



Birthdays/Anniversaries

NOVEMBER		
	7	James Holladay
7	7	George Taylor
11	8	Rebecca Kenner
	8	Barbara Owens
12	13	Jacob Gillis (child)
18	14	Izzy Blevins (child)
18	17	Sue Sakellarios
23	18	Katie Morgan
27	21	Mark Gilliam
	23	Lacy Feigh
	23	Tracey Washburn
	23	<i>Will & Tracey Washburn</i>
DECEMBER		
	26	Barbara Ulmer
2	27	Arpina Markarian
2	27	Patricia Cheek
3	27	Mikael Owens
6	27	Vic Sakellarios
	28	Michael Fish
	28	Haley Harrell

Who's Who at All Saints'

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Altar Guild: Barbara Robinson

Lay Ministry: ML Tanner

Lay Chaplain: Barbara Robinson

Youth Ministry: Rebecca Kenner

INASMUCH: Karen Weathers

President of ECW: Terri Locklair

Men's Group: Mark Gilliam

St. Anne's: Regina Ratterree

St. Mary's: Delores Goodwin

Vestry

Meets 2nd Wed. of Month 6 pm

Christian Formation Team: Rebecca Kenner

Meets 4th Tues. of Month 6:30 pm

Parish Life Team:

Meets 3rd Thurs. of even Month 6 pm

Stewardship Team: Regina Ratterree

Meets 1st Thurs. of Month 6:30 pm

Facilities Team: Karen Weathers

Meets 3rd Wed. of Month 6 pm

Spiritual Life Team: Will Washburn

Meets 2nd Tues. of Month 6:30pm

Delegates to 2017 Convention:

Regina Ratterree, Tracey Washburn, Gavin Kenner, and Will Washburn

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November 2017

Dear All Saints' Community,

It's that time of year again! The heat kicks on by early morning; the leaves are falling; the Spiritual Life Team has prepared for All Saints' Day and is discussing the details of Advent and Christmas Eve; the Christian Formation Team is ordering Advent calendars and brainstorming the Epiphany Pageant; the Men's Group has put BBQ and cook-out time to rest and is gearing up for the Oyster Roast; the Bible Study group, St. Anne's, St. Mary's, and ECW are planning for outreach to families at Christmas time; and I am thinking about sermons that will speak of waiting, patience, hope, awe, and the light coming into the darkness.

Despite the growing season being almost over, it remains a very fertile time for spiritual growth, renewal and forgiveness with family and friends, and replenishment of ourselves when we make the effort to create time for quiet contemplation.

I have been reading Richard Rohr's book about the Trinity, called *The Divine Dance*, and he writes about the concept of the dynamic relationship of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit as a model for each of us to realize we are always moving in relationship with each other and with the triune God. He quotes someone who said that we would better understand everything if we read the opening of John's gospel in this way: "In the beginning was the relationship, and the relationship was with God, and the relationship was God." What a life's work and wonder to engage in that relationship with each, with nature, and with the Trinity!

Blessings on Advent experiences,

Patricia+

**ALL SAINTS' MINISTRY
to the HOMELESS
FRESH START
LAUNDRY & LUNCH**
at St. Luke's Episcopal Church
1300 Pine St., Columbia, SC



The Parish Life Team at All Saints' has been looking for a new outreach opportunity which will welcome multi-generational volunteers and which serves the homeless community. For several years now we have been volunteering with Resurrection Ministries at their Saturday "Lunch on Lawn" program (better known as "Hot Dogs for the Homeless"). In the early years, we felt very engaged with this ministry, but in the last year or so, we have arrived to find that there were so many volunteers scheduled that we had little to do.

We have found the "new" ministry which very much needs volunteers, and which actually will accommodate more elders from All Saints' who would like to volunteer for some amount of time, but cannot stand outside in the sun for hours on end.

Fresh Start is a laundry and food ministry celebrating its one-year anniversary at St. Luke's Episcopal Church this month. They offer clean laundry, hot showers, a food pantry, lunch, and Noonday Prayer (on Thursdays), all of which are needed and greatly appreciated

by the homeless community in Columbia. Fresh Start operates every Thursday and the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 10am-3pm. Volunteers can come for any amount of time during those hours. All of the tasks are indoors, and some can be done while sitting (folding laundry, for instance).

We would like to designate each 4th Saturday as All Saints' volunteer time, but, of course, you can volunteer any day of operation. Our first official day will be November 25th. If you would like to come that day, let Tracey Washburn or Shirley Page know, and we will arrange car-pooling if needed.

We would like to support Fresh Start by gathering in the kinds of items they need throughout the year. Here is the list of donations we will collect:

- November/December-Laundry Detergent (any kind)
- January/February-Socks & Underwear (new)
- March/April-Wash cloths & Towels (used or new)
- May/June-Diapers, Depends, Baby Wipes
- July/August-Shampoo & Body Wash (large containers)
- September/October-Deodorant, Razors, Women's sanitary products

MANY, MANY THANKS!



Dear All Saints' Family,
I want to thank you so much for the fantastic efforts that were put into our annual back to school drive. We had 26 book bags donated and lots of school supplies. We were able to fill 20 of them completely with the remaining six almost filled. There were so many supplies, it was almost overwhelming! A big thank you to ML and John Tanner who helped with filling the bags that were not already done and loading them in my car. We are the only church providing book bags and supplies at the present time. This was indeed a blessing to those students that are in need. There is a very nice thank you note on the bulletin board in the Parish House from Martha Leonard, the school counselor. In part, she says that "we supply the kids with what they need to SUCCEED! It is the most thoughtful donation we receive each year. Thank you for choosing Cayce Elementary as the school to bless!" Taylor Elementary has moved to their new school building next to Busbee Creative Arts Middle School. Taylor Elementary has a new name as Taylor and Davis Elementary merged. Their school name is now Cayce Elementary. As always, you are the best, and I am always so thankful for all that you do to help the kids in our community.

Delores Goodwin

The Giving Tree



Dear All Saints' Family,

We want to help the girls and boys at Cayce Elementary (formerly Taylor Elementary) with new tennis shoes and gifts for Christmas. These students are in a special needs class in our Cayce community.

A Christmas tree with tennis shoe and knit shirt sizes is on a table in the Parish Hall. Just take a tag or two! If there are no tags left, please feel free to purchase items from the Dollar Tree. Due Sunday, December 17.

(Please see Delores Goodwin for more information.)

ANNUAL ECW BAKESALE & BAZAAR



Saturday, Nov. 11 8AM-1PM

Goodies Galore...Time to tickle your tummy and stock your freezer...
* Yummy baked goods.
* Frozen casseroles.
*Specialty foods.
* Something for everyone.
* Enjoy lunch...
~Lillian's famous chicken salad.
~Iris's delicious soup.
~Hot dogs

All Saints' is blessed with wonderful cooks and bakers who contribute so much to make this annual event a successful fund raiser that supports our missions.

We hope you will come and bring a friend to this event on Saturday, Nov. 11.

All Saints' Christian Education



Sunday School is in full swing. We will now be preparing with thankful hearts and patiently waiting during Advent for the arrival of the Christ child.

11.5.17	Proper 26 - All Saints	All Saints' Day- Happy Endings (David and Goliath) Kelly Blevins	All Saints' Day Gavin Kenner Carlos Garcia
11.12.17	Sing Along Sunday w Miss Judy Craft Time w/Kelly Blevins		
11.19.17	Proper 28	The Parable of the Talents Joy Sullivan Rebecca Kenner	Prophets' Vision: New Covenant Tracey & Will Washburn
11.26.17	No Sunday School Thanksgiving Weekend		
12.3.17 Year B	Advent 1	"Get Ready!" Tracey & Will Washburn	Isaiah's Vision: Salvation Patricia Sexton
12.10.17	Sing Along Sunday w Miss Judy Craft Time w/Kelly Blevins		
12.17.17	Advent 3 - Lesson & Carols	"Repent!" Rebecca Kenner	Gabriel Speaks of Vision: Salvation Mary's Song for Christmas
12.24.17	No Sunday School Christmas Eve		

12.31.17	Epiphany Practice during Sunday School
1.7.18	Practice @ 9:30am - Epiphany Play during 10:30Service

We are still looking for teacher volunteers (two per class) who have completed "Safe Church Training". Please let Rebecca Kenner know if you are interested. A semi-annual calendar with Sunday School dates will be posted outside of each classroom.

Grace and Peace,
Rebecca Kenner

January Happenings:



- 3 NO Bible Study
- 7 8am (Wyndham Room) & 10:30am with Epiphany Pageant, coffee hour with King Cakes
- 17 Presiding Bishop Michael Curry speaking at Trinity Cathedral
- 20 Vestry Retreat at Still Hopes
- 23 Fellowship of SC Bishops Prayer Service
- 27 All Saints' volunteers at Fresh Start at St. Luke's
- 31 No Bible Study

**Musings from your
Outgoing (in every way)
Senior Warden, Mark
Gilliam**



Everything comes to an end, even serving a position on our Vestry. I acknowledge that I often wondered how much longer the term was, and when it would be over. With the upcoming new vestry selection on the table, I'll be the first to acknowledge, I'll miss those moments. Moments in which we as a body of Christ, dig deep within ourselves to share the angst of serving within a small parish family and the happy rejoicing of Godly work by our committed members.

You see, just as Jesus struggled and toiled mightily with his attempts to show us through his teaching while enlightening our faith, we

struggle in our daily lives and within our church. We're the body of Christ and just as we live within that body, we too often suffer. Well beyond that doubtful moment of suffering there is the wonderful and unique opportunity to say within ourselves "Why I can't try this, or what would happen if we did this?"

That work or deed is called service, service to yourself, to your church, and to the faith community in which we hopefully live and prosper. As I stated earlier, in those beautiful moments in which **you see** with Godly clarity, the numerous faithful deeds, all quietly and consciously performed within our parish, those acts often render me tearfully speechless. I'm humbled, while thankful to have served alongside numerous warriors of faith, both individuals and teams who collectively assembled to again help

resurrect All Saints', just when it may have begun to teeter.

While it may be that we speculate or wonder where we'll end up, that's not for us to decide at this moment. So, I ask again - does everything come to an end...??!

Or is this just a new beginning?

Regardless of the answer, I urge you to come in to live in the exciting moments of Christly living, Godly deeds, and meaningful and reassuring faith, enriching ourselves while serving others in the kingdom of Salvation...

Mark

**West Metro
Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 21st
at 7pm at Faith Lutheran,
Platt Springs Rd.**



The West Metro
Clergy Group, with

members from Cayce and West Columbia churches, including All Saints', hosts an annual Thanksgiving evening service. The location this year is Faith Lutheran, 1717 Platt Springs Rd., West Columbia. There will be a combined choir from participating churches, and a reception will follow the service.

**Advent and Christmas
Eve at All Saints'**

The four weeks of Advent begin on December 3rd this year. We will begin each 10:30 service with a family lighting the Advent wreath. Our traditional Sunday of "Lessons & Carols" will be on the third Sunday of Advent, December 17th. Because of the timing of Advent this year, we have the unusual situation of the 4th and last Sunday of Advent on December 24th, when we also celebrate Christmas Eve!



On Sunday, December 24th, we will celebrate the **4th Sunday of Advent at 10:30am in the Wyndham Room** (in the Parish Hall) with a spoken Rite I service. The **Christmas Eve services** in the church are as usual: 3:45pm beginning with 15 minutes of music, and the Communion service starts at 4pm; 10:30pm beginning with 30 minutes of music, and the Communion service starts at 11pm. If you have any questions, talk to Pastor Patricia.



**Poinsettia Sale and
Dedications**

Nov 26-Dec 17

\$17.00 per plant



*Take home after
Christmas service*

*Contact: Barbara
Robinson*

**Epiphany Pageant
Sunday, January 7,
2018**

The children will perform an Epiphany Pageant at the 10:30am service on January 7th. Following the service, at coffee hour in the Parish Hall, there will be King Cake for all!!

