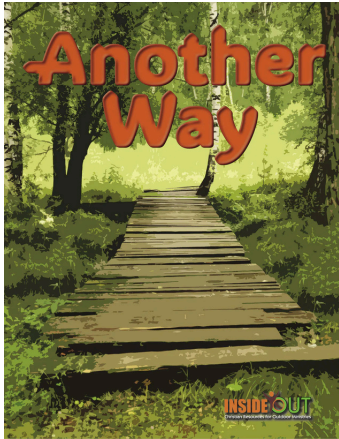


the COORDINATOR

JUNE 2025



LEARNING ANOTHER WAY

This summer our camp theme is "Another Way." Through daily times of worship and small groups, our campers and counselors will be exploring biblical lessons from the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, Saul and Ananias, John the Baptist, the Daughters of Zelophehad, and Peter and Cornelius, along with Isaiah 43 and Psalm 46. Campers will learn to recognize God doing new things, be empowered to live and lead in new ways, and become partners with God in the new things that God is doing in the world.

Register: www.campkumbaya.org/register-for-camps/

Postcards, brochures, graphics and video for inviting others to camp: www.campkumbaya.org/promote-the-camping-program/

MORE WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR CAMPERS

MAIL CALL!

Looking for another way to show your campers you support their spiritual journeys? Mail your campers a letter (snail mail) or hand-deliver your letter(s) at camper drop-off. Be sure to write the requested delivery date on the envelope for your camper to receive your mail. To help the mail reach your camper in time, please mail at least a week prior to their camp. Please put the camper's home address as the return address so that we can forward it, if needed.

(Camper's Name) (Event Name)
Camp Kum-Ba-Ya
4943 Barge Island Rd.
Benton, KY 42025

COMMISSION YOUR CAMPERS!

Send off your campers with the prayers of your church using the Ministries Across Generations camper commissioning liturgy for worship. You'll find the liturgy on the camp's registration page.

www.campkumbaya.org/register-for-camps/

GIVE TO KBY

- Give to our Camp Revamp Fund, which helps us make maintenance repairs and improvements to our facilities.
www.campkumbaya.org/howyoucanhelp/
- Purchase needed items from our wish list.
www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/XBOO8E561ONH?ref=wl_share
- Donate items for our beach parties or camp canteen--like canned soft drinks, regular sized candy bars, and individual bags of chips or snacks.



MORE FUN ON THE WATER!

Camp Kum-Ba-Ya received a generous donation of canoes from Princeton First Christian to add to our fleet of kayaks and canoes. Plus, A Soldier's Heart, one of our guest groups, has also loaned us the use of their rack of kayaks and canoes. So now we have 12 canoes and 10 kayaks available for use by our campers and guests. This will allow larger groups of children, youth, or adults to plan water adventure outings, retreats, or camps at KBY. And, we also received a donation of a lily pad floating mat from the Bargas at Benton First Christian. It's a fun addition to the swim area for our campers. Thank you, donors, for this amazing gift to our campers and guests!



**REGISTER
ONLINE FOR
SUMMER 2025**

Junior Camp (gr. 3-5) June 2-6
Sailing Camp (gr. 6-12) June 9-13
Discovery Camp (gr. K-2) June 20-22
Chi Rho Camp (gr. 6-8) June 23-28
CYF Camp (gr. 9-12) June 30-July 5



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DISCOVERY CAMP

JUNE 20-22

Introduce your favorite kiddo (grades K-2) to the joy of camping at Kentucky Lake! This memory-making weekend is for a child to spend a special time with a parent, grandparent, guardian, or other adult family member.



CAMP WAKON'DA-HO 2025 DATES

YOSEMITE, KY | REGISTER AT CCINKY.NET

SPRING WORK WEEKEND

MINI CAMP (2-3)	TBD
CYF 1 (9-12)	MAY 30-JUNE 1
EIGHTER'S CAMP (8)	JUNE 2-7
JUNIOR CAMP (4-5)	JUNE 8-14
CAMP 101A (K-2*)	JUNE 16-20
CYF 2 (9-12)	JUNE 20-22
CHI RHO 1 (6-8)	JUNE 23-28
CHI RHO 2 (6-8)	JUNE 30-JULY 5
CAMP 101B (K-2*)	JULY 7-12
Y'ALL CAMP (ALL AGES*)	JULY 19
	AUGUST 29-SEPT 1

*FIND DETAILS REGARDING AGE RESTRICTIONS, CHAPERONE REQUIREMENTS, AND PRICING AT CCINKY.NET/MINISTRIES/CAMP/WAKONDA-HO

DISCIPLES WOMEN'S NEWS

KNIT/QUILT/CRAFT RETREAT: JUNE 30-JULY 3

This year's Knit/Quilt/Craft Retreat will return to Berea, Kentucky at First Christian Church, Berea. The retreat cost is \$190, covering five meals, facilities, and activities. Participants make their own housing arrangements. Registration is due **June 22**. Registration form and link are available on the website below.

This retreat is primarily a spiritual life retreat, organized to help participants connect their creative work to their journey with God. Morning and evening prayers are included every day, with full worship and communion at the close. There is a group project to raise money for Week of Compassion. Tours will be offered of Berea College's many craft programs. There is space for sewing machines, knitting and crochet circles, painting, clay work, and even weaving. The hum of machines, the sound of laughter and conversation, the time for saying thank you to God, and many moments to just breathe ... that is what it's all about.

Berea has a number of motels and B&Bs, and we have a block of rooms reserved at Boone Tavern. Reservations can be made using booking number 12729. Rooms are \$120/night plus tax; reservations for these rooms must be made by **May 31**.

<http://www.ccinky.net/disciples-women/>



GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025



The General Assembly is a four-day gathering in response to God's covenant of love that calls us to come together to go BEYOND. It is a time for us to step into the vastness of God's imagination across the life of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Mark your calendars to join us **July 12-15**, for worship, workshops, Bible study, opportunities to explore Memphis, mission projects, and the sacred work of the church for children, youth, young adults, and adults across the life of the church.

<https://ga.disciples.org>



HELP BUILD HOPE

Frame a house for a disaster-impacted family, part of Week of Compassion's long-term tornado recovery in Kentucky.

build host site: The BLVD
(Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church, Memphis)

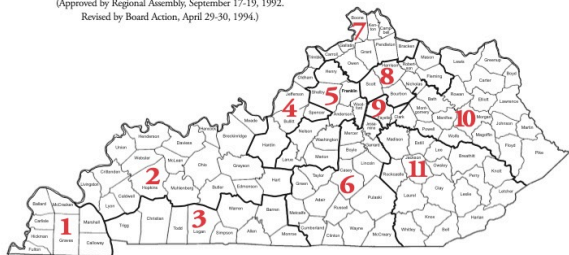


Plan to come early to help frame a home for our Kentucky neighbors!

CLERGY NEWS

District Boundaries

(Approved by Regional Assembly, September 17-19, 1992.
Revised by Board Action, April 29-30, 1994.)



JUNE MINISTERS MEETINGS

DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, June 24, at 12 p.m. Central at Paducah First Christian (415 Audubon Dr.) and on Zoom.

DISTRICT 2 AND DISTRICT 3

Tuesday, June 10, at 10 a.m. Central
Two districts will meet in person at
Madisonville First Christian (1030 College Dr.)
and on Zoom.

BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

Thursday, June 12, at 7 p.m. Central on Zoom.
(Check your email for connection
information.)

PRAYER CHAIN

Pray the West Area Prayer Chain with us.

June 1	First Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 8	Liberty Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 15	Millbrooke Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 22	First Christian Church, Madisonville
June 29	Christian Care Communities, Hopkinsville

NEW GMAIL EMAIL

Rachel and Teri are transitioning to Gmail email addresses. Please change our work email addresses in your contacts list:

teri.westarea@gmail.com (Teri Arp, West Area Office Manager)

westareaminister@gmail.com (Rachel Nance Woehler, West Area Reg. Minister)

MINISTRY CELEBRATIONS

Rev. Catherine DeMoss completed her interim ministry with Hopkinsville First Christian on April 27. We're grateful for your service, Catherine.



Wickliffe Christian Church is excited to have called Robert Greif as their new pastor. Robert is a bi-vocational pastor and Captain of the Jackson (Missouri) Fire Rescue.



Congratulations to Rev. Anne Ross Bruce, who graduated from the Spiritual Direction Internship Program at Nazareth Retreat Center in Bardstown. She is now trained to accompany others as a Spiritual Director. Anne (pictured on the first row, far left) is the co-pastor of Glasgow First Christian. We are grateful for all of her ministries in the area.

FOR CLERGY CAREGIVERS

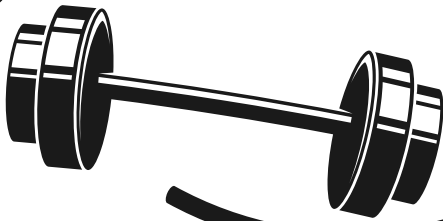
Caregivers: The CCK's Clergy Caregiver Support group is a safe space to express your frustrations and hopes. Join us!

Thursday, June 5, 10-11 a.m. Central
Facilitated by Rev. Marie Weaver, who published the book, *Dementia, Caregiving, and Christian Discipleship: Managing Ministry for Dementia Patients and their Caregivers*.

To receive the Zoom link, contact Marie at craftywriter000@gmail.com

BODY BUILDING

Summer is a great time to consider our spaces for children, toddlers and infants. Are your rooms for babies and toddlers safe, clean, updated, and attractive? Do you offer a well-stocked changing area for parents to utilize? Is a rocking chair or glider available for use? Do signs help visitors easily locate these spaces? How is your church welcoming the little ones?



PENTECOST 2025

GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND

2025 PENTECOST OFFERING
SUNDAYS JUNE 1 & JUNE 8



IMAGINATION FREEDOM INNOVATION UNITY CREATIVITY

COMMUNITY SPIRITUALITY JUSTICE TRAIN EQUIP ASSIST



THE 2025 PENTECOST OFFERING IS A SPECIAL OFFERING
IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW CHURCH MOVEMENT IN YOUR REGION
AND ACROSS THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/pentecost/



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New Gmail addresses!



An Invitation to Join the West Area Prayer Chain

In 2021, the West Area connected in a powerful chain of prayer. Let's covenant to pray for one another again in 2025!

Each Sunday and the following week, the prayer chain invites to pray for one of our churches or ministries in the West Area. Our chain of prayer will begin the first Sunday after Epiphany on January 12 and take us throughout the year to the Sunday before Advent. We might list each one on our prayer lists in our newsletters and bulletins. We could raise up their names in worship, in our prayer groups, at our devotional times, or in our prayer moments at staff meetings. It's an opportunity to invite our Elders, Deacons, and other intercessors to speak the names of our sister churches and ministries in their own daily prayers.

Thanks be to God that we are able to connect across the miles in a chain of prayer with one another.

"I don't stop giving thanks to God for you when I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, will give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation that makes God known to you. I pray that the eyes of your heart will have enough light to see what is the hope of God's call, what is the richness of God's glorious inheritance among believers, and what is the overwhelming greatness of God's power that is working among us believers."
(Ephesians 1:16-19a)

January 12	The retired ministers of the West Area
January 19	Bardwell Christian Church, Bardwell
January 26	Morris Valley Christian Church, Bardwell
February 2	Baskett Christian Church, Baskett
February 9	Beech Grove Christian Church, Beech Grove
February 16	First Christian Church, Benton
February 23	First Christian Church, Bowling Green
March 2	Cadiz Christian Church, Cadiz
March 9	Sinking Fork Christian Church, Cerulean
March 16	Crofton Christian Church, Crofton
March 23	First Christian Church, Dawson Springs
March 30	Camp Kum-Ba-Ya

April 6	Ilseley Christian Church, Dawson Springs
April 13	First Christian Church, Earlington
April 20	The Christian Church of Elkton, Elkton
April 27	First Christian Church, Fulton
May 4	First Christian Church, Glasgow
May 11	First Christian Church, Greenville
May 18	First Christian Church, Henderson
May 25	Roaring Springs Christian Church, Herndon
June 1	First Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 8	Liberty Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 15	Millbrooke Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 22	First Christian Church, Madisonville
June 29	Christian Care Communities of Hopkinsville
July 6	Potluck Church, Madisonville
July 13	First Christian Church, Mayfield
July 20	Second Christian Church, Mayfield
July 27	First Christian Church, Murray
August 3	First Christian Church, Nortonville
August 10	First Christian Church, Owensboro
August 17	First Christian Church, Paducah
August 24	Pembroke Christian Church, Pembroke
August 31	Christian Care Communities of Owensboro
September 7	First Christian Church, Princeton
September 14	First Christian Church, Providence
September 21	Berea Christian Church, Russellville
September 28	First Christian Church, Russellville
October 5	First Christian Church, Sebree
October 12	First Christian Church, Smiths Grove
October 19	Maxon Christian Church, West Paducah
October 26	Christian Care Communities of Bowling Green
November 2	Whitesville Christian Church, Whitesville
November 9	Wickliffe Christian Church, Wickliffe
November 16	The leadership and staff of the Christian Church In Kentucky
November 23	The leadership and staff of the West Area