

Weekly Words

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A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER

ECW

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

SPRING LUNCHEON

MAY 13 @ 11AM

FINAL MEETING TILL SEPTEMBER

Church WORK DAY



MAY 11

10AM-2PM

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

MAY 16 @ 8AM

FINAL MEETING TILL SEPTEMBER

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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.

LAY MINISTRY MAY 12 SCHEDULE

VERGER

Steven Swanner

ORGANIST

Christin Baker

USHERS

8:15am - Paula Boyd

10:30am - Jim Romer, Micah Ash

READERS

8:15am - Curt Odem

10:30am - Jim McAdams, Pete Glidewell

ACOLYTES

8:15am - Curt Odem

10:30am - *CHALICISTS* - Martha Stewart, Steven Swanner

CRUCIFER - Max Fitzpatrick

TORCH BEARERS - Sam Fitzpatrick, Abigail Fitzpatrick

GOSPEL BEARER - Micah Ash

VESTRY COUNTERS

George Blaisdell, Julie Swanner

FLOWER GUILD

Sandy Gerow, Betty Brown, Julie Smith

ALTAR GUILD

Joanne McClusky, Janice Davis McAdams, Cheryl Miner,
Tish Murray, Susan Ryan, Julie Smith, Nancy Smith

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Nancy Slott, Mary Collins, Connie Griner, Terri Stevens,
Cherry Wrenn

WEEK OF MAY 12 CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 12

8:00am | Breakfast Ministry
8:15am | HE Rite II Service
9:30am | Bible Study
9:45am | Choir Rehearsal
10:30am | HE Rite II Service
11:30am | Coffee in the Parlor

MONDAY, MAY 13

11:00am | ECW: Episcopal Church Women
Last one till the September
6:00pm | Vestry Meeting
7:00pm | Courage to Change

TUESDAY, MAY 14

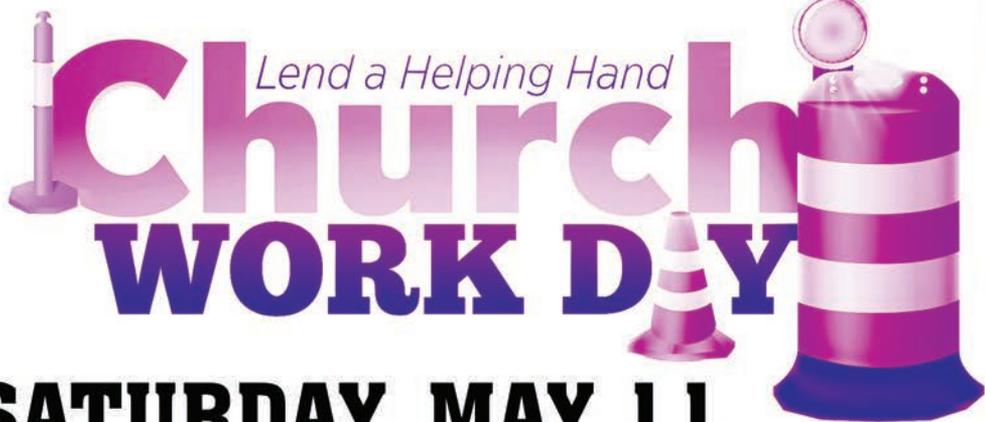
WEEKLY WORDS DUE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

7:00pm | Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 16

8:00am | Men's Breakfast
11:00am | Twin Lakes Eucharist
7:00pm | Courage to Change



Lend a Helping Hand
Church
WORK DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Come help us get ready to open the

COMFORTER HOUSE
AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM.

We are partnering with
Benevolence Farm to provide affordable
childcare for struggling families.

Please call or text Jocelyn
at 336-260-7557 if
you can clean / paint
at Comforter House.

10-2PM





NEXT ECW MEETING IS **11:00AM**
MONDAY, MAY 13
IN SMALL DINING ROOM

ECW

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

The ECW will gather on May 13 at 11:00
in the Small Dining Room
for the **ANNUAL LUNCHEON.**

**EVERYONE IS ASKED TO BRING A SALAD
OR DESSERT OF THEIR CHOICE TO SHARE.**

This will be the
FINAL MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER.
It is a chance to
celebrate a good year.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US

MEN'S BREAKFAST AT TWIN LAKES

8AM - BREAKFAST | THURSDAYS | 9AM - MESSAGE

THURSDAY, MAY 16 | SPEAKER: MINDY ROBINSON

The speaker for the Men's Breakfast Program on May 16th will be Mindy Robinson, Administrative Director of the Newlin Partnership. Mindy has been the director for the past year and came to us from the western part of the state.

She is a native of Charlotte and received her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Gardner-Webb University. She will be talking about her position as Administrative Director, the responsibilities she holds and discussing the inner workings of the Partnership within Newlin Elementary.

She and her husband, Chase moved to Burlington in 2020. Chase is Senior Pastor at our neighboring First Baptist Church in downtown Burlington. They have two children.

TWIN LAKES

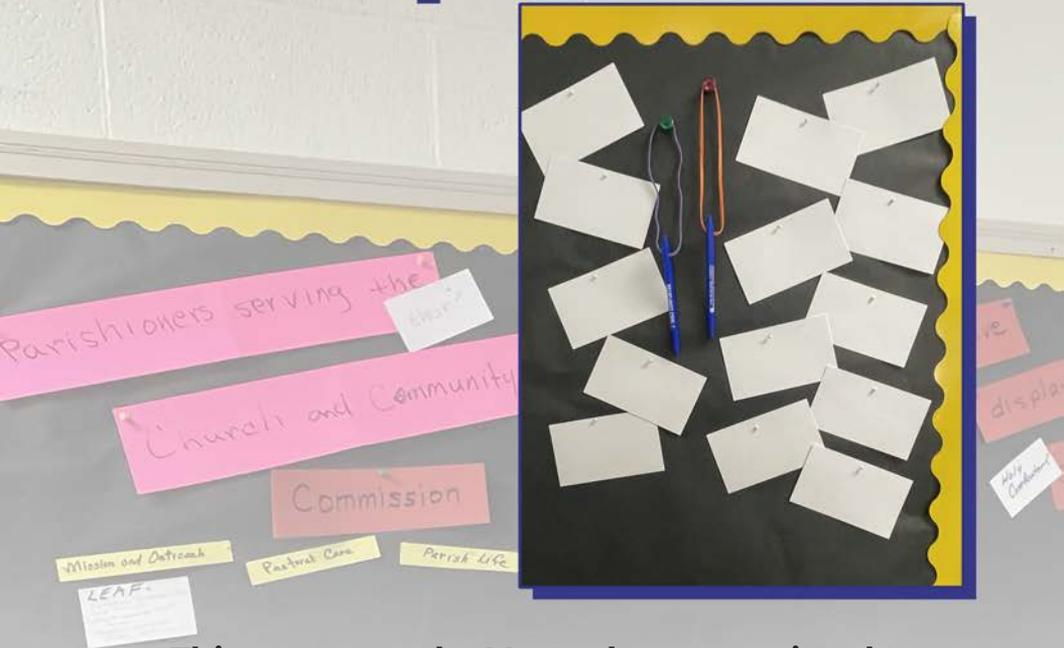
8AM for breakfast | 8:45 for the program
Coble Rehabilitation Center

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

transparency



This past year the Vestry has committed to transparency. We're asking the parishioners to join us in this transparency.

The bulletin board in the hall by the rector's office is prepared for all parishioners and newcomers to interact, to be transparent with how they see their church now and in the future.

Pens and 3X5 cards are on the bulletin board for your use. Add items, suggest ending some activities/events/etc., suggest changing some activities/events/etc.

JOIN US TRANSITIONING INTO THE CHURCH WE DESIRE TO BE.

Carol Thornell
VESTRY: MISSION & OUTREACH



You Are the Prayer

From our training we read

Thessalonians 1:1-12 and learned:

“God is the one who has called you to this ministry and God’s power will bring about healing, wholeness and hope in your care receivers’ lives. As God works through you, your caregiving will bring glory to God.”

If you want to know more about Stephen Ministry or to receive care contact

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You are the prayer
On which my wings rise
Filling me with rapture
That lifts me to the skies,
Enfolding me with love
That heals my every pain
Until my inner spirit
Is free and whole again,
Blessing me with gentle thoughts
That radiate such light
I inwardly can see again
With spirit’s blessed sight.
There is no greater gift
That you could give to me
Than lifting me with prayer
So I can simply *be!*

AUGUSTINE LITERACY PROJECT NEWS

Within the span of one week the Augustine Literacy Project lost two of its reading tutors, Miriam David Brown and Meike Cryan.

Dr. Miriam David Brown died after a sudden illness on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, in Burlington, NC at age 78. Miriam was an ALP tutor for two years from 2021-2023. She is survived by her husband, Ned Brown, who is a current reading tutor. Ned and Miriam moved to Twin Lakes in 2020 after many years in Lexington, KY, where she was a medical doctor.

Meike Cryan died at Twin Lakes on Monday, May 6, 2024, at age 85 after a short illness. Meike began her service as an ALP tutor in 2018. She was born in Germany on August 29, 1935, and moved to Twin Lakes in 2010 where she was an active bridge player, mystery reader, history scholar, volunteer librarian, and an ALP reading tutor.



This is why we Sing!

Presented by



50th Anniversary Program

MAY 21, 2024 AT 7:30PM | FREE ADMISSION

St. Mark's Community Church, 1230 St Marks Church Rd, Burlington, NC 27215



North
Carolina
Arts
Council

INCLUDING SOME OF
OUR VERY OWN
CHURCH MEMBERS

*Jim McAdams
Nelson &
Dale Young*

Featuring Guest Artists:

- The Burlington Boys Choir directs by Bill Allred
- Linda Cykert, *flute*
- Karl Ronnevik, *cello*
- Erin Studstill Lopp and Jim Brandt, *percussion*
- Alumni Singers, Directors, and Accompanists are invited to join us for selected pieces.

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