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Dear All Saints' Community,

In May, we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension (Thursday, May 5th – 7pm) and Pentecost (Sunday, May 15th – one service at 10:30am). Here is what the brothers at the Society of St. John the Evangelist have to say about these feast days:

The story of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection is of how one man passed through the death barrier – and was raised to life, never to die again. But then the story of Jesus' ascension and the gift of the spirit at Pentecost is how we, too, can pass through that barrier with Jesus, our pioneer.

How do you grapple with the concepts of the Resurrection, Ascension, and the receiving of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost? How are they at work in you and how do they change the way you live? These are foundational issues for Christians and worthy of your prayer, time, and attention.

I invite you to join in the study we have just begun in our weekly Bible Group (Wednesdays at 11am – check monthly calendars for occasional schedule changes), which is a book by Bishop N.T. Wright entitled: *Surprised By Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church*. We are looking forward to deep and lively discussion! Or come to our Sunday morning Adult Class, where we have started an online course, also by Bp. Wright, based on his book: *Simply Jesus: A New Vision of Who He Was, What He Did, and Why He Matters*. Challenge yourself to learn something new about the central figure in Christianity, and share your insights with your brothers and sisters at All Saints'. It would be so wonderful to see more people engaged in this learning on Wednesdays or Sundays!

Peace to you, Patricia+

Contemplative Prayer Services End

On April 20th, we held the last of our Contemplative Prayer Services. We began these services on a weekly basis in March, 2014, and later changed to services on a monthly basis. We added taize chant to the service, and we tried several different settings of candles and other items during the years.

Early this year, attendance had dwindled to the point that those who were preparing the parts of the service each month were the only ones there. We mutually agreed that it was time to put this to rest. It was a lovely and nurturing service for those who came over the years and for those of us who organized it. Perhaps, at some future time, there will be sufficient interest to renew this service. I am deeply grateful to Barbara Robinson and Judy Priester for their loving preparation and participation in this endeavor.

Patricia+

Graduates Reception—May 15th

On May 15th, we will celebrate Pentecost at one service at 10:30am, and that will be followed by a covered dish and reception for graduates.

The Parish Life Team and the ECW have agreed to a slight policy change regarding honoring grads and gifts for them. Starting this year, we will acknowledge high school, community college, and first bachelor's degrees with names of grads on the cake and gifts. "Congratulations" cards will be sent to those receiving graduate degrees and second bachelor's degrees. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Gilliam

Thank You

A big thank you to Betsy Groff and ML Tanner who laundered and repaired all of the lay ministry robes. This included the black cassocks and the white surplices. Buttons were replaced, small tears in seams repaired and all given a good cleaning. Acolytes and lay ministers are now ready to look at sizing and making any needed additions for our growing group.

Alternative Summer Services

Mark your calendars!

As you know, I have tried each summer to offer alternative services to expand our parish experience of types of liturgies. This summer we will have two Sunday evenings when we will participate in “dinner church.” This is a form of church that some Episcopal parishes hold each week, in order to expand the idea of breaking bread together and to strengthen community.

Our two dates will be **Sunday, June 12th** and **Sunday, July 31st**. **We will have the usual 8am service, but instead of 10:30am service, we will meet for dinner church in the Parish Hall at 5:30pm.** Tables will be set in long rows, with linens, flowers, and candles. Dinner will be family style, with plates of food on the tables. The altar area will be at the head of the tables, and the consecrated bread and wine will be passed from person-to-person around the tables.

Instead of the usual sermon, there will be a more interactive “sermon” with the congregation. The music will be very familiar, favorite hymns. I hope that you will participate in this different way of experiencing Thanksgiving together. Let me know if you have questions – more information will be forthcoming.

Patricia+

THANK YOU

Dear All Saints' Family,

We are truly grateful and overwhelmed by the generosity and outpouring of love and support for Gavin's journey to South Africa with Lift Every Voice: Year Two. The evening was filled with a good meal, warm conversation and many well wishes for Gavin's travels this summer. With the dinner, silent auction, and donations, we successfully raised enough to cover the remaining balance of the trip and incidental expenses for Gavin during his venture.

Thank you all so much!

In Christ,
The Kenner Family



Join us for a Bridal Shower For Kimberly Owens

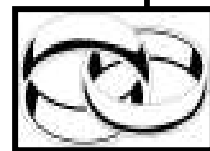
Sunday, May 22

Noon – 2 pm

Parish Hall

Hosted by St. Mary's Guild

Registered at Target and Belk



INVENTORY COMPLETED!

Thank you to the 20+ parishioners who volunteered their time to complete the Parish Building Inventory on April 24th. Within a short period of time the teams counted and recorded all the non-consumable items in every room and part of the Parish Building, Hut, utility shed, and outdoor spaces. Afterwards, we gathered together in fellowship with a pizza/salad lunch. Together, the many hands made the work light!

Parish Life

All Saints' will be helping with Hotdogs for the Homeless three more times in 2016. We will be both cooking and volunteering on June 11 and December 17, and we will be solely volunteering on September 17. It has always been a great and rewarding experience which doesn't take much of your time, and we would love to see some new faces participate!

Additionally, the Parish Life Team can always use some new members. We meet on the third Thursday of every month at 6:00pm. If you feel called to further help within the church parish or outreach to the community, please consider attending a meeting and/or joining our team!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Virginia Gilliam.

ALTAR GUILD NEWS

The Altar Guild is always looking to grow with new volunteers. Do you like to work quietly, behind the scenes, enjoy detailed work? Consider sharing your talents, or open yourself to a new talent... Contact Barbara Robinson to learn more about the joy of serving on the Altar Guild.

We continue to collect coffee cans in Altar Guild. They are used to hold the altar flowers for travel after the Sunday service. With the rise of individual K-cups, we have not received many cans this past year and are almost depleted. If you have any of the old coffee cans or just have cans to share, please return to the Sacristy or give to Barbara.

There are openings on the flower and candle chart. A lovely way to support the church; a dedication for a special event in your life or a thanksgiving for all of your blessings; purchasing the altar flowers and candles also relieves the financial cost to the church. Our altar flowers are always beautiful!

St. Anne's Guild

St. Anne's Guild will meet on Thursday, May 19th in the Common Room at 11 am. Barbara Ulmer has refreshments. This is the last meeting before summer break so please plan to join us for some fun and fellowship.

St. Anne's decided at their April meeting to donate from their love offerings to Episcopal Relief and Development's International Fund to help those in need after the Ecuador earthquakes.

Regina Ratterree

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	SUNDAY	8 AM	10:30 READER	10:30 PRAYERS	10:30 CHALICE
05/01	6th Sunday of Easter	Jason	Rielly	Gavin	Gavin Virginia
05/05	Ascension Day		Virginia	Karen	Rebekah ML
05/08	7th Sunday of Easter	Theresa	Jenn	ML	John Regina
05/15	The Day of Pentecost		John	Jenn	Karen Betsy
05/22	1st Sunday After Pentecost	Theresa	Michael	George	Adam Jenn
05/29	2nd Sunday After Pentecost	Barbara	Adam	Robbie	Jason Gavin

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	THURIFER	CRUCIFER	TORCHES	SERVER	GOSPEL BEARER
05/01	10:15 am		Aedan	Izzy Kelby	Jason	Jason
05/05	6:45 pm	Gavin	Kelby	Adam Jason	Adam	
05/08	10:15 am		Izzy		Gavin	
05/15	10:15 am	Gavin	Aedan	Kelby Izzy	Jason	Jason
05/22	10:15 am		Kelby		Jason	
05/29	10:15 am		Izzy		Adam	

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

May 01 - Karen/Jano
05- Barbara
08- Tracey
15- Jenn
22- Cindi
29- Barbara

STEWARDSHIP TELLER SCHEDULE...

Tellers for May are: Virginia Gilliam Susan Gilliam
Tellers for June are: Robbie Robinson Nancy Kress
Tellers for July are: Martha Best Regina Ratterree

EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR

May 01—Betsy
08—ML
15—Jenn
22—Barbara
29—Patricia

2016 ALTAR GUILD FLOWER AND CANDLE CHARTS

The 2016 Flower and Candle charts are up in the Parish Hall. Please sign up for as many days as you wish. Flowers are \$45 and Candles are \$8 per week. If you wish to have a dedication in the Sunday bulletin for your flowers/candle, you must fill out the dedication form and put it in the altar guild box in the office. **Forms should be submitted at least 2 weeks before your date to ensure that the dedication will be filed correctly in the book.**

Birthdays and Anniversaries

May

01 Jenn Pilat
09 Helen Comer
10 Theresa Johnson
14 *Mikael & Serene Owens*
16 Bonnie Brooks
16 *David & Pattie Mikell*
17 *Mickey & Steve Owens*
17 Virginia Gilliam
20 *Aaron & Jennifer Gillis*
21 Joy Sullivan
21 Melanie Yoder
24 *Michael & June Fish*
25 G.E. (Ed) Barton
26 Matthew Pilat (child)
28 *Richard & Cindi Barton*
29 *Vic & Sue Sakellarios*
31 Jano Rucker

JUNE

01 Rachel Robinson
03 Robert Chestnut
03 Delores Goodwin
06 Acchia Albury
07 Pattie Mikell
08 Cory Barton
09 *Gerald & Ann Chapman*
10 Candy Croft
12 *Jenn & Yaki Pilat*
14 Jennie Barton
15 David Mikell
16 Reece Blevins
17 *Walter & Debra Spencer*
18 Richard Barton
21 Kimberly Owens
22 Mickey Owens
23 *G.E. (Ed) & Jennie Barton*
24 *Barbara & Bruce (Robbie) Robinson*
25 Regina Ratterree

Who's Who at All Saints'...

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St. Mary's	Delores Goodwin	791-3836
Vestry		Meets 2nd Thurs. of Month 6 pm
Christian Formation Team		Meets 4th Wed. of Month 6 pm
Parish Life Team	Virginia Gilliam	Meets 3rd Thurs. of Month 6 pm
Stewardship Team	Betsy Groff	Meets 1st Wed. of Month 6:30 pm
Facilities Team	Walt Spencer	Meets 3rd Thurs. of Month 7 pm
Spiritual Life Team	Barbara Robinson	Meets 2nd Tues. of Month 6:30pm

Delegates to 2016 Convention:

Regina Ratterree, Betsy Groff, Jason Priester, ML Tanner

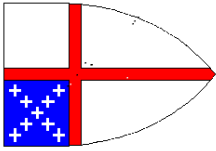
Alternates: Gavin Kenner, Rebekah Feigh, Adam Feigh, George Taylor

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