## The Franciscans

Goldsboro, NC 27534

August 2022
A newsletter for friends and members of St. Francis Episcopal Church



Christian formation here at St. Francis began with a great deal of enthusiasm. Our first meeting was a wonderful time filled with questions and discussions on a variety of topics. I have greatly looked forward to getting Christian formation going here. I believe it will be a spark in our relationship not only with God but among ourselves. It will be a time in which we can further our learning and understanding of our faith and tradition. Just as importantly, however, it will allow us to grow into deeper relationships with one another. Christians cannot practice faith on their own. Jesus made it clear that it was supposed to be in a relationship with others that we grow in faith.

I view Christian formation as not only a time for our personal growth but a time to show people who we are as St. Francis. In our meetings thus far, we have had genuine and heartfelt discussions, exploring different facets of our lives and sharing how our different experiences shape our faith. Christian formation is more than just about learning more about the faith. It is also learning and living *into* that faith. When we gather together to explore our belief in God, we do the mission Christ gave us. So to further that mission focus, we need to seek to take what we have learned and will learn into the world. One way you can do this is by inviting family and friends to attend the classes. As we continue to seek to live more like Christ with our continued learning, if we share that knowledge, we are slowly but surely making the world a better place.

I hope Christian formation will be something that will build us up, not only as an individuals, but also as a community. If you have any ideas or requests on what to focus on in the future, please let me know!

Yours in Christ, Rev. Deacon Whit Stroud





Sunday, August 14, 9am, Bishop Robert Skirving with be with us here at St. Francis to celebrate Holy Eucharist. We will have brunch in the Parish Hall following the worship service. There will also be a Q&A session. Please make plans to attend.

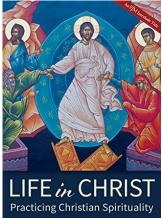


FOR the St. Francis ECW Cookbook!



Barbara Pedersen is looking for your recipes to include in the ECW cookbook...please email them to bapedersen@yahoo.com.

Please put COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER in the subject line so they can be easily spotted in her inbox.



**JULIA GATTA** 

Join Deacon Whit on Tuesdays at 6pm in the Parish Hall as we delve into this interesting

book by Julia Gatta. You can order the book on Amazon if you have not already done so. This is a 10-session study, and you are welcome to join anytime.



# **August 2022**

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WELCOME AUGUST	1 Office Open 9am-3pm	2 Office Open 9am-3pm 6pm Christian Formation	3 10-11am Weight	4 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6-7pm  Weight Watchers	5	6
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Lay Server Schedule August 2022	August 7 THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Morning Prayer Deacon Whit Stroud	August 14  THE TENTH  SUNDAY  AFTER PENTECOST  Holy Eucharist  Bishop Robert Skirving  Deacon Whit Stroud	August 21 THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Morning Prayer Deacon Whit Stroud	August 28 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Holy Eucharist Deacon Whit Stroud Rev. Gene Carpenter				
	9:00 am	9:00 am	9:00 am	9:00 am				
LECTORS	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
USHERS	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador				
ALTAR GUILD	Betsy Powell Norma Powell Nina Silverthorne	Betsy Powell Norma Powell Nina Silverthorne	Betsy Powell Norma Powell Nina Silverthorne	Betsy Powell Norma Powell Nina Silverthorne				
FLOWER GUILD	David Powell	David Powell	David Powell	David Powell				
TELLERS	Jill Brogneaux TBD	Jill Brogneaux TBD	Jill Brogneaux TBD	Jill Brogneaux TBD				
SOCIAL HOUR	????	????	????	????				





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

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



### 2022

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

### <u>2023</u>

Debbie Stedner Dave Meador Brandon Robbins **2024** 

> Jill Brogneaux Patti Donnelly

Al Elmore, Treasurer Paula Wills, Clerk

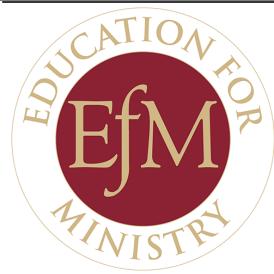
<u>Deacon-in-Charge</u> The Rev. Whit Stroud



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Looking for a way to deepen your faith? Answer some questions? Meet with and learn from fellow travelers?

Education for Ministry is a four-year program, usually meeting once a week for 39 weeks a year. The first year focuses on the Old Testament (I know you think you have read it thoroughly, but wait, there's more!) The second year is an Introduction to the New Testament. Year Three is a History of Christianity (so much more than I had ever known!), and Year Four gives a broad view of ways that you can practice Christianity.

Contact Deacon Rebecca Bean,

deaconrebeccabean@gmail.com for more information. Her mobile is 919-273-9565.

The cost is around \$300 per year, plus books, but I have some you can use. And Deacon Bean has scholarships if you find the price too steep.

Please give some prayer and thought to this and see if you are called to venture more deeply into your faith. I promise you will not be disappointed.

Jill Brogneaux 2022 EFM Graduate



BISHOP BRUNCH

Look for sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall to indicate that you will

attend the August 14 brunch. Also please sign up for a dish you can bring. (We would love to have some of our male chefs bring your favorite brunch dishes!)



## **Blood Drive**St Francis Episcopal Church

Fellowship Hall 503 Forest Hill Drive Goldsboro, NC 27534

#### Monday, August 29, 2022 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

To schedule your lifesaving appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code:"Goldsboro"

For more information call Liz at (919)-223-4014.

We need all eligible donors!



Come give in August and get a \$10 e-gift card to your choice of merchants. PLUS, automatically be entered for a chance to win gas for a year, a \$6,000 value! You could be one of three lucky winners. Destination: Donation! Terms apply, see reblood.org/fuel



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The Community Soup Kitchen serves lunch 6 days a week, 52 weeks a year! So far in 2022, 50,907 meals have been served. If you would

like to join Eldica in this
worthwhile ministry and
represent St. Francis,
please make a note on
your calendar for
Saturday, October 29, and
December 31. St. Francis
serves every 5th
Saturday! Just show
up at 9:30am!



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