



# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA  
MAY 29, 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 [www.stmaryofthehills.org](http://www.stmaryofthehills.org).

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

**Rector's Forum – 'He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father'** – We make this affirmation each week in the creed we profess together, but what does it really mean to say that Jesus ascended into heaven? How is this important in our own journey of faith? Join us this morning at 9:00AM in the Parish Hall for conversation. All are welcome!

**Pentecost Picnic** – Let's enjoy time together and welcome back our seasonal members at a picnic NEXT SUNDAY, June 5, following the 10:10AM service. The Men's Breakfast group will provide the meat, and we are asking parishioners to provide the side dishes and desserts.

**Coffee Minute Volunteers** - As we return to some of our normal patterns of gathering, we are looking for volunteers to host Sunday morning Coffee Minute, following the 10:10AM Eucharist. More information and a sign-up sheet are in the Parish Hall.

**The Visitation** – We will be recalling the Blessed Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> with Holy Eucharist at 5:30PM.

**Morning Prayer** - We gather each weekday, Monday-Friday, at 8:30AM in the Church. Join us!

**Timeless Treasures is now collecting treasures for the Tour of Homes** – Please bring your treasures to the St. John room upstairs over the Parish Hall. Contact Patty Patella at (828)719-8409 with any questions.

**Donations Needed** - Sue Sweeting and Bill Rogers need help from the St. Mary's Church family to help raise funds to assist the completion of the new play space. Please help us make this happen! Make checks payable to St. Mary's Episcopal Church and put in the memo line, 'PLAY SPACE'. You can place the check in the alms basin, drop it by the parish office or place it in the locked box next to the parish office door. Our goal is \$50,000 and to date we have raised \$6,500 from 3 donors. Any questions, call or text Sue Sweeting @828-406-9376 or Bill Rogers @ 336-339-9459.

**Parish Workday** - THANK YOU to Mary Galke, Doug Galke, Joe Doswell, Jim West, Pete Page, Olivia Knight, Bob Rhoads, Carol Rhoads, Greta Wilson, Rick Lawler, Radie Armstrong, Ron Armstrong, Bill Stroh, and Marshall Culp. They are showed up to help pull weeds and spread mulch on the parish workday held Saturday 21 May. They pulled 11 bags (42 gal bags) of weeds and put down 2 cubic yards of mulch in three hours. It was a great day of fellowship and spring weather. Hope to see new faces on the next parish workday to be scheduled in the fall.

**Contact Information** – Some of you have changed either your home/ mailing addresses or your contact information, and we do not have it. If you have made changes within the past couple of years, please let the office know so we can get your information updated. Thank you.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

**For the Church:** Michael our Presiding Bishop, José our Bishop, Andrew, Sam and Gary our clergy, for our Vestry and staff.

**For our diocesan cycle of prayer:** Church of the Ascension, Hickory

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

**For the people of Ukraine and Russia and for all who suffer from war;** for Joshua Dopp who is serving in the US Army as a part of the response.

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

**For healing:** Mike Woods, Benjamin, Joe and Patty Dyer, Bruce, Kate, Collete, Logan, Sarah, Henry, Pat B., Jennifer, Jay Allen, Ashley Stevenson, Sherry H., Lucy, Mike, Jeffery, Leslie, Ralph, Karen, Lee, Elvine's grandchild, Julian, Maeson, Terry, Barbara Rhoads, Belinda Rhoads, Michael Rhoads, Bruce, Rick, William, Lois, Doug, Barbara, Jim B., Charlie, Andy, Chris, Mary M., John Rundell

*\*\*\*(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:** Frank, Ann B.

**For those traveling this week:** Cecilia and John

**For those who have died:** Floyd Domer, Peggy, Kathy Richardson, Carolyn Mallard, Vincent Billingsley, Tim, Graeme, Tom P., Cynthia, Carol, Beverly McCauley, Marie Freeman, Bill Pfishner

**For safe pregnancy and delivery for:** Caitlyn, Jenna, Jennifer Wells, Mary Lois, Charlene G, Rachel

**Thanksgiving for the birth of:** Palmer Elizabeth Hoar, daughter of Alex and Barbre McGill Hoar. The proud grandparents are Paul and Loy McGill.

**For those celebrating birthdays this week:**

05/29 Donna Devereux

05/31 Torre Hinnant, Tina McKnight

06/03 Bryan Crutcher

**For those celebrating an anniversary this week:**

05/29 Dick and Louann Kitchell

06/01 John and Patti Turner

**Parish Prayer Cycle:**

05/29 Joe and Diana Doswell

05/30 Joe and Virginia Dulaney

05/31 Dave and Julie Dutra

06/01 Joe and Patty Dyer

06/02 Linda Elksnin

06/03 Doug and Terri Fabel

06/04 Frank and Meg Fary