

# Parish News

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## September Alms

Episcopal Relief & Development is supporting approximately eleven dioceses located in the path of **Hurricane Florence** as they prepare to respond to the needs of impacted communities. The alms for September will go to ER&D.



Please pray for all those affected by the hurricane including the residents, evacuees, shelter providers, and first responders. Prayerfully consider giving generously to our annual contribution to the ER&D fund.

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## Cottage Meetings are Coming!

The first stage of our interim discernment process is for me to get to meet all of you. I want to hear your stories and your desires for St. Joseph's.



Cottage Meetings are informal gatherings hosted at someone's home. I will have some questions to ask the group and this portion will take no longer than 90 minutes. I am seeking volunteers to host these meetings. Light refreshments are requested.

Sunday, Sept 16 and 23, there will be a sign-up sheet for volunteer hosts in the Parish Hall, with suggested dates from Oct 15-Oct 25. Hosts will be asked to sign up for a given day and time with the number of people they can accommodate (please, no more than 12).

After we get a list of hosts, each meeting will have its own sign-up sheet posted on October 7th. If you would like to host a meeting on a day and time

not listed please contact Rev. Denise Guinta at the church office 770-957-7517.

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## Adult Sunday School

### "That Other Reading"

Most sermons in the Episcopal Church focus on the Gospel reading or the Epistle for the day, but there are also two Old Testament readings every Sunday. Now, I'm not suggesting the priest make the sermons any longer to include these readings! Instead, a class, led by me, Don Schewe, will look at the Old Testament reading of the day.



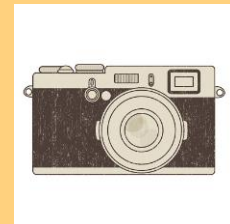
Classes are held in the Parlor (the room across the hall from the Priest's office) from 9:30 to 10:20 each Sunday beginning September 16 with a look at Proverbs 1: 20-33.

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## Directory Update

Say Cheese!!!

We are updating our directory. Photographers will be available before, between and after both services this Sunday, Sept 16.



\*Volunteers are also needed to help take pictures. If you have a digital camera and would be willing to share your talent for any or all of the times listed above, please contact Karen Walters at [kwatrand@outlook.com](mailto:kwatrand@outlook.com).

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## Acolyte Training

Acolyte training will take place following the 10:30 service Sunday, Sept. 23. See Kerry Girardin for more information.



## Happy to Visit You!

Message from Rev. Denise:



I want you to know that I'm very pleased to visit all of you -- not just those whose health prevents them from attending church. You don't have to need anything for me to come. The visit is its own reason.

I can be flexible depending on the day and week. Please email [coachfortransitions@gmail.com](mailto:coachfortransitions@gmail.com) or call the church office at 770-957-7517 and we'll find a time to get together.

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## Prayer Request? Praise Report?

Prayer Requests, as well as **Praise Reports**, can now be submitted through the website. The Healing Prayer Team will pray for each submission and will join in praise the answered prayers.



All requests will be kept confidential. If you would like your request to be sent to the Parish, please state this in the Prayer Details section.

Check it out [here](#) and [here](#).

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