

## Church Staff and Board

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## Pond Mission Statement

"Accept one person at a time to Christ's  
never-ending forgiving love!"



# Ripples

## July Pond Calendar

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS - at 9am in the Sanctuary and on  
Facebook Live

WORSHIP - Sunday 10:30am in person and also on Zoom -  
Meeting ID: 475 475 310 Call in number: 312-626-6799  
Passcode: 768836

CHRISTMAS IN JULY EVENT - JULY 10th 9:00am - 2:00pm

MINISTRY WITH YOUTH CONVERSATION - July 15th - 6pm at  
the church. RSVP with Rev. Chad

LOGOS & LAGERS, Starts back in-person August 11th at  
7:00pm at Casa Fiesta

## The Journey

**What is our Why?** This summer I thought that might be a good question to guide us.

Knowing the Why that is behind our life and living is essential to understanding and can guide us. With the Zoning board approval of the development that will be going on the 420+ acres right behind our property, we will be getting new neighbors over the next 5-10 years. Knowing who we are and preparing ourselves to be open and welcoming to these Children of God will be an important step for us and can make a big difference in whether we grow as a congregation of stay stagnant. Who are we and what are we about as a congregation will be questions that we need to be ready to answer and share in our community. I have always know Pond to be a place of welcome and service, but Why? What drives those outward actions of an inner spirit?

Within the book of Acts in the Biblical Narrative we have many stories to engage us in this questioning. So far it has been a fun, engaging, deep, and thoughtful conversation during this time, and I am grateful for Bill Bingham and John Lackey for sharing their voices while I was away with my family on vacation. I hope that you will continue to join us in person, connected by Zoom, on Facebook, or through the Podcast as we continue with the important conversation. If you would like to share your "Why" with me, I would love to find a time over coffee or chai. As a vaccinated individual, I am now visiting in coffee shops, homes, and nursing facilities again.

Agape,  
Rev. Chad

## VBS is coming August 1-3



This summer we will again partner with First Presbyterian and First Christian for a Vacation Bible School. It is intentionally intergenerational this year and we are encouraging families to plan to be there each night 5:30pm - 8pm

**Sunday, Aug. 1 Downtown at First Christian Church**

**Monday, Aug. 2 at EC Million Park**

**Tuesday, Aug 3 at Baldwin Farms**

It will include dinner as a family each night with picnics and food trucks. Rev. Chad and Pond will be responsible for the Gospel lesson each night. AND one night, we are planning, will be held on the grounds of Baldwin Farms! We hope that you will get this on your family calendar now as a great end of the summer faith experience. Register the little ones that you love at:

<https://fccrichmond.breezechms.com/form/0d7b7c>

## Conversation about Ministry with Children/Youth

Join us for pizza on Thursday, July 15 at 6pm - RSVP to Rev. Chad for a free gift

White Oak Pond Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
1238 Barnes Mill Road  
Richmond, Kentucky 40475

## POND CAMPS OUT SEPTEMBER 24-25

Pack your s'mores stick and hiking boots and let's go to the woods. We have reserved Camp AJ in McKee, KY (about 45min away) for outdoor fun and celebrating God's creation. We are beginning plans for a great weekend that will include hiking, canoeing, campfires and cooking together. We will begin taking reservations this month. For more information and to RSVP contact the Church office.



## Logos and Lagers Returns to Wednesday, August 11th!

Please come out and join us for Logos and Lagers at Casa Fiesta 7pm. We will gather for food, fun and faith discussions. We will talk and share how the pandemic has shaped our faith and how we live as followers of Jesus.



## Pond's Four Values

We value ACCEPTANCE.  
We value DIVERSITY.  
We value RELEVANCE  
(In the Current World).  
We value FUN & ENJOYMENT

## July Elder Schedule

4 - Jerry Ann Dimitrov  
11 - Kathy Eidson  
18 - Mike Jackson  
25 - Rachel Carney

## White Oak Pond Church Christmas in July

Saturday, July 10th  
8 am - 2pm

All are needed for this fun and important event in the life of the congregation. It is a great way to reach out to the community and share who we are as a church. It is also a great fundraiser for the our ministries.

There are many ways to be a part of the event:

- Volunteer with setup, pricing, and organization of Christmas donations
- Help on the day of the event with parking, greeting, sales, or cleanup
- Contact the church office for more information and ways to serve

## Prayer List

Donna Evans - Under Hospice Care  
Stieha Family - Joy with the birth of Josie Marie on June 24th  
Heidi Franks and Gentry Deck - Health Issues  
Paul Rogers - Grateful for work around church

## July Birthdays

Gentry Deck	July 4
Jennifer Barclay	July 7
John Allnutt	July 10
Steven Dickey	July 17
David Tope	July 18
Sannie Rhee	July 22
Liz Eidson	July 23
William McKenney	July 27
Brittany Unthank	July 27
Callie Coakley	July 31

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

## July Anniversaries

David & Teresa Tope	July 18
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

## New Regional Minister Called to Christian Church in Kentucky

The Christian Church in KY Regional Board voted unanimously on Saturday, May 22, to approve the Regional Minister Search Team's recommendation that Rev. Dr. Gillett be called to this position. He will begin this ministry on Aug. 1.

Rev. Dr. Gillett has deep roots in the Kentucky region, having served the last 22 years as senior pastor of East Second Street Christian Church in Lexington. Since June 2017, he has been the Executive Director of the Kentucky Council of Churches and has served as an adjunct lecturer at Lexington Theological Seminary.



Rev. Dr. Gillett stated, "I am honored and privileged to have been called to regional ministry in Kentucky. I am truly excited and feel called to this ministry at this moment in time and look forward to working with all who make up the Christian Church in Kentucky."

## Why I'm at Pond...



### Jean Smith

I was 42 years old when I moved to Richmond with Jay and Carol ages 10 and 14. Lynn and Butch were in College. We lived upstairs in my mom

and dad's farm house on Lancaster Road.

Mother played piano at White Oak Pond Church. Because they had Sunday School classes for children, I went to Pond also. I was active in the church in the city so I immediately became active at Pond.

Throughout my time in the church, I have taught Adult Sunday School and served as Deacon and Elder.

Pond has been a home for me. It was a caring and loving place for me while I had to be away this last year. And now, after Covid, it is so great to be back with such thoughtful people.

## Deacon Corner

Deacons, Margaret will be having hip replacement surgery Aug 3 and expect to be out of service that month. Please help by signing up to serve on SignUpGenius or by calling Denise at the church office. All who have served in June have done a great job and I thank you.

## July Deacon Schedule

4 - Brenda Stratman/John A. Stratman  
11 - Patrick Eidson/Karen Younger  
18 - Steve Lawson/Margaret Bingham  
25 - David Tope/Teresa Tope