“Find the lost; Heal the broken; Celebrate God’s love for all.”
St. Francis of Assisi
Episcopal Church

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Holy Eucharist – Sundays at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 5:00 pm
Weekly Bible Study – Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

The Rt. Rev. Brian L. Cole, Bishop of East Tennessee
The Rev. Louisa Parsons, Rector
The Rev. Josh Weaver, Deacon
Melissa Howell, Seminarian
Marie Sugrue, Parish Administrator
Charles Nix, Evening Music Coordinator
Pam Harris, Organist
Rebecca Brewer, Youth Minister
Maggie Lee, Youth Intern
Kirsten Herzog, Children’s Music Ministry
Pam Early, Nursery Minister

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Lenora Corbin, Clerk

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As summer comes to an end, another school year begins and with that we welcome back all teachers, staff, and students! While some of us may have new routines, others may be returning to routines already established. And yet we always know there’s change ahead. Like the saying goes, “The only thing constant in life is change.”

It’s much the same at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church. We are returning to many of our regular gatherings such as Wednesday Bible Study, EYC (our Youth), Blessing of the Animals, etc. However, big change is on the horizon for us too with our “Forward with Faithful Vision” Campaign. Construction begins soon on our new Parish Hall, expansion of our Nave, and some repairs to our current building. We are excited about our growth and sharing our church campus with the community. For more on our building project, go to www.sfaec.org. We hope to see you soon!

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“Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.”

2 Thessalonians 3:16
At the beginning of September 1995, work was completed and the congregation of St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church moved into their new church building at 7555 Ooltewah-Georgetown Road. This was the realization of a dream that began before the first worship service of the church had ever been held – 7 years in the making. From that moment to now, the parish’s vision focused on the addition of more space to the existing building. Twenty-four years later, we stand on the brink of having this second dream realized.

My own connections with the early journey were unknown to me until I received the call to be the second Rector of St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church in August of 2009. The evening I received the official call from the Vestry, I requested 24 hours to pray and listen for God’s guidance for my response to this important call. Picking up the phone, I knew I had to call my former Spiritual Director and good friend Founding Rector Buckley Robbins. As I told him the news, the phone went quiet for over a minute. Finally, he said: “Lou, there is something you need to know.” He went on to tell me how my father as Diocesan Treasurer from 1984 – 1995 had been involved in the purchase of the land for the church back in 1988. As the building process had progressed, my father had written the checks from the Diocese of East Tennessee to St. Francis to help pay the building costs since the Diocese gave $130,000 for the building and then loaned more to the church until all the needed money could be raised. Writing the last check from the Diocese to St. Francis, my father then pulled out his own checkbook. He looked at Buckley and said, “You are going to have more expenses than these checks cover, so I want to give you this.” Dad then gave Buckley a 5 figure check out of his own pocket. It was now my turn to be speechless.

Truth is, I have been blessed by two generous men in my life, my father Tom Tucker and my husband Mark Parsons. In our premarital counseling, Fr. Dan Matthews, Sr. looked at then fiancé, Mark, and said: “Lou has grown up with a very generous man, her father. You would do well to pay attention to his example.” And how Mark did! At the time of his death he had made arrangements well before his unexpected illness to be sure that I received his pension if he predeceased me.
So as we stand on the brink of a dream born in 1988 being realized, I am very aware of how blessed I have been by these two generous men. Because they have made it possible for me to do what I love to do, in thanksgiving for the blessings God has given all of us and in memory of them, I am giving back the amount of every dollar St. Francis Church has paid into my pension account to the Forward with Faithful Vision Campaign.

Beloved of our Lord Jesus Christ, please consider how you have been blessed in your lives. In light of that blessedness, please join me in supporting the important dream becoming a reality. Together we can move Forward with Faithful Vision.

Lou †

It was a great event August 11 as we officially kicked off our Forward with Faithful Vision capital campaign. Here are the highlights:

- our goal is $900,000
- advance pledges already total $392,800
- actual cash in hand from gifts total $135,000
- a gift worker will be contacting you to discuss the campaign and how you can join us
- gifts of all sizes are important
- the campaign finishes the end of September

If you have any questions, contact Deris Bagli, Mike Bowland or Lou Parsons.

Thank you, as always, for your support of our church.

Deris Bagli
We’re excited to announce Rebecca Brewer as the new Youth Minister and Maggie Lee as the new Youth Intern for the East Hamilton Youth Ministry, a shared program between St. Francis of Assisi and St. Martin of Tours. We welcome both Rebecca and Maggie at the 10:00 service on Sunday, August 25.

Our youth will meet with them following the 10:00 a.m. service August 25 and they’ll talk more about a schedule at that time.

Welcome Rebecca & Maggie!

Rebecca Brewer  Youth Minister

Maggie Lee  Youth Intern
Join other youth from our diocese for the ChattEY Fall Retreat at Grace Point the weekend of September 13-15. This event is open to all youth grades 6-12.

Follow the link in the image above to sign up. For more information, please contact Rebecca Brewer at becca9628@gmail.com or (423) 571-1613.
The Bishop is coming!
Sunday, September 29
Mark your calendar and please plan to join us!

The Rt. Rev. Brian Cole will be celebrating with us here at St. Francis on Sunday, September 29, at 8:00 am and 10:00 am.

Those interested in passing under the Bishop’s hand for Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation, please contact our Rector, Lou Parsons, at 238-7708 or louisatp@aol.com. Our Inquirers Class begins August 28.

Wednesday Bible Study has resumed and Sack Packs too!

All are welcome to join us Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. here at St. Francis for Bible Study. We begin by assembling Sack Packs for children in need from Ooltewah Elementary School. Once Sack Packs are complete, those who wish to stay for Bible Study may do so.

August 28th, we will be discussing the Book of Jonah. Even if you can’t make it on the 28th, please feel free to jump in at anytime. We’d love to have you!
The Rt. Rev. Brian L. Cole will be celebrating with us at our

Groundbreaking Ceremony
Sunday, September 29, 11:30 a.m.

Robert Roberts, Builder, and Stephen Carroll, Architect, will be with us for this special occasion.

All are invited!

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Annual Low Country Boil

Friday, September 20
6:00 to 8:00 pm

The Katie Hall Activity Center
St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church

Bring your own beverage and chair.

Come join the fun!

Out-to-Lunch Group — Dutch Treat
Wednesday, September 11, 11:30 a.m.

Fulin’s Asian Cuisine
Cambridge Square, Ooltewah

Please sign up in the Narthex by Sept. 9.
Questions? Contact Miriam at 423-653-7700.
JULY GUESTBOOK

- **485** Households
- **679** Adults
- **481** Children

GUESTS IMPACTED BY CORE SERVICES

- **227** Housing costs
- **235** Food vouchers
- **456** Utility costs
- **211** Senior Grocery Store
- **1,063** Supportive services

The average rental need need this month was $715.

MetMin provided $9,466 to prevent eviction for households.

16 dogs & 5 cats received loving care from the Humane Society and the North Shore Pet Wellness Center during the July Veterinary Clinic.

In partnership with Rock Point Church, MetMin hosted a brake light repair clinic, decreasing the risk of a traffic stop for 9 guests.

"Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life."

—Nelson Mandela

LEARN HOW YOU CAN HELP AT MET-MIN.ORG
St. Francis and the Samaritan Center are truly grateful for all donations of school supplies for students in need. We collected 543 school items plus 4 personal care sets.
God willing and the People consenting
The Right Reverend Terry Allen White
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky
will ordain
The Reverend Allison Mackenzie Caudill
to
The Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ's One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church
Friday, September 13th
at seven o'clock in the evening
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
1206 Maple Lane, Anchorage, KY 40223
Your prayers and presence are requested.
Clergy: Red Stoles Reception to follow
Blue skies, sunshine and cool temperatures – that’s what we’re looking for Sunday, October 6th as we welcome our four legged friends back to St. Francis!

**Plans are underway to have many of our regular activities for the day including:**

- The Pet Parade, followed by the liturgy to celebrate creation
- Noah’s Little Ark Petting Zoo and Pony Rides
- Free Pet Photos for our guests • Animal related exhibits
- Adoptable Pets • Hot Dogs & Popcorn • And More!

If you have a pet related vendor you use, or are aware of one that has not been with us in the past, invite them to join us; or you can send their contact information to me and I’ll contact them. We provide each exhibitor a tent/table/chairs all at no charge to participate in our celebration!

**Set up Day** – Join in the fun as we set up tents, tables and chairs on Saturday, October 5th beginning at 9:00 am at All Saints House.

**Volunteer Opportunities** – Brochures and posters are being printed and we always need help distributing those around the area. Printed materials should be available early September. It takes a village to produce this event!

Joan Rose  
joancoxrose@gmail.com  
(423)240-5248
Out 2nd Annual Vacation Bible School was another great success! We are very grateful for all our volunteers, parents, and, of course, our children!

Our Children’s Sunday Program resumes Sept 1, at 9:00 a.m. with our Children’s Music Minister, Kirsten Herzog. All children ages Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to attend!
It’s time for our Annual Foyer Group Sign-up

Put your name on the sheet in the Narthex and be in the drawing to join with other people at St. Francis for this opportunity to be together in a smaller group setting. Foyer Groups gather around a meal with a brief worship and ample time for getting to know one another better. It will be up to you as a group to decide what night or day of that month works best to get together. The group rotates the duty of "hosting" so that every person or couple or family gets an opportunity to serve as host one time. Every year we do provide enough weeks for each group to get together four or more times which provides everyone a chance to host.

You may host the group at your home, at All Saints House or at the Katie Hall Activity Center. If you decide to use one of the places on the church campus, please call the office to check availability for the night and time you want. The host will decide what part of the meal they will provide and ask the other group members to contribute another part of the meal. For example, the host may provide the entree and ask Couple A to bring a salad (or vegetable) and bread, Person B to bring an appetizer, and Family C to bring a dessert. Simple meals are the best – no Chateau Briand please – and be sure to let each other know if there are any dietary restrictions to be considered.

Questions? Contact Lou Parsons or Diane Honeycutt.
September
Birthdays & Anniversaries

4 – Becca Dobbs, Dentzel Landstreet
5 - Becky McCoy
8 - Gale Reed
9 - Sean Kiser
13 - Jamie & Larry Hartman's Anniversary
16 – Kirsten Herzog, Becky Kiser
17 - Isaac Rouser
Dexter & Elaine Cantelou’s Anniversary
Sandy & Gay Moore’s Anniversary
21 - Diane Honeycutt
Chuck Nix & Linda Swift’s Anniversary
24 - Elaine Cantelou, Greg Love
Don & Ellen Hartsfield’s Anniversary

If you’d like to include your birthday or anniversary, let us know at sfaec@comcast.net or (423) 238-7708.
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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.
2019 Cursillo Reflection & Reunion
Sunday, October 13, 2:00-6:00 pm
Grace Point Camp & Retreat Center, Kingston, TN

Cursillistas, their families and all interested in learning more about Cursillo are invited to spend a fall afternoon with our diocesan 4th Day community. Anyone curious about Cursillo and wants to know more before making their Cursillo is welcome! Child care provided.

We will enjoy lunch catered by Buddy’s Barbeque from 2:00-3:00ish. Reservations are strongly encouraged – Buddy’s will only prepare for the number of folks registered.

Cost is $5/person. Kids 12 and younger are free.

Please register online at https://dioet.wufoo.com/forms/2019-cursillo-reflection-reunion/ so we can get a lunch count and bring your cash or check to the event.

Questions? Please contact any one of the Lay Leaders below:

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