Touchstone

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025



Saturday, September 13

10:00 Welcome Hands Quilters - PP 11:00 Tai Chi - CC

Sunday, September 14

8:00 Eucharist Rite 1
9:15 Adult Christian Education
10:30 Eucharist Rite 2
Coffee Hour: Coffee and simple
refreshments after each service.
12:15 Choir Practice
5:00 Adult Christian Education - Zoom

Monday, September 15

1:30 pm EfM - PH 7:00 pm Women's Christian Ed - Zoom

Tuesday, September 16

10:00 Parish Life - PH 10:00 Yoga - CC 11:15 Gentle Yoga - CC 12:00 CARES - PH Nursery

Wednesday, September 17

8:00 CARÉS Board - PH 8:30 Morning Prayer - Facebook 9:00 Men's Breakfast - Deb's / Zoom 12:00 Service with Eucharist 2:30 Communications Team - Zoom 5:30 Wonderful Wednesday -Grandview Lake

Thursday, September 18

10:00 Disciple I - PH 1:00 Disciple II - PH 3:30 Finance - PH 7:00 pm Episcopal 101 - Zoom

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 20 - Ladies' Luncheon September 28 - Shower CARES September 28 - House Blessing & Birthday Celebration Creating Christian Community: Serving and Engaging People in Vibrant Ministries

This week at Holy Family

COMING UP - ADULT EDUCATIONS: On **Sunday, September 21**, Father Mark Winward will begin a study of C. S. Lewis's book, *Mere Christianity*. In *Mere Christianity* Lewis focuses on Christianity's core beliefs. Lewis adapted the books from a series of BBC radio talks made between 1941and 1944. Divided into four parts, Lewis explores the existence of God, defends Christian theology, and addresses Christian ethics and the Christian concept of God. Mere Christianity is available on Amazon in multiple formats. Please join us in the Parish Hall at 9:15. Questions? Contact Father Mark Winward.



Heartfelt Appreciation from the Women and Chaplain at Arrendale State Prison: Your very generous response to the request for help providing necessary toiletries for the new arrivals at the prison and the indigent prisoners has been overwhelming! Your donations will be put to good use. Thank you so very much! Terry Franzen and Rev. Katharine Armentrout



WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY at GRANDVIEW LAKE: September's Wonderful Wednesday, hosted by Melinda & Andy Edwards, Betty Temple, and Lynn & Bill Miller, takes place **September 17 at 5:30 at Grandview Lake** with a brief Eucharist. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a potluck dish and join the fun.

Directions to Grandview Lake: From Holy Family, turn off Cove Road onto Grandview Road (which runs alongside the Dollar General). Follow Grandview Road about 2 ½ miles. The red Grandview Lake Clubhouse is on the right at the dam.

Click here for August Vestry Meeting Minutes

PASTORAL CARE ANNOUNCEMENT - COMPASSIONATE PRAYER ADDITION:

For several months on Sundays, we have prayed for parishioners and their family and friends in two ways. For short-term needs (healing, support, and comfort), we read the names in the Prayers of the People, and for long-term needs (extended healing, rest, or hospice), we list the names on the Long-term Prayer List in the service leaflet.

The Pastoral Care Ministry and the Worship Ministry recently collaborated to place names of parishioners from our Long-term Prayer List on the Prayers of the People once a month. Many of our parishioners on the Long-term Prayer List are homebound as they heal, recover, and rest, and they are watching the Sunday services on-line. Although they know they are prayed for in general on Sundays, now monthly they will hear their names mentioned aloud. This compassionate, intentional prayer reminds them that they are loved and on the hearts of those in attendance and on-line.

We realize that public prayer is not comfortable for all, so if for any reason you are on the Long-term Prayer List and you do not want your name read aloud once a month in the Prayers of the People, please contact Richard Smith at rasmith 10@me.com.

THE WINWARD'S HOUSE BLESSING AND **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** All are welcome to join the Winwards at their new home (25 Fox Den Ct., Talking Rock) from 2-4 pm on Sunday, September **28** for a house blessing and a celebration of Fr. Mark's 65th birthday. Refreshments will be provided by the Winwards. Please sign up by September 14 on the sheet at the back of the church to help estimate attendance. email the parish office or office@holyfamilyjasper.org. Due to limited parking, carpooling is encouraged.



MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: FINANCE MINISTRY

The finance ministry at Holy is comprised of 9 members, all who have either a strong financial background or business background. The ministry meets monthly. The primary function of the ministry is to review and approve monthly financial statements and to assist the Treasurer in developing and approving the annual operating budget. It is important to note that the ministry is advisory in nature, just as all other ministries at Holy Family are. The vestry is the governing body for Holy Family and has approval authority over all recommendations from all ministries. Finance also acts on various other matters related to the financial matters of Holy Family.

During the annual budget process, the ministry meets with all ministry chairs to review their budget requests. All the ministry requests are then compiled into one expense budget. The Atlanta Diocese requires that each church in the Diocese develop a balanced budget. As a result, pledged contributions for the upcoming year are critical in being able to fund all of the ministry requests. If the total pledges are short of the expense requests, then expenses must be reduced in order to balance the budget. A successful stewardship campaign is critical each year for Holy Family to continue to support our many ministries.



Please use our new email addresses!

office@holyfamilyjasper.org rector@holyfamilyjasper.org



These emails are effective immediately, so please make sure to update your email contact lists for both the office and rector and send all correspondence to the new addresses.

IMPORTANT: We have had several inssues with regards to facility use recently and we are reminding everyone of the following.

- When using the lockbox to access the key for the the door, *replace the key immediately*. We have had to replace the key in the lockbox at the Parish Hall twice in the past few months because it has not been returned to the lockbox.
- Make sure to turn off all lights when leaving, including gallery hallway and Conference Center entrance lobby.
- Make sure all doors are locked when you are the last to leave.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION: Please join us on **Sunday, September 14**, as the **9:15** Adult Education class concludes its study of Marcus Borg's book, *Convictions – How I Learned What Matters Most*. Borg identifies eleven convictions that form the essence of Christianity. The book is available on Amazon in multiple formats. We will look at chapters 10 and 11 during this session. Questions? Contact Kathleen Allen-Leonard.

Adult Education offers a "repeat" of the 9:15 Borg class on Zoom for those who cannot attend the Sunday morning class. We gather at **5:00 pm on Zoom**. Interested in joining? Email Kathleen Allen-Leonard at **kathleenallenleonard@gmail.com**. so that we may add you to the invitation list. On the 14th, we will look at chapters 9 and 10.

UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS - ADULT EDUCATIONS: On **Sunday, September 21**, Father Mark Winward will begin a study of C. S. Lewis's book, *Mere Christianity*. In *Mere Christianity* Lewis focuses on Christianity's core beliefs. Lewis adapted the books from a series of BBC radio talks made between 1941and 1944. Divided into four parts, Lewis explores the existence of God, defends Christian theology, and addresses Christian ethics and the Christian concept of God. Mere Christianity is available on Amazon in multiple formats. Please join us in the Parish Hall at 9:15. Questions? Contact Father Mark Winward.

WOMEN'S STUDIES: Our study of John Philip Newell's book, *The Rebirthing of God; Christianity's Struggle New Beginnings* continues on **Mondays at 7:00 pm** on **Zoom**. In the book, Newell explores eight major features of a new birthing of Christianity including "coming back into relationship with the Earth as sacred", "reconnecting with compassion as the ground of true relationship", "rediscovering spiritual practice as the basis for transformation" and "following love as the seed-force of new birth in our lives and world". The book is available on Amazon in multiple formats. All women of the parish are welcome. Questions? Contact Elaine DeNiro. edeniro@bellsouth.net

TAI CHI: Saturdays at 11:00 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Jeff Cook

HATHA YOGA: Tuesdays at 10:00 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Becky Hollaway

GENTLE YOGA: Tuesdays at 11:15 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Dennis Kast

For more information, please contact Becky at rlhollaw@mac.com or Dennis at denniskast@aol.com

Service Leaflet

Prayers of the People

Unrestricted Giving Through July 2025

Anticipated Contributions for July \$42,625 Actual Contributions for July \$48,880

Budgeted Contributions Year-to-Date (July) \$298,375 Actual Contributions Year-to-Date (July) \$312,726



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JOIN US - ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAYS 8:00 am - Quiet Service with Eucharist, Rite I

9:15 am - Christian Education in the Parish Hall

10:30 am - Service with Music and Eucharist, Rite 2

Coffee and simple refreshments after each service.

WEDNESDAYS 8:30 am - Morning Prayer on Facebook

noon - Service with Eucharist

(On the 1st Wednesday of each month:

Healing Service followed by lunch)

The Rev. Mark S. Winward, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Ted Hackett, Priest Associate • The Rev. Byron Tindall, Priest Associate John King Carter, Organist/Choirmaster • Jacques LeBlanc, Sexton Jim Braley, Head Verger • Christie Beiring, Parish Administrator

Vision: Revealing Jesus through our actions by extending his love for us through our service to others **Mission:** Creating Christian community: serving and engaging people in vibrant ministries

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