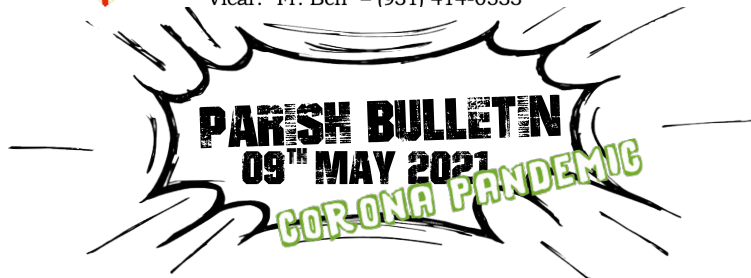




# St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

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## Feast of the Ascension, Year B - A Celebration of Holy Communion

Assisting our worship:	Today	Next Week (TBC)
<b>Usher</b>	N. Stefanick	B. Walter
<b>Crucifer</b>	B. Myers	O. Smartt
<b>Torch-bearer(s)</b>	C. Eckart & P. Randall	C. Eckart & O. Stefanick
<b>Reader</b>	L. Bragg	A. Myers
<b>Prayer-leader</b>	E. Stefanick	C. Walter
<b>Chalice-bearer</b>	C. Marsh	B. Myers
<b>Altar Guild</b>	E. Stefanick	J. Turner
<b>Nursery Attendant(s)</b>	TBC	TBC
<b>Refreshments</b>	TBC	TBC
<b>Children's Teachers</b>	None	None
<b>Child Crucifer</b>	n/a	n/a
<b>Tellers</b>	N. Stefanick & C. Marsh	C. Marsh & B. Myers
<b>Livestreamer</b>	R. Randall	A. Stefanick
<b>Flowers</b>	C. Walter	C. Walter
<b>Musician(s)</b>	E. Jones	E. Jones

**Face-masks are recommended in the building. Ask the usher if you'd like one.**

Birthdays & Anniversaries: 10<sup>th</sup> - Wyatt Tanner; 14<sup>th</sup> - Carlton Kinder;  
15<sup>th</sup> - Luke Hoover; 16<sup>th</sup> - TINDALL; 18<sup>th</sup> -  
Martha Harvey

 **BACK TO SCHOOL** has resumed with a series on *1 John* using a DVD-based course. I urge you to make attendance a new *discipline* in your *discipleship*: Go on, feed your mind and your soul. You won't regret it.

**Playground!** – will be delivered this week, which means that, on Saturday, **we need a team to help install it**. Please speak to Rick S.: (931) 259-3926.

The Diocesan Laymen's Conference will be at Dubose Retreat Center in Monteagle, Aug. 20-22. Register at: [www.tnchurchmen.org/register](http://www.tnchurchmen.org/register) or, alternatively, call Brandon Risner: (615) 983-1698.

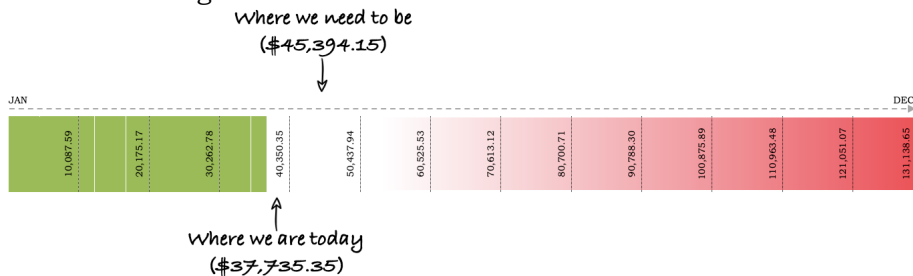
The Worship Assistant Schedule can be edited online here:



As a pandemic precaution, we will continue to refrain from passing **the offering plate; it can be found either by the stoup or in the usher's hand.** Thank you for your continuing generosity.

I'm away next week (16<sup>th</sup>). The Rev'd Dr. David Cleopas Cobb (formerly of the School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee), will preside and preach in my stead.

Finances-at-a-glance:



Our **Bible** readings this morning:

Acts 1:6-11; Psalm 47;

Ephesians 1:15-23; &, Luke 24:44ff.

Theme: **THE HOLY SPIRIT AND EVANGELISM**

We're not as rational as we think. Our minds aren't calculators that "spit out" the right answer if only we "input" the data. So much clouds clear thinking in *fallen* human beings, and this reality complicates even one's response to an invitation to enjoy eternal life! That should be an obvious "yes"! But often it isn't. Let's discuss.

Here's some handy space for a few notes:

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Next Steps: Remember, *strategize* – that includes being prayerful.



Pray, talk, do. **To me if you like: Tues.-Sat., 0700-1400.**

For your prayers:

St. Paul's, Murfreesboro; the Anglican Church of Kenya; our partners in the Episcopal Diocese of Litoral Ecuador and the Rt. Rev'd Cristóbal León Lozano, bishop; & the following –

for Greg Cotton, "Zo" Rowell, "Al" McLendon, Laura & Michael, Rick Wilt, Seth Griffin, Jeff Cooper, Leslie Giannone, Mary-Ann & Richard Austin, Charles "Slim" Ingalls, Joanna Reid, "Sheila", Denton Mayo, Tammy Nunley, Wanda Hale, Rori & Harper, "Jr." Wilson, Bruce & Lisa, *and yourself!* – for the work of the Holy Spirit in making you more like the Savior every day.

Your Mission Council

**Senior Warden:** Lynn Bragg

Junior Warden: Charles Marsh

Clerk: Freddie Hoover

Treasurer: Bobby Kirby

Also: Gina Cleek

Noah Stefanick

Rick Steele