

The Herald

July 3-10, 2011

3rd & 4th Sundays after Pentecost

From the Rector: Of What Now?

I had a delightful conversation with a parishioner this week. We had a little church business to talk about, but then we digressed and he told me a story about when he and three of his friends were home for the summer between college semesters. All four of them were Methodists (back in the day when college students actually went to church), but one of the friends had heard about a Lutheran pastor in town who had the reputation of being a good preacher. The four of them decided to check him out, and they were not disappointed; in fact they were so impressed that they attended the Lutheran church all summer. This was not pleasing to the mothers of these four free thinkers...where had they gone wrong that their children would forsake their own church for the likes of another, even if for just a summer? One mother asked her son why....and he replied that at their own church the preacher was always trying to convert the people already there....whereas at the Lutheran church the preacher preached assuming the ones there were already converted, else they wouldn't be there in the first place; it was just so refreshing, he said....The person who told me this story obviously now is an Episcopalian, perhaps for the same reason he discovered as a young man home from school a few decades ago.

Sadly, the history of Christianity has been marked by an adversarial relationship between the church and its people....the church presuming to straighten out a foundering world of sin, the sinners being the ones in earshot....Ironically over the centuries the church has been as corrupt as the world it has sought to straighten out. Augustine taught that there were two types of human...the saved and the damned, pre-ordained by God....but still one must live as if they belonged to the saved, just in case they actually were...some real pathology going on there...Calvin followed suit with his theology of a divine elect...however he thought it possible to lead the sinner to salvation, though that required miraculous intervention....and then Jonathan Edwards, considered by many American Church historians as the greatest preacher in American history...his most famous sermon entitled "sinners in the hands of an angry God." He believed that the miserable sinner, which apparently included most of his congregation, could be frightened away from hell into the arms of Jesus....fear, a tactic with plenty of precedence in the church. Many other preachers in our history have felt it was their call to rescue the poor sinner from damnation...and the poor sinner was a vast demographic which included all....One's Baptism, conversion, forgiveness, active spirituality, faithful worship and prayer all notwithstanding.

One of the alluring features of the so-called mega-church in our own day is not just that the "prosperity gospel" is being preached...you know, believe in Jesus and get a bigger house...but also what is being preached more recently is that people through repentance are indeed worthy of God's love...this message a reaction I think to the centuries of being told we were miserable sinners. That's an improvement in American spirituality....But for those of us of the Anglican tradition who have been taught that we are loved by God and worthy of that love, and nurtured in the environment in which we don't have to worry about our own salvation, we who know that we live in a dynamic of the forgiveness of sins...and we who worship not with a predisposition of supplication, but with one of thanks and praise...I think the big question for us (the modern and enlightened church as a whole) is, What now?

Last Sunday I said that God's love at its heart boils down to two things...well-being and dignity. So I think as to the what now question...our vocation is to share that love with all who are given to us...because we are taught in scripture that God's love is for all peoples and nations. Salvation is not just about us. That means attending to the dignity and well-being of each other in this place to be sure; and it also means that we are duty bound to share God's love with those who don't know it, the ones out of the loop, the lost invisible ones among us...the ones stooped under indignity and a moribund existence that passes for a life... We feed and attend to each other, nurture our own dignity and well-being so that we are strengthened to share God's love, i.e., dignity and well-being with the ones desperate for it....Thomas Schattauer calls this the "inside out church," a church that is not adversarial, but life-giving community. We attend to the dignity and well-being of each other and for the ones starved for what the saved know they have.... this life-giving love of God...dignity and well-being in short. So the *what now* is that we live our lives for the good of our broken world....It is what we are born for and, by the grace of God, what we'll die trying.

On the Calendar:

IHN through 7/03/11

Wednesday, June 29
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)
7pm Mission Trip Teambuilder (Smith Rm)

Thursday, June 30
12N Al-Anon
7pm AA

Sunday, July 3
8am Holy Eucharist
9am Breakfast
9:25am Adult Christian Ed
10:30am Holy Eucharist
Reception following

Monday, July 4
Office Closed

Tuesday, July 5
All Saints serves @ 15 Place

Wednesday, July 6
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)

Thursday, July 7
12N Al-Anon
7pm AA
7pm Mission Trip Teambuilder (EYC room)

Sunday, July 10
8am Holy Eucharist
9am breakfast
9:25am Adult Christian Ed
10:30am Holy Eucharist
Reception following
EYC Mission Trip leaves for Tuscaloosa

Tuesday, July 12
5pm Murray House Bd Mtg

Choristers to attend Royal School of Church Music course

Emma Gray and David Reeves, members of the St. Michael and All Angels Choir at All Saints will be attending the Royal School of Church Music course in Charlotte North Carolina July 4-10. They will be housed at Queens University and rehearsals will be held at the Myers Park Baptist Church.



They will be singing works by Samuel Wesley, Charles Stanford, Herbert Sumsion, C. Hubert H. Parry, Peter Phillips, and the *Missa Sancti Nicolai* by Franz Josef Haydn. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at St.



John's Church Sunday morning, July 10 and Choral Evensong will be sung at 4:00 pm at the Myers Park Baptist Church. If you find yourself in the Charlotte area that day you will not want to miss an opportunity for fine choral singing and worship.

Many, many thanks to all those who helped with Vacation Bible School last week: Emily Mosley, Sandra Lee, Pam Ayres, Renea Greene, Clayton Ryan, Liam Ayres, Kate Nichols, Frances Rouse, Kim Gray, Trey Jacobs, Lister Thomas, Betty Bentley and all those who contributed snacks. Check out the pictures in this Herald and on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. All the *Saints of God* had a great time!



EYC Mission Trip set for July

The EYC Mission Trip will be held in mid-July, when the group will travel to Tuscaloosa to aid victims of recent tornadoes and other severe weather. They would like to ask for specific donations that they will distribute once they arrive.

There is a bin in the back of the church in which you can place small plastic containers of various toiletries which are hard to come by in the storm-ravaged areas. If you are interested, please get Sterilite containers—they don't melt in the sun and don't leave a plastic odor on the things inside. The boxes should contain things like toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, dental floss, lotion, cotton balls, q-tips, tissues, etc; washcloths and flip flops are useful as well. And when the contents are used up, the boxes are good for putting personal belongings in, for safekeeping as people move from place to place.



A big thank you to Layweeders Mark Taylor, Chris Lee, Creighton Allen, Keith Winkler, Debbie Foster and Beth Hardaway for helping with the Church garden this past weekend. Many hands make light work. We will have another work day in early September. Anyone can be a Layweeder. Come be a part of helping keep All Saints' grounds beautiful!

-Katharine Flowers

Spotlight on Ministry

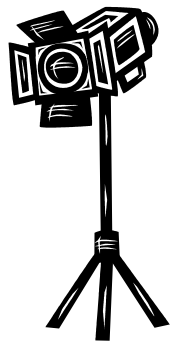
Our Ministry Fair is scheduled for August 28th at which time you may "sign up" for one of the many avenues of ministry at All Saints. We intend to do some features ahead of time on what we do here, so that when it's time to sign up you may already have an idea of which ministry or ministries you wish to be a part of. This week's spotlight: *Altar Guild, Flower Guild, Layweeders and Wedding Guild.*

The **Altar Guild** oversees the preparation of the altar for the Eucharist each Sunday. They also attend to the vessels, vestments and linens of the parish that we use in worship. The Altar guild prepares the church for Baptisms, and other services as well. Being a member gives one a deeper sense of the liturgical life of the Episcopal Church.

The **Flower Guild** arranges flowers for the Sunday Eucharist with special emphasis on the High Feasts of the Church, and also delivers them on occasion to those who are unable attend Sunday worship. Many of our flowers come from the church garden and from the gardens of parishioners.

The **Layweeders** tend to the grounds of the church. We have a lawn service that edges and cuts the grass, so the layweeders attend to the finer points of the grounds and gardens.

The **Wedding Guild** organizes and oversees weddings at All Saints. They consult with the wedding parties as to the customs and practices of the Episcopal Marriage liturgy.



Saints of God *“And I mean to be one, too!”*



Once there was someone who said such amazing things and did such wonderful things that people began to follow him. But they didn't know who he was. So one day they simply had to ask him. And he said, "I am ... the Light."

Look, the light is in so many places at once.

Many have come to the Light to receive their light. But the Light is not smaller. It is still the same...I wonder how so much light could be given away and the Light still be the same?



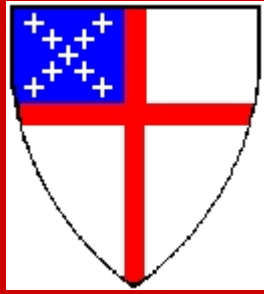
If you cannot be present for the date you are scheduled, please try to get a substitute and let the church office know who it is. 438-2492. If you cannot find a sub, let us know as soon as possible.

Lay Ministers for July 2011

Date	Time	Lector	Intercessor	Chalice	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Flower Guild	Breakfast	Reception
July 3 3rd Sunday after Pentecost	8:00	P Carsten	J Basenberg	A Lilly		P Mackey H Dodge	J Clearman M Harris J Praytor E Wingard	C Hall B Wilson	C Mackey V Case W Hannum B Schneider	
	10:30	A Barrett M Petithory	D Nichols	B Harris N Lancaster	D Williams M Mosley	R Bradford M Elledge T Locke	"			E Mosley
July 10 4th Sunday after Pentecost	8:00	L Hallett	W Butler	B Ratcliffe		R Dillard W Hannum	"	K Flowers D Nichols	K Flowers K Gray R Greene	
	10:30	R Gray S Williams	B Barrett	L Wood M Elledge	M Williams SF Greene	D Greene M Hennessy S Robertson	"			D Foster
July 17 5th Sunday after Pentecost	8:00	MH Slaton	B Evatt	S Willcox		F & B South	"	B Bentley S Hester	C Hall K McDonald A Thompson	
	10:30	A Hunter C Ryan	H Snow	H Callaway S Robertson	B Foster D Greene	C Doyle R Pappas H Caddell	"			TBA
July 24 6th Sunday after Pentecost	8:00	S Willcox	J Clearman	M Taylor		B & B Evatt	"	R Bradford B Hardaway	C Kelly C Doyle W Hester	
	10:30	T Locke T Pressley	R Coarsey	A Mitchell B Hardaway	L Gray B Williams	L Wood M Morrison D Mosley C Mosley	"			TBA
July 31 7th Sunday after Pentecost	8:00	A Lilly	L Hallett	B Ratcliffe		M Taylor C Coker	"	J Tucker K McKenzie	J Clearman M Harris S Cleveland	
	10:30	C Zimmermann M Hennessy	V Mitchell	B Barrett C Ryan	B Ayres L Ayres	A Mitchell J Hamilton C Conte	"			TBA

July Birthdays

3	Amy Hunter	11	Andi Barrett	Chris Galanos	Jeff Barnes
3	Harrison Callaway	11	Ray Hester	Sharon Cleverdon	Malcolm Carsten
	Chris Lee		Valerie Mitchell	Bob Allen	Henry Brewster
	Laurie Bailey		Flora Mary Pearson	Herndon Rouse	Diane Bourassa
	Susan Gardner		Buck St John	Wil Lester	Collin Fuquay
6	William Tucker	14	Jennifer Swann	James Hamilton	31 Maddie Samuels
7	Martha Harris	15	Stella Hester	Alex Pappas	
	Bernard Gaillard	15	James Foster	Anna Grace Brown	
	Boone Reeves		Lizzie McDonald	Keith Winkler	



July 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 3rd Sun. after Pentecost 8am Holy Eucharist 9am Breakfast 9:25 Adult Christian Ed 10:30 Holy Eucharist Reception following	4 <i>Office Closed— Independence Day</i>	5 11:30am All Sts @ 15 Place	6 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist	7 12N Al-Anon 7pm AA, Smith Rm 7pm Mission Trip Teambuilder (EYC Rm)	8	9 10:30am PFLAG
10 4th Sun. after Pentecost 8am Holy Eucharist 9am Breakfast 9:25 Adult Christian Ed 10:30 Holy Eucharist Reception following	11	12 5pm Murray House Board Mtg	13 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist 6pm 15 Place Board	14 9am Food Share pre- paration 12N Al-Anon 7pm AA	15 5:30pm Food Share packing	16 8:00am Food Share distribution
EYC Mission Trip to Tuscaloosa						
17 5th Sun. after Pentecost 8am Holy Eucharist 9am Breakfast 9:25 Adult Christian Ed 10:30 Holy Eucharist Reception following	18 6pm Vestry mtg	19	20 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist	21 12N Al-Anon 7pm AA	22	23
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31 7th Sun. after Pentecost 8am Holy Eucharist 9am Breakfast 9:25 Adult Christian Ed 10:30 Holy Eucharist Reception following						

Sunday Lectionary: Third Sunday after Pentecost

[Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67](#)

[Romans 7:15-25a](#)

[Psalm 45: 11-18](#)

[Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30](#)

Lay Ministers for Sunday, July 3 2011

Altar Guild: Jeff Clearman, Martha Harris, Julie Praytor, Ellen Wingard

Flower Guild: Charlotte Hall, Becky Wilson

Breakfast: Carol Mackey, Valerie Case, Woody Hannum, Betsy Schneider

Reception: Emily Mosley

8:00

Lector: Paul Carsten

Intercessor: Joe Basenberg

Chalice bearer: Albert Lilly

Ushers: Pete Mackey, Harold Dodge

Greeter: Renee Dillard

10:30

Lectors: 1) Andi Barrett 2) Melanie Petithory

Intercessor: Diana Nichols

Chalice bearers: Ben Harris, Nancy Lancaster

Acolytes: Darrel Williams, Meredith Mosley

Ushers: Ricky Bradford, Marion Elledge, Thomas Locke

Music for Sunday, July 3

Voluntary Louis Vierne *Méditation*

Processional Hymn 657 *Hyfrydol*

David Hurd S-277 *New Plainsong, Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

Robert Knox Kennedy S-411 *Psalm 45:11-18*

Sequence Hymn 11 *Morning Hymn*

Anthem Richard Terry *O Perfect Love*

Presentation Hymn 302 *Rendez a Dieu*

David Hurd S-124 *New Plainsong, Sanctus and Benedictus*

David Hurd S-154 *New Plainsong, Christ our Passover*

Communion Hymn 482 *Slane*

Post Communion Hymn 544 *Duke Street*

Processional David N. Johnson *Processional in Eb Major*

July 9 marks the date that South Sudan will celebrate its official independence as a sovereign nation. It's a date that has loomed large on the calendar for the Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS) since the January 2011 referendum, when the people of South Sudan voted overwhelmingly to separate from North Sudan. This vote came following the 2005 Comprehensive Peace Agreement which brought a tenuous peace and end to about 50 years of civil war.

Escalating violence around the border areas is of great concern; the Diocese of Kadugli is an oil-rich area in the Nuba Mountains in South Sudan. The area has been the subject of frequent media attention due to a wave of fighting between the Sudan Armed Forces of the north and the Sudan People's Liberation Army of the south, what the archbishop described in a recent statement "as a deliberate strategy to rid Kadugli of its indigenous African and Christian population by the [Sudanese Armed Forces], in short a policy of ethnic cleansing." The violence has included widespread bombing and looting, and has resulted in the displacement of thousands of civilians.

Please keep the people of Sudan in your prayers.

Prayers of thanksgiving

are offered for the safe return from Afghanistan of Thedford Daniel Jones, Jr.

The Christian Living Today class will starting discussing a new book, [The Once and Future Bible: An Introduction to the Bible for Religious Progressives](#), by Gregory Jenks, on July 10th. The book deals with both the Old and New Testaments and discusses the origins of the Bible and how it is relevant to our modern faith. One reviewer says:

I've taught introductions to the Bible in US evangelical and progressive churches and, as a missionary university professor, in an ESL setting. This is the best one-volume introduction I've seen. Clean prose, scholarly accuracy, balanced interpretation, and the best set of web-based study resources I've seen for support of any religion-oriented text....Yes, you can study it on your own with profit, but it's a wonderful vehicle for combined groups of both biblically-literate and new-to-the-Bible participants.

The class meets in the Walter K. Smith room at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. Copies of the book are \$18.50; call Henry Callaway at 694-6224.

Sunday Lectionary: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

[Genesis 28:10-19a](#)

[Romans 8:12-25](#)

[Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23](#)

[Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43](#)

Lay Ministers for Sunday, July 10 2011

Altar Guild: Jeff Clearman, Martha Harris, Julie Praytor, Ellen Wingard

Flower Guild: Katharine Flowers, Diana Nichols

Breakfast: Katharine Flowers, Kim Gray, Renea Greene

Reception: Debi Foster

8:00

Lector: Larry Hallett

Intercessor: Warren Butler

Chalice bearer: Burl Ratcliffe

Ushers: Renee Dillard, Woody Hannum

Greeter: Renee Dillard

10:30

Lectors: 1) Rob Gray 2) Sarah Williams

Intercessor: Bruce Barrett

Chalice bearers: Louie Wood, Marion Elledge

Acolytes: Mark Williams, Sarah Frances Greene

Ushers: Doug Greene, Martha Hennessy, Skeeter Robertson

Music for Sunday, July 10

Voluntary TBA

Processional Hymn 48 *Es flog en kleins Waldvoegelein*

David Hurd S-277 *New Plainsong, Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

Robert Knox Kennedy S-411 *Psalm 119:105-112*

Sequence Hymn 632 *Munich*

Offertory TBA

Presentation Hymn 589 *Walden*

David Hurd S-124 *New Plainsong, Sanctus and Benedictus*

David Hurd S-154 *New Plainsong, Christ our Passover*

Communion Hymn 698 *Flentge*

Post Communion Hymn 530 *Gott sei Dank*

Processional TBA

Refugee Pantry Items This month we need **toilet paper** (multi-packs), **paper towels**, **toothbrushes**, and **bath soap** (bars). These are things that cannot be bought with food stamps. Please put them in the church office or the Ann St. narthex. Thanks!

The Special Ministries Campers will board the bus in the church parking lot this Thursday morning, June 30, at 9am to travel to Camp Beckwith. You are invited to come and wish them bon voyage! Don't miss it!!!

Trivia: This year July has 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays. This happens only once every 823 years! There are also four unusual dates this year: 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11, and 11/11/11. But that's not all...take the last two digits of the year in which you were born and add the age you will be this year. The result will be 111 for everyone in the whole world!!!

Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers for healing:

the people of Southern Sudan
victims of severe weather

Kelly Baker

Laurie Bailey

Gregg Pounds

Christensen Family

Evina Valera

Ed Givhan

Devon Booth

the Evans family

Gary Hamilton

Iris Prosch

Hugh Mauldin

Linda Coarsey

Jerry

Martha Mason

Sylvia Spann

Richard Melton

Martha Murdock

LaNiece Bland

Lamar Elledge

Sharon Cleverdon

Mike Downing

Celeste Taylor

Pauline Oliver

Cheryl Peach

Butch Boyington

Devanie Ellison

Barbie Driver

Patsy Childress

Laura

Serving in the military:

Spencer Abbot

Matt Abbot

Glenn Foster, Jr.

T. J. Sherman

Haley Jones

Daniel Taylor

Charley Taylor

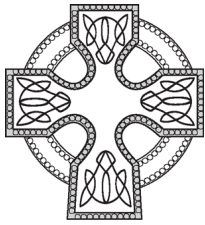
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Wes Parks

Scott Tanos

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Service Schedule

Sundays	8:00 am Holy Eucharist
	9:00 am Breakfast
	9:25 am Christian Education Classes (during school year)
	10:30 am Holy Eucharist
Wednesdays	12 Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)