



# Saint Paul's in-the-Pines Episcopal Church

“As a diverse family we seek and serve God through joyful worship, love and respect for creation, promotion of social justice, and growth into the image of Christ.”

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We are the Church... ..

Let us hold in our prayers our government leaders and our Armed Forces on deployment; Hurricane Katrina's victims and their families; the millions of refugees worldwide in need of help; and our young people growing up in a challenging world.

For our families and friends who need our prayers -

Rev'd Lucy Talbott

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## From the Rector's Study

Easter is a season that begins with Easter morning and last for fifty days. It is a time we give thanks to God for a covenant that we can't break. The Hebrew Testament is filled with our failures to keep our end of covenants that God so graciously provided for us. God says for us to do one thing and we do another. Time and time again we fall short. We still do.

So God provided God in human form to do for us what we could not do for ourselves - to reconcile us to God, to prepare a way for eternal life. I have every reason to believe that life beyond the one you and I are living now is going to be wonderful and forever. And, while our eternal life is not dependent on what we do, but rather what Christ has done, I also believe that what is in our hearts may determine our full adoption as siblings of Jesus.

Like Mary Magdalene and all the disciples, they suffered a terrible loss when Christ was crucified. Before the resurrection they probably felt betrayed. They must have asked, "Where is the God-empowered-Jesus that is finally going to make everything right, that is going to wipe away tears and put an end to all wars?" He was crucified, he died, and he was buried. And now, they might ask, "what of us, what of all things?"

Imagine their joy, surprise, and wonder as they got to see a risen Jesus! This is Jesus who brought people back from the dead, and now has himself been brought back from the dead. All of this points to a loving God who is always in control; a God who has prepared a way for all of us, who struggle to have loving hearts, that we also might follow the Son whose heart was so loving that he laid down his life for us.

You and I can not avoid the pit falls that happen in this life. We will occasionally fall prey to the ill-will or the negligence of others. While such sadness can scar us in ways not seen by others, we cannot allow such things to prevent us from seeing the resurrection, the loving-kindness that restores us to God. We cannot allow evil or unloving behavior to draw us from the teachings of the living Christ, God's New Covenant given to us in his body and blood through baptism.

Until the resurrection of Jesus, death reigned supreme. Not any more! Death has been defeated! But, as we have noticed, death still touches us. Yes, but death can no longer hold us. Now, we pass through death. We pass through death to be in the likeness of Him who opened death's door. And what will that be like? Let us read again from the first letter of John where he says,

*"Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure."* (1John 3: 2 - 3 NRSV)

So I say to you, I am so thankful to God for an unbreakable covenant. While I share with you all the pains that we go through in this life, let us be assured that glory comes in the end. Here is the deal, we still fall short, but Jesus, who is the bridge to the glory of heaven, has provided for us an un-closeable path for all who follow in his discipleship. Discipleship is the hard task of opening our hearts while at the same time witnessing and fearing the crucifixion. This cannot be done without faith. Let us continue to ask God, *"to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid, to cleanse the thoughts of our hearts"*, because it is only through hearts that belong to God that you and I will come to be with Christ in his likeness. Halleluiah!

Blessings, John+

## Christina's Corner

### Christina Barnett, Senior Warden

#### The Gift

A year ago Saint Paul's-in-the-Pines was given a gift ~ a commercial size stove. During the year it rested in the parish hall and was even adorned with greenery and a red bow at Christmas—truly serving no meaningful purpose.

Finally came the time to install the stove in its rightful place. Then "the gift" took on a different meaning. Suddenly, parishioners came together not just to worship, but to make a difference in the church where they worshiped. They gathered to discuss some changes in the room that brings joy to any home. That is, the kitchen, a room distinctively identified for meals, conversation, comfort, family and friends. Yes, that is where the stove will be positioned.

Soon families began to peek into the disheveled room and commenced to question how they could contribute to the small renovation. "How about a garden window?", one family asked. "I'll donate some floor tile", said another. "I have time to help with the work this week", others exclaimed! Various hands were joined and worked together.



As I scraped the numerous layers of wallpaper and paint from the kitchen wall, I wondered how many hands had worked there before, who decided on the colors, fabric, etc. Each layer of paint alluded that former generations had congregated to discuss blueprint designs, just as we were doing in 2008. Silently, I watched young Amy scrape old paint and pondered what decisions for our church her age-group would make. As a congregation, what changes would they want for Saint Paul's-in-the-Pines and how will they work together to make it happen. What would their layer resemble?

Peace,  
Christina

## From the Workbench of the Junior Warden, Penny Fleming (and Rich)



The kitchen re-construction is well on its way to being completed and functioning. A HUGE THANKS to Larry, Christina, Jim, Bill, Amy and Rich for the many hours of hard, hard work that they have given to this lengthy and difficult job. It will soon be finished and beautiful with fresh painted walls, ceramic tile backsplash, clay tile floor and working stove and hood. We are so excited! The hall wall is complete and looks magnificent with the wooden cross hanging there. Thanks for all the support that came in many forms: time, talent, money and encouragement.

Peace, Penny and Rich



# Worship, Doreen DeJaynes

Holy Week—St Paul's has just finished my favorite time of the Church year. Holy Week! What a wonderful, spiritual week it was. We started with the Passion on Palm Sunday and continued with the Tenebrae service on Wednesday evening with Amy Perham as a new reader. Thanks to Rich Fleming for constructing and painting the candle holder for the many candles which are used during this service.

On to Maundy Thursday and the Foot Washing Service and instructional Seder meal and Eucharist. We finished with the stripping of the altar. The history of the Seder meal helped me to be mindful of our own rich history of our beginnings as Christians. The simple dinner of lamb and vegetarian stew filled me with the hope of what this season promises to each and every one of us in this symbol of our atoning lamb, Jesus Christ.

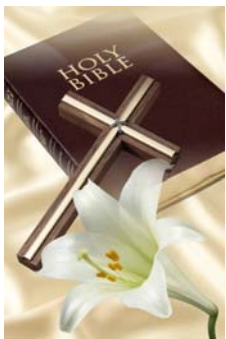


Friday brought Stations of the Cross and a return of the Service of Lamentation and Hope. This was a powerful service for me and I hope to see it continue.



Saturday evening we had our Easter Vigil which began at 8:30 PM. We had songs from our youth, Rap by Robin, the sister team of Jill reading Dry Bones and Laurel dancing to it. There were three Baptisms, beautiful music, Leslie cantoring. It was full of grace and love. Finally on Sunday morning we had our two services with breakfast in between and concluded with the Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Yes, my dear parishioners, it was a Christ-filled week! We did more in our small, but growing church than some of our larger Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Father John led us through this busy week and, as a church, we pulled together, filled in, helped out, wore many hats, and even changed jobs in the midst of it all, providing our Saint Paul's family with a truly Holy Week. Many thanks to all who helped. We will have our next Worship Committee Meeting on Saturday, April 12 at 1:00 PM. Please attend or leave a note in the Worship box or just speak to me about anything you especially enjoyed or did not like. We need feedback to continue to improve and give our church what we need. We all have a say in what we do.



Check out these numbers:

|                                               |            |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|-----|
| Palm Sunday                                   |            |     |
| 8:00 AM                                       | 10         |     |
| 10:30 AM                                      | 71         |     |
| Tenebrae                                      | 18         |     |
| Maundy Thursday                               | 34         |     |
| Good Friday Service and Stations of the Cross | 12:00 Noon | 18  |
| Stations of the Cross                         | 5:30 PM    | 15  |
| Service of Lamentation and Hope               | 7:00 PM    | 12  |
| Saturday Easter Vigil                         | 77         |     |
| Easter Sunday                                 | 8:00 AM    | 10  |
|                                               | 10:30 AM   | 104 |

Thanks be to God,  
Doreen



## Missions, Pam Frawley

Thank you, Saint Paul's, for all your help with food for the Urban Ministry. With your generosity, we've fed a lot of hungry people.



This month we are looking for:

- snack packs
- juice boxes
- chewing gum
- peanut butter & jelly
- leftover Easter candy



I want to thank each of you who gave to the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem. We were able to send \$49.00. Thank you! Let's collect more next year. We are so far away from the violence and fear in that part of the world.

Till next time....  
Peace, Pam Frawley

## From Our Parish

Some years ago, on a hot summer day in south Florida, a little boy decided to go for a swim in the old swimming hole that was behind his house. In a hurry to dive into the cool water, he ran out the back door, leaving behind shoes, socks, and shirt as he went.

He flew into the water, not realizing that as he swam toward the middle of the lake, an alligator was swimming toward the shore.

In the house, his mother was looking out the window. She saw the two as they got closer and closer together. In utter fear, she ran toward the water, yelling to her son as loudly as she could.

Hearing her voice, the little boy became alarmed, and made a u-turn to swim to his mother. It was too late. Just as he reached her, the alligator reached him. From the dock, the mother grabbed her little boy by the arms, just as the alligator snatched his legs. That began a very incredible tug-of-war between the two.

The alligator was much stronger than the mother, but the mother was much too passionate to let go.

A farmer happened to drive by, heard her screams, raced from his truck, took aim, and shot the alligator. Remarkably, after weeks and weeks in the hospital, the little boy survived. His legs were extremely scarred by the vicious attack of the animal. On his arms, there were deep scratches where his mother's fingernails dug into his flesh; in her effort to hang on to the son she loved.



The newspaper reporter, who interviewed the boy after the trauma, asked the boy if he would show him his scars.

The boy lifted his pant legs. Then, with obvious pride, he said to the reporter, "But look at my arms. I have great scars on my arms, too. I have them because my Mom wouldn't let go."

You and I can identify with that little boy.

We have scars, too. No, not from an alligator, but the scars of a painful past. Some of those scars are unsightly, and have caused us deep regret. But, some wounds, my friend, are because God has refused to let go. In the midst of your struggle, He's been right there, holding on to you.

The Scripture teaches that God loves you.

You are a child of God. He wants to protect you, and provide for you in every way. But, sometimes, we foolishly wade into dangerous situations, not knowing what lies ahead. The swimming hole of life is filled with peril and we forget that the enemy is waiting to attack. That is when the tug-of-war begins.

If you have the scars of His love on your arms, be very, very grateful. He will not ever let you go.

*From an email submitted by Christina Barnett*

## From Our Parish

### Around the Kitchen, Larry Frawley

The stove and hood are finally going to be installed!

Changes in the kitchen are actually happening after so long. There is a new wall and a beautiful terra cotta tile floor has been laid and more work is scheduled.



There have been volunteers to help with the work and money donated. More of both are needed to finish up the renovation. Nice, fresh, white tile has been purchased for the countertop and backsplash and a first class sink and faucet set are on hand, but a bit more money is needed to pay that bill.

We are hoping to fund the needed trim material, a roll-around pot shelf unit, a new phone, a pot filler (at the stove), and a few more finish items. More volunteer labor is always needed as well.



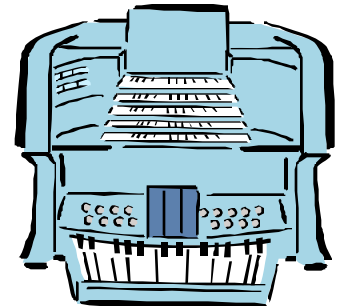
Let's go for it Saint Paul's—because we're worth it!

Yours in faith, Larry Frawley

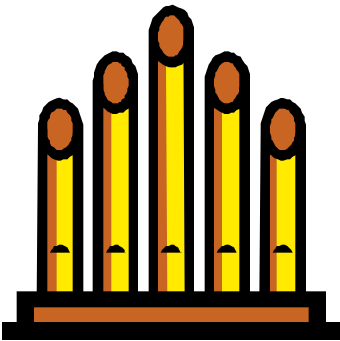
*Note: Refer all donations or questions to Penny Fleming or Larry Frawley.*

### News from our Organist, Bill West

Our faithful organist, Bill West, is very excited to be going to New York City from May 6 through 10 for coaching with Stephen Hamilton, Concert Organist, The Church of the Holy Trinity. Stephen instructed Bill thirty years ago when he was a student at Virginia Interment College. Check out Stephen's website at [www.stephenjonhamilton.com](http://www.stephenjonhamilton.com).



Bill's also joined the American Guild of Organist and is looking forward to actively participating in the local chapter which is under the leadership of Terry Jordan, Organist, Hay Street Methodist Church.



Up and coming is a concert by Stephen M. Gourley, a Kenan Organ Scholar at the North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston-Salem, NC. It will include works by Bach, Eggert, Langlais, Locklair, Schumann, Vierne and Willan on a very impressive organ (1951 and 1988 M.P. Moller 8093, Hagerstown Maryland, Further engraved 2005, Miller Pipe Organ Company, Buford, Georgia, 51 stops, 63 ranks and 2315 pipes). The concert will be at the First Presbyterian Church, 102 Ann Street, Fayetteville, NC in the sanctuary at 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 6, 2008.

2008

6 April

13 April

20 April

27 April

4 May

11 May

The 3rd Sunday The 4th Sunday The 5th Sunday The 6th Sunday The 7th Sunday The Day Of  
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WHITSUNDAY

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| 8:00AM                                    | R. Burrs                             | D. George                                  | C. Barnett                         | D. DeJaynes                             | N. Tetterton                         | G. Brown                                   |
| Subdeacon                                 | R. Burrs                             | L. Flom                                    | G. Roraback                        | R. Huskey                               | D. Roraback                          | D. George                                  |
| Chalice                                   | D. Roraback                          | J. Peters                                  | P. Frawley                         | G. Brown                                | D. George                            | G. Roraback                                |
| Lector                                    | D. George                            | P. Fleming                                 | J. Frantz                          | C. Pettigrew                            | C. Barnett                           | J. Peters                                  |
| Crucifer                                  | J. Liebers                           | M. Pettigrew                               | I. Martin                          | A. Perham                               | J. Flom                              | J. Huskey                                  |
| Ushers and<br>Greeters and<br>Front Doors | I. Martin<br>G. Winder<br>C. Brunson | A. Hagelberger<br>J. Ashford<br>A. Ashford | B. Perham<br>R. Burrs<br>G. Winder | J. Lowder<br>A. Hagelberger<br>R. Burrs | B. Perham<br>G. Winder<br>C. Brunson | A. Hagelberger<br>J. Ashford<br>A. Ashford |
| Altar Guild                               | G. Brown                             | C. Swick                                   | D. George                          | M. Winder                               | G. Brown                             | C. Swick                                   |
| Tellers                                   | L. Flom<br>K. Hasinger               | B. Perham<br>G. Winder                     | D. George<br>J. Lowder             | J. Lowder<br>L. Feyen                   | G. Winder<br>C. Brunson              | K. Hasinger<br>L. Flom                     |
| Flowers \$30                              | J. Crabill                           | Belton-Oates                               | A.&J. Ashford                      | A. Hagelberger                          |                                      |                                            |
| Bread/Wine \$15                           | G. Roraback                          | G. Roraback                                |                                    | M. Belton                               | A.&J. Ashford                        |                                            |
| Nursery                                   | Susan/Mary V                         | Saran/Jasmine                              | Leslie/Donna                       | Gail/Charity                            | Pam/Doreen                           | Susan/Ann                                  |

Team Leaders-- PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL YOUR TEAM PRIOR TO THE SUNDAY YOU ARE ASSIGNED. IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SERVE, PLEASE FIND YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT BEFORE THE ASSIGNED SUNDAY. INFORM THE PARISH SECRETARY BY WEDNESDAY OF YOUR ASSIGNED WEEK. PLEASE SUBMIT IN WRITING TO Robin Burrs THE DATES YOU ARE NOT AVAILABLE. Lectors--PLEASE UPDATE THE HYMN PRIOR TO YOUR ASSIGNED SUNDAY. ALSO PLEASE UTILIZE THE ILLUMINATIONS FOR READINGS ON YOUR ASSIGNED SUNDAY.

# April 2008

| Sun                                                                                                            | Mon                                       | Tue                                                                                               | Wed                                              | Thu                                                                                          | Fri                        | Sat                                                                               |
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|                                                                                                                |                                           | <b>1</b>                                                                                          | <b>2</b><br>Holy Eucharist & Healing<br>6:00 PM  | <b>3</b>                                                                                     | <b>4</b>                   | <b>5</b><br>Br. St. Andrew<br>8:00 AM<br>Vestry Retreat<br>10AM till...           |
| <b>6</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8:00 AM<br>Holy Eucharist<br>10:30 AM<br>EYC 4:00 PM                             | <b>7</b><br>Fr. John off<br>Office Closed | <b>8</b><br>Fr. John in<br>Kinston for<br>Dean's Meeting<br>At Diocesan<br>House<br>Office Closed | <b>9</b><br>Holy Eucharist & Healing<br>6:00 PM  | <b>10</b><br>Fr. John at St<br>Thomas, Bath<br>Executive<br>Council Meeting<br>Office Closed | <b>11</b><br>Office Closed | <b>12</b><br>Br. St. Andrew<br>8:00 AM<br>Worship<br>Committee Meeting<br>1:00 PM |
| <b>13</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8:00 AM<br>Holy Eucharist &<br>10:30 AM                                         | <b>14</b><br>Fr. John off                 | <b>15</b>                                                                                         | <b>16</b><br>Holy Eucharist & Healing<br>6:00 PM | <b>17</b>                                                                                    | <b>18</b>                  | <b>19</b><br>Operation<br>Inasmuch Project                                        |
| <b>20</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8:00 AM<br>Christian Ed<br>9:15 AM<br>Holy Eucharist<br>10:30 AM<br>EYC 4:00 PM | <b>21</b>                                 | <b>22</b>                                                                                         | <b>23</b><br>Holy Eucharist & Healing<br>6:00 PM | <b>24</b>                                                                                    | <b>25</b>                  | <b>26</b><br>Br. St. Andrew<br>8:00 AM                                            |
| <b>27</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8:00 AM<br>Christian Ed<br>9:15 AM<br>Holy Eucharist<br>10:30 AM                | <b>28</b><br>Administrative<br>Retreat    | <b>29</b><br>Administrative<br>Retreat                                                            | <b>30</b><br>Holy Eucharist & Healing<br>6:00 PM |                                                                                              |                            |                                                                                   |

Birthdays & Anniversaries in April: 11—Ian Martin; 12—Chriss Brunson; 13—Juliet Huskey; 14—Ron Huskey; 15—Amy Perham; 28—Alie Pettigrew, Rich & Penny Fleming; 30—Deb George.

Note: If your birthday or anniversary is not included on this list, it is because the information is not in our database. If you would like it included, please notify the office at 485-7098.

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## A Diocese in Prayer April 2008

Please pray for the following during the month of April: 6th—St Mary's, Gatesville, The Rev'd Jim McGee, Supply Priest; Pamlico Deanery; 13th—St Andrew's, Goldsboro, The Rev'd Martyn Anabogu, Supply Priest; St Paul's, Edenton, The Rev'd Tom Rickenbaker, Rector; 20th—St Francis, Goldsboro, The Rev'd Albert Vannorsdall, Priest in Charge, Deacon Gloria Price; St Augustine's, Kinston, The Rev'd Bonnie Clarke, Rector; 27th—St Paul's, Vanceboro; St Stephens, Goldsboro, The Rev'd Eugene Carpenter, Rector.

