

CHRISTIAN CITY

Your partyline connection!

July 2025, Senior Living Newsletter

Welcoming the Community

Christian City hosted a “Meet the Mayor” event recently to give all residents a chance to visit with Union City Mayor Vince Williams. The mayor, a frequent and always welcome visitor to Christian City, engaged those gathered with the latest plans for the city, answered questions and enjoyed an old-fashioned ice cream social.



spotlight on & off campus

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Chick-fil-A Support
Center

More information in this
newsletter. Questions,
email Tyler:
tgarcia@christiancity.org

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Thursday, July 3

**PATRIOTIC
GOLF CART
PARADE
COOKOUT &
COMMUNITY
FUN**

Parade
10:30am

Cookout | Rec Center
11:30am

To enter your golf car in the parade, attend the
cookout, or to volunteer to help, please contact:

Tyler Garcia

770-703-2730 tgarcia@christiancity.org



PARADE ROUTE BEGINS at the Welcome Center, go by the Assisted Living Center, JSM, LMM, down Lester Road past Autumn Place, into Hilltop, Dogwood Drive, and Harper Valley. Those not on the route are invited to come sit together in the Recreation Center parking lot to enjoy the parade and celebration. The bus will make stops in front of all the apartments to transport residents.

NEED HELP AROUND YOUR HOME?

**Make a
RESIDENT REQUEST**



**Volunteers will be on campus
JULY 19
to help you with your request.**

To make your request, contact
Elizabeth Mansour
emansour@christiancity.org
678-466-1093



**Sounds of the
season**
CHRISTIAN CITY

Summer Strings

Sunday, July 13 at 4 pm
Welcome Center Chapel
Join us for the concert
and stay after for coffee
and dessert.

RSVP to Tyler
770-703-2730

tgarcia@christiancity.org

Transportation
provided upon request.

JOIN US!

New session
begins
Monday, July 21



Geri-Fit is an evidenced-based progressive strength class that meets you where you are and helps you build strength! We meet at the Rec Center **Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.** To sign up and join us, contact Tyler at tgarcia@christiancity.org.

Our program at Christian City is supported by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$600,000 with 100 percent funding by ACL/HHS.

Mural Progress - Looking Good!

As work began on the new Graceland parking lot, that big blank wall really stood out - and not in a good way. Luckily, Atlanta artist and former Children's Village resident Arshaad Norwood sees more than a blank wall. He sees a blank canvas! The perfect canvas, in fact, for a mural depicting the joy he found at Christian City thanks to the love of his houseparents and the chance to dream.



Painting the mural began last month and will continue through July. It takes many hands to paint a mural this size and volunteers are welcome. If you would like to volunteer - or know someone who would - please reach out to Elizabeth Mansour or use the QR code above to sign up.



Mural Progress As of June 25th!






July 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
|---|---|---|---|
| 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 |
| | | 10:00 Tech Tuesdays * 10:00 Bible Study * 10:30-2:00 Epik Nacho Food Tent * 1:00 Tai Chi 2:00 Silver Sneakers 3:00 Bingocize, JSM 4:00 LMM Bible Study * | 9:30 Women's Bible Study, Rec. Center 11:00 Bible Study * 12:00 Men's Pool Group 1:30 Geri-Fit 2:00 Swinging Old Dudes * 2:30 Bingo 3:30 Rummikub |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 2:30 Campus-Wide Worship Service, SI Auditorium | 10:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Bible Study, Mt. Carmel Chapel 10:00 Bocce 1:30 Geri-Fit | 10:00 Bible Study * 10:30-3:00 Epik Nacho Food Tent * 1:00 Tai Chi 2:00 Silver Sneakers 4:00 LMM Bible Study * | 11:00 Bible Study * 12:00 Men's Pool Group 1:30 Geri-Fit 2:00 Swinging Old Dudes * 2:30 Bingo 3:30 Rummikub |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 2:30 Campus-Wide Worship Service, SI Auditorium 4:00 Sounds of the Season: Summer Strings, WC Chapel; See ad on page 2 | 10:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Bible Study, Mt. Carmel Chapel 10:00 Bocce | 10:00 Tech Tuesdays * 10:00 Bible Study * 10:30-3:00 Epik Nacho Food Tent * 11:00 Bingocize, JSM 1:00 Tai Chi 2:00 Silver Sneakers 4:00 LMM Bible Study * | 9:30 Women's Bible Study, Rec. Center 11:00 Bible Study * 12:00 Men's Pool Group 2:00 Swinging Old Dudes * |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 2:30 Campus-Wide Worship Service, SI Auditorium | 10:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Bible Study, Mt. Carmel Chapel 10:00 Bocce 1:30 Geri-Fit | 10:00 Tech Tuesdays * 10:00 Bible Study * 10:30-3:00 Epik Nacho Food Tent * 1:00 Tai Chi 1:00 Resident Council, WC 2:00 Silver Sneakers 3:00 Bingocize, JSM 4:00 LMM Bible Study * | 11:00 Bible Study * 12:00 Men's Pool Group 1:30 Geri-Fit 2:00 Swinging Old Dudes * 2:30 Bingo 3:30 Rummikub |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 2:30 Campus-Wide Worship Service, SI Auditorium | CFA Ckn Bisc. pre-orders \$3.50; 770-703-2730 or tgarcia@christiancity.org 9:30 Beekeeping Prog. Hives 10:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Bible Study, Mt. Carmel Chapel 10:00 Bocce 1:30 Geri-Fit | 9:00-9:30 CFA Ckn Bisc. Pickup; WC Lobby 10:00 Tech Tuesdays * 10:00 Bible Study * 10:30-3:00 Epik Nacho Food Tent * 3:00 Bingocize, JSM 4:00 LMM Bible Study * Golf Cart Ice Cream Truck: 11am-HV; 12pm-DC | 11:00 Bible Study * 12:00 Men's Pool Group 1:30 Geri-Fit 2:00 Swinging Old Dudes * 2:30 Bingo 3:30 Rummikub |

• All programs are at the Recreation Center unless otherwise noted.
 • Is there a program you want to see?! Contact Tyler at 770-703-2730 or tgarcia@christiancity.org with your suggestions and requests.

| Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 10:30 Golf Cart Parade 11:30 Cookout; See ad on page 2 4:00 Catholic Service, Mt. Carmel Chapel | Happy Independence Day! No Programs  | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 1:00 Tai Chi 2:00 Silver Sneakers | 12:00 Line Dancing 1:30 Geri-Cardio 2:00 Slater Jackson, SI Aud. 2:30 Pool Group | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 1:00 Tai Chi 2:00 Silver Sneakers | SRMC Clinic Open! Call 678-364-4422 for appt. 12:00 Line Dancing 2:00 Slater Jackson, SI Aud. 2:30 Pool Group | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 10:00 Chair Yoga Golf Cart Ice Cream Truck: 1pm-AP; 2pm-HT 3:00 Travel Thursday: Virtual Trip to Iceland | 12:00 Line Dancing 1:30 Geri-Cardio 2:00 Slater Jackson, SI Aud. 2:30 Pool Group 6:00 Monthly Birthday Party Potluck | |
| 31 | 1 | 2 |
| 10:00 Chair Yoga Chick-fil-A Support Center Tour: Must RSVP, \$6, space limited | | |

*** TUESDAYS:**
 Sign up by calling 770-703-2730 for 1:1 help with any technology product.

*** TUESDAYS:** The Epik Nacho Food Tent will be in the Welcome Center Parking Lot from 10:30-3:00.

*** TUESDAYS:** LMM Bible Study is in the LMM Community Room.

*** TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study is in the Mt. Carmel Chapel

*** WEDNESDAYS:** 2:30 - Swinging Old Dudes is in the SI Auditorium

Contact Campus Patrol for emergency maintenance requests when office is closed.

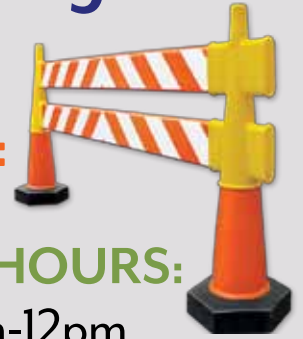
LEGEND:
 HV - Harper Valley;
 DC - Dogwood Circle;
 AP - Autumn Place;
 HA - Hilltop Acres;
 LMM - Larry Moore Manor;
 JSM - John Sparks Manor;
 GT - Garden Terrace;
 GMM - Gene Miller Manor

Thank you for Supporting Graceland Thrift Store and Christian City's Children & Family Programs



PARDON OUR CONSTRUCTION!

Graceland is still open the following hours:



STORE HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
9:30am-2:30pm

GOODIE HOUSE HOURS:

Thursdays: 10:30am-12pm

If you have clothing items, small appliances, and household items we ask that you please bring them to Graceland during our donation hours: Tuesday- Saturday from 9:30am-1:30pm.

*Profits support Christian City's Children & Family Programs
7425 Red Oak Rd. • Union City, GA 30291 • 770-629-7718*



Mark your calendars for the CHRISTIAN CITY CAR SHOW coming to campus on Saturday, September 6!



All residents and their families and friends are invited from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the pavilion in the Children's Village to enjoy a classic car show commemorating Christian City's 60 years of service to the community.

There will be door prizes, food trucks, music, and lots and lots of cars. **Admission is free!** Parking will be available at the new Graceland parking lot with shuttle service to the Children's Village.

Do you or someone you know own a vintage car, 1979 or older? Register your car for \$25 and join us! Car owners will receive a "swag bag" of cool stuff and a commemorative dash plaque and be eligible for door prizes. Special recognition will be given to 1965 models in honor of Christian City's founding year.

We hope to see you there!



PHILANTHROPY corner



Lots of you donated BINGO prizes in June and Tyler appreciates all that she received! Our **Count Me In** service project for July is school supplies for our Children's Village residents and our foster kids. It's hard to believe that we are already talking about going back to school, but summers are short these days. Our children get so excited to have new pencils, markers, notebook paper, binders, and all the things that make them feel prepared for success. Drop your school supply donations off at the Welcome Center to receive your CMI chip!

You can also earn a CMI chip for participating in the July 4th golf cart parade and attending Sounds of the Season on July 13.

Cash donations are always appreciated, and no amount is too small! Make a one-time gift to earn a CMI chip or become a GEM (Gives Every Month) and earn two CMI chips! Contact Lissa Rand at 770-703-2614 for more information about the Count Me In/Chip In program and making a donation.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL:

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|------------------------------|---|
| <u>Middle School:</u> | <u>High School:</u> |
| 60 large clear bookbags | #2 Pencils |
| #2 pencils | Pens (blue/black) |
| Pens (blue and black) | Highlighters |
| Highlighters | Tissues |
| Erasers | Page Protectors |
| Pencil case or pouch | Flash Drives |
| Earbuds | Earbuds |
| Flash Drives | Index Cards |
| Protractors | Post-it Notes |
| Rulers | Pack of Sharpies – Fine Tip |
| Hand Sanitizer | Rulers |
| Tissues | Amazon or VISA gift cards to purchase scientific calculators. |
| Clorox Wipes | |

Volunteer of the Month:



Jan Gwaltney

Our volunteer of the month for July is Harper Valley resident Jan Gwaltney. Jan has been a Christian City volunteer for 13 years. She serves with a smile in every department or project she

lays her hands on. Jan has a special gift with the piano and we are blessed to have her graciously give her time and talent to make many of our programs come to life. Jan is also a long-time chaplain volunteer, making visits to residents and patients, and spreading love and joy to everyone she meets. She also helps Tyler and the rec team, delivering the Partyline newsletter and helping wherever she is needed for parties or programs. We so appreciate Jan and all the light she shares with us at Christian City. Thank you for your time and years of service, Jan!

Christian City Celebrated Its Fathers in June!



The Chaplain's Office

Happy 4th of July! This day is set aside to celebrate a pivotal moment in history—the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Fireworks light up the sky, parades fill the streets, and families unite in joyful celebration. But beyond the festivities lies a deeper meaning: the value of freedom and the cost at which it was purchased. As Christians, this day also invites us to reflect on a greater freedom—one that transcends national borders and political systems: the freedom found in Christ.

While the Declaration of Independence marked political freedom, it was not without great cost. Lives were sacrificed, families disrupted, and hardship endured. This mirrors, in some small way, the spiritual truth of the Gospel—freedom always comes at a price.

Galatians 5:13 says, “You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.”

In both spiritual and civic life, freedom is best exercised through service. Our nation thrives when we care for one another, uphold justice, and practice compassion. Our faith deepens when we surrender our will to God's, love our neighbors, and live as Christ lived.

This Independence Day, let us take time not only to enjoy our freedoms but also to pray:

- For our nation's leaders—that they may govern with wisdom and integrity.

- For our communities—that peace, unity, and justice may prevail.

- For the Church—that we may be bold in our witness and steadfast in truth.

- And for ourselves—that we would live as free people, not enslaved by sin or fear, but led by the Spirit.

Psalm 33:12 “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance.” May we be such a nation—blessed not merely because of prosperity or military strength, but because we honor God, seek His will, and walk in His ways.

As we celebrate July 4th, let us remember that freedom—both political and spiritual—is a sacred gift. Let it be a day not just of national pride but of personal reflection, gratitude, and renewed commitment to live as free people under God.

Be Blessed and be a Blessing!

*The Lord bless you, and keep you;
The Lord cause His face to shine on you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His face to you,
And give you peace. Amen.*

Numbers 6:24-26

God Bless you all,
Chaplain Randy

Randy Worrell, Chaplain and Spiritual Care Officer, may be reached at 770-703-2670 or rworrell@christiancity.org



**Help and encouragement
after the death of a loved one.**

**GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group
designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help you.**

New group beginning on Thursday, August 14

**If you are interested - or know someone who might be - please call the
Spiritual Care office for more information: 770-703-2670. Sign up by August 4.**