



From the Rafters

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Our Mission

We are a people rooted in worship, branching out into the world.

Reflections on Winter and Searching

For about thirty years now, I haven't been a fan of winter. I've always felt born for summertime—for lazy afternoons near the water, sandals on my feet, and a healthy dose of Vitamin D every day.

Winter is growing on me, though, for somewhat unexpected reasons. In recent years I've noticed that in winter—when the trees are bare of their leaves and the world lies just a little more still—it is easier to see the horizon, easier to appreciate the warmth of a patch of sunlight, and easier to hear the sound of approaching footsteps or the whistle of a passing train. So much light and sound is more apparent in the middle of winter.

At Christmas Eve services at Resurrection, we sing a hymn together titled “In the Bleak Midwinter.” The song refers to a time when “earth stood hard as iron” and it often makes me think about these long, dark months of winter after Christmas has passed and we are mostly carrying on, keeping the faith until springtime. What could this hymn speak to me as a member of our parish family in the middle of winter?

Our winter here seems both literal and figurative; not only are the trees outside bare of green and birdsong, but the loss of our deeply loved rector last summer was a tremendous one. I suspect I haven't been alone in wondering how we would go about our business without him; how could Resurrection fill such a great void? Who else would we find to lead us forward, always

believing with perpetual hope in our goodness as the people of God?

There is a verse in that familiar midwinter hymn:

*What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part,
Yet what I can, I give Him—give my heart.*

As I aim to draw nearer to God in this season of cold and waiting and uncertainty, I hear myself wondering less how we will go on and wondering far more what I can give Him. I hope you hear yourself wondering this, too. What will we, the good people of God, do during this season to sustain one another in good health and to carry forward the life-changing love of God? Perhaps our search at this time could not only be for a parish rector, but also could be a search of our own hearts and of our own abilities to do the work of God as the people of God.

Heaven cannot contain our God; after change upon change at Resurrection He has remained Emmanuel, “God with us.” I hope you will join me this midwinter, when light and sound are so much more apparent, in seeking to see and hear ways you might give to Him in our common life together at Resurrection.

~ Laura Beth Brooks



Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 13 at 11:00 AM

After a combined service of Holy Eucharist at 10:00, we'll remain together to review the year 2018 and consider plans for the year ahead. Leaders of our parish will report on its ministries, finances, and other business matters. We will select our new vestry members and convention delegates as well.

This year we are blessed with four outstanding nominees for vestry as follows:

Reva Long Davis is a Greenwood native. She has attended Resurrection for 13 years. Reva is a Physical Education teacher at Lakeview Elementary and has taught in Greenwood District 50 for the past twenty-two years. She chose to teach because she felt it was the path God had planned for her. Teaching allows Reva the opportunity to make a positive mark on each child's life. In 2016-17 she was honored as Teacher of the Year at Lakeview and received "December Heart Print" award for Greenwood 50.



Reva is married to Stephen Davis and they have three children, Lainey, Jacob, and Abbie Jules. She and Stephen were drawn to Church of the Resurrection because of Reverend Peter Hawes and the warm welcome of church members. She has enjoyed serving in the Nursery, Greeters, and Hospitality ministries, as well as several formation and parish life events.

Shana Southard-Dobbs has been a member of the Church of the Resurrection since 2017. A long-time member of the United Methodist Church, Shana found her home in the Episcopal Church when she relocated to Greenwood



from the Dallas-Ft. Worth metroplex. Shana completed her Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology at the University of North Texas and joined the faculty of Lander University as Assistant

Professor of Psychology in 2016. At the Church of the Resurrection, Shana is an active participant in the parish's music ministries, singing alto in the choir and small ensembles, and serving as cantor for Lenten evening prayer services. Shana also feels called to do God's work in the realm of social justice, including working toward racial justice. To that end, Shana is an active participant in *Be the Bridge*, an ecumenical organization that fosters racial justice and racial reconciliation through the lens of the gospel message. Shana lives in Greenwood with her spouse, Benjamin Dobbs, and their dog Tannhäuser.

Robin Morgan Lanford is a physician at Self Regional Hospital. She and her husband, Jeff, have been worshipping at Resurrection for the past two or three years. She has facilitated bible studies for over 15 years at St. Mark UMC and is an avid reader. She and Jeff have two adult children, Hayes and Savannah.



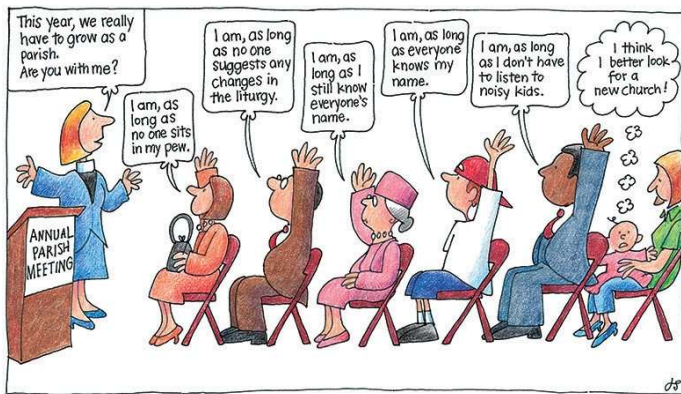
Rick Green has attended Church of the Resurrection for the past twelve years. He is a graduate of Wofford College with a Bachelor's Degree in History and Clemson University with a



Master's Degree in City and Regional Planning. Since 1994, he has worked at Upper Savannah Council of Governments. Rick also serves on the United Center for Community Care board and the Upper Savannah Land Trust board of directors.

Our vestry delegates to the Diocesan Convention include Cathy Robertson, Jan Puzar, Craig Church and Dawn Puderbaugh-Hodges.

Make plans to attend this important meeting following our worship. Children's Worship will take place as usual during our service, and childcare will be provided during the meeting.



Epiphany Formation – Sundays at 9:30

Traditional Adult Forum in Emmaus Hall

Programming will resume on January 27. Details will be available in upcoming bulletin and email announcements.

Parents' Forum – Bride's Room

Parents of children and youth are invited to participate in an Epiphany Bible Study beginning Sunday, January 27, 2019. For six Sundays, a lay volunteer will select one or more of the Sunday lectionary readings and lead the group's reflections upon it. This is a casual gathering meant to foster friendship, support, and communication among parents. We hope you'll join us.

Children's Program – Sunday School Rooms

Kids will resume their Sunday school program on January 27, focusing on stories of Jesus' ministry and miracles. Each Sunday features a humorous animated video, bible reading, and related craft or activity.

EYC Parents' Meeting



Parents of youth (6th-12th grade) are invited to gather in the Youth Room after the 10:30 service on Sunday, January 27, for a meeting to set a winter/spring schedule for EYC formation and fellowship programs. Bring your calendars and creativity!



**EYC Youth Basketball
Greenwood Family YMCA –**

Come out and support our teams!

Girls Peak Basketball:

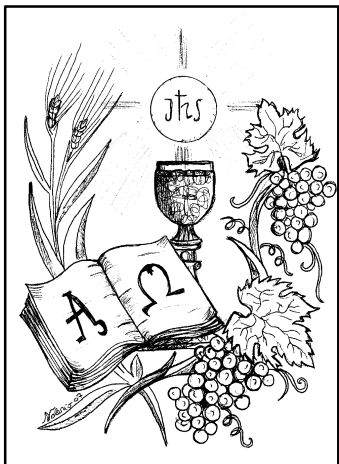
Sunday, January 13, 2:15 PM, Our Lady/COR vs First Presbyterian

Jr Boys Basketball:

Friday, January 11, 6:45 PM, COR vs St. Mark

Senior Boys Basketball:

Sunday, January 13, 4:30 PM, COR vs Our Lady

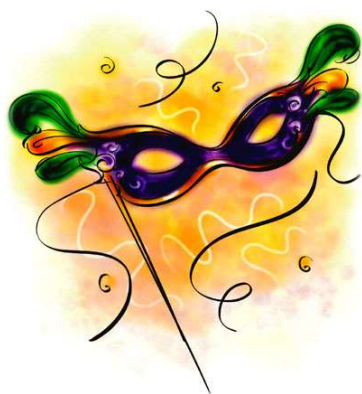


Holy Communion at Wesley Commons

Tues., January 15,
11:00 AM
Private Dining
Room

Bring a friend; all are
welcome and all
baptized persons are

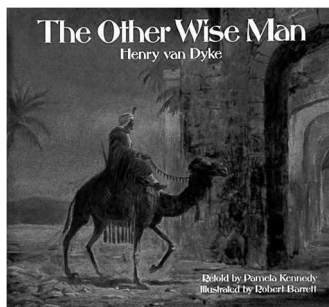
invited to receive. Lunch together usually
follows.



Save the Date:
Beads and
Bling:
A Mardi
Gras Thing
March 2

Picture Book Theology

The Other Wise Man by Henry Van Dyke, retold
for younger audiences by Pamela Kennedy



The Other Wise Man is
the story of a fourth
magi, Artaban, who
sought the newborn
Son of God. He arrived
just a little too late to
join his three friends
but continued his

search for many years. Throughout his
relentless quest, Artaban is frequently diverted
to attend to the needs of others. He is
nonetheless successful in meeting Christ face
to face.

The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ does not
end with the magi's discovery. It is a life-long
journey in his footsteps. The Other Wise Man
goes beyond our beloved "We Three Kings"
story and shows how we might discover Christ
throughout the year. Individuals and families
are invited to borrow this and many other
books from the Children's Bookshelf located in
the nook near the Marion Avenue exit from the
parish building.

The Altar Flowers/greenery are given to the Glory of God and:

January 6: in memory of Mary and Edward K. Sanders and James and Julia Graham **by Jane and Edward Sanders, Jr.**

January 13: in memory of Thomas Elliott Webb **by Ms. Dyan Webb.**

January 20: in memory of Laura Latimer Bolton **by the Gillespie Family.**

January 27: in memory of Richard R. Jayne **by Christine Jayne.**

The Presence Candle: given in memory of my grandparents, John Morpott Piercy, Sr. and Anita Dorcey Mason Piercy and John Burl Eskridge and Mary Elizabeth Calvin Eskridge **by Jean E. Shirley.**

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Ushers/Greeters	Adrian Little 223-0027/ a.p.little@live.com

Resurrection Celebrates with You

BIRTHDAYS

01 – Wells Anderson
 02 – John Russell
 07 – Paul Bowers
 08 – Barbara Cameron
 09 – Anna Padgett
 10 – Francis Irwin
 11 – Albert Merrill
 12 – Beth Church
 12 – Troy Glawe
 12 – Malone Whitehead
 12 – Paul Gillespie
 12 – Albert Faden
 13 – Rita Marshall

14 – Dottie Russell
 16 – Jack Alvarez
 20 – Teedie Radford
 21 – Phyllis Kocik
 22 – Isra Crowe
 23 – Adrian Little
 23 – Lila Putnam
 23 – Matt Anderson
 23 – Sam Anderson
 24 – Eva Rose Harte
 27 – Shirley Walker
 27 – Delaney Floyd
 29 – Jasmine Gary
 31 – Barbara Reeves

ANNIVERSARIES

06 – Bob and Catherine DiBenedetto
 07 – Skip and Judith Adams
 11 – Cannon and Allison Wooten
 13 – Eddie and Jane Sanders
 15 – Troy and Anne Marie Glawe
 15 – Patrick and Carmen Kinney
 16 – Ryan and Elizabeth Floyd
 16 – David and Denise Brown

If the parish office does not have your birthday or anniversary, please share these dates with us.

Your prayers are asked:

For the sick and those with particular needs: Barbara Brock, Doris Clay, Bruce Craven, Reva Davis, Carol Dean, David DiBenedetto, Tom Ellerbe, Mary Joe Ferguson, Chris Jayne, Phyllis Kocik, Bill McCabe, George Rush, Eddie Sanders, Joe Shirley, Jr., Mason Shirley, Elsie Speer, Sissy Tennis, , Winnie Bolle (Fr. Bolle's stepmother), Trey Booker (Archie and Summer Booker's son), Larry Boots (Beth Wood's father), Jim Chambers (Domer Ridings' brother-in-law), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell sister), Bubba Fennell (Joe Fennell's brother), Hazel Hammett (Connie Hammett's mother), Pinckney Irwin (Bill Irwin & Elizabeth Beasley's father), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Jimmy Loftis (Amy Alley's father), Earl McCombs (Mary Ann Cooper's father), Bill Waggener (The late Elizabeth Schuler's son-in-law), Anne Cheshire Wideman (Frank Wideman's sister), Webb Wright (Dyan Webb's nephew), The Brown Family (Mary Jo Tolbert's care givers), Trina Hoffert, Craig Loner

For those in the service of our country: Will Carroll, Aaron Crowe, Cameron Roberts, Grant Roberts, Zack Sanders, Trip Wash, Michael Webb, Noah Woodiwiss

- We remember in Resurrection hope Richard Rieger, Jr., husband of Julia Rieger, who died December 25.

Please send additions/deletions to the prayer list or family news and prayer concerns to Denise at denise@episcopalgreenwood.org or call 223-5426.


Including the Church in your will ensures its life into the future and offers your witness to generations to come.

We give thanks for your giving, which makes the ministry of Resurrection possible!

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
Last Month	\$35,353	\$37,750	\$3,134	\$9,543	\$54,935	\$43,969
Year to Date	\$376,747	\$377,500	\$27,901	\$59,400	\$404,664	\$435,013

January 2019 Ministry Schedule

If you cannot fill the position assigned, please make arrangements for your replacement,
and let the Parish Office know of the change. Thank you!

	January 6: The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ	January 13: The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ	January 20: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany	January 27: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Vestry of the Month	Joe Fennell and Walker Moore			
Altar Guild	Noonie Fennell (Chair), Karen Bright, Edie Brooks, Marilyn Gobble, Sara Kummer, Cathy Robertson			
Readings	Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12	Isaiah 43:1-7 Psalm 29 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (One service at 10 AM)	Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 36:5-10 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21
8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I				
1st E.M.	Chuck McDonnell	None	Chuck McDonnell	Domer Ridings
2nd E.M.	Lou Wynne	None	Mary Bright	Lou Wynne
Ushers	Domer Ridings	None	Jeff Lanford	Paul Criswell
Coffee Hosts	Beth and Craig Church	None	Mary Bright	Carol and Lou Wynne
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II				
1st Lesson	Bette Ricker	Summer Booker	Lucas McMillan	Jon Newlon
2nd Lesson	Ashley Woodiwiss	Ryan Floyd	Jane Merrill	Bette Ricker
1st E.M./Prayers	Norm Fawcett	Sara Kummer	Gerald Brooks	Frank Wideman
2nd E.M.	Connie Hammett	Adrian Little	Trisha Craven	Connie Hammett
1st Crucifer	Ryan Anderson	Genevive Crowder	George Hyatt	Peter Russell
Book Bearer	Madden Craven	Jasmine Gary	Drew Hodges	Julia Donaghy
Torchbearers	Abbie Jules Davis Delaney Floyd	Will McMillan Aiden Willis	Catie Robertson Makaela Wood	Rebecca Merrill Abbie Jules Davis
Ushers	John Cobb David Dougherty	Abney Wallace Adrian Little	Eddie Barber Chris Locklear	Patrick Kinney Allen Hughes
Greeters	Jennifer Little Noonie Fennell	John and Mary Ann Cooper	Stefan and Trish Hartung	Tom Cobb Nancy Newlon
Nursery	John and Kelly Wiseman	Stephen and Reva Davis	Hope Scurry	Josie Ryan
Nursery Attendant	Kaylee Jo Fowler	Kaylee Jo Fowler	Mary Bright Jasmine Gary	Mary Bright Jasmine Gary
Coffee Hosts	Nancy and Jon Newlon	Annual Meeting @ 11 AM	Trisha and Bruce Craven	Camilla Cathcart
Children's Worship	Elizabeth Floyd Sandra Lewis	Lander Adams Cecily Hughes	Camilla Cathcart Noonie Fennell	Anne Wells Patricia Hartung
Eucharistic Visitors	None	The Cravens (Nan Hines)	None	None



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