

From the Rafters

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Our Mission

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

Special Services and Events for Advent and Christmas

Sunday, December 1 at 6:00 pm

EYC Tacky Sweater Party Dunlaps' Home 104 Janeway

RSVP to marybalfour@episcopalgreenwood.org

Wednesday, December 4 at 6:00 pm

Dinner and Visit from St. Nicholas
A parish-wide event, enjoy a casual meal, card-making, and a visit from St. Nick. RSVP to the parish office, cor@episcopalgreenwood.org

Thursday, December 12, at 6:00

Ladies Ornament Exchange
Ornament exchange (\$10 max), delightful
conversation and light fare at the home of
Camilla McDevitt, 134 Sheffield Dr.
RSVP to Marty Cobb, martycobb@hotmail.com

Sunday, December 15, at 6 PM

A Service of Lessons and Carols
A parish-wide celebration with our finest music, a hearty, festive reception, and a special offering for our Advent mission project, supporting the restoration of Trinity Abbeville.

Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve Services 4:00 PM Children's Homily and Eucharist 10 PM Choral Eucharist; Special Music begins at 9:45

Christmas Day Service

10 AM Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 29 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist I 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist II No Sunday LiFT

Dear Church of the Resurrection Family,

I continue to be thankful for the way you have loved us. Wow! Thank you, thank you for your open arms and hearts as we embark on this journey of building the Kingdom of God together. Thank you for already loving us so well!



We have a multitude of events and worship opportunities at the Church of the Resurrection this Advent and Christmas season. I pray you will join us as we wait and prepare for the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Even though I cannot I sing, I LOVE music. I must admit I love Christmas music. I can guarantee you will see me riding around town singing Christmas tunes. I have to remind myself every year, the season of Advent is a time of waiting and listening for God. I tend to get caught up in all the tasks that go with this season, decorating, parties, Christmas shopping, the list goes on and on!

I have learned that one of the best ways to remind myself of the waiting and listening for God is to create an Advent playlist. I listen to them on my computer, on my phone, on my drive to and from work. The list is filled with all kinds of songs that remind me to listen, to listen to what God is asking of me, to wait for the arrival of the beautiful baby Jesus.

I just created my Advent playlist. Take a listen, let me know what you think, and prepare for the birth of our Savior. Enjoy!

Mary Balfour's Advent Playlist:

- "O Come O Come Emmanuel": Sufjan Stevans' version
- "Advent Hymn": Christy Nockel's version

- "I Wait": All Sons and Daughters
- "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus": Red Mountain Church version
- "Hallelujah": Pentatonix version
- "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring": Amy Grant version
- "Amen, Amen": Sojourn version
- "Emmanuel": Bryan and Katie Torwalt
- "Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming": Mannheim Streamroller version
- "Be Thou My Vision": Audrey Assad version

Love,

Mary Balfour +



Stewardship Update

Even though our Stewardship Campaign has ended, we continue to work towards our goal for our 2020 budget. For those who have turned in your

pledge card, we thank you! We have received 93 pledges for a total of \$304,804 towards our goal of \$365,000.

If you haven't already returned your pledge, please do so soon. You may send it by mail or place it in the offering plate on Sunday. If you didn't receive a pledge card, either in the mail or at the Harvest Dinner, please contact the Parish Office at cor@episcopalgreenwood.org or 223-5426.

~ Stewardship Committee

Postulancy Update

Our parish supports Mitchell Felton in his path towards priesthood in the Episcopal Church. Mitchell will be meeting with Bishop Andrew

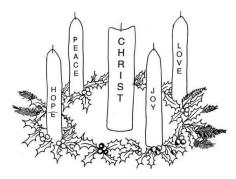
Waldo on December 17 to learn whether he will be granted postulancy. Please continue to pray for Mitchell that the Holy Spirit will be present with him throughout his journey.



Formation for the Season of Advent

Advent is a beautiful time in the church year. It is a preparation season, marked with the liturgical color purple. Christians are encouraged to reflect upon the coming of the Messiah, what it meant for the Jewish people of Bible times, what it means to Christians now and what Christ's second coming

will mean for all the world. Preparation requires prayer and a dedication to discipleship. We encourage you to set



aside time each day for quiet reflection.

Beginning December 1, a table in the Gathering Space will hold Advent wreath prayers and devotional materials for you to take home and use. On Sundays during our formation hour, we'll continue our LiFT intergenerational program, and we'll hear Murray Dunlap tell of his faith journey:

December 1 – Matthew 24:36-44, Watchfulness December 8 – Murray Dunlap on his faith journey December 15 – John the Baptist December 22 – Matthew 1: 18-25, Joseph's story December 29 – A Sunday off from LiFT but come and worship the newborn king!

Each Sunday we will gather for "teaching and fellowship" ... "the breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts 2:42) We hope you'll join us!

Save an evening for a saint!

Set aside the evening of Wednesday, December 4, for a festive family-friendly event in honor of Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra. We'll enjoy a meal while we prepare holiday cards



for homebound members of our parish. St. Nick plans to visit and bring treats for all! Invite your friends and neighbors to this great evening of fun, fellowship, and service to others.



EYC Youth Basketball Greenwood Family YMCA – Come out and support our teams!

Ladies' Basketball:

Thursday, December 5, 6:00 PM, St. Mark/COR vs First Presbyterian

Sunday, December 15, 2:30 PM, St. Mark/COR vs Harris Baptist

Thereafter, God-willing, some playoffs and a championship game. Times and dates coming soon!

Senior Boys Basketball:

Sunday, December 8, 3:30 PM, COR vs Our Lady Thursday, December 12, 6:45 PM, COR vs Harris Baptist

Sunday, January 5, 3:30 PM, COR vs St. Marks Thereafter, God-willing, some playoffs and a championship game. Times and dates coming soon!



Ladies Ornament Exchange

Resurrection women

mark your calendars for our annual Ornament Exchange on Thursday, **December 12!** Bring an ornament of \$10 or less and an appetizer or dessert to share. We'll gather at 6:00 PM at the home of Camilla McDevitt, 134 Sheffield Dr. You'll leave with sore cheeks, a beautiful ornament and great memories! The very talented Mary Woodiwiss has agreed to lead us again as Mistress of Ceremonies. Contact Marty Cobb with any questions or to RSVP: martycobb@hotmail.com



Holy Eucharist at Wesley Commons Tuesday, December 17 at 11:00 AM

Bring a friend; all are welcome and all baptized persons are invited to receive. Lunch together follows in the dining hall.

Creating a Sacred Space for Worship, an invitation to all parishioners

The seasons of Advent and Christmas are a very special time in the life of the church. Our music and worship space become first a place of quiet anticipation and then a joyous celebration of God's presence among us. We each have an opportunity to contribute to this sacred transition.

With a suggested donation of \$50 you may sponsor a wreath that will adorn the Nave during our Christmas services.

With a suggested donation of \$30 you may sponsor a poinsettia that will decorate the sanctuary space on Christmas Eve and then be shared with homebound members of our church.

With a suggested donation of \$30 you may sponsor the special musical performances for our Christmas Eve service.

With any donation you may add a memorial or thanksgiving.

Each Sunday through December 22, envelopes for your donations will be available at the back of the church and in the Gathering Space. You may also mail a check to the church office. A bulletin insert will provide you a means of designating your contribution. Let us all join together in creating a beautiful space for our worship of the newborn King!

How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!
My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

Psalm 84:1-2

Meet our Vestry Nominees



Jo Ann Brewer

I moved to Greenwood with my husband in 2003 from the suburbs of Washington, DC, after spending 30 years there raising our family of two

daughters. During that time, I worked for 5 years with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve in Washington as an Administrative Assistant. When we began our family, I decided to be a full-time stay-at-home parent for 10 years. When I was ready to return to the workforce, I began working part-time and then eventually full-time with the Fairfax County Public School system.

When we arrived here in Greenwood in 2003 we were so excited to leave the busy lifestyle behind and build our home on Lake Greenwood. Today it remains a joy to be in Greenwood and enjoy the small town setting. I have enjoyed being involved with the Bowers Rodgers emergency shelter, and serving on several committees for different events in town. I am a strong advocate for the recently founded group of Connect Lake Greenwood for promoting the lake and creating more opportunities for enjoying lake life.

One of the greatest things that we have discovered is a caring and loving church here at Resurrection. I became a member of the Daughters of the King Chapter several years ago and am devoted to this ministry. I decided 3 ½ years ago to create a sacred space for prayer in our community park on the backlot. I planned this space, of course with the help of heavy lifting done by my husband. Several Daughters of the King contributed funds for some of the plants that I planted. My husband built a large wooden cross and 4 benches are in the prayer garden made by Joel Cleland. My hope is one day we can have an occasional service there.

My heart is full and prepared to serve the Lord further here at the Church of the Resurrection. I would be honored to serve as a vestry member and it would be my privilege to work with our new wonderful minister, Mary Balfour Dunlap.

David Dougherty



Since relocating to
Greenwood in 1982,
Church of
the Resurrection has been
the place of worship for
the Dougherty family.
Resurrection has been

foundational in the spiritual growth and development of our family. Over the years I have been privileged to serve 2 terms as a trustee of the Resurrection Foundation, a member of the Vestry and a Delegate to the Diocesan Convention. From time to time I have also served in finance related capacities as part of ad hoc committees specifically related to debt structuring of our building campaign.

Professionally I am retired from Bank of America (37 yrs.) and Countybank (10 yrs.) I currently serve as the Vice President of Investor Relations for the Greenwood Chamber of Commerce. Other interests include National Disaster Response with Operation Blessing and serving on the construction team and as board chair for the Greenwood Area Habitat for Humanity. I reside in the Chinquapin area of Greenwood with my wife Cynthia. Our 4 children and 7 grandchildren reside in Greenwood & Columbia, SC, Chapel Hill, NC and El Paso, TX.

Bill McCabe



Bill is a native of Savannah, Georgia. He received his BBA from Armstrong State College in Savannah and has lived in the upstate since 1975 in Abbeville, Spartanburg and

now Greenwood. Bill has worked in the textile industry for 44 years, first with Milliken & Co. and now Sage Automotive Interiors and is located at the Sharon Plant in Abbeville, SC. He has three children, Justin, Shannon and Jordan, and enjoys many activities with them. He also enjoys home improvement projects and working in his yard. Bill is an active member of the church choir and looks forward to assisting in other ministries in the near future.

Susu Wallace



Susu is a native of North
Carolina and has been a
member of Resurrection
since 1960. She has
enjoyed serving and
representing the parish as a
Sunday school teacher, EYC

leader, vestry member, ECW member and current president, altar guild, board member of the Episcopal Church Home for Children (York Place), Diocesan Youth Council, and the Diocesan Board of the ECW. Susu recently retired from Upper Savannah Council of Governments-Area Agency on Aging. She has been married to Abney Wallace for a long, long time! They have 4 wonderful children and 4 perfect grandchildren.

Our annual meeting will be on **Sunday, January** 12, at 9:30 AM. We'll review 2019, talk about the year ahead, vote on our new leadership and celebrate all the blessings of the previous year and the hope we have for the year ahead. Don't miss it!

The Altar greenery are given to the glory of God,

December 1: In memory of Clyde B. and Sara E. Simmons and Charles H. and Martha G. Arnold by Ann Arnold.

December 8: In memory of Simons Ravenel Lucas, Anna Natalie Bettis Lucas, Elizabeth Simons Lucas Burns, Howard L. Burns, James C. and Maude Burns, Simons Lucas Chase, Mary Elizabeth and James Padgett, Jane Jeter, Virginia Self and William Aubrea McDaniel, Jr. by Anna and James Padgett and family. **December 15:** In memory of Ralph and Margaret Longley and Christion and Alma Fiske, parents and grandparents of Christine Jayne.

December 22: given by Sue Moore.

December 29: In thanksgiving for Edie and Buster Brooks on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren and for our church family by John and Nancy Newlon.

The Presence Candle is given in memory of our parents, A.C. and Fannie Fennell and Bobby and Margaret Ray, by Joe and Noonie Fennell.

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December 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!

*	December 1: The First Sunday of Advent	December 8: The Second Sunday of Advent	December 15: The Third Sunday of Advent	December 22: The Fourth Sunday of Advent	December 29: The First Sunday after Christmas Day					
Vestry of the Month	Joe Fennell and Walker Moore									
Altar Guild										
	Noonie Fennell and Sandra Lewis (Co-Chairs)									
Readings	Isaiah 2:1-5	Isaiah 11:1-10	Isaiah 35:1-10	Isiah 7:10-16	Isaiah 61:10 –					
	Psalm 122	Psalm 72:1-7,	Psalm 146:4-9	Psalm 80:1-7,	62:3					
	Romans 13:11-	18-19	James 5:7-10	16-18	Psalm					
	14	Romans	Matthew 11:2-	Romans 1:1-7	147:13-21					
	Matthew 24:36-	15:4-13	11	Matthew	Galatians					
	44	Matthew 3:1-12		1:18-25	3:23-25; 4:4-7					
					John 1:1-18					
	8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I									
1st E.M.	Chuck McDonnell	Mary Bright	Chuck McDonnell	Mary Bright	Chuck McDonnell					
2 nd E.M.	Deryl McGuire	Lou Wynne	Deryl McGuire	Lou Wynne	Deryl McGuire					
Usher	John Scurry	Don Bergman	Pat McGehee	Robin Lanford	Lou Wynne					
Coffee Hosts	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT	Sunday LiFT					
		10:30 Holy Euc								
1st Lesson	Eddie Barber	Mitchell Felton	Lucas McMillan	Jon Newlon	Frank Wideman					
2nd Lesson	Summer Booker	Ryan Floyd	Jane Merrill	Bette Ricker	Beverly Wilson					
1st E.M./Prayers	Gerald Brooks	Norm Fawcett	Connie Hammett	Beverly Wilson	Trisha Craven					
2 nd E.M.	Trisha Craven	Rebecca Long	Adrian Little	Gerald Brooks	Mitchell Felton					
1st Crucifer	Dorothy Anna Russell	Peter Russell	Jack Wiseman	Ryan Anderson	Lainey Davis					
Book Bearer	Griffin Jones	Jacob Davis	Rebecca Merrill	Catie Robertson	Cannon Wooten					
Torchbearers	Chloe Normandia Delaney Floyd	Abbie Jules Davis Michael Floyd	Chole Normandia Abbie Jules Davis	Delaney Floyd Michael Floyd	Henry McMillan Will McMillan					
Ushers	Adrian Little	Al Merrill	Archie and	Tom Cobb	JoAnn and Bob					
0	Emmett Brooks	Rebecca Merrill	Summer Booker	Abney Wallace	Brewer					
Greeters	Tom Cobb Nancy Newlon	Emmett and Edie Brooks	Stephen and Reva Davis	Nancy Newlon John Cobb	John and Marty Cobb					
Nursery	Patrick and Katie	Hugh and Shannon	John and Kelly	Lucas and Lisa	Barbara Cameron					
runscry	Craven	Jones	Wiseman	McMillan	Darbara Gameron					
Nursery Attendant	N/A	Mary Bright	Dorothy Anna Russell	Mary Bright	Mary Bright					
Coffee Hosts	Reva and Stephen Davis	Beth and Tim Wood	Dawn Puderbaugh and Andrew Hodges	Nancy and Jon Newlon	Camilla Cathcart					
Children's Worship	Elizabeth Floyd Cecily Hughes	Lander Adams Lisa McMillan	Camilla Cathcart Susu Wallace	Anna Hyatt Sandra Lewis	N/A					
Eucharistic Visitors	None	The Cravens (Nan Hines)	None	None	None					

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

Birthdays

01 - Eric Gonzales

01 – Anna Bettis Padgett

04 – Virginia Glenn Donaghy

05 - Pat DeYoung

o6 - Judith Adams

o6 - Meisha Cobb

o6 – Susie Hinkel

o6 - Emma Jones

07 – Katherine McDevitt

10 - Michael Floyd

10 – Riley Floyd

10 – Lee Roper

13 – John Tennis

14 - Kevin Whitehead

15 – Annie Eisenreich

15 – Wiley Roper

16 – Elizabeth Padgett

17 – Karen Whitfield

19 – Ashley Woodiwiss

20 – Mary Joe Ferguson

22 – Frank Wideman

23 - Jim Nazzaro

26 – Abney Wallace

27 - Charles Ferguson

27 - Jimmy Jones

27 – Becky McDaniel

28 – Janet Munns

30 – Buster Brooks

31 – Laurie Thompson

Anniversaries

12 – Evan and Doris Clay

16 – Tom and Joanne Hochheimer

18 – Jim and Mary Bright

20 – Buster and Edie Brooks

21 – Albert and Dean Faden

22 – Jeffrey and Robin Lanford

27 – John and Hope Scurry

27 – Chuck and Leslie McDonnell

28 – Peter and Rita Marshall

28 - Archie and Summer Booker

29 – James and Marilyn Gobble

30 – John and Judy Park

30 - Ben and Shana Southard-

Dobbs

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Patsy Brooks, Doris and Evan Clay, Bruce Craven, Carol Dean, David DiBenedetto, Glenn Donaghy, David Dougherty, Bobby Ellerbe, Charlie and Mary Joe Ferguson, Troy Glawe, Nan Hines, Chris Jayne, Nicholas Kent, Barbara Locke, Elsie Speer, Bill Tarrer, Nancy VanWaldick, Michael Whitfield, Winnie Bolle (Fr. Stephen Bolle's stepmother), Trey Booker (Archie and Summer Booker's son), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Bubba Fennell (Joe Fennell's brother), Hazel Hammett (Connie Hammett's mother), Frances Smith Hopkins (George Rush Aunt), 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), Kurt Penney (Bacon family member), 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), 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

- We remember in Resurrection hope, Lillie Mae Abercrombie, grandmother of Stephen Davis, who died October 27.
- We remember in Resurrection hope, Jerry E. Newlon, father of Jon Newlon, who died November 10.

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	\$23,497	\$28,700	\$1,761	\$2,633	\$19,507	\$29,292
Year to Date	\$292,185	\$315,700	\$16,963	\$28,967	\$299,494	\$363,808



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Ms. Summer Booker

Mr. John Cobb

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Dr. Shana Southard-Dobbs

Mr. Rick Green

Dr. Cecily Hughes

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