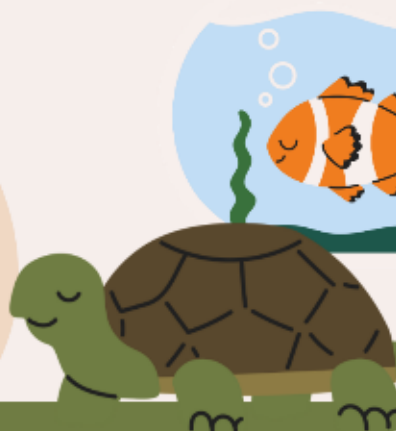


Blessing of the Animals

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 4:00PM
ST. FRANCIS COURTYARD

Calling all cats, dogs, llamas, lizards, snakes, rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, monkeys, birds, and any other animal you want (or who needs) a special blessing should be brought to the St. Francis courtyard at 4:00pm on Saturday, October 3. If you or your child does not have a preferred live animal to bring, but wants to participate, bring a stuffed one! Even if you simply have a love for animals and want to join us please do - all are welcome.



SEARCH COMMITTEE TRAINING

Sunday, October 4 – Following the service

With the Ven. Rev. Mike Beeson

Lunch will be provided



Stewardship 2026/2027

In God's house there is always room for more: more ideas, more people, more ways to share, more stories to tell.

And in the world that God created, there is more needed: more love, more connection, more peace, more creativity. Plenty Good Room reminds us that there is always room in God's house; we just need to make ourselves at home and invite others to join us.

The ways we steward our relationships, resources, and responses to grow ministry and serve our neighbors are the ways we connect our gratitude to our generosity.

There's Plenty Good Room in God's House; pull up a chair and sit down.

FROM THE RECTOR

Beginning Monday, I will work half days on Mondays and Wednesdays to accommodate activities at the church. If you would like to meet with me, please call ahead to schedule an appointment. Mtr. Bev+

GET INVOLVED

Are you interested in serving at church? We invite you to consider joining one of the following ministries:

- Altar Guild Team
- Usher/Greeter Team
- Eucharistic Minister Team
- Coffee Hour Host Team
- Choir

To learn more or volunteer, please contact the church office at 361-575-0441 or Beverly Patterson at 361-739-3093.

REACTIVATING THE PRAYER CHAIN

The prayer chain is restarting, with Sandra Pyle coordinating the effort. Please contact her if you are especially interested in participating; she will also reach out to members of the congregation.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

We are planning acolyte training for youth and adults. If interested, please contact Mtr. Bev at 361-739-3093.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join us Sunday mornings at 9am in the Parish Hall for Adult Sunday School. Currently we are discussing the Life & Writings of Paul. Bring a Bible if you wish, we also have some available for use during class. Coffee is hot. Previous preparation is not required.

DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Mondays @ 2:00pm in the Guild Room

We are reading together Madeleine L'Engle's Walking on Water:
Reflections on Faith and Art.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL VISIT
A TIME FOR BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATIONS
AND REAFFIRMATIONS**

The Bishop's annual visit will take place on Sunday, December 20. This visit is also the designated time for baptisms, confirmations, and reaffirmations. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the church office at (361) 575-0441 or office@sfvct.org.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 1 ~ KK Walker
October 4 ~ Paul Roeh
October 5 ~ Pat Laqua
October 11 ~ Barba Patton
October 11 ~ Sandra Pyle
October 13 ~ Ted Wise
October 17 ~ Carol Kopec
October 24 ~ Mark Rylander
October 26 ~ Jane Keen
October 31 ~ Cynthia Buttram

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Billie Jean, Bob, Carol, Charlie, Courtney, Dan & Nancy, Donna, Doug, Gene & Magdalene, Gladys, Glenn, Hayes, Jane, Janelle, Jose, Joy & Tom, Kaci, Lauren, Laurie, Mark, Matt, Mary Lea, Matt, Melinda, Michelle, Morgan, Paul, Rae, Reagan, Rebecca, Richard, Rick & Timi, Riley, Ronnie, Russell, Todd, Twyla, Whitney, Young Life, Zoey