

**St. Christopher's Anglican Church, Wooster, Ohio**  
**2021 Outlook Meeting**  
**January 24, 2021**

**Opening Prayer:** Almighty and everliving God, source fo all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in St. Christopher's for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**God's Vision for the Church**

Anglican Church in North America

*Reaching North America with the transforming love of Jesus Christ*

Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes

*To Bless. To Heal. To Serve*

St. Christopher's Anglican Church

*Christ - Prayer - Scripture - Community*

**Mission Council**

Our Mission Council serves to steer our church community in a positive direction and to make sure we are doing everything we need to do in order to foster health and growth for our congregation.

- ◆ In 2020, we decreased the size of Mission Council for the purpose of sustaining a strong Mission Council over time.
- ◆ Delegate for 2021 Diocesan Synod (April or May - TBD)

**Worship**

Sunday Mornings: Holy Eucharist

Morning and Evening Prayer: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Mid-week Eucharist

*This past year's goals:*

- ◆ Safety procedures (for the instance of armed intruders)
- ◆ Interest in a mid-week gathering?

*This past year's actual:*

- ◆ Christmas/Epiphany/Lent/Pandemic
- ◆ Facebook Live Broadcast, then In-person worship/Facebook Live hybrid
- ◆ Mid-week Eucharist established

*Looking ahead in 2021:*

- ◆ Safety procedures (for the instance of armed intruders)
- ◆ Growing in observing the church calendar
- ◆ How to reintroduce the culture of invitation to worship as a tool of evangelism later in the year 2021 when the health climate improves?

## **Christian Religious Education/Spiritual Formation**

### *This past year's goals:*

- Bible Study: Summer study of either Genesis or Exodus (June, July, & August)  
Early Winter study of Philippians (November & December)
- Book Study: *Being Disciples* by Rowan Williams - 9:00am, Sundays in Lent
- Catechism: *To Be a Christian* (September & October)
- Retreat: TBD

### *This past year's actual:*

- Bible Study: Philippians (in the Autumn)
- Book Study: *Being Disciples* (began in-person, then moved to LifeSize video conference)

### *Looking ahead in 2021:*

- Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew (August to year's end)
- Book Study: *Becoming Human*, by John Behr (Early/Mid Summer? or for Fall Retreat?)
- Catechism: *To Be a Christian*  
- Introduction and Apostle's Creed during Lent  
- The Lord's Prayer and The Ten Commandments during Eastertide
- Retreat: Fall Retreat (Sat, October 16?)

## **Ministry/Outreach/Evangelism**

- ◆ Christopher's Closet
- ◆ St. Christopher's Festival on July 25
- ◆ Invitation Card Initiatives (before Easter and Christmas)
- ◆ College of Wooster
- ◆ Woosterfest (October 2)
- ◆ Obaatan Pa
- ◆ Anglican Frontier Missions - Samuel Haines in Turkey
- ◆ Connecting as a community of faith beyond being in-person

## **Communication**

- ◆ Church Directory
- ◆ Constant Contact email newsletter
- ◆ Facebook (public page and private group page)
- ◆ Website
- ◆ Daily Record Ad (weekly, Christmas & Easter)
- ◆ All Events online ads

## **Calendar**

- ◆ See 2021 calendar dates draft sheet.

## **Finance**

- ◆ See financial report.

**Closing Prayer:** Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*