



## M&M Glass Painting 101...



Wendy, thanks for organizing the M&M activities!



M&M sponsored a Glass Painting 101 class taught by Diane Earnest and Julie Maziarka. Over 30 members of the community joined together on a beautiful sunny day, January 18th at the Church of the Transfiguration in Bat Cave to share creativity, food, fun, fellowship, and win prizes! Students learned how to paint on wine glasses and care for them. All materials were provided and happy painters got to take their creations home to use. It was a wonderful time for people to meet new people, visit and let their creative spirit express!



# Bishop José McLoughlin's visit and member confirmations



A wonderful day with our  
Bishop!



# EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

## *Financial Overview Year 2016*

For the year January 1 through December 31, 2016 our Operating Revenues of \$155,223 were greater than Operating Expenses of \$143,581 by \$11,642.

### *Revenue Comparison This Year vs Last Year:*

	2016	2015
General Fund Contributions	\$151,304	\$141,943
Interest & Investment Income	2,411	2,350
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,508	1,023
Total Revenue for Church Operations	\$155,223	\$145,316

### *Expenses This Year vs Last Year:*

Operate our Church Facility	\$ 29,930	\$ 33,096
Rector Compensation & Benefits	87,189	79,190
Worship Programs & Outreach	26,461	21,648
Total Operational Expenses	\$143,581	\$133,934

### *Excess Revenues / (Deficit)*

<i>After Expenses</i>	\$ 11,642	\$ 11,382
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<i>Revenues Donated for Specific Purposes</i>	\$ 7,843	\$ 48,854
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### *Church Funds at December 31, 2016:*

Carolina Trust Operating	\$ 1,329	
Carolina Trust Money Mkt	\$120,387	
SSG Endowment Fund	\$123,365	
Rector Discretionary	\$ 1,018	
TCW Operating	\$ 1,767	\$247,866

Significant purchases this year include the new sign for \$3,700 and new heat pumps for parish hall & sanctuary including new duct work for \$12,000 which has been capitalized.

We are excited about our future and the path God is showing us to love and care for each other and the world around us.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne Ellingson, Treasurer

## Events for February

### TCW Meetings

Feb. 14 the TCW is having a Tea Party at 2 p.m. at Carlann's home in Columbus. Bring a favorite tea cup if you have one. We will be tasting thirteen different teas from ten different countries. We will also be discussing projects for 2017. Meet at the Ingles to carpool at 1:30.

### Firewood Ministry

Every Monday at 1 pm  
Cutting and delivering  
firewood to those in need  
Call Wes for more information

### Bare Necessities Group

March 1 and April 5 from 4-6 pm in the newly expanded parish hall.

### Vestry Meetings

Second Wednesday of the month  
12:30 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome

**Wed. Night Covered Dish Dinner** - The last Wed. of each month at 5:30—Feb. 22

### M&M Group

Feb. 15, Game Day at the Church

### Friendship Dinners' Schedule:

Feb. 12, 19, 26 at 4:30 pm - Bring a friend



The new year has begun in the children's Sunday school class. While we are few in number right now we are strong in energy and spirit. The smiles are contagious and the love shown to our youngest congregants help the children realize that they are members of our church family. The children are growing and maturing in thoughts and actions. This creates an atmosphere for real learning. How many of us, as children, thought that baptism was meant for babies? How many of us knew that the Wise Men arrived to bring gifts to Jesus on the night he was born? And that there was only one Mary, Jesus' mother, written about in the Bible? We later learn that so many of the concepts we hold dear in our head and heart are not in fact true. We listen, learn, and delve deep into the beautiful mysteries of the Bible. The differences in what we think we know and what is in fact written in the Bible are just one of the many topics the children are learning as we enter the new year. We will teach the transfiguration as well as the beatitudes. Our church's children have open, loving, and insightful minds. We hope, as teachers, we are able to continue to provide the seeds to strengthen the morals and value that you, the parents, create in them.

Amy & Carlann



### Church's Cleaning Rotation Schedule

2/6 – 2/12    Sandra & Carl Nelson  
2/13 – 2/19    Gary Seymour  
2/20 – 2/26    Mike & Julie Maziarka  
2/27 – 3/5    Heyward & Nancy Nettles

3/6 – 3/12    Sandra & Carl Nelson

3/13 – 3/19    Gary Seymour

3/20 – 3/26    Mike & Julie Maziarka

If you cannot make it, contact Patrick Warncke:  
[pcwarncke@gmail.com](mailto:pcwarncke@gmail.com) or 828-772-9258

## Parish Hall Renovations & Parking Lot Redone



Thanks to the many church members who helped redo the parish hall (take down wall, redo floors, move furniture etc) We now have a beautiful parish hall and our classes which had been held in parish hall have been moved over to the rectory (Sunday School, nursery, and Wes office).



A beautiful parking area has been added above the church complete with gravel and a fence. There is room for quite a few cars. Parishioners are encouraged to use these parking areas first if they are able to. There are also parking areas along the road to the parish house, and the parish house itself. Using these parking spaces first will leave room to welcome in new visitors and accommodate our growing church! Wes and Patrick did the grading and stone work and with Mike Boff's help the fence was put up.



# Rotation Schedule for 10 am Services



Feb 12 Marily F. & Wendy F.



Feb 12 Curt E. & Julie M.

Feb 19 Julie & Mike M.

Feb 19 Marily F. & JoAnne E.

Feb 25 Connie & Don Connell

Feb 25 Kathy B. & Harriet T.



Feb 12 Susan & Marshall B.

Feb. 12 Jack S.



Feb. 19 Veryle Lynn & Blaine Cox

Feb. 19 Robert T.

Feb 25 Harriet & Robert T.

Feb 25 Veryle Lynn C.



Feb 12 Dave S.

Feb. 12 Nancy & Heyward

Feb 19 Mike M.

Feb. 19 Sandra & Barbara

Feb 25 Marily F.

Feb 25 Sara & JoAnne

WELCOME to  
Nursery!



## February Birthdays

- 01 Gloria Anders
- 02 Sr. Rachael Margaret
- 07 Julie Maziarka
- 08 Marily Floyd
- 09 Barbara Searcy
- 11 Lisa Fye
- 14 JoAnne Okpych
- 14 Chuck Watkins
- 15 Marcia Hardy
- 16 Robert Taylor
- 16 Tucker Shields
- 21 Jennifer Whiteside
- 21 ZT Whiteside
- 22 Dean Egly
- 22 Deme Weaver
- 23 Don Connell
- 26 Sr. Jacqueline Marie



Please pray for members who are in the hospital and who are sick.

*Susan Brown, Lee Butler, Monica Ferguson, Margaret Hodge, Nancy Long, Gertrude, Ackie Okpych, Chelsea Parks, Jim Stanier, Stacey Weaver, Bertha Whitt, JoAnne Woodcock, Barbara Meliski, Marie Bixler, Brian Daniels, Robert Ell, Steve Hailey, Zee Woodcock, Jacob Chalker, Steve Ruddy, Sam Thompson, George King, Thomas Stroud, Sylvia Mariani, Anne Hinton, Marty Taylor, Kaitlyn McElreath, Evelyn Barry, Lauren Jones, Eddie Gaines, Barbara Freeman, Kirk Gay, Sam Fine, Holly, Sherwood & Daisy Nye, Evan Hays, Rebecca La Breche, Betty Zieger, Curt Ledford, Jennifer Whiteside, Brendan Parks, Keith Wood, Ken Prentice, Carrie Allen John Wisnewski, Sharon, Silcox & Lisa & Billy Publilcover, Joanne D'Onbro, Gloria Anders, Charlene Efrid, Michele Bixler, Bob Bixler, Fred Wilson, and Sharon Theiss.*



## February Anniversaries No anniversaries for this month



## celebrate BLACK history MONTH

Please pray for our men and women in the military and those serving in other areas of conflict. Daniel Crane, Ralph Salamone, Hamilton, Jordan, Hunter Fitzpatrick, Benjamine St. Pierre & Zach Poole.



Happy Valentine Day

February 14th



This is your newsletter, so please share your photos and stories by sending them to

[mransom1@bellsouth.net](mailto:mransom1@bellsouth.net)

The Messenger's next deadline will be

February 25, 2017

Thanks, mary ann



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## Vestry 2017

Please pray daily for the leaders of our church.

Worship & Education	Fr. Wes Shields	625.9244
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#### Weekly Services

Holy Eucharist: Sundays 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist and Healing: Wednesdays 10:00 am

#### Bible Study:

Sundays 9:00 am & Wednesdays 11:00 am

Children's Sunday School 10am

Choir Rehearsal: Sunday 9:15 am