

# Through The Back Gate of Saint Francis Church

## June 2007



*So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. 1 Corinthians 4:9*

**“There’s no place like home. There’s no place like home,”** we hear Dorothy say in the Wizard of Oz as she dreams of the securities and love of home.

As you read this, Phil and I and fourteen parishioners have just returned home from traveling to Italy and Greece. We have visited many homes on our pilgrimage. The home of Michelangelo as he dreamed about the Sistine Chapel, the home of the only Anglican church in Rome, the places Paul called home as he traveled, and the home of our patron saint, St. Francis.

We have worshipped together, we have seen incredible religious art and architecture, and we have experienced the love of Christ. But were we at home with Christ?

Home. Many at St. Francis have lived in this community all their lives, even began their Christian life with baptism here. I will never forget how wonderful it was when I called St. Francis my home. There is no place like it.

There is a great book titled, My Heart - Christ’s Home by Robert Boyd Munger that I encourage you to read. Munger helps us to imagine what it would be like to have Jesus to come to the home of our hearts. In this little book one

travels room by room as one considers with Christ what he has done for us. The encounter with Christ is with us in everything we do, but we have to be willing to meet Christ with open hearts and minds and then allow Christ into our hearts. One of the final questions in My Heart - Christ’s Home is: “Lord, could I give you the responsibility of keeping my heart what it ought to be and myself doing what I ought to be doing?”

Home. Since our group has been away, we have celebrated the Feast of Pentecost. Different languages were read as we imagined how it must have been on that chaotic celebratory day of the Holy Spirit becoming part of us. The main function of the Holy Spirit is to bring us back to God when we turn away...to bring us back home, bring us back to God, to where we hear the truth and know the truth.

What is home to you? For many at St. Francis, it is having a family when we walk through the doors of our church. We are all a family of God. Yes, we are born of the flesh to one family. But we become a true spiritual family with other people only when we have a common Father, God; a common brother, Jesus; and the common power of God’s Holy Spirit.

Where did Jesus find home? Any place he could open hearts and let others receive the love of God in their hearts.

Jesus did go to his hometown one day, but he was not received the way we would expect. What did he talk about while he was there? He talked about repentance. That’s because he wants us to come home to be with the Father.

Open your hearts and minds and souls and be at home with God.

**There’s no place like home.**

Your priest  
and servant in the Lord,

*Dee+*



## Lectionary Readings for June

<b>June 3</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday</b>	Psalm 100	Genesis 45:12-15,25-28	1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 13	John 13:33-35
<b>June 10</b>	<b>The Second Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Psalm 30:1-6, 12-13	1 Kings 17:17-24	Galatians 1:11-24	Luke 7:11-17
<b>June 17</b>	<b>The Third Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Psalm 32:1-8	2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15	Galatians 2:11-21	Luke 7:36-50
<b>June 24</b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Psalm 63:1-8	Zechariah 12:8-10	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 9:18-24

### *Stewardship of Presence*

	8am	11am	6pm	Combined
May 6	34	83		117
May 13	33	70		103
May 20	34	56		90
May 27	35	56		91

### *Stewardship of Giving*

15 items of food for Yokefellow  
During this time the web site had 156 visitors  
looking at 251 pages.

### *Stewardship of Giving*

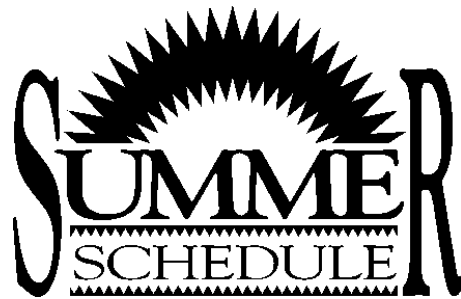
	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Non-Pledged</u>
May 6	6,343.00	870.25
May 13	345.24	867.00
May 20	900.00	859.52
May 27	3,065.95	649.00

## YOKEFELLOW

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

For June  
**CANNED MEATS**

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



**Beginning June 10**  
8am Holy Eucharist Rite I  
10am Holy Eucharist Rite II

# JUNE 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Punch on the Lawn:</b>                      6/3 - Rob &amp; Nancy Bole                      6/10 - Phil de Montmollin                      6/17 -                      6/24 - Kathy &amp; Terry Demas</p>					<p><b>1</b>                      7:00 PM                      Dayschool                      Graduation</p>	<p><b>2</b>                      9:30 AM Junior                      DOK</p>
<p><b>3</b>                      8:00 AM HE Rite I                      9:30 AM SS                      Brunch                      10:00 AM HE Rt. II                      11:30 AM Punch                      on the Lawn  <b>Trinity Sunday</b>  <b>Youth Sunday</b></p>	<p><b>4</b>                      6:00 PM NAMI</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b>                      10:00 AM HE                      Healing Service                      10:30 AM Deliver                      Meals from St.                      Gabriels                      6:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b>                      6:00 PM                      New-Comers                      Dinner at the                      Rectory</p>	<p><b>9</b>                      9:00 AM -12:30                      PM Estate                      Auction of Edna                      Hampton</p>
<p><b>10</b>                      8:00 AM HE Rite I                      9:15 AM Prayer                      Shawl Ministry                      10:00 AM HE Rt. II                      11:30 AM                      Confirmation                      Class                      11:30 AM Punch                      on the Lawn</p>	<p><b>11</b>                      7:00 PM Vestry                      Meeting</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b>                      10:00 AM HE                      Healing Service                      10:30 AM Deliver                      Meals from St.                      Gabriels                      6:00 PM Yoga                      7:00 PM                      Brotherhood of St.                      Andrew Prison                      Meeting</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b>                      9:00 AM                      Safeguarding                      God's Children                      Training</p>
<p><b>17</b>                      8:00 AM HE Rite I                      10:00 AM HE Rt. II                      11:30 AM Christian                      Ed Comm                      11:30 AM                      Confirmation Class                      11:30 AM Punch                      on the Lawn  <b>Father's Day</b></p>	<p><b>18</b>                      6:00 PM NAMI</p>	<p><b>19</b>                      7:00 PM Host                      Family                      Orientation                      Meeting - Parish                      House</p>	<p><b>20</b>                      10:00 AM HE                      Healing Service                      10:30 AM Deliver                      Meals from St.                      Gabriels                      6:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>21</b>                      6:30 PM High                      School Girl                      Scouts  <b>Summer                      Begins</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b>                      Pickard                      Wedding</p>
<p><b>24</b>                      8:00 AM HE Rite I                      10:00 AM HE Rt. II                      11:30 AM                      Confirmation                      Class                      11:30 AM DOK                      11:30 AM Punch                      on the Lawn</p>	<p><b>25</b>                      9:00 AM -11:30                      AM Vacation                      Bible School</p>	<p><b>26</b>                      9:00 AM -11:30                      AM Vacation                      Bible School</p>	<p><b>27</b>                      9:00 AM -11:30                      AM Vacation                      Bible School                      10:00 AM HE                      Healing Service                      10:30 AM Deliver                      Meals from St.                      Gabriels                      6:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p><b>28</b>                      9:00 AM -11:30                      AM Vacation                      Bible School</p>	<p><b>29</b>                      9:00 AM -11:30                      AM Vacation                      Bible School</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>

## Confirmation Class



*Beginning June 10*

**Why** should you come?

*To find out more about the Episcopal Church,  
The Book of Common Prayer and the Bible.*

**Where:** *The Cloister House*

**When:** *Sundays, 11:30 - 1:00 pm  
Beginning June 10*

*Confirmation will take place on St. Francis Day, October 7.  
Please register by calling the church office: 287-3888.*

## DEE'S SUMMER READING LIST

Like many of you, I grew up with a summer reading list. Here are some of the books I will be reading this summer. Come, read along with me. Of course, the Bible heads the list.

Guenther, Margaret, At Home in the World-A Rule of Life for the Rest of Us. Seabury Books, 2006.

Maynard, Dennis, Behind the Magnolia Tree. Booksurge Publishers, 2005.

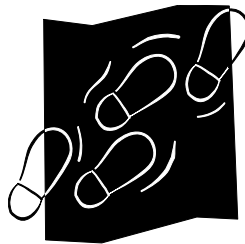
Maynard, Dennis, When the Magnolia Blooms. Booksurge Publishers, 2006.

Merton, Thomas, Spiritual Direction & Meditation. The Liturgical Press, 1960.

Munger, Robert Boyd, My Heart-Christ's Home. InterVarsity Press, 1954.

Volf, Miroslav, Free of Charge-Giving and Forgiving in a Culture Stripped of Grace. Zondervan, 2005.

Let us know what you are reading this summer; we will submit it in the July Lychgate.



## LIFE JOURNEYS

*Stories of St. Francis  
Parishioners*

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am writing you about an exciting endeavor that we are undertaking at St. Francis of which we would like you to be a part. We would like to include the story of your life in a small booklet, named Life Journeys, Stories of St. Francis Parishioners.

Would you please consider allowing someone to come visit with you to listen and record the story of your life, especially your spiritual journey? We would then compile the stories in a booklet form so it could always be part of the St. Francis legacy.

Please call the church office at 287-3888 so that we can make an appointment to meet with you. If you remember, we began this project a while ago but would like to publish the booklet this fall.

Thank you and may God bless you richly.

In Christ's love and grace,  
The Rev. Dee Ann de Montmollin  
and the Life Journey Team

## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

### February

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met in regular session on Monday, February 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Roscoe Conn, Sr. opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the January 15, 2007 meeting were approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
4. The Reverend Dee 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 following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care and Service.
8. Proceeds from the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper were designated for St. Gabriel's Soup Kitchen.
9. A Newcomer's Dinner is planned for June 8.

### March

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Linda Bailey opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the February 12, 2007 meeting were approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
4. The Reverend Dee de Montmollin gave the Rector's Report.
5. The Senior Warden's Report was received.
6. The Junior Warden's Report was received.
7. Motion was made, seconded and carried to lease a new phone system from BCI Phone System.
8. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care and Service.
9. Motion was made, seconded and carried

to receive the Parochial Report.

10. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept Lesley Bush as Vestry Clerk and Susan Keith as Finance Committee Clerk.

### April

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met in regular session on Monday, April 16, 2007 at the Cloister House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Don Corry opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the March 12, 2007 meeting were approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
4. The Reverend Dee de Montmollin gave the Rector's Report.
5. Beginning June 10, the second service for Sunday morning will be held at 10:00 a.m.
6. Confirmation Class will begin on Sunday, June 10 at 11:30 a.m.
7. June 3 is designated as Youth Sunday and Graduate Recognition Sunday.
8. The Senior Warden's Report was received.
9. The Junior Warden's Report was received.
10. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care and Service.
11. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 25-29, 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. The Theme is "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands."
12. Motion was made, seconded and carried to receive the gift of a lot of land adjacent to the playground of the parish house.

### May

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met in regular session on Monday, May 14, 2007 at the Cloister House. The following items were discussed or acted upon.

1. Paul McIntosh opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. Paul McIntosh, Senior Warden, presided over the meeting in the absence of the Rector.
3. The minutes of the April 16, 2007 meeting

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR JUNE

8:00	03-Jun	10-Jun	17-Jun	24-Jun
Usher	Joe Middleton	Jane Cassada	Roy Morehead	James Brown
Usher	Sandra Middleton	Dick Wilkins	Denise Hempstead	Mary Gregory
Greeter	James Brown	Mary Gregory	Jane Cassada	Keppie D'Alessio
Reader	Mary Gregory	James Brown	Linda Bailey	Marian Beavers
Chalicer	Cynthia Ruppe	Denise Hempstead	Josef Sibley	David D'Alessio
Acolytes				
Sunday School Greeter	Diane Dickerson			
11:00				
Usher	Youth	Susan Keith	Bud Quinley	Sam Ayers
Usher	Youth	Beverly McKinney	Anita Quinley	Rebecca Melton
Greeter	Youth	Judy Scott	Beverly McKinney	Vera Scroggs
Oblationer		Don Corry	Paul McIntosh	Vernon Hoyle
Oblationer		Lyn Corry	Paula McIntosh	Michael Carrier
Yokefellow	Youth	Becky Reger	Becky Reger	Becky Reger
1st Reader	Youth	Roscoe Conn, Sr.	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Paula McIntosh
2nd Reader	Youth	Ed Goodrich	Vernon Hoyle	Miriam Dixon
Prayers	Youth	Ed Richardson	Nancy Bole	Rebecca Melton
Chalicer	Barbara Hobson	Anita Quinley	Susan Keith	Eric Truempy
				Mary Brown
Nursery	Linda Bailey	Sherry Campbell	Anita Quinley	Denise Hempstead
	Magi King	Kimberly Lloyd	Sue Lloyd	Beverly McKinney
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 1	Team 2
Coffee Hour 8				
Punch on the Lawn	Rob Bole	Phil de Montmollin	Dorene Chambers	Kathy Demas
	Nancy Bole			Terry Demas

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT  
AND **THEN** CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED...

were approved.

4. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
5. The Senior Warden's Report was received.
6. The Junior Warden's Report was received.
7. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care and Service.
8. SAMS missionaries, Russ and Heidi Smith are returning to the mission field. Motion was made, seconded and carried to support them financially beginning July 2007.
9. A gift of two microwaves for the Parish House was received from Bob Blanton and Becky Reger.
10. The auction for the Hampton Estate will be held on June 9, 9:00-11:30 a.m.
11. The Vestry expressed thanks for Bob Blanton who has started the refinishing process of the Sanctuary floor. Bob has saved the Church considerable money by doing this project in-house and avoided the inconvenience of having to worship at the Parish House.
12. Habitat for Humanity reported that Faith Works Coalition House, located on Allen St., Rutherfordton is now underway. The second house located on Bob Rollins Road, Forest City, is being built by volunteers from the Sandy Run Baptist Association.
13. Twenty-one women attended the Mother's Day Brunch held on May 12. The next Episcopal Church Women meeting will be at the home of Beverly McKinney on September 8.



## Estate Auction

of beloved Rutherford County School Teacher and member of St. Francis Episcopal Church

### EDNA GHEEN HAMPTON

Saturday, June 9, 2007  
9:00 am  
376 Edwards Street  
Rutherfordton, NC

Bring a lawn chair.  
Refreshments being served by The ECW.

Miss Hampton was known to treat every student equally. Feisty and strict, she made learning fun! Having lived for over 100 years, she naturally accumulated a lot of interesting things. Come early to preview auction items. This auction is being conducted by Keith Norville.



Want a sneak preview of a few of Edna's auction items? Just go to the following web site:

[www.auctionzip.com](http://www.auctionzip.com)

Search for auctions within 30 miles. Zip 28139. Click June. Then click 9. Edna's is the first of six auctions on June 9th to appear. Click photos. Also, be on the lookout for our ad in *The Daily Courier* and *The Shelby Star* on Wednesday, June 6th.

We need everybody's help in spreading the word about this auction!

## SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING

Saturday, June 16  
9:00 am - 12:00 noon



Safeguarding our children is everyone's responsibility. As a means to accomplish this, the Episcopal Church and especially the Diocese of Western North Carolina has required that all vestry members and paid staff personnel of the Episcopal

Church take this training. In addition, they have very strongly recommended that all persons involved with children take this training; this includes everyone that teaches Sunday School, works in the nursery, or is in any way involved in the youth.

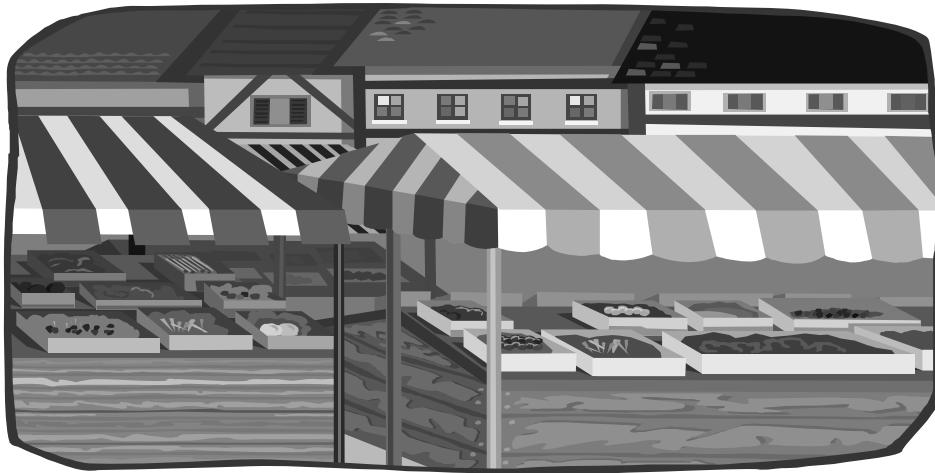
Did you know that a non-relative adult should never be alone with a child? This is part of the reason why we have two people assigned to the nursery each Sunday. This and other guidance for the involvement of adults with children are covered in this training, along with the reasons for these guides.

If you have not taken this training in the last five years, and you are involved with children in any capacity, then you should take this training. It will be held at St. Francis on Saturday June 16 from 9 to noon. Please let Susan Keith or Miriam Dixon know if you are going to take the training. If you cannot make that training, there will be other courses offered throughout the diocese during the year.

Welcome Home!



*Rev. Dee and Phil de Montmollin with parishioners in front of St. Francis Church in Assisi, Italy.*



# THE MARKETPLACE

Saturday, September 29

8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Parish House

*“Sharing Our Best”*

## What is The Marketplace?

The Marketplace is a way of sharing our best with the community and members of our parish. It is an opportunity to participate in ministry.

## Why do we want to have The Marketplace?

Each of us has different abilities, gifts and talents to share with each other. Many times we miss the opportunity of working together and discovering how uniquely God has created each of us. The Marketplace is an opportunity to do this.

Episcopal Church Women include ministries in our budget that are not included in the 2007 Budget for St. Francis Church. We have various fundraisers during the year to support these ministries. This is an opportunity for men, women and children of the parish to contribute by sharing their abilities, gifts and talents.

We will have the opportunity to welcome the community to our parish.

It will be a fun project!

## What can you do?

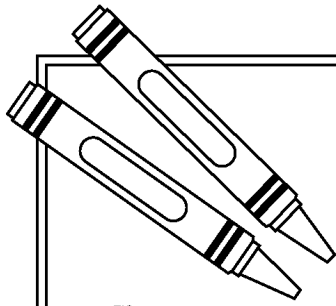
Start now by thinking seriously about what you might contribute. Do you do wood- work? Are you a seamstress? Do you do embroidery? Are you a potter? Are you an artist? Do you enjoy baking? Do you do candlewicking? Do you like to make candy?

Do you like to work on craft projects? Could you help set up on Friday, September 28? Could you work on Saturday, September 29? These are only a few of the possibilities.

*Treasures from the Attic* will be a part of The Marketplace. Do you have something that is precious to you, but you are not using it? You may not have the “right person” to whom you wish to give the article. An item like this would be a wonderful item for *Treasures from the Attic*. Suggestions for pricing such items will be requested.

Plan now to be a part of The Marketplace!

Be sure to mark your calendar for a day of shopping on Saturday, September 29!



# Just for KIDS

## Remember Our Heavenly Father

Father's Day is a time to thank our dads, who work hard to keep the family fed, safe and loved. Let us also remember God, our heavenly Father, who gives life to us all.

Use the grid to fill in the blanks below. To find the letter for each number, look down the column to the dot, and then go to the left to the letter. Write the letter on the appropriate blank.

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1 John 3:1, NIV

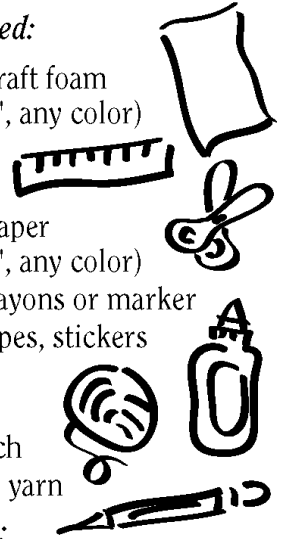
“HOW GREAT IS THE LOVE THE FATHER HAS LAVISHED ON US, THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD!”

## A Verse Frame

Make this special gift for your dad, uncle, grandfather or father-figure. It is nice to be reminded of our heavenly Father's love for us.

*What you need:*

- Piece of craft foam (8½" x 11", any color)
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Piece of paper (8½" x 11", any color)
- Pencil, crayons or marker
- Foam shapes, stickers (optional)
- Glue
- Hole punch
- Ribbon or yarn



*What you do:*

1. Use your ruler to measure a rectangle inside the piece of craft foam. Draw the rectangle, and then cut it out. Your foam should now look like a frame.
2. Place the piece of paper under the foam frame, and trace the shape of the frame's window onto the paper.
3. Choose a verse to write inside the rectangle on your paper. (Your frame can go horizontally or vertically.) Suggested verses include 1 Corinthians 8:6, Philipians 4:20 and 1 John 3:1.
4. Turn the frame over (face down), and put glue around the edge. Lay the verse face down on the back of the frame, and let it dry.
5. Decorate the outside of the frame with foam shapes, stickers or drawings.
6. Use your hole punch to punch two holes at the top of the frame. Tie a piece of ribbon or yarn through the holes to hang the frame.

*"He's Got The Whole World  
In His Hands!"*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Dates: June 25 - 29

Time: 9:00 am - 11:30 am

(Registration will be on Monday beginning at 8:45 am)

**CELEBRATE MISSIONS...**

as we travel around the world to visit  
our missionaries and hear about their  
work!

*"Go into all the world  
and preach the gospel to the whole creation."*

Mark 16:15

## A TIME TO HONOR OUR GRADUATES

*It is with pleasure that we honor the following  
high school graduates from our parish family:*

### **Raven Courtney Conn**

Daughter of Bettina and Roscoe Conn, Jr.  
Granddaughter of Josephine and Roscoe Conn, Sr.  
Graduating from RS Central High School  
Will attend UNC Wilmington

### **Louis Gregory Demas**

Daughter of Kathy and Mark Demas  
Graduating from RS Central High School  
Will attend ICC in the fall

### **Mary Elizabeth Doane**

Daughter of Mary Brown  
Graduating from East High School  
Will attend Western Carolina University  
Major: Political Science and Government  
Minor: International Relations

### **Helen Alexandra Schafer**

Daughter of Anne and Gary Schafer  
Graduating from RS Central High School  
Will attend University of Miami, Florida

*It is with pleasure that we honor the following  
college graduates from our parish family:*

### **Seth Hunt**

Son of Sherry Campbell  
Grandson of Ruth Henson  
Graduating from Western Carolina University

### **Alice Roberts**

Daughter of Gerry Roberts  
Graduating from Appalachian State University  
Degree: Middle School Education



## EF HOME STAY PROGRAM

EMERGENCY SITUATION WITH THE EXCHANGE STUDENTS BEGINNING TO ARRIVE JULY 3 - JULY 29 SPAIN; JULY 18- AUG. 6 SPAIN; AUG 7 - AUG 27 FRANCE.

IN URGENT NEED OF PRAYER AND HOUSING FOR 50 STUDENTS BETWEEN ALL THREE GROUPS. IF ANYONE CAN POSSIBLY OPEN UP THEIR HOMES TO THESE TEENS WHO WILL BE STUDYING ENGLISH AND TRAVELING AROUND OUR COUNTY, PLEASE CONTACT:  
SUE LANGDON 828-980-2085 OR 287-4508 ASAP.

WE HAVE STUDENTS APPLICATIONS ARRIVING WITH NO HOST FAMILY TO GREET THEM. THIS IS A MINISTRY OF LOVE AND OF SHARING THE LORDS LOVE AND REDEEMING GRACE. BE BLESSED BY THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AND BE A BLESSING TO THEM.

SUE ANN LANGDON  
NORTH CAROLINA  
AREA DIRECTOR  
EF HOME STAY PROGRAM  
BOSTON, MASS.



God's LOVE has  
been poured  
into our  
HEARTS  
through  
the  
HOLY SPIRIT  
that has been  
given to us.

Romans 5:5, NRSV

## POET'S CORNER

### AND IS MINE AGAIN

By Sam Ayers

Where had happiness gone—  
Blithe spirit, or deceiving elf?  
I had claimed it for my own  
Unsuspecting self—  
Thinking our bond  
Too intimate to sever;  
But happiness had flown—  
I thought: forever.

I claimed it for my own;  
Then thought it all in vain,  
For happiness had flown.

But, like capricious breeze,  
Happiness is a tease—  
And is mine again.



## THANK YOU!

**We want to thank** the twenty-one women who gave us the “*Gift of Presence*” by attending the Mother’s Day Brunch on Saturday morning, May 12!

Linda Bailey, Nancy Bole,  
Sue Lloyd, Jill Pickard

### **Thank you, thank you, thank**

**you,** for letting me be a part of the Dayschool for 33 years. For the wonderful friends I have made...for the great reception... for the gifts and cards.

For the special blessing the church has been to me.

Thank you,  
Wanda Price  
Retiring Day School Director



## 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 James Dickerson  
15 Tony Earley  
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

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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 Ed & Dorothy Goodrich

## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

**Reba** Beasley,  
**Jesse** Beavers,  
**Ross** Beavers,  
**Wanda** Byers,  
**Chris** Campbell,  
**Michael** Carrier,  
**John** Condon,  
**Rose Lee** Crutcher,  
**Betty** Elliott,  
**Katie** Graham,  
**Ron** Haines,  
**Ron** Hobson,  
**Stephanie** Howard,  
**Dan** Jones,  
**Dorothy** Kunkel,  
**Peter** Lee,  
**Anna** Maiche,  
**Susan** McAllister,  
**Jacqueline** Lemon,

**Franklyn** McIntosh,  
**Joyce** Michaud,  
**Betty** Morehead,  
**Reid, Laurie &**  
**DeWitt** Nunn,  
**Tony** Michael  
Pillsbury,  
**Haley** Riney,  
**Ron,**  
**Stevie** Scroggs,  
**Isabella** Stairs,

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**Ann** Thompson,  
**Ruth** Thompson,  
**Nancy** Tucker,  
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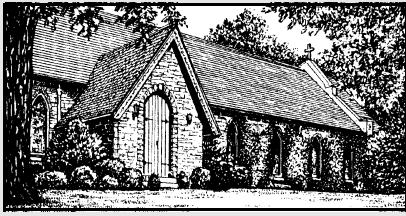
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**J. D.** Brock,  
**Forest** Buff,  
**Scotty** Clark,  
**Blake** Craft,  
**Kyle** Eller,  
**Andy** Feree,  
**Branson** Garrett,  
**Jason** Hempstead,  
**Jason** Hill,  
**Patsy** Howard,

**Robby** Howard,  
**Natahley** Infante,  
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**Seth** Keller,  
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**Tony** Laws,  
**Troy** Laws,  
**Daniel** Leech,  
**Timmy** McCaughey,  
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**Drew** Melvin,  
**Dwayne** Mote,

**Eddie** Mote,  
**Robert** Mote,  
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**Michael** Parker,  
**Eric** Neely,  
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**Rory** Semelroth,  
**Chris** Sikes,  
**David** Smith,  
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**Emmanuel** Spencer,  
**Christopher** Strand,  
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*“Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints...” Ephesians 6:18*



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**The Vestry**  
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*Don Corry, Junior Warden*  
*Rob Bole, Treasurer*

**2007**  
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*Dick Wilkins*

**2008**  
*Marian Beavers*  
*Don Corry*  
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**2009**  
*Linda Bailey*  
*Ed Richardson*  
*James Segers*

*The Vestry meets the second Monday of every month.*

**Our Missionaries:**  
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 - China  
*John and Zophi Wilson - Hungary*  
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*“The Episcopal Church Welcomes You!”*



# Happy Father's Day

## SUNDAY, JUNE 17

The purpose of St. Francis Episcopal Church is to function as a Christian family in which all are nurtured in Jesus Christ through Scripture, sacrament, prayer, and love, enabling us to proclaim God's love joyfully and witness to His power.