



# HAPPY FOURTH!



## AND HAPPY GRADUATIONS!

### *PRESENTING THE GRADUATES . . .*

#### **Ellie Byrd**

The Byrds' granddaughter is graduating from her high school in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Bob and Crellin are very proud of her! Eleanor "Ellie" Byrd will walk the stage with high honors. She's been accepted by the University of Virginia and will start attending this fall. At right, a lovely photo of Ellie, who is obviously excited about her college destination.



#### **Paul Fremeau**

Ann Smith's son Paul Fremeau just earned his Master's degree in Meteorology. Paul has a good job waiting for him in Reno at a company called **Weather Extreme**. At left, a colorful photo of Paul with his mom. Along with his sister, Paul had accompanied Ann when she made her walk several years ago in Spain on the Camino de Santiago.

### *MORE GRADS INSIDE . . .*

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FILLING IN FOR DAVID WHILE HE'S ON SABBATICAL .*

## ***MORE GRADUATES . . .***

### **Simon McNair**

Simon McNair graduated from Nesbitt Discovery Academy (Asheville public STEM school) on June 5, 2021. He has been accepted by Americorps to work in the southwest region of the US. His job extends from October, 2021, to June, 2022. Then Simon plans to start his studies at North Carolina State University in the fall of 2022. Simon is pictured at right.



### **Chloe Schneider**

Chloe Schneider, pictured above, graduated from UNCCH last year and has just completed an internship with NASA. She now is going on to work for the Environmental Defense Fund.

### **Gavin Henry**

Says Annette Henry: "My grandson, Gavin Henry, graduated from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts in Design and Production on Saturday, May 22. He hopes to become involved in 'interactive arts' in the Asheville area. Right now he has a good summer job using his skills and learning new ones in local construction."

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## WHILE OUR RECTOR DAVID McNAIR IS AWAY

on sabbatical from **July 21 to October 19**, please communicate all pastoral concerns to Martie Carson in the church office at 828-689-2517 or email the office at: **[officeholyspiritwnc@gmail.com](mailto:officeholyspiritwnc@gmail.com)**

If there is an emergency outside office hours, contact the following clergypersons during the given dates:

**Between July 21–September 12**, the Rev. Jennie Lou Reid at 305-495-6934 or email her at: **[dean.jlreid@gmail.com](mailto:dean.jlreid@gmail.com)**

## Between September 13 – October 17,

contact the Rev. Deacon Ty Jones at 828-989-2847. Or email him at: **[jtjones100@gmail.com](mailto:jtjones100@gmail.com)** or contact the Rev. Carol Jablonski at 202-714-8134. Or email her at: **[cjjablons@gmail.com](mailto:cjjablons@gmail.com)**

## Other important contact information:

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## About the Rev. Jennie Lou Reid

The Reverend Jennie Lou Divine Reid was born in Norfolk, Virginia, but grew up mostly in Winston-Salem, where her father taught at Wake Forest University. She graduated from Duke University and obtained a Masters degree at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She taught Latin, English, and drama at high schools in Greensboro and Raleigh before moving to Miami, Florida, where she worked in university administration and banking. In 1996 she enrolled at the Virginia Theological Seminary where she obtained a Masters of Divinity degree. She also studied at St. George's College in Jerusalem.

The Reverend Reid was ordained in the Diocese of Southeast Florida in 1999, and her ministry included positions at the Diocesan Cathedral and several parishes. For the ten years before retirement, she was the rector at St. Faith's in Cutler Bay, Florida.

In addition to her parochial work, Reverend Reid was active in the diocese serving as President of the Standing Committee, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, and as a Trustee of the local Episcopal High School and Episcopal Charities as well as a Board and faculty member at the Diocesan School. She has also served as a Deputy to five General Conventions. She has also been active in Cursillo and in Education for Ministry.

Jennie Lou Reid has been married to Benjamin Reid, a Miami lawyer, for fifty-one years. They have three children and four grandchildren.

## July Calendar

Every Wednesday: Evening Prayer via Zoom at 7:00pm

Every Wednesday: Centering Prayer In-Person and via Zoom — 10:00am

Every Sunday: In-Person and Online Morning Prayer — 10:30am

### Other:

3 ~ Celebration of Life service for Cal Wilson at ECHS — 11:00am

4 ~ The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - Happy Fourth!

11 ~ The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

12 ~ English Classes Begin: 6:00-8:00pm at ECHS

15 ~ AMOM Meeting at ECHS: 1:00 – 2:00pm

17 ~ ECHS Women's Group via Zoom: 10:00am to Noon.

18 ~ The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

19 ~ Finance Committee meeting at ECH: 9:30am

20 ~ Vestry Meeting at 5:30pm

21 ~ David McNair's Sabbatical Begins

25 ~ The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
Rev. Jennie Lou Reid becomes our supply priest

28 ~ Living Gifts Board meeting via Zoom at 10:30am

## July Birthdays

David McNair.....	1
Kristi Smith.....	3
Sarah Smith.....	3
Marnie Wilson.....	6
Sarah Tucker.....	6
Maggie Kilpatrick.	11
Jim Dannals.....	12
Susan Singleton ..	13
Terry Grey.....	13
Morgen Yeakley...	16
Zachariah Hollister.	19
Loretta Link.....	19
Tess Schneider....	19
Cole Loomis.....	21
Kaye Butler.....	23
Amanda Govaere .	23
Darrell Schneider .	24
Hannah Small.....	26
Claire Gillespie....	26
Susan Sherard ....	30
Terry Peyton.....	31

## ***MORE GRADUATES . . .***

### **Gisselle Michua**

Gisselle is the daughter of Veronica Michua, who is active in *La Esperanza*. Gisselle graduated from Madison High School and plans to attend Mars Hill University beginning in July. Gisselle is shown in the photo at right with her mother Veronica and her brother.



### **Soreli Ramos**

Another one of our *La Esperanza* women has a child graduating from AB Tech. Soreli Herrera Ramos is the daughter of Dora Ramos and Aurelio Herrera. Soreli is pictured at left.

## ***AN ALMOST GRADUATE . . .***

### **Sydney Larson**

Stephanie McCullough's daughter Sydney Larson won't be graduating this year. Instead she will graduate in May of 2022. She has decided to do the five-year plan at the Early College, staying an extra year in order to get her certificate in hospitality management. She wants to utilize that skill in order to travel to different places. Yes, that's Sydney in the photo at right.



## ***JULY 2021 MINISTRY SCHEDULE***

Date	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 25	August 1
<b>Vestry</b>	Mark Holland	Barbara Schauer	Peggy Wilson	Loraine Hilty	Nancy Larkin
<b>Ushers</b>	Amanda Hilty Rod Vestal	Dick Jordan Marnie Wilson	Julie Johnson Bendik Clark	John Graeter Teresa Matthews	Amanda Hilty Peggy Barnes
<b>Greeter</b>	Ann Smith	Pam McNally	Debra Alexander	Peggy Barnes	Mike Robinson
<b>Prayer Leader</b>	Peggy Barnes	Ingrid Diederer	Peggy Wilson	Amandy Hilty	Jim Haaga
<b>Acolyte</b>	Gail Kase	Ann Smith	Peggy Wilson	Gail Kase	Ann Smith
<b>Offertory Musician</b>	Mark Holland	Jan Mallindine	Ann Smith	Robertjohn Gillespie	Nancy Larkin
<b>Healing Prayer</b>	Crellin Byrd	Ann Smith	Margie Haaga	Crellin Byrd	Barbara Schauer
<b>Reader 1 Reader 2</b>	Gail Kase Amanda Hilty	Barbara Schauer Bendik Clark	Carol VanVoorhis Debra Alexander	Claire Gillespie Annette Henry	Pam McNally Peggy Wilson
<b>Sunday Cleanup</b>	Rod Vestal	Dick Jordan	Ruth Van Sickle Bendik Clark	Colleen Boll	Peggy Wilson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Loraine Hilty	TBA	Colleen Boll	Colleen Boll	TBA
<b>Bulletin Folder</b>	Martie Carson	Barbara Schauer	Nancy Larkin	John Doran	Dick Jordan
<b>Trash</b>	Rod Vestal	Rod Vestal	Rod Vestal	Rod Vestal	Jim Woodruff
<b>Supply Stocker</b>	Lee Davis Douglas Atchley	Lee Davis Douglas Atchley	Lee Davis Douglas Atchley	Lee Davis Douglas Atchley	Carol Woodruff
<b>Refreshments</b>	Pam McNally	Ann Toney	The Hiltys	Colleen Boll	The Haagas

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*Sincere thanks to the parents and grandparents who contributed such lovely photos of their graduates. Lighthouse photo courtesy of Pixabay.com.*

## JULY 1ST SUNDAY OFFERING GOES TO . . .



**Beacon of Hope** BEGAN IN THE KITCHEN OF A SMALL TRAILER TWENTY-FOUR YEARS AGO. THIS GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION HAS NOW GROWN TO BE THE LARGEST HUMANITARIAN RELIEF ORGANIZATION IN MADISON COUNTY!

### **Pantry Program**

This program serves low-income residents with available shelf-stable dry goods, fresh produce, meat, and bakery items. Distributions are held three times a week. The number of full-food packages has increased from one per month to two or three per month, depending on a family's level of need. But not all struggling families meet the United States Department of Agriculture's income guidelines for Beacon's pantry programs, so Beacon also offers weekly bread and produce distributions, which are open to the community.

### **The Stats**

In 2020, Beacon's food pantry provided emergency food assistance to 11,782 families, a 53% increase over the number of families served in 2019. When Covid-19 reached Western North Carolina last March, Beacon saw an immediate increase in food insecurity for local families. Its monthly client base grew from 687 families served in February, 2020, to 1,200 families by April, 2020 — an increase of 75%.

In 2020, Beacon distributed over 730,164 pounds of food, which was an average of 70,000 pounds per month, a 64% increase over the number of pounds which Beacon distributed in 2019.

### **Looking Ahead**

Beacon seeks new partnerships and additional resources for increasing food security of families in our community. Beacon of Hope is grateful to be the recipient of ECHS's First Sunday outreach Fundraiser for July, as the work we do would not be possible without the continued support of community members like you!