



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,

It has been a wonderful Fall, and I am excited about what is to come!!! In November we will gather for a Harvest Hymn Sing, the 100th Convention for the Diocese of Upper South Carolina will be celebrated in Columbia, we will celebrate several baptisms in our parish and we will begin to focus on the Advent season! I am thrilled with all that God is up to at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection!!!



If you have not done so, please poke your head into the Youth Room. Church of the Resurrection Youth (CORY) worked hard on making that space something special for them. They meet every Sunday with their advisors, Diana Carver and Christine Crowder. All are welcome and they would love a meal from you. Let me know if you are interested in feeding them!

We have had vibrant discussions during the Sunday School hour (9:30 in Emmaus Hall) around the book *Searching for Sundays* by Rachel Held Evans. The next book we will read and discuss is *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis. We will begin this discussion on November 13th. Please join us!!!

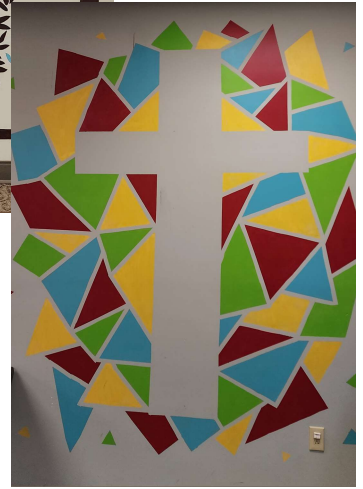
Finally, please do not forget to turn in your pledge card for the 2023 year as soon as possible!!! We still have a little over \$25,000 to reach our goal. This is well within our reach and would be a wonderful way to glorify God.

Love,

Mary Balfour+



Here are examples of the work CORY has been doing in their Youth Room! Stop by and see the rest on Sunday!



Color

There are times when it is all clear
Crystal
I know for a fact my side of the light was green
But what if his was too
Mechanical failure does seem plausible

How would anyone know?
Distilling color to God
A false analogy
But wires do cross
And maybe God thought different
Blue would be nice
Blue

By Murray Dunlap

Formation Moment: Translating the Word of God

Something many of us may take for granted is our access to scripture. I bet each one of you owns at least one copy of the bible. We keep many bibles at church, of course, and in our age of technology, the bible is just a click away on your smart phone. Today there are more than 60 versions of the bible translated into English, which doesn't include the many translations into other languages, over 200 in all! The bible readings that we use each Sunday come from the New Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible. I've attempted here to provide a brief and broad overview of how that version came to be.

Most of the scripture that found its way into what we now call the Old Testament originally was transmitted through oral tradition, memorized and taught to each succeeding generation. To read the text, much less interpret it, was a privilege held by the scribes and priests of Ancient Israel. Only about 5-15% of the population was literate. These scribes transcribed the stories of God and God's people into the language of their culture, Hebrew. There was no formal canon at this time, so scribes held the freedom to edit and paraphrase the stories of their faith as they saw best. The "books" of the Old Testament had several versions.¹ This was made most apparent upon the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1947.

According to legend, Ptolemy Philadelphus of Egypt in 3rd century B.C.E. commissioned the translation of Hebrew scriptures into Greek. Still at this time, there was no biblical canon, so this Greek translation, Septuagint, was a collection of translated scriptural writings that was used by post-exilic Jews and early Christians.

During the exilic period, most Jews learned to speak and write in the language of their conquerors, either Greek or Aramaic. The Hebrew language was reserved for the religious elite. Thus, the original scriptures that later became the New Testament were written in Koine Greek,

even though Aramaic was the dominant spoken language.

Around 382 C.E., Pope Damasus commissioned his secretary, Jerome, to translate the Hebrew and Greek scriptures into Latin. By this time, the process of canonization was nearly complete, but still there was no single, authoritative compilation of holy scripture. Jerome's translation is known as the Vulgate. But transmission of the Vulgate still occurred through scribal writing or oral tradition. Christians of the Latin West had differing versions of the Vulgate; Christians of other geographic regions had their own versions of scripture translated into their native language.

Much changed in the 15th century. The invention of the printing press and the fall of Constantinople contributed to the larger dissemination of scripture, but neither led directly to a single authoritative translation of the scripture. When Constantinople fell, city scholars fled west bringing with them earlier Greek and Hebrew translations of scripture. From their texts, scripture was translated into many different languages. Martin Luther, for example, is credited with translating scripture from Greek and Hebrew into German. William Tyndale is known for translating the New Testament scriptures and part of the Old Testament into English.

For English-speakers, the King James Version (KJV) of scripture is often seen as the modern original of the Holy Bible. King James I commissioned the translation of Greek and Hebrew scripture into English, which was completed by 1611. Soon, the King James Bible supplanted the Vulgate as the primary translation of the Bible used by the Christian church in England.

In the late 1800s, due in part to the discovery of better sources of Hebrew and Greek scripture, an effort was made to revise the KJV of the bible. This effort culminated in several revisions, one used mostly in Great Britain and one mostly in America, completed in 1901. Just a few decades

¹ Scribes recorded scripture on papyrus scrolls, or sometimes parchment. At a later point, the scrolls were compiled into a

codex. To call scriptural writings "books" is something of a misnomer.

later, however, religious scholars deemed another revision necessary, and in 1952, the Revised Standard Version of the bible was produced.

The bible readings that we use each Sunday come from the New Revised Standard Version, the NRSV, which was first published in 1989. The scholars that produced the NSRV relied on even more recent discoveries of Greek and Hebrew scriptures for their work. These scholars are comprised of a broadly ecumenical body of Protestant, Eastern Orthodox and Catholic members. Details of their work, as well as the principles that guided their translation effort, are described in the "To the Reader" article printed at the very front of our pew bibles.

If you have friends or family who worship in evangelical churches, you may find them reading from the New International Version. The NIV is also a translation of scripture from Hebrew and Greek to English but undertaken by a different group of religious scholars. It is the best-seller of the 60 versions I mentioned before.

I'll let you decide which translation of the Holy Bible is best. Personally, I have favorite scripture verses from several different translations. I'll leave you with one, which points to the ultimate authority, above all human efforts at translating truth:

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

Psalms 121:1-2, King James Version

~ Elizabeth Floyd

Upcoming Events and Opportunities



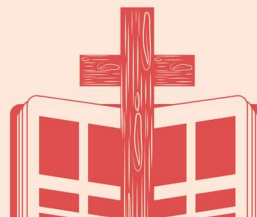
Holy Eucharist
at
Wesley Commons
Tuesday, November 8
11:00 AM
Please join us!

Ladies' Bible Study

The Book of James

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING
5:30 TO 7 PM | STARTING
NOVEMBER 3

The Book of James is in many ways all about how to live a life of faith in Jesus Christ. James has some very straightforward things to say about the way Christians should speak, serve, and live. Join us on Thursday evenings to dig deeper into how the book of James applies to our lives in 2022! We'll not only study the Bible but also study ourselves and one another, finding new ways to see God's image in humanity. Sign up by October 31 so we can prepare materials for you! Contact Laura Beth Brooks by text/phone at 864-992-9658 or email at laura.brooks212@gmail.com



Second
Sunday

November 13 2022



Supporting ...

7th Annual Race to
be Thankful



Please bring bagels, bananas, muffins, granola bars, gatorade or bottled water. You can also sign up to volunteer. We need help preparing race packets before the race day, as well as race-day help at the registration table and along the route. Leave your non-perishable donations on the designated table in the Gathering Space on Second Sunday. Drop off fruit and muffins at the church during the week of the race.

HARVEST HYMN FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022
6:00 PM
IN THE GATHERING SPACE



Light refreshments will follow the music!



Thanksgiving Day
Race to be Thankful
5K Run / Walk
 Organized by the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection

November 24, 2022 at 8:00 AM
Gatewood Subdivision
 Race starts at the clubhouse:
 114 Club Drive, 29646

Register now using the QR code below!

Cost to participate is \$22.50 (includes t-shirt)
 100 % of the proceeds are donated to local charities!



Please join us for a time of Thanksgiving.


Community Thanksgiving Service

Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps. -Psalm 85:11-13

Monday, November 21, 2022 – 7:00 pm
First Baptist Church
722 Grace Street, Greenwood, SC
 Sermon by Rev. Steve Keck, Pastor, Main Street UMC
 Ministers from several Greenwood churches will participate.
 Music by a combined church choir and Palmetto Girls Sing.

Offering will benefit The Greenwood Pathway House.


Save the Date!
Wednesday, December 7, 2022



Saint Nicholas is visiting!
6:00 in Emmaus Hall

Dinner and games for all ages!
Invite friends and neighbors!

Are you interested in joining?



The Order of the Daughters of the King

A 9-week discernment class will be offered on Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:15 in the parish library beginning January 8 through March 5.

For more information about the DOK, contact Summer Booker at 512-417-5897 or summer.b.booker@gmail.com.

CAN YOU HELP FEED OUR YOUTH?



CONTACT MARY BALFOUR TO PROVIDE DINNER FOR OUR YOUTH IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.
 615-900-6191 OR MARYBALFOUR@EPISCOPALGREENWOOD.ORG



Altar Arrangements:

November 6 – To the glory of God and in memory of Janet McCabe and Baby Yochum, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. McCabe, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Legare Kizer by The McCabe and Yochum Families.

November 13– To the glory of God and in honor of all those who served in World War I and all who have served since that time to protect the freedoms that we all enjoy by Dick and Barbara Reeves.

November 20 – The Thanksgiving Altar is given to the glory of God by the members of the Altar Guild and in thanksgiving for the people of Church of the Resurrection and in thankfulness for the ministry of Mary Balfour and Murray Dunlap.

November 27 – Greenery


The presence candle in the sanctuary burns in memory of Ron Little, beloved father, and in thanksgiving for parents everywhere by Jennifer and Adrian Little.

Parish Connections...

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November 2022 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!

	November 6 The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost/ All Saints' Sunday Proper 27	November 13 The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Proper 28	November 20 The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King Proper 29	November 27 The First Sunday of Advent
Vestry of the Month	Bill McCabe and Phil Ellenberg			
Altar Guild	Sandra Lewis (Chair), Marilyn Gobble, Jennifer Little, Sarah McKinney, Peggy Adams			
Readings	Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18 Psalm 149 Ephesians 1: 11-23 Luke 6: 20-31	Isaiah 65: 17-25 Canticle 9 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 Luke 21: 5-19	Jeremiah 23: 1-6 Canticle 16 Colossians 1: 11-20 Luke 23: 33-43	Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 36-44
8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I				
1st Lesson and Psalm	TBA	Lou Wynne	Stephen Tucker	Mary Bright
2nd Lesson and Prayers of the People	Dick Daffin	Lou Wynne	Chuck McDonnell	Mary Bright
E.M.	Dick Daffin	Gerald Normandt	Chuck McDonnell	Deryl McGuire
Usher	John Scurry	Deryl McGuire	Walker Moore	Ken Rogers
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II				
1st Lesson	Catie Robertson	Eddie Barber	Shana Southard-Dobbs	Matt Anderson
2nd Lesson and Prayers of the People	Mary Charles Haigler	John Maschoff	Beverly Wilson	Jane Merrill
Eucharistic Ministers	Laura Beth Brooks Connie Hammett	Adrian Little Beverly Wilson	Norm Fawcett Cindy Hughes	Trisha Craven Beverly Wilson
Crucifer	Leslie Merrill	Cannon Wooten	Lila Eisenreich	Julia Donaghy
Book Bearer	Rebecca Merrill	Aiden Willis	Annie Eisenreich	Delaney Floyd
Torchbearers	None	Chloe Normandia Maggie Rochester	None	Riley and Michael Floyd
Ushers	Diana Carver Ken Headley-Downs	Dan Hobbs Tom Cobb	Al and Rebecca Merrill	John Cobb Abney Wallace
Nursery/Volunteer(s)	Mary Bright Marty Cobb	Sarah Contakos	Mary Bright Nancy Leonard	Mary Bright Rebecca Long
Hospitality	The Floyd Family	Nancy and Jon Newlon	Rita and Pete Marshall	Marilyn Bennett and Billy Dupre
Blessing Box	The Floyd Family	The Floyd Family	The Floyd Family	The Floyd Family
Flower Guild	Carla Hobbs	Helen Nazzaro	Barbara Cameron	Marilyn Bennett
Youth Dinner	Laura Padgett	Carla and Dan Hobbs	Sarah Contakos	Beverly Wilson
Acolyte Leader	Ken Rogers	Adrian Little	Taylor Tucker	Taylor Tucker

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
3 – Catherine Sexton	22 – Mary Van and Phil Ellenberg
3 – Nancy VanWaldick	22 – Catherine and Joshua Howell
8 – Diana Carver	24 – Nancy and Jon Newlon
8 – Mary Jane Mobley	
13 – Mary Van Ellenberg	
15 – Joseph Kocik, Jr.	
16 – Laura Ann Thompson	
17 – Donna Holtzclaw	
18 – Susie Snipes-Rochester	
18 – Cannon Wooten	
19 – Eliza Cathcart	
19 – Catherine Howell	
20 – Barry Wilson	
21 – Stephen Davis	
21 – Dorothy Anna Russell	
27 – Marion Mescall	
27 – Susu Wallace	
28 – Carol Wynne	

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Lisa Anderson, Bill Arnold, Audine Bergman, Bruce Craven, Paul Criswell, Carol Dean, Ellen de Guzman, The Dunlap Family, Joe Fennell, Charlie and Mary Joe Ferguson, Jim Gobble, Nan Hines, The Hinkle Family, The Hughes Family, Adrian Little, Bart McGuire, Mary Jane Mobley, Erich Normandía, Teedie Radford, Bette and Burl Ricker, Domer Ridings, George Rush, Eddie and Jane Sanders, Laura Brooks Shealy, Ross Ann Steifle, Mary Jo Tolbert, Carol Wynne, Martha Anderson (Mary Joe and Charlie Ferguson's daughter), Tom Barber (Eddie Barber's dad), Bryan Biggart (Karen Whitfield's son), Elij Daniels (Alan Treeter's grandson), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Ardy Edgerton (Corrine Price's daughter-in-law), Diane de Guzman (Ellen de Guzman's step-daughter), Riley Gillam (Sandy & Chuck Gresham's niece), Mike Griffin (Cindy Hughes' son-in-law), Tanner Griffin (John and Cindy Hughes' grandson), Cheri Hutchison (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Ian Kelso (Karen Bright's brother), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Carol Ann Pry (Susie Hinkel's niece), Mason Shirley, Doris Snelling (Donna Brooks' mother), Stacey Spillum (Jo Ann Brewer's niece), and Susie Bright Woodward (Jim and Bill Bright's sister).

And for these persons: Vicki Hart (friend of the Brewers), Denise and Eatham Johnson (friends of Robert Headley-Downs), A.J. Lawson (John Hughes' friend), Ruth and Judith (friends of Mims and Mary Jane Mobley), and Faith Shirley (John Hughes' friend).

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

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

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
Month as of 10/25/22	\$32,046	\$33,750	\$2,881	\$1,458	\$36,771	\$33,668
Year as of 10/25/22	\$362,002	\$338,458	\$29,935	\$14,433	\$367,011	\$363,511



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Jim Nazzaro
Susu Wallace
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