

Interim Rector
Parish Secretary
Organist & Music Director

The Staff

The Rev. Gary D. Steber
Kristin Barclay
Kathleen Prevost

The Vestry

Henry Jenkins, Sr. Warden
Gary Noles, Jr. Warden
Lisa Hilbish, Clerk
Jan Lochary
Tara Steffen

Jim Becker
Ronnie Cutler
Kyle Dunn
Scott Rushing

Serving Today

Altar Guild

Mary Kay Brown, Lisa Hilbish,
Ginger Jones

Chalice

Bill Colt, Scott Rushing

Lector

Ginger Jones, Jimm Wetherbee

Server

Nick Giarla

Crucifer

Andy Giarla

Torches

Baker Anderson, Ryan Clark

Ushers

Gary Noles, Phil Pender

Greeters

Nicci Brown

Coffee Hosts

Kevin and Melinda Plue

Vestry Lock-up

Jan Lochary, Ronnie Cutler

The Week Ahead

Mon Oct 19 6:00pm-8:00pm Christmas Play Rehearsal,
Parish Hall
6:30pm Vestry Meeting, Guild Room
6:30pm MLK Committee Meeting,
Parish Hall

Tues Oct 20 5:30pm Holy Communion Service
with Healing, Sanctuary
6:00pm-8:00pm Christmas Play Rehearsal,
Parish Hall

Wed Oct 21 5:00pm Children's Choir

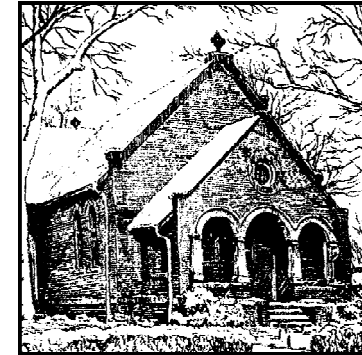
Thurs Oct 22 5:00pm-6:30pm Christmas Play Rehearsal,
Parish Hall

Sat Oct 24 10:00am-1:00pm Christmas Play Rehearsal,
Parish Hall

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 18, 2009

10:30 a.m.



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The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude *How Firm a Foundation* Robert A. Hobby

Processional *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* **690**

BCP

The Word of God

355 Opening Acclamation
 Gloria **S-280**
 235 The Collect Proper 24
 The First Lesson Job 38:1-7,34-41
 735 Psalm 104 Psalm 24:1-9,25,37b
 Epistle Hebrews 5:1-10
 Sequence *Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated* **707**
 Gospel Matthew 25:14-30
 Homily
 358 The Nicene Creed
 392 The Prayers of the People, Form VI
 The Peace
 Announcements

Holy Communion

The Offering of God's Gifts: Bread, Wine, and Treasure
 Offertory *God the Father, Be Our Stay* Paul Manz
 367 The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B
 The Sanctus **S-129**
 364 The Lord's Prayer
 The Breaking of the Bread Anthem **S-154**
 The Communion of the People
My Song is Love Unknown **458**
 365 Post-Communion Prayer

Recessional *How Firm a Foundation* **636**

Voluntary *Little Prelude and Fugue #1* J.S. Bach

In Memoriam

Winnie Hamer, October 9, 2009
 Peter Arkwright, October 20, 2004
 Ruby Lee Hardy Clark, October 21, 1991
 John Vann, October 22, 2004
 Norene Lynch Griffith, October 24, 1998

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers today are given by Lilian Arkwright to the greater glory of God and in loving memory of Peter Arkwright and Joan Hargreaves.

Prayer List

Angie Baskins, Steve Birch, Kelli Bradley, Burke Eargle, Evelyn "Eppie" Hasty, Bill McWhorter, Eric Metzler, Fr. Henry Presler, Debbie Smith, Ray Tarleton, Ron Wolber, Volunteers who are working on the "Steps of Faith" House (being built by community churches and Union Habitat for Humanity).

Armed Forces: Casey Jones

Note: Persons added to the Prayer List remain on the list for one month, after which they are removed. If you wish to have them added for an additional month, please contact Kristin in the Parish Office. Thank you!

Seniors Tea

A flute of Kir Royale? Finger sandwiches, pastries, and scones? It must be time for the Seniors Tea! Parishoners aged 55 and up are invited to the Tea at 3:00pm on Saturday, November 7th. For reservations, please call Charlotte Jenkins at 704.821.6037 or email her at charlottejenkins@windstream.net.



For, after all, put it as we may to ourselves, we are all of us from birth to death guests at a table which we did not spread. The sun, the earth, love, friends, our very breath are parts of the banquet.

Shall we think of the day as a chance to come nearer to our Host, and to find out something of Him who has fed us so long?

—Rebecca Harding Davis

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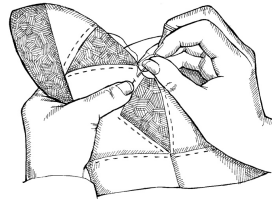
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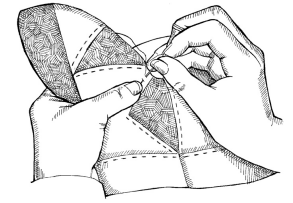
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