



JANUARY 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 7th - The Celebration of the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ

January 14th- Morning Prayer Service

January 18th- 7:00 p.m. Men's Club will meet in the Parish House.

Adult Sunday School will not meet during the month of January.

HELPERS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LAY READER</u>	<u>CHALICE</u>	<u>CRUCIFER</u>
January 7 <i>Holy Eucharist Celebration of the Epiphany</i>	Ginnie DuBose	Parley Crolley	Lucy McIver
January 14 <i>Morning Prayer</i>	David LeNoir Bill Forte	N/A	Laddie DuBose
January 21 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Charlene Bruce	Billy Bruce	Allie Lindler
January 28 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Lucy Grey McIver	Mike Hoge	Lucy McIver

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers the following members of our church and/or community:

Declan Alexander, Jennifer Broadway, Marie Crisco, Alice Crook, Tina Dillard, Butch and Frances Fobes, Pete and Cindy Fritz, Eddie Hamilton, Charlene Hiester, The Rev. Ron Hiester, Beverly Johnson, Phyllis McLeod, Barbara Ann Moree, Carolyn Sue

Moree, Dewey Newman, Mary Raison, Debbie Talent, David Todd, Lew Wallace, A'Lexia and Dan Wiggins, Brenda Witherspoon, and Dan Yarborough

The Rev. Ron Hiester would like to thank everyone for their prayers and concern during his recent stay in the hospital. He is now recuperating in the Bethea Rehab Center in Florence and hopes to return to Ascension soon.

We appreciate the assistance with our Worship Services being provided by The Rev. Joel Osborne and The Rev. Joe Rhodes. Steve LeNoir and David LeNoir have led our Morning Prayer Services, and we are grateful.

NOTES

Adult Sunday School will not meet during the month of January. Children's Sunday School meets at 11 a.m. in the Parish House.

Beverly LeNoir, who serves as our Praise and Glory Offering Chairman, announced that the final offering for the fall totaled \$284.78. The Board of the Diocesan Church Women will designate the recipient for this year's offering. Thank you so much, Beverly.

Some of our Sunday School children and their friends, led by Allie Lindler, sang Christmas carols for several families in the nearby area. They were escorted by Bill and Aimee Lindler and brought much joy to those who heard them.

Members of the Children's Sunday School class, under the guidance of Aimee Lindler and her daughter, Allie, made several items including bird feeders and beautifully lighted bottles for the congregation. They raised \$300 for the United Ministries Fireside Fund and donated the money in memory of Alan Wooten, Sr. We are so proud of their efforts.

Our Christmas Ministry this year included helping a family of four through the United Ministries' "Help an Angel Fly" and helping a local couple in need in our community. Members of our congregation were most generous and many Christmas gifts were donated. We thank Laddie and Ginnie for organizing these gifts and for delivering everything.

We were fortunate to have many people to help beautifully decorate the Church for Christmas, and we appreciated those who furnished soup, sandwiches and dessert for a delicious lunch enjoyed by everyone before the work began. Peanut and Helen Crolley brought assorted greenery to be used with the trees and the garland. Thank you all.

Our congregation enjoyed an Advent Breakfast on December 3rd and two special services during the month of December--the Christmas Eve Service on December 24th and The Festival of Lessons and Carols on December 31st. The program Donna Fletcher prepared for the Festival of Lessons and Carols was so helpful. We thank

everyone who participated in these services especially The Rev. Joel Osborne, the readers, the young people who served as crucifers, torch bearers, and flag bearers and our wonderful musicians Helena Boone, Rob Sheehan, and Jane Viers who provided such beautiful music.

Beverly, Charlene, Dianne, Ginnie, Helen, and Shacky served on the Altar Guild for the month of December. Cleo Jackson has continued to faithfully prepare the mailing envelopes for the newsletters. Thank you to Ginnie DuBose and Ruthie Jennings for placing beautiful wreaths on the graves in the Churchyard.

Please continue to provide non-perishable food items for the United Ministries Food Pantry.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION'S WEB SITE

John Holmberg continues to do a wonderful job of maintaining our Church's web site. If possible, please take the opportunity to view this site. The address is: www.churchoftheascensionhagoodsc.com. This month John has added to his slideshow of photographs some beautiful pictures "Smiling Faces Make Beautiful Places" taken by Donna Fletcher and Tom Kinder, and he encourages submission of other pictures from members in the congregation as well. Thank you, John, for all of your dedication and hard work.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

Prayers will be offered for those in our congregation who are celebrating birthdays in January. If you have not already submitted your information, 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.

January Birthdays

Blair Cooper	1/9
David LeNoir	1/10
Steve LeNoir	1/11
Judie Chapman	1/17
Danny LeNoir	1/24
Louise Brabham	1/25
David Trimnal	1/26
John Holmberg	1/29

No January Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to all of these special people.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IN FEBRUARY

Our Church's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 11th, at 10 a.m. in the Parish House. Coffee and doughnuts will be served before the meeting, and no Adult Sunday School will be held that day. Some important decisions will be made at this time. If anyone is interested in serving on the Vestry, please contact Laddie DuBose. Current members are: Laddie DuBose (Senior Warden), Parley (Peanut) Crolley (Junior Warden), Billy Bruce, Bubba LeNoir, Steve LeNoir, and Bill Lindler, Jr. We certainly appreciate our Wardens and faithful Vestry.

If you are writing one of the reports for the meeting, please have it to Laddie by February 4th. Thank you.

UPCOMING REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ASCENSION CEMETERY

If you have someone buried in the Ascension Cemetery or you plan to be buried there, please consider making a donation towards some needed repairs and cleaning of many of the headstones and other improvements to be made beginning in March. More information will be forthcoming.

Have a Happy and Blessed 2018.