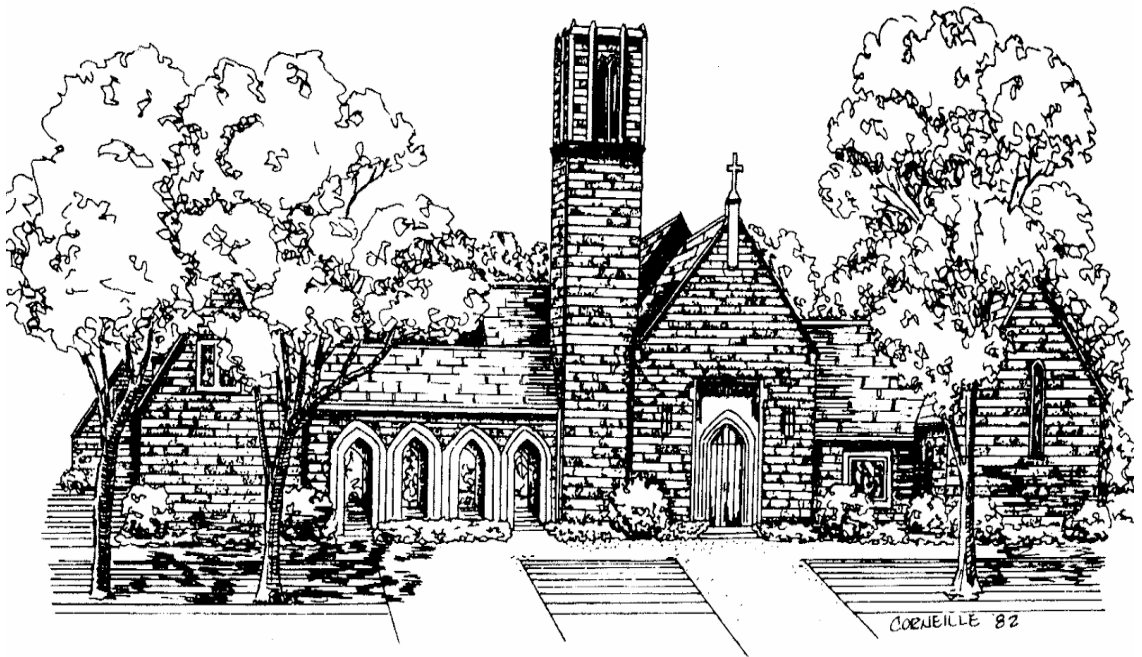


# Welcome to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Sunday, November 22, 2020 - Online Liturgy



*St. Mary's: Serving with JOY!*

The mission of St. Mary's Episcopal Church is to bear God's Good News through joyful worship, Christ-centered teaching, compassionate care, and intentional relationships.

# The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King Sunday

## The Holy Eucharist with Spiritual Communion, Rite 2

November 22, 2020

### Online Liturgy

*Welcome to St. Mary's Episcopal Church!  
Welcome back to Sunday morning indoor worship!*

*In these extra-ordinary times, St. Mary's offers three Sunday morning worship opportunities of Holy Eucharist. One is an online pre-recorded liturgy of the Rite 2 service (Spiritual Communion), posted to our Facebook and YouTube platforms. The others are indoor public liturgies (Rite 1 at 8am in the Chapel and Rite 2 at 9:30am in the large church), following the parameters outlined in [Fr. Tom's Pastoral Letter of October 21](#) and in accordance with current state Executive Orders and [guidelines from the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina](#).*

*For worshipers gathering in person, we thank you for taking seriously the measures that are in place that allow us to gather safely, especially wearing face coverings, observing six feet of physical distancing between different households, and refraining from congregational singing. These practices will make our time together safer and are appreciated as signs of love for one another.*

*You may also wish to begin the practice of bringing with you your own copy of the Book of Common Prayer and Bible to incorporate into your worship while at St. Mary's Church and beyond. If you don't have either, please speak with the clergy - we'd love to help!*

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer.*

### **SERVERS IN THIS LITURGY:**

Officiant & Preacher: Tom Warren

Organist: Sharon Veitch

Musicians: Marcus Jones (vocals) & Seraphim Smith (recorder)

Lectors: Greg Gridley and Susan Fox

## Greeting & Announcements

*The people may remain seated as this hymn is sung by the soloist.*

Hymn #450 vs. 1,2,6 “All hail the power of Jesus’ Name!”

6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate  
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar  
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did  
\* 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the  
\* 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

This musical system consists of three staves. The top staff is a single melodic line in G major, 4/4 time. The middle and bottom staves are a piano accompaniment in G major, 4/4 time, featuring a steady bass line and chords. The lyrics are written below the staves, with the first line starting at measure 6.

ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and  
2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and  
3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and  
4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and  
5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

This musical system continues the hymn with three staves. The top staff has a melodic line with a long note at the end. The middle and bottom staves continue the piano accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with the first line starting at measure 1.

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al  
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of  
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,  
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you  
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,  
 on this terrestrial ball,  
 to him all majesty ascribe,  
 and crown him Lord of all!

Words: Edward Perronet

Music: *Coronation*

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

*Officiant*  
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy.  
*People* ***Christ, have mercy.***  
*Officiant* Lord, have mercy.

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*Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* ***And also with you.***  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## The Lessons

*All may be seated for the readings*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel: [34:11-16, 20-24]

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

*Lector*        Here ends the reading.

Psalm 95:1-7a

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Church in Ephesus: [1:15-23]

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all

things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.      *People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

*All stand as they are able.*

*Gospeler*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*      ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*      ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

*All may be seated.*

The Sermon

Father Tom

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

*All stand as they are able.*

#### The Prayers of the People, Form IV

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Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Rob, our diocesan bishop; and all bishops, priests, and deacons.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, especially Donald, our President; Roy, our Governor; and Don, our Mayor; and people of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.



*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially all who are on the St. Mary's parish prayer list, and those whose lives and livelihoods have been seriously impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Outreach Committee, that you would guide this group in its ministry of equipping your people to serve others in Jesus' name. As Jesus stretched out his arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of his saving embrace, so clothe us in your Spirit the we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you, to the knowledge and love you; for the honor of your Name.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Prayers may be lifted aloud or in the silence of our hearts at this time.*

*The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

*Officiant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

The Offertory Sentence:

[By clicking this link, worshippers may leave their tithes or offerings this morning.](#)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
-Ephesians 5:2

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

*All stand as they are able. The Officiant continues with the invitation.*

I invite you now to join in an act of spiritual communion whereby we seek with heart and body to make our full communion with God, beginning with the words our Lord Himself taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

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***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.***

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *grant us peace.*

*In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory.*

*And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

### The Postcommunion Prayer

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### The Blessing & Dismissal

*Officiant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

### Closing Hymn #555

“Lead on, O King eternal”

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;

2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,

3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home:  
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;  
for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er thy face ap - pears.

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,  
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,  
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heaven - ly king - dom comes.  
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Words: Ernest Warburton Shurtleff

Music: *Lancashire*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### This Week's Schedule – November 22, 2020

Sun.	10:45 am	The Gospels Course in Moseley Hall ( <i>and Zoom</i> )
	6:00 pm	Compline Under the Stars ( <i>West Lawn</i> )
	8:00 pm	AA meets in Moseley Hall
Tues.	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
	9am-Noon	Fr. Tom's Office Hours
	12:00 pm	Rector's Forum - Email <a href="#">Fr. Tom</a> for the Zoom link.
	4:00 pm	ECW Bible Study - Email <a href="#">Pam Mazingo</a> for the Zoom link.
Wed.	5:30 pm	Outreach Committee Meeting - Email <a href="#">Jessica Shimer</a> for the Zoom link
	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast in Moseley Hall
	8:30 am	EYC Serves at Mary's Kitchen
	9am-Noon	Fr. Tom's Office Hours
Thur./Fri.	2:00 pm	Parish Office Staff Meeting
		Parish Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

*The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving this year for those working tirelessly to create a COVID vaccine and for those devoted to caring for the sick  
by Jeannie & Joe Exum.*

**OUR NEXT OUTDOOR WORSHIP IS TONIGHT: COMPLINE UNDER THE STARS ON THE WEST LAWN** - Join us for compline, fire, and s'mores on the West Lawn on **tonight (November 22nd) from 6-7pm**. Bring a blanket or chair, a heart for worship & fellowship, and remember your face covering!

**THE NOVEMBER EDITION OF THE BELL RINGER** is here!!! Pick up your hard copy while at church, or you may also read it online at [the church website](#). We are excited to share with you all the Good News of Jesus from St. Mary's!

**OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING** - We will have an Outreach Committee meeting on **Tuesday, November 24th, at 5:30 pm via Zoom**. The primary purpose of our meeting is to discern the disbursement of the Outreach Funds for this year. If you would like to attend, please contact Jessica Shimer at [jshimer4300@gmail.com](mailto:jshimer4300@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

**ADVENT BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY** - As the calendar year begins to draw 2020 to a close, in the church, we begin a new year with the first Sunday of Advent which is November 29, 2020. On this Sunday, in addition to beginning the new Advent season that draws our hearts towards preparing for the celebration of Immanuel - the Christ child who is "God with us" - we also begin "Year B" in our 3-year lectionary cycle.

Throughout this year, we will read through the Gospel of Mark and more of John. Happy New Year!

**CHRISTMAS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN** - For over forty-five years, members of St. Mary's have generously supported the foster children in our community by providing Christmas gifts. This week, an email was sent to our parish with a list of foster children and their special requests. Please consider choosing a child and making this a part of the Christmas season for you and that child. You may also make a donation to help with the cost of the gifts. Please contact Becky Darst ([rcdarst@suddenlink.net](mailto:rcdarst@suddenlink.net)) for any questions or to sponsor a child.

**MORNING PRAYER** is offered in the All Saints' Chapel on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30am (*for safety, pews are marked and face coverings are required*). Know that you are welcome to make this special time a part of your morning devotional.

**ADVENT WREATH MAKING** - Advent wreath kits will be available to pick up next Sunday at church. The kits will include the base/ring form, candles, and a devotional. Greenery from Shimer Select Christmas trees will also be available near the magnolia tree on the West Lawn. May the making of these wreaths be a joy, and may the observance of this sacred season awaken hope in your home.

**9TH ANNUAL COOKIE WALK** - Mark your calendars and join us **Saturday, December 12th at 11am** for this year's DRIVE THRU Cookie Walk. We will have delicious, beautifully boxed cookies ready for pick up (small box for \$10 or a large box for \$25). Nut-free boxes will also be available. Come for a festive drive thru experience and pick up some Cookie LOVE to enjoy and to share this Christmas season!

**VESTRY NOMINATION PROCESS** - St. Mary's will soon elect its next 4-person class of vestry leaders using a new process for 2020. The ballot of eligible members able to serve on the vestry was shared via email and hardcopy last Sunday. Ballots will be received until Nov. 25 by all eligible voters. The Vestry's Nominating Committee will then form a 4-person candidate slate based on the nomination ballots. In the event of a tie, the Nominating Committee will be trusted to discern an appropriate solution based on the needs of the parish. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place **during the 9:30am liturgy on Sunday, Dec 6**, during which the 4-person slate will be voted on. Please speak with Fr. Tom or any member of the vestry with any questions regarding this new process for 2020.

**ECW FAITH FRIENDS** - Will you help St. Mary's be intentional about staying connected? Consider joining FAITH FRIENDS, a group of ECW women who are willing to make intentional personal connections by checking in on an assigned church member via short chats, doorstep visits, letters, and/or surprise gifts. Please contact

Laury Sargeant by email at [jsarg4@suddenlink.net](mailto:jsarg4@suddenlink.net) or Audra Haddad by email at [5haddad@suddenlink.net](mailto:5haddad@suddenlink.net) who will in turn contact you to assign a friend.

**SUPPORTING THE LIFE OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH** - We recognize the incredible impact of this pandemic on every facet of our lives and are grateful for the tithes and offerings that have continued to be sent by mail [and online](#).

**ST. MARY'S YOUTH PAGE IS ON INSTAGRAM** - Be sure to find us and follow these pages: for youth [@StMarysKinstonEYC](#) and for children [@StMarysKinstonKids](#). We are excited to connect our children, youth, and parents!

**CHORAL SCHOLAR FUND** - St. Mary's Church now has an official Choral Scholar Fund to sustain multiple Choral Scholars each year. If you would like more information or learn how to contribute, please contact [Sharon Veitch](#), [Sam Gilmore](#), or our Treasurer [Billy Page](#).

**STAY CONNECTED** - [Access our membership directory here](#).

**JOIN F3 OR FIA NATION IN KINSTON!** F3 is a national network that focuses on Fitness - Fellowship - Faith. It is free, peer-led, with outdoor workout groups for men of all ages. For more information, check out the [f3enc.com](#) or contact Chris Jenkins at [wjenkins@nccumc.org](mailto:wjenkins@nccumc.org) FIA is a community of women whose mission is to become stronger with focus on bodies, minds, hearts of themselves and other women. It is free, led outdoors, and open to women of all ages. For more information, check out [fianation.com](#) and go to the [FiA Lenoir County Facebook page](#) for workout dates/times. Both groups are now active in Kinston!

**HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES** - Access updated hurricane preparedness resources from the Diocese of East Carolina ["Hurricane Hub"](#).

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** Christ Church & Galilee Mission, Creswell, St. Luke & St. Anne's, Roper

Tom Warren.....	Rector
Sharon Veitch .....	Organist/Choirmaster
Jo Parrott .....	Senior Warden
Jimmy Ballard.....	Junior Warden
Billy Page .....	Treasurer
Whitney Grady.....	Clerk of the Vestry
Lori Kelly.....	Parish Administrator
Liz Hengst... Youth/Families	Ministry Coordinator
Sherry Tanner.....	Communications Director
Jim Godfrey.....	Mary's Kitchen Director
Cyndi Rafferty.....	Altar Guild Chair
Laury Sargeant.....	ECW President

Parish Vestry	
2020	2021
Jess Edwards	Jimmy Ballard
Gerry Fox	Sam Gilmore
Whitney Grady	Jessica Shimer
Jo Parrott	Stuart Stroud
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John John	
Scott Turik	
Dee Warner	
Harry Wooten	