

From the Rafters

Our Mission

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

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Dear Church of the Resurrection Family,

I am so blessed to be invited to be among you as your pastor, priest and spiritual leader. The Holy Spirit has been working on me for a while to prepare me to be your Rector. We can't wait to grow the kingdom of God with you.



I look forward to many years of getting to know you, spending time together and worshipping our Lord together. I want you to know a little bit more about us. Murray and I married four years ago. I waited thirty-eight years to meet someone like Murray. He is kind, compassionate and is very willing to do anything he can to support me and you. Murray lives with a Traumatic Brain Injury from a horrific car accident eleven years ago. Our hope is that he will have the opportunity to tell you more of his story during a Sunday School hour in the near future. But please remind him often of your name. Murray's ability to forgive, his determination to heal and his love for Jesus amazes me every day. I am very grateful to be on this journey with him. We do not have children and children are not part of our plan. We have lots of kids in our lives and love to support them in any way we can! Murray's Mom, brother (D.R.), sister-in-law (Leslie) and two nieces (Allison and Sarah) live in Birmingham. We love them so much and hope they visit often!

I am very extraverted, enjoy people of all kinds and just love being in relationships. I think my greatest gift is loving. I am not an academic and don't have all the answers, but I welcome conversation, sharing and fellowship – and discovering the answers together! You will often find me in the kitchen of the Church washing dishes and enjoying everyone's company. I want to be present in your lives - holding your hand when you are sad and

rejoicing with you when you are celebrating. I come from a close-knit family. My father, Polk, is a retired Episcopal priest. I look to him often for advice and care. My mother, Mary Jo, is just about the best person I know. I have two brothers, Knox, who lives in Victor, Idaho and is a true outdoorsman, and Thomas and his new wife Marion, who live in Nashville and are settling into a life of marriage. We have a summer place in Monteagle, Tennessee where we gather often. I hope you will get to know them as well as they visit us in Greenwood.



Thomas
and Marion
Van Zandt,
Knox Van
Zandt and
Murray and
Mary
Balfour
Dunlap

Mary Balfour and Murray Dunlap, Sarah, Leslie, Allison and D.R. Dunlap



There is so much to be excited about and I am ready to get to work! My first Sunday at Church of the Resurrection will be Sunday, October 27th. I know our shared ministry together will be filled with God's blessings, Jesus' gracious presence and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Love,

Mary Balfour + (Mary Balfour is a double name like Mary Ann)

A Loving Farewell from Father Bolle

My goodness, what a wonderful day we had together on Sunday, the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, and our last day together in Interim ministry. Two fine congregations, another inspiring 'Lift' class between the two and then that Birthday gala. Wow! I enjoyed myself all morning long and I hope you did also. Thank you!

But then I've enjoyed myself every day in the year I was privileged to be your Interim Rector. As you know, my one lament was that I just didn't have enough time to spend with you in your homes, getting to know you better, celebrating your joys, commiserating with you in your sorrows. A priest is meant to be with his (her) people! There's no firmer building block for a growing congregation.

Another main building block is warm, reverent, joyful worship, and that is what I experienced with you every Sunday, every Wednesday morning Healing Service, every monthly Eucharist around the table at Wesley Commons. I looked forward to each of those times with eager anticipation and you never let me down. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

I'll keep my eye on you as you move into the next great chapter in the history of the Church of the Resurrection with Mary Balfour Dunlap as your priest and rector. You know I'll be praying for you too! God bless the Church of the Resurrection!



Grace and Peace to you from Stephen Bolle.

Supporting Mitchell Felton!

The Vestry is pleased to submit a letter in support of Mitchell Felton's nomination to the postulancy phase of preparation for priesthood in the Episcopal church. The Vestry is familiar with Mitchell's service as Resurrection's youth minister from 2016-2018. Other parishioners are familiar with Mitchell's work with Be the Bridge. Mitchell has strong interpersonal skills and always seeks to encourage participation of all members of any

group he is leading. We are glad to support Mitchell in this latest step on the journey toward priesthood in the Episcopal Church.

Our main focus of support right now is to pray that Mitchell continues to grow in faith and in his vocation. He is finishing his final semester at Lander University where he is pursuing a degree in Sociology. We have asked Mitchell to keep our parish informed as he moves forward on the path of his vocation. The following is a note from Mitchell requesting your prayers and support.

~ Jan Puzar, Senior Warden

Let everything done in faithful prayer be blessed or redeemed.

As you know, I have been discerning a call to Holy Orders which officially started back in August of 2018. Through this discernment there have been forms to complete, applications to submit, interviews, biblical and psychological tests, an internship, sermons to preach, and much time seeking to hear The Spirit affirm this sacred call to the priesthood.

In my most recent application, I was required to have at least two-thirds of our vestry accept my nomination for Postulancy and I can humbly say I had the full support of our vestry, along with an agreement Resurrection would contribute financially during my potential time in seminary. Thank you to the vestry and to everyone who have supported me during my process!

As the final stage of discernment approaches, please join me in praying that this is truly what God has been forming me to do, that I am called to administer the sacraments and enter into intimate relationships with God's people, that I am to be a living, breathing sacrament of the Church. If that is the case, then let it be blessed. Yet, if it is not, if the Commission on Ministry or Bishop Waldo sense another call that is not the priesthood, or if The Spirit guides me into a different direction, please pray that I faithfully trust what that might be.

Thank you again to vestry and to everyone who has affirmed God's calling of me to be in this process. I look forward to rejoicing in God's blessing or redemptive work no matter where The Spirit leads me.



~ Mitchell Felton

5th Annual 5K Race to be Thankful

Resurrection's 2019 Race to Be Thankful will be held in the Gatewood subdivision on **Thanksgiving Day, November 28, at 8 am.** Register to run or walk as soon as possible! If you do so by November 12, you'll receive a reduced price and guaranteed t-shirt. Go to:

https://itsabouttime.run/event-registration/?ee=156 We are still welcoming sponsors and volunteers, as

well. Please contact Kim Russell if you can help before or during the race, Kimjer100@gmail.com or text 344-8009. Funds raised from this event go to support essential ministries in our community.



Bee Generous

The Resurrection Rabble-Rousers made a fine showing at sixth place in the annual Healthy Learners' Spelling Bee. It took a word as tough as "ichthyophagist" to stump the team. The word is from the Greek and means "fish eater." Now most of the spelling words were more familiar to us, but when you get to the challenge round, things get serious—we didn't want to be there all night. Your donations meant that we could "buy back" earlier missed words and stay to play longer.

Team members Shana Southard-Dobbs, Ben Dobbs, Jan Puzar, and Captain Beth Woods had a good time deciding between I's and e's, double consonants, etc. Ben helped us tremendously by remembering how to spell "rendezvous": by mispronouncing it!! He also named our team mascot "Agnes" (not pictured), from the Latin for lamb. C'mon now, you know what it is!



More to the point, Resurrection contributed a total of \$774 between the team registration fee of \$200 and your generous donations. As Noonie Fennell points out, Resurrection has been a long-time supporter of Healthy Learners through our annual Mission and Outreach donations. And our own Frank Wideman sits on the Statewide Healthy Learners board.

Healthy Learners provides transportation and other support to school students in Greenwood County who need medical intervention to succeed in school. So start watching for the "word of the day" on your cell phones, and think about joining the team next year!

~ Jan Puzar, Senior Warden and Rabble-Rouser

Vestry Nominating Committee

These are exciting times for Resurrection. We are about to welcome our new Rector, the Reverend Mary Balfour Dunlap. She comes to us full of love and full of energy. Also at this time, we are gathering the Vestry Nominating Committee together to seek nominations for the 2020 "class" of the Vestry. The Vestry is our lay leadership body which consists of a very biblical twelve members who each serve for three years. Four members rotate off each year, and four new members are nominated by a committee and elected at the annual meeting in January.

The nominating committee consists of the four retiring Vestry members, the ECW president, a youth representative, and a member of our

Christian Formation team. The retiring Vestry members are: John Cobb, Joe Fennell, Hugh Jones, and Jan Puzar. Susu Wallace will serve on the committee representing ECW. Elizabeth Floyd will serve on the committee as the Christian Formation representative.

We would appreciate nominations to the Vestry or expressions of interest in serving on the Vestry. Vestry members must be members in good standing of the Episcopal Church. We seek members who participate in our worship and ministries, and who seek to strengthen our community of faith. People who want more information may contact any of the committee members. Jan Puzar Cell: 864-344-7842 Other phone numbers are in the parish directory or you may call our parish administrator, Denise Brown, at 864-223-5426.



ECW - St. Agnes Chapter

Along with the other opportunities at Resurrection, St. Agnes Chapter of the ECW will return to their regular schedule on Monday, October 7, in Emmaus Hall at 6:00 PM.

If you are a member of Resurrection, then you are a member of Episcopal Church Women, so therefore a member of St. Agnes! How convenient is that!!

For the October meeting, we will follow our previous pattern and discuss our summer reading choice, <u>The Chilbury Ladies' Choir</u> by Jennifer Ryan. It is an interesting story, with several twists and turns and the setting is an English village during the early days of World War II. Please join in our always lively discussion. We meet monthly on the first Monday of each month from October through May. You are welcome and wanted!

Please don't let the need for transportation keep you at home. We will pick you up, and deliver you back to your door! Just give me a call.

~ Susu Wallace, 864-980-6309

Wednesday Healing Services – Schedule Changes

October 2 and 9, Rev. Dan
Bacon will lead services. On
October 16 and 23, there will be
no service. On October 30, services will resume
with our new rector, Rev. Mary Balfour Dunlap.



Holy Communion at Wesley Commons

Services for October have been <u>cancelled</u>. They will resume on Tuesday, November 19, at 11 am.

The Ministry of Acolytes

Acolyting is an invaluable part of our liturgy each Sunday. We treasure our processions of light and the word and symbols of God's presence among us in worship. The ministry of acolytes has a long and interesting history, dating back to the third century. For a time, acolytes were a minor order and a step in the path toward clerical ministry. Though it is a quiet ministry, it is a vital one.

If you stop and think a minute, you'll find that acolyting also can be formative for young people. When they serve as acolytes, they learn more deeply the symbology and significance of each stage of our liturgy. They learn by doing and following the example of adult ministers in an intergenerational display of servant leadership. Service is a form of active worship and discipleship, which young people do well.

Our parish is blessed with devoted and willing acolytes who value their contribution. Yet due to the natural change in age demographics, most of our acolytes are older, serving as crucifers and



bookbearers. We are running a tad short on torches.

If you are a parent or grandparent of a child in third, fourth or fifth grade, encourage them to consider becoming an acolyte. Share with them all the ways that acolyting can bless their lives and make them an active participant in worship. Norm and Roxy Fawcett stand ready to share resources that you may use to encourage them and ease their fears about the ministry as well. You may contact them at 227-3421.



We are seeking volunteers for a few Sunday morning ministries. If you are interested in serving as a **coffee hour host, Eucharistic Minister or Lector**, please call the Parish Office at 864-223-5426 or email Denise,

denise@episcopalgreenwood.org.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, and

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October 6: In memory of Carroll and Anita Brooks, E. Loudon and Myrtle Brooks, and Palmer H. and Maude R. Brown by Karen and Mike Whitfield.

October 13: In memory of Henry and Caroline Thayer and Mr. and Mrs. H.K. Thayer, Sr. by Nancy and Larkin Jennings.

October 20: In memory of our fathers, John R. Hawthorne and Leonard Juul Merrill, and in thanksgiving for our mothers, Leslie Lusk Hawthorne and Carolyn Pratt Johnston Merrill by Albert and Jane Merrill.

October 27: In memory of Ailen L. Byers, Deaver O. Byers, Myrtle Feller Brooks, and E. Loudon Brooks by Edie and Emmett Brooks.

The Presence Candle in the sanctuary is given in memory of our Erik Nelson by Susan and Abney Wallace.

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October 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!

	October 6 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	October 13 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	October 20 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	October 27 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost				
	Proper 22	Proper 23	Proper 24	Proper 25				
	Rev. Kelly Ayer	Rev. Donald	Rev. Kelly Ayer	Rev. Mary Balfour				
Vestry of the	McPhail Dunlap							
Month	Jan Puzar and Hugh Jones							
Altar Guild	Connie Hammett (Chair), Peggy Adams, Karen Bright, Noonie Fennell,							
Tittui Guila	Jennifer Little, Sue Moore							
Readings	Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2 Kings 5:1-3, Genesis 32:22-31 Jeremiah 14:7-10,							
g	2:1-4	7-15c	Psalm 121	19-22				
	Psalm 37:1-10	Psalm 111	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	Psalm 84:1-6				
	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 18:1-8	2 Timothy 4:6-8,				
	Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19		16-18				
	Luke 18:9-14							
4at E.M	8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I							
1st E.M.	Mary Bright	Chuck McDonnell	Mary Bright	Lou Wynne				
2 nd E.M.	Lou Wynne	Lou Wynne	Chuck McDonnall	Mary Bright				
Ushers	Paul Criswell	John Scurry	Don Bergman	Pat McGehee				
Coffee Hosts	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT				
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II								
1st Lesson	Josie Ryan	Bette Ricker	Ryan Floyd	Jane Merrill				
2 nd Lesson	Annabel Wood	Jon Newlon	Beverly Wilson	Lucas McMillan				
1st E.M./Prayers	Norm Fawcett	Adrian Little	Dick Daffin	Connie Hammett				
2 nd E.M.	Trisha Craven	Rebecca Long	Frank Wideman	Beverly Wilson				
1st Crucifer	Peter Russe;;	Drew Hodges	George Hyatt	Jack Wiseman				
Book Bearer	Madden Craven	Griffin Jones	Julia Donaghy	Rebecca Merrill				
Torchbearers	Will McMillan	Madden Craven	Delaney Floyd	Aiden Willis				
	Makaela Wood	Catie Robertson	Abbie Jules Davis	Will McMillan				
Ushers	Emmett Brooks	Archie & Summer	Albert Merrill	Abney Wallace				
	Tom Cobb	Booker	Rebecca Merrill	Walker Moore				
Greeters	Abney & Susu	Tom Cobb	Emmett & Edie	Stephen & Reva				
	Wallace	Nancy Newlon	Brooks	Davis				
Nursery	John & Kim	Patrick & Katie	Hugh & Shannon	John & Kelly				
	Russell	Craven	Jones	Wiseman				
Coffee Hosts	Nancy and Jon	Dawn Puderbaugh	Camilla Cathcart	Jane and Albert				
	Newlon	and Andrew		Merrill				
		Hodges						
Children's	Lander Adams	Camilla Cathcart	Anna Hyatt	Elizabeth Floyd				
Worship	Susu Wallace	Cecily Hughes	Lisa McMillan	Sandra Lewis				
Eucharistic Visitors	NONE	The Cravens (Nan Hines)	NONE	NONE				

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

Birthdays

01 – Jane Merrill 02 – Phil Ellenberg 02 – Sandra Kern 02 – Makaela Wood

03 – Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges

07 – Jan Puzar 07 – Sherri Ward 08 – Lisa Wideman 09 – Susan Wash 09 – John Wiseman 11 – Matthew Bachinski

11 – Mary Bright 12 – John Kapsalis 12 – Carmen Kinney 13 – John Park 13 – Julie Rieger 14 — Shana Southard-Dobbs

16 – Robert Crowder 16 – Walker Whitehead

18 – Henry McMillan 18 – Nicholas Wells

16 – Aiden Willis

19 – Maggie Berry19 – Claire Gillespie19 – Michael Whitfield

20 – Will Bachinski 20 – Terri Bacon 20 – Joel Cleland

22 – Bob Brewer 23 – Benjamin Dobbs

23 – John Hinkel 24 – Lattie Gillespie 25 – Nan Hines

26 – Laura Beth Brooks

27 – Anna Ballenger 28 – Craig Church

28 – Mike Robertson

28 – Anne Wells

29 – Walker Moore

30 – Anna Burns Padgett 30 – Caroline Newlon

30 – Anna Lee Padgett

Anniversaries

11 – Katie & Patrick Craven

17 – Ann & Bill Arnold

23 – Jennifer & Adrian Little

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Patsy Brooks, Doris Clay, Bruce Craven, David DiBenedetto, Carol Dean, Bobby Ellerbe, Charlie and Mary Joe Ferguson, Nan Hines, Chris Jayne, Nicholas Kent, Barbara Locke, George Rush, Elsie Speer, Bill Tarrer, Michael Whitfield, Winnie Bolle (Fr. Stephen Bolle's stepmother), Trey Booker (Archie and Summer Booker's son), Larry Boots (Beth Wood's father), David Brown (Denise Brown's husband), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Bubba Fennell (Joe Fennell's brother), Hazel Hammett (Connie Hammett's mother), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Earl McCombs (Mary Ann Cooper's father), Mary Louise Newlon (Jon Newlon's Mother), Elliot Norton (Karen and Bill Bright's nephew), Chip Parker (Nan Hines' son), Bill Waggener (The late Elizabeth Schuler's son-in-law), Anne Cheshire Wideman (Frank Wideman's sister), Terry Wynne (Lou Wynne's brother)

And for these persons: The Brown Family (Mary Jo Tolbert's caregivers), Trina Hoffert, Craig Loner, Bridges Poston, Josh Strange, Brenda Weems

Those in our nation's service: Will Carroll, Aaron Crowe, Cameron Roberts, Grant Roberts, Trip Wash, Michael Webb, Noah Woodiwiss

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 that follow.

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	\$22,118	\$28,700	\$951	\$2,633	\$24,082	\$33,166
Year to Date	\$241,724	\$258,300	\$13,676	\$23,700	\$256,568	\$304,775



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Mr. Rick Green

Dr. Cecily Hughes

Mr. Hugh Jones

Mr. Walker Moore

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