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Sandy
Shirley
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We pray for the departed, especially for **Mina Price**. May her soul and the souls of all others, by the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace.

A Message from La Escuelita San Alban

Watching a young Latino child struggle to use a pair of children's scissors revealed to Lauren Cavins and her team at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church in Charlotte, NC that without the preparation and firm foundation for learning commonly found in preschool, many Spanish-speaking children likely would face years of educational challenges.

The inspiration for the first La Escuelita Bilingual Preschool at Holy Comforter came from the Episcopal Diocese of Costa Rica, which has run a highly effective "Hogar Escuela" in Barrio Cuba, San Jose, for over 40 years. Visiting the school convinced Lauren Cavins that if a preschool could change the lives of children in Costa Rica, it could do the same for children closer to home.

La Escuelita opened in 2009 at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church with just a single child, but grew rapidly into 3 classes that serve three- and four-year old Latino children providing affordable tuition and scholarships as needed. In 2016, La Escuelita merged with the church's weekday preschool to form La Escuelita Weekday School at Holy Comforter. The preschool currently serves over 80 children ages 1-5.

Lauren invited Rev. Sarah Hollar of St. Mark's Episcopal Church to see what was happening in the classrooms of La Escuelita. Rev. Sarah quickly caught the vision. The result was La Escuelita San Marcos, which opened in 2012 with 8 students. It quickly outgrew its space. St. Mark's now partners with Hopewell Presbyterian Church, which provides

In our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for the Good Shepherd in Asheboro, St. John's in Battleboro & Church of the Holy Comforter in Burlington, NC.

In our **Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Anglican Church of Australia The Most Revd. Philip Leslie Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne & Primate of Australia.

Military Prayer List:

Anatoliy Givens
Ryan Leinberger

Birthdays:

January 14

Margaret Fehon
BJ Havens
Anthony Pacifico
Caroline Knorr

January 15

Bob Beckham
Bill Amadio

January 16

Amelia Amadio

January 18

Norm Reid
Alex Colven

January 19

Sonny Vitale

January 20

Vivian Rogers-Canon
Ethan Douglas

Anniversaries:

January 17

Harry & Sandy Karn

This Week's Service Times

9:15 T/Th: Morning Prayer
8:00 Sunday: Holy Eucharist
9:00 Sunday: Adult Forum
10:30 Sunday: Sunday school
10:30 Sunday: Holy Eucharist & Choir

classroom space and today serves two classrooms of three- and four-year old students.

In May 2014, Rev. Sarah invited Rev. Rebecca Yarbrough to attend the La Escuelita San Marcos graduation. Over handmade tamales, Rev. Rebecca said, "We need to do this, too." Four months later, in September, La Escuelita San Alban opened with 4 students. We now partner with the Ada Jenkins Center to serve two classrooms of three- and four-year old children.

OUR wonderful ministry continues to grow. The children are thriving. They're learning how to act in a classroom, they're learning English, they're getting proficient with scissors, clay, crayons and pencils and letters-all things that we tend to just assume that all children have access to, but these children wouldn't without us. Thank you St. Alban's parishioners for funding most of this essential program through donations and volunteer hours. Gracias.

Volunteer Sign Up Genius Link

We always need volunteers for reading, greeting and Eucharistic Ministers. Please [click here](#) to sign up to volunteer for the church services.

10:30 SUNDAY SERVERS

Altar Guild:

Jean Cunningham, Colleen Hager, Marcy Reid

Flower Guild: Alison Boughrum

Eucharistic Ministers: Jay Hammond

Crucifer: Hunter Brady, Henry Ready

Torchbearers: Carson Patch, John Ready

Lectors: Valerie Colbert, Rosalind Seneca

Ushers:

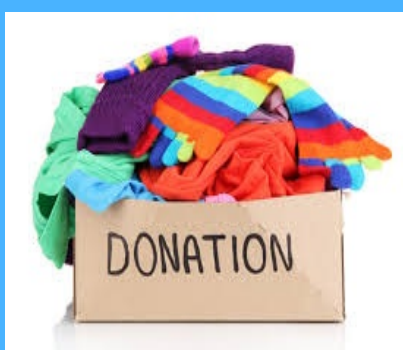
James & Sean Kennedy, Chris Sanders

Vestry Person of the Day: Martin McCoy

Donations Needed

The Outreach Team is collecting new and gently used clean blankets, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens and socks during January. These donations will be taken weekly to the soup kitchens, Lydia's loft and Ada Jenkins or where there is a need to serve those at risk

because of the cold weather.



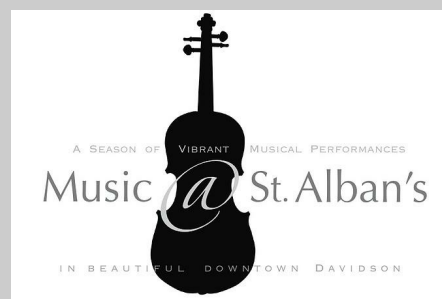
Music @ St. Alban's

Sunday January 21, 2018 @ 3pm: Music @ St. Alban's Concert Series presents The Wingate University Singers under the direction of Kenney Potter in an a Capella program of classics as well as spiritual and traditional music. Arrive by 2:20pm to enjoy the pre-concert Young Artist performance. A meet-the-artist reception follows the concert.

Tickets available at the door or on the website:

www.musicatstalbansdavidson.org

\$20 general; \$15seniors; \$10students; children under 12 Free



Calling for Alternate Greeters

St. Alban's has a group of wonderful Greeters but we could really use a few more people to be alternate greeters to help fill in when a greeter cannot make the Sunday they were planning to serve. Greeters greet people coming in one of the three doors into the church (two upstairs and one downstairs). We greet between 10:00 am and 10:30 am, right before the service. There will be a sign-up sheet at the sign-up desk in the Narthex.

Thank you for your participation in this mission for our church.

Cards for Kids

The [4th Annual Cards for Kids Poker tournament](#) will be held on Saturday, January 27th, 7pm to 10:30pm. There is a \$100 suggested donation to play. This year's proceeds will benefit: The Davidson Cornelius Child Development Center, E2D, the Ministries of St. Alban's & St. Alban's Maintenance Fund. Tickets are for sale at the Ministry of Fun Table before and after the services on each Sunday. There is a limited number of tickets.



Blood Mobile

The Community Blood Center of the Carolinas (CBCC) Bloodmobile will be here on **Sunday, February 4**. CBCC is the primary blood supplier to local hospitals & patients.



Sign up early by clicking on the link below.
Appointment slots are available from 9:15AM
thru 12:30PM. T-shirts for all presenting donors.
Click [HERE](#) to make your appointment.

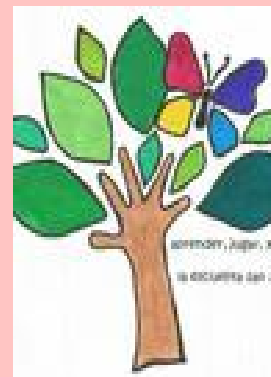


St. Alban's Preschool News

The preschool will be closed on Monday
January 15th in observance of Martin
Luther King Day.

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year
has started. If you are looking for a part
day preschool program with a small, loving,
Christian environment and experienced
teachers, we encourage you to attend one of
our Open Houses. You will have the
opportunity to hear more about the
program, visit the classrooms, and speak
with our teachers. If you have friends or
neighbors that are looking for a fabulous
preschool, please encourage them to attend.
Open Houses will be held on January 11th,
January 24th, and February 8th beginning
at 10:00 a.m.

Please visit our website for more
information www.saintalbanspreschool.org.



La Escuelita San Alban

Do you have a special talent you are
willing to share with sweet preschoolers?
Be a "Friend of LESA" and volunteer for
an hour once a week as a **Special**

Activity

Assistant: REGULAR volunteers interact
with children by reading stories, teaching
and playing
games, blocks, puzzles, manipulatives and
songs, and working with children in small
group
activities like COOKING, sports,
SCIENCE, MUSIC, dance, and
GARDENING.

Classroom assistant: refilling paint and
glue bottles, sharpen pencils, sort toys,
straighten
shelves, wash paint brushes and
containers, prepare materials, display art
projects, and assist in
keeping classrooms and closets clean and
orderly.

If you speak Spanish consider helping our
Family Support Specialist with activities
that include
home visits, parent training workshops,
door to door recruitment, health clinic
presence, visits to
places of employment, receptions for
community partnerships, and introduction
to school-related
services.

Media Coordinator to maintain LESA
media presence and website. Work with

media presence and website. Work with photos and videos; create presentations, albums and promotional materials with input from Director and Board. Manage relations with local news sources, social media, Davidson College, and other community groups and schools. Assist with photo-based newsletter. Manage FaceBook.

Reading Readiness Volunteers who are comfortable talking and listening to children with the ability to "get down on their level" both physically and mentally. Volunteers should enjoy books and stories that are age appropriate and also have the ability to "ad-lib", enhance stories and ask questions as they go. The goal of this volunteer position is NOT to teach young children to read, but to inspire good feelings about reading and books and to increase interest in reading and books both inside and outside the classroom.

Donation Manager to assist with sorting of donations of supplies; create and organize theme boxes, assist teachers in the preparation of educational materials. Create and manage a book and educational toy lending closet. Tell a friend who might donate of their time, talent, or treasure. You will not regret your time with us!
<http://escuelitasanalban.org>

MORNING PRAYER

Every Tuesday & Thursday
from 9:15 to 9:30.

NEWCOMERS

The Newcomers meeting is held the first Sunday of each month following the 10:30 service. The meeting will be held in the front office. Please email [Jessica](#) for more information.

NURSERY

Do you have a young child who uses our nursery services? I hope you do because our paid nursery staff is wonderful! We are in need of volunteers each Sunday at 10:30. [Daniel Johnson](#) is the nursery coordinator and you can [Click here](#) to sign up.

THE PINES

Every 2nd & 4th Thursday at 11:00am, the Holy Eucharist is celebrated at The Pines.

PASTORAL CARE

Are you or someone you know in need of pastoral care? Please contact [Becky Mohlere](#).

ECW

The Episcopal Church Women meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:30 in the church. ECW meetings follow the school year calendar.

PRAYER LIST

Would you like to add your family or friend to our prayer list? Please email [Jessica](#) the name. The name will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks. If you would like to "renew" the name for another two weeks, please email Jessica this request too.

MEMBER DATABASE

Need to update personal info with St. Alban's? Check your pledge balance? Maybe look up another church member? ACS is our church database and it allows you to do all of this and more. Login with your church email and then follow this link for more info. [Read More](#)

[Church Website](#) | [St. Alban's Preschool](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Children & Youth Facebook](#) | [Youth Instagram](#)

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