CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS June 15, 2025

Questions, links: Contact Ms. Amanda Paredes at cccspfld@gmail.com or 413-736-2742

TELL US YOUR FAITH STORY - We will be sharing our faith stories during Coffee Hour! Please contact Verger Oswald Howard to schedule your testimony. Stories scheduled to be told:

Delphine Williams - June 15th, 2025

EVENSONG – On June 19th at 7pm Christ Church Cathedral will be hosting an Evensong Service in observance of Pride Month and Juneteenth. Join us in celebrating the beauty of diversity in God's creation of humanity.

SUMMER SERVICES - For the months of July and August our Sunday services will be held in our air conditioned undercroft. As a result, we will only be livestreaming to our Facebook page. The service will be put on our YouTube channel later in the week.

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING – Christ Church Cathedral will be hosting an in-person safe church training on Saturday, July 12th 2025. We would like to request that all volunteers with the Cathedral be present for this training from 9am to 12pm EST. Clergy and Staff are requested to be available for this training from 9am to 2pm EST.

AFGHAN FAMILY NEEDS YOUR HELP - The Cathedral and St. Mark's church have been helping the Khan family since their arrival from Afghanistan in late 2021. As soon as Afzal received his Work Authorization card, he started working at American Saw. He has been working there, full-time, since 2022. Every 2 years, Work authorization cards have to be renewed. The expiration date on Afzal's card is MAY 4th. He has an Immigration Attorney helping on the case, but since April 1st, his card has been "In Process" status. As of May 4th, Afzal can no longer work; it would be illegal to do so. So, this hard working father of 6 children is now out of work. We are asking our Church Family to look into their hearts (and wallets) to see if you can make a donation toward the family's \$1700 monthly rent. At the same time, please pray that Afzal's Work Authorization will be renewed.

WRITING WORKSHOP Would you like to write a book? Not sure how to get started? Free workshop in person here at Christ Church Cathedral. Saturday, June 28, 2025 from 1-3pm. Please reserve your spot by calling the Main office by May 23, 2025!

VOLUNTEER NEEDED! - Christ Church Cathedral is in need for someone who could assist us with our IT needs. We are looking for a technology-minded individual to volunteer a few hours a month to helping us update, install and maintain all of our Information Technology Systems here at the church. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact us today to learn more about this exciting volunteer opportunity.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES There is an English class for beginners at the Cathedral that meets on Sundays after the 12:15 mass, around 2 pm until 3:30. The curriculum includes conversation and listening practice as well as reading and writing. For more information, call or text Sara at 413-454-7172 or speak with her after the 12:15 Spanish mass.

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on zoom, Sunday morning 9:00am, Wednesday morning 8:00am, Saturday evening 5:00 pm. Links and more information are available through the office.

CENTERING PRAYER weekly on zoom, Saturday morning at 10:30. Lectio Divino with a guided meditation every week. Links and more information are available through the office.

BOOK CLUB - meets via Zoom every 6 weeks or so. Next Meeting: Monday, June 23, at 7:00 pm, via zoom. The book is "**Joy: Poet, Seeker, and the Woman Who Captivated C.S. Lewis" by Abigail Santamaria**. For links and more information contact Laura Manship at laura@shouldertoshoulder.org