

The FRANCISCANS

A Newsletter of St. Francis Episcopal Church

October 2011



The Blessing of the Animals is always a special time at St. Francis reminding us of our patron's love for all creation. Invite your friends and neighbors to bring their cherished animals for a special blessing by The Rev. Doug Culton on Saturday, October 8, 2011 at 10 A.M. (And also invite them to join us for the Feast of St. Francis observed on Sunday, October 9, followed by a vegetarian covered dish luncheon.)

As you look around the church and parish hall you will see many images of St. Francis of Assisi and our church building created by parishioners and friends. Did you know that the banner hanging from the choir loft was created by Nancy Cooper, former parishioner, and others depicting a central image of St. Francis surrounded by scenes from his life as portrayed in the frescoes of Giotto in the Basilica of San Francesco d'Assisi in Assisi, Italy with a patchwork border from fabrics donated by many people? Those who brought fabric will have memories of their bit—perhaps from a wedding dress, a child's favorite frock or a beloved departed's cheerful tie. Paintings and drawings by Nancy Cooper, Geri Kent, Sandy Siler, Sharon Muir, Chris Bartlett, Edith Shepherd, and Vann Daniel as well as photographs by Sam Mills, Crissie Lewis, Matt Livengood and Liz Meador enhance our space as do the banners and needle-

point kneelers stitched lovingly by many. (Look for the beautiful St. Francis kneeler by Evelyn Jones.) These visible gifts of time and talent remind us of the less visible gifts of so many during these last 47 years who have preached, taught, prayed, given sacrificially, created music, prepared for worship, arranged flowers, baked Eucharistic bread, gardened, visited, reached out to those in need and served in many more ways — Franciscans in action. We pray that all of us today and in the future will continue to give joyfully of our treasure, time, and talents to serve God in this place and in the world.

As we approach the Feast Day (October 4) commemorating our Patron, St. Francis of Assisi, we are also nearing a new era of ministry at St. Francis. The Vestry has been in conversation with a potential Priest-in-Charge for our parish who we hope will soon be with us. We are moving forward but still have some items on our "Check List" to complete. While confidentiality must be maintained until we get final approval from the Bishop, I look forward to being able to share all the details soon.

— Charlotte Campbell, Senior Warden

Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.



O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen.

A shout out to Mitch Baker:

St. Francis is made up of so many things
 People, buildings, gardens and trees.
 Mitch you trim, chop and toss
 Making St. Francis look tip top!
 So for all of the wonderful things that you do
 St. Francis would like to say THANK YOU!
 — Catherine LeChot

**Blessing of the Animals****October 8, 2011****Saturday****10:00 am**

with Rev. Doug Culton

Bring your pets and join us at
 St. Francis in the Prayer Garden.



"The walk to Bethlehem" will start soon!

More information is coming in early October.

— Sharon Sarvey

CHRISTMAS IN THE FOREST

- ◆ Sign up to work at CITF! Especially Friday.
- ◆ Sign up - help Steve make Soup! Oct. 15 & 22
- ◆ Make "from scratch" specialties for pantry!
 Anything is welcome—but cakes and pies (freshly baked or frozen) are asked for - full size or smaller.
 Other popular items: cheese straws, appetizers, jams, pickles, snacks. If you bake cookies or candy, we will package them according to price. We will have some packaging materials. Bring Thursday afternoon and evening, Nov. 3 (until 7 pm) if possible.

**ECW NEWS**

➤ **October 8, Saturday — 9:30 am**
Trinity District Meeting at St. Francis

➤ **October 11, Tuesday — 7:00 PM**
Women's Book Club Meeting

The Women's Book Club will meet Tuesday, October 11, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m. in the Library at St. Francis. The book is Picking Cotton: Our Memoir of Injustice and Redemption: by Jennifer Thompson-Cannino & Ronald Cotton.

Ronald Cotton's innocence was proven after 11 years behind bars. Jennifer Thompson was the one who positively identified Ronald as her attacker. They meet face to face—and form an unlikely friendship that changes both of their lives. This is a must read that truly demonstrates the meaning of forgiveness. Barrett Parker is the Discussion Leader.

➤ **October 14, Friday — 5:30 PM**
Wine / Pizza / Chop Night

Ladies—Enjoy wine & pizza as we prep and chop vegetables and chicken for Steve and his crew to make CITF soup the next morning. Bring your favorite knife & large cutting board if you have one. Wine & Pizza provided!

News Around the Diocese**St. Andrew's By-the-Sea Nags Head, NC****The Magnetic Church Conference—October 21 6:30pm - 10:00pm and October 22 8:30am - 4:00pm**

This program is meant to help attract and retain new church members. There are still many openings for this program. For registration and further information go to SaintAndrewsOBX.com or call (252) 441-5382. To learn more about Andy Weeks and Magnetic Church log onto www.magnetic-church.com.

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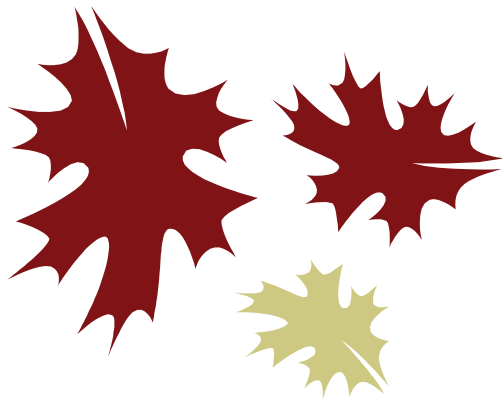
Corinne Stewart, Editor

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 is the **15th of each month.**

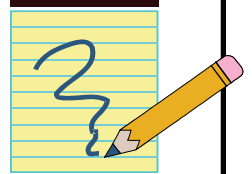
A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is October 15th for the November issue.

— Corinne Stewart, Parish Administrator



St. Francis' Wish List



- 1) Paper Towels
- 2) Trash Bags (30 gallon)
- 3) 409 All Purpose Cleaner
- 4) Kitchen Dish Towels (gently used also welcome)
- 5) Lemonade or Kool-Aid

Thank you for your Continued Support!



Items of Note



PARISH RETREAT

Our annual Parish Retreat at Trinity Center is **September 30—October 2.**

OCTOBER 2 SERVICES

Lay Leaders will have Morning Prayer both services (8:30 & 10:30 am) on Sunday, **October 2.**

ESL CLASSES

English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes **each Sunday in October** at 3:00 PM.

VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry will meet **Monday, October 3** at **6:00 PM** in the Library.

ECW DISTRICT MEETING

This years ECW Trinity District Meeting will be held at St. Francis on Saturday, **October 8** beginning at **9:30 am.**

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Fr. Doug Culton will have our Blessing of the Animals in the Prayer Garden on Saturday, **October 8** at **10:00am .**

MINISTRY & IRM SUNDAY & VEGETARIAN LUNCHEON

Sunday, **October 9** is Interfaith Refugee Ministry (**IRM**) **Sunday.** Also, we are **Celebrating the Feast of St. Francis.** Then after the 10:30 am service we will have a **VEGETARIAN Covered Dish LUNCHEON. Social Team 11.** Everyone is asked to bring a vegetarian dish to share. You will also have an opportunity to **sign up** to be part of a **Ministry Team** during the luncheon.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

The Women's Book Club meets **Tuesday, October 11** at 7:00 PM in the Library.

LADIES WINE/PIZZA/CHOP

The Ladies of St. Francis will enjoy wine & pizza (provided) as they prep & chop vegetables and chicken for Steve and his crew to make CITF soup the next morning. Join the ladies for food, fun, and fellowship on **Friday, October 14** at **5:30 PM** in the kitchen. Bring your favorite knife and large cutting board.

MAKING CITF SOUP

Steve Gregorcyk is making our famous Christmas in the Forest Soup on **two Saturdays** this year: **October 15 & October 22** beginning at **8:00 am.** Steve is looking for some men to help him make the Soup! Join him one or both Saturdays!

SOUP KITCHEN

St. Francis volunteers at the Community Soup Kitchen on **Saturday, October 29** beginning at **9:00 am.** Please sign up on the Tower in the Parish Hall.

HELP MOVE FURNITURE

Be sure to stay following the 10:30 am service on **Sunday, October 30** to move furniture to get ready for Christmas In The Forest!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 2011 — CHRISTMAS IN THE FOREST at ST. FRANCIS!

Be sure to sign up to help in the Café, Pantry, or Kitchen, and bring homemade goodies to sell in the Pantry.

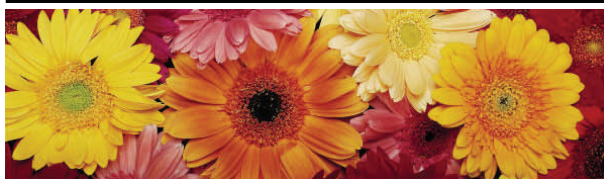


SUNDAY LAY SERVER SCHEDULE


OCTOBER 2011

	October 2	October 9	October 16	October 23	October 30
	MORNING PRAYER both services 10:30 am	<i>Celebrate</i> Feast of St. Francis Supply Clergy Rev. Doug Culton 10:30 am	<i>Dedicate</i> New Altar Hangings Supply Clergy Rev. Doug Culton 10:30 am	Supply Clergy Rev. Doug Culton 10:30 am	MORNING PRAYER both services 10:30 am
VERGER	LAY LEADERS: 8:30 am-Jodi Baker 10:30 am-Chris Cowan	Barrett Parker	Chris Cowan	Chris Cowan	LAY LEADERS: 8:30 am-Don Skinner 10:30 am-Chris Cowan
SUBDEACON		Debbie Stedner	Sarah Merritt	Roger Brogneaux	
CHALICE BEARER		Jacob Sarvey	Nick Cunningham	Nick Cunningham	
LECTOR		Liz Howard	Rick Coor	Pat Biggers	
CRUCIFER		Mikaela Freeman	Quincy Cunningham	Quincy Cunningham	
TORCH BEARERS		Max Tapiz Izabelle Casey	Jillian Faust Lauren Howard	Jillian Faust Lauren Howard	
USHERS	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt
EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS	To Be Determined	Karen Witt	Dave Meador	Liz Meador	To Be Determined
ALTAR GUILD	Norma Powell	Jenny Kelly Norma Powell	Jenny Kelly Norma Powell	Jenny Kelly Norma Powell	Jenny Kelly Norma Powell
FLOWER GUILD	Whitney Jansta	Whitney Jansta	Whitney Jansta	Whitney Jansta	Whitney Jansta
TELLERS	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	Liz Meador Dave Meador	Liz Meador Dave Meador	Chris Cowan To Be Determined
COFFEE HOUR	Need Volunteer	Vegetarian Luncheon	Liz & Dave Meador	Liz & Dave Meador	Need Volunteer

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find a replacement AND notify the church office.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

4 Kelly Gregorcyk	21 Lamar Aycock
7 Will Walters	25 Jim Howard
10 Susan Dodson	30 Peggy Lewis
11 Ian Merritt	31 Linda Gregorcyk
14 Sandy Siler	
19 Alex Cunningham	
20 Ellen Cabral	

If your birthday has been omitted please notify the church office so that the birthday lists are up-to-date.

Sunday, October 9

Join us at 10:30 am as we
Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis
followed by a **Vegetarian**
Covered Dish Luncheon!
(Bring a vegetarian dish to share.)

Social Team 11

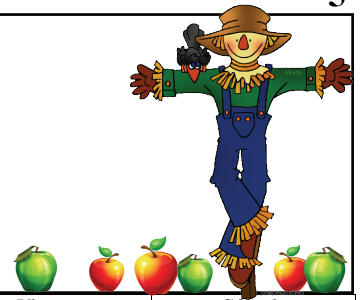
You will also have an opportunity to **sign up**
to be part of a **Ministry Team** during the luncheon.

Have you pledged your
time, talents & treasure?

Please turn in
2012 Pledge Cards
by Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011!



October/Octubre 2011



Domingo Sunday	Lunes Monday	Martes Tuesday	Miércoles Wednesday	Jueves Thursday	Viernes Friday	Sábado Saturday
CE = Christian Education all ages ESL = English as a Second Language Class HE = Holy Eucharist (Communion) Service	MP = Morning Prayer Santa Missa = Spanish Mass					1
2 16 Pentecost 8:30 AM MP 10:30 AM MP 3:00 PM ESL 4 PM Santa Missa	3 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting ✓	4 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi 	5	6 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	7 	8 9:30 AM ECW Trinity District Meeting 10:00 AM Blessing of the Animals 
9 17 Pentecost IRM SUNDAY 8:30 AM HE 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM HE —Then—  3:00 PM ESL 4 PM Santa Missa	10 Columbus Day	11 7:00 PM Women's Book Club 	12	13 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	14  5:30 PM Ladies Wine / Pizza / Chop Night	15 (Franciscans Deadline) 8:00 AM Making Soup for CITF 
16 18 Pentecost 8:30 AM HE 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM HE 3:00 PM ESL 4 PM Santa Missa	17 Turn in 2012 PLEDGE CARDS!	18 (Feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist)	19	20 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	21	22  8:00 AM Making Soup for CITF
23 19 Pentecost 8:30 AM HE 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM HE 3:00 PM ESL 4 PM Santa Missa	24 (Feast of Saint James of Jerusalem, Brother of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and Martyr)	25	26	27 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	28 (Feast of Saint Simon and Saint Jude, Apostles)	29  9:00 AM St. Francis volunteers at Soup Kitchen
30 20 Pentecost 8:30 AM MP 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM MP Stay to Help Move Furniture for CITF 3:00 PM ESL 4 PM Santa Missa	31  Halloween					

Heard it through the Grapevine

PRAYER LIST: (St. Francis Parish) Dean, Annette, Paul, Wade, Effie, and Terrye. (Friends) Marge, Marilyn, Amy, Rev. Margaret Neill, Katherine, Silas, Catherine, Kelby, Sarah, Ron, George, Brenda, Robert, Ginger, Joyce, Erica, Linda, Anne, all caregivers, and for our search for a Priest-in-Charge. *Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.* (BCP, p. 818)

THANK YOU—THANK YOU—THANK YOU!:

***Every Friday, **Jill Brogneaux** folds and assembles the Sunday bulletin. In addition, she folds the box of inserts as they are received, and helps with other last minute projects in the office. **Bob Biggers** continues to maintain the church thermostat and comes in each week to make changes to the programming as needed. For the past several years **Tom Phinizy** has cleaned and repaired the church's vacuum cleaners. **Brenda Chambers** washes the church linens each week. **Mitch Baker** has been hard at work cleaning up the fallen trees around the property. **Dave Meador** and **Walker Campbell** also pitched in for some of the cleanup. You can see photos on our Facebook page "Parish St. Francis Church". **Eldica Cyrus** and **Judy Moye** cleaned out the chest freezer and the floor underneath. Then, **Zeb Jones** did a nice job of painting the exterior of the rusted freezer. **Sandy Siler** recently freshened up the administrator's and rector's offices with a new coat of paint. The job couldn't have been done without the hard work of **Chris Cowan** moving the office furniture, relocating the computer for Corinne to continue her work uninterrupted, then moving everything back to it's original spot. **Charlotte Campbell**, and **Sandy & Jeannie Siler** thoroughly cleaned, straightened up, and decorated the rector's office. **Jeff Merritt** sanded and painted the cold air returns in the Library, and parish hall.

MISCELLANEOUS:

*****Rev. Doug Culton** welcomed his fifth grandchild on Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 4:30 am. Julia Lyn Cobb weighed in at 7 pounds 10 oz with a full head of hair. Parents Heather and Ben (and sister Emma) are doing fine. Doug is certainly one proud Grandfather! Congratulations to all!

UPDATES:

***Have you noticed the exterior of the buildings has been freshly painted along with the canopy supports of the walkway? Thanks to **Dino Lumbic** and his crew for a job well done.

Lay Eucharistic Visitor (LEV)

No business wishes for no customers. But Jill Brogneaux, Karen Witt, Liz, and I are not a business; we are the Eucharistic Visitor Team, and we wish for everyone health and strength enough to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist at the altar rail on Sunday mornings. We are glad to have no "customers."

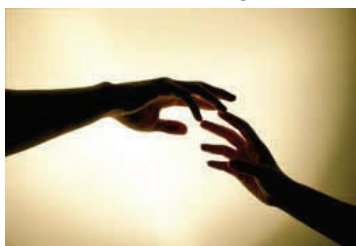
For those who, because of sickness or injury, cannot attend church, we are pleased to take Communion to the home or to the hospital. The service itself is short, perhaps 5 to 10 minutes, while the visit can last as long as anyone wants any day of the week.

Lay people have not always been allowed to administer Communion. However, the current theology of ministry reminds us that we are all called to minister and that no call is above or below

another. Ministry is the normal way of life for any Christian. A nominal amount of training is required for one to become a Eucharistic Visitor. The overall investment of time is usually once a month. To be a part of the Eucharist in this manner is a humbling but rewarding experience. Anyone interested in joining us in this ministry should call Dave Meador, 735-2316.

— Dave Meador
LEV Team Coordinator

Lay Eucharistic Visitor (LEV): An adult, confirmed, communicant in good standing who is trained and licensed by the bishop of the diocese to take the Sacrament consecrated by the Priest to people who are unable to attend a service celebration of the Holy Eucharist.



ST. FRANCIS: GET INVOLVED!

ACTIVITY — GROUP — MINISTRY	CONTACT(S)
BUILDING & GROUNDS	Vestry Liaison: Steve Gregorcyk 429-1930 Columbarium: Liz Meador 735-2316 Garden: Sandy Siler 778-2107
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION / EYC (Episcopal Young Church People) / NURSERY	Vestry Liaison: Catherine LeChot 739-0150 Children's Church School: Brenda Coor 778-0210 EYC: Jodi Baker 751-1844
COMMUNICATIONS	Vestry Liaison: Liz Meador 735-2316 Church Website: Chris Cowan 222-3103 Franciscans Newsletter: Corinne Stewart 735-9845
EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW) & CHRISTMAS IN THE FOREST	ECW President: Crissie Lewis 734-8866 Co-Vice Presidents: Liz Meador 735-2316 & Brenda Coor 778-0210 Secretary: Jill Brogneaux 751-0897 Treasurer: Karen Witt 735-9550 United Thank Offering: Betsy Powell 778-2774
FINANCE / STEWARDSHIP	Vestry Liaison: Rick Coor 778-0210 Treasurer: Katherine Phinizy 736-1080
INVITATION / HOSPITALITY	Vestry Liaison: Jim Howard 330-4502 Scheduling for parish events/coffee hour: Barrett Parker 751-3928 Frantastix's (20's, 30's, 40's social group): Barrett Parker 751-3928 & Sarah Merritt 735-9192
OUTREACH TEAM	Vestry Liaison: Chris Cowan 222-3103 Chair: Nina Silverthorne 738-3102 English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes: Caroline Bounds 252-0044 Project Christ Child: Walker Campbell 735-9090 Soup Kitchen: Eldica Cyrus 751-1964
PASTORAL CARE TEAM & LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS	Vestry Liaison: Dave Meador 735-2316 Prayer Ministry: To Be Determined
WORSHIP TEAM	Vestry Liaison: Zeb Jones 222-1263 Altar Guild: Jill Brogneaux 751-0897 Choir: Bill Hayes (Organist/Choirmaster) 242-5485 Flower Guild: Jeannie Siler 778-2107 Server Scheduling: Barrett Parker 751-3928 & Jodi Baker 751-1844 Usher Scheduling: Mitch Baker 920-1975

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Of Current Interest . . .

Transfer Out: ☹

John & Harriet Pegram
(Moved to Chapel Hill, NC)

ADDITIONAL REMINDERS:

- ◆ VESTRY MEETING
Mon., October 3 — 6 PM
- ◆ WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB
Tues., October 11 — 7 PM
- ◆ MAKING SOUP for CITF
Saturdays, October 15 & 22 — 8:00am
- ◆ 2012 PLEDGE CARDS DUE Sunday,
October 16



Mission Statement

St. Francis Episcopal Church:

As a Christian community, we seek to share the Gospel by welcoming all people, nurturing them through Word and Sacrament, and equipping God's people to serve others in Christ's name.

Oct 8

Blessing Animals 10 am

Oct 9

Vegetarian Meal
& Ministry Team
sign-ups
after 10:30am service

Oct 29

St. Francis volunteers
at the Soup Kitchen

Oct 30

Help move furniture
for CITF

St. Francis Vestry:

2011

Rick Coor
Chris Cowan
Steve Gregorcyk

2012

Jim Howard
Catherine LeChot
Liz Meador (Clerk)

2013

Charlotte Campbell
Zeb Jones
Dave Meador

(Katherine Phinizy, Treasurer)



Senior Warden -
Charlotte Campbell (919) 735-9090

Junior Warden -
Steve Gregorcyk (919) 429-1930