



# Through The Yuck Gate of Saint Francis Church



January 2008

...and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Luke 2: 21

January 1-The Celebration of the Holy Name of Jesus.

In God's unconditional covenant with us, we are given the amazing gift of his son, Jesus. The naming of Jesus reveals to us that our relationship to God is of joy. God sent the Angels to the Shepherds and proclaimed with great joy the birth of our Savior. We hear in the gospel of Luke: "For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior... and he will be called Jesus."

Jesus means "he saves." It is derived from a Hebrew transliteration of "Yeshua." Knowing Jesus as holy is not a casual relationship but one to take very seriously.

Knowing Jesus' name begins a relationship with Him. As we enter the New Year, let us think about our relationship with Jesus and with others. The two great commandments are written for us: The first is that we shall love the Lord with all our heart, and with all our soul and with all our mind. The second is that we should love our neighbors as ourselves. The greatest relationship we can have is with God. The greatest relationship we can have on earth is with our neighbor.

I am so aware of the stress with which many seem to be burdened. If we are in relationship with Jesus, we will truly take seriously His words from Matthew: *Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

A story was told of a lecturer, when explaining stress management to an audience, raised a glass of water and asked, "How heavy is this glass of water?"

Answers called out ranged from 3 ounces to 1 pound. The lecturer replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long one tries to hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance. In each case, it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

That's the way it is with stress. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on. As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. When we are refreshed, we can carry on with the burden. And that rest can come only through our love of Christ.

What are your New Year's resolutions? Here are some if you can't think of any:

- \* Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
- \* Drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
- \* Never buy a car you can't push.
- \* Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.
- \* Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late. (But...don't miss church!)
- \* When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- \* Celebrate your birthdays. The more you have, the longer you live.
- \* Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.
- \* You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.
- \* Learn from a box of crayons. Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.

## Stewardship of Presence

	8am	11am	Total
Dec. 2	38	122	160
Dec. 9	40	75	115
Dec. 16	40	78	118
Dec. 23	31	103	134
Dec. 24	5:30pm 108	10:30 pm 85	193
Dec. 25	10:00am 23		23
Dec. 30	24	61	85
Dec. 31	11:30pm 24		24

## Stewardship of Giving

82 items of food for Yokefellow

## Stewardship of Giving

	Pledged	Non-Pledged	
Dec. 2	\$4,578.00	\$1,564.00	
Dec. 9	\$4,538.00	\$1,317.00	
Dec. 16	\$1,820.25	\$421.00	
Dec. 23	\$2,253.00	\$1,607.37	
Dec. 30	\$1,831.00	\$960.00	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$15,020.25</b>	<b>\$5,869.37</b>	<b>= \$20,889.62</b>

# YOKEFELLOW

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

For January  
**CANNED VEGETABLES**  
*(Although any non-perishable  
item will be accepted)*



**Thompson Child &  
Family Focus  
Campbell's Soup  
Labels Needed**

Please place untrimmed whole labels in the area designated in the narthex of the church.  
ECW will be sure they are sent to  
Thompson Child & Family Focus.

## FROM THE RECTOR

...Continued

And the most important resolution for the New Year:

Always keep the name of Jesus on your lips in prayer and in your hearts.

Let us begin our New Year together at St. Francis singing and rejoicing in the love of Christ.

In Christ's love and grace,

Dee+

The Reverend Dee Ann deMontmollin

## Episcopal Church Women

January Meeting



The Episcopal Church Women of St. Francis Church will meet on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 10:00 am at the home of Nancy Bole. The speaker will be The Rev. Dn. Clare Barry who is the Diocesan Companion Diocese Committee

Chairperson. She will talk to us about the companionship our Diocese has formed with the Diocese of Durgapur in India. A school known as "The Center School" has been built in Dugapur since a team from Durgapur visited our Diocese (including St. Francis Church in their visit) in August 2006. The Diocese of WNC raised enough money during this visit to build the school for 60 poor children of Durgapur. Many other good things have happened since then, and we look forward to learning about them and to the visit from Rev. Barry.

If you need a ride, please contact Linda Bailey or Beverly McKinney.

## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

**November 12, 2007**

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

1. Ed Richardson opened the meeting with a devotional.
2. The minutes of the October 8, 2007 meeting were approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report was received.
4. The Reverend Dee Ann de Montmollin gave the Rector's Report.
5. The Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2008.
6. The Senior Warden's Report and the Junior Warden's Report were received.
7. Nominees for Vestry for 2008 are Josephine Conn, Susan Keith and David Lloyd.
8. The following SWEEPS Commission Reports were received: Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care, and Service.
9. Susan Keith has accepted the position as Junior DOK Directress for the Diocese of Western North Carolina.
10. ECW reported that over \$1,400.00 was raised during *The Marketplace*.
11. Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity completed 4 houses during 2007. Applications are being taken for 5 new houses to be built in 2008.

**December 16, 2007**

The Vestry of St. Francis Church met in regular session on Sunday, December 16, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rectory. The following items were discussed or acted upon:

1. The minutes of the November 12, 2007 meeting were approved.
2. The Treasurer's Report was received.
3. The Senior Warden's Report was received.
4. Don Corry, Stewardship Chairman, reported on information received from the stewardship campaign.
5. A Vestry Retreat at Valle Crucis is planned for February 29, March 1 and March 2.

**THANK  
YOU!**

**Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!**

*What a wonderful Christmas Season we had! Beginning with the incredibly wonderful Christmas lessons and carols and the deeply spiritual Christmas services to our Epiphany play on January 6! We truly know that the promise of Christmas is the love of Jesus Christ!*

*I am always moved to tears of the deep spirituality that is with us at St. Francis. I was touched by the personal notes you all have written. Thank you to those who took the time to write. I will hold them dear to me.*

*Your priest and servant in Christ,*

**Dee +**

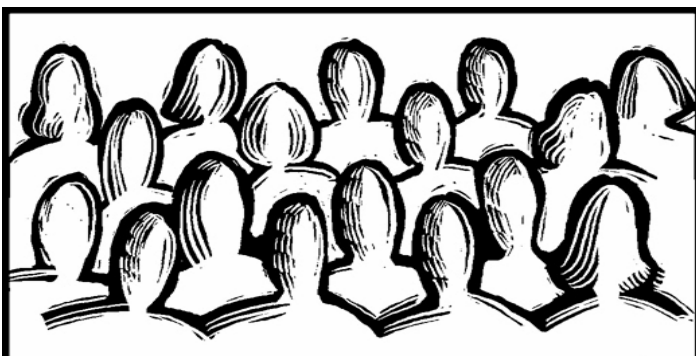
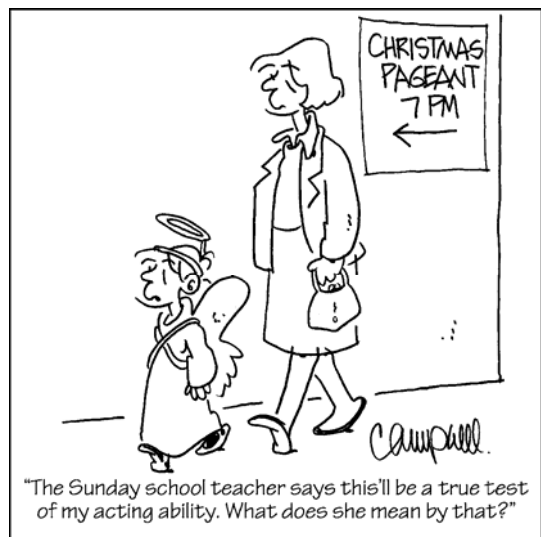
## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY

Jan. 6	The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Isaiah 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
Jan. 13	The First Sunday After the Epiphany– The Baptism of Our Lord	Psalm 29	Isaiah 42:1-9	Acts 10:34-43	Matthew 3:13-17
Jan. 20	The Second Sunday After the Epiphany	Psalm 40:1-12	Isaiah 49:1-7	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	John 1:29-42
Jan. 27	The Third Sunday After the Epiphany	Psalm 27:1, 5-13	Isaiah 9:1-4	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	Matthew 4:12-23

# POTLUCK AND ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 6

Following the 11:00 am worship service.



## Annual Meeting

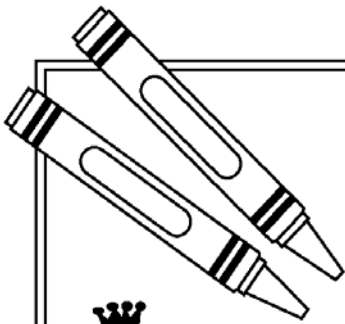
# January 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Church Potluck:</b> 6th - Vestry</p> <p><b>8:00 am Coffee Fellowship:</b> 6th - Denise Hempstead</p> <p><b>11:00 am Coffee Fellowship:</b> 20th - Linda Bailey/Susan Melvin</p>		<p><i>1</i></p> <p>New Year's Day - Office Closed</p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Healing Service 5:15 PM Joiful Noyz 6:30 PM Adult Choir</p>	<p><i>3</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga-Advanced 11:00 AM Yoga-Beginner 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><i>4</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Day School</p>	<p><i>5</i></p>
<p><i>6</i></p> <p>8:00 AM HE Rite I 9:00 AM Coffee Hour 11:00 AM HE Rite II 12:30 PM Potluck - Annual Meeting 5:30 PM Cursillo 6:30 PM Contemporary Eucharist</p> <p>Epiphany</p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Day School 5:30 PM Girl Scouts</p>	<p><i>8</i></p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Day School 10:00 AM Healing Service 5:15 PM Joiful Noyz 6:30 PM Adult Choir 7:00 PM Brotherhood of St. Andrew Prison Meeting</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Yoga-Advanced 11:00 AM Yoga-Beginner 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM EFM</p>	<p><i>11</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Day School</p>	<p><i>12</i></p>
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## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR JANUARY

8:00	6-Jan	13-Jan	20-Jan	27-Jan
Usher	Josef Sibley	James Brown	William McClain	Denise Hempstead
Usher	Roy Morehead	Dick Wilkins	Jane Cassada	Richard Williams
Greeter	Mary Gregory	Martha Wilkins	Dick Wilkins	James Brown
Reader	Marian Beavers	Mary Gregory	Doug Elliott	Sue Lloyd
Chalicer	Denise Hempstead	Nancy Bole	Bob Blanton	Cynthia Ruppe
Sunday School Greeter	Diane Dickerson	Magi King	Anita Quinley	Judy Scott
11:00				
Usher	Susan Keith	Rebecca Melton	Gordon Scott	Don Corry
Usher	Vera Scroggs	Beverly McKinney	Judy Scott	Lyn Corry
Greeter	Eric Truempy	Beverly Wellborn	Paula McIntosh	Bob Blanton
Oblationer	Sam Ayers	Carolyn Gardner	Vernon Hoyle	Paul McIntosh
Oblationer	Michael Carrier	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Christine Hoyle	Paula McIntosh
Yokefellow	Blue Pittman	Blue Pittman	Blue Pittman	Blue Pittman
1st Reader	Roscoe Conn, Sr.	Mary Brown	Linda Jeanne Harrill	Miriam Dixon
2nd Reader	Nancy Bole	Ed Richardson	Bill Coxe	Mary Brown
Prayers	Rebecca Melton	Julie Pittman	Barbara Hobson	Roger Hughes
Chalicer	Miriam Dixon	Barbara Hobson	Susan Keith	Anita Quinley
Nursery	Linda Bailey	Sherry Campbell	Anita Quinley	Denise Hempstead
	Keppie D'Alessio	Missy Hughes	Diane Dickerson	Kathy Demas
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 1	Team 2
Coffee Hour 8	Denise Hempstead			
Coffee Hour 11			Linda Bailey	
			Susan Melvin	
Potluck	Vestry			
	Annual Meeting			

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT  
AND **THEN** CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE. 828-287-3888

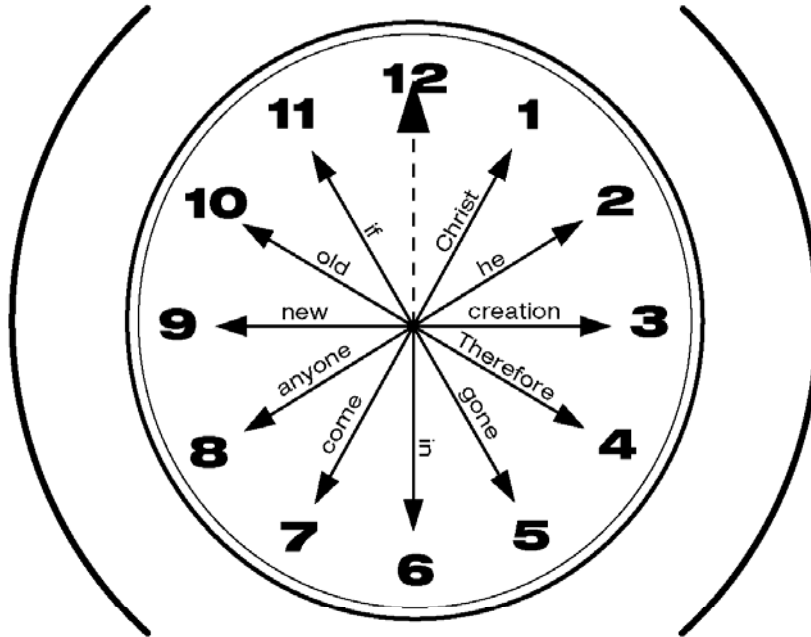


# Just for **KIDS**

## **IN WITH THE NEW**

*It's "time" for New Year's resolutions! We should always want to improve ourselves for God, looking to Jesus as our example. God will work with us and through us when we come to him in prayer.*

Using the clock's hour hand, copy each word to help you complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV.



" \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ; the \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ , the \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ !"

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17, NIV

Answer: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"

## COUNTDOWN TO THE *New Year*

Celebrate the blessings of the previous year and the hope of the New Year with this fun party idea and craft.

### What you need:

- Brown paper lunch bags or colorful bags
- Construction paper
- Markers
- Glue
- Scissors
- Stickers (optional)
- Inexpensive prizes or treats (see ideas below)



### What you do:

1. Before New Year's Eve, assemble a bag for every hour before midnight that you plan to celebrate.
2. Use construction paper and markers to make a clock with a different time for each bag.
3. Glue a clock onto each bag.
4. Decorate the bags with stickers or other designs.
5. Fill the bags with inexpensive prizes or treats, each accompanied by a Bible verse. Here are a few suggestions:

- Plastic party-favor watches ("The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore" Psalm 121:8, NIV.)
  - Bookmarks ("Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture" 1 Timothy 4:13, NIV.)
  - Small notepads and pencils ("Let love and faithfulness never leave you ... write them on the tablet of your heart" Proverbs 3:3, NIV.)
  - Sweet treats ("Taste and see that the LORD is good" Psalm 34:8, NIV.)
  - Party noisemaker, in a bag to be opened at midnight ("Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth" Psalm 98:4, NRSV.)
6. Open each bag at the time shown on its clock.

## **VESTRY NOMINATIONS**

### **Josephine Conn**

I was born and raised in Rutherfordton. I lived and worked in New York City for eleven years. I am married to Roscoe Conn, Sr. and we have four children and seven grandchildren. I have been attending St. Francis Episcopal Church since September 15, 1998 and was confirmed on April 18, 1999. I am a choir member, and also a member of the altar guild. I have hosted pot luck, coffee hour and punch on the lawn. I have served on the church council at my previous church and also on the North Carolina Synod Council of The Evangelical Lutheran Church. I would consider it a privilege to serve on the Vestry of St. Francis if elected.

### **Susan Keith**

I am a cradle Episcopalian and have attended the Episcopal Church most of my life. I moved to St. Francis from Virginia in 2002. I was very blessed to be warmly welcomed into the family of St. Francis. I served as Parish Administrator for a couple of years and have been active in the Episcopal Church Women. I currently assist in the beauty of our worship in a variety of ways including being a lector, adult acolyte and chalice bearer. I am also blessed to be very involved in the activities of the Daughters of the King including guiding our young ladies in the Junior Daughters of the King. I help in the process of recording our services so that they can be shared with our shut-ins. I actively support our Relay For Life team and am enrolled in the Education For Ministry program.

I am currently serving the Diocese of Western North Carolina as a trainer for Safeguarding God's Children and as Diocesan Directress for the Junior Daughters of the King.

I have been married for 20 years to John and have three children, Sunshine (golden retriever), Miss Amy (mini poodle) and Jaxom (cat).

I love the people of St. Francis and would be blessed to serve this family in any capacity to which I am called.

### **David Lloyd**

I was raised at St. Francis, and was active as an acolyte and as a member of the EYC. After graduate school, Kimberly and I settled in Charlotte, where we were members of Christ Episcopal Church. At Christ Church, I served as the director/coordinator for chalicists, lay eucharistic ministers and lay readers, and as the chairman of the Liturgical Commission (Worship Committee). I also led a weeknight Bible study.

My family and I returned to Rutherfordton in 2000. Since returning to St. Francis, I have participated in the life of the church as a chalicist, lay reader, acolyte coordinator, adult Sunday School teacher, Diocesan Convention delegate, and as the vice-chair of the Clergy Search Committee.

I attended Davidson College and the University of North Carolina School of Law. I have practiced as an attorney for seventeen years. In the community, I have served on the Board of Directors for Smart Start, and I am active as a volunteer leader in the Boy Scouts.

### **Bill Coxe**

I have been an Episcopalian all my life, attending churches in Asheville and Arden, NC, Atlanta, Dallas, TX, and Rutherfordton. I currently participate as usher, lay reader, pot luck host, and landscaper on work days. I assisted the late Susan McAllister in designing the 2008 stained glass window calendar. If I am chosen, I would be honored and grateful to be allowed to serve the church as a Vestry member.

## 2007 THANK YOUS!!!

**Becky Reger** for writing birthday and anniversary cards!  
**Beverly and Jesse McKinney** for premarital budget counseling!  
**Linda Bailey** for giving her Sunday School class St. Francis Calendars!  
**Roscoe Conn** for evangelizing St. Francis by selling 17 calendars to businesses!  
**Bill Coxe** and friend **Susan McAllister** for designing the calendars!  
**Bob McCammon** for taking the photographs of the stained glass windows!  
**Bev Bruce** for producing note cards of the stained glass windows!  
**Kim Lloyd** for producing the cute relay and charades for the Advent party!  
**Gerry Roberts** for coordinating the Epiphany Play!  
**Diane Dickerson** and **Kim Lloyd** for directing Vacation Bible School!  
**The choir** of St. Francis!  
**Johnathan Jones** and the incredible Lesson and Carol service!  
The voice of **Desiree** singing the psalms!  
**Rebecca Melton** for directing Joiful Noyz!  
For **each person** who makes dinner for Joiful Noyz!  
**Liz Segers** for directing the Angel Tree Party!  
**Each person** that dressed a bear!  
**Each person** who gave an Angel gift!  
**All** who went caroling to the nursing care homes!  
**Each person** who bought a calendar!  
**Each person** who called someone to brighten their day!  
**Denise Hempstead** for ALL she does!  
**LEM's** for visiting the sick!  
**Nancy Bole** for the "Mugged" visitor bags!  
**Relay for Life team!**  
**All Sunday School children!**  
**All Sunday School teachers!**  
**Cindy Hill** our new Finance Manager!  
**Lesley Bush** our Parish Administrator!  
**Amberleigh** and **Andrew** for leading our youth!  
**Miriam Dixon** for keeping the interior church buildings perfect!  
**Roger Wilson** for taking care of the grounds!  
**The Altar Guild!**  
**Bob Blanton** for making sure everything runs!  
**James Segers** and **Bob Blanton** for taking care of the stained glass windows!  
**Those who painted the Parish House!**

**Susan Keith** for directing the Labyrinth!  
**All** who have worked on the Labyrinth!  
**Sue Lloyd** taking care of the Memorial Garden!  
**All** who pray for others, including **JDOK** and **DOK!**  
**Josephine** and **Roscoe Conn** for singing at funerals!  
**Joiful Noyz!**  
**Diane Dickerson** for her love of our children!  
**Kathy Demas** for coordinating the Joiful Noyz dinners!.  
**Gerry Roberts** and **Ed Richardson**, co-mentors of EFM!  
**Sam Berger** for the Hebrew blessings!  
**Reba Beasley** for her artistic note cards!  
**Marian Beavers** for Salt and Bread!  
**Rob Bole** for preparing the ground for ashes!  
**Don Corry** for being our verger!  
**Sally Cowan** for gifts of interior design!  
For all the **Acolytes!**  
**David Lloyd** for lay preaching!  
**For all chalice bearers, readers, greeters and ushers!**  
**For the brotherhood of St. Andrew's!**  
**Linda Bailey** for leading ECW!  
**Liz Segers** and **Anita Quinley** for Christian Ed.!  
**Barbara Hobson** for support of Joiful Noyz!  
**Vernon Hoyle** and **Jesse McKinney** for Lenten Morning Prayer!  
**Magi King's** healing hands!  
**All those** who give lovingly to Dee's Discretionary Fund!  
**For 2007 Vestry and Sr. and Jr. Wardens!**  
For **all those** who transport others!  
**Sandra Middleton** for the Day School Library!  
**Vera Scroggs** for office and day school help!  
**Diane Tucker** for artistic ministry!  
**Hilda Wilson** for help with Joiful Noyz!  
**Beverly McKinney** for unsung work!  
**Susan Keith** and **Ed Richardson** for their diocesan work!  
**Gerry Roberts** as our Parish Nurse.  
**Everyone** who helps with Coffee Hour, Potluck and Punch on the Lawn!  
**Everyone** who participates in workdays!  
**All** who pray at St. Francis!  
**All** who worship at St. Francis!

*For all others that have quietly  
given their love to St. Francis!!*

**JANUARY  
BIRTHDAYS**

**JANUARY  
ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Dee Ann de Montmollin  
3 Jennifer Smith  
10 Helen Schafer  
12 Debbie Hollifield  
15 Ronald Hobson  
16 Keely McBrayer  
19 Ruth Henson  
20 Jane McBrayer  
21 Sue Lloyd  
21 Cynthia Ruppe

22 Mary Gregory  
23 Barbara Tetrick  
26 Eric Truempy  
26 Louis Demas  
27 Sam Berger  
28 Gordon Scott  
28 Richard Williams  
29 Mary Catherine Coxe  
30 Terrance Demas

1 Timothy & Julie Pittman  
12 James & Liz Segers



**KANUGA CONFERENCE CENTER**

**MARRIAGE  
ENRICHMENT  
RETREAT**

**FEBRUARY 14-17**

Want to learn how to make your good marriage great? Your great marriage even better? Kanuga's Marriage Enrichment Retreat will enable couples to nurture their invaluable yet constantly changing relationships.

*This retreat is not designed for couples in need of marriage therapy.* Its purpose is to enhance the lives of committed married couples who are interested in learning new skills for enriching their relationship, thereby developing their mutual joy for the many years ahead.

Couples will learn to dream new dreams together, improve communication, process conflict effectively, increase their sense of humor, deepen their intimacy and develop new insights, while in the company of other couples who also want to improve their marriages.

Cost

**Double Occupancy \$540 per couple**

Includes program, lodging, meals and use of recreational facilities

**Commuter \$345 per couple**

Includes program, lunches and suppers (Residents of Henderson and bordering North Carolina or South Carolina counties)

Payment

**Deposit \$50 per person**

Non-refundable. Deposit deducted from total fee.

**Balance Due January 17**

*(To register after this date, please send a check or use a credit card for the full amount.)*

**For more information contact Kanuga Conference Center at:  
www.kanuga.org or Telephone: 828-692-9213**

## HOSPICE WINTER VOLUNTEER TRAINING

**January 14 - 16, 2008**  
**from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
at the  
**Hospice of Rutherford County**  
**Hickory Nut Gorge Office**  
**Suite 203 in the Lake Lure**  
**Arcade Building**

**OR**

**January 21 - 24, 2008**  
**From 6:00 - 9:00 pm**  
at the  
**Hospice Annette Cash Whitaker**  
**Center of Living**  
**374 Hudlow Road**  
**Forest City**

The cost of the class is \$15.00, but can be refunded if the participant becomes an active volunteer.

To register for the Lake Lure class, please call the Lake Lure office at 625-0365. To register for the Forest City class, please call the Volunteer Coordinator at 245-0095.

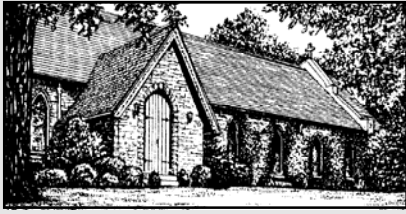
## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

<b>Albert,</b>	<b>Cathy Iadovito,</b>	<b>Haley Riney,</b>
<b>Reba Beasley,</b>	<b>Joseph,</b>	<b>Darwin Royal,</b>
<b>Wanda Byers,</b>	<b>Justin,</b>	<b>Anita Russell,</b>
<b>Michael Carrier,</b>	<b>Karen,</b>	<b>Julie Scherer,</b>
<b>Clark,</b>	<b>George Lancaster,</b>	<b>Kenneth Scroggs,</b>
<b>Alexa Crenshaw,</b>	<b>Elizabeth Laughter,</b>	<b>Stevie Scroggs,</b>
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<b>Katie Graham,</b>	<b>Richard Morgan,</b>	<b>Hilda Wilson</b>
<b>Ron Haines,</b>	<b>Carolann Noyes,</b>	
<b>Ron Hobson,</b>	<b>Arabella Philbeck,</b>	

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

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<b>Ben Blanton,</b>	<b>Seth Keller,</b>	<b>Beth Renier,</b>
<b>Jim Boyette,</b>	<b>Baxter Keys,</b>	<b>Rory Semelroth,</b>
<b>Cory Bridges,</b>	<b>Andrew Kinard,</b>	<b>Chris Sikes,</b>
<b>J. D. Brock,</b>	<b>Tony Laws,</b>	<b>David Smith,</b>
<b>Forest Buff,</b>	<b>Troy Laws,</b>	<b>Jerome Smith,</b>
<b>Scotty Clark,</b>	<b>Daniel Leech,</b>	<b>Emmanuel Spencer,</b>
<b>Blake Craft,</b>	<b>Joseph McComas,</b>	<b>Christopher Strand,</b>
<b>Andy Feree,</b>	<b>Drew Melvin,</b>	<b>Kenneth Young.</b>
<b>Branson Garrett,</b>	<b>Eric Neely,</b>	
<b>Jeffery Hardin,</b>	<b>Alaina Parker,</b>	
<b>Patsy Howard,</b>	<b>Michael Parker,</b>	
<b>Robby Howard,</b>	<b>Nina Paulino,</b>	

***“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

*Paul McIntosh, Senior Warden*

*Don Corry, Junior Warden*

*Rob Bole, Treasurer*

### 2007

*Roscoe Conn, Sr.*

*Paul McIntosh*

*Dick Wilkins*

### 2008

*Marian Beavers*

*Don Corry*

*Nancy Tucker*

### 2009

*Linda Bailey*

*Ed Richardson*

*James Segers*

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

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*- China*

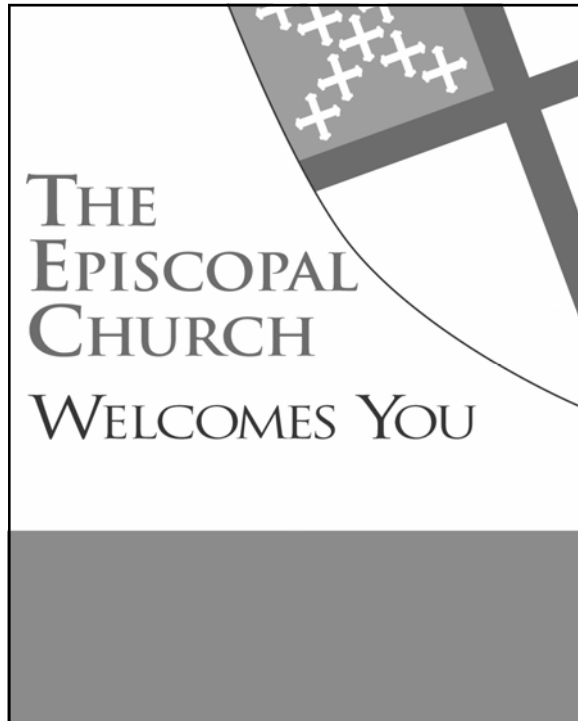
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