

# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA NOVEMBER 6, 2022

# WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE HILLS!

We are so glad that you are here. If you are a guest among us, we invite you to complete a Connection Card in the pew rack so that we might connect with you further. More information about our parish is available online at <a href="https://www.stmaryofthehills.org">www.stmaryofthehills.org</a>.

Members of our Vestry (*elected lay leadership*) are identified by name tags with yellow lanyards. Seek them out for information about our congregation's life and ministry.

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MORE THAN ENOUGH** - Have you made your pledge for 2023? As of this week, we've received 55 pledges totaling \$229,273. Join in making a commitment to our common life and mission in the year ahead today – pledge cards are available in the pew racks and online <a href="https://www.stmaryofthehills.org">www.stmaryofthehills.org</a>.

**COFFEE MINUTE** - Join us in the Foyer (following the 8:00AM service) or in the Parish Hall (following the 10:10AM service) for coffee, refreshments and conversation. We are also in need of volunteers to share in hosting Coffee Minute in the weeks ahead – a sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall.

#### SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFERINGS

- **Rector's Forum All Saints and All Souls -** What are these festival days within the life of the Church and why do we observe them? Join us at 9:00AM in the Barrett Room!
- Godly Play This morning in the St. Luke Room, Godly Play will be offered for our children of all ages.

MORNING PRAYER - Join us for Morning Prayer, offered Monday-Friday at 8:30AM in the Church.

**CHORAL EVENSONG FOR ALL SOULS** – This afternoon, Choral Evensong will be offered at 4:00PM, carrying the themes of All Souls, including a reading of the names of our beloved dead who have died in the course of the past year.

**FOYER GROUPS** – Looking for ways to connect with fellow parishioners? Foyer Groups will soon be forming for the winter months, and you are invited to take part! A sign-up sheet is available in the Foyer – groups will be put together by random draw and typically meet once per month, often for dinner (either in someone's home, with everyone offering something for the meal, or at a restaurant) and create space for community building in an informal setting. Contact Mary Ellen Raulerson for more information.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER - Please make plans to join us for The RISE AGAINST HUNGER event which will be held on Sunday, November 6th from 2:00-4:00PM at the Blowing Rock Elementary School. We will be joining Rumple Memorial Presbyterian on this project and will help to package 20,000 meals to assist families who experience food insufficiencies each day. This is always a fun event for our parish and we hope you will join us on the 6th. Please register on this link: <a href="http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Rumple2022">http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Rumple2022</a>

**PRESIDING BISHOP CURRY IN WNC** - Presiding Bishop Michael Curry will preach at a Revival Eucharist on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM at Christ School in Asheville. This Eucharist is in celebration of the Diocese of Western North Carolina's centennial in 2022. More information is available online at <a href="https://www.diocesewnc.org">www.diocesewnc.org</a>.

**PARISH WORK DAY** - We had a successful workday on Saturday, October 29th. Thank you to Marshall Culp, Con Jones, Doug Galke, Mary Galke, Susie Greene, Cynthia Tessier, Jim West, Mike Page, Rob Rhoads, Carol Rhoads, Bill Devereux, Patty Patella, Jill, Storelli, Carmen Patella, Greta Wilson, Olivia Knight, Walt Ameika, and Sam Tallman for their hard work. It was a day of great fellowship and accomplishment. Well done all!

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

# PARISH PRAYER LIST

For the Church: Michael our Presiding Bishop, José our Bishop, Andrew, Sam and Gary our clergy, for our Vestry and staff, and for all the people of this parish.

# In our Parish Prayer Cycle, we remember this week:

- 11/06 Mary Barth
- 11/07 Bill Battaglia
- 11/08 Sharon Battaglia
- 11/09 Lynne Bell
- 11/10 Zach and Julia Bennett, Grace
- 11/11 Leslie Billingsley and Mitch Mitchell
- 11/12 Alex and Rachel Blackburn, Spencer, alice

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer: All Saints, Franklin; All Saints, Gastonia; The Cathedral of All Souls, Asheville

For our nation and those in positions of public trust: Joseph, our President, Roy, our Governor, all those who hold elected office, and for all those offering themselves for election.

For all who suffer from war throughout the world and especially for the people of Ukraine and Russia, the people of the Korean peninsula, the people of Yemen, and the people of Ethiopia.

For all medical personnel and all ministering to the needs of those affected by COVID-19.

For healing: Elizabeth Miller Lovejoy, Jennifer, Lauren, Meredith, Bonnie, Kathy D., Elizabeth Young, Bruce, Jane, Elizabeth Y., Kathy, Donna, Sandie Holder, Cat Carter, Joe Dyer

\*\*\*Please note that the names on this list will remain for four weeks, unless the office is notified that the person(s) needs to remain on the list for a longer period of time. \*\*\*

For those with other concerns: George D.

For those traveling this week: Luba, Barbara and Rick, Louann and Dick Kitchell, Will, Season

For those who have died: Bob McCloskey, Ralph Norman, Patty Wheeler, Monetta Grantham, Gail, Jerry, Joe, Perry, Max, John, Jane, Derusha, Doña Nina Rosario, Tom Presson, Warren, John, Sue, Chris, Reba Kling

For safe pregnancy and delivery for: Rebecca Purcell, Caitlyn, Jenna, Charlene G.

# For those celebrating birthdays this week:

11/10 Cecilia Grasinger, Nell Kline, Lee Harper Vason 11/11 Lily Pearce Delmonico, Taylor Ward