“Find the lost; Heal the broken;
Celebrate God’s love for all.”
Holy Eucharist – Sundays at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 5:00 pm
Weekly Bible Study – Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

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The Rev. Louisa Parsons, Rector
The Rev. Josh Weaver, Deacon
Melissa Howell, Seminarian
Marie Sugrue, Parish Administrator
Charles Nix, Evening Music Coordinator
Kirsten Herzog, Children’s Music Ministry
Pam Early, Nursery Minister

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At St. Francis, we continue our Lenten journey the next couple weeks in preparation for Easter and the celebration of the Risen Christ on April 21. Look inside for our Lenten offerings as well as our schedule for Holy Week Services and Easter Sunday celebration.

You’ll also find announcements and other information on our website which we update weekly: www.sfaec.org. If you’d like to be included in our weekly email updates, simply contact us at sfaec@comcast.net or (423) 238-7708. And of course, we post regularly on our Facebook page as well as our sign out front. There’s more than one way to stay in the loop at St. Francis!

All are welcome here. We hope to see you soon.

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“Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart.”

Hebrews 12:3
What a spectacular start to Spring we have enjoyed! Clear blue skies were the highlight that first weekend of the season as the soft greens, pinks, purples, and yellows bloom forth. The promise of new life in the world around us abounds and with it hope for time to be outside to enjoy this special season of year.

Spring also brings an increase in activities for our day to day lives. Our church will have a surge of offerings as Holy Week falls in the anticipated peak of Spring colors. Each of these offerings is carefully planned with full text bulletins to make it easy for guests to join in worship with us. Whether it is participating in the Agape Meal and Foot Washing of Maundy Thursday or the walking of the outdoor Stations of the Cross, helping carry the cross on Good Friday or waiting in the dark hour before dawn for the new day and proclamation of our Lord’s resurrection on Easter Morning, we offer services unique to the Ooltewah–Collegedale area. We also offer a traditional Easter Morning Service with Breakfast before and Easter Egg Hunt afterwards.

As we are out and about, we find more interactions with our neighbors and the wider community. This is a great time to share with others the special place we call our church home and the great gift of the Lord in our lives. Many of you already share the “Good News” of service in our Lord’s name by letting others know about our Walk-In-Love Shoe Drive. Three weeks into this annual drive, we are regularly finding the collection bin filled when we arrive at church to start the day. Others have invited friends to come and spend time walking our stunning and moving indoor Stations of the Cross, our new offering thanks to the generosity of Suzy and Curtis Baggett and Bill Allen.
One of the great gifts of our portion of God’s vineyard at the corner of Ooltewah–Georgetown and Providence Roads, is the beauty of our outdoor offerings. We can extend invitations to friends to come walk the pathway starting at the bridge over the creek and up the hill to enjoy our lovely gardens. At any time, people are welcome to use the outdoor worship area at the top of the hill behind the church and enjoy the scenic vistas while offering prayers to God. For a meditative walk, invite friends to experience our Labyrinth near All Saints House.

As we use and enjoy our varied outdoor spaces, let us remember that God has called us to care and tend for the creation we enjoy. While we are blessed with wonderful lawn care by Dobbs Landscaping, we also need to help with upkeep and care of these many acres. Even if you cannot join us for the Annual Lenten Cleanup of our grounds, consider another time that you might be able to help weed the gardens around Katie Hall, clear sticks from the Labyrinth, or don gloves for a little pick up around the well-traveled roadside that fronts our property.

Faithful stewardship encourages us to care for every good gift with which God has blessed us. One look at our church home reminds us of the beauty God gives us to enjoy. Let us be intentional in recognizing and sharing this beauty with others. Let us remember to live into our Mission Statement by reaching out to others. As we reach out, we are serving the Lord. As we reach out, let us recognize the love God shows us daily not only in one another, but also in all of God’s creation. Let us begin this Spring renewed in mission and proclaim in word and deeds that we at St. Francis are here to:

- Find the lost;
- Heal the broken;
- Celebrate God’s love for all.

Lou †
The St. Francis Vestry met on Monday, March 25:

⇒ Our Walk in Love Shoe Collection is running through April 18th. Thank you to all who have already donated!

⇒ Our Spring Work Day is coming up on Saturday, April 13th from 9 am - 12 pm. Sign-up is in the Narthex, but if you can’t join us that morning and would still like to participate, please let the office know.

⇒ The Vestry approved a motion from the Planning Committee to:

- Use a contractor who will engage an architect.
- The architect will develop renderings and construction drawings of a modified building plan.
- The building plan would include an expansion to our nave, an addition of a new parish hall, and renovation of our existing exterior.

The next Vestry Meeting is April 29 at 6:15 pm. All are welcome to attend.
Soup Supper & Lenten Study
“Ways to Pray”
Sundays at 6:00 pm
Now through April 7

It’s not too late to join us. You can jump in at any time.

March 31 Praying Without Words
(or With Very Few Words!)

April 7 Praying Through Action,
Movement, and Creativity

Attention St. Francis Worship Ministers

In an effort to refresh all robes in time for Easter, we ask that you take your personal robe home for refreshing by April 7.

All robes remaining after April 7 will need to be refreshed and we’re looking for a couple volunteers to take these home for laundering after services April 14 and return them by April 18 (Maundy Thursday).

If you have questions or can help refresh robes, please contact Lenora Corbin. Thank you!
Walk In Love Shoe Collection
Now through April 18, 2019

We’re accepting donations of new or nearly new men’s and women’s walking shoes, new socks and other foot care products. Items will be blessed Maundy Thursday, April 18, at the 7:00 pm service and then delivered to the Chattanooga Community Kitchen.

There will be a bin by our front door for donations. For more information, please contact us at (423) 238-7708 or sfaec@comcast.net.
Back in the fall of last year, several of us had the opportunity to attend a conference at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Downtown Chattanooga. Stacy Hall, Elaine Peters-Gannon, Ellen Hartsfield, and I were intrigued by how many opportunities are available to engage with members of our community and our church. **Invite·Welcome·Connect** is a process:

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Invite ... evangelism
Welcome ... ministry of hospitality
Connect ... closing the back door
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Created by Mary Parmer and developed first in the Diocese of Texas, it is now a ministry of the Beecken Center of the School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee.

As we all believe and probably know, St. Francis is very good at welcoming visitors. But, how do we invite and how do we actually connect with our visitors? We have begun working with the materials we obtained from the conference and need your ideas and help to put into action all that we’ve learned and continue to learn. It is a transformational process and we are still sorting out much of the information and videos from Mary Palmer. We INVITE you to join us in that process.

Do you recall coming to St. Francis for the first time? How were you greeted? What made you come back? What brought you here in the first place? We will be exploring how we can all INVITE others to share this community of Christ, WELCOME them to feast at the table, and listen and CONNECT with them.

Be on the lookout for more information on how you can be involved.

Elaine Cantelou
We are excited to announce that this Easter we are adding another offering for our children and youth. Children’s Music Minister, Kirsten Herzog, has developed an Easter Play with a concluding song for this group to share at our 10:00 Easter Service. This wonderful offering will give us a “Children’s Sermon” in addition to our typical Easter Sermon.

With this Easter Play, we are able to involve our youth and children in a way to be inviting to our guests who bring their youth and children for the Easter Celebration. The next play rehearsal for the children will be Sunday, April 7, at 9:00 am.

April is an exciting month with many Youth Offerings planned:

- April 1 at 6 pm: High School Seniors to attend Project Canterbury for dinner and worship with Tyson House Chaplain John Tirro from the Episcopal – Lutheran Ministry at UTK
- April 7 after 10 am service: Work on Easter Play for Easter Sunday at St. Francis
- April 13 11 am – 2 pm: Diocesan Family Field Day at Grace Point for Grades 3–12. We’ll arrange carpools for those who want to attend
- April 14 after 10 am service: Prepare eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Easter Sunday after 10 am service
- April 21 at 9 am: Meet for final preparations for Easter Play and then Easter Egg Hunt
- April 28 at 5 pm: ChattEY to gather at St. Paul’s Athens for completion of Bingo Board and a service project followed by dinner and worship
St. Nicholas School — Meet & Greet
Sunday, April 7, 11:30 a.m.

At St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church

Is St. Nicholas the right choice for your child? Find out on April 7 at 11:30 am at St. Francis Episcopal Church as representatives from the school and members of the parish share their experience and answer your questions. Come hear how St. Nicholas provides a nurturing environment for academic, social, and spiritual growth.

The Meet & Greet is open to the community.

Make the Choice of a Lifetime
Choose an Episcopal School!
Join us for a Potluck Breakfast
Easter Sunday following our service at 6:30 a.m.
All are welcome!

Sign-up for the potluck is now out and we’re also looking for volunteers to help with set-up or clean-up. Thank you!

Easter Lilies $10 each
Available for purchase March 31 - April 14

Used to decorate the church for Easter in memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones. Sign-up is in the Narthex.

And join the fun at our Easter Egg Hunt
Easter Sunday following the 10:00 Service
All children are welcome!
Please plan to participate in the upcoming

St. Francis Work Day
Saturday, April 13
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bring your tools and help us with clean-up and simple repairs around our church campus. Let us know you are planning to come by signing up in the Narthex.

Remember, many hands make light work.
Hope to see you there!
Palm Sunday, April 14
8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 5:00 pm

Your presence and voice are needed for the Triumphal Entrance to All Glory, Land & Honor. With waving palms and the powerful telling of Christ’s Passion in Matthew’s Gospel, we hope you’ll join us at any one of the three services we offer at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 5:00 pm on Sunday, April 14.

We’ve put out a sign-up sheet for those who would like to read part of the Passion Story.

Hosanna in the highest!

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Chapel of Repose

“He said to them, ‘I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.’”

Matthew 26:38

Accept Jesus’ invitation and spend an hour in Classroom A at the Children’s Chapel anytime from Maundy Thursday (April 18) at 9:00 p.m. to Good Friday (April 19) at 11:30 a.m. Feel free to come pray, reflect and be with our Lord. Sign-up will be out soon in the Narthex. For more details, contact our Rector, Lou.

Good Friday Services on April 19
12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

We also offer Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Please see back cover of this newsletter for the complete schedule of Holy Week Services and gatherings, including Easter Sunday.
Lunch Pals -- April 2
Lunch Pals meet the 1st Tuesday of Every Month @ 12:30 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church
Bring your lunch and join the group for fellowship and good conversation.
All are welcome.

Out-To-Lunch Group - - Dutch Treat Wednesday, April 10, at 11:30 a.m.

PORTOBELLO’S
ITALIAN RESTAURANT & PIZZARIA

4976 Hwy. 58, Chattanooga (Carpooling available)

Please sign-up in the Narthex by April 8.
Questions? Contact Nancy Socha at 423-910-0558.
6 March 2019

Dear St. Francis Church Family,

We feel rich (thanks so very much for the plethora of toiletries! Shampoo, soaps and lotions—and other useful items—are true treasures for the fields we serve. Please know that we are very grateful. In fact, MetMin would not have grown in impact over these 40 years without the support and prayers you and the other parishes so freely share with us. Thank you for journeying with us every step of the way.

Deeply grateful,

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*All Nations Seventh-Day Adventist Congregation will be using our Church and classrooms on Saturday this weekend from 10:00 to 1:00.*
Birthdays & Anniversaries

April:

3 - Carol Morton
4 - Ann Harmon
10 - Ross Malone
13 - Susan Asendorf, Allison Bramblett
14 - John Mullins
17 - Alexandra Wilson
19 - Hudson Luke Blanchard
21 - Pat Allen
22 - Brian Caldwell
23 - Pam Johnson
24 - Mary Drake
25 - Jackson Love
28 - Lance Everett Kiser

May:

1 - Margaret McCullough
Dentzel & Kathy Landstreet’s Anniversary
2 - Kathy Landstreet
3 - Ed McCoy
6 - Stuart Johnson
8 - Al Ceren, Josh Dobbs
9 - Larry Haggard
13 – Pam Pursley
20 - Chuck Nix
21 - Brennan Bagli
23 – Bud Gentry, Perry & Sue Scrugg’s Anniversary
27 - Jamie Hartman

If you’d like to include your birthday or anniversary, let us know: sfaec@comcast.net or (423) 238-7708.
Celebrate Easter with us.
There’s no better time to experience the joy of communion with Jesus Christ.

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No 8:00 am and 5:00 pm services on Easter Sunday.