



From the Rafters

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Our Mission

We are a people rooted in worship, branching out into the world.

Dear Church of the Resurrection Family,

I always look forward to the fall, hopefully it will be a little cooler, but more than that it feels like a time to get back into a routine and be together. Just the other night we had dinner with beloved parishioners. We had so much to catch up on because we had not seen each other all summer. I am looking forward to seeing you more often, whether in church, Sunday school, the concert series, Wednesday night formations, in the courtyard, the labyrinth or the prayer benches. One thing I know about our parish family is that we enjoy each other and fellowship. Hebrews 10: 24-25 says, "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." We do this well as a parish family. Let's keep doing it!



Our fall programming will begin again on September 8th. Our Sunday morning opportunities include a book study led by Elizabeth Floyd in Emmaus Hall and a Youth Sunday School class let by Sarah Hasting, Allison Wooten and Mary Charles Haigler in the Youth Room. Both classes start at 9:30 a.m. Be a part of them!

Our Wednesday Night Supper Series, (September 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th) will be from 6-7 in Emmaus Hall. You can even come a little early for fellowship. If you are interested in preparing meals for the series, please reach out to me.

Thanks to Ryan Floyd for introducing us to Dr. James Romaine, Professor of Art History at Lander University. Dr. Romaine will present on faith and Christian art. There will be time for food, fellowship, learning and questions! Mark your calendars!

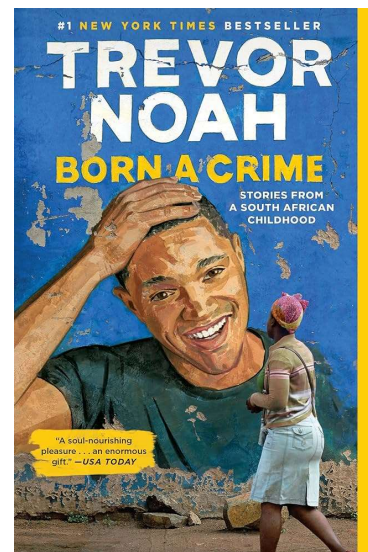
Our Youth are off to a great start with our partnership with First Presbyterian. We share a youth minister, Jade Green. Jade is a recent graduate of Lander University and has so much passion for youth ministry! We gather each Sunday night for youth group, and our youth are invited to gather at First Presbyterian on Wednesday nights. If your youth are interested, please reach out to me.

Please know how beloved you are! We as a parish family are here for you. We provide these opportunities to gather, to grow, to love each other more - and most importantly to love God more!

Love, Mary Balfour+

Becoming Beloved Community

Book of the Month:



"Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of *The Daily Show* began with a criminal act: his birth. Trevor was born to a white Swiss father and a black Xhosa mother at a time when such

a union was punishable by five years in prison. ... Finally liberated by the end of South Africa's tyrannical white rule, Trevor and his mother set forth on a grand adventure, living openly and freely and embracing the opportunities won by a centuries-long struggle.

The stories collected here are by turns hilarious, dramatic, and deeply affecting. Whether subsisting on caterpillars for dinner during hard times, being thrown from a moving car during an attempted kidnapping, or just trying to survive the life-and-death pitfalls of dating in high school, Trevor illuminates his curious world with an incisive wit and unflinching honesty. His stories weave together to form a moving and searingly funny portrait of a boy making his way through a damaged world in a dangerous time, armed only with a keen sense of humor and a mother's unconventional, unconditional love."

Communion Prayer

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I know we are in the middle of Stewardship season. As you are asked to give back to the church, realize there are a multitude of ways to do that. Of course, we know that the church needs our pledges to be able to continue to function. This supports our staff, our building and our mission – as you know, we have experienced inflation over the years, so please consider “inflating” your pledge to help balance that. Also please know that our church also needs us to be good stewards of other gifts that we have been given.

I know, personally, the more I give, the more closeness I feel to God and this community. I have found a variety of ways to serve and so can you. Try things out and see what fits. Over the years, I have tried helping with choir, Vestry, youth (soon youth Sunday school), and the Newcomers Committee. Other ways to volunteer have been



to help lay bricks for the labyrinth, participating in adult formation, and reading in the service. One past opportunity to serve is not going on now, but we can start again if we have interest.

We used to have parishioners available during communion to pray with individuals. I was part of this years ago, and I have to tell you - it was incredible. People don't have to share more than they want, and you don't have to have the answers. You simply offer to pray with them. Of course, we know that we don't need someone else to pray for us to communicate with God. I also know, though, that someone can share God's love with another individual and God will be there. “For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I with them” is a quote from the Bible, Matthew 18:20.

Please consider if this is something that you are called to help with, and please let the Vestry or Mary Balfour know if it is an offering that you think is needed.

In the recent letter from our Bishop he wrote:

“Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.” - Matthew 10:41 Let us reveal God in our own gentleness. ... As you let God into your life, give others the grace to allow you into theirs, if and only if they are willing. It takes more strength to move gently. In God you have more strength than you will ever need.”

Thank you for listening, may you continue to feel and share God's love.

~ Mary Charles Haigler



September 1 through October 4 is the Season of Creation, a time when Christians across the world

collectively and ecumenically practice their gratitude for God's gift of creation. The Season's observance began in 1989 when the Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios I proclaimed September 1 as a day of prayer for creation for the Orthodox Church. The World Council on Churches joined with the Orthodox Church in this celebration and extended it from one day to five weeks, culminating with the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4. For the past several years, Christians of nearly every mainline faith tradition, including the Episcopal Church and the Catholic Church, have recognized the Season of Creation with special liturgies, ecumenical worship services and creation care projects.

We would like take part in that celebration as well. With the guidance of our Creation Care Team, we have chosen to begin the season by offering a devotional for individual and family use at home called Climate + Faith. It will be placed on tables in or near the Nave on Sunday, September 1. We will also mark the beginning of the Season with a special prayer during our worship services. To bring the Season of Creation to a close, on October 6 (the Sunday after St. Francis day), we will hold the 10:30 Rite II service of Morning Prayer outdoors and, since we'll already be dressed down a bit for outdoor worship, we'll take some time to pick up trash around the church property and along Marion Avenue.

Between the beginning and ending of the Season of Creation, we hope you'll carry out the calling of all Christians to care for creation by taking on a few new responsibilities such as:

- > Spend time outdoors taking notice of the beauty and complexity of nature, a sustainable cycle of life, death and resurrection;
- > Use your Climate + Faith devotional daily for inspiration and hope;
- > Educate yourself on the impact of our modern, convenient lifestyles on the natural resources our planet provides.

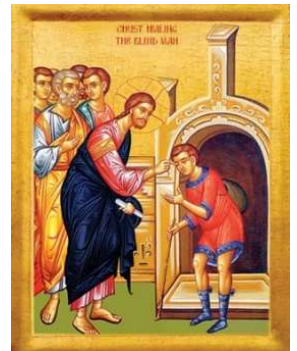
It is easy to settle into our habits and forget the interdependence between humanity and nature. God created a planet that sustains life through the air we breathe, the water we drink and the plants and animals we eat. But if our lifestyle

damages those precious resources, in the long-term we will suffer too. Our planet will no longer be able to sustain life as we know and enjoy it. Caring for creation means that we are mindful of this fragile connection between all created things and that we do our part to see that it is sustainable for generations to come. We have often provided ideas and suggestions for individuals to practice creation care over the past year. Please use this Season of Creation to take at least one more step towards conservation of God's natural gifts. There will be an insert in the September 1 bulletin with a list of simple ways anyone can become a better steward.

~ Elizabeth Floyd

Upcoming Events and Opportunities for Ministry

Our monthly service of Holy Eucharist and Healing will be held on Wednesday, September 4, at 12 noon. Our monthly service of Holy Eucharist at Wesley



**WESLEY
COMMONS**

Commons will be on Tuesday, September 10, at 11:00 am. You are welcome to attend even if you don't live there!

Wednesday Evening Dine + Learn:
Faith in Art

September 4, 11, 18 and 25 - 6:00 to 7:00
(arrive early to enjoy a glass of wine before your meal)

Guest speaker:
Dr. James Romaine,
art historian at
Lander



Christ in the Wilderness, Moretto da Brescia, 1520

Second Sunday

September 8, 2024

Supporting ...



The Alston Wilkes Society supports people who are transitioning back into society after serving time in prison. They also serve veterans and the homeless in Greenwood and surrounding counties. They offer education, training and connections with job opportunities. We will be accepting hygiene and/or laundry kits that Alston Wilkes can give as needed to their clients.

Each hygiene kit should include:

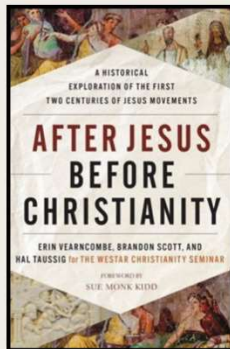
- deodorant
- toothbrush/paste
- bar of soap
- shampoo
- hairbrush/comb
- razor

Each laundry kit should include:

- roll of quarters
- approx. 4 laundry pods
- bottle of water
- package of crackers
- puzzle book
- pen

Adult Forum Book Study

JOIN US IN THE EMMAUS HALL



Sundays at 9:30
Starting September 8

“Exciting and revolutionary, After Jesus Before Christianity provides fresh insights into the real history behind how the Jesus movement became Christianity.”

Please join us!



Please join us for a
Primitimers Luncheon
Thursday, September 19th at 11:30
in Emmaus Hall

Guest Speaker: Denise Mock of
The Alston Wilkes Society

Please RSVP to Denise Brown:
denise@episcopalgreenwood.org or 864-223-5426



Friends of
HEALTHY LEARNERS
Adult Spelling Bee

Support Resurrection's team of master spellers:
the Rabble-Rousers!

Healthy Learners is holding its annual fundraiser,
the Adult Spelling Bee, on
Tuesday, September 24, 6 pm at Emerald High.

Please give \$20 for the team's buy-backs (donation to Healthy Learners). A donation box will be in the Gathering Space!

Healthy Learners ministers to the health needs of children in our community. Contact Jan Puzar at 344-7842 for more information.

Men's Group Weekend in the Great Outdoors

September 27-29

We have reserved the group campsite at North Mills River near Brevard, NC that can accommodate 30 people. You are welcome to come for one or both nights.

Morning Prayer with Deacon Al on Sunday the 29th.

Campground has hot showers and is only a few miles from an Ingles where you can forage for food and beverages. Some camping gear is available for borrowing!

For more information, please contact
Ryan Floyd @ 205-913-7193



PLEASE JOIN US!
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL
STARTING
SEPTEMBER 8

9:30 TO 10:15 AM
in the Youth Room





Cursillo is a movement, a method and a ministry.

The key elements of the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry are relationship, evangelism, and reconciliation in the home, the parish, the community, and the world.

Cursillo offers a time to experience living in a supportive Christian community through the Episcopal Cursillo Weekend, following a three-day schedule that begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday. The weekend includes fifteen talks, five meditations and a Eucharist every day. The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend isn't a retreat. It's an opportunity to gather with clergy and laity, seeking to strengthen our faith.

**The next Cursillo weekend is coming up:
October 3-6, 2024**

Mary Balfour and Murray Dunlap and Karen and Michael Whitfield will be on staff. Contact them today for more information!

Altar Arrangements:

September 1 – The altar arrangements are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill and Velma Meadows, Bob Hall, Billy Wilson and Gay Bowman by Beverly and Barry Wilson.

September 8 – The altar arrangements are given to the glory of God and in memory of Leon Gladstone Stevens, Leon Gladstone Stevens, Jr., William Anderson Stevens, Harold Stevens, and Lee Austin Stevens by Mr. Tom Stevens.

September 15 – The altar arrangements are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of H. Hugh Floyd and Bobby R. Redding by Ryan and Elizabeth Floyd, and to the memory of Jessie E. Cantrell, Paul B. Cantrell, Sr., their brother Ronnie Cantrell, Joseph B. Kocik, Sr. and Phyllis Kocik by Joe and Jeannie Kocik.

September 22 – The altar arrangements are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hampton by Gloria Walker.

September 29 – The altar arrangements are given to the glory of God and in memory of their parents, Sally and Frank Wideman and John Boykin and Vera Roberts, and in thanksgiving for their children,

Anne-Boykin DeSaussure Wideman, and Sarah and Jack Eakin, and grandchildren, Francis Tolbert and Elizabeth Tucker Eakin by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wideman, III.

The Presence Candle for the month of September is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Joe Fennell, by Noonie Fennell.

Parish Connections:

Music	Donna Brooks 992-3738 dbrooksgwd@gmail.com
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Youth Group	Mary Balfour Dunlap 615-900-6191

September 2024 Ministry Schedule

If you cannot fill the position assigned, please make arrangements for your replacement,
and let the Parish Office know of the change. Thank you!

	September 1 The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 17	September 8 The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 18	September 15 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 19	September 22 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 20	September 29 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 21
Vestry of the Month	Mary Charles Haigler and Diana Carver				
Altar Guild	Susu Wallace (Chair), Marilyn Gobble, Donna Holtzclaw, Celie Mescall, Lori Stone, Sandra Lewis				
Readings	Song of Soloman 2:8-13 Psalm 45: 1-2, 7-10 James 1: 17-27 Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2: 1-17 Mark 7: 24-37	Proverbs 1: 20-33 Psalm 19 James 3: 1-12 Mark 8: 27-38	Proverbs 31: 10-31 Psalm 1 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8b Mark 9: 30-37	Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10, 9: 20-22 Psalm 124 James 5: 13-20 Mark 9: 38-50
8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I					
1st Lesson and Psalm	Stephen Tucker	Josie Ryan	Dean Faden	Deryl McGuire	Mary Bright
2nd Lesson and Prayers	Mary Bright	Dean Faden	Chuck McDonnell	Deryl McGuire	Dick Daffin
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Bright	Gerald Normandt	Chuck McDonnell	Tom Rohrer	Dick Daffin
Usher	Deryl McGuire	Dean Faden	Dean Faden	Stephen Tucker	Walker Moore
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II					
1st Lesson	Lori Stone	Celie Mescall	Lucas McMillan	Jon Newlon	Shana Southard-Dobbs
2nd Lesson and Prayers	Lori Stone	Jane Merrill	Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges	Catie Robertson	Ashley Woodiwiss
Eucharistic Ministers	Laura Beth Brooks Trisha Craven	Karen Whitfield Norm Fawcett	Karen Whitfield Eddie Barber	Beverly Wilson Frank Wideman	Connie Hammett Cindy Hughes
Crucifer	Gracey Montag	Samantha Hasting	Gracey Montag	Annie Eisenreich	Gracey Montag
Book Bearer	TBA	Carolyn Hasting	TBA	Carolyn Hasting	TBA
Torchbearers	Riley Floyd Michael Floyd	Margaret Ann Hasting TBA	Margaret Ann Hasting TBA	Maggie and Susie Rochester	TBA
Acolyte Leader	Jennifer Little	Sarah Hasting	Adrian Little	Jennifer Little	Adrian Little
Ushers	Archie and Summer Booker	Richard and Salley Cathcart	Dan Hobbs Allen Hughes	John Cobb Abney Wallace	Ross Ann Steifle Michael Whitfield
Nursery/Volunteer(s)	Mary Bright Delaney Floyd	Mary Bright Delaney Floyd	Mary Bright Allison Wooten	Elizabeth Floyd Kim Russell	Mary Bright Barbara Cameron
Hospitality	TBA	Elizabeth and Ryan Floyd	Jean Shirley	Rita and Pete Marshall	Kim and John Russell
Blessing Box	Cindy and John Hughes	Cindy and John Hughes	Cindy and John Hughes	Cindy and John Hughes	Cindy and John Hughes
Flower Guild	Barbara Cameron	Carla Hobbs	Marilyn Bennett	Ginger Long	Barbara Cameron
Flower Delivery	Celie Mescall	Carla Hobbs	Cecily Hughes	Salley Cathcart	Sally Cathcart
Laundry Love	Sarah Contakos	Celie Mescall	Carla Hobbs	Paul Criswell	Mary Bright

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
2 – James Gobble	14 – Jennifer Little
2 – Pete Marshall	16 – Jon Brooks Newlon
2 – Travis Moore	18 – Norm Fawcett
3 – Ryan Anderson	18 – Lynette Lipinoga
3 – Pres Turner	19 – Jim Bright
5 – Noonie Fennell	20 – Bill Bright
7 – Mason Shirley	21 – Chloe Normandia
9 – Bill Lewis	22 – Preston Turner
9 – Mary Jo Van Zandt	23 – Jacob Davis
9 – Kelly Wiseman	25 – Paul Lipinoga
10 – Libby Carson	27 – Cindy Hughes
10 – Carolyn Hasting	28 – Tom Cobb
11 – Dick Daffin	28 – Deb Maschoff
11 – Beverly Joosten	29 – Cynthia Dougherty
11 – Judy Park	29 – Mary Alice Poore
11 – Angus Roper	30 – Betsy Cathcart

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Bill Arnold, Dan Bacon, Julia Ball, Jo Ann Brewer, Libby and Larry Carson, Bruce Craven, Paul Criswell, Cynthia Dougherty, Steve Driskell, Joe Ferguson, Anne Marie Glawe, Jim Gobble, Nan Hines, Bev and David Joosten, Diane Lawson, Bill Lewis, Mirta Lindsey, Rebecca Long, Rita Marshall, Marion Mescall, Mary Jane Mobley, Helen Nazzaro, Erich Normandia, Bette and Burl Ricker, Domer Ridings, Lee Roper, Eddie Sanders, Mary Jo Tolbert, Shirley Walker, Jimmy Arthur (Shannon Jones' father), Bryan Biggart (Karen Whitfield's son), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Chris Eaddy (Karen Bright's nephew), Shellie Faulstick (Linda Criswell's daughter and Paul Criswell's niece), David Hammett (Connie Hammett's brother), Vanita Hunt (Dawn Puderbaugh-Hodges' mother), Cheri Hutchison (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Tammy Kelly (Michael Whitfield's niece), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Tommy Morgan (Robin Lanford's brother), JoAnn Lindsey Myers (Mirta Lindsey's daughter), Carol Ann Pry (Susie Hinkel's niece), Jerry Ross (Ross Ann Steifle's uncle), Mason Shirley, Stacey Spillum (Jo Ann Brewer's niece), Bruce Stanley (Michael Whitfield's nephew), and David Walker (Hope Scurry's brother).

And for these persons: Durst Confer (Paul Criswell's friend), Nannette Earnest (Karen Bright's cousin), Sam Livingston (Karen and Michael Whitfield's friend), Nancy May (Cindy Hughes' friend), Desmond Melville (Dean Faden's friend), and Jenny Perkey (Cindy Hughes' friend).

Please send additions/deletions to the prayer list or family news and prayer concerns to Denise at denise@episcopalgreenwood.org or call 223-5426.

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
Month as of 8/23/94	\$20,323	\$36,188	\$408	\$1,433	\$9,523	\$40,635
Year as of 8/23/24	\$295,192	\$289,500	\$17,791	\$11,514	\$272,690	\$299,120

We give thanks for your generosity, which makes the ministry of Resurrection possible!



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