

# The FRANCISCANS

A Newsletter of St. Francis Episcopal Church

April 2010

## CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

St. Patrick was guided on his journey through life by the faithful who had gone before. Indeed, he is surrounded by a chorus of angels,

*I arise today*

*Through the strength of the love of cherubim,  
In obedience of angels, in service of archangels,  
In the prayers of the patriarchs,  
In preachings of the apostles,  
In faiths of confessors,  
... in deeds of righteous men.*

St. Patrick was also accompanied by our risen Lord Jesus Christ throughout his life,

*I arise today*

*Through the strength of Christ's birth  
and His baptism,  
Through the strength of His crucifixion  
and His burial,  
Through the strength of His resurrection  
and His ascension,  
Through the strength of His descent  
for the judgment of doom.*

St. Patrick was surrounded by the transforming power of our resurrected Lord,

*Christ with me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,*

*Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down.*

Beginning with Palm Sunday, we are given a vision of Jesus' handing over his life to the forces of evil – transforming them with the power of God's redeeming love. "This same vision is offered to us today. We can welcome Christ into our lives as did St. Patrick. We can celebrate his transforming power." (Process & Faith, Benediction Liturgy)

On our journeys in life we too can hold fast to this vision of goodness, peace and justice. We too, like St. Patrick, can be accompanied by God's love. We can let ourselves be overtaken by this love. We can affirm on Easter that we "**Go forth with renewed hope, Trusting in the transforming love of God.**"

We can affirm that "**God does not leave things as they are (for) with God, all things are made new.**" We can affirm that "All creation responds to God's presence; (that) the world is alive with possibility." (Process & Faith Liturgy)

We can affirm with St. Patrick that the resurrection power of Christ surrounds us daily for

**Christ (is) with me, Christ (is) before me,  
Christ behind me,  
(That) Christ (is) in me, Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
(That) Christ (is) on my right,  
Christ (is) on my left,  
Christ (is with me) when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down.**

We can affirm, as we open ourselves to this truth, that "nothing is beyond the reach of God; neither evil, nor hardship, nor death." For **CHRIST IS RISEN: HE IS RISEN INDEED.** (Process & Faith, Liturgy)

May the transforming love and presence of our Risen Lord be with you this Easter and during Eastertide.

Peace, Fr. Van+



# ECW NEWS



- The ECW Book Club meets **Tuesday, April 13.** *Till We Have Faces* by C. S. Lewis - Lewis's short novel of love, faith, and transformation (both good and ill) offers the reader much food for thought in a compact, impressively rich story. Less heavily-handedly Christian-allegorical than Narnia, *Till We Have Faces* gives us characters who remind us of people we know facing choices and difficulties we recognize. A deceptively simple book that takes on new depth with each rereading, it was reportedly Lewis's own favorite of all his works of fiction. *Need discussion leader.*
- **April 27, Tuesday** - ECW's 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting at Christ Church, Elizabeth City, 200 S. McMorrine St., Elizabeth City, NC. Guest Speaker is Ms. Pam Strickland on "Human Trafficking – Modern Day Slavery". Registration 9:30am, Cost for lunch \$12.

If you are new to St Francis and have questions about our very active ECW (Episcopal Church Women) group please let us know! We are involved in service, outreach, fellowship together, prayer and Bible study and welcome all women to join us!

## ST. FRANCIS 2010 ECW OFFICERS:

**President — Jenny Kelly**  
**Vice President — Crissie Lewis**  
**Secretary — Nina Silverthorne**  
**Treasurer — Karen Witt**



## *A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR*

The deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is April 15th for the May issue.

— Corinne Stewart, Parish Administrator

## Holy Week:

- April 1 \* Maundy Thursday —**  
 7:00 p.m.—Holy Eucharist Service  
 with Foot Washing
- April 2 \* Good Friday —**  
 6:30 p.m.—Stations of the Cross  
 in the Garden
- April 4 \* Easter Sunday —**  
 6:30 am—Sunrise Holy Eucharist  
 (Said) Service  
 9:15 am—Easter Egg Hunt and  
 Flowering of the Cross  
 10:30 am—Festival Holy Eucharist  
 Service with Choir

Thanks to Chris Cowan we have two CD sets of our 2010 Wednesday Lenten Program — "Journeys Inward, Journeys Out". If you would like to borrow a set to view, contact Corinne in the Church Office 735-9845.

**Session 1**.....Gloria Price:

*Journey to the Diaconate and Beyond*

**Session 2**.....Susan Herrmann & Dot Hodder:

*The Parish-to-Parish Program and Journey to the Dominican Republic*

**Session 3**.....Dr. Asselin Charles, professor at

Mount Olive College and native of Haiti:

*Journey to Haiti and Its Challenges for the Future*

**Session 4**.....Jeff Merritt: *Journey to Afghanistan*

**Session 5**.....Fr. Tony Rojas:

*Journey with Our Latino Brothers and Sisters*



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The Rt. Rev. Clifton Daniel, III, Bishop  
 of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina  
 The Rev. Dr. A.O. "Van" Vannorsdall, Priest-in-Charge  
 William Hayes, Organist/Choirmaster  
 Corinne Stewart, Parish Administrator

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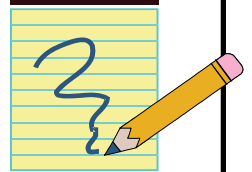
Corinne Stewart, Editor

*The Franciscans* is published 11 times a year.

The **deadline** for items to be considered for inclusion is the **15th of each month.**



### St. Francis' Wish List



- 1) Joy Dishwashing Liquid
- 2) AA Batteries
- 3) Toilet Bowl Cleaner

*Thank you for your Continued Support!*



## Items of Note



#### OFFICE HOURS

The Office will be Closed Maundy Thursday through Easter Monday.

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY

Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist Service with foot washing **April 1 at 7:00 PM.**

#### GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday Stations of the Cross **April 2 at 6:30 PM** in the Garden.

#### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4

6:30 am—Sunrise Said Service  
 9:15 am—Easter Egg Hunt & Flowering of the Cross  
 10:30 am—Easter Festival Celebration with Choir

#### EYC—BOWLING

The EYC (Youth Group) plans to go bowling on Sunday, **April 11, 5-7 PM** at SJAFB.

#### ECW BOOK CLUB

The ECW Book Club will meet **Tuesday, April 13 at 7:00 PM** in the Library.

#### ACOLYTE FESTIVAL

Acolyte Festival **April 17** in Nags Head, NC.

#### VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry will meet **Sunday, April 18** following the 10:30am service.

#### EYC MEETING

The EYC (Youth Group) will meet on Sunday, **April 25 5-7 PM.** Join the EYC for dinner, games, and fellowship.

April is  
 Child Abuse  
 Prevention Month!

Visit [www.preventchildabusenc.org](http://www.preventchildabusenc.org)

Everybody at St Francis,

I've said it before and I'm saying it again: your generosity never ceases to amaze me. In BCP The Burial Of The Dead: Rite Two, there is a prayer "Deal graciously with *NN*. in *their* grief. Surround *them* with your love, that *they* may not be overwhelmed by *their* loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*"

Thank you for surrounding my family and me in love.

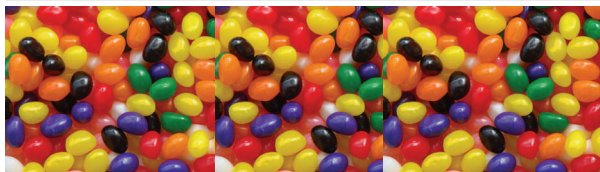
Melissa Prince

**SUNDAY LAY SERVER SCHEDULE**

**APRIL 2010**

	<b>April 4</b> Easter Sunday	<b>April 11</b> (Baptism)	<b>April 18</b>	<b>April 25</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>VERGER</b>	Chris Cowan	Barrett Parker	Barrett Parker	Jodi Baker
<b>SUBDEACON</b>	John Pegram	Roger Brogneaux	Jim Howard	Sarah Merritt
<b>LECTOR</b>	Pat Biggers	Susan Moser	Mathew Newell	Molly Larsen
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Laura Kelly	Will Walters	Jacob Sarvey	Quincy Cunningham
<b>TORCH BEARERS</b>	Jacob Sarvey Quincy Cunningham	Emily Moser Laura Kelly	Jacob Howard Mikaela Freeman	Thomas Larsen Kemp Larsen
<b>USHERS</b>	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt	Mitch Baker Jeff Merritt
<b>EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS</b>	Jill Brogneaux	Karen Witt Dave Meador	Dave Meador Liz Meador	To Be Determined
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Katherine Phinizy Brenda Coor Brenda Chambers	Katherine Phinizy Brenda Coor Brenda Chambers	Katherine Phinizy Brenda Coor Brenda Chambers	Katherine Phinizy Brenda Coor Brenda Chambers
<b>FLOWER GUILD</b>	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	To Be Determined
<b>TELLERS</b>	Liz Meador Rick Coor	To Be Determined Roger Brogneaux	Liz Meador Jim Howard	Liz Meador Jim Howard
<b>COFFEE HOUR</b>	The Howard's	The Howard's	The Howard's	The Howard's

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



**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Jose Garcia**  
**Jose Soria**
- 2 Margarita Gutierrez**
- 11 Dave Meador**  
**Adrian Gutierrez**
- 12 Kati Hajjar**
- 13 Christian Brogneaux**
- 15 Carroll Overton**


- 19 Glenwood Johnson**  
**Brian Kelly**



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




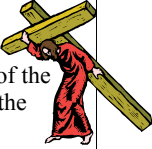







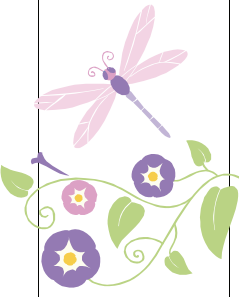
**HOLY WEEK  
LAY SERVER SCHEDULE**



	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>April 1</b> <b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Good Friday</b> <b>April 2</b> <b>6:30 PM / Garden</b>
<b>VERGER</b>		Barrett Parker
<b>SUBDEACON</b>	Roger Brogneaux	Chris Cowan
<b>CRUCIFER</b>		Jacob Sarvey
<b>TORCH BEARERS</b>		Laura Kelly Emily Moser

**Love** the Lord your God with all your **Heart**,  
all your **Soul**, and all your **Mind**;  
and Love your **Neighbor** as yourself.

# Abril/ April 2010

<i>Domingo</i> Sunday	<i>Lunes</i> Monday	<i>Martes</i> Tuesday	<i>Miércoles</i> Wednesday	<i>Jueves</i> Thursday	<i>Viernes</i> Friday	<i>Sábado</i> Saturday
<p>CE = Christian Education (Sunday School) for ALL ages</p> <p>HE = Holy Eucharist (Communion) Service</p> <p>Santa Misa = Spanish Mass</p>				<p><b>1 Maundy Thursday</b> <i>Office is Closed</i></p>	<p><b>2 Good Friday</b> <i>Office is Closed</i></p>	<p><b>3 Holy Saturday</b></p>
<p>April is Child Abuse Prevention Month!</p>					<p><b>7:00 PM</b> Holy Eucharist w/foot washing and stripping of the altar</p>	<p><b>6:30 PM</b> Stations of the Cross in the Garden</p> 
<p><b>4</b> <i>He is Risen!</i> <b>Easter Day</b> 6:30 AM Sunrise Service</p> <p>9:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt &amp; Flowering of the Cross</p> <p>10:30 AM HE Festival Celebration</p> <p>4 PM Santa Misa</p> 	<p><b>5 Easter Monday</b> <i>Office is Closed</i></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>
<p><b>11</b> <i>2 Easter</i> 8:30 AM HE 10:30 AM HE &amp; Holy Baptism 4 PM Santa Misa 5-7 PM EYC Bowling @ SJAFB</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>7:00 PM ECW  Book Club</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> <i>(Franciscans Deadline)</i> 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> Acolyte Festival Nags Head, NC</p> 
<p><b>18</b> <i>3 Easter</i> 8:30 AM HE 9:15 AM Breakfast 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM HE (Vestry Meeting after service) </p> <p>4 PM Santa Misa</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p> 	<p><b>21</b></p> <p><i>Administrative Professionals Day</i></p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><i>Earth Day</i> </p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>
<p><b>25</b> <i>4 Easter</i> 8:30 AM HE 9:15 AM Breakfast 9:30 AM CE 10:30 AM HE 4 PM Santa Misa 5-7 PM EYC (Youth Group) Dinner, games &amp; fellowship</p>	<p><b>26</b> <i>(Feast of Saint Mark the Evangelist)</i></p>	<p><b>27</b>  9:30 AM ECW Annual Meeting @ Christ Church, Elizabeth City</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> 	

## Meditations from the Flower Guild

Taken from "God in the Garden" by Maureen Gilmer

Lord, watch over the trees I plant so they will grow tall and flourish in the light of the sun. Let their spreading branches shade the hot pavement, and the leaves add oxygen to this city air. Please bring the birds to nest in the branches as an acknowledgement of my stewardship and my desire to make the world a better and more beautiful place, one tree at a time. Amen.

*Meditation:* Perhaps one of the most profound aspects of gardening is the realization that we may till the soil, plant, and water, but only God makes the plants live and grow. To imagine that everyone who works the ground is God's coworker means that each of us becomes closer to God through even the most insignificant tasks. We tend to believe that we have much more control over our lives than we actually do, and it is only when we face the uncertain future that we learn to rely exclusively on God as the great overseer of humanity. We do have free will to plant our seeds, and to water and feed them, but if God does not wish that seed to sprout, it will not grow and there's nothing we can do about it. Gardening teaches us to accept our disappointments and to celebrate our successes as a tribute to a very intimate cooperation between ourselves and God.



**FOOD LION RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THEIR  
NEW MVP COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM.**

### Help Saint Francis Episcopal Church Earn Cash!

The more you shop at Food Lion  
the more cash we can earn!

—Barrett Parker is our Coordinator—

See Barrett with your MVP card and she will  
link your card to our Church.

You can also log on to [foodlion.com](http://foodlion.com) to  
register your MVP Card for our organization.

**Our organization code is 250889**

This will automatically earn credit for  
St. Francis, every time you use your MVP Card.

If you do not have an MVP Card  
see Barrett, or you can get one  
at any Food Lion location  
or online at [www.foodlion.com](http://www.foodlion.com).

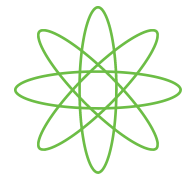


I can do *all things* through Christ who strengthens me.



## What's Up?!?!

### Youth Group Calendar of Events



**April**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Good Friday – 6:30 PM Youth will be doing readings for Stations of the Cross in the Garden
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Bowling Extravaganza 5—7PM at SJAFB Bowling
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group Meeting 5—7PM (Dinner, Games and Fellowship)



If you have any questions call Catherine LeChot at 919-739-0150 or 805-796-6360!

*Please remember that friends are always welcome at Youth group events!  
For outings (movies and bowling) please RSVP so we have adequate transportation.*

## ***ST. FRANCIS: GET INVOLVED!!***

<b><i>ACTIVITY — GROUP — MINISTRY</i></b>	<b><i>CONTACT(S)</i></b>
Acolytes (Scheduling)	Jodi Baker 751-1844
Altar Guild	Jill Brogneaux 751-0897
Budget/Finance/Accounting	Katherine Phinizy, Treasurer 736-1080
Building & Grounds	Steve Gregorecyk, Jr. Warden 429-1930
Christian Education	Fr. Van 252-258-2211
Christmas In The Forest 2010 Chairperson	To Be Determined
Church Choir	Bill Hayes, Organist & Choirmaster 735-9845
Coffee Hour Volunteer (Scheduling)	To Be Determined
Columbarium	Liz Meador 735-2316
Communication Commission	Liz Meador 735-2316
Deanery Representatives	Fr. Van 252-258-2211
Episcopal Church Women (ECW)	President: Jenny Kelly Vice President: Crissie Lewis Secretary: Nina Silverthorne Treasurer: Karen Witt
Eucharistic Visitors Coordinator	Dave Meador 735-2316
Flower Guild	Jeannie Siler 778-2107
<i>The Franciscans</i> , Newsletter	Corinne Stewart/Parish Office 735-9845
Frantastix's (20's, 30's, & 40's Social Group)	Barrett Parker 751-3928 or Sarah Merritt 735-9192
Garden	Sandy Siler 778-2107
Hospitality—Parish Socials/Picnics	To Be Determined
Lay Pastoral Care Ministry	Fr. Van 252-258-2211
Lectors, Subdeacons, Vergers (Scheduling)	Jodi Baker 751-1844
Media Coordinator	Liz Meador 735-2316
Outreach Commission	Harriet Pegram 658-8762
Parish Membership, Baptism, Confirmation	Fr. Van 252-258-2211
Prayer Chain	Kitty Boseman 734-5934
Project Christ Child	Walker Campbell 735-9090
Soup Kitchen (Contact at St. Francis)	Eldica Cyrus 751-1964
Stewardship 2010 Chairperson	Rick Coor 778-0210
United Thank Offering (UTO) Coordinator	Betsy Powell 778-2774
Ushers (Scheduling)	Mitch Baker 920-1975
Youth Group-EYC (Middle School & High School)	Catherine LeChot 739-0150

⇒ ***See the Parish Hall TOWER and BULLETIN BOARDS as well as the CURRENT EVENTS WINDOW of the church office for SIGN UPS and additional information. If you do NOT see something listed which suits your particular talent, ability, or interest, please ask any Vestry member how YOU may become more involved in the life of this parish!***

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## Of Current Interest . . .

### Transfer In:



Colin Coor  
Quincy Cunningham  
Laura Kelly  
Mathew Newell



### *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.*

### April 1

7:00 PM Maundy  
Thursday Service

### April 2

6:30 PM Good Friday  
Stations of the Cross

### April 4

6:30 am

Sunrise Service

9:15 am

Easter Egg Hunt &  
Flowering of the Cross

10:30 am

Festival Easter  
Celebration

### Confirmations:



Colin Coor  
Jonathon Cowan  
Quincy Cunningham  
Zeb Jones  
Laura Kelly  
Mathew Newell  
Will Walters

### 2010 Vestry:

Roger Brogneaux, Sr. Warden  
Steve Gregorcyk, Jr. Warden  
Norma Powell, Clerk  
Rick Coor  
Chris Cowan  
Jim Howard  
Jenny Kelly  
Catherine LeChot  
Liz Meador

(Katherine Phinizy, Treasurer)