

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 4

The Church of the Holy Cross seeks to welcome, love, and serve all people as we come to know God through Jesus Christ

Welcome, Visitors! We extend a warm welcome to you. In your pew you will find a visitor's card with a gold cross inside. Please fill out the card and put it in the collection plate. Also, please wear the gold cross on your lapel so that we may greet you.

There is a Nursery available each Sunday. Just ask the ushers to direct you.

This week's Bach's Lunch Wednesday at Noon Recital features violinist Jessica Stewart. Before the recital, box lunches will be available for purchase for \$5.00. The remaining Advent recitals are:

December 7 – Jessica Stewart, violin, accompanied by Susie Mahnke

December 14 – John Malloy, violin; Rex Gallatin, French Horn; Kymric Mahnke, piano, performing the Brahms Horn Trio in E flat, Op. 40.

December 21 – Crys Armbrust, organ, with Joseph Pullara, trumpet

The Thursday morning group, CROSSINGS began a new unit last week. *Simple Living* led by Faith Weathington is just the right study for the season of Advent. Please join us!

TODAY is our trip to The Church of the Advocate in Asheville. Please come along and join the fellowship. We will worship with them and serve lunch. We will be back to Tryon by 4pm.

The musical troupe, *It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year* will perform at Holy Cross Parish Hall at 3pm and 7pm on December 17. Tickets (benefiting Habitat) are \$10.

Please remember those in need this winter season. There are donation boxes in the hall for Hospice, Thermal Belt Food Pantry and the diaper collection. Monetary gifts to the Holy Cross Outreach fund will also be put to excellent use. There are envelopes in the pew if you care to participate.



The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

Tryon, North Carolina

The Diocese of Western North Carolina

Sunday, December 4, 2011

The Second Sunday of Advent

Rector, The Very Reverend Dr. Michael Doty

150 Melrose Avenue, Tryon, NC 28782 ~ 828-859-9741

www.holycrosstryon.org

8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Rite One

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Voluntary

Hymnus (Creator Alme Siderum)
Creator of the Starry Skies

Jacque-Nicolas Lemmens
(1823-1881)

Processional Hymn: #59

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

Opening Acclamation

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Kyrie eleison (Hymnal #S-91)

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The Collect of the Day

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Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

*Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,*

*that her penalty is paid,
 that she has received from the LORD's hand
 double for all her sins.
 A voice cries out:
 "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
 make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
 Every valley shall be lifted up,
 and every mountain and hill be made low;
 the uneven ground shall become level,
 and the rough places a plain.
 Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
 and all people shall see it together,
 for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."
 A voice says, "Cry out!"
 And I said, "What shall I cry?"
 All people are grass,
 their constancy is like the flower of the field.
 The grass withers, the flower fades,
 when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;
 surely the people are grass.
 The grass withers, the flower fades;
 but the word of our God will stand forever.
 Get you up to a high mountain,
 O Zion, herald of good tidings;
 lift up your voice with strength,
 O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
 lift it up, do not fear;
 say to the cities of Judah,
 "Here is your God!"
 See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
 and his arm rules for him;
 his reward is with him,
 and his recompense before him.
 He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
 he will gather the lambs in his arms,
 and carry them in his bosom,
 and gently lead the mother sheep.*

PRAYER LIST DECEMBER 4, 2011

Phyllis Ackerman
Jim & Kathy Alyea
George Baker
John Bear
Leslie Burgess
Jack Carey
 Claudia
 Sandra Cox
 John Cummings
Ann Curtis
 Deacon Joe
 Ernie Dillard
Michael Doty
 Terrance Doyle
 Jenny Drummond
 Scott Duvall
 Sue Elston
Lillie Hilton

Sean Holston
 Chris Killough
 Anita Knopp
 Robert Linder
Jean Marshall
Bill McCown
 Suzie Mercke
 Mary Meyers
Lynn Page
 Larry Phipps
 Lesley Schank
 Tom Schwab
 Arthur Smith
 Kendra Springs
 Tom
 Jim & Sue Trollinger
 Dave Warden
 Caroline Wells

Holly Zeese
 Mike Zink

 Our friends at

 White Oak
 Laurel Woods
 Autumn Care
 Tryon Estates
 and those who
 minister to them

*Holy Cross Members
 shown in **BOLD***

To place someone on the prayer list, please take a form from the office door, fill it out and put it in Wanda's mailbox. Please use the prayer list for acute or crisis situations. We will leave the name on for a month or so before we remove it. We attempt to review the prayer list periodically in order to stay current.

Serving Today, December 4			Serving Next Sunday, December 11		
	8:30	10:30		8:30	10:30
Greeter	Claire Carey	Wanda Doar	Greeter	Gordon Downe	Geoff Carey
Greeter	Dorothy Schwobel	Mary Hales	Greeter	Karen Johnston	Frances McCain
Usher	Ed Craig	Carl Schumacher	Usher	Caroline Chapman	Doug Price
Usher	Austin Chapman	Jane Schumacher	Usher	Austin Chapman	Paul Zeese
Crucifer	Joaquin Rossen	Annie Doar	Crucifer	Annie Doar	Madison Alexander
Acolyte	Alita Rossen	Rebecca Price	Acolyte		Sara Seagle
Acolyte			Acolyte		
Lector	Ken Rossen	Geoff Carey	Lector	Renee Duvall	Cindy Barnett
Prayers	Ken Rossen	George May	Prayers	Renee Duvall	Penn Dean
Chalice	Sam Doar	Wanda May	Chalice	John Salmon	Boyd Correll
Chalice	R. Gerstenberger	Pam Doty	Chalice	Ken Johnston	Bill Kelly
LEV	R. Gerstenberger	Pam Doty	LEV	Ken Johnston	Bill Kelly
			LEV	John Salmon	Ruth Goodson
Coffee	Holy Cross Youth	The G. Careys	Coffee	Wyckoff/ J.Carey	?????
Altar Guild:	Barbraann Barraud, Barbara Salmon Faith Weathington Lynn Page		Altar Guild	Carmen Preston, Pat Seifert, Frankie Hillhouse, Lynn Page	
Linens:	Audrey Klatter		Linens:	Audrey Klatter	
Flower Guild:	Virginia Correll, Renee Duvall		Flower Guild:	Virginia Correll, Renee Duvall	

Birthdays

12/04 Ambrose Mills
12/04 Ian Williams
12/05 Jerry Pospisil
12/06 Anita Briggs
12/06 Jacque Brown-Williams
12/07 Ken Johnston
12/07 Cam Lawrence
12/07 Craig Harmon
12/08 Ann Curtis
12/08 Grant Stokes
12/10 Bud Philliips
12/10 Sam Doar

Anniversaries

Jim & Jean Scott
Laura & Craig Harmon

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 Page 708, 709, BCP

Benedixisti, Domine

Tone viii.1



1. You have been gracious to your / land, O LORD, *
you have restored the good for-/tune of Jacob.
2. You have forgiven the iniquity of your / people *
and blotted / out all their sins.
8. I will listen to what the LORD God is / saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who / turn their hearts to him.
9. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who / fear him, *
that his glory may / dwell in our land.
10. Mercy and truth have met to-/gether; *
righteousness and peace have / kissed each other.
11. Truth shall spring up from the / earth, *
and righteousness shall look / down from heaven.
12. The LORD will indeed grant pros-/perity, *
and our land will / yield its increase.
13. Righteousness shall go be-/fore him, *
and peace shall be a / pathway for his feet.

The Second Lesson: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

