

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE WORD – JUNE-JULY 2023

CEC Parish Picnic

Windsor Castle Park June 11th from 12:00-3:00pm

Join us in celebrating our Youth along with Carleton and Elsa

Burgers, Hotdogs and Drinks Provided.

Please Bring A Dish To Share. (Sign Up Sheet Is Next To The Hospitality Sheet).

Items to Bring:

Chairs, Bug Spray And A Smile!





Hospitality

Thank you to those who provided Hospitality for the past three months: March - Robbie & Doug Caskey, Beth Harris, Fred Chapman, and Betsy Egan; April - April Jones, Terry Andrews, and Joan Lee Mikulus; May – April Jones and Betsy & Bill Egan. Your devotion and willingness to serve is much appreciated.

Thanks also to Tammy Harper who makes pizza for Open Mic Nite and makes sure there is pizza for Hospitality the Sunday after OMN. Special thanks to Betsy & Bill Egan (bringing food & setting up) and Mike Gambacorta (along with Bill made coffee) who stepped in on May 28th when no one was signed up to provide it.

If you have that “itch” to bake all our part of the goodies you bring; you are most welcome to do so. However, store bought ones are perfectly fine. What is most important is that we have time for fellowship and conversation.



Thank you to Joanne Willis who brought me these beautiful Altar Flowers from Pentecost Sunday that she arranged. I have been enjoying them very much.

Thank you to all who held me in prayer, called me and sent cards during my recovery from back surgery. Christ Church is such a wonderful congregation and I am so happy to be among you.

Love,

Edith Raby

Martin's Corner

By Martin Mikulus

As discussed previously, the ospreys return from their yearly migration to the River Pagan around the beginning of March. However, after returning, they find that the long windy and wet winter weather has taken a severe toll on some of the nests. Because more ospreys have returned than there are available nests, quite a few skirmishes occur for a week or two to sort out nest ownership. Typically, the females begin challenging for the best nests as shown in the 1st image.

The females are readily identified by what looks like a necklace around their neck. After a female takes charge of a nesting site, she will begin to flirt with males passing by. To enhance the desirability of her nest, the female begins the arduous task of rebuilding the nest as shown in images 2 and 3.

As many as six or more males may be interested in joining with a female at the same time. Thus, many aerial combats will take place to determine the final pairing as shown in the 4th image.

After the final pairing occurs, the happy couple will relentlessly continue rebuilding the nest until they are satisfied with the result as shown in the 5th image. In the 5th image the difference between the male and female is readily apparent by the necklace around the female's neck. After the mating process, the male is quite protective of their hard-earned new home and will take on all threats as shown in the last figure. In the next few weeks, the female will lay eggs and begin the incubation process.

Martin

"In order to see birds it is necessary to become a part of the silence."

— Robert Lynd



Image 1

**Osprey females
fighting over nest**

Image 2

**Female osprey
starting nest**



Image 3

**Female Osprey
building nest**



Image 4

**Osprey males
fighting over nest**

Image 5

**Male & female
osprey**

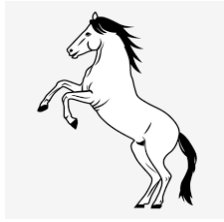


Image 6

Male osprey in flight



White Horse Fellowship



People of all ages
are invited to join us at

Tokyo Thai

on Tuesday, June 13 & July 11, 2023

at 6:30 p.m.

for fun, food, and fellowship



Call or email
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for more information
or if you have
questions.

Open Mic Nite
Friday 7 PM
Musicians, Comics,
Poets, Stories



**DONATIONS GO TO
CHRISTIAN OUTREACH PROGRAM**

Upcoming OMN's:
Friday, June 16, 2023
Friday, July 21, 2023

3rd FRIDAY - 111 S CHURCH STREET



DEADLINE:
Newsletter Articles

Deadline for:
August, 2023 WORD:
Wednesday,
July 24, 2023
by 5:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH PROGRAM

This program was born here in CEC and started by Gene Lowery and Fred Glanville. We deliver food to the Isle of Wight County facility on an on-going basis. Our food is currently being delivered by Wayne Willis after donations are given by our congregation at Christ Church. Christian Outreach ALWAYS needs volunteers (2-4 hours per month) to help distribute and take in food, diapers, etc. If you can volunteer to work for the COP please call for details of hours of operation or check out their website at: <https://iowcop.net>. Thank you.



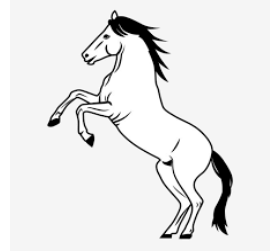
HELP FILL THE COP FOOD PANTRY SHELVES



Christ Church participates in collecting non-perishable food items on Sundays for the Food pantry at COP (Christian Outreach Program). This is an important ministry to those who are hungry. Anything you can drop off at church in the “outreach” basket will be greatly appreciated. The basket is located under the mailboxes. Thank you KINDLY and GOD BLESS!.

COP Shopping List

- Canned Fruit
- Canned Soups
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta
- Peanut Butter
- Cereal
- Baby Food
- Granola Bars
- Diapers – sizer 5 or 6



**White
Horse
Tuesday, April
11, 2023**

(left to right) Edith Raby, Robbie Caskey, Priscilla & Bob McGreevy,
Curtiss & Suzanne Peterson, and Martha Underwood



**OPEN MIC NITE
FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023**



Chris Cook



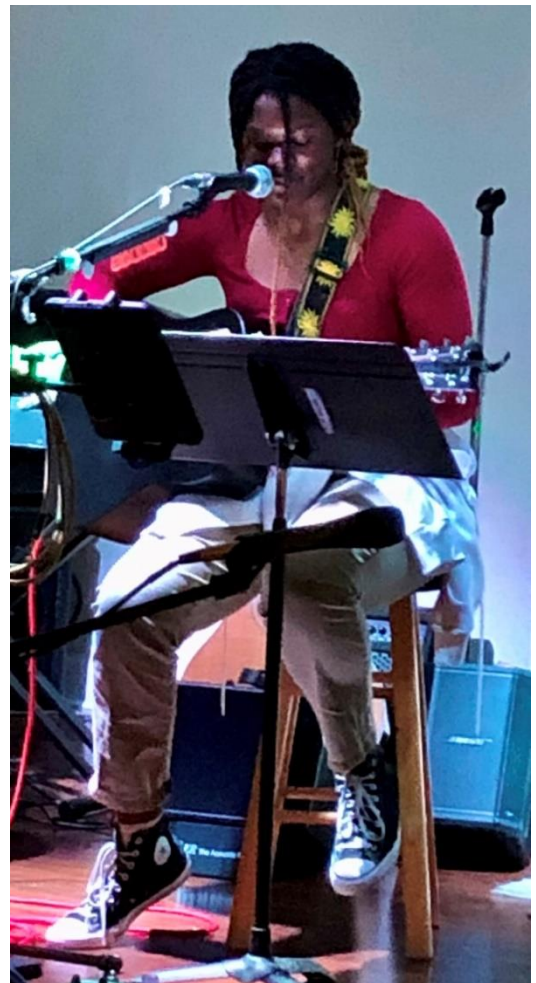
Lee Harper



Maddie Smith (left) & Leila Bess (right) sang a duet.



Mark D'Etechevery



Leila Bess



Vince Falcione & Lee Harper

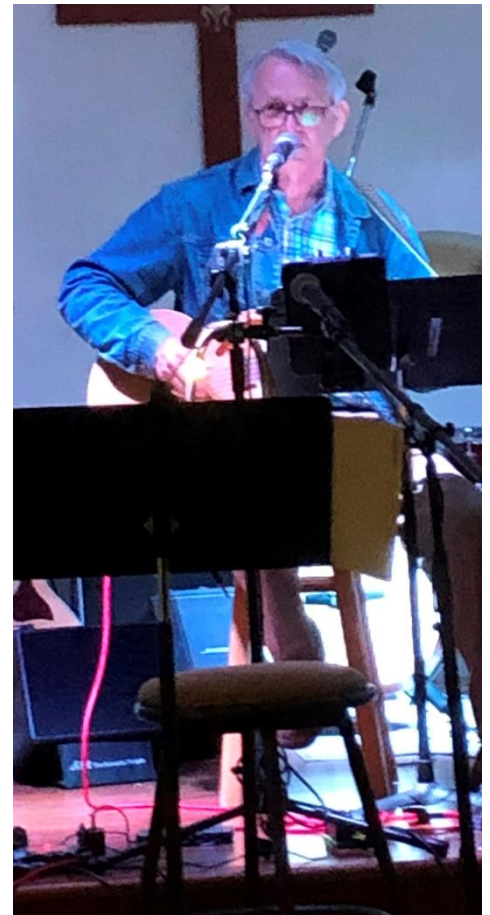


Scott Hamilton



Good News 6: (back, left to right) Scott Hamilton, Jim Abicht, Mark D'Etechevery, Richard Rhodes. (front) Drex Bradshaw and Jeff Bolt

Drex & Jim out of the shadows



Jim Abicht

May

MEMORIES

WHITE HORSE

Tuesday, May 16, 2023



(left to right) Martha Underwood, John & Demere Bates, Bob & Priscilla McGreevy, Curtiss & Susanne Peterson, Beth Harris, Fred Chapman, and Edith Raby



Curtiss & Suzanne Peterson



Beth Harris & Fred Chapman



Edith Raby



John & Demere Bates and Bob & Priscilla McGreevy



OPEN MIC NITE

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023




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2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9:30am Adult Class 10:30am Rite II 6:30 EYC	5	6	7 9am-2pm Hands & Hearts	8	9	10
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18	19  <small>Shutterstock.com 1740055998</small>	20 Vestry Meeting	21 9am-2pm Hands & Hearts	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 9am-2pm Hands & Hearts	29	30	



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June



August

- 1 Betsy Egan
Phil Jones
- 29 Curtiss Peterson

- 2 Lee Harper
- 3 Heather Massingill
- 6 Aleksa Greenhalgh

- 6 Leigh Leaman
- 22 Terry Andrews
- 24 Fred Chapman

- 1 Mary Cole
- 5 Joanne Willis
- 20 Lois Haynes
- 25 Demere Bates