

# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
COMMEMORATING THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI  
INCLUDING THE BLESSING OF PETS  
OCTOBER 7, 2018



THE MISSION OF CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION  
IS TO BE A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY; ACCEPTING AND  
INVITING ALL PERSONS TO SHARE IN WORSHIP,  
WITNESS AND SERVICE; AS DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST  
IN THE WORLD.

## **Welcome!**

What a joy it is that we are worshipping together today. If Episcopal worship is unfamiliar, do not be nervous about what to do during the liturgy – relax – and let the service unfold for you. Together in song and prayer we celebrate our life together in Christ.

You are invited to sign the guest book located on the hutch at the entrance to the building. Please fill out a Visitors & Newcomers card and hand it to the priest or an usher. There are other informational pamphlets located in that area. Please feel free to take whatever is of interest to you.

If you are interested in the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, or being Received into the Episcopal Church please see the Rev. Lu-Anne Conner.

Before you leave, please pray for us as we carry out the ministry of the love of God and service in our communities.

This congregation is committed to being an open, affirming and welcoming church to all who come here.

**The Church of the Transfiguration is a two-rule church  
Love God, Love Each Other!**

**Worship at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.**

*Biblical Texts are from The New Revised Standard Version*

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The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Gathering Hymn

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Hymnal #405

*Refrain*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



Repeat Refrain

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.  
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky,  
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.  
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

## The Word of God

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

BCP, pg. 355

**People**     *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen*

*The Celebrant then says the Collect for Purity*

BCP, pg. 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**People**     *Amen.*

The Gloria

BCP, pg. 356

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

**Collect Commemorating St. Francis of Assisi**

HWHM, pg. 623

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* ***Amen***

**The Lessons** *The people may be seated.*

**A Reading from the Book of Genesis**

1: 24 - 31a

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm 148: 7 – 14**

***Laudate Dominum***

BCP, pg. 806

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \* you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \* tempestuous wind, doing his will;

9 Mountains and all hills, \* fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \* creeping things and winged birds;

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \* princes and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, \* old and young together.

13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \* for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, \* the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

### A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians

6:14-18

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### 10:15 a.m. Gospel Hymn

“For the beauty of the earth”

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, For the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour Of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,

For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies:  
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon and stars of light:  
For the mys - tic har - mo - ny Link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
Friends on earth and friends a - bove; For all gen - tle thoughts and mild:



*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 11:25-30  
*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Homily**

The Rev. Lu-Anne Conner

*Celebrant:* Let us say together the following prayer attributed to St. Francis:

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace.  
 Where there is hatred, let us sow love;  
 where there is injury, pardon;  
 where there is discord, union;  
 where there is doubt, faith;  
 where there is despair, hope;  
 where there is darkness, light;  
 where there is sadness, joy.**

**Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

*A Prayer attributed to St. Francis (BCP p. 833)*

### **10: 15 a.m. The Blessing of Pets**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us give thanks to God, our Creator, for all the gifts he has given us.

*All say together*

*We thank you God, for the sun and moon, the stars and planets. We thank you God, for wind and cloud, rain and sun. We thank you God for water - to drink, to play in, to bathe in and for baptism. We thank you Lord for fire that gives us light in darkness and warmth. We thank you Lord for Mother Earth who feeds us and protects us. We thank you for flowers, trees, grass, bushes. We thank you Lord for our pets you have entrusted to us. They bring us such joy, they calm us, make us laugh, play with us and keep us safe. Help us be good stewards of your creation and continually find joy and wonder in all your works. These things we ask in your Son's Name. Amen.*

*At this time, the Celebrant will move about the congregation, offering a blessing to each pet.*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

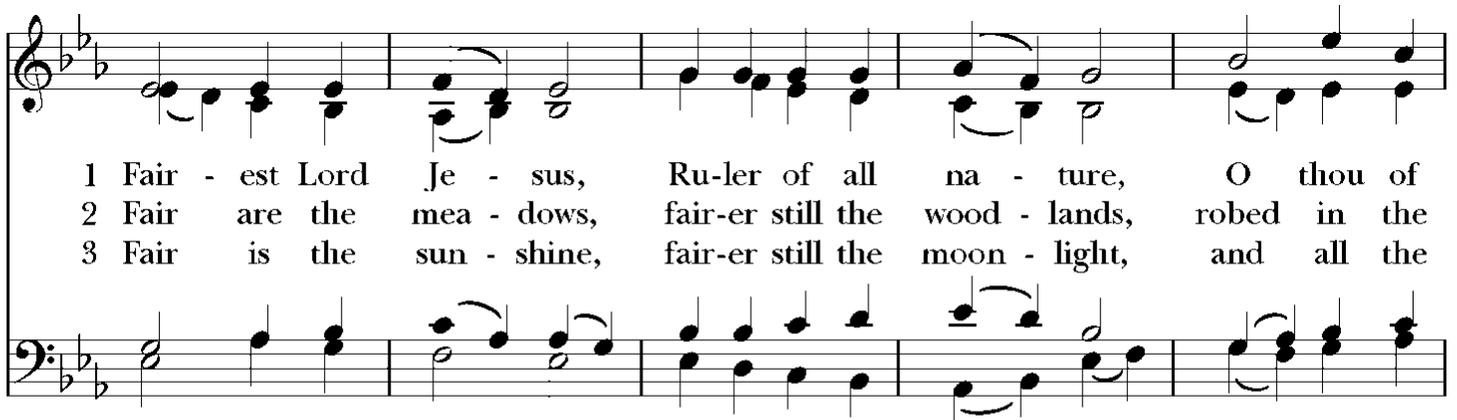
*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*First greet new visitors, then new friends, then old friends.*

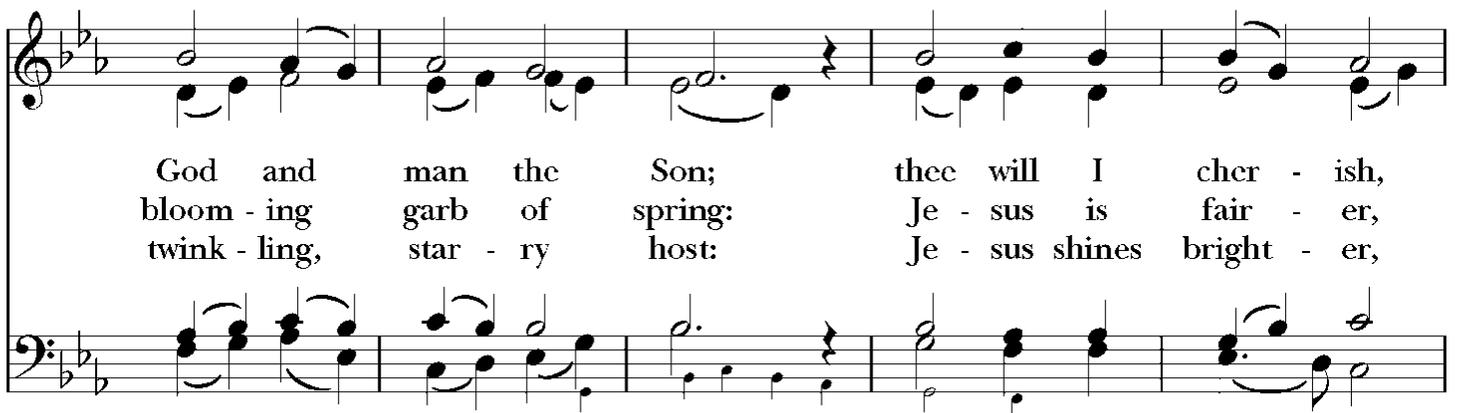
### **The Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant says an offertory sentence.*

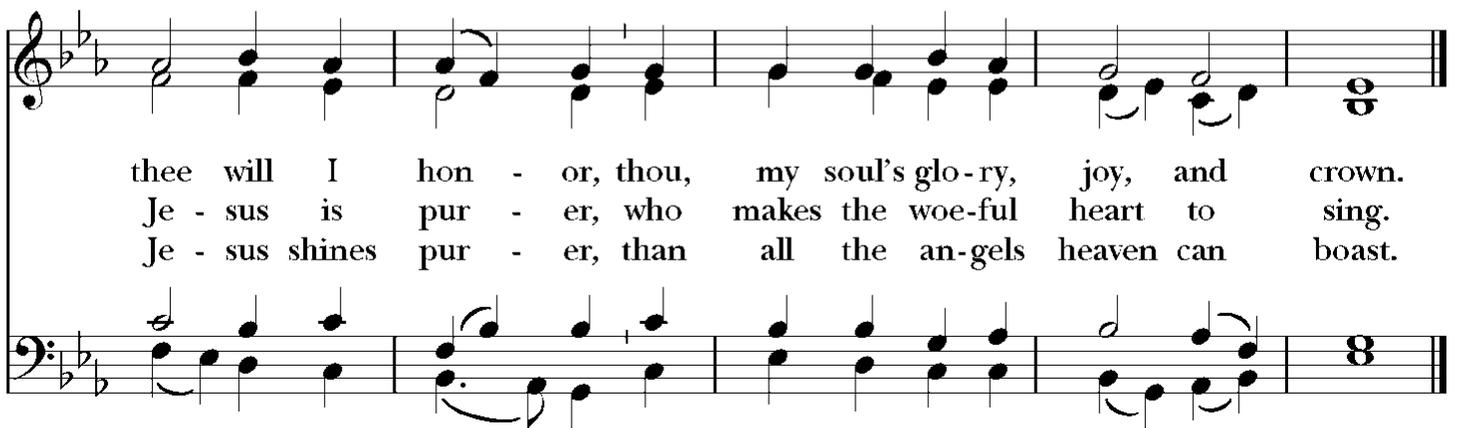
*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offering of bread and wine to the celebrant.*



1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru-ler of all na - ture, O thou of  
 2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair-er still the wood - lands, robed in the  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair-er still the moon - light, and all the



God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,  
 bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,  
 twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,



thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
 Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

*The people stand while money offerings are presented and placed on the altar. The following is said or sung when offerings are presented.*

**The Doxology** *(Please stand, as able)*

Tune: Old 100th

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God all creatures here below.  
 Praise God above ye heav'nly host!  
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.***

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant says*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you are greatly glorified in the assembly of your saints. All your creatures praise you, and your faithful servants bless you, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of your only Son.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

BCP, pg. 364

*Celebrant and People*

***Our Father, who art in heaven,***

***hallowed be thy Name,***

***thy kingdom come,***

***thy will be done,***

***on earth as it is in heaven.***

***Give us this day our daily bread.***

***And forgive us our trespasses,***

***as we forgive those who trespass against us.***

***And lead us not into temptation,***

***but deliver us from evil.***

***For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,***

***for ever and ever. Amen.***

**The Breaking of the Bread**

BCP, pg. 364

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Then the following is said*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* ***Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Eucharist.*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

BCP, pg. 365

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*  
***Eternal God, heavenly Father,***  
***you have graciously accepted us as living members***  
***of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,***  
***and you have fed us with spiritual food***  
***in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.***  
***Send us now into the world in peace,***  
***and grant us strength and courage***  
***to love and serve you***  
***with gladness and singleness of heart;***  
***through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### **The Sending of Eucharistic Visitors**

*The Eucharistic Visitors are invited to the altar to receive their kits.*

### **The Blessing**

Sending Hymn

“Joyful, joyful, we adore thee”

Hymnal, #376

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

## The Dismissal

*People Thanks be to God.*

**Anointing and Healing Prayer will be offered at the altar inside the church immediately following the service.**

### The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Proper 22

**Sunday, October 7, 2018**

#### Today's Ministers of Worship

<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b>		The Rev. Lu-Anne Conner
<b>Music Director</b>		Dr. Thomas C. Lee
<b>Lay Minister of the Day</b>	8:00 a.m.	Kerry Quinlisk
	10:15 a.m.	Kathy Strautz
<b>Greeters</b>		Janet Morris, Sarah Ruth
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 a.m.	Don Hammond
	10:15 a.m.	George Kirby, John Purcell
<b>Lectors</b>	8:00 a.m.	Dawn Henry
	10:15 a.m.	Derek Beattie
<b>Server/Acolyte</b>	8:00 a.m.	Mary Wagner
	10:15 a.m.	Paul Kirby
<b>Chalice Bearers</b>	8:00 a.m.	Tammy Schuster
	10:15 a.m.	Larry Hopen, Drew Lawless
<b>Altar Guild</b>		Roxane Jablonski, Judy Kirby
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	8:00 a.m.	Henry Wasmer
	10:15 a.m.	Social Committee
<b>Counters</b>		Bill Henry, Sandy Taliaferro
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>		Jan Munro
<b>Nursery Worker</b>		Laurie Mercurio
<b>Nursery Assistant</b>		Alice Foster

### This Week's Calendar

Sunday, Oct 7	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Forum
	9:45 a.m.	Choir Practice
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II Blessing of the Animals
		Nursery available today 10:00 a.m., infant to age 3

Monday, Oct 8	6:30 p.m.	Al-Anon Newcomers Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choral Arts
	7:30 p.m.	Al-Anon Family Group Meeting
Tuesday, Oct 9		Laundry Love- Wentzville
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting for young adults
Wednesday, Oct 10	10:00 a.m.	Book Club
	3:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday, Oct 13	8:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
Sunday, Oct 14	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Forum
	9:45 a.m.	Choir Practice
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	10:15 a.m.	Children's Chapel
		Nursery available today 10:00 a.m., infant to age 3

### Announcements

Anointing and Healing Prayer will be offered at the altar inside the church immediately following the service.

The flowers today were given by Don and Bette Hammond, in loving memory of their granddaughter Olivia Hammond.

### Weather Conditions and Blessing of the Animals at 10:15

Given the forecast, there is a chance that we will need to bring the 10:15 service indoors. If it is raining, or if the ground is muddy and wet, we will hold the 10:15 service in the Parish Hall. The final determination will be made on Sunday morning. **IF we gather in the Parish Hall, please bring your pet directly into the Parish Hall through the doors from the side driveway.** The carpets in the building have just been cleaned, so we'd rather have muddy paw prints on the Parish Hall floor, which is much easier to clean! Thank you.

### Did You Know?????

**Did you know the church has a mortgage balance of \$487,166 which includes the building ADDITION and RECTORY?**

### Stewardship Speaker

Our Vestry stewardship speaker this morning is Nicole Jones.

**Save the Date**

October 20<sup>th</sup> from 8am-12pm will be Fall Clean-Up Day followed by Brats & Beer.

Please Sign Up Today!

Thanks, Chuck Laney

**Adult Forum**

Adult Forum continues with a 9-week study of “*Reclaiming Jesus: A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis*”

**Laundry Love Volunteers Needed!** We are seeking volunteers to staff all three of the Laundry Love locations. Laundry Love falls on Tuesday nights, from 4:45-7:30. The three locations are St Charles (first Tuesday), Wentzville (second Tuesday) and O'Fallon (fourth Tuesday). Please speak to Tammy Schuster if you can assist with one or more nights. No experience required and Transfiguration provides everything you need. Your help greatly needed and will be greatly appreciated.

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***OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING***

We are selecting one item each month that is sent to the deployed men and women of our military. For the month of October, we ask for **purse size tissues**. Please leave the item(s) in the container marked "Support Our Troops" on the shelving in the narthex. *(As a reminder we are always looking for hotel size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, and soap/body wash)*

For the month of October, we are collecting **Toilet Paper** for our neighbors at LINC in Wentzville. Remember the children at Love Inc. Please bring in your donations and drop them in the designated box in the entry area.

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**Bulletin announcements:** Must be to the church office by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday in order to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

**Church Prayer List:**

Mike Parker, Rich Robison, Karen Proctor, Dan Loewe, Karen Owen, Auggie Powers, Jaime Lauck, Scott Leriche, Sarah Pryor, Diane Willard, John Antonio, Judy Kirby, Mark Ebert, Fay Wehmeyer, Joey Huber, Mary Sue Robertson, Joshua Shire, Kathy Furgason, Ashley Kintz, Lino Ferrari, Betty Porter, Sally Klaskin, Marolyn Schuenke, Daniel Smith, Richard Seng, Ria Van Ryn, Brendan Eisenmenger, Alex Miller, Cheryl Houston, Rodolfo Ruiz, Jessie Riley, Bob

Daniels, Kasen Halbert, Amanda Shire, Elaine Campbell, the Rushing Family, Jessie Riley, Corliss Wallace, the Jennison family and Kelsey Fischbeck.

*Prayer List Policy: Names are published in the weekly bulletin for 4 weeks, after which time please call the church office, to keep the name on the bulletin prayer list.*

**Pray for those who are in the service of our country:**

***Michael Wehmeyer***, son of Bob and Fay Wehmeyer, serving in the United States Air Force.

***Michael Ducar***, son of Steve and Judy Ducar, serving in the Marine Corps.

***Mary Putnam***, granddaughter of Mike Millfelt, serving as an interpreter in the Marine Corps.

***Nathan Ruth***, grandson of Mary Ruth and nephew of Sarah Ruth and Kerri & Bill Robertson, serving in the United States Air Force.

***Seamus Garrett***, nephew of Alice Foster, serving in The United States Army.

***David Wright***, son of Richard and Anne Wright and grandson of Bob and Fay Wehmeyer, serving in the U.S. Air Force.

***Shelby Aleksick***, granddaughter of Roxane Jablonski, serving in the U.S. Army in San Antonio.

***Joshua Shire***, nephew of Terri Brittingham, serving in the U.S. Air Force in South Korea.

***Adam Smith***, son of Daniel Smith, serving in the Missouri National Guard

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