



JULY 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 18 - 7 p.m. - Men's Club will meet in the Parish House.
- July 21 - Last Day to bring School Supplies for Gear Up for Learning

HELPERS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LAY READER</u>	<u>CHALICE</u>	<u>CRUCIFER</u>
July 7 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Donna Fletcher	Mike Hoge	Mike Hoge
July 14 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Judy Wesloskie	Leigh Sheehan	Leigh Sheehan
July 21 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Dianne LeNoir	Rob Sheehan	Rob Sheehan
July 28 <i>Morning Prayer</i>			Steve LeNoir

A MESSAGE FROM REV. JOEL OSBORNE

During the month of July, we will celebrate the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Sundays of Pentecost.

On a different note, yours truly will commence my 76th Orbit around the Son! It has been my greatest joy to serve the family of Ascension. And as long as my aging mind remains clear and sharp, I hope to, with God's blessing, continue in that role. Thank you one and all for the honor of serving you.

In Christ
Joel+

We are so grateful that our Senior Warden, Laddie DuBose, is feeling better and stronger each day. We have missed him and hope to see him soon.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers the following:

Our President and Other Leaders, Healthcare Workers, Bishop Chip Edgar and the Anglican Diocese of SC, Victoria Bailey, Mickey Battista, Billy Bruce, Angela Cullins, Tina Dillard, Laddie DuBose, Carol Ellis, Butch and Frances Fobes, Trina Forte, Audrey Harvey, Larry and Linda Herb, Beverly Johnson, Sarah Kennedy, Liz Keyes, Margarette Mills, Dewey Newman, Karen Parsons, Helen Reardon, Debbie Tallent, Edwin Thompson, David Todd, David Trimnal, The people of Ukraine and Israel, Tom Wesloskie, Dan Wiggins, Ernie Williams, and Jess Williams.

Our young people who are serving in the Military are: Kevin Boone, Cameron Cullins, Dan Ellis, CJ Giordano, Jordan and Hayden Kirk, Andrew Nesbitt, Sarah Potzler, and Zachary Seymour.

In June, Reverend Osborne officiated at the funeral for Michael Roh and Michele Melillo, respectfully. Sadly, Michele Melillo passed away shortly after he and his wife, Rosemary, joined our Ascension family. Leigh Sheehan graciously took time from her job to serve as the Crucifer for his funeral. Helen Crolley and the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary in Camden and the Lugoff Garden Club furnished the food for the reception. We will continue to keep Rosemary in our prayers and are so thankful she is with us.

NOTES OF INTEREST

The Gear Up for Learning Project will be sponsored by Sumter United Ministries again this year. In addition to school supplies including book bags, pencils, notebook paper, primary writing tablets ruled for Kindergarten students, pocket folders (with or without clasps), etc., monetary donations are accepted, and these funds are used by United Ministries to buy supplies locally. Our congregation has always been very generous in supporting this project. Due to students returning to school the beginning of August, items or contributions can be placed in the Parish House by July 21st. "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10

In addition to the Gear Up for Learning, our church supports the students at the Crosswell Children's Home in Sumter. Monetary donations may be made to The Church of the Ascension earmarked for Crosswell Children's Home by July 21st. Thank you.

The Men's Club of Ascension will meet on July 18th in the Parish House. Please attend and enjoy the delicious supper and great fellowship.

Donna Fletcher, our Praise and Glory Chairman, received a gracious note of thanks from Dab Dent, Praise and Glory Chair of the Anglican Women of the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina. Dab stated, "Many young people will draw closer to the Lord while enjoying camp this year through your offering." Thank you, Donna.

Judy Wesloskie provided our congregation with her delicious, individually wrapped, chocolate candies on Father's Day. She also presented a wonderful reading entitled, "So God Made Fathers." Your "labors of love," Judy, are truly appreciated.

Donna Fletcher prints the mailing labels for the newsletters; Joel brought fresh eggs; Judie Chapman shared her daughter's delicious blueberries with the congregation; and Rosemary Melillo shared flowers and vegetables. We thank them all!

Altar Guild members for the month of June were Charlene Bruce, Helen Crolley, Ginnie DuBose, Laura Hoge, Mary LeNoir Hoge, Dianne LeNoir, and Lynn LeNoir. Rob Sheehan filled the altar candles. We appreciate everyone!

As we continue our outreach ministry to help feed the hungry, please bring non-perishable food items and place them in the cypress serving tray in the Narthex of the Church. They will be taken to the Food Pantry at United Ministries.

Prayers will be offered for those in our congregation who are celebrating birthdays or an anniversary in July. If you have not already submitted your birthday and/or anniversary, please sign the sheet in the Narthex of the Church or contact Dianne LeNoir at 499-3055 or by e-mail at lenoirdm@ftc-i.net. Thank you.

Birthdays

Mary Bostic Sanders	July 1
Charles McLeod	July 2
Beverly LeNoir	July 10
Hunter Sheridan	July 10
Bill Burch	July 13
Sam LeNoir	July 17
Joel Osborne	July 27
Lynn LeNoir	July 28

Anniversaries

Steve and Beverly LeNoir	July 25
Mike and Barbara Hanrahan	July 30

Our best wishes to these special people.

If you are interested in serving as a Lay Reader, Chalice Bearer, Crucifer or would like to participate as a member of the Altar Guild, please contact Laddie DuBose, our Senior Warden, or Ginnie DuBose, our Altar Guild Chairman. It would be wonderful to have additional helpers.

Our Church's web site address is: www.churchoftheascensionhagoodsc.com, and we are thankful to John Holmberg for creating and maintaining it for us. This month, John has posted beautiful slides of the windows in our church. His theme: "As you enter the Narthex, the Windows of Ascension provide a colorful palate of light that enhances the interior of our church. Each window is unique in design and contains imagery highlighting biblical individuals, stories or objects. Ten of the windows are dedicated to past members or families who were instrumental in the building or growth of Church of the Ascension. Take time to read the inscriptions and enjoy the imagery contained within the seventeen Windows of Ascension."

We also appreciate that John posts Joel's sermon each Sunday afternoon.

An Announcement from the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina:

Latrobe, Pennsylvania - The College of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America has elected its next archbishop, the Rt. Rev. Steve Wood, bishop of the Diocese of the Carolinas. The College met in conclave in the crypt of St. Vincent's Basilica at St. Vincent's College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania from Thursday, June 20 through Saturday, Jun 22, 2024.

Bishop Wood will serve as the third archbishop of the Anglican Church in North America which was founded in 2009 and now has over 128,000 members in over 1,000 congregations across Canada, Mexico, and the United States.

The Most Rev. Dr. Foley Beach is completing his second term and tenth year as archbishop, after having been elected by the College in 2014 at St. Vincent's College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. After transferring authority to Archbishop-elect Wood, Beach will take a sabbatical before continuing as bishop of the Anglican Diocese of the South.

Beach is looking forward to the future of the Province commenting, "Bishop Wood is an incredible leader and the ACNA is going to be blessed in this next season of our life together."

Have a blessed, safe, and happy summer. God bless America!