

# The Herald

October 23, 2011

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## From the Rector: A Life of the Heart

I'm as disappointed in the dysfunction of our government as anyone, Federal and State... Sound policy-making is now blatantly being sacrificed to partisanship...electability being the driving force relative to all decision-making or lack thereof, the old specter of racism manifested on the periphery. Our government seems now so distant from its people it represents, the population's voice growing dim, protests notwithstanding. Perhaps that is because corporations now more than ever dictate public policy. The Supreme Court has recently granted corporations the same rights as individuals vis à vis their freedom of speech as that freedom pertains to the influence of elections. Our government, like the corporate ethos it increasingly represents, and whose bidding it follows, is growing heartless.

I've just recently been clearing out some boxes that ended up in my office when we moved here for lack of a better place to put them; and I ran across a box of College stuff... some tests I had done well on...there were a few I didn't save, and I found some of my old college notebooks....one on the Greek Classics....one on Modern British poetry in which we studied, among others, Thomas Hardy and Gerard Manley Hopkins and William Butler Yeats....And then the one I couldn't put down was my notebook on Romantic poetry, including notes on the works of Wordsworth and Blake; Coleridge, Keats and Shelly. I am reminded once again that our artists are our prophets... they all laud the creative human spirit, its ability to literally form the world in which it dwells into the fullness of its beauty for which it was and is created... they laud the power of the imagination to save us from the rude heartlessness that stalks the human enterprise....Imagination, the name of our God-likeness into which we are called to live. In a nutshell our leaders in government suffer from a chronic lack of imagination....Jesus called it hardness of heart.

What did our current legislators study in their formative years? Where is the imaginative spirit to serve with equity the good of the whole...the same spirit that formed these United States, a modern articulation of democracy coined by the ancient Greeks...Our legislators then, the so-called founding fathers, would have known the classics, have been educated in the liberal arts tradition, the sole purpose of which was to nourish the imagination which sets free the human spirit to do its singular job, which is to create.....to nurture the joie de vivre of living in an egalitarian world... We live in an age in which education to a much greater degree has become vocational training: business, management, accounting, hotel management, on and on....not that we don't need vocational training at some point along the way....but my lament is that we have wandered far in our educational formation from the voices of our prophets, the voices that wake us up to the realization that we are here to serve the beauty that is this world set right....and there are prophets in every discipline....we have wandered afar from their voices, and it is showing up in the way we live together in our society.

We just honored one such student of the prophets...one who listened to the voices of the wise....we honored one such follower this week on the Mall of Washington D.C. We honored Martin Luther King, Jr. for living into the collective imagination and thereby changing our world for the better....a man of learning, a man of heart....Nelson Mandela, a man of heart....Mahatma Gandhi, a man of heart...Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Leymah Gbowee, Tawakkul Karman, the recent Nobel Peace Prize winners, women of heart....Where are the ones among us in this country, ironically founded by learned people of heart....where are they now?....because we languish without them, the worst possibly yet to come in these United States....we languish in their absence...Let us prophesy to these dry bones...that they once again might live and live with brimful hearts.

### On the Calendar:

Wednesday, October 19  
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)  
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)  
4pm St Cecelia Choir  
7pm Adult Choir

Thursday, October 20  
12N Al-Anon  
7pm AA

Sunday, October 23  
8am Holy Eucharist  
9am Breakfast  
9:20am Sunday School  
10:30am Holy Eucharist  
Reception following

Tuesday, October 25  
3:30pm St Michael Choir

Wednesday, October 26  
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)  
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)  
4pm St Cecelia Choir  
6pm Rector's Forum  
6pm Godly Play for Adults  
7pm Adult Choir

## Finance Notes

Since my last reminder in the *Herald*, our pledge collections have fallen behind once again, and significantly. If you are behind on your pledge, I urge you to try and catch up. We have no great reserve to weather such a shortfall for any extended time, so we are counting on you!! All Saints lives or withers on your generosity, so please help if you can! Thanks, *Clark Kelly*

**The Christian Living Today** adult education class will discuss Rob Gray's documentary *Mobile in Black and White*, a film about structural racism, this Sunday.

Next Sunday, Oct. 30, the class will start discussing *God Is Not One: The Eight Rival Religions That Run the World - and Why Their Differences Matter*, by Stephen Prothero. The author says we are making a mistake in assuming that all religions are simply different paths of getting to the same truth and that we need to understand and appreciate their differences. The religions covered in the book are Islam, Christianity, Confucianism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Yoruba, Judaism, and Daoism, with a chapter on atheism as well.

The class meets on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Smith room. New members and visitors are welcome at any time. Copies of the book are \$11; please contact Henry Callaway at 694-6224 if you'd like one.

## For many are cold, but few are frozen

Don't forget to bring a sweater, jacket, shawl, etc. and/or sit toward the center aisle instead of the outer aisles where the vents are in order to keep you warm enough during the Sunday services. The thermostat must stay at 70° to keep the organ in tune.

**Slaw, beans & dessert cooks!** All Saints Sunday is just a few weeks away! Jean Tucker is looking for folks to help with the food prep for our lunch following the one service that day (service is at 10am). If you are willing to help, please call or email Jean: 753-1984 or [jwtucker@usouthal.edu](mailto:jwtucker@usouthal.edu).

**Nomination forms** for Vestry members and delegates to the Diocesan Convention are on the desk by the church office.

Elections will take place on Sunday, November 6 during the Annual Parish meeting at 9am. Please consider carefully nominating people who have the best interest of All Saints in mind, and make sure they are willing to be nominated before submitting a form.

**The Food Share program** is experiencing some difficulty due to a recent drop in donations. We have been spending approximately \$300 each month for food, with an added \$50 delivery charge. This provides enough food to create approximately 2-3 meals each for 72 families. To keep up this level of support to the Mobile community, we need your help. Additionally, we are looking forward to the holiday season, hoping to provide turkeys and hams. If you can help the Food Share program, please send a check made out to All Saints marked "Food Share." Your help is greatly appreciated!

## A Godly Play Experience for adults

will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 26, beginning at 6pm. You are invited to come and hear one of the sacred stories of the people of God in the same way our children hear it. These stories are as much for adults as they are for children. Wear comfortable clothes so that you can sit on the floor if you are able.



After the story we'll have the same kind of feast that the children have on Sunday morning, too. There will be time for discussion afterward if you want to learn more about the program. Everyone is invited and we hope to see you there!

## Helpful Hints for Sunday School:

Parents, please remember that we have less than an hour to do all the things we want to do in the children's class on Sunday morning. Here are some ways to make that happen:

- It is important that children arrive on time. We start at 9:20am.
- It is important that if they are late, the parents send them in quietly without interrupting the story. The storytelling is difficult to do if there are interruptions.
- It is VERY important that parents come to pick up their children on time. We finish at 10:15am. (Mary Robert is one of the teachers and has to be finished in time to vest for church. The other teachers have to find their own families.) Parents may let us know if it is alright to dismiss their older children to find their parents themselves.

**Baptism, anyone?** All Saints Sunday, November 6, is the next day for baptism in the church. If there are any babies, children or adults who wish to be baptized, please contact Jim Flowers or Mary Robert, 438-2492.



## Bayou Bash 2011 is on its way!!!!

November 12 is the date for All Saints' annual Bayou Bash fundraiser. Come enjoy a great evening of good food and drink, great music (entertainment by Bust!), silent and live auctions, and great people! Tickets are \$30 and are on sale after both services and from the church office.

This year, long-sleeve t-shirts will be made with the new logo seen above. The price will be determined by the number of shirts ordered. Contact Carol Mackey at 251-402-9448 or at [carolmackey@gmail.com](mailto:carolmackey@gmail.com) to place your order.

Many volunteers are needed to run this great evening. To volunteer, please contact Carol Mackey at 251-402-9448 or [carolmackey@gmail.com](mailto:carolmackey@gmail.com), or Pete Mackey at 251-510-6905 or [psmackey@bcmlawyers.com](mailto:psmackey@bcmlawyers.com) and they will put you in touch with the heads of various committees.

Bayou Bash is our main fundraiser, the proceeds of which benefit the community ministries supported by All Saints, such as IHN/Family Promise, the All Saints Refugee Fund, McKemie Place, 15 Place, L'Arche, Alabama Arise, South Alabama Cares, and Education for Ordained Ministry.

The primary moneymakers in this event are the ticket sales (so buy some for your family and for some friends — or invite your friends to buy their own tickets!) and the auction. The auction committee would like every household to contribute something to the auction. Ask for donations from businesses you support; consider donating your time or talent for auction....an item, or a service such as babysitting, cake-baking, yardwork, painting, etc. Please be sure that you are donating something you yourself would be willing to buy, not a typical \$1 item at a garage sale.

Mark your calendars for this terrific event! And, as always, thank you for your generosity in helping our community ministries become reality!

Look for us on Facebook: [The 7th Annual Bayou Bash](#)

**Mark your calendars now!!!**

*All Saints Sunday*

**November 6**

**Join us for a day of *Celebration* for the **WHOLE** Parish**

**Schedule for the day:**

**9:00am Annual Parish Meeting**

**10:00am Holy Eucharist (one service only—note the time)**

**Following the service: LUNCH!**

**Annual Parish Meeting, Nov 6** This year the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on All Saints Sunday, November 6. On that day we will elect five vestry members each to serve three-year terms as usual, and one to serve an unexpired term of two years. Retiring members of the Vestry are: Renea Greene, Clark Kelly, Pete Mackey, Susan Meztista and Michael Morrison. The unexpired term is Marion Elledge's, who has moved out of state. We will also elect four deputies with alternates to Diocesan Convention, which will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, February 2-4, 2012.

### **Who may vote at the Meeting?**

The Canons of the Episcopal Church (Canon 17.3) define communicants as 'confirmed persons aged sixteen and over who *for the previous year* have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God.'

The All Saints Episcopal Church Constitution also requires that a communicant must have received Holy Communion at least three times in the preceding year.

### **Who may serve on the Vestry of All Saints Episcopal Church?**

If you meet the qualifications to vote at the Parish Meeting you are eligible to serve on the Vestry, with the following exception: The All Saints Constitution states that retiring Vestry Members may not be elected to succeed themselves for *two years*, with the exception of those serving an unexpired term for one year or less.

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### **Nominations for the Vestry**

I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to serve on the All Saints Episcopal Church Vestry. I have read the requirements above and believe this person is qualified to serve. I have received his/her consent to stand election on November 6, 2011.

*(Current Vestry members are listed on the back page of The Herald.)*

### **Nominations for Deputy to Diocesan Convention**

I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as a Deputy to Diocesan Convention, February 2-4, 2012 at Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominations are open until 4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, November 2, 2011**

# This Sunday: October 23, 2011

## 19th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 25

### The Lessons

[Deuteronomy 34:1-12](#)

[1 Thessalonians 2:1-8](#)

[Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17](#)

[Matthew 22:34-46](#)

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Those Who Serve

Altar Guild: Betty Bentley, Diana Nichols, Paula Reeves, Clayton Ryan, Rosemary Williams

Bread bakers: Bruce Rockstad, Lillian Carsten

Flower Guild: Beth Hardaway, Clayton Ryan

Breakfast: Charlotte Hall, Karen McDonald, Amy Hamilton, Amy Thompson

Reception: Charlotte Hall

### 8:00

Lector: Pete Wilson

Intercessor: Serena Willcox

Chalice: Mark Taylor

Ushers: Bill & Barbara Evatt

Greeter: Renee Dillard

### 10:30

Lectors: Valerie Mitchell, Marlena Kelley

Intercessor: Tressa Pressley

Chalices: Ben Harris, Andy Mitchell

Acolytes: Ben Foster, Emily Doyle, Sarah Frances Greene, Atong Kuot

Ushers: Louie Wood, Don Mosley, Caroline Mosley, Michael Morrison, Henry Callaway

### Music for Sunday

Voluntary Jan Bender *Variations on "St. Anne"*

Processional Hymn 680 *St. Anne*

William Mathias S-278 *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Ray Francis Brown *Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17*

Sequence Hymn 538 *Lucerna Laudonia*

Offertory David Willcocks *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Presentation Hymn 707 *Hollingside*

William Mathias S-128 *Sanctus and Benedictus*

Mason Martens S-152 *Christ our Passover*

Communion Hymn 581 *Cheshire*

Motet L. J. White *A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester*

Post Communion Hymn 610 *Blaehafren*

Processional Théodore Salomé *Grand Chœur*

Please keep in your prayers

✚ For healing:

Harriet Schofield

Logan Barnhart

Fran Reed

Becky Boulter

Neil Cumming

Joy Russ

Katie Hammond

Roy Muth

Jim Gray

Jane Arnau

Joanne & Dan Young

Jean Dodge

Jessica Montalvo-Lopez

Dick Van Benschoten

Devin Carlino

Charles Blackmon

Butch Boyington

Steve Hicks

Laurie Bailey

Gregg Pounds

Evina Valera

Ed Givhan

Devon Booth

Iris Prosch

Hugh Mauldin

Linda Coarsey

Jerry

Martha Mason

Richard Melton

Martha Murdock

LaNiece Bland

Lamar Elledge

Sharon Cleverdon

Mike Downing

Cheryl Peach

Patsy Childress

Laura

✚ For those who serve in the

armed forces:

Spencer Abbot

Matt Abbot

Haley Jones

Daniel Taylor

Wes Parks

Jonathan Carter

Scott Tanos

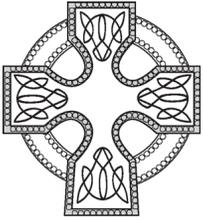
Kyle Metcalf

DeMario Snead

Randy Johnson

Todd Jolly

Robert Carter



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## Clergy

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Gretchen Thiel and Christa Harkins, Nursery Workers  
Liz & Scott Kirby, Directors of Youth Ministries

## All Saints 2011 Vestry

Henry Callaway  
Valerie Case  
Harold Dodge  
Marion Elledge  
Rob Gray  
Renea Greene  
Woody Hannum  
Amy Hunter  
Clark Kelly, Treasurer  
Pete Mackey  
Susan Meztista  
Michael Morrison, Junior Warden  
Diana Nichols, Clerk  
Jean Tucker, Senior Warden  
Darrel Williams

## All Saints Committee Chairs

Acolytes: The Rev. Mary Robert  
Addiction & Recovery: Becky Wilson  
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): Liz & Scott Kirby  
Finance Committee: Clark Kelly, treasurer  
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, Intercessors & Chalice Ministers: The Rev. Mary Robert  
Long-Range Planning: Curt Doyle  
Nursery: Elizabeth Doyle, Amy Hunter, Jim Ayres  
Parish Development: Clark Kelly  
Property: Michael Morrison  
Refugees: Martha Harris  
Ushers: Harold Dodge, Louie Wood  
Stewardship: Woody Hannum, All Saints Vestry  
Youth Christian Education: The Rev. Mary Robert

## All Saints Episcopal Church

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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)