


What is Happening at St. Francis of Assisi?

St. Francis of Assisi Church Office Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (803) 345-1550 Website: StFrancisChapin.org	Fr. Doug Graul (803) 730-0629 frdoug@stfrancischapin.org	Articles for Insert Send to: stfrchapin@stfrancischapin.org
Prayer List <i>Dan Berglund; Nell Bowers & Family; Rhonda Corley; Landon Derrick; Dee Every; Jane Faherty; Lannie Mack Finley; John & Eva Grabowski; Robert, Mistie & Anna Grabowski; Delores Hawkins; John Hawkins; Becky Herring; Dottie Hogan; Anita Icenhour; Millie Jackson; Alecia Klauk; Jessica Maddox; Barbara McKellar & Family; Craig Murray and Family; Dick Nace; Charles & Judi Neubecker; Kevin Norton & Family;; Kevin Pitts; Diana Powers; Gerda Sessions; Cyndi Smith; Steve Sparrow; Cherry Stokes; Andrew Todd; Mac Truffer; Kathy Unger; Sharon Vanzant; Douglass Wade; David Wythe.</i>		
<p>“Wow! That looks nothing like you!” Please help make the new edition of the St Francis Directory an attractive, useful tool for identifying and communicating with one another. Send a photo as an attachment to email to pblichty@yahoo.com or pictures@stfrancischapin.org. or leave a photo (Make sure your name is on the back so it can be returned to you.) in the Communications mailbox at Church. If these options are not available to you, call Pam Lichty, 443 386 6047, to arrange to have a photo taken or picked up at your home. Thank you to all who have already submitted their photo. The deadline for photo submission is Friday, August 8th.</p>	<div></div> <p>We will be having our annual backpack blessing to kick off the school year Sunday, August 10th during the 10:30 service. Father Doug will be making this a special occasion for all students and teachers returning back to school. Join us after the service for a special celebration.</p>	
<p>Our Youth Group is planning a day trip to Neptune Island - a fun waterpark in Hartsville, SC. We will be going on Saturday, August 23rd. We will leave from church at 9 a.m. and our return time to the church will be 5 p.m. Youth tickets will be provided by St. Francis; we just ask that you send your kid with money for lunch and snacks. Parents and other children in the family are welcome to join as well! Please RSVP to Courtney Hood (803) 553-6047 by Monday, August 18 so we can purchase the correct amount of youth tickets. Transportation will be provided for the youth if needed - just let us know when you RSVP.</p>		
<p>Rector’s & Deacon’s Discretionary Funds</p> <p>Loose offerings collected on the first Sunday of each month are designated for the Rector's Discretionary Fund, and loose offerings on the second Sunday of each month are designated for the Deacon's Discretionary Fund. Designated offerings to either of these funds may be made at any time.</p>	<p>Chapin We Care August Most Needed</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Corn Muffin Mix2. Vienna Sausages3. Soup (All Sizes & Flavors)4. Instant Potatoes5. Pancake Mix & Syrup6. Beans7. Ramen Noodles8. Snack Foods9. Crackers10. Grits <p>Please place donations in the wagon in the Connector.</p>	
<p>Church Chicks Tuesday, August 5 5:30 p.m. at Tonella’s in Ballentine Contact Janice Bryan at (803) 518-1519</p>		
<p>Welcome Guests!</p> <p>If you are visiting with us today, we would like to invite you to join us for coffee and refreshments in the Parish Hall. A Warm Welcome Session is offered quarterly for visitors, guests and newcomers.</p>		

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St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church - Fellowship Hall
735 Old Lexington Hwy, Chapin SC
Saturday, September 13th 2025

Meal Packing arrive at 8:30am Clean Up 11:30am

Please REGISTER ONLINE using the link below (**case sensitive**)

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/StFrancisAssisi2025>

Call 803-727-4513 or 803-345-1550 for more information.



Highlights from the July 2024 Vestry Meeting

- The Annual Meeting Date was set for December 7th.
- There was a discussion about our Soulful Suppers learning series. Both of our first two were deemed successful. We would like to see better attendance from the broader community.
- We are in the very early stages of forming a Safety Team for the Church. The overall purpose is to provide medical and other safety procedures for the protection of our congregation. Initial formative members have been identified. There's much more to come as this team continues to develop.
- A contract has been signed with Springhill Construction to enclose the two open porches on each side of the Thrift Shop. The goal is to create a more comfortable work environment for our volunteers.
- The Church continues to operate in a positive financial environment, with received pledges meeting budget expectations and covering our expenses.

A full recap of the Minutes and documentation will be posted in the mailroom once approved by the Vestry.

Any questions can be directed to Martin Wingard - Senior Warden



Join us on August 13, 6:00 p.m. Soulful Suppers presents: "Fraud Prevention, Don't Be the Next Victim" – T. K. Woods, Vice President of First Community Bank will focus on banking fraud and staying vigilant to protect your financial information and assets.
Sign up in Fellowship Hall or RSVP at reservations@stfrancischapin.org.

Calendar of events in the life of St. Francis of Assisi

Today	8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
	9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Wednesday	Noon Bulletin Deadline
	8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
	9:00 a.m. Coffee with Clergy
Thursday	10:00 a.m. Grief Share
	5:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting
Friday	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open
Saturday	10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open
Sunday	8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
	9:30 a.m. Sunday School
	Backpack Blessing

Upcoming Events

August 11 6:30 p.m. Building and Grounds Meeting