**Holy Communion Episcopal Church  and Breakfast and Adult Formation Program Annual Report for 2023**

The Sunday morning breakfast program was held in connection with the Adult Formation program this past year. The breakfast is served on selected Sundays basically following the calendar school year. Exceptions are made for special occasions Sundays and holiday Sundays.

Mr. Rudy Walz served as the breakfast coordinator and manager while Chester Hines, Jr. served as the co-ordinator and facilitator of the Adult Formation program, Forming a Compassionate Christian Conscience. I would like to thank all who have helped in so many ways. And those that did Hot Breakfast are they are listed on the Sunday they served.

The breakfast program alternated between a full hot cooked breakfast to a continental breakfast depending on the anticipated Sunday attendance and the program offered for that week.  Rudy worked to recruit and assign cooks for each Sunday on a rotating basis with. Multiple teams being formed.  In addition to the actual meals being served on Sunday morning Rudy also ensured that Mitchell Hall was decorated with the appropriate seasonal decorations, bringing an additional flair to the overall breakfast experience.

Over time it was determined that late arrivals to the breakfast program proved to be a disruption and interruption to various guest presenters and this issue was addressed by inviting late arrivals to meet, greet and eat in the reception area adjacent to Mitchell Hall.  This arrangement is working well to date.

The Adult Formation program began in September 2023 and will continue through May 2024.  Thanks to the following persons who served on the planning committee:  Maryanne Angliongto, Donna Baudendistel, Kellie McCoy, The Reverend Julie Graham, Denise Carpenter, Chester Hines, Kelly Hamilton, Elizabeth Hines, Kari Potter, Liz Peoples, Babs Kehl-Fairchild, Rudy Walz and Gloria Glenwald.

Following is a chronology of the past and future presentations of the Adult Formation Program for 2023 and 2024.

September 10, 2023—Announcement of Adult Formation Program

September 17, 2023—Get to Know You Program—Do You Remember When Discussion Thank you for breakfast Rudy Walz

September 24, 2023—Discuss Sunday’s Scripture Readings

October 1, 2023—Series on women in the Bible and in the Episcopal Church Thank you Vestery for the breakfast.

October 8, 2023—Continuation of women in the Bible and in the Episcopal Church Series

October 15, 2023—Presentation from Senior Warden Rudy Nickens and vestry Member Fran Cardona regarding the rector search Contemporary Prayer Group.

October 22, 2023—Continuation of women in the Bible and in the Episcopal Church Series—Special  Presentation. By Rabbi Maharat Rori Rocker Neiss

October 29, 2023  Completion of women in the Bible and in the Episcopal Church Series—Special presentation by Rabbi Elizabeth Hersh on Tamar and Judah in the Book of Exodus

November 5, 2023  Hot Breakfast—Report from the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Missouri Donna Baudendistel and Elizabeth Hines.

November 12, 2023 —Gratitude Sunday—What do you praise God for?

November 19, 2023 —What are you thankful for program/possible stewardship Sunday—Special Presentation Stewardship Committee

December 3, 2023 —Advent One Program Series—Advent Wreath Making 30 Group

December 10, 2023 —Advent Two—Canon Doris Westfall special presentation and visitation regarding the search for a new rector

December 17, 2023—Advent Three Program Series Continues—Special presentation—Art a dAdvent with Iconographer Kelly Latimore. The Bonn and Wilkes family.

Calendar Year 2024

January 7, 2024—Epiphany Celebration—Discuss Sunday’s Scripture Readings

January 14, 2024—Arrival and reception for Reverend Earl Mahan

January 21, 2024—Dr. Martin Luther King Presentation and Celebration Program—Chester Hines, Leader

January 28, 2024—Annual Meeting—Earl Mahan

February 4, 2024—Special presentation, Diocesan Commission on Dismantling Racism

February 11, 2024 —Alicia Jo Rabins, guest teacher/performer for our forum as part of the interfaith weekend

**ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

February 18, 2024—Lent Begins—Black History Series—Presenter Dr. Edwin Bailey Jr. will share the genesis and history of the African-American troopers known as "Buffalo Soldiers"' in narrative form.  Attired in a uniform worn by U.S. soldiers in 1873 Bailey will recount, in a linguistic style reminiscent of a former slave who became a Buffalo Soldier, the historical experience of the black soldier in a peacetime army from the close of the civil War up until the turn of the century.

February 25, 2024 —Lent—Bishop Deon Johnson Visitation

March 3, 2024—Lenten Series—Living Well Through Lent 2024

March 10, 2024—Lenten Series—Living Well Through Lent 2024

March 17, 2024—Lenten Series—Living Well Through Lent 2024

**HOLY WEEK**

April 7, 2024 —Book of the Bible Series—Galatians

April 14, 2024  Book of the Bible Series—Galatians

April 21, 2024 —Book of the Bible Series—Galatians

April 28, 2024 —Book of the Bible Series—Galatians

May 5, 2024 —Discuss Sunday’s Scripture Readings

May 12, 2024 —Graduation Interview Program—Home from College Update—What’s happening this summer?

May 19, 2024 Evaluation Sunday—Let’s talk about the Adult Formation Program for the previous year and for the coming year

*Respectfully submitted,*

*The Reverend Chester Hines, Jr. & Rudy Walz*