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Comfortable Words



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Lenten Supper Series

WED. AT 5:30PM



Holy Week

SCHEDULE
INSIDE

Daylight Savings

SPRING FROWARD
MARCH 10TH

Newlin Bake Sale

HUGE SUCCESS

Stephen Ministry

TRAINING UNDERWAY

www.hc-b.org

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU

WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS

Please complete the information card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of the ushers.

WE, THE PEOPLE OF HOLY COMFORTER

Though very diverse politically and socially, care for each other and care deeply for how our faith is manifested in the community. We believe all people are equal in God's hand. Our nurturing congregation has an appreciation for diverse perspectives and opinions. We grow through a continually evolving and questioning discussion regarding our faith, God, and society. We welcome all, without reservation, into our Christian body to be part of a loving and sharing family.

WE CARE

Please call the church office at 336-227-4251 if you or someone you know needs visitation, prayers or other assistance because of illness or inability to attend worship service.

MISSION STATEMENT

To worship God, revealed to us as Creator, as Jesus the Christ, & as the Holy Spirit, and experience God's presence within the church family, nurturing each other through a comprehensive parish program while affirming each other's individual ministries and responding to Jesus' continuing call to minister to others.



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The logo features the words "LET'S CONNECT" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word "LET'S" is positioned above "CONNECT". A large, black, circular arrow graphic surrounds the text, starting from the top right and curving around to the bottom left.



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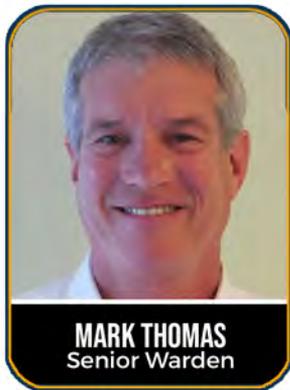
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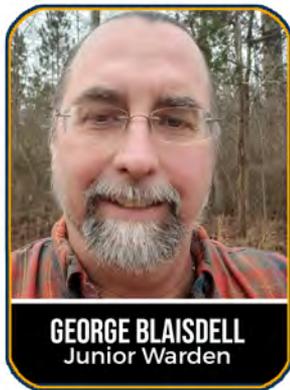
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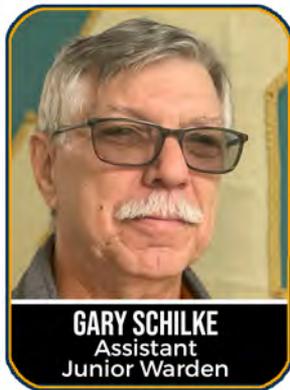
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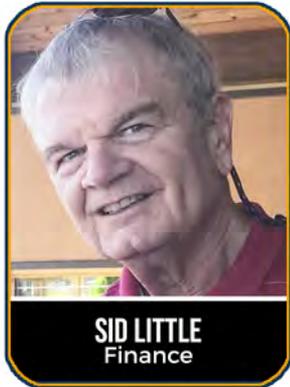
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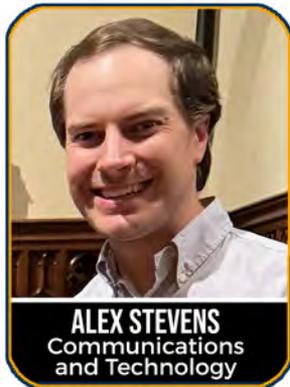
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PALM SUNDAY
MARCH 24 | 8:15AM & 10:30AM



MAUNDY THURSDAY
MARCH 28 | 7:00PM



GOOD FRIDAY
MARCH 29 | 12:00PM



STATIONS OF THE CROSS
MARCH 29 | AUDITORIUM | 7PM



SATURDAY VIGIL
MARCH 30 | 7:38PM



EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 31 | 8:15AM & 10:30AM

HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES
REMOTE SERVICE TIMES STILL TO BE DETERMINED

2024

I AM EXCITED!

THE EPISCOPAL
CHURCH OF THE
HOLY COMFORTER

Stewardship

**PLEDGE CAMPAIGN 2024
WEEK OF 2/28/2024**

\$450,000

STEWARDSHIP GOAL
For 2024

8

NUMBER OF PLEDGE CARDS

Received through the week ending Feb. 28

90

TOTAL NUMBER OF PLEDGE CARDS

Returned for 2024

\$341,688

AMOUNT PLEDGED FOR 2024
As of February 28



Financial Report



Holy Comforter entered February with \$97,500 cash on hand in our operating account. A number of parishioners pay their full annual pledge in January, and the fact that we haven't been paying a rector has further added to a larger than normal surplus for this time of year. This surplus gives us some much needed breathing room as we chart our financial course for 2024. However, it is important to understand that we will be drawing against this amount monthly for the rest of the year, as pledges and investment income will not by themselves cover our anticipated expenses.

As of mid February, we had received pledge commitments representing about 93% of actual pledge income for 2023. In an effort to close that gap, an anonymous parishioner made an additional pledge of \$6,000 contingent upon the Vestry accepting a challenge to collectively match that amount. The Vestry unanimously accepted the challenge by committing to make additional new pledges to match our benefactor's gift. This would allow us to exceed last year's total by approximately one to two percent. Should parishioners be inspired to follow the Vestry's lead, please know that the additional support would be very much appreciated. It would enhance our ability to offer a competitive compensation package to a prospective rector.

While we face a few challenges, we are blessed with an extraordinarily generous parish. Our average pledge compares well with other churches in the Diocese, and with national numbers as well. We are particularly pleased to see a number of new pledging members; a never-ending succession of them will be needed going forward. One final thought: five net new members per year, pledging at the median Holy Comforter pledge, would significantly change our financial trajectory. Just five. That doesn't seem like an impossible number.

Please let me know of any questions or concerns.
Sid Little, Assistant Treasurer | dslittle48@gmail.com | (336) 214-9344

TESTAMENT TO A MIRACLE

From Colleen Stevens

One year ago, this congregation came together to pray for our daughter and her very early newborn son. God heard us.

On March 9 Keyon, celebrated one year of life and love!

KEYON – God's grace

AMARI – possessing great strength



stephen
MINISTRY

Christ caring for people through people



Our Stephen Ministry Training is underway. They are focusing on becoming more effective listeners.

They have learned from Jesus' skills in listening. From our manual: "He helped people open up and tell him their story without judging them, such as when he asked the Samaritan woman at the well for a drink of water, which led to her sharing about her deepest need (John 4:7-26)."

"The listening Stephen Ministers do can best be described as therapeutic listening. Here, the word therapeutic does not mean that Stephen Ministry is a substitute for professional therapy; rather it means that Stephen Ministers listen as part of a process intended to bring emotional and spiritual healing."

**The training will continue on
THURSDAY MORNINGS UNTIL MAY 2.**

To learn more about Stephen Ministry at Holy Comforter contact Rene Burgess, Stephen Leader (336-269-5959 burgessrene@gmail.com) or Derek Bates, Vestry Pastoral Care 941-330-6595 dbates@myhst.com

GRIEF SHARE

GRIEF SHARE WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER.

Do contact Janice Davis so you will have an opportunity to be part of this group. You may reach Janice Davis at (919) 745-9660 or thedavisresultsgroup@gmail.com.



ACAC

Allied churches of Alamance County, Inc.

Housing the Homeless, Feeding the Hungry



**LET'S BRING WHATEVER WE GAVE UP FOR
LENT PLUS MORE THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 3.**

"How can you worship a homeless man on
Sunday and ignore one on Monday?" - *Author Unknown*

SPECIAL REQUESTS

**Special Requests this month: Sweet Relish, Hot sauce, Baked beans,
55 gallon garbage bags, 3 compartment trays with lids,
Disinfectant cleaners (Spic & Span, Fabuloso, Lysol wipes)
(All these can be purchased at Walmart, various Dollar stores, BJs)
Of course, anything you give will be eagerly used and appreciated!**

In February YOU filled the Belltower basket so full with donations
they were stacked on the floor around it and underneath the table!

Allied Churches was overjoyed to begin 2024 with so much from
our parish. YOU warmed hearts and stomachs and most importantly
inspired hope in the hungry and those needing shelter.
Thank YOU, ACAC Valentines! Remember gifts can be brought anytime
by ringing the backdoor bell then taking them to our Belltower
basket. They all go to ACAC after the first monthly Sunday.

CONTACT: Martha Adams (awam3a@outlook.com)



PFLAG

PFLAG ALAMANCE

PARENTS, FAMILIES, AND FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS

INVITES YOU

Becoming Us: One Transgender Family's Transformational Journey

MARCH 5 | 7:00PM

In response to numerous requests for help and understanding, some of the dynamics involved when a child or another declares as Transgender.

We welcome all who wish to join us for this informative presentation from one who has walked the journey. There is no charge for attendance.

Elon Community Church

271 N. Williamson Ave., Elon



**RHONDA
DAVIS**

MDiv, MSW, LCSW

She / Her

PSYCHOTHERAPIST

ART FEEDS THE SOUL
QUILT SHOW

MARCH 6-9 Wed.-Fri. (10am-5pm)
Saturday (10am-4pm)

ELON COMMUNITY CHURCH | 271 N. Williamson Ave., Elon

FREE ADMISSION

Donation of canned goods appreciated

PRESENTED BY

Alamance Piecemakers Quilt Guild
Burlington Carousel Quilt Guild

FEATURING

Raffle Baskets
Silent quilt Auction
Quilt Raffle
Vendors

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**HOLLIS
CHATELAIN**

FRIDAY | 6PM \$10



Twin Lakes
COMMUNITY

Open

HOUSE

THE HARBOR  R

ADULT DAY PROGRAM AT
MONETA SPRINGS MEMORY CARE
For those with early dementia.

THURS., MARCH 7
4:30pm - 6:30pm

Call (336) 585-2393 for questions & to RSVP
3810 Heritage Drive, Burlington, NC 27215



THURSDAY, MARCH 7 | SPEAKER: MICHEALA AMIDON

Micheala Amidon is a co-founder of Beyond Sports NC, headquartered in Greensboro. Founded in 2021, Beyond Sports is designed to address the inequities in youth sports within under-served communities and low-income (Title I) schools.

Micheala attended Elon University, obtaining an undergrad degree in exercise sports science and an MBA. She was a member of the Elon women's soccer team. Coaching & playing soccer have underpinned her life and career. As a high school student, Micheala was a coach and camp counselor for summer soccer camp. She was assistant coach at Elon and in various club positions. Before leaving to found Beyond Sports with her colleague Mike Kennedy, Micheala was Business Manager at Proehlfic Park, Greensboro, where she combined her passion for youth sports and business for 16 years.

"I've been in sports my entire life. I've seen the benefits to adolescents that transcend sports: the community and friendships, the challenges faced and overcome, the confidence instilled. As a former athlete and as a coach and parent, I am passionate about sharing my love for all sports with kids. To be a mentor and educator sharing your love of a sport with kids is the greatest responsibility; to watch their own passion grow and motivate them is the greatest reward!"

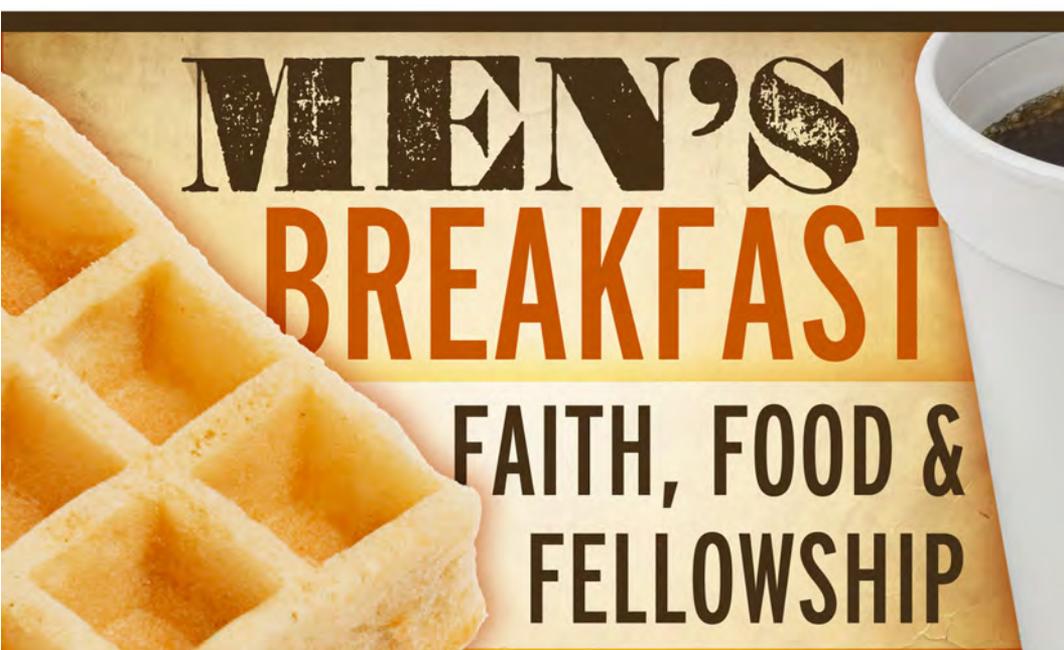
Mission of Beyond Sports NC: To encourage greater

participation of youth in sports by eliminating financial barriers and bringing opportunities and resources to youth and schools through the provision of equipment, play opportunities, resources for coaches, and mentors. We believe that bringing kids to sports at a young age connects them with social and physical activities and provides life skills that will carry them successfully through adolescence and BEYOND.

TWIN LAKES

8AM for breakfast | 8:45 for the program
Coble Rehabilitation Center

If you have questions about the location or programs, contact Bob Kirchen (kirchenrv@gmail.com), Richard McBride (mcbride@elon.edu) or Phil Savage (savageboatman@bellsouth.net).



MEN'S BREAKFAST

FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

MONDAY
MARCH 11

IN THE SMALL DINING ROOM

10:00AM GATHER & GAB | 10:30AM PRESENTATION

Remember daylight savings time will have begun.

ECW | EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

The topic for the program is the tradition of Chrismon given by Connie Griner and Shara Partin.

Come learn a little about the history of this newish practice, what the ornaments represent, materials and how they are made.

Our business this month is choosing what charities to donate to this winter and planning for the chicken pie fundraiser in May. Come with your ideas and calendars.

WE ALL LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU

at meetings and there is no obligation to become more involved than you are able to.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

CONTACT SHARA PARTIN | (919) 801-1234



Four years ago Holy Comforter was fortunate to make an important connection to a church only a few miles away at 404 S. Anthony St. Burlington. At a community program Dennis Boone, Pastor at First Wesleyan Church, had a conversation with Kathy Hykes about Newlin Elementary School and Holy Comforter's activities to tutor students in reading and also to provide weekend food for food-insecure students.

Since that meeting, First Wesleyan has provided funds for 15 students at Newlin to receive weekend backpack food. This increased the total number of students receiving weekend food to 65 each week of the school year.

Pastor Boone has attended the luncheons that Holy Comforter has hosted for Newlin teachers in August before school begins. He says he is convinced of the need for meals for many students and is happy that First Wesleyan continues to support the program.

And recently a member of First Wesleyan has joined the Lucky Listeners volunteers at Newlin who listen and provide support to children reading each week. Louanne Thompson says she is the one rewarded by this program and is thankful she was asked to participate in this activity that she describes as "awesome" and "rewarding."

Thank you First Wesleyan for joining with Holy Comforter to support Newlin Elementary School!



ONLINE ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS

Starting in March.

Confirmation

THE NEXT STEP ON A JOURNEY OF FAITH

REGISTRATION LINK **REGISTER BY MON., MARCH 4**

**[HTTPS://EPISDIONC.FORMSTACK.COM/FORMS/
ADULTCONFIRMATION2024](https://episdionc.formstack.com/forms/adultconfirmation2024)**

CLASS DATES March 6, 13, 20, (27 Holy Week, not meeting), April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1

TIME WEDNESDAYS | 7-8PM **LOCATION** Zoom

(you will receive a link via email and material for the class will be mailed to you.)

We will offer Diocesan wide Adult Confirmation preparation over 8 sessions on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:00 beginning March 6. The classes explore the basics of Christianity (God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the History of the Church) as well as the way the Episcopal Church lives out that basic faith through worship according to The Book of Common Prayer, Bible study, and service to others. We look forward to a meaningful class that will help grow your faith. Class materials and a Zoom link will be sent to registrants a week before the class begins through email.

ALL ARE WELCOME

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONTACT | Jenny Beaumont, MA
Missioner for Adult and Life-Long Formation
919-600-5299 | **jenny.beaumont@episdionc.org**

NEWLIN BAKE SALE

Our first Newlin Valentine's/Super Bowl Bake Sale was a huge success! Many thanks to Maggie Holt, chairperson of the project, for magnificent planning! Also appreciation to her committee, Board volunteers, and parish volunteers who helped with set up and clean up on Sunday. Also, thanks to the many parishioners and Newlin staff who donated monetary and baked goods. By the end of Sunday, we had already made over \$2,000 and will continue to sell left over goods to ECW and at the Shrove Pancake Supper. We are blessed to have such continued strong parish support for the Newlin Partnership!!

With Gratitude and Peace,
Phil Deadmon
Chairman, Board of
Trustees



LENT MADNESS

Who will win the **GOLDEN HALO?**

2024 LENTEN SUPPERS

Please join us in Lent as we explore some of the saints of the Calendar by experiencing “Lent Madness.” Come to learn what these saints have to say to us today. Decide who you will support as they battle it out for the “most worthy”, the saint who earns this year’s Golden Halo!

As usual, a light soup-based meal will be served, and activities for younger children will be provided.

WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

continuing each Wednesday
THROUGH MARCH 20.



Lenten

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERIES

WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30PM THRU MAR. 20.
COME EAT DINNER AND ENJOY THE LENTEN PROGRAM.

The children will go upstairs at 6:15 to 7pm each
Wednesday evening after dinner and learn about...

**ST. TERESA
OF CALCUTTA**

MAR. 6



ST. PATRICK

MAR. 13



**I AM A SAINT
IN THE MAKING**

MAR. 20



STORIES • CRAFTS • ACTIVITIES | PLEASE JOIN US!

CHURCH Key RETURN



**PLEASE
RETURN
KEYS**



Folks, we could really use some help. We continue to have to have more new keys made for the rooms and buildings on this property. Kinda begging folks to return keys you have been provided over the years if you are not a frequent user of these. They can be placed in the blue box outside of Cat's office with a descriptor of the location where the key is used. Thank you!

Davis Street | Holy Comforter

BREAKFAST

MIKE'S MUSINGS

ministry

QUESTION:

Who was the new person at Breakfast on Sunday morning?

THE ANSWER:

It was Philip but others called him Milwaukee.

THERE'S MORE:

I walked into the Great Hall on Sunday morning and heard piano music. I said to myself, "self, where is that music coming from?" I looked and at the piano was someone I had not met before. It was Philip or Milwaukee - he answers to both names. He had a thick book of music with him, and he was really "tickling the ivory" which is a saying that means "playing the piano". I went over to meet him and found that he is a delightful person. He is enthusiastic about his playing. He plays for his church. I invited him to play every Sunday at breakfast if he wanted too. You just never know who you will meet at the breakfast. In many ways we are blessed by the people God sends our way.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow! *Rev. Mike Sykes*



EASTER LILIES

IN MEMORY OF | IN THANKSGIVING OF

The Flower Guild is accepting memorials for Easter Lilies to decorate the sanctuary for Easter.

Order your Easter Lillies for Easter morning, given in honor of, thanksgiving of, or in memory of loved ones, and/or special friends.

Pick up an envelope in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday, stop by the church office or ask an usher. Drop it off in the collection plate or stop by the church office and give it to Cat, your parish administrator.

The deadline is Monday, March 18, 2024

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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MY OFFERING FOR EASTER

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IN MEMORY OF

(AND/OR) AS A THANK OFFERING FOR

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EMAIL

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

320 EAST DAVIS STREET | PO BOX 1336 | BURLINGTON | NC 27216

KITCHEN RECYCLES

Please use blue recycle bin by refrigerator.

PAPER

CANS

RINSE CANS IF NEEDED

ALUMINUM

PLASTIC

NOT BAGS

GLASS

CARDBOARD

If you are able to empty it, take can to big wheelie bins by driveway and empty, **BUT NOT THE LINER!**



**HELP KEEP
HC GREEN**

THE GOSPEL OF

MARK

On Palm Sunday the Passion Gospel of Mark will be read. If you were assigned to read on Sunday, March 24th, Martha Stewart has agreed to lead the practice session.

You will be able to pick up your reading copies before that practice. Please contact Cat for more information.

**PRACTICE WILL BE IN THE SANCTUARY AT 10AM
SATURDAY, MARCH 23.**



The Alamance Chorale

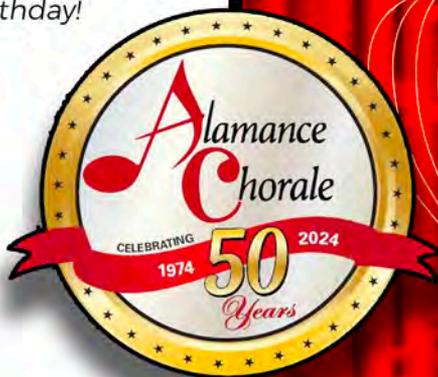
PRESENTS

BROADWAY BIRTHDAY BASH

Join us as the Chorale celebrates
our 50th Birthday!

MARCH 8TH
7:30PM

MARCH 9TH
2:00PM



Enjoy Memorable Broadway tunes
from the last 50 years as we also
share the history of Alamance
Chorale over the last 50 years.

Birthday treats at this Desert
Theater will be provided by Main
Street Cakes and Smitty's Ice Cream
along with popcorn, coffee, and tea.

Tickets are \$25.00 and can be
purchased from any Chorale member,
at Alamance Arts, or at the door
of each concert (if still available).

For more information, visit
www.alamancechorale.org or
contact us at
alamancechorale1974@gmail.com

Contact Dale Young
for information (336) 416-5099



ALAMANCE ARTS
Alamance Chorale is an
Associate Member of
The Alamance Arts Council



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THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Dear Beloved Members of our Diocese:

We write to let you know of a difficult and heartbreaking situation at the most recent Bishop's Ball. On Saturday evening of the event, there was an incident involving a white child, with other children present, who used racial insults and physical aggression towards a Black child. In keeping with Safe Church guidelines, the supervising adults were housed in a different, though adjacent, bunk room from the children. The incident was not reported to supervising adults until late the next morning after attendees began to depart.

Upon learning of the incident, our diocesan Youth Missioner, who directs Bishops' Ball, immediately followed up the report by meeting with the following parties: 1) the child against whom the acts of aggression were directed, 2) the child who exhibited the described negative behaviors, and 3) those still present who witnessed the event. Pastoral care was provided for the child against whom the acts of aggression were directed. The parents of both children were immediately notified, as well as the bishops. A number of follow-up conversations did and continue to take place, with priority for the well-being of the child against whom the behavior was directed. Ongoing follow-up and care will continue.

It is important to understand that this incident occurred in the context of a long history of oppression of, violence against, and intimidation of people of color, in this country and in North Carolina. It is a painful and graphic sign that the sin of racism still infects our culture. It has, understandably, evoked generational experiences of trauma. The Pastoral Letter we sent in December 2023 is addressed to the ongoing need to illuminate that history and to repent of the role of The Episcopal Church in chattel slavery, racism and the unchristian systemic maltreatment of people of color. That work is the moral and spiritual obligation of white Episcopalians.

It is equally important to understand that this diocese, in our time, does not and will not condone racism or cruelty. We are



committed to following Jesus' command to love one another. Our fellowship - and most certainly our youth programs - must be safe and welcoming gatherings that respect the dignity of all people, as we declare in our baptismal promises. This incident reveals that there is still significant work to do to ensure that safety and welcome. Your bishops and the diocesan staff take these values seriously and are committed to doing whatever it takes to ensure, as much as it is in our power, that all our children - all people - are safe within our gatherings, and to restore their trust. As part of this effort, we are reviewing our protocols and practices for all diocesan events. Until that review is completed and reported, our diocesan youth events have been postponed.

Our primary focus is on healing for the child against whom the verbal and physical aggression was directed. We are also discerning the best path for care and accountability for the children who engaged in or witnessed this behavior. In this case, accountability does not mean punishment. Accountability means fully understanding what happened, what went wrong, what we have learned, and what we can do moving forward to ensure this never happens again.

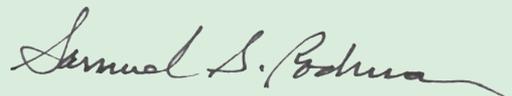
Because this incident involves minors, we are not at liberty to share more detail. We ask that you give them the space and privacy to allow them to heal and reflect. The improvements in our process, and the emphasis on caring for one another, will continue to be a matter of open conversation. We will keep our diocesan family fully informed of our intentions and outcomes.

Conversations with impacted parties have been ongoing since leadership learned of the incident. On Monday, January 29, youth, parents, clergy, youth ministers and adult chaperones who were in the cabin where the incident occurred were invited to attend a meeting facilitated by our diocesan Pastoral Response Team via Zoom to share accounts, concerns and needs. The bishops and Canon Missioner for Black Ministries met on February 1 with the vestry of the congregation where the child who was the focus of these aggressive actions is a member. A summary of the vestry's requests follows this

letter. The first two items were initially addressed, but there is ongoing work still to do to honor all four of these requests. We will continue to engage in conversation, and our staff, in collaboration with the diocesan Racial Justice and Reconciliation Committee, will continue to review and improve our formation and safety processes to better guard against such a violation ever happening again. We are exploring the principles of restorative justice as part of our process. We will take the time needed with a pastoral approach, while understanding the urgency to keep moving forward, identifying and addressing needs. We will continue to share the progress, as ongoing accountability and transparency on our part are essential in the mending of broken relationships, broken trust, and broken hearts.

It is our prayer that these efforts, together with your prayers, will help us to learn from this painful experience, to rededicate ourselves to root out the toxicity of racism whenever and wherever we encounter it, and to live more fully and more freely into the Gospel promise of redemptive love. That love has the power to restore us all to wholeness. For those of us who are white Christians, love means learning, and facing, the truth of our history, the evil of racism, and the continuing perpetuation and tragic impact of this evil on the lives of people of color, our beloved siblings in Christ.

Faithfully and prayerfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Samuel S. Rodman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

The Rt. Rev. Samuel S. Rodman
Bishop

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Brooke-Davidson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson
Assistant Bishop



SPRING

BOOK SALE



MARCH 8-17



Friday, March 8th

Member only day from 12pm-6pm



New members welcome!

Memberships available at the door for just \$10.



Shoppers using a scanner

will be charged a \$10 fee, good for the entire sale.

Saturday, March 9	10am-4pm
Sunday, March 10	1:30pm-4:30pm
Monday, March 11	12pm-6pm
Tuesday, March 12	12pm-6pm
Wednesday, March 13	12pm-6pm
Thursday, March 14	12pm-6pm
Friday, March 15	12pm-6pm
Saturday, March 16	10am-4pm
Sunday, March 17	1:30pm-4:30pm

MAY MEMORIAL LIBRARY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSTORE

342 Spring Street, Burlington, NC
(use Davis Street entrance, downtown Burlington)



112 YEARS AND GROWING



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