

# The Herald

November 11, 2012

24th Sunday after Pentecost

## From the Rector: Of Empowering Freedom

Katharine and I walked to our voting place early this morning, Springhill Community Center. As we headed up Dauphin Street we passed several women waiting at bus stops; waiting for a westbound bus presumably to take them to work, or a doctor's appointment, or some other pressing responsibility. We wondered aloud when these people might vote. We make it hard in this state not having early voting, and most forms of identification required to vote involve some cost either directly or indirectly, which amounts to something of a poll tax. We arrived at the Springhill Community Center...a very sparse crowd... voters outnumbered by the poll workers. I was struck with the mural painted over the entrance to the gym. It was, best I could tell, a pictorial history of prominent Black Mobile citizens; there were also some symbolic representations of the journey of a people...birth in Africa....slavery and civil rights...perhaps the faces in the mural included national figures as well...I just couldn't tell....But clearly it was a representation of the lore, or some of the lore of a people...a people who have struggled mightily on the road to freedom.

I remember the first time I voted, and I remember what a thrill it was...the sense of being empowered to make a difference in the world in which I lived and moved and had my being...I remember the voting booth...blue with a blue curtain that one closed swiftly behind you with a lever, and then the iconic representations of the choices one had to make...choices that would perhaps in only small ways, but perhaps in big ways, who can know, affect the course of history. I can only imagine the thrill, so much more amplified than mine, that black people must have felt when they finally won the right to vote...the same for women....segments of our population who were not allowed the freedoms "men" had...I thank God for a country in which our constitutional polity can be moved to compassion, amended as the world amends, moved to further the cause of freedom for all.

Despite the many problems we have in this country which challenge our basic freedoms, the so-called powers and principalities: globalization of corporations who exercise exponentially more power over our political decisions than ever before; the shrinking middle class...the widening disparity of wealth...our failure to aggressively address global warming...our tottering system of education.....despite these maladies among a host of others, today I still feel so thankful to be a U.S. citizen...to live in a country in which I have the right , a voice to affect the way we move forward into the future. True freedom is synonymous with empowerment...being empowered to live out our baptismal covenant which is, at its heart, to resist evil in our world, to model goodness by serving and recognizing the Christ in all persons, all persons made in the image of God, to do justice, to make peace, and to bring dignity to those who languish without it.

Our right to vote is an outward and visible sign of such freedom, such empowerment....and we dare not resort to crippling cynicism or take it for granted. Whatever the outcome of the election this evening...the people, free and empowered have spoken. What an incredible responsibility, and what an incredible privilege.

### On the Calendar:

**Tuesday, November 6**

*Election Day!*  
12N Golden Circle

**Wednesday, November 7**

8am Race Relations Committee  
9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)  
12N Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
12N Debtors Anonymous (DA)  
4pm St Cecelia choir rehearsal  
7pm Adult choir rehearsal

**Thursday, November 8**

10am Appetizer prep for Bayou Bash  
12N Al-Anon  
7pm AA

**Saturday, November 10**

10:30am PFLAG  
**6-10pm Bayou Bash**

**Sunday, November 11**

8am Holy Eucharist  
9am Breakfast  
9:20am Sunday School  
10:30am Holy Eucharist  
Reception following  
5pm Conde Explorers

**Tuesday, November 13**

6pm Recto's Forum & supper

**Wednesday, November 14**

9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)  
12N Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
12N Debtors Anonymous (DA)  
4pm St Cecelia choir rehearsal  
7pm Adult choir rehearsal

**Thursday, November 15**

10am Food Share sign-up  
12N Al-Anon  
7pm AA

**Friday, November 16**

5pm Food Share prep  
5:30pm Food Share packing

**Saturday, November 17**

7:30am Food Share Distribution

**Thanks to all who made** All Saints' Sunday such a great day! The service was a joyful celebration of our feast day and all the 'extras' (banners and banner carriers, streamers and those who swirled them made the day look special, too! Thanks for the attendance and participation in the Annual Parish Meeting. (See below for election results.) And, final thanks to those who prepared and served lunch. Saucy Q barbecue is always fabulous, but the homemade sides and desserts were fabulous as well! (In fact, there were so many requests for the slaw recipe that it is published in this Herald.) Well done, all you saints!!

**New Vestry members** were elected at the Parish Meeting yesterday. They are: Hank Caddell, Richard Coarsey, Chris Conte, Burl Ratcliffe and Clayton Ryan.

**Delegates to Diocesan Convention** are: Andi Barrett, Bruce Barrett, Michael Morrison and Clayton Ryan.

**Adult Sunday School** This Sunday, the Beth Murray adult education class (a/k/a Christian Living Today) will continue watching the acclaimed PBS series The Power of Myth, featuring scholar Joseph Campbell and journalist Bill Moyers. This week the presentation will be Episode 3, "The First Storytellers." According to the program guide: "All of our culture's rituals have their roots in the myths of ancient hunters, who told stories and performed rituals to bring their lives into harmony with nature."

The videos begin promptly at 9:20 a.m. (in order to finish by 10:20) in the Walter K. Smith room each Sunday, and all members of the congregation are invited. The episodes stand on their own, so feel free to attend even if you have not seen all of them.

**The ArtWalk/PoetryWalk** is scheduled for this Friday, November 9 in a variety of locations downtown. Three of All Saints' own will be sharing their poetry during the afternoon and evening. Venues include the Crescent Theater, (3pm), where Mickey Cleverdon and Brandon McLeod will perform; the Blind Mule, (5pm); Cathedral Square, (7pm), where Rob Gray will perform; and Cabo Cantina, (9pm). Y'all come!

**Our prayers are offered for** Rosemary Williams and family at the recent death of her aunt, Velma Cooper Trawick. *May light perpetual shine upon her.*

**The next Rector's Forum** will be held NEXT Tuesday, November 13. Bring a dish to share for the potluck supper beginning at 6pm. Conversation about a variety of topics follows the meal. The Forum takes place in the Saad Room and meets every other Tuesday (with exceptions!).

**Choppers needed!** Bayou Bash appetizer needs some preparation in order to tantalize your taste buds on Saturday night. Can you come this Thursday, November 8 at 10am to the kitchen in Stirling Hall to help cut a lot of Conecuh sausage and bacon? The project should only take an hour or two, depending on how many slicers and dicers show up!



**Crock pots are needed** to cook the sausage before the Bash begins. If you have one or more you would be willing to lend, bring them to the church office any day this week until Thursday at 4pm. Be sure to put your name on them! Questions? Call or email Burl Ratcliffe at [mobileburl@yahoo.com](mailto:mobileburl@yahoo.com) or 404-1115.



**Dessert people needed** We need some people to work 30-45minute shifts during the Bash to keep dessert trays filled. The EYC will be passing trays among the crowd and whoever could help load and reload their trays would be a great help! Call or email Burl Ratcliffe at [mobileburl@yahoo.com](mailto:mobileburl@yahoo.com) or 404-1115 to sign up. Thanks!

**Recently heard in a** stewardship talk at another church in town: "...I was stunned to learn that my family was spending more on supporting a college football team, going to about 5 games a year than we were giving to our spiritual home. I was also stunned to learn that we were spending more belonging to a country club than we were giving to our church, our spiritual home. Even though we spent significantly more time at [church name] and if you were to ask us, our faith is more important than these other activities, especially college football. Yet giving to our church was a lower financial priority. It didn't take much to change those priorities and the personal reward has been tremendous and I hope a better example for my children..."

Please think about your pledge for 2013 prayerfully, and turn in your pledge card as soon as possible.

## Bayou Bash is this Saturday!!!!

**Tickets are still available from the office or at the door: \$30 each**

**Please bring all auction items** to the church by Wednesday, Nov. 7 at 4pm. This is the final deadline!! If assistance is needed in transporting an item, please call Wyll Lewis at 251-447-9139 or email him at [americanpopdaddy@yahoo.com](mailto:americanpopdaddy@yahoo.com) to arrange pickup.

**Here are more treasures you can bid on:**



*A chair that becomes a stepstool, or a stepstool that becomes a chair — this piece is handmade by Oakleigh Custom Woodworks, the same masters who made the reredos for our chapel!*



*Beautiful, vintage, six-piece silver-plate tea and coffee service*



*Amethyst & diamond necklace,  
amethyst earrings*

**more treasures...**



*Wine jug*



*Painted French reproduction  
side table*

**The EYC will help** with Bayou Bash by carrying trays of appetizers and desserts through the crowd! Junior EYC will work from 7-8pm and the Senior EYC will work from 8-9pm.

**The Friday Night Supper Club** will meet on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 7pm at the home of Hank and Barbara Caddell. They are located at 1321 Dauphin St. (Parking is available on Julia St around the corner. Please call to let them know that you are coming and what you'll bring (438-3048). Newcomers are always welcome!



**Here's the Crunchy Slaw recipe** from lunch on All Saints' Sunday. Thanks to Jean Tucker!

- 1 lb. shredded cabbage
- 1 6oz slivered almonds
- 1 pkg Ramen Beef noodles
- 3/4c. sunflower seeds
- chopped green onions to taste

Break up noodles on cookie sheet with almonds and brown for 7 minutes at 350. Do not over-brown.

- Dressing:
- 1/4c. cider vinegar
  - 1/3c oil
  - 1/3c. sugar
  - flavor packet from noodles

Mix in beef flavoring from noodle package and shake (or blend) in tight container.

Toss all together with noodles and almonds just before serving.

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### The Lessons

[1 Kings 17:8-16](#)

[Psalm 146](#)

[Hebrews 9:24-28](#)

[Mark 12:38-44](#)

### The Collect of the Day

God of fierce justice, you close the mouth of those who devour the poor and hide behind their prayer: humbled by the giving of those who have so little, let us live from your abundance; through Jesus Christ, the judgment of God. Amen.

### Those Who Serve

Altar Guild: Barbara Evatt, Barbara Caddell, Kathy McKenzie, Bill Evatt, Rose Ellen Stanbery

Bread bakers: Beth Hardaway, Lillian Carsten

Flower Guild: Suzanne Drew, Becky Wilson

Breakfast: Katharine Flowers, Kim Gray, Renae Greene, Clayton Ryan

Reception: Martha Durant

### 8:00am

Lector: Joe Basenberg

Intercessors: Larry Hallett

Chalice: Lee Van Dyke

Ushers: Bill & Barbara Evatt

Greeter: Renee Dillard

### 10:30am

Lectors: Thomas Locke, Martha Durant

Intercessor: Richard Coarsey

Chalices: Ben Harris, Ruth LaMonte

Acolytes: Brewer, Liam & Gillian Ayres

Ushers: Mark Williams, Hank Caddell, Jim Ayres

### Music for Sunday

Voluntary Joseph Jongen *Choral Op. 37, No. 4*

Processional Hymn 686 *Nettleton*

William Mathias S-278 *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

Henry Smart *Psalm 146*

Sequence Hymn 454 *Lowry*

Offertory Anthem Anton Bruckner *Locus iste a Deo factus est*

Presentation Hymn 705 *Forest Green*

William Mathias S-128 *Sanctus*

William Mathias S-165 *Agnus Dei*

Communion Hymn 593 *Dickinson College*

Motet H. Walford Davies *Blest are the Pure in Heart*

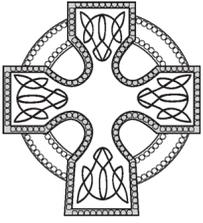
Post Communion Hymn 595 *Mannheim*

Processional Malcolm Archer *Scherzo*

### Please keep in your prayers:

✚ For healing for: Carole Anne Holbrook, David Leff, Brittany, Angelo Harris, Melanie Wright, Jack Ratcliffe, Steven Bodiford, Donna Baines, Arthur Johnson, Jim Hamilton, Walter Sims, Patricia Fry, Alan Grubbs, Mitch Price, Austin Brown, Jason Cummins, Jim Wilson, Barbara Deming, John Stephens, David Barrineau, Johnny Madden, Brian Hammond, Heather and family, Martha Collier, JoAnn Pappas, Martha Rose Hester, Dunn Chandler, Geoff Peach, Scott Podstata, Abraham Kuol, Roy Muth, Jim Gray, Jane Arnau, Jessica Montalvo-Lopez, Gregg Pounds, Evina Valera, Ed Givhan, LaNiece Bland, Sharon Cleverdon, Mike Downing, Patsy Childress, Anna Marie Brown, Laura

✚ For those who serve in the armed forces, especially: Spencer Abbot, Matt Abbot, Jonathan Carter, DeMario Snead, Randy Johnson, Jordan Caturia, William Wesley Pollard



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## All Saints Committee Chairs

Acolytes: 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)