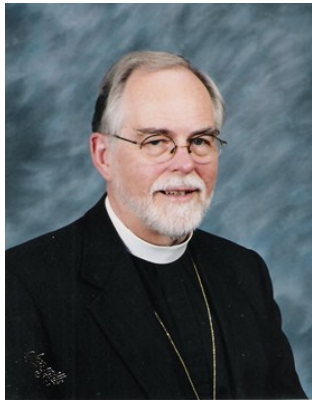




The Church of the Incarnation Parish Post June 2011

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Our Mission Statement: *The Church of the Incarnation exists to proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through worship, love and service. As individuals and as a congregation, we dedicate ourselves to this purpose.*



Dear Friends and Family of Incarnation Parish,

Memorial Day calls us to remember all of those who have given their lives in service to protect and preserve our noblest and best as a nation, to preserve our aspirations for justice and equality of opportunity for all our citizens and our willingness to sacrifice for this vision. Undergirding our life together as Americans is this hope for the world that is sometimes constrained by other aspects of what we define as our national interest. Sometimes security, prosperity and our pride, challenge our best hopes and dreams. In a complex world knowing what is right and knowing what is best are not always the same thing.

Even when we doubt the cause we do not discount the sacrifice. No one who gives his or her life for this nation dies in vain. So on Memorial Day we celebrate the nobility and patriotism of those who did their duty for their country and we commend their spirits to the Lord and Giver of Life.

On a less solemn note, Memorial Day is the official start of summer. I have been inspired by the return of our seasonal, (associate members). It is also exciting to hear the music and the responses in the liturgy when the church is full! Please know that we are here to serve you. In fact, I look forward to spending time with any of you who may drop by the church office.

The Rev. Howard L'Enfant and his dear wife Jean Ann will be joining us on June 12 for the summer and longer, we hope. Plans for Bible Study and other opportunities for personal enrichment and spiritual growth, utilizing his special gifts, will be announced soon after he gets here. Other guests will be coming this summer as well to teach and preach. I am very excited about this! Dates and plans will be announced soon.

What better place to be in the summer than Highlands and what better way to give thanks for all the beauty and the blessings of our lives than at Holy Eucharist on Sunday at Incarnation.

Peace!

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The Reverend Denson N Franklin, Interim Rector

The Rt. Reverend G. Porter Taylor, Bishop

The Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop

The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation Vestry Meeting

Minutes for May 11, 2011

Present: Father Denson Franklin, Mike Murphy, Dan Adcock, Kirk Domingos, Jim Shearon, Isabel Allen, Ginger Slaughter, Bev Cone, Bill Conway, Peggy Woodruff, Joe Parrott, Bill Temple and Mike Hunter.

Absent: Anne Maxwell and Sam Edgens

At 4:00, Father Franklin opened the meeting with his thoughts on the death of Osama Bin Laden, mentioning Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The Lord's Prayer was said in unison.

II. Minutes from April were approved.

III. Financial Report-Bill Conway reported. Although revenues are under budget for the month and year, the revenues are consistent with expectations at this point in the year and above last year at this point. \$17,000 in stock was sold and deposited in the general fund. Bill Conway signed proxy statements for the stock own by Incarnation.

IV. Reports

Rector's Report: Father Franklin and Carolyn will host a dinner for the leadership of Incarnation. Pledge cards will be handed out, and returned in two weeks. June will be very busy with scheduled events and weddings.

Senior Warden: Bill Temple informed the Vestry that a request from the Diocese to have a Seminarian Sunday on June 3rd was rejected because of the conflict with our planned stewardship schedule. We offered to schedule it later this year. Bill Temple reported that Incarnation gave \$100 to the graduating class of Highlands High School for their graduation party: it came from the general expense fund.

3. Jr. Warden's Report: Jim Shearon said our online web site for HVAC control is up and running. Claire Harrington, who is handling weddings, will learn to make changes for heat and a/c. Also, Andrea Chalker will learn how to do the settings, too. Jim continues to work aggressively to cut costs.

V. Ministry Reports:

A. Stewardship: Mike Murphy. Pledge cards will be mailed to all members on June 6th, and asked to be returned by June 21st. The cards will be blessed on July

3rd. At the July vestry meeting notes will be written to those who have not responded. In August the Stewardship Committee will call members who haven't responded.

Father Franklin said money not used on the Commission on Stewardship events in 2011 may be allotted to Outreach.

At the Welcome Back brunch at Wolfgang's there will be a basket to be filled with tips for the servers.

B. Music-Bev Cone reported. 24 people attended the recent concert given by Robert Henry and friends. Because this was a disappointing number, ideas were discussed as to how to better support our world-renown pianist, and others who play in his concerts.

C. Christian Formation: Howard L'Enfant will conduct a Bible study class one day a week, beginning the week of June 12. Another class on History/Theology of the Anglican Church will begin later this summer.

D. Children and Youth

E. Pastoral Care: Food is being sent to shut-ins. Transportation continues to be provided. Helen's knitting group is increasing in number.

F. Outreach: Outreach will host a brunch on June 26th. Martha Hunter is dessert chair and Jane Tracy will chair the silent auction.

G. Angel Food: Linda Shearon will chair the efforts through the summer. Paula Walsh and Robin Carter will take orders during the summer.

H. BTE: Tom Tracy, no report.

I. Stephen Ministry: Dan Adcock reported. The seasonal ministers have returned and have care receivers. It needs to be made clear that if a care receiver wants to end the relationship, he/she needs to tell his Stephen minister. Confidentiality is being re-emphasized. The parent organization has been so pleased with our Stephen Ministry program that they are being used as a model for other churches.

VI. Old Business

Vestry Minutes Continued...

Kirk Domingos reported on the data base. Efforts will be made using the pledge cards to fill in missing information. Fill out the information that is incomplete now.

VII. New Business: Father Franklin asked that Father L'Enfant's compensation, in future months, be classified as a "housing allowance." Motion: Kirk Domingos, seconded Michael Murphy. Motion passed.

Discernment committee: Michael Murphy reported that the committee is continuing to screen names of applicants for rector.

Benediction was by Father Franklin.

IX. Motion to adjourned at 5:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Isabel M. Allen



Needlepoint group at Incarnation will meet on Thursdays from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Bring a sandwich, Bring your needlework, Bring yourself!!!

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MINISTRIES

Orders will be taken until Tuesday, June 14
and distribution will be on
Saturday, June 18 from 8-9am.

Bell Tower Endowment

Spring is officially here. As you walk into Incarnation this spring think about our beautiful church and how important Incarnation is to your life. We hope you will consider her perpetual care in your financial planning. This spring we will begin our "Codicil Campaign". We encourage you, if you have not considered it, to sign a codicil to your will and leave a lasting legacy to the Church. For a more complicated codicil, it is not necessary to make a new will, just have your lawyer draw up a codicil and add it to your existing will. Steve Lucas is also available to do this for you too (free of charge). Like the energizer bunny, this is a gift that keeps on going!! You are leaving a legacy for perpetuity. Please attach all codicils to a Legacy or Anchor Society form (located in the narthex). Your gift amount is kept confidential.

Everyone who has made a cash contribution of \$100.00 or more is a member of the Living & Memorial Endowment. Anyone who has made a bequest to the BTE is a member of the Endowment.

If you have any questions, please contact a BTE Board Member: Tom Tracy 526-2816, Alwyn Staley 526-3219, Paula Jones 526-0307, or Tom Cox 526-9889.

Outreach at Incarnation

Make your reservation now!



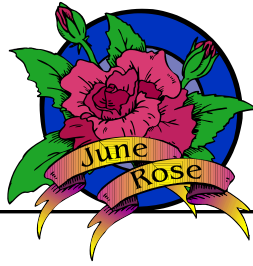
The Outreach Committee will host a catered luncheon following the 10.30 am Eucharist on Sunday, June 26th, in Jones Hall, with proceeds to go toward parish Outreach grants to local nonprofits.

Due to the significant decline in pledges for 2011, Outreach funding was reduced by 43%; this greatly impacts our ability to support the many good nonprofit organizations, which deliver quality and cost-effective healthcare and social services to the underserved in our area, as well as our Haiti Mission and Kids4Peace.

We will have a wonderful buffet lunch, consisting of shrimp & grits and ham biscuits, as well as sweets. There will be a silent auction and sterling entertainment! The cost per person is only \$25.

If you have an item or talent that you'd like to donate for the silent auction, please contact Jane Tracy at 828.526.2816, or at tomktracy@aol.com.

If you would like to provide cookies, brownies or other pickup dessert items, please call Martha Hunter at 828.526.0482.



June 2011

Sundays

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30am Breakfast \$5/per person
9:00am Sunday School for children & adults
10:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Mondays

10:45am Yoga in Jones Hall
4:00pm Women's cursillo in Library
5:30pm AA Meeting in Jones Hall

Tuesdays

8:30am Men's cursillo in Jones Hall
1:30pm Staff meeting in Vestry Room
5:30pm Women's AA Meeting in Jones Hall

Wednesdays

12:00pm AA meeting in Jones Hall
*Vestry Meeting on second Wednesdays @ 4
3:30-5:30 Stephen's Ministry in Library (1st & 3rd)

Thursdays

10:00am Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
10:45am Yoga in Jones Hall
11:00am Needlework Group in Lobby
12:00pm Al-Anon in Library
5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous in the Library

Fridays

12:00pm AA meeting in Jones Hall

Special Events

Sunday, June 5

"All Things Come of Thee"
2012 Stewardship Kickoff

4:00 Concert Chorale

Admission is free...donations appreciated.

Sunday, June 12

"Welcome back" luncheon hosted at Wolfgang's
* Reservations must be made through the office.

Thursday, June 16th

Flower Guild Meeting

Sunday, June 26

Outreach Brunch

* See full page for more information

Upcoming Summer Events...

Fisher Garden Tour

Saturday, July 23 &
Saturday, July 30

Interlude Concerts

2:00 Wednesday Afternoons

July 6 Robert Henry, piano

July 20 Regina Davis, soprano

August 3 tba

August 17 Christina Smith, flute

JUNE SUNDAY MINISTRIES

Date	Lectors	Chalice	Ushers	Camera	Altar	Acolytes	Vestry of the Day
June 5 8:00	Hilda Blitch	Jane Chalker	Hilda Blitch		Barbara Smith		
June 5 10:30	Eric NeSmith	Diane McPhail Ed Whitby	Team 1	Chris Alley	Martha Hunter Terese Heard		Peggy Woodruff
June 12 8:00	Peg Brannen	Selwyn Chalker	Peg Brannen		Ann Maxwell		
June 12 10:30	Ib Rae	Midge & Jim Rothermel	Team 2	Thomas Craig	Sarah Wallin Suzy Mosely	Alley Preda Drew Chalker	Dan Adcock
June 19 8:00	Jack Freese	Lewis Doggett	Jack Freese		Barbara Smith		
June 19 10:30	Diane Rosazza	Lana Jordan Luther Turner	Team 3	Mike Murphy	Ann Turner Nancy Freese		Kirk Domingos
June 26 8:00	Steve Lucas	Ginny Harris	Steve Lucas		Barbara Cusachs Helen Anderson		
June 26 10:30	Zeke Sossomon	Selwyn Chalker	Team 4	Selwyn Chalker	Ginny Harris Harriet Hamilton	Maddie Schandolph	Mike Hunter

June Birthdays

2 Jean Resce
2 Herbert Benson
2 Turner Edgens
4 Roger Gurholt
5 Mary Berry
5 Jim Rothermel
6 Joe Parker
8 EJ Tarbox
10 David Heller
12 Ruth Anne Bolick
12 Tom Claiborne
14 Geoff Parker
17 Haley Chalker
19 Stan Sheldon
19 Charlie Underwood
20 Mrs. George Heery
20 Judy Urban

21 Bessie Chambers
23 Norman Sharpe
23 Helen Moore
24 Grat Rosazza
25 Danny Cranford
26 Zachary Marshall
28 Lewis Doggett
30 John Roberts

June Anniversaries

1 Samuel & Louise Frock
4 Hoyt & Susan Andres
4 Raymond & Mary Hackett
5 Judy & Wayne Urban
7 Chuck & Claire Harrington
14 Stan & Jessie Sheldon
15 Tony & Isabel Chambers

15 Frank & Anne Turner
16 Bill & Diana Conway
17 Marie & Norman Sharpe
18 Stewart & Joanne Crane
18 Boyd & Mary Vaughn
18 Dan & Sylvia Walbolt
19 George & Betty Herry
19 Steve & Carol Lucas
21 Norm & Suzy Mosely
21 Ed & Jean Whitby
22 Joe & Pat Parker
22 Leonard & Nancy Parks
25 Danny & Mary Joyce Cranford
26 Roger & Shirley Gurholt
26 Fritz & Millie Toussaint
28 English & Bette Des Champs
28 Fred & Sara Hoyt



Fisher Garden Tour 2011

Saturday, July 23rd &

Saturday, July 30th

Tours begin at 10, 11, 12 & 1

\$30/ticket

Please call the church office for tickets..828-526-2968

Credit card orders are not available this year but we will reserve tickets and hold for seven days until payment is received.

The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?"
One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the After People.

Stephen Ministers are there:

- ...after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- ...after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ...after the doctor says, "The news is not so good".
- ...after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed.
- ...after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times,
but you still need to talk it out.
- ...after you are shut-in and feel so lonely.
- ...after the funeral, when everyone has gone home.
- ...after the last child drives away, and the house seems empty.
- ...after the divorce papers are served.

Stephen Ministers will provide comfort and support for as long after as needed.
Call Dan Adcock, 828-526-9889 or Bobby O'Dell, 828-742-0238 or talk to any Stephen Minister for more information.

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