

The Herald

January, 2014

Epiphany

The following is the Presiding Bishop's message:

Christmas message 2013

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Isaiah pronounces these words to a people who remember the yoke of slavery laid on their shoulders. They've been waiting for this child, whose birth transforms that yoke into a mantle of authority. They are promised that this authority will continue to grow as the peaceable commonwealth is established – with justice and righteousness for all, and for ever.

This promise is spoken anew to people in every age, to those who have lived under oppression or in dark depression, to the hungry and ill and imprisoned. The birth we celebrate offers hope, in Word made flesh, who comes among us to heal and walk this way with us. The mantle of authority on his shoulders begins in the swaddling clothes of a child born in the humblest of circumstances. Yet that authority is recognized even by foreigners from far away. That mantle of authority does continue to grow, through a life offered for others, raised into new life, and passed on to new generations of fleshly God-bearers. Wherever justice and righteousness is done, that authority is growing, borne on the shoulders of the Prince of Peace.

He comes again, bearing the grace of the One whose image he wears in flesh. Seek him, sing his new song, declare his glory, and tell out the good news to all the nations: God reigns, and he is coming bearing righteousness and truth on his shoulders.

May you discover that humble authority born again on the edges of the world's notice. May that royal inheritance and authority of the stable be born in you, enliven your heart, and rest on your shoulders. Bear it abroad in peace, this year and throughout the ages.

The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church



Financial News

1. If you have not paid your pledge in full for 2013, please send the balance in as soon as possible.
2. If you have not yet made your pledge for 2014, please call Mary Holbrook, Financial Secretary, and let her know what your pledge is going to be. 438-2492
3. We now know the final amount raised at the Bayou Bash: almost \$15,000! Thanks to all who made this event such a success!
4. If you requested pledge offering envelopes, they will be in the back of the church on Sunday, Jan 5.

News from 15 Place

15 Place is moving into a new facility at the end of the month and will no longer need volunteers to serve lunch. Many thanks to all those from All Saints who have served faithfully over the years.

Needed: Nursery Cribs

The nursery needs a new portable crib and a new full-size crib or two. The old full-size cribs did not meet new standards because the sides folded down. If you have one that you no longer need that meets current regulations, please consider donating it to All Saints. Call the office to let us know. 438-2492.

January Birthday Celebration

Come to either service on Sunday, Jan. 26 to receive a blessing. A birthday reception will be held after the 10:30am service. Everyone is encouraged to bring a snack to share.

Serving Sunday, Jan. 12, 2014

Lessons: [Isaiah 42:1-9](#)
[Psalm 29](#)
[Acts 10:34-43](#)
[Matthew 3:13-17](#)

8am:

Lector: Joe Basenberg
Intercessor: Warren Butler
Chalice: Lee Van Dyke
Ushers: Will English, Mark Taylor

10:30am

Lectors: Valerie Mitchell, Clayton Ryan
Intercessor: Debi Foster
Chalices: Louie Wood, Beth Hardaway
Acolytes: Michael Morrison, Emily Doyle, Sarah Frances Greene
Ushers: Curt Doyle, Doug Greene, Douglas Greene

Altar Guild: Jeff Clearman, Martha Harris, Julie Praytor, Ellen Faulkner, Rosemary Williams
Bread: Nancy Lancaster, Bruce Rockstad
Flower Guild: Clayton Ryan, Jean Tucker
Breakfast: Jean Tucker, Burl Ratcliffe, Kay Montgomery, Margaret Winkler
Reception: Burl Ratcliffe

Food Share in January:

- Friday, Jan 17, 5:30pm, packing food bags & setup Stirling Hall
 - Saturday, Jan 18, 8-8:30am, food distribution (volunteers should arrive at 7:30am)
- All activities take place in Stirling Hall and nothing lasts more than 30 minutes or so.



Please keep in your prayers:

- ✦ For healing for: Larry Preul, Danny Moreau, Tommy, Ruth and Ruth Langan, Jean Dodge, Dorothy Evatt, Ruth LaMonte, Debbie Raymond, Lee Hamilton, Johnna Rogers, Dick Deupree, Jim & Katharine, James Henry LeBatard, Ann, Sheri Hewitt, Buddy Smith, Vince Pilgrim, Jamie Pilgrim, Tras Costa, Celita, Baby Connor, Kim, Kris & Paul, Catherine Stribling, John Stephens, Alisha, Georgezetta Ratcliffe, Sybil Wilson, Howard Young, Terrance Ulmer, Opal Berry, Cora Teague, Josh Watson, Kay Myers, the White family, Susan Hannum, Sharon, Katie Hammond, Skip Shirah, Amanda, Achol Guet, Barbara Blum-Barnett, Caroline Fletcher, Mackenzie Petersen, Nancy Golson Smith, Trinity Church, Nancy Quittmeyer, Regina Slayton, David Leff, Steven Bodiford, Walter Sims, Mitch Price, Austin Brown, Barbara Deming, Heather and family, Martha Collier, JoAnn Pappas, Dunn Chandler, Jane Arnau, Jessica Montalvo-Lopez, Evina Valera, Ed Givhan, 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, S.T. Heath
- ✦ For those who have died, especially Mary Lou Kopf and Joe O'Shea

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 January 2014

Date	Time	Lector	Intercessor	Chalice	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Flower Guild	Breakfast	Reception
Jan 5 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i>	8am	P Wilson	J Clearman	M Taylor		The Evatts	J Clearman M Harris E Faulkner J Praytor R Williams	K McKenzie B Ratcliffe	D Barnett R Feuerlein J & RE Stanbery F South	
	1030 am	M Allison M Durant	B Barrett	N Lancaster B Harris	B, L & G Ayres	L Wood M Morrison P Mackey H Brewster	Bread: N Lancaster B Rockstad			J Tucker
Jan 12 <i>1st Sun after Epiphany</i>	8am	J Basenberg	W Butler	L Van Dyke		W English M Taylor		C Ryan J Tucker	J Tucker B Ratcliffe K Montgomery M Winkler	
	1030 am	V Mitchell C Ryan	D Foster	L Wood B Hardaway	M Morrison Emily Doyle SF Greene	C Doyle D Greene D Greene				B Ratcliffe
Jan 19 <i>2nd Sun after Epiphany</i>	8am	MH Slaton	L Hallett	M Taylor		J Basenberg B Case		B Wilson B Bentley	C Kelly C Doyle W Hester J Rivers	
	1030 am	C Gardner M Morrison	A Barrett	B Ayres B Bentley	M Williams Elise Doyle H Gardner	J Ayres C Conte				B Hardaway K Gray
Jan 26 <i>3rd Sun after Epiphany</i>	8am	A Lilly	B Evatt	S Willcox		P Mackey H Dodge		R Bradford B Brewster	J Clearman M Harris S Cleveland B Evatt	
	1030 am	M Kelley R Williams	M Petithory	L Thomas M Morrison	D Williams K Gray E Gray	D Mosley M Williams M Durant				The Fosters and B'day Celebration

January Birthdays

1 - Manath Dieu	2 - Mary Rachel Gunter	12 - Jack Stanbery	21 - Charlie Bailey	28 - Grace Williams
1 - Susan Chiepalich	2 - Trevor Thiel	115 - Brian Allison	22 - Bill Hines	28 - Sarah Williams
1 - Ayen Guet	5 - Frank Hall	15 - Olivia Jenkins	24 - Burl Ratcliffe	29 - Jim Wagoner
1 - Thomas Deng	5 - Richard Fuquay	16 - Hunter Shain	25 - Frances Rouse	30 - Henry Snow
1 - Stephen Dieu	6 - John Cleverdon	17 - Will Mayhall	28 - Selwyn Slaton	30 - Lukas Snow
1 - Agum Kuot	7 - Julie Praytor	17 - Blake Wingard	28 - Russ Mackey	31 - Tate Hall Kelley



January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>New Year's Day</i> Office closed	2	3	4
5 <i>Epiphany Sunday</i> 8a Holy Eucharist 9a Breakfast 9:20 Godly Play 9:30 Youth, Adult Classes 10:30a Lessons & Carols Reception follows	6	7 12N Finance Comm	8 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist 7p Adult Choir	9 12N Al-Anon 4p St Cecelia Choir 7p AA, Smith Rm	10 5p Rehearsal	11 10:30a PFLAG 3p Wedding
12 <i>1st Sun after Epiphany</i> 8a Holy Eucharist 9a Breakfast 9:20 Godly Play 9:30 Youth, Adult Classes 10:30a Holy Eucharist Reception follows	13	14 5p Murray House Board Mtg	15 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist 7p Adult Choir	16 12N Al-Anon 4p St Cecelia Choir 7p AA, Smith Rm	17 5:30p Food Share packing	18 8am Food Share distribution
19 <i>2nd Sun after Epiphany</i> 8a Holy Eucharist 9a Breakfast 9:30 Youth, Adult Classes 10:30a Holy Eucharist Reception follows 5-7p Conde Explorers	20 <i>MLK, Jr Day</i> Office closed 6p Vestry mtg 6p 15 Place Board	21	22 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist 7p Adult Choir	23 12N Al-Anon 4p St Cecelia Choir 7p AA, Smith Rm	24	25
26 <i>3rd Sun after Epiphany</i> 8a Holy Eucharist 9a Breakfast 9:30 Youth, Adult Classes 10:30a Holy Eucharist Birthday Reception 5-7 Conde Explorers	27	28	29 9:15a L'Arche –chapel 12N Holy Eucharist 7p Adult Choir	30 12N Al-Anon 4p St Cecelia Choir 7p AA, Smith Rm	31	

Adult Sunday School Class

The adult education class will start discussing the #1 New York Times bestseller, Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth, on January 12th. You may remember a kerfluffle last summer when a Fox News interviewer challenged the author, scholar Reza Aslan, about how he could write about Jesus when he was not a Christian. Here's what one reviewer had to say about the book:

From the internationally bestselling author of No god but God comes a fascinating, provocative, and meticulously researched biography that challenges long-held assumptions about the man we know as Jesus of Nazareth.

Two thousand years ago, an itinerant Jewish preacher and miracle worker walked across the Galilee, gathering followers to establish what he called the "Kingdom of God." The revolutionary movement he launched was so threatening to the established order that he was captured, tortured, and executed as a state criminal. Within decades after his shameful death, his followers would call him God.

Sifting through centuries of mythmaking, Reza Aslan sheds new light on one of history's most influential and enigmatic characters by examining Jesus through the lens of the tumultuous era in which he lived: first-century Palestine, an age awash in apocalyptic fervor. Scores of Jewish prophets, preachers, and would-be messiahs wandered through the Holy Land, bearing messages from God. This was the age of zealotry—a fervent nationalism that made resistance to the Roman occupation a sacred duty incumbent on all Jews. And few figures better exemplified this principle than the charismatic Galilean who defied both the imperial authorities and their allies in the Jewish religious hierarchy.

Balancing the Jesus of the Gospels against the historical sources, Aslan describes a man full of conviction and passion, yet rife with contradiction; a man of peace who exhorted his followers to arm themselves with swords; an exorcist and faith healer who urged his disciples to keep his identity a secret; and ultimately the seditious "King of the Jews" whose promise of liberation from Rome went unfulfilled in his brief lifetime. Aslan explores the reasons why the early Christian church preferred to promulgate an image of Jesus as a peaceful spiritual teacher rather than a politically conscious revolutionary. And he grapples with the riddle of how Jesus understood himself, the mystery that is at the heart of all subsequent claims about his divinity.

Zealot yields a fresh perspective on one of the greatest stories ever told even as it affirms the radical and transformative nature of Je-

sus of Nazareth's life and mission. The result is a thought-provoking, elegantly written biography with the pulse of a fast-paced novel: a singularly brilliant portrait of a man, a time, and the birth of a religion.

The class meets on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Walter K. Smith room and new members are welcome. E-mail or call Henry Callaway (694-6224 or hcallaway@handarendall.com) if you'd like a copy of the book (\$16).

Every Woman a Daughter; Every Person a Child of God

Join The Rev. Cindy Howard and her daughter Liz Kirby for the first diocesan Mother/Daughter Retreat at Beckwith, February 7 - 9, 2014.

Cindy is the Rector of St. Mary's, Andalusia, and her daughter, Liz, is a member of All Saints, Mobile.

The retreat leader is The Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux. Amy will guide us as we explore together as women Baptism, the Baptismal Covenant and practical applications in our everyday lives. Amy received her Masters of Divinity from The Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, TX. She has served three Episcopal churches: Trinity, New Orleans, LA; Saint Michael and All Angels, Dallas, TX; and now, Trinity, Danville, KY.

As a priest, Amy is passionate about the ways the Gospel of Jesus Christ transforms our daily lives, giving us strength and courage to become the people God calls us to be.

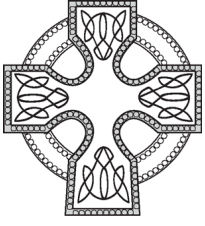
The weekend will include workshops, worship, music and small group activities. There will be time for fun on the challenge course, opportunity for yoga, and creative arts. We will sing by the campfire and save some time for reflection on "the porch."

Don't miss this opportunity to share time with wonderful women from across the Central Gulf Coast. **You do not have to bring your mother or daughter to attend.** Girls should be 12 and older.

The cost for the retreat is \$160 per adult for the weekend double occupancy in motel rooms - 21 years and under \$110 sharing double occupancy. The rate for dorms is \$82 per person (bring your own linens and towels).

[Click Here to Register Now](#)

For more information call Eleanor at 251-928-7844 or email Eleanor@BeckwithAL.com.



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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)