

# The Herald

March 7, 2010

Third Sunday in Lent

## From the Rector

## **Of Mystery and Manners**

In Flannery O'Connor's collection of essays and lectures, entitled *Mystery and Manners*, the author discusses her aesthetical and literary theories, and the art of writing fiction in the deep south. She argues that it is impossible for the southern writer to divorce her sensibilities from the intensity of interpersonal relationships so common among southerners. For example, the presence of racism notwithstanding, we in the south do have rich relationships with our black brothers and sisters, and much of the art in the

south emerges from that relationship, from Jazz and gospel music to sculpture and painting to literature and poetry. O'Connor's premise is that it is *manners*, the social graces, that open us to the intimate mystery of who we are as humans.... gracious words, words from the soul, that enable us to defer to the human nature of the other, a mirror, as it were, onto the Self. My mother would agree. There was no sin greater in our household than bad manners. There is a carved sign in the refectory at General Theological Seminary that reads, "manners maketh man."

In our reading this Lent *Three Cups of Tea*, we discover that the cosmic force that transforms the protagonist from mountain climber to humanitarian is that of hospitality, the greatest of all the manners. It is the art of sacred welcome that makes holy our connection to each other. It is the art of welcoming the stranger that will lead us into the life God envisions for us and our world. It is the means by which we experience the mystery of being human, and our rightful place in the created order. This idea exists in every religion in the world, so there must be something to it. We hear Jesus say in Matthew that "whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me." In the Koine Greek, the words for 'welcome' and 'stranger' share the same root. So there is a decided linguistic tension in this passage. Perhaps that tension is best described as mystery...the mystery engendered and apprehended upon the gracious welcome of the stranger.

On the Calendar:

Tuesday, March 2 11:30am All Saints serves @ 15 Place 3:30pm Training Choir

Wednesday, March 3 7:30am Race Relations Comm. 12N Holy Eucharist (Chapel) 4pm Girls' Choir rehearsal 6pm Evensong (Chapel) 6:30pm supper & Lenten program (Stirling Hall) 7:30pm Parish Choir rehearsal

Thursday, March 4 7am –5pm L'Arche (Stirling Hall) 12N Al-Anon (Smith Rm) 5:30pm AA (Smith Rm)

Saturday, March 6 9am Recovery 2day (Saad Rm)

Sunday, March 7 8am Holy Eucharist 9am Breakfast 9:20am Christian Education 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Reception following

**Tuesday, March 9** 3:30pm Training Choir

What would the world be like if we as post modern world citizens stop the deeply institutionalized practice of violence, and begin the practice of recognizing our common humanity through the art of hospitality and welcome. We now know, as we always should have known, that our means are our ends in the making; that violence will, as it forever has, beget new violence...violence, just plain unadulterated bad manners. Why not welcome first in sacred deference to our brother, our sister...and there we will see the mystery of who we are, which is to see the very image of God that manners maketh.



## **New Director of Youth Ministries**

Catherine Mackey, daughter of Pete and Carol Mackey, has volunteered as parish director of youth ministries. She brings to this position many ideas for growing our youth program, and very positive energy. Please welcome Catherine to this ministry among us.

## The Friday Night Supper Club will meet at

7:00pm on March 12 at Melanie Petithory's house, 2765 Brevard Drive. Her phone is: 473-1350. All are welcome!

## **New Ministry Opportunity**

Danny Moreau will lead a conversation on Sunday evening, March 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Walter K. Smith room concerning the problems of transitioning from incarceration back into society. He wants to explore whether we at All Saints want to take this on as a ministry. Please mark your calendars.

## Save the Date! IHN Week Approaches

An important date will 'sneak up' on us if we aren't careful: Easter Sunday, April 4, is the beginning of All Saints' week to host Interfaith Hospitality Network/Family Promise families. If you would like to help with this important ministry, call Henry Brewster at 338-0630 to sign up or email him at <u>brewster919@bellsouth.net</u>.

## Thanks to all who helped with

Food Share last weekend. This is a vital ministry and we appreciate your work which makes it happen!

**Three Cups of Tea** is our Lenten study book. The title comes from a mountain village chief in Pakistan who said, "Here (in Pakistan and Afghanistan), we drink three cups of tea to do business: the first you are a stranger, the second you become a friend, and the third, you join our family, and for our family we are prepared to do anything—even die."

This week, our 'homework' is to read chapters 5-9. Please join us as we explore how each of us can make a difference in the world! It's never too late.

## Time for the Time Change Already?

Believe it or not, the time will 'spring forward' to Daylight Savings Time at 2am on Sunday, March 14! Mark your calendars now.



# You are invited!

Words of Albert Schweitzer and Music of Johann Sebastian Bach:

A multi-media musical dramatization by Thurston Moore

> Friday, March 19, 2010 7:30 pm

Springhill Presbyterian Church 10 Westminster Way, Mobile

Reader-Actors: Harvie Jordan, Bryan Reed, Vera Lynn Sheets

Organists: Jeff Clearman, Kevin Davis, Paul Hanebuth, Colleen Kelsey, and Randall Sheets

## Lenten Program continues!!

"Wednesdays in Lent"
March 3, March 10, March 17 and March 24 begin at 6:00pm with Evensong in the *chapel* followed by supper and book discussion in Stirling Hall from 6:30-7:30pm



Study Book: *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time* by Greg Mortenson

If you need a book, we have some available for \$10 each. Call the church to reserve a copy. If you have your book, please read chapters 5-9 for this week's discussion. It's never too late to join in!



**The Christian Living Today** adult education class will begin discussing Bishop John Shelby Spong's book Jesus for the Non-Religious: Recovering the Divine at the Heart of the Human this Sunday.

One reviewer said about the book: "Fasten your seat belts! Bishop Spong takes us for a wild and daring ride with Jesus: first stripping him of all the myths we've grown up with; then offering a more approachable, more believable Jesus as the key to a new life and new humanity. It is the boldest book I've ever read, but also the most hopeful."

The class meets in the Walter K. Smith room at 9:30 on Sundays. Visitors and new members are welcome. Copies of the book are \$11.50; stop by the class or email Henry Callaway at <u>hcallaway@handarendall.com</u> if you'd like one.

## HUGE Garage Sale on March 13!!

The Girls' Choir and the EYC are raising money for their summer trips: the choir to Florence, Italy to sing, and the EYC to help rebuild houses in the 9th Ward of New Or-



leans. The garage sale will be held March 13 from 8:00am-12N in Stirling Hall. There is furniture, children's clothes, games, books, household and kitchen items and much, much more just waiting for you to take home! Wednesday, March 10, is the last day to drop off your donated items.

Help is needed next week to sort and price and set up the items. If you can help, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Walter K. Smith room of the Parish Hall. Those who can help on Saturday should arrive by 7:30.

# The 4th Annual AQUA Community

**Unity Awards banquet** will be held this year on Saturday, April 10 at the Holiday Inn downtown. AQUA is an organization whose mission it is "to make a difference by bringing our community together through various fundraising events for the benefit of deserving organizations. It is also our mission to recognize individuals in our community who have worked to make a difference by the awarding of the J. Allen Pope/Reaching Out Award." Past winners of this award include All Saints folks Suzanne Cleveland, Harold Dodge, and Jim Flowers and Mary Robert.

This year, the Integrity of the Gulf Coast is one of the sponsoring organizations of the banquet. If you are interested in attending the banquet, contact Marion Elledge (<u>melledge5@comcast.net</u>). Tickets are \$35 each. For more information about AQUA and the banquet speaker go to <u>http://www.aquahelps.org/cua.htm</u>.

## Episcopal Relief and Development reaches out in wake of Chilean earthquake

March 01, 2010 [Episcopal News Service] <u>Episcopal Relief and Development</u> is reaching out to dioceses affected by the magnitude-8.8 earthquake that hit Chile on Saturday, Feb. 27, killing at least 700 people.

The quake struck off the Pacific coast at 2:34 a.m. local time at a depth of nearly 22 miles. The epicenter was approximately 60 miles northwest of Chillan, Chile and 220 miles southeast of Chile's capital, Santiago. Chile is located along the Pacific Rim's "Ring of Fire," where the Nazca and South American tectonic plates cross.

The agency reported that the capital lost basic services such as water, electricity and telephones, and that Chilean authorities are working closely with emergency crews to address local needs. The quake affected an estimated 2 million people.

Some 90 aftershocks have been reported, including a 6.3-magnitude quake in Argentina.

A tsunami warning issued by the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center for the entire Pacific region has been canceled, but residents of many affected nations are still waiting to return to their homes around coastal areas. Caution has been advised as changes in sea level and unusual currents may characterize Pacific waters in the coming days.

Episcopal Relief & Development said it is "reaching out to dioceses in the affected areas to determine the best course of action," and asked for continued prayers for those affected.

The Diocese of Chile is located in the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone of America, which also includes dioceses in Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay.



# **Holy Week Service Schedule:**

March 28-Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday 8am-Liturgy of the Palms; Holy Eucharist 10:30am-Liturgy of the Palms; Holy Eucharist



March 29-Monday in Holy Week 7:30am-Holy Eucharist, chapel March 30-Tuesday in Holy Week 7:30am-Holy Eucharist, chapel March 31-Wednesday in Holy Week 12N-Holy Eucharist, chapel

April 1-Maundy Thursday 6pm-Holy Eucharist, Washing of Feet, church

> April 2-Good Friday 12N-Good Friday Liturgy, church 6pm-Good Friday Liturgy, church



April 3-Holy Saturday / Easter Eve 9am-Holy Saturday Liturgy, church 7:30pm-The Great Vigil of Easter, church Agape Meal following, Stirling Hall



April 4-Easter Sunday 8am-Holy Eucharist 9am-Breakfast in the courtyard 9:30am-Flowering of the Cross & Easter Egg Hunt 10:30am-Holy Eucharist Reception following

## **EYC PAGE**

As most of you heard on Sunday, Catherine Mackey has agreed to become the new director of youth ministries for All Saints Episcopal Church. Over the next couple of weeks, she and I will be working to transition everything over to her so she can begin planning for the rest of the year of EYC. I have really enjoyed the past several months of serving as the interim youth director, and hope you have enjoyed it as well.

The next couple of weeks are going to be VERY busy (see below) and we really need lots of participation, so please make a special effort to attend EYC.

## MARCH7<sup>th</sup>

Yard Sale prep at the Church. Wear your work clothes! We need to clear out the donations from the youth office and organize them in Stirling Hall. We will also need help throughout the week to get ready. More info on that to come.....

Meet at the church at 5:30 until 7:00. Dinner will be provided.

## MARCH13th (SATURDAY)

Yard Sale at the Church, benefiting the Girl's Choir and Summer Mission Work. Come at 7:30 a.m. until noon.

## MARCH14th (SUNDAY)

Junior and Senior EYC is cooking dinner and eating with the families at the Ronald McDonald House. The RMH collect can tabs, so please save yours and we will donate them that afternoon. Whoever brings in the most wins a prize -- NOT from Dollar Tree!!!!

We will divide into two groups. The first group will meet right after church to cook for the Ronald McDonald House, and the second group will meet at the Ronald McDonald House at 5:00 to serve the dinner and then clean up afterwards.

WE REALLY NEED A LOT OF PARTICIPATION FOR THIS EVENT SO PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO HELP OUT. IT IS FOR A VERY GOOD CAUSE.

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# Sunday Lectionary: Third Sunday in Lent

<u>Exodus 3:1-15</u> <u>1 Corinthians 10:1-13</u> Psalm 63:1-8 Luke 13:1-9

## Lay Ministers for Sunday

Altar Guild: Suzanne Drew, Burl Ratcliffe, Johnna Rogers, Margaret Winkler Flower Guild: Beth Hardaway, Saylor Wiley Breakfast: Jeff Clearman, Martha Harris, Suzanne Cleveland Reception: Paula Reeves, Kim Gray 8:00 Lector: Pete Wilson Intercessor: Jeff Clearman Chalice bearer: Mark Taylor Ushers: Harold Dodge, Burl Ratcliffe Greeter: Renee Dillard 10:30 Lectors: 1) Rosemary Williams 2) David Burchell Intercessor: Melanie Petithory Chalice bearers: Lister Thomas, Michael Morrison Acolytes: Hendrik Snow, Meredith Mosley, Laura Hampton Greene, Sarah Frances Greene Ushers: Jim Ayres, Bill Hines, Ray Pappas, Hank Caddell

# Music for Sunday, Mar. 7

Voluntary: Louis Vierne Symphony III, Adagio Processional: Hymn 387 Magdalen College David Hurd S-86 Kyrie eleison Plainsong Tone II.1 Psalm 63:1-8 Sequence: Hymn 148 Uffingham Offertory Anthem: Herbert Howells Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks Presentation: Hymn 313 Jesu, meine Zuversicht David Hurd S-124 Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit David Hurd S-161 Agnus Dei Motet: Percy Buck O Lord God Communion: Hymn 635 Wer nur den lieben Gott Motet: Richard Derring O Bone Jesu Post Communion: Hymn 344 Sicilian Mariners Processional: Dietrich Buxtehude Ciacona in E minor (BuxWV 160)

## **Pantry Items**

Many thanks to those who have donated to restock the Refugee Pantry. Here are some of the items we still need: **sponges**, **shampoo**, **dish soap**, **paper towels**, **laundry soap**, **toilet paper**, **hand & body lotion**. Please bring them to the church office or put them in the basket in the Ann Street narthex. Thanks!

Please keep in your prayers: Jane English Louie Skipper Dick Wellington Brynn Woods Mitch Price Gale Lambright Sara Lee Joel Danley Celeste Taylor Cintra Pemberton Nancy Lancaster Clara Leder Lamar Jean Keyes Larry Hall Tim Holston Bill & Lida Bowman Linda Irbv Laura

Serving in the military: Spencer Abbot Matt Abbot Sean Paul Naylor Joseph Willcox Steven DeWeese William Wesley Pollard Daniel Robert

The policy of this church is to keep people on the prayer list for one month. After a month, they will be removed. If you want someone to be on the list longer, please call the office; the request will be updated and s/he will be kept on for another month.

**Oops!** We left Emma Gray off of the birthday list last week! Emma's birthday is Wednesday, March 3. If we omitted anyone else, please let us know.

## **Prayers and sympathy**

are extended to the family and friends of Louis Carannante, who died last week. *Let light perpetual shine upon him.* 





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#### Service Schedule

 Sundays
 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

 9:00 am Breakfast
 9:20 a.m. Christian Education Classes (during school year)

 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

 Wednesdays
 12 Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)