

### The Franciscans

November 2022

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

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Advent is a season that is so crucial to our faith, yet it seems to be passed by even by those with the best intentions. We look forward to all that Christmas brings, the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Christmas hymns are some of the ones that remain in our heads and hearts the most; Christmas tends to bring families and people together when potentially no other time will. Yet, with all the joy and grandeur of Christmas, we cannot understand the magnitude of the birth of Jesus without Advent. Advent is a time in which we are to be intentional about preparing for the celebration of the birth of Jesus as found in the Gospels and of the Second Coming of Christ. Advent also gives us time for introspection in which we have to ask ourselves, "do we visit with God daily". One of the collects for Advent points us to that question, stating, "Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself..." (BCP, 212). It takes study and prayer to prepare ourselves for the great Second Coming and to be in a relationship with Jesus daily.

Advent is a time of preparation and prayer, a time in which coming together as a community to learn is especially essential. On the four Wednesdays of Advent, the three Episcopal Churches of Goldsboro and Holy Innocents of Seven Springs will be joining to prepare our hearts and minds to honor the time set apart to reflect on where we are on our journey with Christ. In the programs, we will look at how Holy Eucharist not only feeds and nourishes our spirit but calls us to intentional ministry. There will be a shared meal followed by the lesson with time for discussion. I not only invite every member of the congregation to attend but challenge you all to invite at least one person to attend with you as well! I can assure you this will

be an Advent program you will not want to miss. It will bring you to a deeper appreciation of the sacrament of Holy Eucharist and feed your spirit during this upcoming Advent to which we should give time and reverence. Yours in Christ.

Rev. Deacon Whit Stroud



Join us for the

## ORDINATION

# DAY

### **WHIT STROUD**

November 16, 2022 @ 6 p.m. **Holy Innocents, Seven Springs** 



Anyone needing a ride to the Ordination should call or text Liz at 919-223-4014. Paula and Liz will post a signup board in the Parish Hall for those not liking to drive at night who would like to carpool. PLEASE see that poster and sign up! \*\*\*\*\*\*

**Holy Innocents** 6861 NC-55 Seven Springs NC 28578

#### **Thanksgiving Day Collect**

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those

who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.





### November 2022

CHNDAY	MONDAY	THECDAY	WEDNECDAY	TUUDODAY	EDIDAY	CATUDDAY
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 OFFICE CLOSED 6pm Christian Formation	2 10-11am Waichers	3 6-7pm Cweight Watchers	4 Beverly in the Office 9am-3pm Parish Retreat Departs	Turn clocks back before bed!
			Bill on Vacation			
6 ALL SAINTS Twenty –Second Sunday After Pentecost 9:00am Morning Prayer Coffee/Social Hour Parish Retreat Returns	7 Office Open 9am-3pm	8 Office Open 9am-3pm 6pm Christian Formation	9 10-11am Weight Watchers	10 6-7pm Weight	11	12
			Bill on Vacation			
13 Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost 9:00am Morning Prayer Coffee/Social Hour	14 Office Open 9am-3pm	DEADLINE  Newsletter Articles  Office  Open  9am-3pm  6pm  Christian  Formation  7pm  Vestry	16 10-11am  CVeight Watchers  ORDINATION DAY  WHIT STROUGH  WHIT STROUGH  Agreement 18, 202 d J. A.,  Agreement 18	17 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6-7pm  Weight	18	19
Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost 8:30am Father Whit's 1st Holy Eucharist Parish Meeting Coffee/Social Hour ECW	21 Office Open 9am-3pm	Office Open 9am-3pm 6pm Christian Formation	23 10-11am Weight Watchers	tharks givi	25	26
27 First Sunday Of Advent 9:00am Holy Eucharist Coffee/Social Hour	28 Office Open 9am-3pm	29 Office Open 9am-3pm 6pm Christian Formation	30 10-11am Weight Watchers	Adve	ncis will host the fir nt Suppers/Program rches of Goldsboro	

Lay Server Schedule November 2022	November 6 ALL SAINTS TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Morning Prayer Deacon Whit Stroud	November 13 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Morning Prayer Deacon Whit Stroud	November 20 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Holy Eucharist Father Whit Stroud	November 27 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Holy Eucharist Father Whit Stroud
	9:00 am	9:00 am	8:30 am	9:00 am
CRUCIFER	Barrett Rae/Diana Hammond	Barrett Rae/Diana Hammond	Barrett Rae/Diana Hammond	Barrett Rae/Diana Hammond
LECTORS	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
USHERS	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador	John Koegel Dave Meador
ALTAR GUILD	Jill Brogneaux Nina Silverthorne	Jill Brogneaux Nina Silverthorne	Jill Brogneaux Nina Silverthorne	Jill Brogneaux Nina Silverthorne
FLOWERS GUILD	David Powell	David Powell	David Powell	David Powell
TELLERS	Brandon Robbins Dave Meador	Brandon Robbins Dave Meador	Brandon Robbins Dave Meador	Brandon Robbins Dave Meador
SOCIAL HOUR	Al and Elaine Elmore	Al and Elaine Elmore	Al and Elaine Elmore	Al and Elaine Elmore

Hosts are needed for Social/Coffee Hour! Please sign up on the tower. We need hosts for December. Thank you!



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2...Katherine Phinizy

3...Roger Brogneaux

6...Charlotte Campbell

10...Jesse Dodson

16...Peggy Helms

17...Betsy Powell

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

## Vestry

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

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

2023

Debbie Stedner Dave Meador Brandon Robbins

<u>2024</u>

Jill Brogneaux Patti Donnelly

Al Elmore, Treasurer Paula Wills, Clerk

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



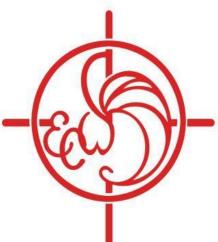
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The ECW has put a delay on its cookbook project until more recipes are submitted and members have more time to plan. We hope for a publication in 2023 instead of this year.

At our recent meeting, we determined some food items we will prepare for the reception following Father Whit's ordination on November 16, and we volunteered to drive others to Holy Innocents. Jackie Gurley, Paula Wills, and Liz visited the facility with Father Whit to "suss out" what we will need to assure the event runs smoothly.

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Margaret Sharp RN, BSN **Community Care Project Coor**dinator Health Sciences Health Innovations Group

St. Francis to be

host church for

**Advanced Care** 

**Planning Workshop** 

**Hosting Episcopal** 

Box lunches provided

Liz and Dave Meador,

St. Francis point persons

10th, 11:00am-1:00pm

**Churches of Goldsboro** 

**Saturday December** 

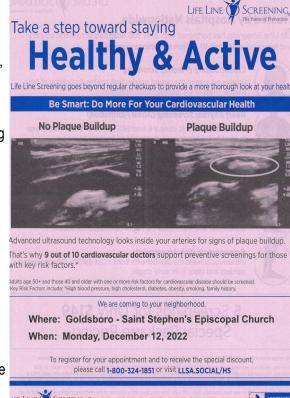
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