

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										
<p>Our youth group is planning a day trip to Neptune Island - a fun waterpark in Hartsville, SC. We will be going on Saturday, July 26. We will leave from church at 9am and our return time to the church will be 5pm. Kids tickets will be provided by St Francis Youth, 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 July 21 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>Adult Acolytes Needed</p> <p>Remember the "Good old days" when you were a teen and participating in the service as an acolyte? Or, if you have never had the opportunity to acolyte, and want to feel the exhilaration of being an intimate part of the worship service, here is your chance. The 4th and 5th Sundays are in need of an Acolyte to carry the Gospel, during the processional at the beginning of the service into the church, during the Gospel reading, and during the recessional at the end of the service. Training would be provided by Deacon Ann. Your service would be needed 2 to 3 times a year. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this much desired need. See Deacon Ann.</p>	<p>Calling All Campers</p> <p>The Unofficial 3rd Annual Camping Event at Dreher Island State Park is scheduled for Tuesday-Friday, October 14-17. The Burnetts and Edgertons have sites 12 and 20, reserved and would love for anyone else who loves to camp to join us. If you have an RV, reserve your site. If you have a tent, you are welcome to pitch it at one of our sites. As usual, there will be a cookout on Wednesday, October 15. More details on that in October. If you have any questions, see Sally, Terry, John or Lynn!</p>											
<p>Newcomers Warm Welcome</p> <p>Visitors and Newcomers are encouraged to attend a Newcomers Warm Welcome session. Two sessions will be offered on Sunday July 13. The first session begins at 9:30 a.m. and will finish by 10:20 a.m., to allow attendance at either Sunday morning service. The second session will follow the 10:30 a.m. service. (Attend only one session). A brief history of St. Francis and overview of our ministries will be offered as well as an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and discuss individual needs. Please meet John and Lynn Edgerton at coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall and we will walk to the library together. If you need more information, please contact Lynn Wythe at (803) 730-8700 or USCFAN1981@aol.com.</p>												
<p>Chapin We Care July Most Needed</p> <table><tr><td>1. Corn Muffin Mix</td><td>6. Beans</td></tr><tr><td>2. Vienna Sausages</td><td>7. Ramen Noodles</td></tr><tr><td>3. Soup (All Sizes & Flavors)</td><td>8. Canned Fruit</td></tr><tr><td>4. Instant Potatoes</td><td>9. Syrup</td></tr><tr><td>5. Spaghetti Sauce</td><td>10. Jam/Jelly</td></tr></table> <p>Please place donations in the wagon in the Connector.</p>	1. Corn Muffin Mix	6. Beans	2. Vienna Sausages	7. Ramen Noodles	3. Soup (All Sizes & Flavors)	8. Canned Fruit	4. Instant Potatoes	9. Syrup	5. Spaghetti Sauce	10. Jam/Jelly	<p>Our Church Nursery is open and in need of volunteers. Please see Diane Henry to volunteer for the Nursery. Sundays 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>Join us on July 16, 6:00 p.m. Soulful Suppers presents: “Hospice and Palliative Care” – Greg Estes, the Executive Director of South Carolina Lutheran Hospice, will make an informative presentation on Hospice and Palliative Care options, providing guidance for those considering these programs. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or RSVP at reservations@stfrancischapin.org.</p>	
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<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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Prayer List

Dan Berglund; Rhonda Corley; Landon Derrick; Jane Faherty; Lannie Mack Finley; Christopher Grabowski; John & Eva Grabowski; Robert, Mistie & Anna Grabowski; Delores Hawkins; John Hawkins; Becky Herring; Dottie Hogan; Anita Icenhour; Millie Jackson; Karen Kays; Alecia Klauk; Barbara McKellar & Family; Robert Modzel; Craig Murray and Family; Dick Nace; Charles & Judi Neubecker; Kevin Norton & Family; Shawn Oana; Kevin Pitts; Diana Powers; Cyndi Smith; Steve Sparrow; Cherry Stokes; Jim Swift; Andrew Todd; Mac Truffer; Kathy Unger; Sharon Vanzant; Douglass Wade; David Wythe.

Highlights of the June Vestry Meeting: (submitted by Martin Wingard, Sr. Warden)

- Fr. Doug will be on vacation from June 30 - July 6.
- Based on the quality of the HR Taskforce's ongoing work, the Vestry has decided to transition them to a Committee with the Sr. Warden as the Liaison. We are looking forward to all the continuing professional contributions from Jim Swan, Katie Whitten, and Bert Floyd.
- We still have an open position for a Nursery Attendant.
- There was a lively discussion regarding our continuing learning series, Soulful Suppers. There is a lot of excitement being generated, and final details are being put into place and communicated internally and to the broader community.
- ST. FRANCIS NEEDS YOU !! We need help in the following areas: Hospitality after Sunday services (see Mary Hanzlick/Amy Warren). Nursery assistants until an attendant is hired (see Diane Henry). Chapin Labor Day Parade. Does anyone have a vehicle and utility trailer (or pontoon) that could be decorated for our entry in the parade? (see Jayne Bradley)
- In a collaboration between St. Francis and Chapin We Care Center, a storage shed (purchased by We Care) for storing non-perishable food has been placed on the left side of the Thrift Shop building. This provides We Care with much-needed space to supply their growing ministry.

A copy of the entire Vestry Minutes for June will be posted in the mailroom once the Minutes are approved by the Vestry.

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
Monday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Summer Camp
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Summer Camp
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
	9:00 a.m. Coffee with Clergy
	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Summer Camp
	5:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Summer Camp
	10:00 a.m. Grief Share
	6:30 p.m. Bible Study
Friday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Summer Camp
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
	9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Newcomer Warm Welcome

Upcoming Events

July 14-18	Summer Camp Week 2
July 14	Cemetery Meeting
	Building & Grounds Meeting
July 15	Marketing Meeting
July 16	Soulful Supper: Hospice and Palliative Care

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