

This Week at



**SEPTEMBER
24
2026**

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, September 27:

Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, September 30: Evening Prayer 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

SEP 23 - 29: Erin Vacation (office closed)

OCT 4: 1st Sunday Brunch

Blessing of the Animals - 5:00 p.m.

OCT 7: St. Nicholas Book Club (after Evening Prayer)

OCT 17: Low Country Boil

OCT 21: Cookies, Crafts, & Conversation

OCT 22: Truck & Treat at Mike Trace Arena, 5:00 p.m.

OCTOBER's **1st Sunday Brunch** does not have a host.
Grab a friend and sign up in the narthex!

PULPIT SWAP UPDATE: Christian Valley Church's visit to us this year has been moved to **NOVEMBER 15**. Mark your calendars - we'll be cooking!

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IN OUR PARISH

BackSnacks is back in full swing and could use your support. The BackSnacks program has 143 schoolchildren signed up this year to receive weekend food packages (compare that to 120 last year). Using BackSnacks' [Amazon Wish List](#) is a quick and easy way to donate food (and save Kathy some runs to Sam's).

(One small difficulty with the wish list is that Kathy cannot see who is donating. If you'd like an acknowledgement for your records, please contact Erin in the church office. And a huge THANK YOU to everyone who has donated.)



Student leadership is in place and the Harris County High School volunteers are dedicated, but **more adult assistance** is always needed and welcome. If you'd like to volunteer to pick up food, help pack the food bags, or deliver food to the schools for distribution, please get in touch with Kathy McMurtry.



Join us at 5 p.m. on Sunday, October 4 for the Blessing of the Animals. This is a traditional way to celebrate the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi and commemorate his love of animals and nature. We'll have a short service of thanksgiving for God's creation, prayers for all animals, and, of course, the blessing. Bring your leashed or crated pets, a memento of a beloved

companion, or a special stuffed animal to be blessed by Father Bob.

The Humane Society will be there with a few adorable adoptables to meet!

The St. Nicholas Book Club has chosen Alison Larkin's *The People We Keep* for their next selection.

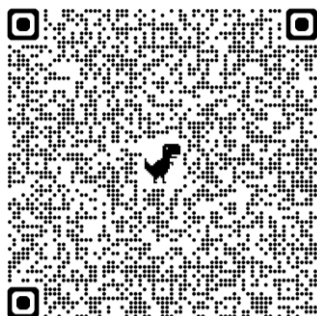
(From *GoodReads*) A lyrical coming-of-age novel about a young woman's journey through heartbreak, chosen family, self-discovery, and creative resilience in 1990s upstate New York. Little River, New York, 1994: April Sawicki is living in a motorless motorhome that her father won in a poker game. Failing out of school, picking up shifts at a local diner, she's left fending for herself in a town where she's never quite felt at home. After a fight with her dad, April packs her stuff and leaves for good, setting off on a journey to find a life that's all hers. Driving without a chosen destination, she stops to rest in Ithaca. Her only plan is to survive, but as she looks for

IN THE WIDER CHURCH

- **News from the Diocese:** [Click here](#) to catch up on what's happening in our own Diocese of Atlanta, including an Events calendar for the few months.
 - **News from The Episcopal Church:** [Click here](#) to read The Episcopal Church Weekly.
 - **News from the Episcopal Community Foundation:** [Click here](#) to read the latest news (Aging by Design, Feeding the 5,000, managing volunteer shortages, and grant news).
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SEPTEMBER 27
FEATURING
ARGO STRING
QUARTET



Use this QR code to go straight to the ticket webpage, or see Katherine Johnson for details.

LOW COUNTRY

LET THE GOOD TIMES



*Let the Good Times Boil
at St. Nicholas Church!*

**Good food. Live music. Family fun.
And the warmth of community spirit.**

Join us as we share stories, make new
friends, and come together to raise
funds for St. Nicholas!

\$65 per adult.

Low Country Boil Buffet Dinner

Saturday, October 17

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church (outdoors)

69 Mobley Road, Hamilton

5:00 Family Fun & Fellowship
Games for kids and big kids!
Live Music with Lee Daniel
50/50 Raffle

6:00 Dinner catered by Chef Chris
of J's Catch Market & Grill

Traditional Low Country Boil

Shrimp, Sausage, Corn on the Cob, and Seasoned Potatoes
or Pork Tenderloin, Corn on the Cob, and Seasoned Potatoes
Fresh, warm Beignets for dessert!
Tea and Lemonade. Cash bar.

\$5 Kids Plate: Hot dog, Chips, Fruit and Ice Cream



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Reservation deadline: October 12