deliveries begin for 2019-2020 year
- 9/8 Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church
- 9/8 Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Chapel
- 9/8 Second Sunday Supper at 6:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas
- 9/10 Vestry Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Christ Church
- 9/11 Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. at Christ Church
- 9/25 Executive Committee Meeting at 4:30 p.m. at CEC
- 9/29 Deanery Meeting at 2:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas

### Backpack Schedule

- September 1 - Pack upstairs at CEC – All help is welcome.
- September 5 – Deliver backpacks – Dick Clovis
- September 5 – Shopper – Pam Critchfield
- September 8 – Pack upstairs at CEC – All help is welcome.
- September 12 – Deliver backpacks – Corliss Barksdale
- September 12 – Shopper – Beth Sickles
- September 15 – Pack upstairs at CEC – All help is welcome.
- September 19 – Deliver backpacks – Benny Barksdale
- September 19 – Shopper – Beth Sickles
- September 22 – Pack upstairs at CEC - All help is welcome.
- September 26 – Deliver backpacks – Corliss Barksdale

### Free Tickets to Hear Presiding Bishop Curry

Eight tickets have been donated for the public event with Presiding Bishop Curry at the WesBanco Arena in Wheeling on October 5 at 3:00 p.m. These are free to the first eight to claim them from Beth Ann in the CEC office. Call 304-622-3694 to see if they are still available.



### A Trivia Question About the Cross

The 19<sup>th</sup> Century cast iron cross recently placed in the Christ Church Memorial Garden has two individuals standing at the foot of the cross. Who do you think the artist wanted them to depict? When you look at the images, who could they symbolize? Check next week's newsletter for an opinion.



### Serving Ministries

**September 1, 2019**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month is Discretionary Sunday.**

**All loose offering goes to Rev. Nora's Discretionary Fund.**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**9:30 a.m. Choir warmup**

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at Christ Church**

Lector: Chuck Critchfield

Ushers: Ben Barksdale and Tom Walsh

Acolyte: Nate Critchfield

Altar Guild: Jeanne Smith

**11:00 a.m. Coffee hour in the parlor**

Coffee hour host: OPEN

**11:00 a.m. Pack Backpacks - upstairs**

**5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at St. Barnabas**

Lector: Nancy Cotten

Usher: Joe Martin

Altar: Nancy Cotten

**September 8, 2019**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**9:30 a.m. Choir warmup**

**10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at Christ Church**

Lector: Jody Morse

Ushers: Tom Walsh and Zac Steed

Acolyte: Nate Critchfield

Altar Guild: Jeanne Smith

**11:00 a.m. Coffee hour in the parlor**

Coffee hour host: OPEN

**11:00 a.m. Pack Backpacks – upstairs**

**11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal**

**5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer at St. Barnabas**

Lector: Kipp Martin

Usher: Nancy Cotten

Altar: Kipp Martin

**6:30 p.m. Second Sunday Supper at St. Barnabas**

**... to know, live, and share  
The Good News Story of Jesus Christ**



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## Meet Our Missionaries: Joe Pagano and Amy Richter, Episcopal Volunteers in Mission

*An update from Joe Pagano and Amy Richter, Episcopal Volunteers in Mission (EVIM):*

### How do you see the work that you are doing as a part of the Way of Love?

Our mission is to work on theological education. In the Episcopal tradition, theological education isn't Anglican trivial pursuit. It's formation for a life of discipleship. Discipleship is about following Jesus, and following Jesus is about the Way of Love. For the past year, we've been teaching at the College of Transfiguration in Makhanda/Grahamstown, South Africa. The College of Transfiguration is the residential college for people preparing for the priesthood in the Anglican Church of Southern Africa. Amy taught biblical studies and homiletics and Joe taught systematic theology and ethics. Along with our partners in the Anglican Church in Southern Africa, we helped to form clergy leaders for the church who will equip and empower all baptized people to live as disciples of Jesus Christ. As we say in our Book of Common Prayer, the ministry of all the baptized is "to represent Christ and his Church; to bear witness to him wherever they may be; and, according to the gifts given them, to carry on Christ's work of reconciliation in the world; and to take their place in the life, worship, and governance of the Church" (BCP, 855). This ministry, we believe, is at the heart of the Way of Love.



### Why did you choose to serve as an Episcopal Volunteer in Mission?

We believe that God calls everyone to use our gifts and opportunities to serve God and our neighbor. Someone told us that there is a need for people with PhDs in theological subjects to teach in Anglican colleges in Africa. We looked into opportunities to do this and in conversation with staff members of Global Missions, we received this call. We have both been interested in learning more about the bigger church of which we are a part and serving as Episcopal Volunteers in Mission is a wonderful way to do this. Whenever we receive correspondence from The Episcopal Church, we are reminded by the return address that the official name of our church is the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church. This name is making a claim about who we are as a church: whether we are at home or abroad, we are all missionaries and called to take our part in the mission of the triune God, which is to draw all people into the reconciling love of Jesus Christ. Serving as Episcopal Volunteers in Mission is one way we can live out that identity.

### How can we pray for you and the people you work with?

Please pray for a spirit of cooperation, collaboration, and creativity amongst people working on theological education throughout the Anglican Communion. Please pray that we may find many ways to listen deeply, to identify and share resources, to work together, and to find new ways to teach and learn.

*You can continue to follow and find out about Amy and Joe's mission on their blog at [amyandjoegotoafrica.com](http://amyandjoegotoafrica.com). Learn more about Episcopal Volunteers in Mission at [iam.ec/EVIM](http://iam.ec/EVIM).*