



# Through The Lych Gate of Saint Francis Church



## March 2009

### Creating a Holy Space

Entering into Lent is entering into your own Holy Space; a space that you create. You have the freedom to take whatever on or leave it alone. Think of the habits you possess that make you hard to live with. Why can't you let those go?

Most all of us have habits or even addictions that interfere with our being closer to God. How can we create our own holy space so this will truly be a Holy Lent?

Jesus tells us over and over again that he met God in prayer. Whenever Jesus began to question his way, he would be alone with God in prayer.

Prayer and silence are essential to creating our Holy Space. Theologian Soren Kierkegaard said that if he had been a physician and was allowed just one prescription for all the ills of the world, he would prescribe silence.

If we do not take the opportunity to be empty before God, we risk mistaking activity for action, noise for communication and busyness for significance.

Episcopal priest and author Barbara Brown Taylor states that "busyness is one of the biggest problems we face as people of faith for it prevents us from seeking God, from self-reflection and

examination." It prevents us from time to be with others who will be honest with us. It prevents us to be truly in creation.

Reading the Bible is another way to create our own Holy Space this Lent. St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, knew that when he read the Gospels, the aftertaste was something he wanted to live. It was different when he read other books. He taught that through the Bible we meet God and understand that the Holy Spirit can shape our lives. We begin listening to our hearts and discovering the path of God and the Holy Spirit. That is when we begin to create our own Holy Space.

During this Holy Time of our Holy Lent, it is a blessing that we can be together following the Cross of Jesus. We are all called to walk together on this road of life, side by side; being compassionate about each other. Dietrich Bonhoeffer stated, "We must learn to regard people less in light of what they do or omit to do and more in the light of what they suffer."

A Holy Lent is the reminder of our frailty and mortality; but it also prepares the way for Easter, which is the assurance of immortality though Christ.

Will this be a Holy Lent for you? When Easter comes on April 12<sup>th</sup> will you have a Holy Space that

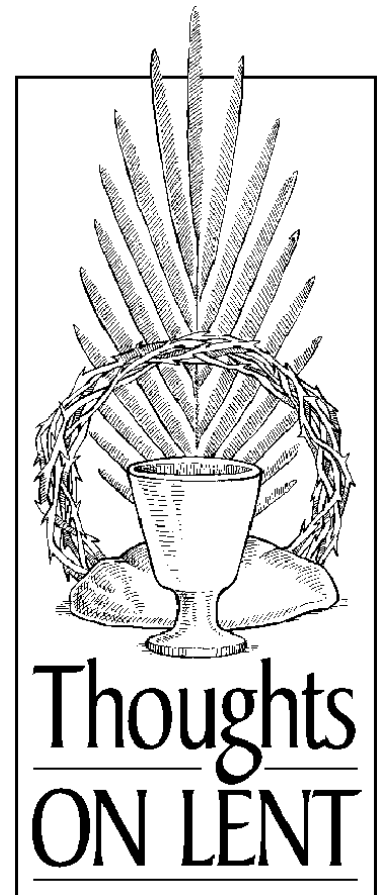
you can call your own? Will you be different than you are right this moment? St. Francis offers us numerous opportunities to help you build your own Holy Space. Please avail yourself of them.

Let us all have a Holy Lent as we look ahead to the glory and joy of the Resurrection of Easter.

In Christ's love and grace,

*Dee +*

The Rev. Dee Ann deMontmollin+



## Stewardship of Presence

	8am	10:30am	Total
Feb. 1	43	84	127
Feb. 8	31	72	103
Feb. 15	32	72	104
Feb. 22	34	88	122

## Stewardship of Giving

	Pledged	Non-Pledged
Feb. 1	\$2592.00	\$1036.00
Feb. 8	\$1292.00	\$1016.65
Feb. 15	\$1473.95	\$503.00
Feb. 22	N/A	N/A



### Holy Eucharist with Healing Services

Beginning Wednesdays, March 4  
10:00 am

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays  
12:00 noon

### Lenten Study

*Understanding the Great Commandment*  
5 Consecutive Tuesdays beginning March 3  
6:30 pm

Following Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm  
and

Soup & Bread Supper at 6:00 pm

### Walking/Praying the Labyrinth

Instructional Workshop  
Friday, March 13  
10:00 am

## YOKEFELLOW

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

For MARCH  
DRIED BEANS (1 lb. BAG)

*Although any non-perishable  
item will be accepted*



## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

### January 12, 2009

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in regular session in the Cloister House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmollin opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the December 14, 2008 Vestry Meeting were approved.
3. The minutes of the January 4, 2009 Vestry Meeting were approved.
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 and Education.
7. Motion was made, seconded and carried to elect Josephine as Senior Warden
8. Motion was made, seconded and carried to elect Linda Bailey as Junior Warden.
9. Motion was made, seconded and carried to elect Rob Bole as Treasurer.
10. The following assignments were made to Vestry Standing Committees: Administrative Committee – Josephine Conn; Building & Grounds Committee – Linda Bailey; Christian Education Committee – Gerry Roberts; Evangelism Committee – James Segers; Fellowship Committee – Bill Coxe and David Lloyd; Finance Committee – Dickinson Gustafson; Stewardship Committee – Susan Keith; Worship Committee – Ed Richardson.
11. The following assignment of liaisons to SWEEPS Commissions was made: Stewardship Commission – Josephine Conn; Worship Commission – Dickinson Gustafson; Evangelism Commission – Susan Keith; Education Commission – Gerry Roberts; Pastoral Care Commission – Bill Coxe; Service Commission – David Lloyd.
12. The following assignment of oversight to SWEEPS Commissions was made: Stewardship Commission – Linda Bailey; Worship Commission – Ed Richardson; Evangelism Commission – James Segers; Education Commission – Ed Richardson; Pastoral Care Commission – Linda Bailey; Service Commission – James Segers.
13. The Vestry designated the following names for the BB&T Bank Signature Card: Josephine Conn, Senior Warden; Rob Bole, Treasurer; Beverly McKinney, Assistant Treasurer; The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmollin, Rector.
14. Motion was made, seconded and carried to designate proceeds from the Shrove Tuesday Pancake to the Youth Group.
15. Vestry assignments were made for Sunday morning lock-up of the buildings
16. Susan Keith distributed information to update the Guidebook for St. Francis Episcopal Church.
17. The meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

### February 9, 2009

The Vestry met in regular session on Monday, February 9, 2009 in the Cloister House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Josephine Conn opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the January 12, 2009 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 Junior Warden's Report was received.
7. The deed for property on Washington Street behind the parish house has been received. The Vestry expresses thanks to David Brent Washburn, Sherri H. Washburn and Gary P. Luckadoo for this gift to St. Francis Church. The Vestry expresses thanks to Richard Williams for his work with this.
8. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care and Service.
9. Gordon Scott III has agreed to serve as Stewardship Campaign Chair for 2009.
10. Approximately \$1,300 was raised at the Spaghetti Fund Raiser Lunch by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew for the Prison Chaplaincy Program.
11. The Lenten Study, Understanding the great commandment: Loving God with our whole hearts, minds and souls and loving our neighbors, will begin on March 3. The study book is Jesus Did It Anyway.
12. "Love actually....is CHOCOLATE!", the first fundraiser of Episcopal Church Women, amounted to \$356.25.
13. Ten members of the parish are participating in Education for Ministry this year.
14. The Vestry expresses thanks to Ann Watson who has agreed to be in charge of the Calling Committee.
15. Motion was made, seconded and carried to deposit \$3,000 from the Edna Hampton Estate Fund in the checking account instead of investing the earnings in the Foundation of Western North Carolina.
16. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the updated description for the Nominating Committee.
17. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the updated description, as revised, for the Worship Committee.
18. Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the 2008 Parochial Report.
19. David Lloyd closed the meeting with prayer at 7:40 pm.

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MARCH

<b>March 1</b>	<b>The First Sunday in Lent</b>	Genesis 9:8-17	Psalms 25:1-9	1 Peter 3:18-22	Mark 1:9-15
<b>March 8</b>	<b>The Second Sunday in Lent</b>	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16	Psalms 22:22-30	Romans 4:13-25	Mark 8:31-38
<b>March 15</b>	<b>The Third Sunday in Lent</b>	Exodus 20:1-17	Psalms 19	1 Corinthians 1:18-25	John 2:13-22
<b>March 22</b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>	Numbers 21:4-9	Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22	Ephesians 2:1-10	John 3:14-21
<b>March 29</b>	<b>The Fifth Sunday in Lent</b>	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Psalms 51:1-13	Hebrews 5:5-10	John 12:20-33



A nursery during the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday morning is provided for children through the age of five years. Three volunteers serve in this ministry each Sunday. Linda Bailey, Sherry Campbell, Denise Hempstead and Anita Quinley serve once a month. Keely McBrayer serves on the fifth Sunday. Those serving in this way provide continuity for the children. An additional volunteer serves with each one of these people.

Three additional volunteers to serve four Sundays are needed for 2009. Volunteers are scheduled to serve no more than four times a year. If you can serve in this ministry, serving once or up to four times a year, please call Linda Bailey, 245-7456.

### SPRING WORKDAY

Saturday, March 21, 2009

8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Spring begins on March 20, so it seems appropriate to have our spring workday on March 21, 2009. There are chores to be done on the grounds and buildings. A signup sheet for the workday can be found in the narthex of the church.



**CHURCH  
WORKDAY**

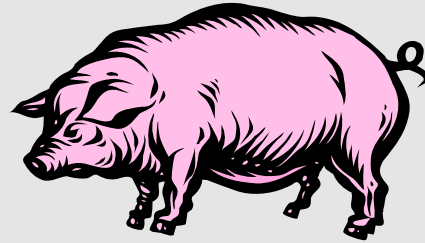
## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

4 Vicki Dury  
7 Ian Quinley  
12 Don Corry  
20 Lee Roberts  
23 Ed Goodrich  
24 Doug Elliott  
24 Steve Spence  
24 Courtney Conn  
26 Judi Gustafson  
27 Scott Sprouse  
29 Ted Bell  
30 Bill Thomas

## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

11 Ronnie & Lisa Martin  
12 Richard & Donna Gill  
17 Bob & Becky Blanton  
27 Larry & Ann Watson

## Relay for Life BAR-B-QUE



## LUNCH

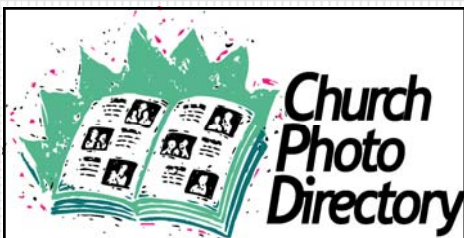
Friday, March 6th  
St. Francis Parish House  
11:30 am - 1:30 pm  
BBQ, Beans, Slaw and Drink  
\$6

## NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

A new church directory is being prepared for St. Francis. Photography dates for the directory will be Thursday, April 2; Friday, April 3; and Saturday, April 4. You can sign-up for your portrait sitting beginning Sunday, March 1. A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex.

For more information, go to:  
[www.lifetouch.com](http://www.lifetouch.com)

or call the church office at:  
287-3888 ext. 4

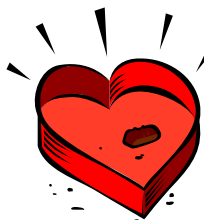


## Praying the Labyrinth

Friday, March 13th,  
from 10 to 12 noon.

Meet in the church at 10:00 for a brief discussion on what it means to Pray the Labyrinth, then walk our outdoor Labyrinth. Afterwards you may want to stay for the Friday Stations of the Cross.

“Love actually.....is CHOCOLATE!”  
proceeds were \$356.25!!!



Episcopal Church Women (E.C.W.) thanks the members of our parish who brought chocolate to be sold, who bought chocolate, and those who helped with setup before the sale and cleanup after the sale!!!

### Episcopal Church Women (E.C.W.) Meeting

Saturday, March 14, 2009

10:00 a.m.

Parish House

#### Program: The Good Shepherd

Tom and Ann Lattimore will be with us to talk about their work with sheep.



**REMEMBER The Marketplace is Saturday,  
September 26!**

**It is not too early to begin saving items for this  
special event.**

## SPRING UNITED THANK OFFERING (UTO)

MARCH 29

The United Offering began as a dream shared by two women, Mrs. Richard Soule of Massachusetts and Miss Julia Emery, National Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. Individual women in the parishes took part by offering prayers of thanksgiving for daily blessings and giving coins for mission. These coins were united with those of all participants and presented for the first time at the 1889 Triennial Meeting. The initial offering was small, but it helped build the first Episcopal Church building in Alaska, and it sent Lisa Lovell to Japan as the first woman missionary from the Episcopal Church. In 1919 the United Offering was renamed the United Thank Offering.

The United Thank Offering is a very special opportunity for Episcopalians to deepen and strengthen their understanding and practice of prayer. The offering begins with individuals who express their recognition of the presence of God in their daily lives, and their thanksgiving for this presence, by saying a prayer and placing a coin in their United Thank Offering Blue Box. The coins from throughout the Episcopal Church are united annually into one great offering – from which grants go to support new mission work all around the globe. Grants for capital needs for building and repairs, development funds, loan funds, and mission outreach programs help to reinforce our understanding and participation as Partners in Mission with other Christians at home and abroad.

The daily discipline of dropping a coin in “the little blue box” by not only the women of the church, but also husbands and children is an important action in the work of Christ throughout the world.

Ingatherings are held twice a year – spring and fall. Our spring ingathering will be on March 29. Blue boxes and envelopes for the offering can be found in the Narthex.

Simple purpose of UTO: *“Given in thankfulness for the everyday blessings of life ... used to provide blessings for others.”*

## 2009 MARCH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 9:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:30 AM HE Rite II 12:00 PM Potluck/Program: Advance Directives</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>Vestry Reports Due</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup and Bread Supper 6:30 PM -7:30 PM Lenten Study</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>7:00 AM Men's Study Group 10:00 AM HE II Healing Prayers 4:30 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 11:30 AM -1:30 PM Relay for Life BBQ 12:00 PM Stations of the Cross</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>
<p><b>8</b></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 10:30 AM HE Rite II</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>4:00 PM Girl Scouts 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting 6:30 PM NAMI</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup and Bread Supper 6:30 PM -7:30 PM Lenten Study</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>7:00 AM Men's Study Group 10:00 AM HE II Healing Prayers 4:30 PM Yoga 7:00 PM Brotherhood of St. Andrew Prison Meeting</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 9:00 AM Dayschool 12:00 PM Stations of the Cross</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>10:00 AM ECW Meeting</p>
<p><b>15</b></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 10:30 AM HE Rite II 11:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:45 AM Christian Ed Comm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup and Bread Supper 6:30 PM -7:30 PM Lenten Study</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>7:00 AM Men's Study Group 10:00 AM HE II Healing Prayers 4:30 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 9:00 AM Dayschool 12:00 PM Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM JDOK</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>8:30 AM -12:00 PM Spring Workday</p>
<p><b>22</b></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 10:30 AM HE Rite II</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>4:00 PM Girl Scouts 6:30 PM NAMI</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup and Bread Supper 6:30 PM -7:30 PM Lenten Study</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>7:00 AM Men's Study Group 10:00 AM HE II Healing Prayers 4:30 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM Brotherhood Dinner Meeting 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 9:00 AM Dayschool 12:00 PM Stations of the Cross</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>
<p><b>29</b></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 10:30 AM HE Rite II</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>7:30 AM AA 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup and Bread Supper 6:30 PM -7:30 PM Lenten Study</p>	<p><b>Coffee Hour Hosts/Hostesses:</b>                      March 1 (9 am) Kathy, Terry &amp; Madeline Demas                      March 15 (11:45 am) David &amp; Kimberly Lloyd</p> <p><b>Potluck: March 1</b>                      Anita Quinley, Sue Langdon, Madeline Demas</p>			

## News From Our Missionaries

Russ and Heidi Smith (Chili) have several children who are active in missionary work as well. Their daughter Joyanne ended up in harm's way when a bus she was riding on was attacked by a militant group. There were some scary moments but Joyanne was not hurt. They close with a strong message of faith..."God is in control and we are at peace as we trust in Him".

John and Zsofi Wilson (Hungary) shared that over Christmas the program they held included not only fun, fellowship and a piano concert but "an incredibly well produced **labyrinth** allowing the guests a chance to reflect more deeply on the real meaning of Christmas"!

xx (China) returned to their home in China on New Years Eve. There was strategic planning to be done with their regional director and a new team member to arrive as well. They add that xxxxxxxx is "doing great meeting the Chinese people. She really attracts a crowd!"

Jim and Jennifer Bowers (Mali) say that there continues to be frustration with a well in Duduya. They ask "Please pray that we can find a compressor powerful enough to drill through rock". Also, a Christian school opened in October with 18 pupils; half the children from church and half from the neighborhood.

Amber Smith (Poland) spent a long visit in the United States seeing family and friends. She returns to Poland on February 26th. There are several prayers requests that Amber has: for more missionaries for Poland; that national believers will grow and reach out and for her friend Sylvia and others in Poland.

All the missionaries mentioned that the current economic crisis is a challenge for them. Most of them are not meeting the goals they set for money needed to carry on their work. They all ask for our prayers regarding this as well as spreading the Good News.

## Community Lenten Worship Schedule

(All Wednesday services will begin at noon)

Wednesday, March 4  
First United Methodist Church  
Message by Dr. Don Scofield

Wednesday, March 11  
Second Baptist Church  
Message by Rev. Dean Baughn

Wednesday, March 18  
St. John's AME Zion Church  
Message by Dr. Larry Gregg

Wednesday, March 25  
First Baptist Church  
Message by Rev. Jim Curl

Wednesday, April 1  
Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church  
Message by Rev. Ben Jackson

Wednesday, April 8  
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church  
Message by Dr. Keith Stephenson

Friday, April 10  
12 Noon  
St. Francis Episcopal Church  
Good Friday Service

3:00 pm  
St. John's AME Zion Church  
Good Friday Service

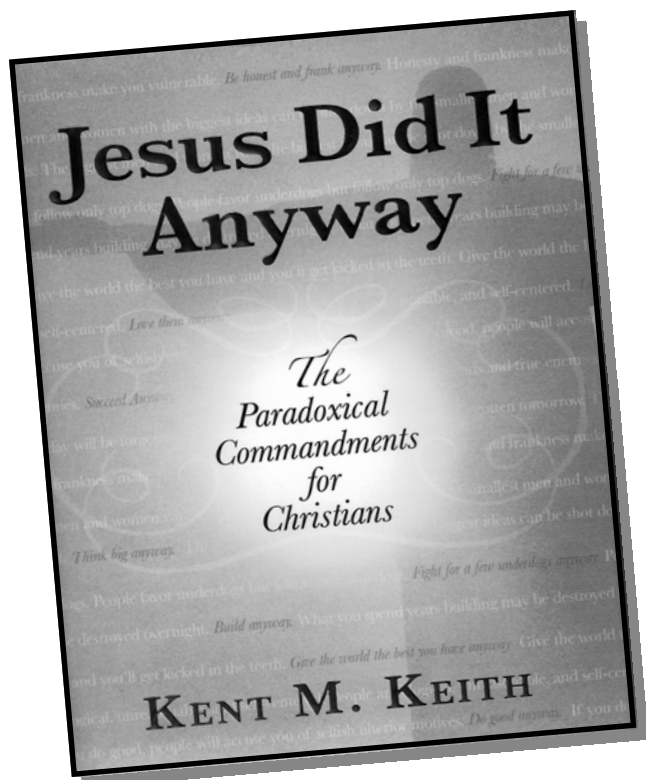
Easter Sunday, April 12  
7:00 am  
Rutherfordton City Cemetery  
Community Sunrise Service

# LENTEN



## STUDY GROUP

**Understanding the great  
commandment:  
Loving God with our whole  
hearts, minds and souls and loving  
our neighbors.**



**Tuesdays during Lent  
following the 6:00 pm  
Soup & Bread Supper**

Reviews from the book, *Jesus Did It Anyway...*

*"This is a must read for everyone! Keith gives another insight of how you can live your life more fully, and relate to others better. I totally recommend his book for everyone!"*

Richard A. Baker

*"I am always looking for new and inspiring ways to improve my life. I found Kent Keith's message in his new book very influencing. If more people were to follow these "commandments", the world would be a kinder place in which to live. This book brought to mind the things we can do to becoming more Christ-like. It was easy to read and I liked the examples from Christ's life that helped to solidify the "commandment" in my mind."*

Jan Bohlen

*"This book really gets you thinking about what is really important in your life. The aim is to help you find deep personal happiness by focusing on what is truly meaningful. The book is structured around the Paradoxical Commandments. While they were not specifically written with any religion in mind, the message is so universal; they can be understood through parables told in the Bible. This approach offers interesting insights, that any one will find rewarding."*

Max Zan

## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Barbara,  
Reba Beasley,  
Sean Beasley,  
Julie Boulay,  
Bev Bruce,  
Jerry Budde,  
Wanda Byers,  
Michael Carrier,  
Karen Crisp,  
Tiffany Crisp,  
Becca Crist,  
David,  
Diane,  
Betty Dickey,  
Donnie,  
Bettie Dury,  
Sally Eddaich,

Betty Elliott,  
Carolyn Gardner,  
Ernestine Gold,  
Ed Goodrich,  
Ron Grieser,  
Mary Haines,  
Ron Hobson,  
Casey Hollifield,  
Joyce Jaynes,  
Ashley Jones,  
Heather Leigh,  
Glen Melton,  
Mike,  
Olive Mistretta,  
Robert Morgan,  
Louis Nanney,  
Nathaniel,

Gail Revis,  
Haley Riney,  
Ronnie,  
Austin Sherer,  
Stevie Scroggs,  
Julie Sibley,  
Bill Smith,  
Warner Stewart,  
Kay Taylor,  
Ron Thomas,  
Mae Trulove,  
Ann Marie Usher,  
Ann Watson,  
Jim Williams,  
Hilda Wilson

## And Those Serving in the Military...

Dustin Arledge,  
Ben Blanton,  
Jim Boyette,  
Cory Bridges,  
J. D. Brock,  
Steve Browning,  
Forest Buff,  
Scotty Clark,  
Blake Craft,  
Jamie Culbreath,  
Andy Feree,  
Branson Garrett,  
Jeffery Hardin,  
Tony Hartman,  
Brad Hicks,  
Patsy Howard,  
Robby Howard,

Ian,  
Jason Kallaus,  
Seth Keller,  
Baxter Keys,  
Andrew Kinard,  
Troy Laws,  
Daniel Leech,  
Benjamin Lucas,  
Joseph McComas,  
Matt McLane,  
Drew Melvin,  
Eric Neely,  
Michael Parker,  
Nina Paulino,  
Kenneth Queen,  
Rory Semelroth,  
Jcee Shaver,

Christopher Smith,  
David Smith,  
Emmanuel Spencer,  
Christopher Strand,  
Devin Swinkey,  
Anthony Tricarico,  
Nick Turner,  
Eric Velasquez,  
Joseph Watson,  
Kenneth Young

**Thank You!**  
**THANK YOU!**

*Thank you for all your prayers for my son, Sean Beasley, when he had brain surgery. Please keep him in your healing prayers as he is having final surgery soon.*

*Reba Beasley*



Hilda Wilson  
580 Greenfield Dr, #313  
Lexington, KY 40517  
859-271-1082



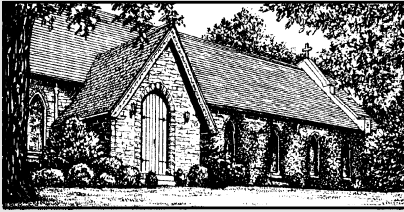
## DON'T FORGET...

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 8th. Set your clocks **FORWARD** one hour before bedtime on Saturday, March 7th!

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH

	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
8:00 am					
Ushers	Bill McClain Dick Wilkins	James Brown Denise Hempstead	Mary Gregory Richard Williams	Joe Sibley Bill McClain	Kathy Demas James Brown
Greeter	Doug Elliott	Sue Lloyd	Betty Morehead	Martha Wilkins	Mary Gregory
1st Lesson	Richard Williams	Linda Bailey	James Brown	Mary Anne Hamilton	Susan Keith
2nd Lesson	Mary Gregory	Joe Sibley	Doug Elliott	Sue Lloyd	Denise Hempstead
Chalicer	Terrance Demas	Denise Hempstead	Susan Keith	Cindy Ruppe	Joe Sibley
Coffee Hour	Kathy, Terry & Madeline Demas				
10:30 am					
Usher	Paula McIntosh	Beverly McKinney	Nancy Bole	Lee Roberts	Vera Scroggs
Usher	Sam Ayers	Don Corry	Richard Gill	Vernon Hoyle	Bill Coxe
Greeter	Beverly McKinney	Betty Dickey	Beverly Wellborn	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Christine Hoyle
Presenter	Bob Blanton	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Paula McIntosh	Liz Segers	Don Corry
Presenter	Becky Reger	Susan Keith	Beverly McKinney	James Segers	Lyn Corry
Yokefellow	Michael Carrier	Blue Pittman	Bill Coxe	Michael Carrier	Lee Roberts
1st Reader	Richard Gill	Judi Gustafson	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Roger Hughes	Paula McIntosh
2nd Reader	Nancy Bole	Bob Blanton	Becky Reger	Anita Quinley	Ed Richardson
Prayers	Susanne Richardson	Lee Roberts	Dee Ullrich	Bob Blanton	Nancy Bole
Chalicer	Dee Ullrich	Nancy Bole	Mary Brown	Don Corry	David Lloyd, Jr.
Nursery	Linda Bailey	Sherry Campbell	Anita Quinley	Denise Hempstead	Keely McBrayer
	Bill Coxe	Keppie D'Alessio	Linda Bailey	Missy Hughes	Beverly Wellborn
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 1	Team 2	Adult Team
Coffee Hour			David & Kimberly Lloyd		
Potluck	Anita Quinley, Sue Langdon, Madeline Demas				

**IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT  
AND THEN CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE  
BY THURSDAY 12:00 NOON. 828-287-3888 (Ext. 4)**



# Through The Back Gate

A Monthly  
Newsletter of  
**St. Francis Episcopal Church**  
*The Episcopal Church of Rutherfordton*  
*Established 1842*  
P. O. Box 46  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139

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<i>The People of God</i>	The Ministers
<i>The Right Reverend G. Porter Taylor</i>	Bishop
<i>The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmollin</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

*Josephine Conn, Senior Warden*

*Linda Bailey, Junior Warden*

*Rob Bole, Treasurer*

**2009**

*Linda Bailey*

*Ed Richardson*

*James Segers*

**2010**

*Josephine Conn*

*Susan Keith*

*David Lloyd*

**2011**

*Bill Coxce*

*Dick Gustafson*

*Gerry Roberts*

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

### Our Missionaries:

*Jim & Jennifer Bowers - Mali  
- China*

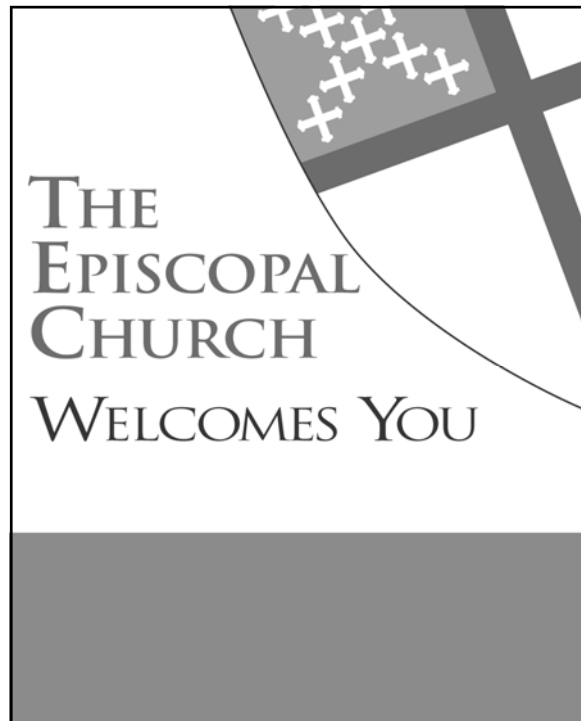
*John and Zophi Wilson - Hungary  
Amber Smith - Poland*

*Russ & Heidi Smith - Chili*

*Lynn Coulthard - Durgapur*

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

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