

The Herald

January 27, 2013

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

From the Rector: *Of Unity in Diversity*

I listened to and watched the president's inaugural speech Monday. It was brief but stirring I thought. One point hit home with me and I trust the president was sincere when he said it, and that was his insistence on that fact that we Americans hold many points of view, and that we must respect those points of view and the person or persons who hold them. In government he insisted that there is a way to synthesize such points of view such that the greater good might be served in spite of ideological differences. Government is not perfect; it instead is a continuing process of "perfecting" the democracy we call the United States. Perhaps I am naive, but the speech made a renewed believer of me that government can be the creative servant it was meant to be. The president reiterated this notion of ideological diversity again at the luncheon following the inauguration. He said again that though there are profound differences in how our elected officials foresee solutions to challenging problems that beset us, there is still a path to follow, a synthesis of ideas whereby through honest and respectful conversation we may move the American enterprise forward. Not perfect, but ever being perfected. The Latin root for conversation is *convere*, which literally means to turn; it is in our imaginative turning our hearts to the other that opens possibilities for new insights and creative action.

This is exactly what Paul is talking about in his letter to the church in Corinth, which appears in this Sunday's lectionary. He is mindful of the great diversity in the increasingly cosmopolitan city of Corinth, and that diversity is reflected in the church. There are gender issues, issues of wealth and poverty, issues concerning cultic and social practice. This is a community that is both Jew and gentile, so there were bound to be profound differences in points of view. Whoever propounded over the centuries that there is only one way to believe, doesn't understand humanity. Unity doesn't mean uniformity. Paul eloquently insists that it is within fecund diversity, that the Spirit engenders a profound unity, a singleness of heart, a passionate sense of purpose. It seems a paradox, but I believe that if we turn our hearts to each other, in religion, in government, in matters social and economic, within our families...We will joyfully discern the way ahead...One body with many members, many ideas, many gifts.

I also have a renewed belief in the vast potential of this country both on the domestic scene and globally. We are ending two wars which should free us up financially to serve the great needs present at home and abroad. That process begins with sincere and enlightened conversation, a process which will lead to creative solutions to seemingly intractable problems. Let us seek not the uniformity of ideas, but let us seek the creative synthesis of ideas that lies in our rich diversity. Let the conversation begin.

On the Calendar:

Wednesday, Jan 23
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
4pm St Cecilia choir rehearsal
5:30pm Trinity Choristers
7pm All Sts & Trinity Adult
choirs rehearsal

Thursday, Jan 24
12N Al-Anon
7pm AA

Sunday, Jan 27
8am All Sts Holy Eucharist,
Chapel
8am Trinity Holy Eucharist,
Church
8:45am Breakfast, Stirling Hall
9:15am Trinity Holy Eucharist
9:30am All Sts Christian Ed
10:45am Trinity Christian Ed
11am All Sts Holy Eucharist
Reception following

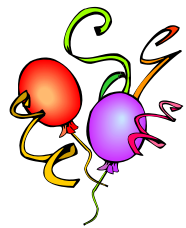
Tuesday, Jan 29
12N Golden Circle

Wednesday, Jan 30
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
4pm St Cecilia choir rehearsal
5:30pm Trinity Choristers
7pm All Sts & Trinity Adult
choirs rehearsal



The Episcopal Church welcomes you

The last Sunday of the month, January 27, is the day to recognize all those who had birthdays in January. At both services, birthday folks will be invited to come



to the altar first for communion and to receive a birthday blessing. Following the 11:00 service, the reception will be offered by the birthday group, coordinated by Rosemary Williams; if you have question you can reach Rosemary through the office (438-2492). Please plan to stay after church

for a fabulous celebration of good friends and good food!

Our prayers are offered for Mary Stewart Stephens and her family at the death of her nephew, Benjamin DeVan Hargett, on January 13. *May his soul and the souls of all the departed rest in peace.*

The EYC will NOT meet this weekend since both Breck and Nathan will be out of town. Stay tuned for announcements about future activities.

The rector will offer confirmation instruction for youth ages 12 and up. This instruction will take place in the Rector's office from 9:30am to 10:15am Sunday mornings between services. We will cover church history, both the church of England and the American Episcopal Church...where we come from; we will also discuss the Book of Common Prayer, and the authority and interpretation of scripture; and we will have conversations as to the contemporary mission of the church.

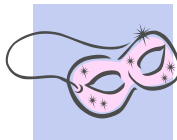
The Bishop's Visitation will be on Palm Sunday,



March 24, 2013. The Rt. Rev. Philip Duncan will preach, celebrate, and confirm adults and youth 6th grade or older. Adult confirmation instruction will take place during the Rector's Forum classes, held every other Tuesday at 6pm. If you would like to be confirmed or even

just to learn more about the Episcopal Church, call Jim Flowers, or just show up at the forum!

The Bayou Bash Mardi Gras Parade Party will take place at the home of Jim & Katharine Flowers at 6pm, February 1 with chili & fixin's. To attend, please call the church office, 438-2492. Cost is \$15 per person, children get in free. Pay at the office or when you get to the party. Jim & Katharine's address is 922 Conti Street. All are welcome!



From your treasurer-

As of the end of December our pledge revenues for 2012 were about \$25,000 below the amount that was pledged for the year. Even though our pledge income was about 5% below budget, we managed to end the 2012 year in the black. This was primarily done by reducing some of our expenses and not meeting our diocesan commitment. I encourage anyone who was not able to meet their pledge obligation in 2012 to try to do so as soon as possible so we can catch up with the diocese.

The Sunday Breakfast Teams

would love to have 3 more teams to fix breakfasts in the rotation on Sunday mornings. There are 5 teams currently; 8 teams would mean that everyone only has to prepare and serve every couple of months. There are no rules about what is fixed for breakfast—each team has its own 'signature' meal of its own choosing. If you are interested in forming a team or being added to a team, call Katharine Flowers at 644-9887.

The EYCs of Trinity and All Saints met

Sunday night to make 'Manna Bags.' The bags are filled with non-perishable foods such as peanut butter crackers, granola bars, and single servings of applesauce. Also included is a bottle of water, a pack of tissues and a note from the person who packed the bag. Parents are keeping the bags in their cars; if they are at a stoplight and someone is on the corner needing something to eat, the bags are ready to give out. The youth also left a substantial number of bags for the church office folk to give to people who stop by the office in the same circumstance. Many thanks to the EYCs!



Lost and Found: There are several pairs of glasses in the 'lost and found department' of the church office, as well as numerous keys, a neoprene cell phone cover and a garage door opener! If you can claim any of these items, please call 438-2492; stop by to check out the keys, etc.



Please mark your calendars right away with the dates you are to serve!
If you cannot be present for the date you are scheduled, please try to get a substitute and let the church office know who it is.
If you can't find a sub, let the office know as soon as possible. 438-2492.

Lay Ministers for February 2013

Date	Time	Lector	Intercessor	Chalice	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Flower Guild	Breakfast	Reception
Feb 3 <i>4th Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	8:00	A Lilly	J Basenberg	B Ratcliffe		B & B Evatt	S Drew B Ratcliffe L Raouf J Rogers M Winkler	TBA	J Clearman M Harris S Cleveland B Evatt	
	11:00	T Locke M Durant	T McLeod	B Bentley R LaMonte	B Ayres L Ayres G Ayres	M Williams H Caddell J Ayres	K Montgomery			E Doyle M Morrison
Feb 10 <i>Last Sunday after Epiphany</i>	8:00	J Clearman	L Hallett	S Willcox		W English M Taylor	Bread bakers B Hardaway L Carsten	TBA	J Tucker B Ratcliffe K Montgomery M Winkler	
	11:00	E Browne D Foster	H Caddell	E Kelley R LaMonte	M Williams SF Greene E Doyle	C Doyle D Greene D Greene				J Tucker
Feb 13 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	6pm	P Wilson R Gray			D Williams	A Blair H Brewster				
Feb 17 <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i>	8:00	S Willcox	B Evatt	M Taylor		J Basenberg B Case		TBA	C Mackey V Case B Schneider K Kelly D Mosley	
	11:00	A Blair J Hamilton	B Barrett	M Morrison L Thomas	D Greene B Foster L Gray	J Hamilton B Hines M Durant				B Hardaway K Gray
Feb 24 <i>2nd Sunday in Lent</i>	8:00	MH Slaton	S Willcox	L Van Dyke		P Mackey H Dodge		TBA	K Flowers K Gray R Greene C Ryan	
	11:00	R Coarsey SF Greene	V Mitchell	H Callaway R LaMonte	B Reeves D Reeves D Reeves	D Mosley C Conte R Pappas				E Mosley

February Birthdays

2 Danielle Juzan	15 Charlotte Hall	19 John Arnold	25 Bill Evatt	29 Richard Coarsey
10 Kim Gray	16 Rob Nichols	20 Meg Caldwell	25 Renea Greene	
11 Ari Moore	16 Avery Kelly	20 Laura Hampton Greene	26 Paula Reeves	
13 Allan Tucker	18 Hank Caddell	21 Gillian Ayres	28 Hayley Praytor	
13 Nick Galanos	18 Douglas Greene	22 Johnna Rogers	28 Thomas Praytor	

If you have a January birthday and it is not listed here, please contact the church office to let us know.
office@allsaintsmobile.org or 438-2492



February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	AS = All Saints T = Trinity B = both					
3 4th Sun. after Epiphany 8a Holy Eucharist AS 8a Holy Eucharist T 8:45a Breakfast B 9:15a Holy Eucharist T 9:30 Sunday School AS 10:45a Sunday School T 11a Holy Eucharist AS Reception following	4	5	6	7	8	9
		6p Rector's Forum & Supper	9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist B 4p St Cecelia Choir AS 5:30p Choristers T 7p Adult Choirs B	12N Al-Anon 7p AA, Smith Rm		10:30a PFLAG
10 Last Sun. after Epiphany 8a Holy Eucharist AS 8a Holy Eucharist T 8:45a Breakfast B 9:15a Holy Eucharist T 9:30 Sunday School AS 10:45a Sunday School T 11a Holy Eucharist AS Reception following	11	12 Mardi Gras <i>Office Closed</i> 5p Murray House Board Mtg	13 Ash Wednesday 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes B 6p Imposition of Ashes B 7p Adult Choirs B	14	15	16
17 1st Sun. in Lent 8a Holy Eucharist AS 8a Holy Eucharist T 8:45a Breakfast B 9:15a Holy Eucharist T 9:30 Sunday School AS 10:45a Sunday School T 11a Holy Eucharist AS Reception following	18	19	20	21	22	23
	6p Vestry mtg AS 6p 15 Place Board	6p Rector's Forum & Supper	9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist B 4p St Cecelia Choir AS 5:30p Choristers T 6p Lenten Program 7:30p Adult Choirs B	12N Al-Anon 7p AA, Smith Rm	Diocesan Convention, Panama City Beach	
24 2nd Sun. in Lent 8a Holy Eucharist AS 8a Holy Eucharist T 8:45a Breakfast B 9:15a Holy Eucharist T 9:30 Sunday School AS 10:45a Sunday School T 11a Holy Eucharist AS Birthday Party following	25	26	27	28		
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The Opening of Eyes

David Whyte

That day I saw beneath dark clouds
the passing light over the water
and I heard the voice of the world speak out,
I knew then, as I had before
life is no passing memory of what has been
nor the remaining pages in a great book
waiting to be read.

It is the opening of eyes long closed.
It is the vision of far off things
seen for the silence they hold.
It is the heart after years
of secret conversing
speaking out loud in the clear air.

It is Moses in the desert
fallen to his knees before the lit bush.
It is the man throwing away his shoes
as if to enter heaven
and finding himself astonished,
opened at last,
fallen in love with solid ground.

From *Songs for Coming Home* (Many Rivers Press, 1984).

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The Lessons

[Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10](#)

[Psalm 19](#)

[1 Corinthians 12:12-31a](#)

[Luke 4:14-21](#)

The Collect of the Day

God of freedom, you break the seals and let the Spirit flow: make us impatient to greet the time fulfilled, the poor lifted up, the oppressed set free and your love made manifest in Jesus Christ, the Anointed Servant. Amen.

Those Who Serve

Altar Guild: Betty Bentley, Paula Reeves, Clayton Ryan
Bread Bakers: Nancy Lancaster, Bruce Rockstad
Flower Guild: Beth Hardaway, Betty Bentley
Breakfast: Clark Kelly, Curt Doyle, Will Hester, Jim Rivers
Reception: Rosemary Williams, January Birthday Group

8:00am

Lector: Larry Hallett
Intercessor: Serena Willcox
Chalice: Burl Ratcliffe
Ushers: Fred & Barbara South
Greeter: Renee Dillard

11:00am

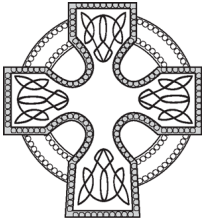
Lectors: Andi Barrett, Hendrik Snow
Intercessor: Melanie Petithory
Chalices: Nancy Lancaster, Ruth LaMonte
Acolytes: Darrel Williams, Emily Kelley, Kim Gray
Ushers: Ricky Bradford, Henry Brewster, Thomas Locke

Music

Voluntary Frank Bridge – *Andante moderato in C minor*
Processional Hymn 616 *Es flog ein klein Wadvögelein*
Craig Phillips – *Festival Eucharist, Gloria in Excelsis Deo*
Anglican Chant Samuel Sebastian Wesley – *Psalm 19*
Sequence Hymn 513 *Bridegroom*
Jeffrey Rickard – *The Nicene Creed*
Offertory Anthem Gordon Jacob – *O Lord, I Will Praise Thee*
Presentation Hymn 632 *Munich*
Craig Phillips – *Festival Eucharist, Sanctus & Benedictus qui venit*
Craig Phillips – *Festival Eucharist, Agnus Dei*
Communion Hymn 431 *Aldine*
Motet Richard Hillert – *The People Who Walked in Darkness*
Post Communion Hymn 539 *Tidings*
Processional Dietrich Buxtehude – *Praeludium in G minor, BuxWV 148*

Please keep in your prayers:

- ✦ For healing for: Nate Smith, Francis Argulewicz, Nancy Golson Smith, Charlie Myers, Trinity Church, Nancy Quittmeyer, Mark Wilson, Jeff Jenks, Regina Slayton, James Henry LeBatard, Julie Tadlock, Eleanor Mae Hunt, David Leff, Brittany, Angelo Harris, Melanie Wright, Jack Ratcliffe, Steven Bodiford, Arthur Johnson, Walter Sims, Alan Grubbs, Mitch Price, Austin Brown, Barbara Deming, John Stephens, David Barrineau, Johnny Madden, Brian Hammond, Heather and family, Martha Collier, JoAnn Pappas, Dunn Chandler, Scott Podstata, Abraham Kuol, Roy Muth, Jim Gray, Jane Arnau, Jessica Montalvo-Lopez, Evina Valera, Ed Givhan, LaNiece Bland, Sharon Cleverdon, Patsy Childress, Anna Marie Brown, Laura
- ✦ For those who serve in the armed forces, especially: Spencer Abbot, Matt Abbot, Jonathan Carter, DeMario Sned, Randy Johnson
- ✦ For those who have died, especially Benjamin DeVan Hargett



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Henry Callaway, Sr Warden
Hank Caddell
Valerie Case, Clerk
Richard Coarsey
Chris Conte
Elizabeth Doyle
James Hamilton
Woody Hannum
Amy Hunter
Emily Kelley
Don Mosley
Burl Ratcliffe
Clayton Ryan

Curt Doyle, Treasurer

All Saints Committee Chairs

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Adult Christian Education: The Rev. Jim Flowers
Altar Guild: Betty Bentley, Melanie Petithory
Choirs: Jeff Clearman
Communications: The Rev. Mary Robert
Community Ministries: Matt McDonald
Constitution & By Laws: Pete Mackey
Episcopal Youth (EYC): Breck Pappas
Finance Committee: Curt Doyle
Flower Guild: Katharine Flowers
Food Share: Mark Taylor, Burl Ratcliffe
Golden Circle: Laura Rutherford, Wylly Stirling
Hospitality & Events: Jean Tucker
IHN/Family Promise: Henry Brewster
Lay Eucharistic Visitors: Bill Evatt
Lectors, Intercensors & Chalice Ministers: The Rev. Mary Robert
Long-Range Planning: Curt Doyle
Nursery: Elizabeth Doyle, Amy Hunter, Jim Ayres
Parish Development: Clark Kelly
Property: Ricky Bradford
Refugees: Martha Harris
Ushers: Harold Dodge, Louie Wood
Stewardship: Don Mosley, All Saints Vestry
Wedding Guild: Betty Bentley
Youth Christian Education: The Rev. Mary Robert

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Service Schedule

Sundays 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Breakfast
9:20 am Christian Education Classes (during school year)
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
Wednesdays 12 Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)