

PARISH CALENDAR

MORNING PRAYER - Monday through Friday - 7 AM
EVENING PRAYER - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 5:45 PM
HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING - Wednesday at Noon.

Sunday, April 27

Youth Confirmation Class Library, NOON
 Inquirers' Class O.T. Parish Hall, 12 NOON
 Education Commission meeting Room 102, 12 NOON
 Family Promise Volunteers meeting Room 101, 12 NOON
 Worship and Liturgy Commission meeting Parlor, 12 NOON
 Family Promise Families arrive
 Contemporary Service Chapel, 5:00 PM

Monday, April 28

Icon Guild Rooms 101, 103 11:00 AM

Tuesday, April 29

Stephen Ministry Training Room 102, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 30

Women's Bible Study O.T. Parish Hall, 11:00 AM
 Boys and Girls Choir Rehearsal Choir Room, 4:45 PM
 Dinner Parish Hall, 6:00 PM

Menu: Southern-style pork medallions, maple glazed apples, vegetable side, salad, bread, dessert
Please sign up in the office.

Wednesday Evening Study Groups Parish Hall, 7:00 PM
 Serendipity Study on Book of Acts
 Study of the Creed led by Fr. Harry
 Parish Choir rehearsal Choir Room, 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 1 — The Feast of the Ascension

Brotherhood of St. Andrew O. T. Parish Hall, 7:00 AM
 Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Ascension Church, 7:00 PM

Friday, May 2

Brotherhood of St. Andrew Retreat begins off-site (Lake Logan)
 Date Night Nursery opens at 5:30 PM

Saturday, May 3

Brotherhood of St. Andrew Retreat off-site (Lake Logan)
 Safeguarding God's Children Parish Hall, 8:30 AM
 Labyrinth Walk at Buckhorn Inn Meet at Hogan's Bakery 9:00 AM

PARISH NOTICES

Ascension Day ~ This Thursday, May 1, we will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension with a service of Holy Eucharist at 7 PM. The choir will sing the anthem by Craig Phillips, *Psalm 47*, which was commissioned last year for our 50th Anniversary and first performed at the Ascension Day service.

Club Ascenders ~ Club Ascenders will meet in room 102 during the Kids' Worship period today. We'll make welcome bags for the Family Promise families and play a game. On May 11, Ascenders are invited to help set up rooms for the Family Promise families and place a welcome bag on each bed.

Our grateful thanks go out to Rick Turner for arranging to have some temporary repair done to our bell tower. It was quite a sight this week to see the huge crane lifting Rick and Byron (and later some other intrepid staff members) high into the air. We appreciate Rick's taking the initiative and following through, and we extend our many, many thanks!

Youth Group ~ The youth will be playing putt-putt tonight at Sir Goonie's! Meet at the church at 5 and return at 7. Please bring \$10 for putt-putt.

The youth are looking for a host for a lake picnic. If you live on the lake and might be interested in hosting the youth on Sunday, May 4, please call Molly Slabbekorn at slabbekorn@gmail.com or telephone her at 386-1880.

Our condolences to the Deaderick family on the death last Tuesday of Ruth Deaderick. There will be a service of celebration of Ruth's life tomorrow at 2 o'clock here at Ascension with a reception following in the parish hall.

We also extend our condolences to Margie and Bob Parrott. Margie's aunt, Mary Lou Weaver Cox, died on Tuesday.

We hold both of these families in our hearts and in our prayers.

Contemporary Service ~ Come to the contemporary service today at 5 PM in the chapel. If you have not been to a service using Rite III, please join us in the intimate setting of the chapel.

Family Promise Volunteers ~ There will be a meeting for all Family Promise Volunteers or anyone interested in being a Family Promise volunteer today at 12:00 noon in Room 101. This will not be a long meeting but will be in preparation for our upcoming host week May 11-18th. There will also be an update on families we have served in the past.

"Welcome Kids" ~ Christ tells us to welcome the children. Ascension's children are already on the job! Have you noticed our new child greeters? These are Ascension's "WELCOME KIDS". They welcome children as they come into church and offer crayon bags. Please e-mail jacqueline@knoxvilleascension.org. if your child is over

Please keep these members in your prayers this week:

Joy Arnett, Helen Blair, Kristi Bopp, Mary Frances Bradley, Jewell Carroll, Phyllis Castings, Jama Cottrell, Dick Deaderick, Sarah Eaton, Ellen, Joyce Fowler, Hank Frandsen, Robin Hutchins, Betty Leverett, Howard Miller, John Rayson, Fred Rose, Gale Roy, Wilbur Templin, Myra Turner, Rick Turner

The supplementary intercessions list of friends and relatives is available in the parish office or from any usher. Please notify the office if you would like a friend or family member added to the list. Each person remains on the list for 30 days. Call Cathy Wadley in the office, 588-0589, to request that a name remain on the list.

age 3, enjoys being friendly, and would like to help with this special responsibility. All that's required is arriving a few minutes before the service on the day your child greets.

Men's Bible Study ~ Fr. Howard is considering beginning a men's Bible study group. If there is sufficient interest to do so, day and time will be determined by those who participate. Please contact Fr. Howard directly if you have an interest in being a part of such a group.

Labyrinth Walk ~ The Labyrinth Guild invites you to join them in walking "Rachael's Labyrinth" at Buckhorn Inn, Gatlinburg, on Saturday, May 3. Meet for breakfast at Hogan's Bakery (Bearden Hill next to Bonefish Grill) at 9 AM and carpool from there to Buckhorn Inn, returning in the early afternoon. For more information email tcb1151@hotmail.com (Beth Harris) or call her at 450-8941.

Memorial Prayer Books ~ We are in the process of buying new pew copies of the *Book of Common Prayer*. You can help allay the cost, help our budget, and provide a meaningful gift to the parish in memory of a loved one by giving a gift to the church for the purchase of a book. Each memorial copy will be inscribed with the dedication you desire. The cost is \$20. Make checks to Ascension marked *Memorial BCP*.

Baptism ~ Parents who are considering having their child or children baptized, please contact Fr. Howard. He would like to place the baptisms on the calendar as soon as possible.

Attention Young Couples (who have not yet started a family)! Fr. Howard would like to meet you with you to discuss some ideas for classes and fellowship. Please contact his assistant, Cathy Wadley, at 588-0589, so that we can work out a day and time to meet soon.



VBS 2008
God's BIG BACKYARD
JUNE 9-12
9:00 AM - 12 Noon
for ages 3 years old - rising 6th grade
VBS Nursery Program provided too!
(children under 3 years old)

REGISTER TODAY!
CALL 588-0589 OR
 download registration form from website
www.knoxvilleascension.org

If you would like to make a difference in
 God's Big Back Yard,
 we need volunteers & monetary donations.

- * To volunteer: Caroline Vogel,
caroline@knoxvilleascension.org or 212-5646.
- * To make donations, please make checks out to
 Church of the Ascension, memoed "VBS".

For more information
 Lynn Wiss, 789-4930 or Nancy Tisler, 212-9710

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES MEET AT 9:15 AM

ADULT MINISTRIES

PARISH HALL CLASS — *The Book of Acts*

Fr. Howard continues his study on the Book of Acts which will feature an overview of the Book as a message about how the early church became a people of the Resurrection as well as a people of the cross. Special emphasis will be given to lectionary passages from the Easter Season.

PARENTING CLASS — *Value-Packed Parenting - New Transept*

This class is a discussion of videos in a series entitled "Value-Packed Parenting: Raising Rock-Solid Kids in a Pleasure-Driven World."

YOUTH MINISTRIES — *LIVING THE GOOD NEWS CURRICULUM*

7TH & 8TH GRADES	Room 101
9TH GRADE	Room 106
10TH & 11TH GRADES	Room 104
12TH GRADE	Youth Room (Room 107)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES — *CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD*

Level I (ages 3-5)	Room 201
Level II (grades 1 - 3)	Room 204
Level III (grades 4 - 6)	Room 213

KIDS' WORSHIP (during 10:30 service) Room 211

CLUB ASCENDERS (during 10:30 service) Room 102

NURSERY (birth to 3 years)..... Rooms 205 - 207