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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

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.

This week at Holy Comforter

SUNDAY, MAY 11

8:00am	Breakfast Ministry	<i>Great Hall</i>
8:15am	HE Rite II	<i>Sanctuary</i>
9:30am	Children's Chapel	<i>3rd flr. Atrium</i>
9:45am	Choir Rehearsal	<i>Choir Room</i>
10:30am	HE Rite II	<i>Sanctuary</i>
11:30am	Coffee / Lemonade in the	<i>Parlor</i>

MONDAY, MAY 12

11:00am	ECW	<i>Twin Lakes</i>
6:00pm	Vestry Meeting	<i>Small Dining Rm.</i>
7:00pm	Courage to Change	<i>Parish House</i>

TUESDAY, MAY 13

Weekly Word Articles Due

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	<i>Choir Room</i>
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THURSDAY, MAY 15

8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Grp.	<i>Twin Lakes</i>
11:00 am	Twin Lakes Eucharist	<i>Twin Lakes</i>
7:00 pm	Courage to Change	<i>Parish House</i>

Lay Ministers for May 11

VERGER

Steven Swanner

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Christin Baker

READERS

8:15am

Joseph Keith

10:30am

Martha Stewart, Meredith Patterson

USHERS

8:15am

Paula Boyd

10:30am

Peter and Susan Klopman

ACOLYTES

8:15am

Curt Odem

10:30am

Kathy Hykes, Meredith Patterson

Wesley Swanner

CHALICISTS
CRUCIFER

Mourine Todd

LEFT TORCH

William Swanner

RIGHT TORCH

Caitlyn Todd

GOSPEL BEARER

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:30am

Jocelyn Safrit

PRESENTER

Amy Hess

ASSISTANT

VESTRY

Julie Swanner, Alex Stevens

FLOWER GUILD

Betty Brown, Brad Lingerfelt, Julie Smith

ALTAR GUILD

Joanne McClusky, Cheryl Miner, Tish Murray, Susan Ryan, Julie Smith, Nancy Smith, Rosemarie Walton

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Gretchen Peet, Martha Stewart, Debra Scott, William Swanner, Mary Telander

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

May 16 - The Rev. Dr. Rhonda M. Lee

ECW: Episcopal Church Women

Monday, May 12

at **Twin Lakes Suppony Lounge**
11AM - GATHER | 11:30AM - LUNCH

The ECW will have its spring salad and dessert pot-luck luncheon on Monday, May 12 in the Saponi Lounge in Twin Lakes located in the clubhouse of the Saponi area of Twin Lakes. Use the entrance off Church Street and tell the guard where you are going. They will give you directions, "Go straight on Wade Coble Drive, over 3 speed bumps then the clubhouse is on the left". There is plenty of parking and easily handicapped accessible.

ALL women at Holy Comforter are members of ECW, INVITED to the luncheon and asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Homemade is not necessary. We will begin to gather with our Twin Lakes friends at 11:00 and eat at 11:30. If you can't bring food come along any way, Holy Comforter never runs out of food. Audrey Deadmon and Emily Hackney are hostesses for no business, just fun.

All women are invited to join us!

Look forward to seeing you, *Shara*
Call *Shara Partin*,
(919) 801-1234 for any questions

ECW
EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

Men's Breakfast Group at Twin Lakes

THE COBLE ROOM • COBLE CREEK REHABILITATION CENTER

Thursday, May 15 • 8am, breakfast • 9am message

SPEAKER: The Rev. Dr. Rhonda M. Lee

On Thursday May 15th, Rector Rhonda Lee will lead us in a discussion of prayer. How do we pray? What new ways have we tried lately, and on what time-tested prayers and ways do we rely? Different people will answer these questions differently, so let's talk about it!

Rhonda is the author of *Seek and You Will Find: Discovering a Practice of Prayer* (Forward Movement, 2021).

QUESTIONS, CONTACT:

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Looking forward to being with you all there.



**MEN'S
BREAKFAST**

YOUTH

Sunday

MAY 18

Come enjoy all the young
people participate in the
10:30am service!
Picnic / cookout
in the grove following
the church service.

We will recognize
Max Fitzpatrick
who is graduating
from High School.



We will share another
milestone with all of
you as **KEYON**
(Colleen & Larry Steven's grandson)
will be baptized May 18.

Bring a lawn chair, and bring your appetites.
Bouncy slide, games, tatoos, etc.

Let's celebrate the end of the school year!

Celebrate Malachi's adoption on Pentecost Sunday!

During the 10:30 Eucharist on **Pentecost Sunday, June 8th**, our parish will bless the recent adoption of Malachi by Adam Scarboro and Brad Lingerfelt. Please plan to attend that service to participate in the blessing.

After the service, there will be a celebration in the Great Hall: an opportunity for Brad, Adam, and Malachi's church family, and their family and friends outside Holy Comforter, to rejoice together.

The family will provide some main dishes and other food. If you would like to bring a dish of any kind to share, please do. Dishes can be dropped off in the church kitchen before the 10:30 Eucharist.

**We look forward to celebrating God's gift
of the Holy Spirit to the church,
and to rejoicing with our brothers in Christ!**

Holy Comforter Endowment BOARD

Applications for Endowment Fund Distributions

Thanks to the generosity of the parish, the Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter endowment is currently just under \$725,000 (combination of the General Endowment and Gant Endowment for Maintenance). The Endowment BOARD has approved a 3% distribution for 2025.

The Vestry requested support for the following ministries: Allied Churches, Youth Christian Formation, Adult Christian Formation, Newlin Partnership, Stephen Ministry, Various Maintenance Projects.

The Endowment BOARD is currently accepting proposals (typically ranging from \$500 to \$5,000) from parishioners and parish committees/groups for distribution during 2025. Distributions from the endowment are restricted to mission and outreach, specific capital needs, and other purposes that support the mission and goals of the church.

The application form is available from the parish administrator or from the Endowment Fund website.

The due date for applications is June 15, 2025.

The website is found at the following link:
www.holycomforterburlington.org/endowment.

Parish Members of the Endowment BOARD

- Cheryl Dickey, *At Large*
- Pete Glidewell, *At Large - Secretary*
- Pat House, *Vestry*
- Steven House, *At Large - Chair*
- Chappy Moser, *At Large*
- Julie Swanner, *Sr. Warden - Ex Officio*
- Rhonda Lee, *Rector - Ex Officio*

The Endowment BOARD wishes to thank everyone who made gifts to the endowment and for the positive impact your support is having on Holy Comforter.



Holy Comforter is looking to expand our team of nursery workers. Our current workers are skilled and faithful, and we need more! Time commitments could vary from a few Sundays a month to serving as a substitute from time to time. We're open to talking about the possibilities.

Workers must be at least 18 years old, and a background check and (paid) Safe Church training are required. We currently pay \$15.00 per hour.

If you might be interested, or know someone who would, please contact Rhonda. (rlee@hc-b.org)

Thank you!



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Christ caring for people through people

We are accepting applications from those who are interested in becoming Stephen Ministers. Our schedule will be determined by the availability of those who apply and are accepted in the next training session.

Entering in a relationship with a person needing care will not only help him or her, but will change the life of the Stephen Minister. Be part of this life changing experience. Do contact Rene Burgess or Paula Boyd to express your interest and to receive an interest in training.

Become a Stephen Minister.

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Prayers of the People

SYMPATHIES

For the repose of the soul of Joaquin Campos, for the comfort of his family and friends including Julia Buffington. (pronounced "Wah-keen")

For the repose of the soul of Bonnie Honeycutt, for the comfort of her family & friends, including Cherry Wrenn.

MEMBERS

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

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Edward Pellicano - *Cat Sykes' Uncle*

Mike Dupree - *Friend of Julie Smith*

Joanne & Bob Flower - *Friends of Maryanne Shanahan & Bill Amidon*

Jennifer Petty - *Les Plumb's daughter*

Charley Jones - *Les Plumb's great-granddaughter*

Ann Jennings - *Sandy Gerow's friend*

Eileen Civin - *Jim McAdams friend*

Ann McKinney - *Sarah Moore's cousin*

Dennis Campbell - *Brenda Poole's son-in-law*

Thomas & Jean Cummins - *Ron Driscoll's friends*

Devin Day - *David Day's brother*

Annie Griner - *Connie Griner's daughter-in-law*

Richard Lehman - *Gary Schilke's friend*

Gus Holbrook - *Julie & Steven Swanner's friend*

Janet and Bill Bates - *Derek Bates' parents*

Allison - *Ren Bryan's daughter-in-law*

Terry Babin - *Elizabeth Hansen's friend*

Lisa Daniels - *Julia Buffington's friend*

Pat Harwood - *Amy Hess' mother*

Lavette Morgan - *Angie Boone's former mother-in-law*

Brynja Bowman, Jeff Safrit - *Jocelyn Safrit's niece & brother-in-law*

Aubrey Henderson - *Nancy Powell's great granddaughter*

Patricia Holt Langston - *Nancy Powell's granddaughter*



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