

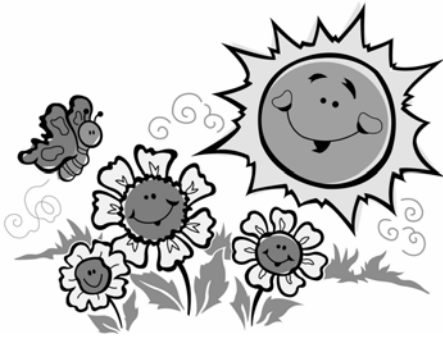


# Through The Lych Gate of Saint Francis Church



## Summer 2008

### SUMMERTIME AND THE LIVING IS EASY



I just spent a few days with my two year old granddaughter Clara and noted that for bedtime, she still likes to hear lullabies. Maybe we should all sing a lullaby before bedtime after we say our nighttime prayers!

According to Wikipedia, lullabies originated in England in the late 1300s. The idea is that the song sung by a familiar and beautiful voice will lull the child to sleep. Lullabies written by established classical composers are often given the form-name berceuse, which is French for lullaby, or cradle song. The most famous berceuse is Johannes Brahms *lied Wiegenlied* (cradle song), called Brahms' Lullaby in English. Brahms wrote his *Wiegenlied* for Bertha Faber, on the occasion of the birth of her second son. The English lyrics are similar to the original German. Typically, a berceuse is in triple meter, or in a compound meter such as 6/8. Tonally most berceuses are simple, often merely alternating

tonic and dominant harmonies: since the intended effect is to put someone to sleep, wild chromaticism would be somewhat out of character.

Even the Beatles had a lullaby called, "Good Night." But for some reason, I cannot get the famous lullaby, Summertime from the *Porgy and Bess* musical of 1935 out of my mind. Sometimes it is also referred to as the Gershwin Lullaby. The recurring gentle rocking back and forth between A-minor 6th and E-seventh, in the orchestral strings version, is simultaneously both sad and comforting.

But isn't life like that: both sad and comforting? This summer, let's all enjoy an easier way of living. Our summer worship schedule is 8am and 10am and we will conclude the summer with our picnic and "Mass on the Grass" at the park on September 7. Let's enjoy the Punch on the Lawn with one another this summer and bask in the glory of God in our amazing church. And at the conclusion of these gorgeous summer days, turn to our night time prayer, *Compline*, on page 127 of the *Book of Common Prayer*. And then if you are still having trouble falling asleep and you have said your prayers and given thanks to God for all that you have, maybe you too will hum the gentle lullaby that soothes many little souls:

*Summertime,  
and the living is easy  
Fish are jumping,  
and the cotton is high  
Your daddy's rich,  
and your ma is good looking  
So hush little baby,  
don't you cry.*

*One of these mornings,  
you're gonna rise up singing  
You're gonna spread your  
wings as you take the sky  
But till that morning,  
there's nothing can harm you  
With your daddy and mammy  
standing nigh*

May God 'keep you as the apple of His eye and hide you under the shadow of His wings.'

In Christ's love and grace,  
*Dee+*  
The Rev. Dee Ann  
deMontmollin+

## Stewardship of Presence

	8am	11am	6pm	Total
May 4	33	95	6	134
May 11	31	95		126
May 18	35	57		92
May 25	35	86		121

## Stewardship of Giving

	Pledged	Non-Pledged
May 4	11,669.00	1,202.11
May 11	1,209.11	1,076.15
May 18	3,638.00	828.35
May 25	1,521.80	371.50

29 items of food for Yokefellow

There were 202 visits to the web site,  
looking at 361 pages.

## A Plea From the Crisis Committee:

Many of you know that the function of the Crisis Committee is to help out in times of family emergencies, perhaps with meals at home, or meals at the Parish House following funeral services.

If you filled out your Time and Talent Card, you saw a place to indicate your willingness to help with this most important ministry. Maybe the Time and Talent Card got lost in your piles of "stuff" (we all have them!) and you failed to turn it in to the church office.

I'd like to ask you again to give this your prayerful consideration, and to add your name to our list of volunteers. The more names on the list, the more we are able to do for our fellow parishioners, and you as a volunteer might make all or a part of a meal. If you've been a recipient of this ministry, you know how much it means.

Please seriously consider joining this committee (no meetings!), and give me a call, or Lesley at the church office if you'd like to help. We greatly need more volunteers.

Thanks so much,  
Sue Lloyd

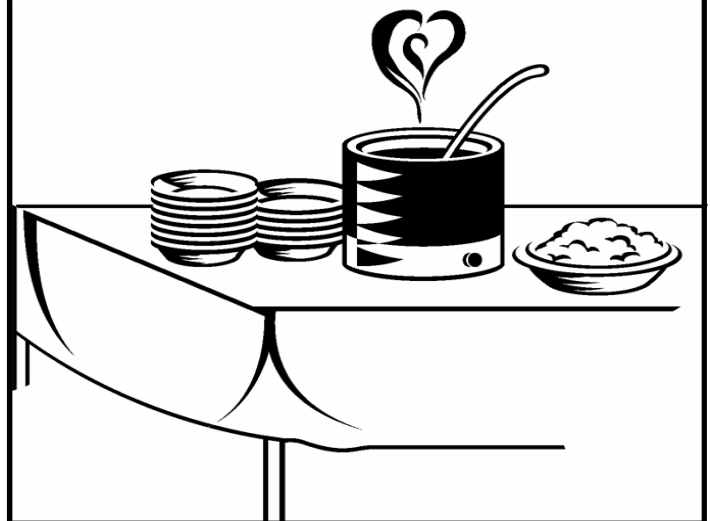
# YOKEFELLOW

Service Center, Inc.  
102 Blanton Street ~ Spindale, NC

For June

## INSTANT POTATOES

*(Although any non-perishable  
item will be accepted)*



# KID'S PAGE



Give this unusual message to a family member or friend to announce summer's arrival — and invite them to join you in some summertime fun!

**What you need:**

- Summer treasures and trinkets (see ideas below)
- Empty plastic bottle with cap
- Paper and pencil
- Ribbon or tape

**What you do:**

1. With your parents, think of summertime activities and destinations. Then find, make or buy related items that will fit inside the bottle. (Note that you can also use stickers, magazine pictures or your own drawings.)

**Examples include:**

- Beach day: sand or shells
- Camping: ingredients for s'mores
- Vacation Bible School: biblical bookmark or VBS trinket
- Making Popsicles: wooden craft stick
- Going to a movie: popcorn

2. Place all your objects in the bottle.
3. Write a letter asking someone to guess your summer plans — and inviting them to join you.
4. Roll up your letter tightly with ribbon or tape it closed. Then place the letter inside the bottle and close with cap.
5. Deliver your message.



## God made the seasons

Warmer weather means summer has arrived! God's beautiful creation is always changing, and we can praise God for every season.



Use this code to finish Genesis 8:22, NIV.

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Genesis 8:22, NIV

Answer: "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JUNE

<b>June 1</b>	<b>The Third Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28	Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24	Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-28	Matthew 7:21-29
<b>June 8</b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 12:1-9	Psalm 33:1-12	Romans 4:13-25	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
<b>June 15</b>	<b>The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 18:1-15	Psalm 100	Romans 5:1-8	Matthew 9:35-10:8
<b>June 22</b>	<b>The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 21:8-21	Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17	Romans 6:1b-11	Matthew 10:24-39
<b>June 29</b>	<b>The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 22:1-14	Psalm 13	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JULY

<b>July 6</b>	<b>The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Zechariah 9:9-12	Psalm 145:8-15	Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
<b>July 13</b>	<b>The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 25:19-34	Psalm 119:105-112	Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
<b>July 20</b>	<b>The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 28:10-19a	Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23	Romans 8:12-25	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
<b>July 27</b>	<b>The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost</b>	1 Kings 3:5-12	Psalm 119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR AUGUST

<b>August 3</b>	<b>The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 32:22-31	Psalm 17:1-7, 16	Romans 9:1-5	Matthew 14:13-21
<b>August 10</b>	<b>The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	1 Kings 19:9-18	Psalm 85:8-13	Romans 10:5-15	Matthew 14:22-33
<b>August 17</b>	<b>The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Genesis 45:1-15	Psalm 133	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32	Matthew 15:21-28
<b>August 24</b>	<b>The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Isaiah 51:1-6	Psalm 138	Romans 12:1-8	Matthew 16:13-20
<b>August 31</b>	<b>The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Jeremiah 15:15-21	Psalm 26	Romans 12:9-21	Matthew 16:21-27

## "Summertime, and the livin' is eas-y..."

I think most of us can recall that song and it may even bring up images of relaxing, playing, just in general taking it easy, forgetting all our cares for just a while. For me it brings up images of lying in a hammock with a good book. Although it is vacation time from school with younger families traveling to take advantage of that break and older families off visiting distant relatives, we all need to remember that St. Francis is still here, still holding services, still paying bills and still assisting with the needs of the Rutherford County community. While you are traveling you make arrangements to see that your bills are paid on time, even paying some bills ahead of time if they will come due while you are away. But do you make the same arrangements with your pledge to St. Francis? You can also pay your pledge ahead of time if you are going to be away. Now that I have addressed the issue that everyone expects me to address, I will go on to the real reason I am writing. Stewardship is so much more than just "paying

a bill". It is the joyful sharing of the blessing God has given you. This sharing can take on so many different approaches that I know I will miss some, but let me list just a few ways in which you can share your blessings with St. Francis and with others through St. Francis. You can bring in cans and boxes of non-perishable food that will go to Yokefellow to help feed the folks of Rutherford County that are without work. We frequently have a list of small items that Hospice needs for the people that it provides tender care to at their time of greatest need for comfort. While you are traveling, you can pick up the little soaps and shampoos and things that are left in hotel rooms for your use and bring them back. The folks at the Grace of God Mission will certainly appreciate it. Most folks do not eat much soup during the summer months, but when you do it is certainly easy enough to peel off the labels on the Campbell's Soup cans and bring them in. They aid Thompson's Family Home immeasurably. While we may not eat much soup during the summer, we do tend to drink more soda. Next time you pop the top on a can

of soda, snap that pop top off and bring it to church on Sunday. There is a jar in the Narthex that you can put them in. These are a big aid to the Shriner's Hospitals and such a small thing for us to do.

Enjoy your summer. Bask in the blessings that God has showered upon you. And joyfully give thanks for those blessings by sharing with others.

Susan Keith,  
Stewardship Chair



## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

*Sunday,  
June 15*

*The first celebration of Father's Day is thought to have been in July 1908, in Fairmont, West Virginia. Grace Golden Clayton suggested the special observance to her pastor after a deadly explosion in a nearby town killed 361 men.*

*Soon after, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, wanted to show her gratitude to her father, who'd cared for the family after his wife died. Dodd asked her pastor to choose a June Sunday to honor all fathers, and he selected June 19, 1910.*

*In 1924, President Coolidge suggested that Father's Day become a national holiday. In 1966, President Johnson designated the third Sunday of June to be Father's Day. Six years later, President Nixon instituted Father's Day as a national observance.*





October 4, 2008  
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon  
Saint Francis Church  
Parish House

“Sharing Our Best”

*The Book Store*  
*Fancy Frocks*  
*The Garden*  
*Kitchen Kupboard*  
*Krafty Korner*  
*The Pantry*  
*Sam’s Folk Art*  
*The Toy Chest*  
*Treasures from the Attic*

Mark your calendar!

## June 2008

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## July 2008

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## August 2008

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# VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

April 14, 2008

The Vestry of Saint Francis Church met in regular session in the Cloister House On Monday, April 14, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Bill Coxe opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the March 10, 2008 meeting were approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report was received.
4. The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmollin gave the Rector's Report.
5. The Senior Warden's Report was received.
6. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Evangelism, Education and Pastoral Care.
7. The Newcomers Dinner is planned for Sunday, June 8.
8. The Vestry expresses thanks to Missy Hughes for her work with the attractive and informative Lych Gate bulletin board.
9. Junior Daughters of the King helped fold palm crosses and then delivered the crosses to everyone who wanted one at Autumn Care of Forest City, White Oak Manor and Oak Grove Health Care Center. They also assisted the Brotherhood of St. Andrew with their Spaghetti Lunch by clearing and re-setting places at the tables.
10. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew raised between \$1,300 and \$1,500 in support of the prison ministry with their Spaghetti Lunch.
11. The Christian Education Committee welcomed new members Roscoe Conn, Sr., Diana Spence and Stephanie Henderson.
12. The Episcopal Church Women (E.C.W.) presented First Bible for Baby to Corry Henderson and Powell Okpych.
13. The Tape Ministry continues to record the 8:00 services and copy the tape so that there is one available if anyone would like on. The tapes are a

*Will you not revive  
us again,  
that your people  
may rejoice  
in you?*



# Remember Our Missionaries



## Updates from our Missionaries

As you know, China has been dealing with a devastating earth quake. *{Names removed}*, our missionaries in China wrote and said:

“It was a scary experience but we are fine. Other than some cosmetic cracks in the walls of our apartment we are all good. Please let the people of St Francis know we are okay and appreciate their prayers.”

Eric and Julie Renzema (appointees to Southeast Asia) continue to prepare for an assignment. In May they were to attend a training program in Chicago providing information and resources for families who will be raising children in a foreign country. The Renzema's have six children that will travel with them to their assignment!

Our missionaries dedication to spreading Gods word is such an inspiration. Let us all continue to pray for their work.

Vicki Dury

## Taking Care of Me

Body, Mind & Spirit

Dates: June 23 - June 27  
Time: 9:00 am - 11:30 am



## **Congratulations - St. Francis has given birth to a 30 foot Chartres style Labyrinth!**

It has taken nine months to get the stones all laid, and at times the work of digging the trenches and placing the stones may have felt like labor pains to some of the wonderful folk who helped put in the labyrinth. The Daughters of the King would like to thank all the people who worked in doing the work. It all started with the "stone passing" crews. These were the folks who lined the stairs leading from the rectory and passed stones up the stairs from the rectory yard to the church yard and stacked them up ready for use. These folks included Anita and Bud Quinley, Beverly and Jesse McKinney, Dee Ann and Phil de Montmollin, Joe and Sandra Middleton, Mary Gregory, Denise Hempstead, Susan Keith, Magi King and Kathy Demas. (If I left anyone out, my apologies, you apparently escaped my camera). Next came the work of digging the trenches. Our very able-bodied "ditch diggers" included Bud Quinley, Tom Lattimore, Joe Dury, Susan Keith, the scouts (young and older), Teddy Segers and his crew, and the unnamed gentleman who wandered by looking for work and spent a day digging with us. We especially want to thank Joe Middleton who spent two days and dug out a full quarter-section of the labyrinth just before leaving for Florida last fall, and Bill Coxe who stepped in last month and finished off the digging just at a time when the energies of the regular workers were sagging. Before we lay the stones, we want to thank Ann and Tom Lattimore who arranged for a truck load of sand for us, along with the means of storing the sand. Now comes the really tedious job of laying the stones - making sure that they are the right distance from the previous circle, at the right height, and level. Anita Quinley worked tirelessly at putting in stones, as did Melanie and Brad Greenway. Maggie King, Ann Lattimore and Rebecca Melton all helped lay stones. The "master masons" were Vicky and Joe Dury, Dee Ann de Montmollin and Susan Keith. We also want to thank Chuck Hunner who did the initial placement and marking of the location of the labyrinth leaving us with a pattern to follow, the Junior Daughters of



the King who occasionally came by and served as cheerleaders cheering us on, and all of the people of St. Francis who watched the progress giving us words of encouragement and keeping this project in their prayers. The most important thanks goes to Dee+ who shared the vision of providing this avenue for prayer with the Daughters of the King and giving us the encouragement we needed to undertake this gift of love and prayer to St. Francis. The Labyrinth is not quite finished, as we still have the "petals" that go in the center to place. Brad Greenway is trying to get these made for us. Once these are done we will schedule a dedication service. In the meantime, feel free to come by the church yard at any time to walk the Labyrinth and experience this form of prayer.

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR JUNE

	June 1	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
8:00					
Usher	Joe Middleton	Joe Middleton	Joe Middleton	Joe Middleton	Joe Middleton
Usher	Sandra Middleton	Sandra Middleton	Sandra Middleton	Sandra Middleton	Sandra Middleton
Greeter	Doug Elliot	Mary Gregory	Sue Lloyd	Martha Wilkins	Jane Cassada
Reader	Joe Sibley	Mary Anne Hamilton	Denise Hempstead	Linda Bailey	Doug Elliot
Chalicer	Denise Hempstead	David D'Alessio	Cynthia Ruppe	Susan Keith	Joe Sibley
10:00					
Usher	Beverly McKinney	Beverly McKinney	Beverly McKinney	Beverly McKinney	Beverly McKinney
Usher	Betty Dickey	Betty Dickey	Betty Dickey	Betty Dickey	Betty Dickey
Greeter	Don Corry	Susan Keith	Paula McIntosh	Gordon Scott	Judy Scott
Presenter	Susan Keith	Susan Keith	Susan Keith	Susan Keith	Susan Keith
Presenter	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton
Yokefellow	Michael Carrier	Eric Trumpey	Michael Carrier	Eric Trumpey	Michael Carrier
1st Reader	Dee Ullrich	Anita Quinley	Vernon Hoyle	Judy Gustafson	Linda Jeanne Harrill
2nd Reader	Susanne Richardson	Dee Ullrich	Ed Goodrich	Barbara Hobson	Ed Richardson
Prayers	Miriam Dixon	Dee Ullrich	Bill Coxe	Roger Hughes	Vernon Hoyle
Chalicer	Anita Quinley	Dee Ullrich	Gerry Roberts	Ed Richardson	Miriam Dixon
Nursery	Linda Bailey	Sherry Campbell	Anita Quinley	Denise Hempstead	Keely McBryer
	Bill Coxe	Keppie D'Alessio	Sue Lloyd	Missy Hughes	Susan Melvin
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 1	Team 2	Adult Team
Coffee Hour 8	Martha & Dick Wilkins				
Punch on the Lawn 10	Gerry & Lee Roberts	Don Corry	Kathy Demas	Vernon Hoyle	Andrew Kirton
		Bradley Lloyd			Grace Melton

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT  
AND **THEN** CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE BY THURSDAY 12:00 NOON. 828-287-3888

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR JULY

	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27	
8:00					
Usher	Richard Williams	Richard Williams	Richard Williams	Richard Williams	
Usher	Mary Anne Hamilton	Mary Anne Hamilton	Mary Anne Hamilton	Mary Anne Hamilton	
Greeter	Keppie D'Alessio	Dick Wilkins	Mary Gregory	Doug Elliot	
Reader	Marian Beavers	Mary Gregory	Denise Hempstead	Sue Lloyd	
Chalicer	Joe Sibley	Cynthia Ruppe	David D'Alessio	Susan Keith	
10:00					
Usher	Bud Quinley	Bud Quinley	Bud Quinley	Bud Quinley	
Usher	Anita Quinley	Anita Quinley	Anita Quinley	Anita Quinley	
Greeter	Beverly McKinney	Betty Dickey	Rebecca Reger	Bob Blanton	
Presenter	Michael Carrier	Michael Carrier	Michael Carrier	Michael Carrier	
Presenter	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	
Yokefellow	Eric Trumpey	Eric Trumpey	Eric Trumpey	Eric Trumpey	
1st Reader	Bob Blanton	Nancy Bole	Roscoe Conn, Sr.	Bill Coxe	
2nd Reader	Miriam Dixon	Ed Goodrich	Judi Gustafson	Linda Jeanne Harrill	
Prayers	Barbara Hobson	Vernon Hoyle	Susan Keith	Rebecca Melton	
Chalicer	Nancy Bole	Susan Keith	Don Corry	Bob Blanton	
Nursery	Linda Bailey	Sherry Campbell	Anita Quinley	Denise Hempstead	
	Susan Melvin	Kimberly Lloyd	Magi King	Rebecca Melton	
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 1	Team 2	
Coffee Hour 8	Linda Bailey Jane Cassada				
Punch on the Lawn 10	Liz Segers	Amberleigh Kirton Caroline Melton	Beverly McKinney	Nancy Bole	

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## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR AUGUST

	August 3	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
8:00					
Usher	Dick Wilkins	Dick Wilkins	Dick Wilkins	Dick Wilkins	Dick Wilkins
Usher	Denise Hempstead	Denise Hempstead	Denise Hempstead	Denise Hempstead	Denise Hempstead
Greeter	Martha Wilkins	Sandra Middleton	Keppie D'Alessio	Doug Elliot	Mary Gregory
Reader	Joe Middleton	Linda Bailey	Marian Beavers	Miriam Dixon	Mary Anne Hamilton
Chalicer	David D'Alessio	Cynthia Ruppe	Joe Sibley	Susan Keith	Miriam Dixon
10:00					
Usher	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton	Rebecca Melton
Usher	Alex Spence	Alex Spence	Alex Spence	Alex Spence	Alex Spence
Greeter	Susan Keith	Susan Keith	Paula McIntosh	Betty Dickey	Paula McIntosh
Presenter	Michael Carrier	Eric Trumpey	Michael Carrier	Eric Trumpey	Michael Carrier
Presenter	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	Paula McIntosh	
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	Kathy Demas	Diane Dickerson	Beverly McKinney	James Segers	Bill Coxe
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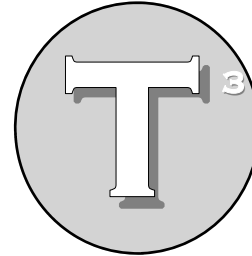


## SAINT FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Rev. Dee Ann de Montmollin  
*Rector*



May 30, 2008

Dear Fellow Parishioner,

I have agreed to serve as chairman of the 2008 Every Member Canvass. Your Stewardship Committee has recently met. Planning is underway for the 2008 campaign. Our objective is to contact the entire parish membership during July and August. September 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for completion.

The 2008 campaign will be an “old fashioned” Every Member Canvass. That is to say, it is our goal to call on each family personally at a time convenient for them. To do this, we will enlist people from the parish to serve as canvassers.

The purpose of the Every Member Canvass is not just to raise financial support for St. Francis Church for the coming year. It is an opportunity to discuss the church and its programs, to swap ideas and if necessary to address problems within the church family. It is also an opportunity to get to know each other better. Where appropriate, any comments, suggestions, etc. will be passed to the vestry.

Each canvasser will bring with him/her a pledge card and a list of opportunities for service within St. Francis Church. Please prayerfully consider how you can return some of your treasure (time, talent and money) to God’s work. What you decide will be strictly confidential.

As Christians, we are commanded to “Love the Lord your God with all of your heart and all of your soul and all of your mind”; and to “Love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 22: 37, 39.) Giving of ourselves is central in our response to God’s commandments.

Please welcome the canvasser when he/she calls to arrange a meeting. It will take as little or as much of your time as you wish to share with a fellow parishioner.

Thank you,  
Gordon Scott  
Chairman  
2008 Every Member Canvass

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

1 Robert Crummie  
2 Andrea Denning  
3 Julie Pittman  
5 Beverly McKinney  
6 Julianne Sibley  
8 Jane Bell  
8 Azia Hardin  
11 Bobby Blanton  
11 Andrew Quinley  
14 Silas Dickerson  
16 Alexander Bell  
16 Madeline Demas  
16 Fatima Eddaich  
20 Aaron Hughes  
20 Carolyn Coxe  
21 Arely Dominguez  
21 Avery Dominguez  
22 Edward Richardson  
23 Joseph Middleton  
24 Gaylord Cowan  
24 Haley Riney  
25 Douglas Ellis  
25 Ed Tetrick  
29 Carolyn Gardner  
30 Hunt Cowan

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

2 George Elliott  
2 Sue Langdon  
4 Geraldine Roberts  
5 Jerry Morgan  
6 Kathy Demas  
6 Eric Riberdy  
7 Lyn Corry  
8 Chuck Langdon  
8 Linda Jeanne Harrill  
8 Zoey Conn  
9 Jaylen Gill  
10 Linda Sutton  
13 Hilda Wilson  
14 Kay Taylor  
15 Jim King  
16 Timothy Pittman  
17 Ernestine Gold  
21 Rick Melton  
23 Gregory Trostle  
25 Elizabeth Jane Chownyk  
27 Diana Spence

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

2 Beverly Wellborn  
2 Pete Dickerson  
3 Kevin Melvin  
3 Wayne Simpson  
4 Alex Dominguez  
4 Darlene Campbell  
6 Pamela Steen  
6 Bradley Lloyd  
6 Peter Moore  
9 Nancy Beckmann  
11 Kelli Segers  
13 Andre Dominguez  
14 Dickinson Gustafson  
15 Ronald Chownyk  
16 Troy Melvin  
18 Shirley Riexinger  
19 Ned Harbin  
19 Charles Pickard  
19 Aaron Carpenter  
19 Darby Williams  
20 Joyce Jaynes  
20 Ronnie Martin  
22 Susan Melvin  
22 Rebecca Melton  
24 Arthur King  
24 Sherry Campbell  
24 R.B. McBrayer  
26 Lydia Bennett  
27 Caroline Hoyle  
29 Ed Gallant  
29 Gordon Pendarvis

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Jim & Magi King  
2 Rick & Rebecca Melton  
6 Arthur & Amelia King  
6 Josef & Julianne Sibley  
10 Ross & Marian Beavers  
15 Gordon & Kaye Pendarvis  
18 Bill & Margaret Thomas  
21 Charles & Gillian Pickard  
22 Edward & Dorothy Goodrich  
25 Ed & Barbara Tetrick

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Reid & Jill Crummie  
1 Robert & Linda Hensley  
4 Ed & Ann Gallant  
6 Pete & Diane Dickerson

**AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

6 David & Kimberly Lloyd  
6 Casey & Jacqueline McEntire  
10 Phil & Dee de Montmollin  
10 Tom & Diane Tucker  
11 Joe & Sandra Middleton  
19 Richard & Stephanie Williams  
24 Don & Lyn Corry  
28 Jim & Sherry Campbell  
29 Rob & Nancy Bole  
29 Mark & Kathy Demas



A celebration of the  
life of

Kerry Blaine

“Erik” Browning

will be held

Saturday, June 28, 2008

10:00 - 6:00 pm

You are invited to join the  
Keith Family in celebrating  
Erik’s life and antics at the  
Keith home,  
121 Harris Street  
Rutherfordton, NC

*Pictures and memorabilia are  
encouraged. Tears and laughter are  
required.*

A note included with a gift to St.  
Francis in memory of Father Ronald  
Haines ...

*“My husband Rex and I graduated  
from the University of Delaware in  
1956, the same year as Ron & Mary  
Haines. Ron was a fraternity  
brother and groomsman at our  
wedding in 1955. Mary and I lived  
in the same dorm until I was  
married. Through the years we kept  
track of one another, even when they  
went to seminary and eventually  
went to the town of Rutherfordton.  
When we moved east from  
California, we decided to check out  
that town as a possible home. By  
that time Ron was Bishop of  
Washington, DC. We settled in  
Spindale and attended and were  
active at St. Francis. Rex died in  
1996 and his ashes are buried in the  
church’s garden. I did see Mary a  
few times before I left North  
Carolina. With this memorial gift, I  
wanted the people of St. Francis and  
his family to know our ties with Ron  
and Mary.”*

Elizabeth “Liz” Barber  
Chesapeake, VA

## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

**Amanda,  
Ayden,  
Reba Beasley,  
Sam Berger,  
Jenny Bridges,  
Michael Bubnow,  
Wanda Byers,  
Cathy,  
Michael Carrier,  
Maggie Chase,  
Rose Lee Crutcher,  
Leslie Doster,  
Bettie Dury,  
Betty Elliott,  
Carolyn Gardner,  
Brooke Goings,  
Ernestine Gold,  
Dorothy Goodrich,**

**Martha Haynes,  
Ron Hobson,  
John,  
Johnel,  
Joyce,  
Kathy & John,  
Candy Laken,  
Amy Lee,  
Matthew,  
Franklyn McIntosh,  
Ken McFarland,  
Alan Metcalf,  
Olive Mistretta,  
Betty Morehead,  
Roy Morehead,  
Reva Motts,  
Jean Myers,  
Louis Nanney,**

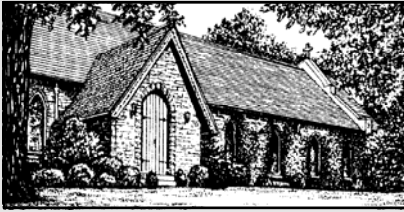
**Tim Pelton,  
Haley Riney,  
Walt Rumsfelt,  
Anita Russell,  
Lori & Austin  
Scherer,  
Stevie Scroggs,  
Warner Stewart,  
Kay Taylor,  
Margaret Thomas,  
Charles Trufant,  
Nancy Tucker,  
Linda Venderly,  
Patricia Westland,  
Hilda Wilson**

## *And Those Serving in the Military...*

**Justin Bailey,  
Ben Blanton,  
Jim Boyette,  
Cory Bridges,  
J. D. Brock,  
Forest Buff,  
Scotty Clark,  
Blake Craft,  
Andy Feree,  
Branson Garrett,  
Jeffery Hardin,  
Brad Hicks,  
Patsy Howard,**

**Robby Howard,  
Jason Kallaus,  
Seth Keller,  
Susan Keophila,  
Baxter Keys,  
Andrew Kinard,  
Tony Laws,  
Troy Laws,  
Daniel Leech,  
Joseph McComas,  
Drew Melvin,  
Eric Neely,  
Michael Parker,**

**Nina Paulino,  
Kenneth Queen,  
Beth Renier,  
Rory Semelroth,  
David Smith,  
Jerome Smith,  
Emmanuel Spencer,  
Christopher Strand,  
Devin Swinkey,  
Anthony Tricarico,  
Joseph Watson,  
Kenneth Young**



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<i>Jesus Christ</i>	The Head
<i>The People of God</i>	The Ministers
<i>The Right Reverend G. Porter Taylor</i>	Bishop
<i>The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmolin</i>	Rector
<i>Johnathan Jones</i>	Minister of Music
<i>Amberleigh Richardson</i>	Youth Director
<i>Lesley Bush</i>	Parish Administrator
<i>Cindy Hill</i>	Financial Manager

### The Vestry

*Linda Bailey, Senior Warden*

*Don Corry, Junior Warden*

*Rob Bole, Treasurer*

### 2008

*Marian Beavers*

*Don Corry*

*Bill Coxse*

### 2009

*Linda Bailey*

*Ed Richardson*

*James Segers*

### 2010

*Josephine Conn*

*Susan Keith*

*David Lloyd*

*The Vestry meets at 6:00 pm  
on the second Monday of every month.*

### Our Missionaries:

*Jim & Jennifer Bowers - Mali  
- China*

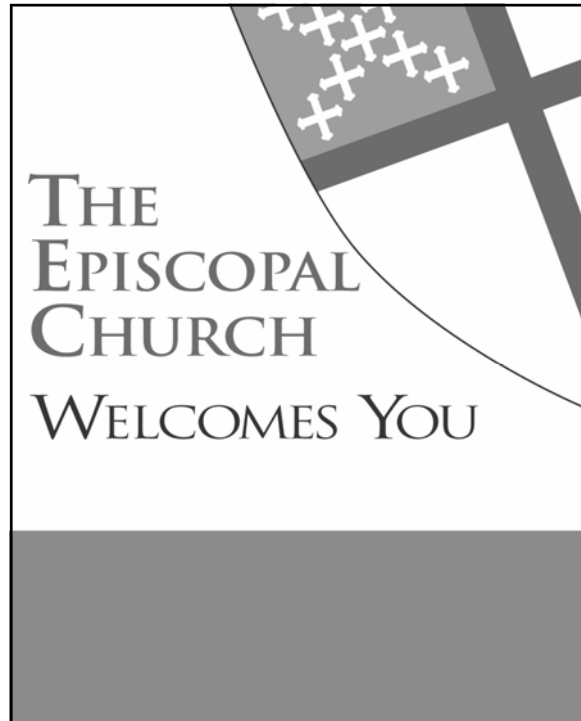
*John and Zopbi Wilson - Hungary  
Amber Smith - Poland*

*Russ & Heidi Smith - Chili*

*Lynn Coulthard - Durgapur*

*Julie & Eric Renzema - S.E. Asia*

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