

# Saint Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church

## May 2025 Newsletter

### EASTER OUTREACH PROJECT



Sherol Grigerick, Crystal Emery and Daisy Kirit ~ ready to deliver outreach gifts

For the April Outreach project, St. MM prepared Easter treats and greeting cards for Seven Lakes Assisted Living residents. Committee workers filled hundreds of plastic eggs with candy and delivered them to be used for an Easter Egg Hunt at the facility. The response was generous and loving. We thank all who donated items, those who prepared them for the party and those who delivered them to the facility. We especially thank Sherol Grigerick and Brenda Yarish for facilitating the project.

### Search for Priest Update

At the April Vestry meeting, members reviewed and discussed the input gathered at the April 6, congregational meeting led by Rev. Marion Sprott, Diocesan Transition Officer. Vestry members suggested additional details to add to the job description for a part-time priest. This will be placed on the Diocesan website and other websites of interest to applicants. The wardens will finalize the job description and submit it off to the Diocese.

### MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 6 & May 20 Healing/Prayer service  
(Notice: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in May)

May 4, 11 & 25 – Rev. Hugh Tudor-Foley, Preacher/Celebrant

May 14 at 4:30 pm. Vestry meeting –**All Are Welcome!**

May 18 - Bishop Bane, Preacher/Celebrant

**May 27 - Articles for June Newsletter are due. Contact Phyllis Olson or Sherol Grigerick.**

THE GOLF TOURNAMENT PLANNED FOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND HAS BEEN CANCELLED.



### Supply Priest Chosen

The Rev. Katy Campbell will be our supply priest June 2025 until February 2026, serving the second and third Sundays of each month. Her first Sunday will be June 8<sup>th</sup>, Day of Pentecost. Rev. Campbell also serves as interim campus minister at St. Mary's House in Greensboro. She has previously served as a curate at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Durham. She has a Master of Divinity degree from the Seminary of the Southwest in Texas. Her husband, Rev. John Campbell, is the rector at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Asheboro, where they reside. We look forward to meeting Rev. Campbell and having fellowship with her.



### May Birthdays

Brenda Yarish 10

Peggy Loomis 18

Donna McClung 30

Doug Caskey 14



### May Anniversaries

21 – Julia and David Poisson

30 – Jared and Crystal Fravel



### CELEBRATING OUR BEAUTIFUL GRANDCHILDREN



Newborn Julian, Kensley and Scarlett, the Loomis' grandchildren



Daniel, Evan, Peter, Elana, and Elise, the Grigericks' grandchildren who sang a joyful offertory anthem on Easter Sunday. Thank you for the beautiful blessing!!!

### Words from Bishop Bane:

#### LOVING INSTEAD OF JUDGING

There is so much blaming, finger-pointing, and judging others these days that we can feel a little helpless as people of faith. In the midst of all of that, as followers of Jesus, our task is simple, not easy, but simple. We are to be aware of our assigned responsibility which is to proclaim the Gospel by how we live each day. We will never do it perfectly, but we never stop trying. Our responsibility is to care for those in need without regard for how deserving they might appear. God loves those we cannot love no matter how hard we try, and if we are honest, that is a lot of people. True peace in life comes when we have realized that our only responsibility is to spend our lives trying to grow into the people God calls us to be, loving others the best we can, and leaving *everything else* to God. Can you imagine what a different world this would be, and how much more serene our lives would be if we lived that way?

### Memorial Donation for Fr. Fred Thompson

St. MM donated \$1,000 to the Penick Village Foundation in loving memory of our former priest, Fr. Fred Thompson.



Julia admires Lloyd's new spring bonnet!!!



*In your Easter bonnet ~ with all the frills upon it!!!*



**Marylou Steinkamp**

We were sad to hear of the sudden passing of our former parishioner and dear friend, Marylou Steinkamp, on Palm Sunday, April 13 at the age of 93. Marylou attended St.MM regularly, driving herself in from Southern Pines, or getting a ride with Pete Olson on rainy days. It was delightful to talk with her during coffee hour, and she was always cheerful with a great sense of humor. She was very prayerful and lived out her Christian faith. After a few years in N.C., she returned to Arizona to be closer to family. She continued to stay in touch with St.MM members and to give prayer updates for our healing service. We send loving prayers to our heavenly friend, Marylou, and deepest sympathy to her family.



Spread love everywhere you go.  
Let no one ever come to you without leaving  
happier. **Mother Teresa**



The problem of doing nothing is there's no way to know when you are finished. **Karen Randall**

Nothing is worse than that moment in the middle of an argument when you realize you are completely wrong. **Karen Randall**



*"No one has ever seen God;  
but if we love each other, God lives in  
us!" 1 John 4:12*

### **Vestry Members**

Senior Warden – Julia Poisson  
Junior Warden – Sherol Grigerick  
Steve Loomis, Lloyd Brewer,  
Jim Douglass and Linda Sapp

Vestry Secretary – Sherol Grigerick  
Treasurer- David Poisson  
Webmaster – Jim Douglass



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