

Notices:

Gluten Free Hosts are available at all services. Please advise the server if you need one as you approach that station during communion.

Prayers for Healing are offered during communion at the left front corner of the sanctuary.

Adult Education Class, 9:00-10:00 am during Advent, will be studying the book *Christmas Gifts That Won't Break* by James Moore. Please see Chuck Harrill to obtain a copy

Federal Point Christmas Baskets will be provided to 125 of the needy in Carolina Beach. They are requesting 60 boxes of instant potatoes. Boxes will be delivered to Federal Point tomorrow, Dec. 4.

2017 Angel Tree Ministry – There are a few Angels left on our tree waiting for you. Please consider taking one if you have not already done so. Gifts should be returned to the church wrapped with the top portion of the Angel attached to the gift by Dec. 10. Contact Lee Stroud, Polly Lake, or Linda Hollandsworth if you are interested in helping with delivery.

Healing Service including the sacrament of unction will be offered on Dec. 13 at 6:30 pm.

Christmas Pageant will be performed on Dec. 17 during the 10:15 am service. Rehearsals will be held following the 10:15 am service this Sunday and Dec. 10. Please join the young people of Holy Cross by participating in this year's Christmas Pageant.

Christmas Services will be held on Sunday, Dec.24, 10:15 am, the last Sunday in Advent and 11:00 pm, Christmas Eve.

Christmas Poinsettias this year will be ordered by Holy Cross. If you wish to participate, a contribution of \$15.00 per plant is suggested. Checks should be annotated with "Poinsettia donation". Please indicate the plant dedication when signing up. **Deadline to sign up is Today!**

Greening of the Church is scheduled for Dec. 20, starting at 6:15 pm.

Prayer Requests: You can place your request in the **Prayer Box** at the back of the worship area. For names placed in the bulletin for healing, please send your request to Kimberly McIrney at kaa5264@rcn.com.

Want to Learn More about Holy Cross? Please call 799-6347 or email at: chana@hcew.org. If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Cross, please contact Rev. Chana Tetzlaff at chana@hcew.org.

For pastoral needs: Sunday–Thursday call The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff at 910 707 3620. Friday & Saturday call Rev. Deacon Andy Atkinson at 228-8727.

Holy Cross Lay Eucharist Ministry is available for those not able to attend the weekly service. Please contact The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff at 910 707 3620.



Welcome to Holy Cross Episcopal Church

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Clergy:

The Rt. Rev. Robert Skirving, Bishop
The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff
Deacon Andy Atkinson

Holy Eucharist:

Sunday, 10:15 am
Wednesday, 5:30 pm

Mission:

To spread the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ with love and grace to all those who are seeking to know Him through worship, study and outreach.

December 3, 2017

What's Happening This Week:

- Today:**
9:00 am Adult Sunday School – *Christmas Gifts that Won't Break*
9:00-10:00 am Music Team Rehearsal
10:00 am Children's Sunday School
10:15 am Annual Parish Meeting & Holy Eucharist
11:20 am Fellowship Time
- Monday:**
9:15 am Yoga Class
5:30-8:30 pm Education for Ministry (EFM)
6:30 pm Cursillo Reunion Group meeting
- Tuesday:**
9:00 am-11:30 am The church is open
6:00-8:00 pm Wilmington Ultreya Welcome Home
- Wednesday:**
6:30 am Reunion Group meets at the Harrills' home.
10:00 am-1:00 pm The church is open.
5:30 pm Holy Eucharist
- Thursday:**
10:00 am-1:00 pm The church is open.
6:00-7:00 pm Cub Scout Den meeting
6:30-7:45 pm Music Team Practice

(BCP refers to the red Book of Common Prayer found on your chair; also, Service Music starting with "S" is found at the front of the songbook.)

First Sunday of Advent

Gathering Music....."Now is the Time to Worship," Song 136

Advent Prayer.....

Holy and Gracious God, we pray that as we light this candle so, too, will a fire of Hope be kindled in our hearts. May we hold this Hope gently, as we are urged to stay awake and be ready for a most amazing event! As we prepare to receive the Christ Child, may we be ever -mindful of our love for you, and Yours for us. This will keep the flames of Hope burning in this Advent season. We pray all this in the name of Emmanuel. Amen

Opening Hymn....."Change My Heart O God," Song 56

Liturgy of the Word..... BCP, pg. 355

Trisagion.....BCP, pg. 356, *sung*

The Collect.....

The Lessons: The First Lesson.....Isaiah 64:1-9

PsalmPsalm 80:1-7, 16-18 BCP, pg. 702

The Second Lesson.....1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Sequence Hymn....."How Great is Our God," Song 141

The Holy Gospel.....Mark 13:24-37

Annual Parish Meeting.....*See Insert for Agenda*

The Nicene Creed.....BCP, pg. 358

The Prayers of the People..... Form II, BCP, pg. 385

Confession.....BCP, pg. 360

DOK Installation of Officers and Chaplain.....

The Peace.....BCP, pg. 360

Offertory Music.....Special Music

Advent Doxology..... Song S5

The Holy Communion

(Intinction means partly dipping the consecrated bread into the chalice; this chalice is to your right as you approach the altar. The chalice to your left is designated for drinking directly from the cup.)

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, pg. 367

Sanctus (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)Song S14

The Lord's Prayer BCP, pg. 364 (*right side*)

The Breaking of the Bread..... BCP, pg. 364

Communion of the People

Communion....."You are My All in All," Song 232

....."I Have Decided to Follow Jesus," Song 205

Prayer of Thanksgiving BCP, pg. 366

Blessing

Closing Hymn "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Song 154

Please Pray for:

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Church of the Advent, Williamston; Vestry Elections and Annual Parish Meetings; Retired Clergy of the Diocese of East Carolina.

Family members who are serving in the Armed Forces: Lisa Beckett, Jennifer Danielson, Adam Dulling, Jacob Dulling, Ryan Hallett, Steven Hoadley II, Jon Jones, Ivory Jiminez, Cam Lewis, Chris O'Connor, Beau Plumb, Jamie Scott, Stewart Wallin, R. Wright Warner IV, Lela Wilson-Hammel, Trevis Wood, Kira Yeakey and Phillip Yeakey.

Those celebrating a birthday: Alexa Piver Blair, Dec. 4.

Those celebrating a wedding anniversary: Gary & Betty Spitzer, Dec. 7.

At Holy Cross, for those who are healing: Terry Acker, John Christophers, Deb Danielson, Wayne Elks, Pat Fitzgerald, Fleet Helms, Mildred Kinler, Paul Levesque, Susan Lovelace, Sue, Becky Wall, Hal Warner.

Safety of our police officers as they seek to serve and protect us, especially Tom, Anthony, Matt, Adam, Jake, and Sam.

Ministers of the Day:

Celebrant & Preacher – The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff

Music Leader – Ethan Roeben

Media Team – Not needed due to Annual Meeting

Vestry Person – (10:15) Polly Lake & Mike Norris

Ushers – (10:15) Darrell Johnson & Blaine Daugherty

Greeters – (10:15) Jan Eudy & Roni Hursthouse

Newcomer Greeter – (10:15) Carl Beckett

Altar Guild – (10:15) Kathleen McLaren

Crucifer – (10:15) Carolina Villa

Lay Readers – (10:15) Carolina Villa & Jenny Scott

Prayers – (10:15) John Bennett

Lay Eucharist Visitor – Carolina Villa

Seashells – Michelle Carpenter & Mary Johnson

Godly Play – Frances Warner & Kyle Fossum

Surfriders – Bob Underwood & Helen de Puy

Epic Waves – Jonathan Graves & Kimberly McIrney

Servant schedules are now being prepared for January and February. Please advise admin if there are dates you cannot serve in these two months by Dec. 13.