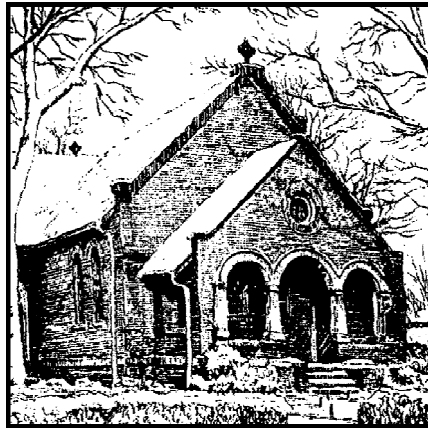


The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 27, 2009

10:30 a.m.



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In Memoriam

Albert Evans, September 27, 1987
Nancy Ann McGuire Cofflesh, October 3, 2000
Willie Clementine Edwards Harper, October 3, 1989

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers today are given by Scott and Kim Rushing, and Rhett and Nicci Brown to the greater glory of God and in celebration of the birthdays of their daughters: Lindsey, Madeline, and Ella Rushing, and Isabelle Brown.

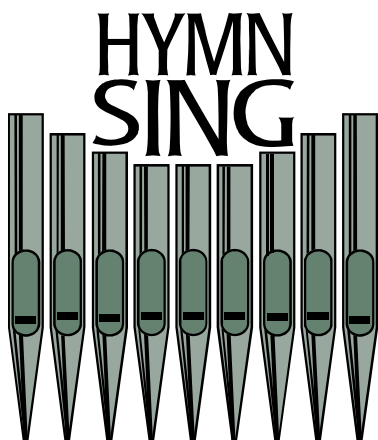
Prayer List

Angie Baskins, Steve Birch, Kelli Bradley, Sarah Kathryn Edwards, Bill McWhorter, Eric Metzler, Dar Palmer, Debbie Smith, 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!

Volunteers Needed

The Literacy Council of Union County is looking for volunteer tutors for their one-on-one adult tutoring program. If you are interested, please attend the *Literacy Council 101* on Tuesday October 13, 2009 from 6-8pm at 105-A E. Jefferson St in Monroe. The next basic *Tutor Training Workshop* is Friday October 23rd, and Saturday October 24th. Space is limited for both sessions so register ASAP by calling 704.226.1425. Please consider volunteering... Literacy changes lives!



Community Hymn Festival

Central United Methodist Church invites everyone to a community-wide Hymn Festival **TODAY at 4pm**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to sing some of your favorite hymns, such as "Holy, Holy, Holy," "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," and "Amazing Grace," as well as several that are not in our hymnal, like "How Great Thou Art." Organists and a brass choir will accompany the congregation. Please plan to come, and bring the kids!

Seniorfest for Senior Adults

Wingate University is hosting "Seniorfest" for all Senior Adults in the community on October 13th from 10am-3pm in the Batte Fine Arts Center. Seniorfest will feature Elizabeth Hudson, editor of *Our State* magazine, as well as Marcus Hamitton, the cartoonist best known for "Dennis the Menace." Mini seminars will also be led by Wingate faculty including topics such as: North Carolina authors, Fitness for senior adults, Estate planning, Health Issues, and Medications. The cost is \$12 per person (meal included). Reservations are due by October 5th. Please contact Mrs. Judy Davis at 704.233.8114.



Foyers is (almost) Back!

Foyers consists of groups of 6-8 people who get together once a month for fellowship, fun, and best of all... FOOD! People take turns hosting a casual meal. It is our hope that friendships will be forged and folks will get better acquainted. The sign-up sheet is posted in the parish hall. Please provide your name, phone number, email, and whether or not you will bring your children. We would like to start in January, so please sign up by November 1st. If you have questions, please call Ginger Jones at 704.233.2316.

AUDITIONS for "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

St. Paul's is putting on a Christmas play December 2nd-6th in the parish hall (save the dates!). Enthusiastic actors and actresses are needed. If you are interested in participating, you will need to audition. Auditions will be held on Saturday October 3rd from 10am-noon, and Sunday October 4th from 2pm-4pm. Roles are available as follows: 2 men (non-speaking role), 6 women – ages 30's-60's, 8 boys – ages 8-14, 7 girls – ages 7-14, 2 girls – ages 5-6, Extras: angel choir members, baby angels, and shepherds.



Christmas Pageant

September Outreach

September is "Share with the Shelter" month. This year, the Community Shelter needs paper goods including napkins, paper towels, and toilet paper. In addition to this, they are also in need of coffee, sugar, sweetener, and creamer. Collection bins will be located in the parish hall, the hallway near the office, and on the front porch (Sundays only). The LAST DAY for donations is this Wednesday, September 30th. Thank you for your support!



Vestry Nominations

It's time! If you'd like to nominate someone for a position on the Vestry, you must complete a Vestry Nomination form. Forms are located in the back of the church, or in the church office. Once you have filled out the form, turn it in either to Henry Jenkins, or to Kristin Barclay. Thank you for your input.



Sign Up for Valle Crucis

If you are interested in the Family Weekend at Valle Crucis (Oct. 16-18), please contact Charlotte Jenkins for more info. The cost for the weekend is \$120 per person. Spaces are limited!

A Search Committee Prayer

Almighty and Gracious God, throughout history you have brought to your people, leaders who have guided them in times of change and transition, and you have formed St. Paul's as a loving and searching community in Christ. Assist us in the discernment of your will as we seek a spiritual leader, for this your parish family. Open our hearts and minds, that we may see this process as one that can deepen our sense of community, provide us with spiritual growth, and draw us closer to you. May you open the heart and mind of the one you call to lead this congregation, so that we receive a faithful rector, who will nurture and encourage growth in our mission, ministries, and faith journeys in the name of Christ. *Amen.*

The Staff

Interim Rector
Parish Secretary
Organist & Music Director

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

Melody Colt, Pat Ambrose, Cheri Hill,
Susan Long, Joyce Brown

Chalice

Chris Flack, Jerry Pyle

Lector

Tripp Helms, Jimm Wetherbee

Server

Janis Swartz

Crucifer

Raven Hensley

Torches

Nicole Kiko, Ian Dunn

Ushers

Lee Cutler, Chris Flack

Greeters

Jo Singer

Coffee Hosts

Chris and Christine Flack

Vestry Lock-up

Lisa Hilbish, Jim Becker

The Week Ahead

Tues Sept 29

5:30pm Holy Communion Service
with Healing, Sanctuary

6:00pm Search Committee Meeting,
Guild Room

