

The FRANCISCANS

A Newsletter of St. Francis Episcopal Church

August 2010

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WHAT LETTERS ARE MISSING?

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I recently saw this sign in front of a local church. The sign reminded me once again that **the Body of Christ is US. The Church is a living organism, not a building. It reminds me that being a Christian does not just involve individual piety, but being part of a communal life of worship and prayer.**

Through our communal prayer and worship life we are

- **lifted from “me” to “we” to “our” as we pray “OUR Father in heaven” and “give us this day OUR daily bread.**
- **“detoxed” from our obsessions with our schedules, our duties, our insecurities and embarrassments, our lap tops and cell phones.** Through worship and prayer our desires are transformed and a glimpse is offered into the divine mystery at the heart of our life together. We are enabled to think of the things that are above (God’s kingdom) not on earthly things. (Colossians 1)
- **Lifted up from the limitations of our prejudices and our particular culture to envision all persons before God.** We are called to continue to be formed into the Body of Christ - - to be rid of distractive behavior involving “... anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language. We are to strip off the old self and be clothed in the new self. (Colossians 1: 15-28)
- **Lifted from the world of patronage and merit, honor and shame -- to a world where our value is no longer measured by the size of our credit line (or debt) or our titles or even our time of service on the job or even in the church.**

- **Aware that we are not alone** – that there are other Christians both within our local church and in other places, “... praying the same prayer, forming the same prayer in their hearts and on their lips, and all of us being formed and transformed by it. ...” (Huey)
- **shaped and formed into a community of compassion and justice** that makes sure that all of God’s children have ‘their daily bread’. Within the Body of Christ we heed the call to be part of building God’s kingdom here on earth – a call to create a reign of justice, healing , mercy and love.

Parish Ministry Sunday, September 12, 2010, will give each of us an opportunity to consider your roles in the life of St. Francis and to decide how much of your personal time, talents and treasures you will give to support Christ’s work in our community and in the world -- to examine UR place in the Church.

To place the UR in the CHURCH we all need to root ourselves in those activities of prayer and worship and reflection that will continue to form us into a community alive to the Spirit, full of love and grace, and sensitive to the work and word of God.

WE ARE THE CH UR CH!

Peace, Fr. Van+





**Be Sure to Sign Up
for the Final two Summer
Wednesday EVENING PRAYER—
DINNERS—and FELLOWSHIP!**

August 11 — 6:30 p.m. at The Brogneaux's

August 25 — 6:30 p.m. at The Kelly's

**Everyone is asked to bring a salad,
side dish or dessert to share.**

**Please sign up if you plan to attend so the host
family knows the number of people to expect.**

ECW NEWS



◆ **August 8, Sunday** — after 9:30am service
Christmas in the Forest Meeting
Everyone is encouraged to attend!

◆ **August 11, Wednesday** — 10am in Library
New ECW BIBLE STUDY begins!

We will be using Beth Moore's "Stepping Up: A journey through the Psalms of Ascent." We are very lucky to be able to borrow the dvd/video portion, so our only expense will be the \$12.95 for each person's workbook. Please contact Jill Brogneaux at 751-0897 or email her jillbrogneaux@hotmail.com if you are interested. She will buy you a book and bring it the first session.

◆ **August 19, Thursday** — at Trinity Center
All women (and men) are invited!

Guest speaker—ECW past president, Betsy Overton, exploring the subject: *From Single Sisters to ECW, from Love Feasts to Fall Bazaars: How Moravians and Episcopalians Connect and Commune (and promise not to throw people out of windows anymore!).*

Registration begins at 9:00 am, Assembly at 9:45, Holy Eucharist at 11:15, then Lunch at 12:30 p.m.

The cost is \$18.00 per person. **Notify Jenny Jelly by August 4 if you plan to attend.**

Dress casual; wear comfortable shoes. You may want to take a walk out to Sander's Point for some quiet time or enjoy a stroll on the beach.



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is August 15th for the September issue.

— Corinne Stewart, Parish Administrator

☺ STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION ☺

Mitch Baker spends many hours each month working around St. Francis!

Mitch volunteers his time to help keep the church building and grounds looking nice.

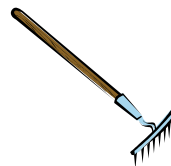
Several days a week you will find Mitch, clearing undergrowth, cutting up fallen trees and limbs, removing poison ivy, or picking up pine cones.

Mitch also recently repaired the fence between the church and offices.

**Thanks Mitch for all you do
for St. Francis Episcopal Church!**



*Our 'Wish List' this month includes
a little something Mitch has requested.
(See page 3 for our Wish List)*



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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
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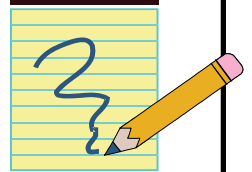
The Franciscans:

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) Large paper clips
- 2) Paper towels
- 3) 8 oz. Coffee cups
- 4) Roundup weed killer & Roundup Poison Ivy

Thank you for your Continued Support!



Items of Note



CITF MEETING

The ECW will have a **Christmas in the Forest planning Meeting on Sunday, August 8** following the 9:30am service. Anyone interested in helping with or learning more about CITF should attend.

ECW BIBLE STUDY

New Wednesday morning ECW Bible Study begins **August 11 at 10:00 am** in the Library thru September 22.

EVENING PRAYER/DINNER

Wednesday Evening Prayer, Dinner, and Fellowship at The Brogneaux's home (1904 Pinemont Circle) **August 11 at 6:30 PM**. Everyone is asked to bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Please sign up on the Tower in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend.

VESTRY MEETING

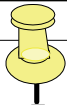
The Vestry will meet on **Wednesday, August 18** at 7:00 PM.

EVENING PRAYER/DINNER

Wednesday Evening Prayer, Dinner, and Fellowship at The Kelly's home (203 NW Railroad St, Pikeville) **August 25 at 6:30 PM**. Everyone is asked to bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Please sign up on the Tower in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Our 9:30 am Summer service schedule continues through Sept. 5.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

St. Francis Parish Family Weekend at Trinity Center
October 8, 9, 10, 2010!

Trinity Center's website: www.trinityctr.com



DID YOU KNOW THAT EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS?

The 1st Sunday of each month
all the loose cash in the plate offering
goes toward our Church Repair Fund!

You can also make a donation anytime during the year
by marking your check "Church Repairs".



SUNDAY LAY SERVER SCHEDULE**AUGUST 2010**

	August 1 Said Service	August 8	August 15	August 22	August 29
	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am
VERGER		Barrett Parker	John Pegram	TBD	Jodi Baker
SUBDEACON	Jodi Baker	Roger Brogneaux	Barrett Parker	Jodi Baker	Roger Brogneaux
LECTOR	Jodi Baker	Susan Moser	Pat Biggers	Sharon Sarvey	Jill Brogneaux
CRUCIFER	Quincy Cunningham	Emily Moser	Quincy Cunningham	Jacob Sarvey	Jacob Sarvey
TORCH BEARERS	To Be Determined	Mikaela Freeman Will Walters	Jacob Howard Mikaela Freeman	Will Walters Emily Moser	Quincy Cunningham TBD
USHERS	Mitch Baker George Moye	Mitch Baker George Moye	Mitch Baker To Be Determined	Mitch Baker John Jansta	Mitch Baker TBD
EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS	Jill Brogneaux	Karen Witt Dave Meador	Dave Meador Liz Meador	To Be Determined	Gloria Price
ALTAR GUILD	Judy Moye Jill Brogneaux	Judy Moye Jill Brogneaux	Judy Moye Jill Brogneaux	Judy Moye Jill Brogneaux	Judy Moye Jill Brogneaux
FLOWER GUILD	Jeannie Siler	Jeannie Siler	Jeannie Siler	Jeannie Siler	Jeannie Siler
TELLERS	Chris Cowan Liz Meador	Chris Cowan Liz Meador	Chris Cowan Liz Meador	Chris Cowan Liz Meador	Chris Cowan Liz Meador
COFFEE HOUR	Liz & Dave Meador	Liz & Dave Meador	Liz & Dave Meador	Liz & Dave Meador	Liz & Dave Meador

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

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

3 Savannah Shoemake	29 Rick Coor
4 Debbie Stedner	30 Dean Gurley
7 Harriet Pegram Margarito Gutierrez	
8 Mitch Baker	
16 Scott Shoemake	
17 Sarah Merritt	
23 Jane Anthony	



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

REMINDER:

Our Summer Service Schedule will continue through Sunday, September 5, 2010 with one service at 9:30 am.

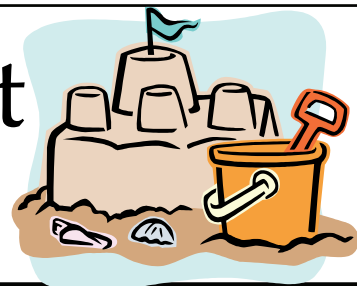
We will resume our Regular Service Schedule on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**, which is **FIRST SUNDAY!**



Services return to 8:30 am & 10:30 am.

On September 12 we will have a **Ministry Fair & PICNIC** following the 10:30am service!



Agosto / August 2010



Domingo Sunday	Lunes Monday	Martes Tuesday	Miércoles Wednesday	Jueves Thursday	Viernes Friday	Sábado Saturday
1 10 Pentecost 9:30 AM HE Said Service  Friendship Day	2	3	4	5 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	6 (Feast of The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ)	7
8 11 Pentecost 9:30 AM HE Following the service— CITF Planning Meeting 4 PM Santa Misa	9	10	11 10:00 AM ECW Bible Study 6:30 PM Evening Prayer —THEN— Dinner at The Brogneaux's	12 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	13	14 
15 12 Pentecost (Franciscans Deadline) 9:30 AM HE 4 PM Santa Misa	16 (Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ) 	17	18 10:00 AM ECW Bible Study 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting ✓	19 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	20	21
22 13 Pentecost 9:30 AM HE 4 PM Santa Misa	23	24 (Feast of Saint Bartholomew, the Apostle)	25 10:00 AM ECW Bible Study 6:30 PM Evening Prayer —THEN— Dinner at The Kelly's home Back to School Wayne County 	26 5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal	27	28
29 14 Pentecost 9:30 AM HE 4 PM Santa Misa	30	31				

Meditations from the Flower Guild

Taken from "God in the Garden" by Maureen Gilmer

Say when offering flowers at church or home shrine. . .

Lord, please accept the humble offering of these flowers from my garden. Though I planted and tended them, I know you gave them life and that I merely acted as caretaker. May their beauty be a sign of my devotion to you. Amen.

AUGUST 30 FEAST OF ST. FIACRE, PATRON OF GARDENERS

Meditation: Although he is widely recognized in France for miracles he performed there in his later life, St. Fiacre, patron of gardeners, was a Celtic Christian. He was born in Ireland in 1590, the son of a pagan warrior-king who, because he was druid, believed that the gods or spirits inhabited plants, making them sacred. This instilled in the boy a reverence for the green world, although his mother, a Christian, raised him in her own faith. He entered monastic life in France so that he might live as a hermit in the woods.



The Bishop of Meaux offered the ascetic Fiacre as much of an overgrown woodland as the monk could clear in a short time. Varying accounts claim that Fiacre miraculously cleared an enormous area with the help of God. Some say that angels felled the trees and pulled the plow. St. Fiacre planted his garden in the wilderness with herbs that he used to treat the ailing bodies of the poor, while he fed their souls as a confessor and counselor. He often prayed aloud to the Virgin Mary while tending his garden, always speaking to her in his native tongue, Gaelic. The monk worked all his life in the garden, which surely brought him good health, for he lived for eighty years—an incredible age when life expectancy was only half that.



Prayer:

Saint Fiacre, intercede before God for all gardeners, that their gardens may produce well and be a place of peace and meditation. Amen

Christmas in the Forest is Coming November 5 & 6, 2010!

ECW needs canning/jelly jars to fill for Christmas in the Forest.

Bring donated jars to the Parish Hall.

Also remember Christmas in the Forest when you can your special jams, jellies, pickles, etc.

See Charlotte Campbell if you have any questions.

Friendship Poem

Taken from the Internet—author unknown

The best of friends,
Can change a frown,
Into a smile,
When you feel down.



The best of friends,
Will understand,
Your little trials,
And lend a hand.



The best of friends,
Will always share,
Your secret dreams,
Because they care.

The best of friends,
Worth more than gold,
Give all the love,
A heart can hold.



Happy Friendship Day
August 1, 2010

ST. FRANCIS: GET INVOLVED!!

<i>ACTIVITY — GROUP — MINISTRY</i>	<i>CONTACT(S)</i>
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 Co-Vice Presidents: Crissie Lewis & Brenda Coor 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 . . .

**9:30 am Summer
service schedule continues
through September 5!**



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.

August 8

CITF Meeting
after 9:30 am service

August 11

- 10:00 am ECW Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Evening Prayer, dinner & fellowship @ The Brogneaux's

August 25

6:30 pm
Evening Prayer, dinner & fellowship @ The Kelly's



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)