

# The Franciscans

August 2021

A newsletter for friends and members of St. Francis Episcopal Church Goldsboro, NC 27534

#### WHAT IT MEANS TO BE EPISCOPALIAN IN GOLDSBORO

As a cradle Episcopalian I sometimes take for granted what a gift it is to be a part of this denomination and larger church family. Over the last year and a half I have been reminded over and over again why it is that I have dedicated myself to this church, and why I am honored to serve alongside all of you who have done the same. From our baptismal promises to "seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves," "striving for justice and peace," and "respect the dignity of every human being," to our continued commitment to our diocese, worldwide episcopal church, and Anglican communion; the Episcopal church is a beautiful reminder of what it means to be a part of the body of Christ. We are a church that prides itself on maintaining space and room for a wide range of theologies and beliefs, as well as a dedication to including all God's children. While we may not be perfect, we are dedicated to sharing and living out the good news of Jesus Christ by seeking to welcome and embrace those around us.

One way I have seen this recently is through our shared ministry and commitment to the Episcopal Churches of Goldsboro. While we cannot deny that the COVID-19 Pandemic has been painful, exhausting, and trying on all of us, the way in which our Goldsboro Episcopal community has come together to support one another, to worship God, and to find beauty in the midst of tragedy has certainly been uplifting and encouraging to say the least. And, though we have returned to our sanctuaries and our regularly scheduled Sunday morning routines, it is obvious that our time together during quarantine has changed us and the way we see and know ourselves as Episcopalians.

Coming together with our Bishop and all three churches to share in our first joint Eucharist since the beginning of the pandemic was a gift and joy as we saw whole people to match the little faces on the screen as we joined together to sing, pray, and break bread as a physically gathered body. Our shared work in supporting our Goldsboro schools, like Edgewood and Dillard, has also allowed us to live out our call to be the Body of Christ in the world. And, our continued commitment to continue to gather together, as we are doing through our shared VBS at St. Andrew's this summer enables us to share the good news of Jesus Christ, not only with our children, but with the larger community as well.

It is a blessing and joy to be an Episcopalian, especially in our Goldsboro community. I feel privileged to be

able to walk alongside all of you, as well as St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's. Honoring the diversity that makes up this great body and the shared baptismal commitments we support one another in maintaining through our work together and in our community. If you are interested in learning more about our work together and our shared outreach please let me know (<a href="mailto:kate@stfrancisgoldsboro.org">kate@stfrancisgoldsboro.org</a>), and thank you for all of the ways you have supported this ministry and our Episcopal community.



Kate+



A Eucharist in Celebration of our Shared Ministry

**SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021** St. Andrew's Episcopal Church | 5:00 PM





# **August 2021**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 PENTECOST 10 10:00am Holy Eucharist Social Hour	2 Office Open 9am-3pm	3 Office Open 9am-3pm	4 9:00am Lectio Divina	5 5:30pm Choir	6	7
8 PENTECOST 11 10:00am Holy Eucharist Social Hour ECW meeting	9 Office Open 9am-3pm	10 Office Open 9am-3pm	9:00am Lectio Divina	12 5:30pm Choir	13	14
15 PENTECOST 12 10:00am Morning Prayer Social Hour  St. Francis FUNDRAISER @ Texas Roadhouse	16 Office Open 9am-3pm	17 Office Open 9am-3pm	18 9:00am Lectio Divina	19 5:30pm Choir	20	21
Deadline			Vacation-Rev	. Kate		
PENTECOST 13 10:00am Holy Eucharist Social Hour Vestry Meeting	23 Office Open 9am-3pm	24 Office Open 9am-3pm	9:00am Lectio Divina	26 5:30pm Choir	27	28
29 PENTECOST 14 10:00am Morning Prayer Social Hour	30 Office Open 9am-3pm	31 Office Open 9am-3pm				

Lay Server Schedule	August 1 Rev. Kate Byrd	August 8 Rev. Kate Byrd	August 15	August 22 Rev. Kate Byrd	August 29
August 2021	Holy Eucharist	Holy Eucharist	Morning Prayer	Holy Eucharist	Morning Prayer
	10:00 am				
WORSHIP LEADER	TBD	TBD	Barrett Rae	TBD	TBD
SERMON READER	N/A	N/A	Barrett Rae	N/A	Liz Meador
LECTORS	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
USHER	John Koegel				
ALTAR GUILD	Betsy Powell Norma Powell				
FLOWER GUILD	David Powell				
TELLERS	Brandon Robbins Dave Meador				
SOCIAL HOUR	Gerald Herring				



# August

3.....Savannah Shoemake
4.....Debbie Stedner
8.....Mitch Baker
21.....Elaine Elmore
23....Jane Anthony

If your birthday has been omitted, please notify the church office so that the birthday lists are up-to-date.

# Vestry

#### <u>2021</u>

Barbara Pedersen (Bookkeeper)

#### <u>2022</u>

Liz Meador (Junior Warden) George Moye (Senior Warden)

#### <u> 2023</u>

Debbie Stedner
Dave Meador
Brandon Robbins

Al Elmore, Treasurer Shelley Mills, Clerk

<u>Priest-in-Charge</u> The Rev. Kate Byrd





**Change of Address:** 

Jill and Roger Brogneaux 401 Kingston Circle Goldsboro NC 27530 Rev. Mary Reese 2423 Ivy Hollow Place Concord NC 28027



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for inclusion is the 15th of each month.

Behind every great woman must lie a supportive man, and that is the case with our priest Kate's husband Drew.

Born in Smithfield, NC, to Andy and Helyn Byrd, Drew has a younger sister who with her husband and two children run a farm in Smithfield. His parents operate a small storage building company, also in Smithfield.



Drew received Bachelors' degrees in Business Administration and Economics and a Master's degree in Applied Economics—all from North Carolina State University. Over the last decade, he has held jobs as Data Analyst for Fazoli's, Harley Davison Motor Company, and presently, Johnston Health. He even learned how to ride a motorcycle when he worked at Harley Davidson. As a data analyst, Drew solves problems and produces reports.

He first met Kate in 2007 when they were both camp counselors at Kanuga. Four years later, he stopped by the same camp to collect some younger cousins who were campers while Kate was there as Head Girls Counselor. A year later, in

January 2013, they married at the historic Christ Church Old Town in Alexandria, VA.

As father to Libbie and twins Patrick, and Thomas, Drew has little time for hobbies, but those of us who have seen his furniture can attest to his skills in wood working. He also enjoys running, swimming, and smoking meat. He says, "I've also grown quite fond of goofing off with my kids and wife."

Though his early religious background was the Cooperative Baptist Church (a moderate Baptist church), Drew says he switched denominations when his relationship with Kate became more serious.

We hope soon to have a nursery attendant so that we can worship with Drew who now cares for the children during church services. We welcome him again to the St. Francis family!



Trinity Center office staff needs help with supplies. The Diocesan ECW has undertaken to bring items to its August 18 meeting, and our ECW wants to aid the effort! Please look at the list and place your donation in the BLACK BAG labelled TRINITY CENTER OFFICE SUP-PLIES in the Parish Hall no later than Sunday, August 15. Thanks for your generosity!

Ball point pens (black and blue), Bic White-out EZ Correct tape, Yellow highlighters, Various colored highlighters, Expo-brand dry erase markers, Dry erasers, Small and medium binder clips, Paper clips, Yellow 3x3 sticky pads, 3x5 mini spiral

note pads, Scotch tape Liz Meador, President, St. Francis ECW



ECW women wore hats to replace masks at their first meeting since January 2020.



A huge thanks to Al Elmore for his repair of the men's bathroom door in the Parish Hall!

Preparing for the recent Committal and Reception was mammoth, but thanks to these amazing workers, we did it! Garden and yard: Al Elmore,

Dave Meador, Stan Stedner, and George and Judy Moye Cleaning

furniture in the sanctuary and Parish Hall: Elaine Elmore, Patti Donnelly, Gerald Herring, Paul Miller, and Liz Meador

Altar: Jill Brogneaux and Jodi Baker

Flowers for the Columbarium and church and Parish Hall and walkways: David Powell and an arrangement Eldica Cyrus donated

Usher: John Koegel

Food and Servers and Clean up: Jane Anthony, Pat Biggers, Jill Brogneaux, Patti Donnelly, Elaine Elmore, Diana Hammond, Gerald Herring, Liz Meador, Judy Moye, Barbara Pedersen, Norma Powell, Barrett Rae, Jeannie Siler, Nancy Norwood, and Nina Silverthorne. Music: Jane Anthony and Gordon Campbell, Walker's nephew.

Indeed, it takes a village to succeed, and that we did! Many visitors complimented the food and setting, so thanks to everyone! The family was overwhelmed by our effort. Liz

#### St. Francis Wish List:

\*Liquid Hand Soap \*Large Trash Bags—30 gal \*Small Trash Bags—13 gal \*Dish Detergent— DAWN \*Small Dishwasher Pods \*Windex \*Paper Towels \*White Napkins \*Cups-9oz. \*Quart Zip-

lock Bags (doesn't need to be freezer)\*Gallon Ziplock Bags (doesn't need to be freezer) \*Roll of Postage Stamps for Office





#### St. Francis Episcopal Church

## 503 Forest Hill Drive, Goldsboro, NC • 919-735-9845 • www.stfrancisgoldsboro.org FUN PARISH RETREAT WEEKEND at TRINITY CENTER September 24-26, 2021

Complete a registration form and return with payment to hold your spot!

(We have 6 rooms reserved and will be on a first-come-first-serve basis.)						
Name	Phone E-n	E-mail				
Names of those atten	ding (for children include ages):					
Special Dietary Needs	s:					
WEEKEND COST:Ado	ult Double \$340 (for 2 people) \$85 per person per night;	Adult Single \$210 \$105 per				
person per night; Youth:	\$64/per youth (5-17 yrs.) \$32 per person per night; Child	_\$24/per child (1-4 yrs.) \$12 per				
person per night * Each gues	stroom has a private bath, double & single bed and is individuall	y heated/cooled. *Cots & cribs				
available upon request. * NE	W FOR 2021: Small Fridge and Keurig Coffee Maker in every roo	om!				
Registration	n deadline is September 7, 2021 — make checks pay:	able to St. Francis!				





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Over \$4,000 has been given towards the roof painting! If you would like to contribute, make your check payable to St. Francis and earmark it "Sanctuary Roof." Thank you!