



**NOVEMBER 2017**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**November 5<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 a.m.** - All Saints Day will be observed.

**November 16<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 p.m.** - The Men's Club will meet in the Parish House.

**November 19<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 a.m.**- A Praise and Glory Offering will be received.

**November 22<sup>rd</sup> - 5:30 p.m.** - Thanksgiving Eve Service with The Rev. Ron Hiester officiating.

**HELPERS**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>LAY READER</u></b>	<b><u>CHALICE</u></b>	<b><u>CRUCIFER</u></b>
November 5 <i>Holy Eucharist</i> <i>All Saints Day</i> <i>(Observed)</i>	Donna Fletcher	Parley Crolley	Parley Crolley
November 12 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Charlene Bruce	Billy Bruce	Allie Lindler
November 19 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Lucy Grey McIver	Steve LeNoir	Lucy McIver
November 22 <i>Holy Eucharist</i> <i>Thanksgiving Eve</i> <i>Service</i>	Ginnie DuBose	Laddie DuBose	Laddie DuBose
November 26 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Bill Forte	Steve LeNoir	Steve LeNoir

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

*Declan Alexander, Shacky Boykin, Jennifer Broadway, Marie Crisco, Alice and Ted Crook, Tina Dillard, Butch and Frances Fobes, Nancy Frederick, Pete and Cindy Fritz, Eddie Hamilton, Beverly Johnson, Phyllis McLeod, Barbara Ann Moree, Carolyn Sue Moree, Dewey Newman, Mary Raison, Mary Sheridan, Debbie Tallant, David Todd, Lew Wallace, A'Lexia and Dan Wiggins, Brenda Witherspoon, and Dan Yarborough.*

*Shacky Boykin and Phyllis McLeod are continuing to recuperate from their respective surgeries and have appreciated our prayers. Please keep Mary Sheridan in your prayers as she will be having surgery on November 7<sup>th</sup>.*

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE REV. RON HIESTER

#### DIFFICULT TIMES

Charles Dickens' opening line in THE TALE OF TWO CITIES is, "This is the best of times and the worst of times." That is the way I have been feeling. It is not easy being old and being involved in the fight that has been going on here in the Diocese. We are now about to enter the courtroom again. It isn't easy seeing more money being spent when it could be used in much better ways. PLEASE KEEP ALL OF THESE PROCEEDINGS IN YOUR PRAYERS -Nov. 6-8.

If you read the Old Testament Prophets, they tried to warn their people about what was going to happen to them. They foretold their exile. The Gospels get the good news in the form of Jesus. Each Gospel takes a different approach but essentially tells of Jesus and His life here on earth.

We celebrate All Saints Day this week. We remember our loved ones who have died. At our age, we keep busy with funerals. Personally and professionally, I have seen many of them this past year. So on Sunday remember them and pray for them.

This month we also celebrate Thanksgiving--a time to be thankful for what God has given us.

On a personal note, we are going on a cruise in the middle of November to the Bahamas with our family. It has been planned for about a year and a half.

Blessings and Peace,  
+Ron

#### NOTES

Adult Sunday School will be held each Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Parish House **except on November 19<sup>th</sup>**. Children's Sunday School meets at 11 a.m. each Sunday.

All Saints' Day will be observed on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. The service will be led by The Rev. Ron Hiester. If you have deceased loved ones for whom you would like prayers, please tell Donna Fletcher before the Church service begins. A list for the names will be located in the Sacristy of the Church.

The Fall Praise and Glory Offering will be received on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. This offering is a ministry of prayer and thanksgiving and the donations, which can be made through the second Sunday in December, will support the Board of the Diocesan Church Women to fund the Rev. Martha Horn Memorial Scholarship Fund. Beverly LeNoir leads us in this effort, and we appreciate all that she does.

A special birthday celebration for Betty Sanders Barstow will be held on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will be served in the Parish House following the Eucharist Service, and everyone is invited to attend.

Please plan to attend the Thanksgiving Eve Service at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 22nd. This beautiful service allows us to reflect on the many blessings our Lord has provided.

A special effort will be made during the month of November to collect non-perishable food items for The Harvest Hope Food Bank and United Ministries. Laddie DuBose will deliver the food for our congregation. We have so much for which to be thankful, and there is such a need to help others. Thank you.

Community Night which was held on October 19<sup>th</sup>, and was sponsored by our Men's Club was a big success. Many enjoyed the delicious supper of spaghetti, salad, bread, and homemade desserts. The wonderful fellowship made the evening even more pleasurable.

Shacky Boykin, Charlene Bruce, Helen Crolley, Ginnie DuBose, Beverly LeNoir, and Dianne LeNoir served on the Altar Guild during the month of October. We thank Cleo Jackson for preparing the envelopes for the mailing of this newsletter and her daughter, Kathryn Somers, for the labels she provided.

A nice selection of warm coats and sweaters, have been donated for those who need them. If possible, please tag the item with the size of the garment. This "Warm Clothing Drive" will continue through Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Our very talented organist, Jane Luther Smith Viers, was recently recognized as Steinway & Sons 2016 Top Music Teacher as voted by Rice Music House. We are so proud of Jane and all that she has accomplished.

Congratulations to Bonnie Iseman on the birth of her grandson, John Wyatt Perez, on October 16<sup>th</sup>. John Wyatt's parents are Sally Iseman Perez and Jorge Perez, and he has an older brother, Gray. We wish much happiness for everyone.

A special thank you to C D Ford who recently installed additional electrical outlets throughout the Church and completed some other much needed repairs in the Church.

During the month of October our congregation received two gifts: Judie Chapman presented everyone with buck-eyes from her buck-eye tree, and the Rev. and Mrs. Joel Osborne shared sweet potatoes from their garden. Thank you.

The following people are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month of November:

**November Birthdays**

**November Anniversaries**

Laura Hoge	Nov. 11	None
Anzleigh LeNoir	Nov. 12	
Cole Warrick	Nov. 15	
Lillian Lindler	Nov. 16	
Bonnie Iseman	Nov. 20	
Patricia A. Brown	Nov. 21	

**Happy Birthday to these special people.**

The Church's website address is: [www.churchoftheascensionhagoodsc.com](http://www.churchoftheascensionhagoodsc.com). For November, John Holmberg has selected both old and new pictures for the slideshow. "People" seems to be the theme which includes a photograph of "The Hiesters" taken during the Bishop's visit as well as others. Please take the opportunity to view this website. It is always interesting, and we are grateful to John for his help.

**Upcoming Events**

The first Sunday in Advent is December 3<sup>rd</sup>. A breakfast will be served in the Parish House at 9:30 before the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

We will decorate the Church for Christmas on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, following the service. A light lunch will be served in the Parish House before we begin.

The Christmas Eve Service will be held on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. We will not have an 11:00 a.m. Service that Sunday.

**Remember that Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. on November 5<sup>th</sup> so turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday night and enjoy the extra hour of sleep.**