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THE WAYFARER

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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

- 8:30 am H.E. Rite I
- 9:30 am Adult Christian Ed
- 9:30 am Choir
- 10:30 am Children's Church
- 10:30 am H. E. Rite II

STUDY SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY

- 8:30 am Day School Chapel
- 10:30 am Bible Study

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Experiencing Loss

Words cannot adequately express my gratitude toward my parish family for the outpouring of love and support that I and my family have received as we experienced the passing of my father. Being able to spend time with my family in Knoxville as we waited to see what would happen with dad was invaluable. Dad left this world surrounded by his family, and we were all there to support each other.

Driving home from Knoxville, I received word about the passing of Lynn Schaffarzick, and shortly afterward, Mike Boyd died unexpectedly. It was, to put it mildly, a heck of a week. Lynn passed after a long struggle with her illness; my dad was in the hospital for a week before he died; Mike died in his sleep with no real warning. Sometimes we have time to process an impending death; sometimes, we are caught unaware. This last week I experienced all three.

There is no best way to lose someone we love. And each of us experiences grief in our own way. Whether we have time to prepare or are caught unaware, the loss is very real. But God gives us each other to help us through these times. Even if we don't know what words to share, it is okay. It is not the words themselves but the compassion they express that matters.

In our liturgy, we pray that God will help us to remember that death is a change, not an ending. The ones we love but see no longer are still with us. We are assured that there is resurrection and there is life, even in the midst of death. I find consolation in that. I pray that you do as well.

Peace,

Fr. Brandt+

IN OUR CHURCH

Blessing of the Backpacks

We will celebrate returning to school with the blessing of the backpacks at the 10:30 service on August 4.



FORWARD DAY by DAY

The new Forwards for Aug., Sept., Oct. are now available at the entrances to the church, the kitchen, and the hall outside the office. Please help yourself to a copy.

RUMMAGE SALE



Thank you, thank you to everyone who pitched in to make this year's rummage sale a huge success!! We raised over \$12,000.00 this year. We couldn't have done it without you!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Bible study continues on Wednesdays at 10:30 am.

Aug 4 Blessing of Backpacks at 10:30 service

Aug 7 Healing Service at noon

Aug 7 Choir begins again at 6:00 pm.

Aug 20 Vestry 5:30 pm

Aug 21 Day School begins

JOIN THE CHORUS



Choir will be starting Wed. evening rehearsals at 6:00 pm, August 7. Any and all parishioners are welcome and encouraged to join the choir. Come see what we do and how we do it and you may decide to give it a try!

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Service Ministries for Sunday, Aug 4

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Geoffrey Lewis

LEM: Sonya Bixler

Lector: Sonya Bixler

Ushers: Peter Nimrod

Vestry Assignment: Finley Edwards, Brad Jones

Service Ministries for Sunday, Aug 11

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Jim Martin

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe

LEM: Noel Harris

Lector: Tim Bixler

Ushers: Ralph Owens

Vestry Assignment: Ginny Cochran, Ellen Frye

Service Ministries for Sunday, Aug 18

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Betsy Alexander

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines

LEM: Sonya Bixler

Lector: Erica Dick

Ushers: Wesley Smith

Vestry Assignment: Noell Harris, Debi Hendrix

Service Ministries for Sunday, Aug 25

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Geoffrey Lewis

LEM: Noel Harris

Lector: Ruby Edwards

Ushers: David Cochran

Vestry Assignment: Rak Koestler, Beth Naaman



BACK TO SCHOOL!!

The Day School is preparing for the 68th year of learning!

The staff is excited to get back in the swing of things as they receive new class rosters and get ready to welcome new families into our school. Parent orientation will be on Monday, August 19th

and our first day of school is Wednesday, August 21st.

We will greatly miss, **Ruby Edwards**, as she has chosen to retire this year. Ruby has been such an asset and blessing to our program. She has been so wonderful to our kindergarten program with her enthusiasm, kindness, and love for teaching our sweet children!

The Rummage Sale 2024

The Rummage Sale was a huge success once again with proceeds over \$12,000!!! We are so thankful for all the support from our parish!! It is a lot of work but a tremendous amount of fun as well!!!

It takes so many volunteers to make this sale happen:

Donors- We could not have a sale without the many donations that come in all year long and are stored in the large container buildings.

Heavy Lifters- There is a crew of guys who show up in the heat of the summer to unload those containers and move the donations to the Parish Hall.

Advertising and Social Media- This group gets the word out to our community.

"Rummage Ladies"- This fun group works for weeks setting up the sale- unboxing, sorting, organizing, displaying, and pricing all the items.

Sale volunteers- This group of all ages (teens, staff, parishioners) work during the sale for several days. An army of volunteers serve in "will call", as a checker, as sales assistant, and as a car loader.

Clean-up Crew- Many of the same folks who braved the heat to unload our containers come back to help box up unsold merchandise and haul it away to another worthwhile charity. After weeks of taking over the Parish Hall it is back to its original state.

Believe it or not, we are ready to receive donations for 2025. **Remember, if you have any clothing to donate the Day School has an account at Corner Closet and you may drop off any items in our name there.**

Delta Convocation Altar Guild Gathering

Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

St. John's Episcopal Church, Leland

\$15.00 per person paid at the door. Lunch is included.

Questions – call Laurie Noble 662-207-0643

OUR PARISH FAMILY



For parishioners: Robin Kelly, Emma Jean McIntyre, Tommy Mills, Thorne Crosby, Sandy Welsh, Bill Schaffarzick, Jimmy Lee, Linda Owens, Dudley Stewart, Susan Sutherland, Elizabeth Smith

For friends and family: Annette Smith & family, Susan Reimer, Lee Yancy, Cindy Low, Sam Dancer, Paula Nicholson, Karen Swain, John Cox, Merrill Greenlee, Sonya Swain, Martha Moore, Dianne & Howard Dyer, Joy Haddock Davis, Rosa Tobiansky, Mac Baker, Hilton & Glenda Tarver, Andy Von Antz, Julie Boswell, Jean Williamson, Mal Kretschmar, Mary Louise Miller, Ruth Ellen Coffey, Roane Bland, Linda Fratesi, Christin Fisher, Phil Lee, Jr., Millie Wright, Kaye Buchanan, Bob Jones, Penny & Rick Byler

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Barry Jordan, Jackson Mitchell, Tyler Owens, Nathan Thomas, Sean Williams, Barry Jackson, Marcus Shoemaker, Beau Swain.

For expectant couples: Amanda & Shawn Zorn



Leslie & Daryl Chastain	08/05
April & Nolan Andrews	08/11
Ruby & Finley Edwards	08/22
Laura & Wesley Smith	08/26
Deanna & Warren Harper	08/27

Revenue & Expenses June 2024	
Total Revenue	\$22,759.42
Total Expenses	\$31,477.37
Net Total	(\$8,717.95)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Finley Edwards	08/01
Greg Wells	08/01
Noel Harris	08/04
Bee Stewart	08/04
George Baird	08/05
Nan Hines	08/05
Anita Martin	08/06
Alex Ables	08/11
Cyndi Underwood	08/12
Lucy Dick	08/14
Danny Suber	08/16
Charlie Weissinger	08/20
Wesley Smith	08/21
Jacob Dick	08/22
Jill Flowers	08/22
Olivia Lowe	08/22
Brister Lee	08/23
April Andrews	08/25
Sophia Hines	08/25
Douglas Wade, Jr.	08/25
Tim Bixler	08/26
Marsha Baird	08/30
John Daniels	08/30
Elizabeth Weissinger	08/30



We pray for
the repose of the souls of
Lynn Schaffarzick
who died July 15
&
Mike Boyd
who died July 17

Next Dates for Baptisms
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is appropriately administered within the Eucharist at the chief service on a Sunday. The next date for Baptism is All Saints' Sunday, Nov. 3. To schedule a baptism, please call Betsy at the Church Office or speak to Father Brandt.

The Day school year begins August 21. Please be careful and watch for children when driving around the building.

**NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE**

Deadline for articles
for the next
Wayfarer is Aug. 23

CALENDARS



2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Clergy Sabbath	3 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
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