

# The FRANCISCANS

A Newsletter of St. Francis Episcopal Church

September 2010

## THE FUTURE OF ST. FRANCIS

**I have frequently wondered about the future of St. Francis. Does it even have a future? Will it make it to 2014 when it will be 50 years old. Does it still have a mission?**

**YES, I BELIEVE IT DOES!**

**For I have seen the working of the Holy Spirit in our midst during our worship services this summer and in the activities of our members.**

Through our worship we are engaged and inspired by and consumed by the fire of God's love in and through Jesus Christ. Through our worship we have been reconnected each week to the power that God makes available to us through and in the Holy Spirit. We are transformed – called to stand up and walk. We have heard the call of Jesus, which he gave to the “bent over woman (Luke 13:10-17, Pentecost 13, 8/22/2010): “Lift up your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet.”

And, having received the gift, we have been called to give it away in loving and healing acts of service. The members of St. Francis have taken seriously their call to heal, welcome, love, encourage, and serve.

**WE HAVE RESPONDED TO THIS CALLING OF HEALING BY HAVING A SERVICE OF HEALING AT THE 9:30 a.m. SERVICE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2010.** As a community, the Body of Christ, we asked God to grant his healing grace upon all who were sick, injured, or disabled, that they might be made whole -- that all who were lonely, anxious, or despondent might be aware of Christ's healing presence. At the close of the service, all members prayed, “May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. ...”

**This Ministry of Healing has continued on the following Sundays.** As well, that healing ministry continues through the visits of Fr. Van, Deacon Gloria Price, and Walker Campbell to those who are

in the hospital and homebound -- as well as through the ministry of many members of our Parish through visits, calls, and other forms of encouragement and support. This Ministry of Healing will remain a major component of our call in the years to come.

**MEMBERS OF ST. FRANCIS CONTINUED THEIR MINISTRY OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND HEALING THROUGH THEIR PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS FOR THOSE MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION ABOUT TO BE DEPLOYED (JIM HOWARD & MICHAEL FITZSIMMONS) ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF AUGUST.**

Blessing both Jim and Michael and their loved ones, the members of the congregation prayed: “Servants of our nation, go forth on our behalf. Do your duty with honor. Defend us against the darkness. Know that no task is too trivial or small in this cause. Know also that our love and support goes with you. Go forth with blessings in abundance from almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And may God's peace be with you always. ...” May the love of the members of our congregation be an anchor for them and their families during their time of deployment.

**WILL ST. FRANCIS HAVE A FUTURE? YES! AS LONG AS ITS MEMBERS CONTINUE TO ENGAGE IN THEIR MINISTRIES OF HEALING, CARING, ENCOURAGEMENT, WELCOMING, AND SERVING. ST. FRANCIS WILL CONTINUE AS LONG AS ITS MEMBERS REMEMBER IN WORSHIP THAT IT IS GOD'S DESIRE TO BLESS EVERYONE - - AS LONG AS WE ARE OPEN TO GOD'S FUTURE KINGDOM AND LIVE OUT OF FAITH, NOT FEAR -- AS LONG AS WE HEAR THE CALL TO LIFT UP OUR DROOPING HANDS AND STRENGTHEN OUR WEAK KNEES, AND MAKE STRAIGHT THE PATHS OF OUR FEET.**

Peace, Fr. Van+



## St. Francis Episcopal Church

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### PARISH RETREAT WEEKEND at TRINITY CENTER

October 8, 9, 10, 2010

#### GOD'S CREATION STORY & OUR ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN

Complete a registration form and return with payment to hold your spot!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Names of those attending (for children include ages): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Single Room \$92.00 per person, per night \_\_\_\_\_ Double \$72.00 per person, per night

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth (5-17 yrs.) \$29.00 per night \_\_\_\_\_ Youth (1-4 yrs.) \$12.00 per night

(Each room has one double and one single bed — Cots are available upon request.)

**Make Checks out to St. Francis.**

Scholarships Available! See Sr. Warden, Roger Brogneaux or call the Church Office at 735-9845.

## ECW NEWS



### ◆ Tuesdays & Saturdays in September

**CITF Bake Days at 9:00 am!**

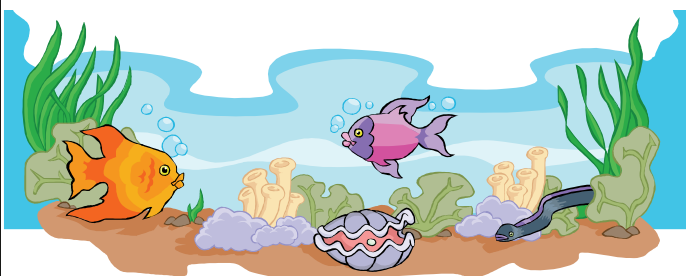
Join us for fun and fellowship while we make pie shells, sausage rolls, and apple pies.

### ◆ September 2-23, Thursdays 10am/Library

**Women's BIBLE STUDY Continues!**

Using Beth Moore's "Stepping Up: A journey through the Psalms of Ascent." Contact Jill Brogneaux if you have any questions—[jillbrogneaux@hotmail.com](mailto:jillbrogneaux@hotmail.com) or 751-0897.

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! — Jen Kelly, ECW President



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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

*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.**



### *A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR*

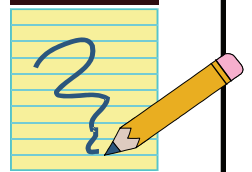
The deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is September 15th for the October issue.

— Corinne Stewart, Parish Administrator



**REMINDER:**  
Christian Education  
(Sunday School)  
for ALL AGES  
starts **September 19**  
at 9:30 am!

### *St. Francis' Wish List*



- 1) Paper towels
  - 2) Zip Lock freezer bags
  - 3) Roundup weed killer & Roundup Poison Ivy
- Thank you for your Continued Support!*



## **Items of Note**



**BILL ON VACATION**

Bill Hayes will be on vacation August 30 through September 5.

**CITF BAKE DAYS**

September Bake Days for CITF every **Tuesday & Saturday** at **9:00 am**.

**VESTRY MEETING**

The Vestry will meet on **Wednesday, September 1** at 7:00 PM.

**ECW BIBLE STUDY**

The Women's Bible Study continues to meet each **Thursday morning 10:00 am** in the Library **through September 23**.

**SUMMER SCHEDULE ENDS**

The final day of our 9:30am summer service is **September 5**.

**OFFICE CLOSED**

The Church Office will be Closed on **Monday, September 6** for Labor Day.

**RETURN TO 8:30 & 10:30 SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Our regular Sunday service schedule with services at 8:30 am & 10:30 am resumes on **FIRST SUNDAY, September 12**.

**FIRST SUNDAY**

Sunday, **September 12** is **FIRST SUNDAY!** A **Covered Dish PICNIC** and **Ministry Fair** will follow the 10:30am service. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to share, drinks will be provided. Sign up on the Tower in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend and include what you will bring.

**CHRISTIAN ED RESUMES**

Christian Education (Sunday School) for ALL AGES resumes **Sept. 19 at 9:30am**.

**EYC MEETING**

EYC will have their first meeting of the year on **Sunday, September 19, 5-7 PM**.

## **GRANDPARENTS**

~taken from the internet by Stacy Smith~




Grandparents are special people  
with wisdom and pride.  
They are always offering love and kindness  
and are always there to guide.

They often make you feel  
so confident and strong.  
Their arms are always open  
no matter what you did wrong.

They try to help out  
in every way that they can.  
They love all their grandchildren  
the same whether you're a child, woman or man.

They are always there to listen  
and to lend a helping hand.  
They show you respect  
and they try to understand.  
They give their love, devotion and so much more,  
that's easy to see.  
Grandparents,  
what perfect examples  
of the kind of person that we should be.

*Happy Grandparents Day*  
*September 12, 2010*

| SUNDAY LAY SERVER SCHEDULE  |  | SEPTEMBER 2010                      |                                  |                                      |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|  | September 5                                | September 12                        | September 19                     | September 26                         |
|   | Last day of summer schedule - Said Service | FIRST SUNDAY Picnic & Ministry Fair | Christian Education Resumes      |                                      |
|   | 9:30 am                                    | 10:30 am                            | 10:30 am                         | 1030 am                              |
| VERGER  | —  | —                                   | Chris Cowan                      | Jodi Baker                           |
| SUBDEACON   | Sarah Merritt                              | Jodi Baker                          | Barrett Parker                   | Deacon Gloria Price                  |
| LECTOR  | Rick Coor                                  | Liz Meador                          | Jeannie Siler                    | Charlotte Campbell                   |
| CRUCIFER  | Emily Moser                                | Quincy Cunningham                   | Jacob Sarvey                     | Jacob Sarvey                         |
| TORCH BEARERS   | Mikaela Freeman<br>Will Walters            | Jacob Howard<br>Mikaela Freeman     | Will Walters<br>Emily Moser      | Quincy Cunningham<br>Mikaela Freeman |
| USHERS  | Steve Gregorcyk<br>Jeff Merritt            | Steve Gregorcyk<br>Jeff Merritt     | Steve Gregorcyk<br>Jeff Merritt  | Steve Gregorcyk<br>Jeff Merritt      |
| EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS   | Jill Brogneaux                             | Karen Witt<br>Dave Meador           | Dave Meador<br>Liz Meador        | To Be Determined                     |
| ALTAR GUILD   | Brenda Chambers<br>Sarah Merritt           | Brenda Chambers<br>Sarah Merritt    | Brenda Chambers<br>Sarah Merritt | Brenda Chambers<br>Sarah Merritt     |
| FLOWER GUILD  | Pat Biggers                                | Pat Biggers                         | Pat Biggers                      | Pat Biggers                          |
| TELLERS   | Rick Coor<br>Jenny Kelly                   | Rick Coor<br>Jenny Kelly            | Rick Coor<br>Jenny Kelly         | Rick Coor<br>Jenny Kelly             |
| COFFEE HOUR   | The Kelley's                               | The Kelley's                        | The Kelley's                     | The Kelley's                         |

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





SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|--|--|
| 1 Don Skinner<br><br>5 Dulce Soria<br>Victor Gutierrez<br><br>6 Tom Phinizy<br>Mary Beth Bokop<br>Cristal Espinoza<br><br>15 Bill Hayes<br><br>16 Genevieve Miller<br><br>17 Kitty Boseman | 19 Hannah Coor<br><br>20 Karen Witt<br><br>21 Jeff Sarvey<br><br>28 Karen Shoemake<br><br>30 Cecilia Ambriz<br><br> |
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If your birthday has been omitted please notify the church office so that the birthday lists are up-to-date.

**FIRST SUNDAY Covered Dish PICNIC**  
**Sunday, September 12**  
  
**Bring a Covered Dish to share**  
 drinks will be provided.

Sign up on the Tower in the Parish Hall  
 if you plan to attend and indicate  
 what you will be bringing.



*September 7 ~ Frank & Kitty Boseman Celebrate  
 their 64<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

*September 9 ~ Paul & Betsy Powell Celebrate  
 their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

*September 16 ~ Paul & Genevieve Miller Celebrate  
 their 59<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

# Septiembre/September 2010

| <i>Domingo</i><br><b>Sunday</b>  | <i>Lunes</i><br><b>Monday</b>   | <i>Martes</i><br><b>Tuesday</b>  | <i>Miércoles</i><br><b>Wednesday</b>              | <i>Jueves</i><br><b>Thursday</b>  | <i>Viernes</i><br><b>Friday</b>             | <i>Sábado</i><br><b>Saturday</b>                        |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| <p>CE = Christian Education (Sunday School) for ALL AGES</p> <p>HE = Holy Eucharist (Communion) Service</p> <p>Santa Misa = Spanish Mass</p>                                 | <b>CITF BAKING DAYS</b><br>Every Tuesday & Saturday throughout September! |  | <b>1</b><br><br>7:00 PM Vestry Meeting            | <b>2</b><br>10:00 AM Women's Bible Study  | <b>3</b><br><br>(Bill on Vacation 8/30—9/5) | <b>4</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF                     |
| <b>5</b> 15 Pentecost<br>9:30 AM HE Said Service   | <b>6</b><br>Office is Closed<br><br>Labor Day                             | <b>7</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF  | <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b><br>10:00 AM Women's Bible Study<br>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal                                 | <b>10</b>                                   | <b>11</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF<br><br>Patriot Day |
| <b>12</b> 16 Pentecost<br><b>FIRST SUNDAY</b><br>8:30 AM HE<br>10:30 AM HE<br>Following service Covered Dish PICNIC and Ministry Fair<br>4 PM Santa Misa<br>Grandparents Day | <b>13</b>   | <b>14</b> (Feast of Holy Cross Day)<br><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF                       | <b>15</b><br>(Franciscans Deadline)               | <b>16</b><br>10:00 AM Women's Bible Study<br>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal                                | <b>17</b><br><br>Citizenship Day            | <b>18</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF                    |
| <b>19</b> 17 Pentecost<br>8:30 AM HE<br>9:30 AM Christian Education for ALL AGES Resumes<br>10:30 AM HE Farmworker Festival<br>5:00 PM EYC                                   | <b>20</b>   | <b>21</b> (Feast of Saint Matthew Apostle and Evangelist)<br><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF | <b>22</b>   | <b>23</b><br>10:00 AM Women's Bible Study<br>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal<br><br><br>First Day of Autumn | <b>24</b>                                   | <b>25</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF                    |
| <b>26</b> 18 Pentecost<br>8:30 AM HE<br>9:30 AM CE<br>10:30 AM HE<br>4 PM Santa Misa   | <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b><br>9:00 AM Baking for CITF   | <b>29</b> (Feast of Saint Michael and All Angels) | <b>30</b><br><br>5:45 PM Choir Rehearsal  |   |   |

## Meditations from the Flower Guild

Taken from "God in the Garden" by Maureen Gilmer

Lord, give me increased patience each and every day. Keep me from hurrying through life at the pace of the world when I should be quietly living at the gentle pace of the heart. Now that I am older, let me take a new look at the world and appreciate the slow and gradual changes that are the essence of the garden. Amen.



### September 29 Feast of St. Michael, Archangel Michaelmas

*Mediation:* The Feast of St. Michael honors this famous archangel who is depicted as a warrior with his sword. His day is steeped in the folklore of Europe and Britain, where many mountaintop monasteries were erected in his honor. Among the most well known are Mount-Saint-Michel in France, St. Michael's Mount in England, and Mount Gargano in Italy. It is interesting to note that beneath each of these monasteries are ruins of pagan shrines to the sky gods, who controlled the weather. Pre-Christian Europeans no doubt climbed to these high places to honor their pagan gods, and later great pilgrimages were made by the Christians. This is likely why Michael's day is connected to the forecasting of rain. Look up into the night skies during the dark of the moon for meteor showers. Then look to the earth for the blossoms that honor St. Michael this time of year: angelica, asters, and autumn crocus.

*Gardening:* St. Michael is associated with apple trees because it is during this time when apples are harvested in England and northern Europe. Apples store for the winter better than any other kind of fruit. The traditional way to preserve them is to layer maple leaves for padding in the apple-filled storage boxes. Today we wrap each fruit individually in white tissue or newspaper instead. Now and throughout the harvest season it is important to pick up fallen fruit, whether edible or not. Fermenting fruit is not only smelly; it gives damaging fruit flies a perfect place to reproduce. Wildlife, such as foxes or birds, become tipsy after feeding on fermented fruit. Better to pick up the fruit promptly and add to your compost so that the garden remains clean, up to and beyond the first frost.



## EYC SCHEDULE

**September 5 or 12** – Training for youth who would like to help teach pre-k Sunday School.

**September 19** – First Meeting of the Year! Meet at church 5-7 p.m. for games, food and fun.

**October 1-3** – Happening's Weekend (HS only). Let Catherine LeChot know if you'd like to attend.

**October 3** – Destination Unknown—meet at church at 4:45 and we'll return by 7 pm. Where we go is up to the Leaders to know and YOU to find out!!

**October 8-10** – Parish Weekend at Trinity Center

**October 17** – Meeting at church 5-7 p.m.

## Mark your Calendars for our 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual CHRISTMAS IN THE FOREST NOVEMBER 5 & 6, 2010!

**Christmas in the Forest**  
**BAKING DAYS**  
 (9:00 am)  
 Every  
**TUESDAY and SATURDAY**  
 throughout September!

**NEEDED:**  
**Ladies to come out and help make pie shells, sausage rolls, and apple pies.**

**We need a lot of help so please come and enjoy the fun and fellowship.**  
 (We are starting on Tues., August 31)  
 Contact Judy Moye, Baking Coordinator if you have any questions.

## ***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 Gregorcyk, Jr. Warden 429-1930  |
| Christian Education                             | Fr. Van 252-258-2211  |
| Christmas In The Forest 2010 Baking Coordinator | Judy Moye 778-4898  |
| Café Coordinator                                | To Be Determined  |
| Pantry Coordinator                              | Charlotte Campbell 735-9090   |
| Vendor Coordinators                             | Crissie Lewis 734-8866 & Sharon Sarvey 273-3584   |
| Church Choir                                    | Bill Hayes, Organist & Choirmaster 735-9845   |
| Coffee Hour Volunteer (Scheduling)              | Whitney Jansta 317-331-7592   |
| Columbarium                                     | Liz Meador 735-2316   |
| Communication Commission                        | Liz Meador 735-2316   |
| Deanery Representatives                         | Fr. Van 252-258-2211  |
| Episcopal Church Women (ECW)                    | President: Jen Kelly<br>Co-Vice Presidents: Crissie Lewis & Brenda Coor<br>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   |

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## Of Current Interest . . .

**Regular Sunday  
service schedule returns  
September 12!**  
8:30 am & 10:30 am



### *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.*

Tuesdays/Saturdays

CITF Baking

9:00 am



Sept. 2—23

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10:00 am each Thursday

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### **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)