“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
Compline (Evening Prayer) - Tuesdays at 7:30 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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Much is happening at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church and we’re happy you’re taking time to check us out. Groundbreaking for our new Parish Hall and the expansion of our Nave is days away. We’ll be buzzing with activity and hope you stop by to see our progress.

While construction takes place, we continue with what we do best … coming together in fellowship and faith. In addition to our regular Sunday Services at 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 5:00 pm, we offer Evening Prayer Tuesdays at 7:30 pm and our Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 pm. We also offer Sunday School, Youth Ministry, small group gatherings and other opportunities to come together in fellowship and celebration.

You can stay in the loop through our Facebook page, website at www.sfaec.org, the sign out front, and weekly emails. Questions? Please don’t hesitate to contact us at (423) 238-7708 or sfaec@comcast.net.

All are welcome here!

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“All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle.”

St. Francis of Assisi
What an exciting time it is at St. Francis!

This weekend, September 29, our Bishop Brian Cole will be with us to Baptize, Confirm, and Receive as we welcome six more people into our Parish Family. The morning with him will be capped off by the Ground-breaking for our Forward with Faithful Vision building project. Ever since Bishop Cole led our Vestry Retreat in January, many of you have worked hard to help make the re-visioned building plans from that retreat a reality. As we go to press, we have our Building Permit from Hamilton County to begin that work.

In short order, we will spend the next week preparing for and then celebrating our signature event, The Blessing of the Animals, on Sunday, October 6. Always a festive day, we look forward to welcoming many people and their “fur babies” to our campus. This may be the only time each year we see some of our neighbors and it is our opportunity to share God’s love of all creation with one another.

These are big events that reflect the blessings and movement of the Holy Spirit in our midst. Consider these snapshots from the month of September at St. Francis:

Labor Day weekend over 90 people attended our Sunday worship services including two sisters who are studying flute with parishioner Cindy Wallis. This trio of flutists shared lovely and moving music for our 5 pm service, and will be back again in October. That morning, Children’s Sunday School started the school year with Children’s Music Minister, Kirsten Herzog, adding not only new music but also new art opportunities for our children.

In the days following, drawings for the Building were finalized, Inquirer Classes began, and the newest priest in our Diocese was ordained with our own Deacon Josh Weaver serving as Deacon at that Ordination. This honor in Josh’s life was on the one-year anniversary of his Diaconal Ordination.

As we entered the second weekend, we shared a bounty of barbecue left over from our celebration in August with the Collegedale Police Department as they had their September Thursday night training. The second Sunday in September, Youth Minister, Rebecca Brewer, helped lead our newly formed Youth Confirmation Class.
Also that weekend, former Youth Minister, now Priest, Spencer Cantrell, returned to the area to celebrate Eucharist at Project Canterbury on Monday the 9th and we provided the meal for our campus ministry. That week included our sharing Eucharist with residents at The Bridge on Sunday and at Creekside on Wednesday.

At the beginning of the third weekend of September, last year’s seminarian Allison Caudill was ordained a Priest in the church she now serves, St. Luke’s in Anchorage, Kentucky. It was a great privilege to represent all of the St. Francis community as I joined with other priests and her bishop in laying hands on her with this prayer, “Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Allison; fill her with grace and power, and make her a priest in your Church.” (Book of Common Prayer p. 533)

That third Sunday in September, over 100 people worshiped with us as we baptized Thomas, son of Ardis and Matt Zeleznak and grandson of Pam and Paul Johnson. Our guests for the day included some seminarians from Sewanee who are looking for field education placement for next year. Our Youth Minister, Rebecca, and one of our Youth worshiped at Grace Point as they completed a weekend retreat for ChattEY peer leaders.

In the week that followed, our Wednesday Night Bible Class packed 20 sack packs for Ooltewah Elementary, as they do each Wednesday, and began studying the Book of Tobit. Bridge Refugee invited the clergy to lunch to learn more about this branch of The Episcopal Migration Ministries and how we may work with them to welcome former refugees to their new lives and homes in our country. Friday the 20th, we enjoyed the delicious Low Country Boil provided by Ed McCoy and shared in wonderful fellowship in the backyard of All Saints.

The fourth Sunday in September, we joined in prayers of healing at all three services with over 90 in attendance. The Youth met for their last Confirmation Class before the Bishop’s visit and were invited to go bowling that afternoon with the Youth from St. Martin’s. This weekend we celebrate being within dollars of $800,000 pledged toward our $900,000 goal for our Forward with Faithful Vision building project.

These snapshots remind us of the many blessings we enjoy at St. Francis. In the midst of all this activity both within and outside our beautiful campus, may we always remember the call to serve Christ in each person we meet. We are truly blessed by God. Beloved of Christ with such rich blessings, let us live as we are called: Let us be a blessing to all of God’s good creation!

Lou †
Forward with Faithful Vision
Capital Campaign Update

The excitement continues at St. Francis with our capital campaign coming to a close. So many have very generously answered the call to support the vision to repair and safeguard our church, build the new parish hall, and expand the nave.

Our campaign to date has pledges totaling $804,588. There’s still time! If you haven’t gotten around to making your pledge, you can still contribute. Simply put your pledge card into the offering plate or make a pledge online at:

https://www.givingsites.com/forwardvision/

Thanks be to God for all who have shared their time, talent and resources to make the vision a reality.

Our Campaign Kick-Off on August 11 was a huge success! Thanks to all who worked hard to make this happen and all who came to celebrate.
Your presence and prayers are requested for

The Groundbreaking Ceremony
of our new Parish Hall & Nave Extension

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

The Rt. Rev. Brian L. Cole, Bishop of East TN
Robert Roberts, Builder
Stephen Carroll, Architect

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October 5 • 10 AM - 2 PM • Church of the Ascension, Knoxville

- Elizabeth & Morgan Colonna share highlights of pilgrimage to Knondona
- Celebration of St. Francis — Bishop Cole officiating
- The Rev. Sara Scott Wingo preaching
- Music Director, Jim Garvey
- Details and registration at DioET.org - Upcoming Events
Upcoming Events in the Youth World

Saturday, October 19, we will be having a Halloween event with the youth of St. Martin’s. More details to come!

Happening #78 will be the weekend of November 8-10 at Grace Point. Happening is a spiritual awakening and renewal weekend for high school students (grades 9-12). The weekend follows a format of talks, each followed by small-group discussion and activities. Scattered between the talks and small group sessions are lots of fun songs and games, and worship through liturgies that youth may or may not have experienced before. We come together for praise, for reconciliation, for healing. Of course, there are a few fun surprises throughout the weekend! Register for Happening at https://www.etnyouth.org/registration

Rebecca will be at St. Francis October 27th and Maggie will be at St. Francis October 20th to meet with the youth following the 10 o’clock service.

Contact Rebecca Brewer at becca9628@gmail.com or (423) 571-1613 with questions or if you would like to be added to the youth email list.
METMIN 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

With a live performance by the Power Players

October 3, 2019 6p - 9p
Songbirds

Tickets available at metmin40.eventbrite.com

VIP & General Admission available
Tickets are limited

Tickets available at metmin40.eventbrite.com
Online Registration is OPEN!

What: 20th Annual Grateful Gobbler Walk
When: Thanksgiving Day @ 8AM
Where: Coolidge Park, Chattanooga, TN
Why: To build community support and provide funding for the Maclellan Shelter for Families
Cost: $30 for Individuals 13+
      $15 for Juniors 12 and under
      $20 for Virtual Walkers & Sleep Walkers

The event is especially exciting this year as 100% of the proceeds of the walk will benefit the Maclellan Shelter for Families, an emergency homeless shelter located on site at the Community Kitchen on 11th Street in Chattanooga. The Shelter features 13 units with 68 beds for families experiencing homelessness. The Shelter provides a stable environment for families to remain together as they search for permanent housing solutions. 100% of all registration fees, sponsorships, and donations to the Grateful Gobbler will directly benefit homeless families, guaranteed!

www.GratefulGobblerWalk.org
Lunch Pals  
First Tuesday of the Month

Join us Oct. 1 at 12:30 pm in the Library here at St. Francis. Simply bring your lunch and enjoy fellowship and good conversation.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 8:00 am
Cracker Barrel in Ooltewah
Dutch Treat

Please sign up in the Narthex.  
Questions?  Contact Norm at 423-315-3520.

*The Men’s Breakfast takes place the third Thursday every month at Cracker Barrel.*
Join us for our next Community SING
“The Table of Thanks”

Thursday, November 14, 7:00 pm
St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church

We will be seated in the round for this SING as we share familiar and familial songs of thanks and hope.

All are welcome!
Bring your family, friends and neighbors.
October Birthdays & Anniversaries

4 - Don Hartsfield
5 - Bridget Kumper, Harrison Hall
6 - George Diamantis
8 - Jacob & Danielle Rouser’s Anniversary
12 - Kevin Sneary
Deris & Sue Bagli’s Anniversary
14 - Hunter & Chase Daugherty
Jeremy & Wanda Bramblett’s Anniversary
17 - The Rev. Jim Birdsall, Joan Moore, Debbie Bird
Irma & Ed Herzog’s Anniversary
19 - Ilya Sniff
26 - Ryan Wargo
27 - Maureen Scott

If you’d like to include your birthday or anniversary, let us know at sfaec@comcast.net or (423) 238-7708.

Out-to-Lunch Group
Wednesday, Oct. 9, 11:30 am
Davis Wayne’s
Cambridge Square, Ooltewah

Dutch Treat

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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.*
Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 6, 1:30 - 4:00 pm

The Pet Parade and liturgy to celebrate creation. 
Noah’s Little Ark Petting Zoo and Pony Rides 
Free Pet Photos and Animal related exhibits 
Adoptable Pets, Hot Dogs & Popcorn, and more!

This is our gift to the community. 
There is no charge!

Interested in volunteering for this event? We’ll need help with set-up on Saturday, Oct. 5, at 9:00 am (meet up at All Saints House) and also on the day of the event.

For more information, please contact 
Joan Rose at joancoxrose@gmail.com or 423-240-5248.

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