



Creating Christian Community: Serving and Engaging People in Vibrant Ministries

## Touchstone



## This Week at Holy Family

**Grounds Crew Up and at 'Em:** I drove to the campus early Monday morning, dodging debris and downed trees. To my amazement, as I cautiously turned onto the driveway, I spied two large trees in front of the Church that had fallen across the drive, already sawn to allow passage. After I checked to see if power was on in the parish hall and nave, I drove to the office, again seeing debris already cleared. Yesterday, I spied the grounds team using the tractor to carry limbs and more storm debris to the burn pile in the meadow. I was amazed and delighted. Thank you, Grounds Team. *G. Yandell* 

**Volunteers Needed at Thrift Store:** Our Community Thrift Store needs cashiers. According to Director Terry Bishop (aka Sarge), their new cashier system is very easy to learn and operate. All volunteers will be thoroughly trained. If interested, contact Sarge at terry1bishop@yahoo.com or 404-983-2220.

Annual Parish Meeting January 30- Vestry Elections: The vestry has set Sunday, January 30 for Holy Family's annual parish meeting. (There will be one service only that day at 10:30.) The annual meeting will begin immediately after the service ends. Three new members for vestry will be elected in the meeting. (John Rowan, Patricia Stimmel and Phil Anderson will be rotating off after exceptional service during the onslaught of the covid virus.) Election of the secretary of the meeting will precede reports from the Sr. Warden, the Finance Ministry Chair, the Treasurer and other parish leaders. My annual report will be delivered at the time of the sermon during the 10:30 service. *G. Yandell* 

## 2022 VESTRY CANDIDATE BIOS

Andy Edwards: I have been a member of the Episcopal Church all of my life serving as an acolyte at St. John's In Savannah, Georgia. I taught Chemistry at Reinhardt University, was the Dean of the school of Math and Science and the Evening on Campus coordinator. As a current member of two local conservation organizations, it is my desire to do what we can to protect and maintain the natural beauty of the area we live in.

I currently serve on the Holy Family Outreach and Grounds committees, have been a Sunday morning greeter and was formerly a member of the HF Vestry when our Church was being built.

I grew up in Savannah with family ties to North Georgia. I met my wife, Melinda, after college and moved to Jasper. We have two children and two grandsons. I enjoy fishing, reading, gardening and cooking. I have been a member of Holy Family since early 2000 and am committed to serve in any way God leads.

**Julie Goodan:** Julie, a former classroom teacher, has been married to Mark for 48 years. They have one adult son, who resides in Georgia and is the reason they retired here from Kentucky. For the last 19 years of her professional career, she served as the director of Somerset Independent School System's Family Resource and Youth Service Center. Also in Kentucky she served as a board member of Somerset Chamber of Commerce, Bethany House Abuse Center, Somerset Housing Authority, Pulaski County Retired Teachers' Association, and St. Patrick Episcopal Church Vestry. Goodan has attended Holy Family for 4 years, and is secretary of St. Joan of Arc Chapter of Daughters of the King.

**Terry Nicholson:** It's an honor to be considered to serve on the vestry of Holy Family. If selected, I look forward to providing whatever assistance and guidance I can offer to ensure the success and vision of our ministry.

My professional background included over thirty-plus years of experience in sales and management in the financial services industry offering products and solutions including receivable financing, financial consulting services, corporate credit card payment systems and hardware/software solutions, as well as co-ownership in a financial provider offering factoring services to various industries.

Growing up in Ohio, my family attended St. George Episcopal Church in Dayton, Ohio. After serving in the US Army, we moved to various locations in Ohio and transferred to Atlanta in 1989. Cheryl and I were married in 1970, have two daughters, both located in Georgia, and have been truly blessed with four beautiful grandchildren. We located to Big Canoe in 2012 and have been attending Holy Family for approximately 5-6 years. Pastimes include tennis as well as being extremely involved in various woodworking projects and groups.

Winter Break for Adult Education: There will be a break in our Adult Education offerings this month. We will return on Sunday, February 6. It is our hope that when we return we will be able to meet both in-person and on-line at the same time. In the meantime, as we prepare to return, if you have any suggestions about topics for classes and/or want to help the Committee, just send an email to the church and title it: "Adult Education Thoughts." We look forward to February and our continued exploration of God's Word and intentions! *Katharine J. Armentrout* 

**Outreach**: The next meeting of the Outreach Ministry will be this coming Tuesday, January 25 at 10:00 am on Zoom. Anyone with interest in volunteering with this ministry or simply learning about all the wonderful things this ministry does is welcome to join. Please contact Learning True if you have any questions.

**Zoom Meeting ID: 891 9883 1226** 

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89198831226

**Holy Family Book Club:** Our winter book club gathering begins on Wednesday, January 26 at 6 pm in the Parish Hall and on Zoom. We will discuss Jim Wallis's highly acclaimed book, *America's Original Sin*. Wallis is the founder of *Soujourners* in Washington, DC and is a thought leader for religion in the US and beyond. His book addresses racism and white privilege in a Christian context. We hope you can join us for what we expect to be a thought-provoking read and discussion. *Terry Franzen* 

**Zoom Meeting ID: 865 7237 5468** 

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86572375468

**Community Volunteers Needed at Piedmont**: Piedmont Mountainside Hospital is looking for community members to volunteer to assist in non-clinical and administrative roles. Contact Mary Ghorley at mary.ghorley@piedmont.org or 706-301-5519 for additional information.



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