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# WEEKLY WORDS

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# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU

## **Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with Holy Comforter today.**

If you are a guest or visitor, and feel comfortable doing so, please complete an information card. You can 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**

If you or someone you know needs visitation, prayers, or other assistance because of illness or inability to attend worship, please call the church office at (336) 227-4251.

## **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.

# This week at Holy Comforter

## Sunday, June 15

<b>8:00am</b>	Breakfast Ministry	<i>Great Hall</i>
<b>8:15am</b>	HE Rite II	<i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>9:45am</b>	Choir Rehearsal	<i>Choir Room</i>
<b>10:30am</b>	HE Rite II	<i>Sanctuary</i>
	Children's Choir Practice	<i>Choir Room</i>
<b>11:30am</b>	Coffee / Lemonade in the <i>Parlor</i>	

## Monday, June 16

<b>7:00pm</b>	Courage to Change	<i>Parish House</i>
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## Tuesday, June 17

***Weekly Word's Articles DUE***

## Wednesday, June 18

***Comfortable Word's Newsletter Articles DUE***

## Thursday, June 19

<b>11:00am</b>	Twin Lakes Eucharist	<i>Twin Lakes</i>
<b>7:00pm</b>	Courage to Change	<i>Parish House</i>

# Lay Ministers for Sunday, June 8th

## Verger

Steven Swanner

## Music Director

Christin Baker

## Readers

**8:15am** - Julie Smith

**10:30am** - Mary Collins, *1st Lesson*

Brad Collins, *NT & POTP*

## Ushers

**8:15am** - Ron Driscoll

**10:30am** - Brad and Mary Collins

## Acolytes

**8:15am** - Elizabeth Hansen

**10:30am** - Meredith Patterson, *Chalici*

Steven Swanner, *Chalici*

Mourine Todd, *Crucifer*

Wesley Swanner, *Left Torch Bearer*

William Swanner, *Right Torch Bearer*

Caitlyn Todd, *Gospel Bearer*

## Vestry Counters

Alex Stevens

Pat House

## Flower Guild

Ren Bryan

Janie Sellers

Betsy Weatherly

## Altar Guild

***Shara Partin***

Verne Booker

Ren Bryan

Connie Griner

Emily Hackney

Mary Telander

## Sunshine Committee

***Susan Ryan***

Rose Marie Walton

Sandy Campbell

Davis Street | Holy Comforter

# BREAKFAST

## ministry

Mike's Moments

**Question:**

Do families serve during breakfast ministry?

**The Answer:**

Yes.

**There's more:**

**One family in particular is the Slott family.**

The Slott Family serves several functions to get the breakfast food accomplished. Nancy is there early to put together the first phase of the meal bags and that includes putting a drink, snack, utensil and a banana into the "to go" bag. Nancy also puts the note "Be Kind" on every takeout box. She does this during the week. Bo, her son, also puts together the first phase and many times that is done before we get there. He also helps with the cooking task. His wife, Heather and their two sons Davis and Fletcher help wherever they are needed. Bo and the boys often wash the dishes and put them away. This family is vital to the ministry of Breakfast.

The Slott's are members of Holy Comforter Episcopal Church where we prepare and serve the meals. It is a true ecumenical ministry, and we are so glad to get to know them. Their dedication and faithfulness are exactly what the breakfast needs to keep this ministry alive and well. They are a blessing!

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**Thank you to all who have given clothing, etc. to the breakfast ministry. Keep up the good work!**



# Newlin Partnership News

Newlin Literacy Project Tutors and Lucky Listeners met Thursday, May 22, for their final Lunch & Learn of the 2024-25 academic year. Lucky Listeners met to share their experiences during a year of listening to second graders read aloud. Team leaders, Susan and Lee Kern, then asked the Listeners to offer suggestions and ideas for the upcoming year.



Lucky Listeners shared words of wisdom about their experiences this year of listening to second graders read aloud to them.



*Joseph, Janice, Jim & Pam*

During lunch, Joseph Keith spoke about his experience as a new tutor, followed by Laurie Fais speaking about lessons learned as a tutor with some experience.



*Lisa & Laurie*



*Jim, Greg & Kathy M.*

Jim Romer shared details about his longtime work as a tutor. Other tutors then joined in to tell stories and give suggestions of ideas to try in the future.



*Chalmers, Lee & Linda*



*Donna & Kathy L.*



*Susie & Julie*





Beginning this Sunday during the 10:30am service, Music Director Christin Baker will lead children's choir rehearsals from the sermon to the peace. All children are welcome —no experience needed! The children's choir will practice during services, and we need one adult volunteer each Sunday to help. Rehearsals can't happen without a second adult.

**Please sign up using the  
Google form below. Thank you!**

**<https://forms.gle/eBDJxuCcTJw1ShjbA>**



**Sunday, June 15  
THROUGH  
Sunday, August 3**

# Lay Eucharistic Visitor Training

**Sunday 29 June**

**NOON, CONFERENCE ROOM ACROSS FROM THE PARLOR**

**Holy Comforter is starting our ministry  
of lay Eucharistic visits again!**

Lay Eucharistic Visitors take Communion consecrated at our service of Holy Eucharist to members in their homes or in hospital or other care facilities. This important ministry helps to keep us all connected as the Body of Christ, and helps parishioners who can't be physically present for the Eucharist to experience the Christian love of this congregation.

Have you served as a LEV in the past,  
and want to resume this ministry?

Have you never served in this capacity,  
and feel called to start?

Are you curious about what this ministry might entail,  
and whether you might be called to it?

Please attend a training on Sunday the 29th of June at noon in the conference room across from the parlor. Rector Rhonda will discuss what this ministry entails, returning LEVs will offer their insights, and we'll have time for questions and discussion.

Please note that Safe Church training is required for LEVs. We'll talk about this when we meet.

Please let Rhonda know if you will attend:

**[rlee@hc-b.org](mailto:rlee@hc-b.org)** .

We do not have EFM at Holy Comforter right now but there are other ways to access a study in our diocese. Below is information taken from the Diocesan Website. If you would like to informally discuss whether EFM might be a good fit for you, please call Kathy Hykes, (336) 213-5990.

Summer is the usual time of year when Education for Ministry (EfM) groups enroll for the fall, and most begin in the fall. If you've been thinking about beginning this enriching curriculum of study and reflection, please contact a mentor in your area, or contact Marcia Moore, (336) 202-6516, the diocesan EfM coordinator. You can also find additional information and many resources on the EFM website.

## Durham

- St. Philip's hosts a Tuesday morning group, 9:30am-12pm
- On Zoom
- Co-mentored by Paula Lombardi and Robin Kneeburg
- Contact Paula Lombardi, (704) 277-8761

## Greensboro

- St. Andrew's hosts a Tuesday evening group, 6-8:30p.m.
- Mentored by Brenda Swearingin
- Contact Brenda Swearingin
- Holy Trinity hosts a Wednesday group, 9:30a.m.-12p.m.
- Mentored by Libby Haile
- Contact Libby Haile, (336) 314-1022

# DOCUMENT SHREDDING DAY

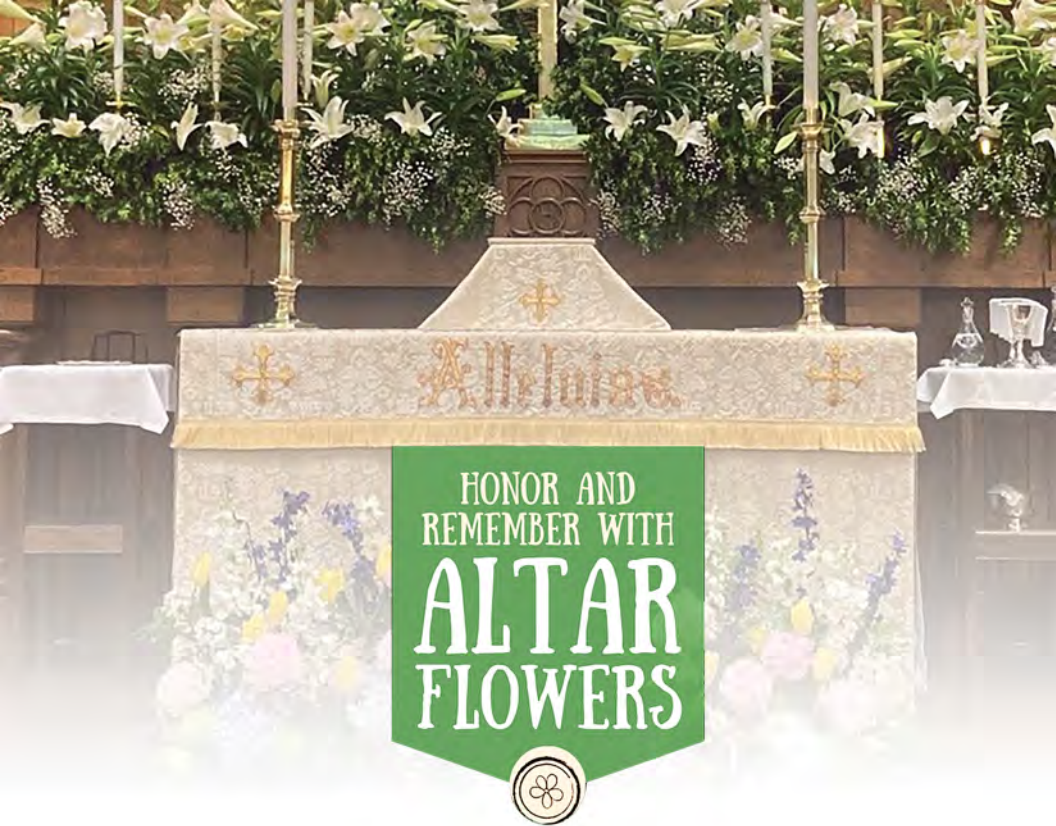
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Secure document shredding is once again available to parishioners. Shredding helps protect your personal information and is safe and easy—no need to remove staples, paperclips, or folders. Please note: no electronics or batteries allowed, and no business shredding.

**Drop-off is by appointment only, available Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays from 10am–3pm, or Fridays from 9am–12pm through July 5. Documents will be stored securely until the shred truck arrives later in July.**

We suggest a donation of \$8 per box or bag (or any amount you feel led to give). Checks may be made to Holy Comforter Church, memo: Shred Day.

To schedule an appointment or ask questions, contact Julia Buffington at (336) 227-4251 or [jbuffington@hc-b.org](mailto:jbuffington@hc-b.org).



The Flower Guild is on break in July and August, but you can still donate flowers! A local florist will provide the arrangements—just contact Cat in the church office. The cost is \$75 for two vases. Make checks payable to Holy Comforter Flower Guild and send them to the church office. No need to contact the florist. **ONE SUNDAY IN AUGUST IS STILL AVAILABLE** — a beautiful way to honor someone or give thanks.

**Availability - Sunday, August 24**

**Connie Griner**, Chair  
HOLY COMFORTER FLOWER GUILD



# Goodale Scholarship

Applications are being accepted through this Sun., June 15

The Goodale Scholarship was created in 2014 to reward graduating high school seniors who are members of Holy Comforter and plan to continue their education. It was endowed and created in memory of Gordon and Chinkie Goodale who were long term members of our parish. **Young men and women who attend, participate and are known to the parishioners of Holy Comforter are eligible to receive the award. It is given annually to students in good standing at degree or certificate granting institutions of higher learning. It may be renewed for up to 8 semesters of continuous attendance.** Additional information and applications are available online at the parish website, [www.hc-b.org/partnerships](http://www.hc-b.org/partnerships) or from the parish office.

Additional gifts to the Goodale Scholarship  
are gratefully accepted.

# Stephen Ministry

*CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE*

*"...Touch gently this life, which you have created. Amen."*

- From Catholic.net Prayers for Healing.

Stephen Ministers are trained to "touch gently" and walk alongside those who are going through grief, trauma, and other unexpected occurrences in life.

Contact Rene Burgess or Paula Boyd, Stephen Leaders about the training to begin soon. Become a Stephen Minister.

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# Prayers of the People

## Members

Cheryl Miner	Stephanie Wrenn	Cecelia Walker
Chappy Moser	Bob Stewart	Margaret Egede-Nissen
Rick Weatherly	Caroline Ansbacher	Evie Surratt
Nelson Young	Ashton Fitzpatrick	Robin Maycock
Edward Dunlap	Bobby Puett	Mittie Landi

## Family and Friends

Wayne Pyrtle	Matt Heck	Joshua Hieter
Barbara Jo Basquill	Gus & Pam Holbrook	Allison
Edward Pellicano	Janet & Bill Bates	Ann Jennings
Eileen Civin	Lisa Daniels	Maria Roberts
Chris Hansen	Terry Babin	Peg Shanahan
Randy Shouman	Steve Badger	Annie Griner
Kevin Shanahan	Joanne & Bob Flower	Pat Harwood
Richard Lehman	Brynja Bowman	Jeff Safrit
Jennifer Petty	Aubrey Henderson	Charley Jones





## June Birthdays

15	Matthew Kerr
17	Nan Barbour
17	Bobby Puett
17	Jonpatrick Heffley
20	Molly Exum
24	Hunter Daniels
24	Don Stanford
27	Jennifer Payne
29	Shelley Marlowe
30	Louis Hibbitts

**If your birthday was missed, please message Cat  
at [csykes@hc-b.org](mailto:csykes@hc-b.org) so she can add it in our records.**

# 113 YEARS AND GROWING

## IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO



give us a ring, drop a line, scroll through our social media or visit our website...  
it's all listed below for your convenience.

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