



ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA
JULY 10, 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.

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Dale and Gladys Schilson and Bill and Erma Smallwood by Terry and Susan Schilson.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rector's Forum – Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the Parish Hall this morning at 9:00AM for a conversation about this morning's appointed scripture passages and their intersection with our lives.

Intergenerational Godly Play - Children, parents, and grandparents are all invited to our first post-pandemic Godly Play program next Sunday, July 17 at 9:00AM in the St. Luke Room (second floor, above the Parish Hall). We will be exploring the seasons of the church year. Join Fr. Andrew and Lindsey Herring, our Christian Formation Coordinator, for this exciting new beginning!

Faithful and True – A Study of the Book of Revelation – Wednesdays, 9:00-10:00AM in the Barrett Room – It's not too late to join! In July and August, Fr. Andrew will lead a study of the Book of Revelation, using the new book *Faithful and True* by New Testament scholar Greg Carey. Copies of the book are available from the parish office for a suggested donation of \$10. Contact Fr. Andrew with any questions or for more information.

Vestry Nominations – Now Open – Nomination forms for Vestry are now available in the Foyer and Parish Hall, as well as online. The nomination period remains open through Wednesday, July 20th. If you have questions about Vestry service, please contact any member of our current Vestry (nametags with yellow lanyards) or Fr. Andrew.

Daughters of the King – Meets next Sunday, July 17, at 9:00AM in the Barrett Room.

Coffee Minute Volunteers – Volunteers are needed to host Sunday morning Coffee Minute, following the 10:10AM Eucharist. More information and a sign-up sheet are in the Parish Hall.

Men's Breakfast – This month, Men's Breakfast will meet on Thursday, July 21 at 7:30AM for Holy Eucharist with a hearty breakfast to follow. Following breakfast, we will help with raising the tents and setting up tables and chairs for our Tour of Homes which follows the next day. Join us and bring a friend (or two)!

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

Contributions Welcomed for New Play Space - 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. Our goal is \$50,000 and to date more than \$26,500 has been received or pledged. Any questions, call or text Sue Sweeting @828-406-9376 or Bill Rogers @ 336-339-9459.

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: St. Paul's, Edneyville; St. Paul's, Morganton; St. Paul's, Wilkesboro; St. Peter by the Lake, Denver.

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: Kitty Lumpkin, Gary, Sandy, Mike Tinka, Julia, Greg, Dave Armstrong, Gay, Matt, Cathy J., Chris, Mary M., Gary, 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, Julian, Maeson, Terry, Barbara Rhoads, Belinda Rhoads, Bruce, Rick, William, Lois, Doug, Barbara, Mike, Jim B., Charlie, Andy, 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 who have died: Pam Ayoub, Michael Rhoads, Liz, Dwight, Butch, Debbie, Jane, Robyn

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

For the birth of: George Henry Nimens, son of Graham and Caitlin Nimens and grandson of Amy Nimens and Elena Mae Bolka, daughter of Mary Lois and Tom Bolka and granddaughter of Dale Sandusky.

For those celebrating birthdays this week:

07/11 Martha Jones, Beth Lawler
07/14 Joe Dulaney, Benjamin White
07/16 Whitney Kitchell Smith

For those celebrating anniversaries this week:

07/10 John Carlson and Katy Thompson
07/14 Jim and Suzanne Shaut

Parish Prayer Cycle:

07/10 Dick and Louann Kitchell
07/11 Olivia Knight
07/12 Chris and Antoinette Kollmer
07/13 Rick and Beth Lawler
07/14 Sid and Donna Lemnoui
07/15 Kitty Lumpkin
07/16 Renee Lyons