

The ABC's* of Christ Episcopal Church

***Already Been Called? Find your place of service here!**

Acolytes

Ministry: To serve at the altar at Sunday services and other services as requested. Teams are scheduled on rotation.

Time: On a six-week rotation

Age: Completed 3rd grade and older

Contact: Kim Dudley at 242-5115

Altar Guild

Ministry: To serve on teams to prepare church and altar for services; clean and maintain serving pieces; arrange flowers

Time: On a five-week rotation

Age: Adults

Skills: Be dependable, follow instructions

Contact: Judy DeMott at 242-4104

Bible Study

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Ministry: To participate in class and discuss assignments

Time: Once a week plus assigned readings and work

Age: College age and older

Contact: Eloise Smith at 242-4868, Tuesday at 7 p.m.
Tammy Borders at 560-5889, Wednesday at 7 p.m.,
Clergy at 242-5115, Thursday at 11 a.m.

Canterbury Club/Episcopal College Ministry

Ministry: To provide meals and spiritual direction to college-age group at the Canterbury meetings

Time: Once during a semester at 5 p.m. on Sundays

Skill: Cooking and sharing God's love

Contact: Brenda Keller at 242-5115

Choir

Ministry: To provide service music and a joyful noise

Time: Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. practice & Sundays as scheduled

Skills: Musical ability/interest

Contact: Director of Music at Church office at 242-5115

Christ Church Softball Team

Ministry: To enjoy sports fellowship

Time: Practice, games; approximately 2 hours, twice a week during the Spring and Summer season

Age: 16 years and older

Skills: Team spirit

Contact: Paul Stevenson at 560-8526

Cursillo, Ultreya and Reunion Groups

Ministry: To lead lay persons in a closer walk with Christ

Time: Cursillo: one weekend, once a year

Ultreya: 4 hours, twice a year

Reunion Groups: 1 hour, weekly

Age: Adult

Contact: Sandy Sandbach at 244-9796

Daughters of the King

Ministry: To pray daily and other services as directed by the Rector

Time: Daily prayer; monthly meetings

Age: Over 21

Skills: Commitment

Contact: Pat Bezona at 242-8289

Dominican Republic Mission

Ministry: To serve God with the ministry of presence in the DR or send scholarship money, school supplies or other donations

Time: A week in June; pre-trip meetings and preparation

Age: Adult or teen with parent

Skills: The willingness to work, or send supplies

Contact: Julia or Julius Ariail at 229-559-7329

EFM: Education for Ministry (not in session this year)

Ministry: To study a course, offered through the University of the South, including Bible, church history, theology, and philosophy

Commitment: 4 years, weekly meetings except summers

Age: Adult **Skills:** Reading and discipline

Contact: Mike Holland at 242-0577 or Will Hanson at 247-8952

Episcopelicans

Ministry: To develop fellowship around athletic activities, especially walking and running

Time: Races, individual training, post-race fellowship

Skills: Endurance is more important than speed

Contact: Pepi Nelson at 563-3414 or join Facebook group

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)

Ministry: To provide fellowship with Christian youth

Time: Wednesday nights during the school year

Age: K-5, 6-8, 9-12th grades; Adult volunteers

Skills: Love of youth, planning

Contact: The Rev. Jim or Susan Elliott at 245-7930

Eucharistic Visitors

Ministry: To deliver communion to shut-ins and hospital patients

Time: On a four-week rotation

Age: Adult **Skills:** Commitment

Contact: Clergy at 242-5115

Flower Ministry

Ministry: To deliver Sunday service flowers to shut-ins

Contact: Ann Burnett at 242-2926

Foyer Groups

Ministry: To encourage Christian community

Time: As scheduled

Age: Adult

Contact: Sallie Honeycutt at cell 417-294-779

Happening Reunion Group

Ministry: To maintain commitment of Happening

Time: Twice a month **Age:** High School

Needs include: Meals, snacks, drinks, art supplies.

Contact: Molly Stevenson at 292-8215

Happy Episcopal People (HEP) Hosts

Ministry: To encourage Christian community

Time: Twice a year **Age:** Adult

Needs include: Meals, snacks, drinks

Contact: Robin Coleman at 242-3671

Helping Hands

Ministry: To assist with various needs in the community i.e.

Adopt a Haven Family, Partnership for Health Clinic, Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Time: Minimal, usually purchasing items to donate

Skills: Helping hands and a servant's heart

Contact: Patricia Marks at 242-5115 or Stella Clark at 559-6159

Hospitality Committee/Coffee Hour Hosts

Ministry: To coordinate refreshments for special events in the church's life

Time: As needed; ordinarily less than once a month

Age: Adults

Skills: Hospitality

Contact: Robin Coleman at 242-3671

Lay Readers

Ministry: To read scripture at services

Time: As scheduled, approximately once a month

Age: High School and up

Skills: Clear speaking voice

Contact: Clergy at 242-5115

Licensed Eucharistic Ministers

Ministry: To assist in serving communion at all services

Time: On a five-week rotation

Age: 16 years or older **Skills:** Commitment

Contact: Clergy at 242-5115

Lunch Bunch

Ministry: To feed hungry children

Time: Two Saturdays a month

Age: 16 years or older

Skills: Commitment

Contact: Sandbachs at 244-9796

Manna

Ministry: To provide a meal for a family in event of illness, birth, or death

Time: Time to prepare or purchase and deliver a meal

Age: Adult

Skills: Dependability

Contact: Office at 242-5115

Men in Blue

Ministry: To prepare food for special events

Time: A few hours per session as needed

Age: High School and up

Skills: Willingness to have fun and cook on the grill

Contact: Dave Clark, Jerry DeMott, Buddy Pitts, or Steve Roberts through the church office at 242-5115

Nursery

Ministry: To watch children during church services when paid staff is unavailable

Time: 2 hours on Sunday a.m. or 1 hour Wednesday p.m.

Age: High School and up

Skills: Love and patience with children

Contact: Jeani Snyard at 244-3036

Pastoral Care

Ministry: To visit those who are ill, homebound, or living in nursing homes and provide support for those who are grieving or in any kind of need

Time: As available

Age: Adult

Skills: Caring and compassion

Contact: Clergy at 242-5115

Photography

Ministry: To provide photographs of Christ Church events and members

Time: Any time you can contribute

Contact: Julius Ariail at 559-7329

Social Media

Ministry: To communicate what's happening at Christ Church through Twitter and Facebook

Time: Any time you can contribute

Contact: Julius Ariail at 559-7329

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

St. Francis Ministry to Animals

Ministry: To provide assistance in fundraising for animals in crisis

Contact: Josie Parten at 794-2624 or Karen Gunter at 794-8146

Stitchers of Love

Ministry: To create needlework for individuals in need of a tangible reminder of God's love. Most items are knitted or crocheted but other types of needlework are also welcome.

Time: Meets 4 - 6 p.m. on Sunday, as scheduled

Skills: Willingness; lessons available

Contact: Pepi Nelson at 563-3414

Sunday School - Youth

Ministry: To share God's word and Christ's teaching

Time: Weekly during the school year

Age: High school and up may teach and will need to complete training course. Also need substitutes and floaters as teacher's aides

Skills: Love of young people

Contact: Stefani Carroll at 259-0315

Christian Education - Adults

Meets in the front room of parish hall. Topics and teachers vary. All adults are welcome. Contact Phyllis Hiers at 244-5942 or Frances Guice at 560-2180

Transportation

Ministry: To volunteer to provide transportation to church services and for special occasions

Contact: Church office at 242-5115

United Thank Offering

Ministry: To assist with the ingathering of UTO blue boxes for loose change which provides funding for projects that meet compelling human needs and expand the mission and ministry of the church.

Contact: Helen Tucker at 242-1900

Ushers

Ministry: To welcome visitors, provide structure for movement of parishioners for all services; greet, distribute bulletins, and Quiet Books; and direct traffic flow for communion

Time: Once a month

Age: High school and older

Skills: Friendly, helpful

Contact: Helen Tucker at 242-1900

Vacation Bible School

Ministry: To share God's word with children in the summer

Time: Four days a year plus pre-planning days and clean up

Age: All (Teachers and Helpers: high school and up)

Skills: Love of children, teaching, cooking, athletics, arts & crafts

Contact: Stefani Carroll at 259-0315

Vestry

The vestry, an elected 15-member group, meets with the rector on the third Monday of the month to make decisions affecting the life and ministry of the parish. The term of office is three years, and the church elects five new members in November by majority vote.

Vestry Committees - Hospitality - Robin Coleman; Worship - Clergy; Communications - Michael Black; Technology - Tom Carroll; Stewardship - Elizabeth Wisenbaker ; Outreach - Sandy Sandbach; Foyers - Sallie Honeycutt; and Facilities - Frances Guice.

The Vineyard

Ministry: To provide an online blog about events at the church

Time: any time you can contribute

Skills: Writing, photography, basic WordPress editing

Contact: Julius Ariail at 559-7329

Website

Ministry: To provide current information on the church Website

Time: As needed (usually several hours each week)

Skills: Basic WordPress design and editing

Contact: Julius Ariail at 559-7329

Work Days

Ministry: To clean and repair church property

Time: As needed (usually several hours on a Saturday)

Age: Children and adults

Skills: Weeding, painting, carpentry, cleaning, etc.

Contact: Watch for announcements in Sunday bulletins and in the Friday weekly email..

Parents' Morning Out

Ministry: A non-profit within Christ Church to provide temporary daycare for children while parents run errands

Time: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 noon

Age: 6-months old to 4-years old

Contact: The church office at 242-5115

Preschool

Ministry: A non-profit within Christ Church to provide preschool experience for children

Time: After Labor Day until mid/late May, 9 a.m. - 12 noon

Age: 2 through 4-years olds

Contact: The church office at 242-5115

We encourage each member, regular attendee, and guest of Christ Church to share your time and talent by devoting an hour or two each week in service through the church.

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Cooperative Ministries with Other Organizations

Break Bread

Ministry: To work with First Presbyterian Church to deliver meals to shut-ins. Previously known as Meals-on-Wheels, the program needs volunteers.

Time: One hour, two days a month

Contact: Presbyterian Church office at 242-8376

Community Depot

Ministry: To provide affordable items in a thrift store and donate profits to charity.

Contact: Ralph Jackson at 671-1755.

Habitat for Humanity

Ministry: To work with other organizations and churches to eliminate substandard housing and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. This ecumenical group encourages volunteers from all walks to build houses in partnership with needy families.

Contact: Habitat office at 245-1330 or Dick Saeger at 244-4644

The Haven

Ministry: To work with the professional staff at the shelter for abused women and children donating time, talent and treasure as needed

Time: As needed

Contact: Lauren Sandbach at 244-1765

Hungry at Home and Jammin' for Jesus

Ministry: To work with the school systems to provide food for children and seniors who are hungry at home by packing backpacks one day a week

Time: One hour one day a week during school year

Contact: Stella Clark at 559-6159

Literacy Volunteers

Ministry: To work with the adult literacy program at Wiregrass Technical College to tutor adults who wish to earn a G.E.D. or who want to improve their reading, writing, and communication skills. Training is provided for tutors.

Contact: Patricia Marks at 242-5115

Second Harvest Food Bank of Valdosta

Ministry: To combat hunger by providing food to non-profit agencies in the area

Time: Volunteers needed for various amounts of time

Contact: Food Bank at 244-2678 or Phyllis Hiers at 244-5942

Soup Kitchen

Ministry: To serve meals to the hungry at lunch time. The Community Soup Kitchen, located at 601 N. Lee Street (The old Leila Ellis School), is open Monday through Friday; serving meals between 11:30 and 12:45 daily. Volunteers need to be there between 10:30 and 11:00.

Contact: Soup Kitchen at 247-6178 or Judy DeMott at 242-4104

Christ Episcopal Church Discipleship Guide 2014

Connect with the ministries and discipleship opportunities at Christ Episcopal Church.

