



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

**The Good News Weekly**  
**Christ Episcopal Church ~ St. Barnabas Chapel**  
September 26, 2021



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

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**This Week at Christ Church, Clarksburg  
and St. Barnabas Chapel, Bridgeport**

*Bishop Klusmeyer now requires masks to be worn  
on all church properties until further notice.*

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
with wafers / no common cup  
at 10:00 a.m.  
at Christ Episcopal Church  
6<sup>th</sup> and Main Street in Clarksburg

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
with wafers / no common cup  
at 5:30 p.m.  
at St. Barnabas Chapel  
721 Hall Street in Bridgeport

**Christ Church 10:00 AM Service**

The 10:00 AM service at Christ Church  
will be live streamed each week on Facebook  
and immediately following the service  
it will be uploaded to  
[Christ Episcopal Church & St. Barnabas Chapel.](https://www.facebook.com/Episcopalparishinclarksburg/)  
It and other previous services will be there  
for your viewing for an indefinite length of time.

**Backpack Schedule**

Sept. 26...Pack bags after church  
Sept. 30...Driver to deliver bags.....Beth Sickles  
Sept. 30...Shopper.....Beth Sickles  
Oct. 3.....Pack bags after church  
Oct. 7.....Driver to deliver bags..Tom and Becky Durrett

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

**Election Day – September 25**

After many months of preparation and continual prayers, we will soon know the results of the search for a new bishop. Here is the link to the YouTube channel for the convention election of the Bishop Coadjutor on Saturday, September 25, 2021, beginning at 9 am:

[https://youtube.com/channel/UCZWHI6N19FoKySZ\\_wiHI7xQ](https://youtube.com/channel/UCZWHI6N19FoKySZ_wiHI7xQ)

The YouTube channel also can be found by linking through the Diocesan website ([www.wvdiocese.org](http://www.wvdiocese.org)), as well as the bishop coadjutor search website ([www.wvbishopsearch.org](http://www.wvbishopsearch.org)).

**Bishop Klusmeyer's Visit**

Bishop Klusmeyer will be making his visitation on October 3 at the 10:00 a.m. service at Christ Episcopal Church in Clarksburg. The bishop will be preaching and celebrating Holy Eucharist (probably in one kind). The vestry is requested to meet with the bishop after the service.

**Finding Calm in a Chaotic World Book Study**

Anxiety is at an all-time high, but there's a prescription for dealing with it in the Bible. We will be diving into a **five-part** study beginning on **Wednesday, October 6** (the last session will be **Wednesday, November 5**), based on Max Lucado's book, *Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World*. "With His help you will learn to face the calamities of life. You'll learn how to talk yourself off the ledge. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, you will learn to view bad news through the lens of sovereignty; to discern the lies of Satan and tell yourself the truth. You will manifest a gentleness that is evident to others. "Anxiety comes with life. But it doesn't have to dominate your life," says Lucado. Please let **Toni Limbers** or the **church office** know if you prefer virtual study, in-person or both. You can pick up the book from most book vendors. The best price found was through Amazon: [CLICK HERE](#)

## United Thank Offering

Christ Church has sent \$322.00 for the United Thank Offering Ingathering. When the Diocesan Convention is held in person, one of the delegates from each church in the diocese presents their United Thank Offering to the Diocesan United Thank Offering Chairman during one of the Eucharist services. When the Diocesan Convention is virtual, our offering is mailed. If anyone from Christ Church wished to contribute to the United Thank Offering, please send your check to the church office with United Thank Offering on the memo line and Beth Ann will see that it gets sent to the proper person.

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box.

Notice all of the ways that God is blessing you each day. From moments of self-care to moments of interaction with people who are helping you, good things are happening all the time that we simply miss because we are rushing to the next thing. Today, we challenge you to notice all of the good things happening or simply start and end the day with a prayer of thankfulness.

Now that you are pausing to notice the good things happening in your day, make it tangible. This way you can actively practice gratitude each day. Here are some ways to give thanks, but you should find acts that work best for you. 1. Write a letter. Feeling extra grateful for someone today? Write them a letter and let them know. 2. Go for a gratitude walk. Take a walk. Notice the beauty around you and within you. Give thanks for what you see and how you feel. 3. Keep a gratitude journal. Write down three things you're grateful for every day. 4. Put a coin in a UTO Blue Box. 5. Download an app that tracks your immediate thank offerings ([utoblueboxapp.org](http://utoblueboxapp.org))

Through the United Thank Offering, your private thank offering gets invested with collective purpose. Your thanksgivings yield a greater return when combined with the gratitude gifts of your Episcopal brethren.

Once all of the thank offerings are collected, the UTO Board gives them away as grants. UTO grants often focus on urgent human needs – meaning your individual gratitude gift helps with racial reconciliation efforts, ending poverty, and much more. UTO Grants can be used for startup funds for new ministries, or to take a current ministry in a new and exciting direction.

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### **BISHOP COADJUTOR SELECTION PROCESS DETAILS FOR SEPTEMBER 25 CONVENTION AND BEYOND**

1. All voting delegates and voting clergy will gather by webinar by 9 a.m., Saturday, September 25. The voting process will be managed by Vistacom and overseen by Bishop Klusmeyer. Those interested in watching can do so by visiting the Diocesan YouTube Channel: [https://youtube.com/channel/UCZWHI6N19FoKySZ\\_wiHI7xQ](https://youtube.com/channel/UCZWHI6N19FoKySZ_wiHI7xQ) . Please use this exact address. The channel is new.
2. For a candidate to be elected, the individual must receive one vote more than 50 percent from each voting body (delegates and clergy) during the same vote tabulation.
3. Once a vote is taken and tallied, the results will be communicated to the shepherds, who will then carry the information to the candidates. The tally then will be announced to those on the webinar.
4. If a successful vote is not received, the process will repeat itself until the 50 percent plus 1 is secured, as stated in Step 2.
5. Once a candidate has been chosen, the person will be contacted by Bishop Klusmeyer to state they have received the votes and the signing of the testimonials will begin.
6. The signing of the testimonials involves multiple steps, led by the Episcopal Church Office in New York. Signatures must be collected from all voting delegates and clergy.
7. To be consecrated as the Bishop Coadjutor in March 2022, the person must be ratified by majority consent by the House of Bishops and by the Standing Committees in the Episcopal Church. This process is expected to be completed 120 days after election.