



ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA
AUGUST 28, 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 Ned and Mary Phifer by Susan Phifer Johnson.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Annual Meeting - The Annual Meeting of the Parish will be held today, August 28th at 9:00AM in the Parish Hall. All are welcome as we elect new Vestry members and hear updates from leaders about the mission and ministry of our parish. No Christian Formation classes will be offered this morning.

Christian Formation Next Week – Rector's Forum Returns and Godly Play Resumes – Next Sunday morning, September 4, we resume our regular schedule of Christian Formation offerings. The Rector's Forum will begin in the Barrett Room at 9:00AM, beginning a four-week series on Stewardship (More than Money). In the St. Luke Room, Godly Play will be offered for our children, using the story "Parable of Parables." Join us!

Tour of Homes - We are happy to report that \$85,500 from the Tour of Homes is now available to be distributed to non-profit organizations in the High Country. This huge success is directly attributed to all of your hard work. We could not have done this without you! Thank you from the chairs, Susie Greene and Mary Ellen Raulerson.

ASU Listening Post - Are you interested in listening? The Listening Post is looking for volunteers to participate in this important ministry on the ASU Campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays for one of three two-person 90-minute sessions in the Student Union. You never know what the discussions may be, but you always walk away blessed for having been there. If you are interested, speak to Mike Austell during the Coffee Minute or call him on 828-406-3579.

O Sing Joyfully - Beginner or experienced, whether you want to feel more confident singing hymns and service music or hone your musical skills, this is for you. The last class is on Tuesday morning from 10:00AM-11:00AM on August 30th. The class is being taught by Thomas McNeil, our bass Choral Scholar and a music education student at App State.

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

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 especially for all the bishops of the Anglican Communion gathered at the Lambeth Conference.

For our diocesan cycle of prayer: All Saint's, Linville; Church of the Resurrection, Little Switzerland

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

For all who suffer from war throughout the world and especially for the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for Joshua Dopp serving in the US Army in response.

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

For healing: Dale, Helen, Ben, Michelle, Kate, Rick, Judy G., Marshall P., Jim B., Kare, Rick, Ed B., Reba Kling, Steve, Pat R., Ollie W., Everett, Catherine, Tina M., Patty Patella, Annabelle, Jay, Bruce, Ed Johnson, Greg, Kitty Lumpkin, Frank C., Daphne, Todd, Max, Joedy, Danny, Gail, Gary, Sandy H., Julia, Greg, Gay, Matt, Cathy J., Chris M., Lucy, Mary M., Benjamin, Joe Dyer, Barbara Rhoads, Belinda Rhoads

****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: Bob, Matthew, Frank, Ann B., Chelsea

For those who have died: Alan Fabry, Paul, Taylor Ann, Kate, Maverick, Marc, Alton, Jonathan, Hoke, Kristen, Donald, Maleyk

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

For those celebrating birthdays this week:

08/28 Lennon Redford

08/29 Alex Blackburn, Ben Galke

08/31 Virginia Dulaney

09/01 Lee Rocamora

09/02 Diana Doswell

For the blessing of a marriage: Scott Adams and Randy Outz

For those celebrating an anniversary this week:

09/02 Doug and Mary Galke; Pete and Sally Page

Parish Prayer Cycle:

08/28 Peter and Valerie Purcell

08/29 Pinkney and Jo Rankin

08/30 Tom and Kay Rankin

08/31 Joe and Mary Ellen Raulerson

09/01 Lennon and Megan Redford

09/02 Greg Rhoads and Lynn Searfoss

09/03 Robert and Carol Rhoads