



# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA  
MAY 28, 2023

## WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE HILLS!

We are so glad that you are here. If you are a guest among us, we invite you to complete a Connection Card in the pew rack so that we might connect with you further. More information about our parish is available online at [www.stmaryofthehills.org](http://www.stmaryofthehills.org).

Members of our Vestry (*elected lay leadership*) are identified by name tags with yellow lanyards. Seek them out for information about our congregation's life and ministry.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

**PENTECOST PICNIC** - Let's enjoy time together and welcome back our seasonal members at a picnic today following the 10:10AM service. Thank you to the Men's Breakfast group who is providing the meat and vegetarian options and those who are bringing the side dishes and desserts.

### SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFERINGS

• **Godly Play** - Children of all ages are invited to join us at 9:00AM in the St. Luke room for Godly Play. This week, we'll be telling the story of Pentecost.

**PARISH WORKDAY** - On Saturday, June 3rd, beginning at 8:30AM, we are having a parish workday. One group will work inside and the other outside. Please bring a rake, shovel and/or a wheelbarrow if you plan to work outside. Coffee and donuts will be provided. This is a great opportunity for fellowship and fun! If you have questions, please contact Bob Finney, Junior Warden at [finneyb1@mac.com](mailto:finneyb1@mac.com).

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) REGISTRATION OPEN** - This year, we will be partnering with our friends at Rumble Presbyterian for Vacation Bible School June 12-16. Children ages 4-10 (pre-K to entering 5th grade) are invited to register. Sign up and learn more at [rumblechurch.org](http://rumblechurch.org). A limited number of spots remain so please register your child or grandchild as soon as possible.

**COFFEE MINUTE VOLUNTEERS** - Volunteers are needed to host Sunday morning Coffee Minute, following the 10:10AM Eucharist. More information and a sign-up sheet are in the Parish Hall.

**TIMELESS TREASURES** - JoAnn Hallmark, this year's tour chair, joins her voice with Patty Patella's in asking you to please bring your unused treasures to the church to be sold at our Tour of Homes Timeless Treasure sale on July 28th. We need many more treasures! Please contact Patty Patella with questions.

**TAKE MITCHELL TO LUNCH** - In a few weeks' time, we will welcome Mitchell Eithun, our Seminary Intern from Duke Divinity School. One way to meet and spend time with him is to share a meal with him following worship on Sunday - a sign-up sheet with availability for his summer Sundays is available in the Parish Hall.

**FRIENDS OF MUSIC SUMMER/FALL CONCERT SERIES AND SOLEMN EVENSONGS:** All begin at 3:00PM in the Nave.

- June 4 – Liam Purcell, Bluegrass
- June 25 – Solemn Evensong with guest organist Joe Causby
- July 2 – Alicia Chapman, oboe
- July 9 – St. Mary's Choral Scholars concert
- August 20 – Solemn Evensong for the Feast of St. Mary the Virgin
- Aug. 27 – Tyler Dellaperutti, piano
- Sept. 24 – ASU Horn quartet
- Oct. 29 – Bair Shagdaron, piano
- Nov. 5 – Solemn Evensong for the Feast of All Souls

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of Clare Elizabeth Placentra.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

**For the Church:** Michael our Presiding Bishop, José our Bishop, Andrew, Sam and Gary our clergy, for our Vestry and staff, and for all the people of this parish.

**In our Parish Prayer Cycle, we remember this week:**

5/28 Lynne Bell  
5/29 Zach and Julia Bennett, Grace  
5/30 Leslie Billingsley and Mitch Mitchell  
5/31 James Blane  
6/01 Natalie Bovino and KenJohnson, Lula  
6/02 Nioucha Branstrom, Isabelle, Sebastien  
6/03 Jim Brooks

**In our Diocesan cycle of prayer:** Camp Henry and all the children and youth of the diocese

**For our nation and those in positions of public trust:** Joseph, our President, Roy, our Governor, all those who hold elected office.

**For those affected by natural disaster,** most especially those impacted by storms, tornadoes, earthquakes, and floods.

**For all who suffer from war throughout the world** and especially for the people of Ukraine and Russia, the Korean peninsula, Yemen, Ethiopia, and the Sudan.

**For healing:** Amy Nimens, Nancy, Ann Greene, Beau Wilson, Greg, Gary and Judy Gloster, Bob Barham, Louann Kitchell, Cat Carter, Joe Dyer, Elizabeth Young, Kathy, Cindy K., Haydee Mojica de Santiago, Megan, Benjamin, Doug, Maria, Lauren Lillian, Tamara, Logan, Dale, Sue M., Patty, Cliff Minor, Mary M., Kel Williams, Darlene, Chris B., Crystal, Lucy, Betty, Donna, Dale, Pat R., Lanny Pritchard, Barbara, Bruce B., Tom, Julie

*\*\*\*Please note that the names on this list will remain for four weeks,  
unless the office is notified that the person(s) needs to remain on the list for a longer period of time.\*\*\**

**For those who have died:** Derek Jackson

**For those with other concerns:** Danielle, Cierra and Gary W., Louis A.

**For safe pregnancy and delivery:** Molly, Debbie Giovara, Emma Unkovic, Bre Lawler, Amy Shelton, Darrow, Caitlyn, Lauren, Paige

**For those celebrating a birthday this week:**

5/28 Katy Strand  
5/29 Donna Devereux  
5/31 Torre Hinnant, Tina McKnight  
6/03 Bryan Crutcher

**For those celebrating an anniversary this week:**

5/29 Dick and Louann Kitchell  
6/01 John and Patti Turner