



AUGUST 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 6th - 10 a.m. Adult Sunday School will resume in the Parish House.
Last Sunday to bring School Supplies.

August 17th - 7 p.m. Men's Club will meet in the Parish House.

August 26th - 10 a.m. Diocesan Church Women will meet in the Parish House.
All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend.

HELPERS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LAY READER</u>	<u>CHALICE</u>	<u>CRUCIFER</u>
August 6 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Charlene Bruce	Billy Bruce	Billy Bruce
August 13 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Bill Forte	Steve LeNoir	Whitney Crawford
August 20 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Ginnie DuBose	Parley Crolley	Allie Lindler
August 27 <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	Donna Fletcher	Laddie DuBose	Laddie DuBose

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 and Ted Crook, Butch and Frances Fobes, Nancy Frederick, Pete and Cindy Fritz, Bill Gilbert, Wendy Gilbert, Eddie Hamilton, Phyllis McLeod, Barbara Ann Moree, Carolyn Sue Moree, Dewey Hamilton, Mary Raison, Debbie Tallent, David Todd, David

Trimnal, Lew Wallace, A'Lexia and Dan Wiggins, Brenda Witherspoon, and Dan Yarborough

Our thoughts and prayers are with Parley "Peanut" and Helen Crolley following the recent death of his mother, Ruth Crolley.

A MESSAGE FROM THE REV. RON HIESTER

THIS AND THAT

July was such a great month for everyone at Ascension. We had Baptisms and Confirmation, the blessing of paraments for the altar, and prayers for us. We had flowers and gifts galore. Not to mention the food. The prayer for thankfulness could go on and on.--- And for the Bishop's off the cuff sermon--- And for his mini confirmation class before church. Aren't we blessed again and again? And how do you thank everyone for this joyful occasion.

Ascension has always been exceptionally generous to us. Confirmation Sunday was no exception. By tradition in my many churches, I have always made the announcement for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. It was a shock that made both of us speechless to have it given to us from the Bishop and from you. We do thank you so very much for your wonderful gift.

Dianne always does her thank you's in such a gracious manner in every monthly Messenger for everyone and everybody. Jane added names to the prayer list and sent them to her. And then there was another one. She finally told Dianne to get out of town before she drove her crazy.

And suddenly it's time for school to begin. We have spent many years balancing church and the school year!!! And it's August - time to plan for the switch in pace. Life goes at such a swift pace. For the young people, do your best, your very best. As time goes on, you will know that learning is a lifetime of learning.

SO A BIG THANK YOU AND PRAYERS FOR THE COMING YEAR. KEEP THE FAITH.

PEACE,
+Ron

NOTES

Adult Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. each Sunday in the Parish House.

As The Reverend Hiester said in his message, Bishop Lawrence's recent visit was so special for everyone. With a large congregation, he inspiringly confirmed seven people, blessed the 60-year marriage of Jane and Ron, and blessed Ascension's new

white altar hanging dedicated in memory of the Rev. Charles (Pete) Cooper. Also meaningful was the fact that Blair Cooper could be with us for this. A delicious meal which had been prepared by many was served in the Parish House following the service. The day was a wonderful time of worship and fellowship, and we look forward to the Bishop's next visit.

For several years, many school supplies have been donated by our congregation for the "Gear Up For Learning" project sponsored annually by United Ministries. This year is no exception, and we appreciate everyone's generosity. Monetary donations have also been made to the Crosswell Children's Home to help provide school supplies for their students.

We continue to appreciate Rev. Joel Osborne and his wife, Lynn, being with us for the Eucharistic Service on the last Sunday of each month and the Morning Prayer Service on the 5th Sunday. We also thank them for the delicious vegetables they have shared with the congregation.

Congratulations to John and Sarah Holmberg. They are proud to announce the birth of their grandson, Charles Overton Lanham, at Gaston Memorial Birthplace on July 25, 2017, at 8:30 p.m. He weighed 9 lbs. 5 ozs. and is 22 inches long. Charles and his parents, Stanton and Shelley Holmberg Lanham, are doing well.

Please continue to bring contributions of non-perishable food items for the United Ministries Food Pantry and aluminum tabs that can be recycled.

The Altar Guild members who served during the month of July were Shacky Boykin, Charlene Bruce, Helen Crolley, Ginnie DuBose, Beverly LeNoir and Dianne LeNoir.

We are so grateful to Ginnie and Laddie DuBose, Bubba LeNoir, and David Wilson for keeping our Church grounds and cemetery so attractive. We have a large area to maintain and are blessed it always looks very pretty.

As always, Cleo Jackson assisted with the mailing of this month's newsletter, and we thank her for her help.

Our Diocesan Church Women will meet on Saturday, August 26th, at 10 a.m. in the Parish House. All ladies are encouraged to attend. One of the topics we will be discussing is the upcoming luncheon in September that we hold each year. The proceeds of this luncheon will help us to fund our financial commitments and charitable donations for the next six months. A light lunch will be served following the meeting. Please join us.

Prayers will be offered for those in our congregation who are celebrating birthdays or an anniversary in August. 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

Michal Hoge Aug. 7
Ginnie DuBose Aug. 25

Anniversaries

CD and Deirdre Ford Aug. 8
Laddie and Ginnie DuBose Aug. 11

Our best wishes to these special people.

Our Church's web site address is: www.churchoftheascensionhagoodsc.com, and we thank John Holmberg for establishing and maintaining it for us. For the month of August, the "Index" page features a slide show with some photographs taken by John on the Sunday that Bishop Lawrence was with us. Please review these beautiful pictures.

UPCOMING EVENT IN SEPTEMBER

A luncheon sponsored by the Diocesan Church Women will be held following the 11 a.m. Worship Service on Sunday, September 17th. More details to follow in the September newsletter.

Children's Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 10th.