

## SAVE THE DATE!

National Volunteer Week - **April 21 - 25**  
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner - **April 30**  
*Receptions - Erlanger, KY (Invitation coming soon!)*

More details to follow...



### High School Internship Experience: Live Surgery

What better way to spend Valentine's day morning than to watch a live surgery; Our high school interns did just that last month! Our interns had the opportunity to watch Dr. Moon remove a rather large gall bladder from a patient via live stream. Throughout the surgery, Dr. Moon explained the procedure as he was doing it, in addition, students were able to ask questions. It was a wonderful experience for these interns!

## Chapel



### Volunteer Spotlight: Karen Bond

Karen has been a Spiritual Care Volunteer for 11 years at the Ft. Thomas campus. She began volunteering shortly after she retired as an Associate at St. Elizabeth in Registration for 22 years. In that role, Karen remembers always enjoying the interactions she had with patients and their families. It proved to be a wonderful training ground for her volunteer role. Karen states, "I understand that sometimes they simply need someone to talk to, to hold their hand, and maybe share a prayer."

Karen understands the vulnerability of our sick patients that find comfort with receiving a bit of spiritual support at a difficult time to their life. "I believe the greatest gift you can give someone is a smile and that is what I try to bring to them. Every encounter is special and leaves footprints on my heart."



### Upcoming Change to the 2-2222 Emergency Line

press 2."

To better connect callers to the right team faster, starting **Monday, March 31st**, callers will hear: "This is the St. Elizabeth emergency line. For medical emergencies, press 1. For all other emergencies,

- "1" should be selected for medical emergencies, such as Code Blue or BART
- "2" should be selected for all other emergencies

If no option is selected, calls will be routed to the team who manages medical emergencies. For non-emergencies and general Security needs, the 1-2270 number can still be used.

## Eastern Kentucky Flood Relief

Several individuals within St. Elizabeth have reached out to leadership on how we can help our neighbors in Eastern Kentucky who continue to deal with the devastating consequences of severe flooding. **March 3rd-6th**, St. Elizabeth will be hosting a supplies drive.

Items collected will be delivered to impacted areas the weekend of March 7th-9th. If you wish to contribute, St. Elizabeth will be collecting the following items:

### Cleaning & Recovery Supplies

- Bleach, disinfectants and detergents
- Heavy-duty garbage bags
- Buckets, mops and brooms
- Rakes and shovels
- Scrub brushes and sponges
- Work gloves and medical gloves
- Utility knives
- Shop vacuums
- Fans and dehumidifiers
- Gas cans
- Mini camping stoves and 20-lbs. propane tanks
- Plastic totes and storage bins

### Baby Care Items

- Formula
- Diapers (all sizes) and wipes
- Bath wash, diaper rash creams and lotion

### Personal & Household Essentials

- Paper plates, plastic cups and utensils
- Paper towels and toilet paper
- Flashlights and batteries
- Heaters
- Personal hygiene products (shampoo, body wash, hand soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.)

### Collection Sites

- Dolwick - HR Foyer
- Edgewood - At the Y by the south elevator, ground floor
- Florence - Dock
- Ft. Thomas - Dock
- Dearborn - Dock
- Covington - Dock
- Grant - Dock
- CDC - Administrative Area
- SETEC - Reception Area

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## Blood Drive

St. Elizabeth will be hosting a blood drive at the Florence and Edgewood locations. Please see below for the details.

*Please note:* each blood drive will break for lunch at various times. Please see blood drive sign up page for all available times slots. Appointments are encouraged.

### Florence

Friday, March 14th 10:00am - 4:00pm  
Florence Hospital parking lot

Make an appointment by [clicking here](#).

**Note:** Every donor will receive a UC Bearcat Blanket!

### Edgewood

Friday, April 11th 11:00am - 5:00pm  
Edgewood Hospital, Conference room L & M  
Make an appointment by [clicking here](#).

**Note:** All donors receive a Cincinnati Reds Hat!



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## Wear your Green for St. Patrick's Day!



Feel free to wear your green the week of March 17th!

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### Comment Corner: Celebrating Impactful Moments

This month we received these shout outs:

**Dearborn**

*"I was greeted with a smile, and it made me feel welcomed and appreciated."*

**Edgewood**

*"Volunteer Sue Linkugal was so sweet and helpful."*

**Florence**

*"Mark, the Volunteer, helped me figure out where to find registration!"*

*"The man at the information desk was very helpful. The outpatient desk was at the back of the hospital. The man asked if I needed someone to use the wheelchair for me. That was the best thing for me. I won't forget that."*

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### Winter Weather Instructions

Spring is upon us, but there's always that ONE final snowstorm/cold front that hits in March; with it comes the threat of snow and ice. If you feel you cannot make it in for your volunteer shift, please notify your department at your earliest convenience that you will not be there. Be sure that you have a contact name and phone number in your department so that you can reach out to them directly in case of weather or sickness-related absences.

**Our number one priority is your safety!**

### WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS IN FEBRUARY

- Welcome all **102 NEW** High School Volunteers!
- Emmy Ayres
- Robert Beck
- Lori Berry
- Keila Campos
- Cindy Ernest
- Claire Flick
- Elizabeth Fry
- Lauren Groeschen
- Ellie Hayes
- Kate Hedges
- Scott Hughes
- Elizabeth Mains
- Karah Miller
- Austin Mills
- Amie Stines
- Elizabeth Stricklen
- Cathy Surprenant