

# The Bell Tower

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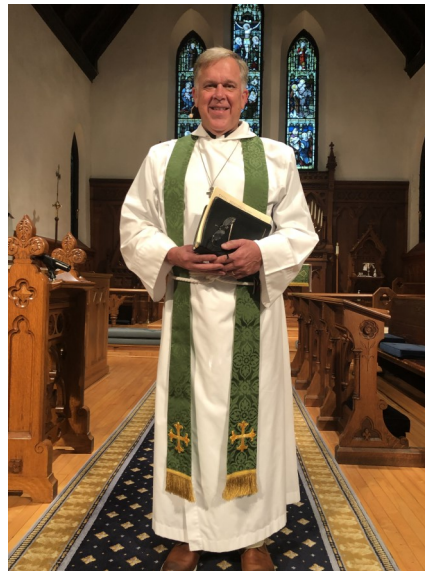
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## FROM OUR RECTOR

*The Rev. Robert Beauchamp*



What a busy summer it has been for us! A move, a new church, a new church family, new friends and a new community to get to know! And what a wonderful place that we have come to call home. Sherry and I would like to thank all of you who have been so very supportive of us in this time of transition. You all have made it such a joy to come and join this community. We have truly appreciated the openness in which we have been received. We look forward to getting to know all the wonderful people in our new church family and in the community. Sir Frances Bacon once said that in ministry we should each strive to find that place where “one’s joy meets with the world’s hunger.” We have certainly found joy in this place. Now comes the task and the joy of learning just what our community hungers for and how we can go about helping to feed those in need.

As the summer winds down, as labor day approaches and we all begin thinking of getting back into a more “regular schedule”, as the children return

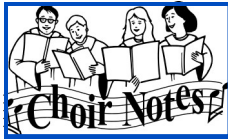
to school and the church returns to its “regular schedule,” it is a great time to rethink our goals and commitments and to make plans for the coming year. It is a time to set our priorities. If your house is like mine, the priorities are often just to survive the transition of the season and getting things back to normal. It is during this time (whether we consciously do it or not) that we make up our minds as to what it is that we want to do with our year and how we want to focus our attentions. In our transition here to the Henderson, I am reminded of my own youth and each new school year. What fun it was at the beginning of each school year (yes, there was the anxiety of what would come, but there was also the fun of getting to determine once again – who my friends would be – what activities I would want to participate in... etc.). Each year brought the wonderful feeling that anything could happen. Each year brought a clean slate, and I could be and do anything I wanted – whatever kind of student – whatever kind of athlete – whatever kind of friend – anything was possible.

Anything is possible... This is the same perspective I bring to my new church and community. I hope that as we close this summer season, and begin to return to some kind of “regular routine,” that you will share in my excitement of the wonderful possibilities that lay before each of us. As a Christian family we all have the wonderful opportunity to focus our lives on God and on God’s desire that we love and care for one another. In doing so we can begin to discern where our joy meets the world’s hunger. I look forward to sharing our common life and all the ministries that we each bring to this church and community. Thank you for opening this new door to me and my family. May God bless and guide us as we strive to be His people in this place.

God’s Peace, Robert+

# PARISH NEWS...

## CHOIR NEWS



*Allen Bean, Church Musician*

Everyone is invited to join the choir and make a joyful noise unto the Lord. We begin choir practice on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the church.



Hope you can join us!

## ALTAR FLOWER CHART



The 2023 Altar Flowers sign - up chart is located in the Bell Tower. If you have a date you would like to have reserved for you, you can sign on the chart or email your date to either :

Frank Madigan (fhmadigan@gmail.com)

or

Tracy Madigan (tracymadigan@yahoo.com)

## ECW NEWS

*Betsy W. Seifert, President*



There will be an extra ECW meeting on Tuesday, Sept.5th at 10 a.m. in in the Ladies' Parlor to talk specifically about our bazaar on October 28th. Please come for an hour or so— We need your support. Thanks! (NOTE: Our regular monthly meeting will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday Sept. 26th!)

*Note from the Editor...*

**October**  
*Newsletter items are due:*

**-September 25-**

Please submit any newsletter items either to the church office or e-mail them to

[MJNELSON@nc.rr.com](mailto:MJNELSON@nc.rr.com)

*You may download the church newsletter from our church website at:*

[www.churchoftheholynnocents.org](http://www.churchoftheholynnocents.org)

## PARISH NEWS...

### ~ A brief biography of Reverend Beauchamp and his wife Sherry. ~

Robert began adulthood enlisting in the US Army Corps of Engineers after high school. He was stationed in Germany where he toured Europe, skied the Alps, and even made it to England to see Wimbledon. He was stationed later in California where he enjoyed the beauty of the Pacific Coast in the Monterey area.

He left active duty as a Sargent to pursue a bachelor's degree at Emory and Henry College, where he met his wife of 34 years, Sherry. Upon graduation, Robert became an assistant manager of Roses Department Store and then moved on to other management positions closer to Sherry's family, in Southwestern Virginia. He would go on to earn a Master's Degree of Divinity and be ordained in 1999.

Robert felt God's call to serve at an early age and the pull of that call grew stronger. This would lead him to work for the Presbyterian Children's Home as a House Parent, Counselor, and Activity's Director in Wytheville, Virginia. He and Sherry had their first child, Emily, during that time. While there, Robert completed the discernment process to become a Priest in the Episcopal Church.

During seminary at the University of the South, Robert and Sherry had their second child, Robert Jr.. Since then, Robert has served in a variety of churches of varying sizes and populations. He has also served on multiple Diocesan level boards and local service organization clubs and boards.

Robert has a vast array of interests and experience in life, he enjoys water sports of all kinds, he is an experienced Captain of sailboats, enjoys golf, problem-solving, wood working, playing guitar and spending time with Sherry.

Sherry has a MS in Education and will be teaching Spanish at Mount Energy Elementary School in Granville County. She enjoys traveling to visit their children, foreign travel, growing microgreens, produce and flowers, reading spy novels and historical fiction, swimming/boating and training their dog Beau to do any tricks he can. Emily and her husband Brian, live in Garner and are Consultants for Cambridge Design Partners (specialty in Engineering) out of Raleigh. Robert Jr. and his wife Rachel live in Manhattan, KS. Robert is a lieutenant in the US Army in Aviation flying the Apache helicopter; Rachel is a Graphic designer and works for "1<sup>st</sup> Phorm"-a health supplements company. All four graduated from Virginia Tech.

Robert and Sherry look forward to being a part of the Holy Innocents Family and the broader community, offering their time, talent, and love of God to all who they encounter.

**Our Rectory is looking forward to the companionship of the Beauchamp Family!!!**



# Treasurer's Report

Bob Nelson, Treasurer

8/01/2023

## Church Of The Holy Innocents Revenue and Expense Summary Year-to-date, Through July 2023

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	MTD Budget (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Budget (This Year)
<b>Revenues</b>				
Pledged Income	\$8,500.33	\$6,200.00	\$86,599.31	\$103,000.00
Other Income	\$131.00	\$450.00	\$5,161.80	\$3,150.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$8,631.33</b>	<b>\$6,650.00</b>	<b>\$91,761.11</b>	<b>\$106,150.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
<b>Compensation</b>				
Salaries	\$3,421.26	\$3,425.00	\$23,996.07	\$23,975.00
<b>Employee Expenses</b>				
Rector's Expenses	\$132.20	\$500.00	\$1,458.16	\$3,500.00
Other Employee Expenses	\$1,355.00	\$1,350.00	\$8,075.94	\$9,350.00
<b>Total Employee Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,487.20</b>	<b>\$1,850.00</b>	<b>\$9,534.10</b>	<b>\$12,850.00</b>
<b>Total Compensation</b>	<b>\$4,908.46</b>	<b>\$5,275.00</b>	<b>\$33,530.17</b>	<b>\$36,825.00</b>
<b>Administrative</b>				
Supplies	\$161.55	\$250.00	\$1,460.64	\$2,150.00
Preschool Income/Expense	\$417.98	\$1,556.00	(\$6,665.92)	\$460.00
General Insurance	\$2,851.25	\$1,000.00	\$9,666.25	\$7,000.00
Other Administrative Expenses	\$44.00	\$100.00	\$509.80	(\$100.00)
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>\$3,474.78</b>	<b>\$2,906.00</b>	<b>\$4,970.77</b>	<b>\$9,510.00</b>
Utilities	\$1,358.70	\$1,850.00	\$12,730.02	\$12,950.00
Maintenance	\$7,008.53	\$2,000.00	\$16,702.88	\$14,000.00
Parish Life	\$464.37	\$200.00	\$1,768.54	\$1,300.00
Diocesan & Seminary Support	\$2,095.00	\$2,300.00	\$15,865.00	\$16,100.00
Outreach	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$1,375.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$20,209.84</b>	<b>\$14,531.00</b>	<b>\$86,942.38</b>	<b>\$90,685.00</b>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>(\$11,578.51)</b>	<b>(\$7,881.00)</b>	<b>\$4,818.73</b>	<b>\$15,465.00</b>

# OUR CHURCH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH



**Remember  
Your Pledge**

Remember that the church has to pay its bills. Pledge checks and special donations are always appreciated and can be mailed in to the office at: The Church of the Holy Innocents / 210 S. Chestnut Street / Henderson, NC, 27536

## Birthdays

Gillie Church.....9/01  
 Sean Hartness .....9/01  
 Kermit Ellis .....9/02  
 Katherine Williamson.....9/06  
 Chapman-Scott Burnette.....9/06  
 Greg Taylor.....9/08  
 Mary Mac Long .....9/12  
 Betsy Seifert .....9/14  
 Chris St. Clair .....9/16  
 Lucy Catherine Olmert.....9/17  
 Nicholas Andrews .....9/20  
 Cliff Rogers .....9/23  
 Frank Madigan .....9/25  
 Donald Seifert.....9/27  
 Scott Hartness.....9/28

## Anniversaries

Catherine & Pat Olmert .....9/19  
 Nancy & Cole Whitt.....9/25  
 Mary Beth & Tim Seitzer.....9/27

## Remember In Your Prayers

*Pray for Healing and Comfort:*

Mary Shearin, Veneal Williams  
 Blanton Hartness, Rose Flannagan  
 Kimberly Hunter Hartness, Nancy  
 Brooks Cynthia Shaw, Johanna Rob-  
 inson, Tom Church, Peggy Mast, Bill  
 Lowery, Lee Hight, Kathy Hughes  
 Margaret Williamson  
 Jeanette Stark Morris  
 Jimmy Parker



## Special Dates

- Labor Day  
*September 4, 2023*
- Patriot Day  
*September 11, 2023*
- National Grandparents Day  
*September 10, 2023*
- Feast of the Holy Cross  
*September 14, 2023*
- Nat'l Hispanic Heritage Month  
*September 15-October 15, 2023*
- First Day of Autumn  
*September 23, 2023*
- St. Michael & All Angels  
*September 29, 2023*



### SEPTEMBER UNIFIED SERVING SCHEDULE

SEP	ACOLYTES	LAY READER / CHALICE BEARER	USHERS	ALTAR GUILD	GREENS/ FLOWERS	
3	Chapman-Scott Burnette	8:00am - Tracy Madigan 10:30am - Roberta Scott	Brian Paynter Rix Edwards	Shirley Young	Caroline Burnette	
10	Jack Paynter	8:00am - Bob Nelson 10:30am - Caroline Burnette	Brian Paynter Rix Edwards	Mariana Davis	Bettie Cooper	
17	Kaitlyn Paynter & Sam Goodwin	8:00am - Greg Taylor 10:30am - Linda Shaw	Brian Paynter Rix Edwards	Mariana Davis		
24	Chapman-Scott Burnette	8:00am - Tracy Madigan 10:30am - Porter Shaw	Brian Paynter Rix Edwards	Anne Almand	Nicholas Long, Jr	

**NOTE: IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SERVE AND HAVE A CONFLICT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT AND NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

# RECEPTION TO WELCOME

Reverend Robert Beauchamp & his wife Sherry

8/20/2023





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## **The Church of the Holy Innocents**



**All are welcome to join us as  
we joyfully greet each person present at our worship.  
May our love and respect for one another be  
steady and true as we strive to follow Christ our Lord.**