

The Messenger

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST. AUGUSTINE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MORROW GEORGIA

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Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 a.m.

Adult Forum

11:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II
Children's Sunday School

3rd Sundays

Youth Group

Office Hours

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

M-W-F

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Parish Mission Statement

To restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ by providing a safe, loving and inclusive environment, celebrating community diversity, and sharing God's gifts with all people.

February 2019



Dear St. Augustine's Family,

The Diocese of Atlanta is requiring us to complete the Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT) prior to any search for a new Rector can begin. Your involvement and investment in this process is crucial.

This is the first of several communications with information about the CAT which is made up of about 85 questions geared toward ascertaining what you, as an active vested member of the congregation of St. Augustine, thinks about:

- ◆ Our future
- ◆ Our culture
- ◆ Our readiness for change
- ◆ Our perceptions about our different ministries
- ◆ And, more importantly, help us prepare for the search for our next rector

You will hear more about the CAT and the timeline for completion (aiming for end February early March) in the coming weeks. If you are interested in learning more about the CAT process, you can visit the website at holycowconsulting.blog.

Thank you,

Corrie West
Junior Warden

Greetings From the Senior Warden

It's great to be free of a mortgage. But, most times it seems as if the money has already been spent. We are blessed that the money is available. Join everyone at the Mortgage Burning, Feb 24, at 11:15am.

In this issue of the Monthly Messenger you will see a note from JoAnn and Corrie concerning the "Holy Cow" CAT (Congregational Assessment Tool). Using this tool will help us. Collectively, we need to know where we want to go, and how we are going to do it, before we start. We need to plan how we're going to spend our time, money, and talents. This is part and parcel with good stewardship.

Those of you who have been here for 5 years or more have taken part in "Holy Conversations." We came to a place and time when we weren't sure we were reaching the majority of the church. So we had meetings. We tried to discover what the majority wanted to do and how we wanted to do it.

The CAT that we will be taking is similar the "Holy Conversations," only more so. The people who developed this set of modules have thousands of questions to study and use. Their questions are more sophisticated and better results can be derived from the answers.

Once we begin testing we will have 3 weeks to complete the questions (85 total). We will give everyone instructions on how to access the website and questions. If you don't have a computer, come to the church and we will allow you to use ours. As a final resort, we will print out the questions for you. However, a vestry member will have to enter your data on the site.

Lots of things happen to churches in transition, both good and bad. Please remember these modules were developed for churches of all kinds to assist them with their growth and vitality. Let's plan and be proactive in our development!

A final thought:

Ronica and Bonnie Malvea have been delightful members of St. Augustine's for many years. Bonnie passed on last week. Please keep Bonnie and Ronica in your prayers.

Address for sending a card:
4573 Chatsworth Overlook
Roswell, GA 30075

Memorial Service Information:

Lakeside Funeral Home
121 Claremore Drive
Woodstock, GA 30188

Visitation 2:00pm – 4:00pm, February 2, 2019

Service 4:00pm – 5:00pm, February 2, 2019

We're free!
Our mortgage is paid off!

**Join us for the mortgage burning
celebration**

Sunday, February 24
One Service at 10:00 am
Burning after the service
Followed by brunch



I Serve Because

Well February is my month to submit an article for the Newsletter. In looking back over my several terms as a Vestry member and Treasurer, I am always amazed by the work that is accomplished at our meetings. As you know, we meet on the second Saturday of every month. Our meetings are opened with a meditation to set the mood before we get into the work of the day. We usually review the items that we discussed at our last meeting, go over new business and discuss the financials then close with a prayer, with a different Vestry member leading us each month. We used to start with a table Eucharist, but since we no longer have a priest present at the meetings we have begun practicing the Lectio Divina which is essentially a led meditation focusing on “listening” to what God wants us to do...We'll get better on this as we do it more and more.

Each Vestry member is assigned a particular area to oversee such as Parrish life, buildings, new comers etc. For me it's financial which includes working on the budget, following spending very closely, counting the offering Monday mornings, and making deposits. I also help out our Parish life chair, Elayne Miller, mentor Path to Shine every Wednesday and try to be available to help Phil as he needs. One would think this seems like lot of hours, but really it isn't. When you think of how many hours a day are waste watching TV or playing on the computer, it makes a lot more sense to me to give back those hours to God...it certainly is more rewarding. So why do I go on and on about being a Vestry person? It is because I hope you will all think more seriously about going on the ballot in August when we elect a new Vestry. Now, more than ever, lay ministry takes on a different tack. You are needed...fresh ideas, fresh faces. Don't think you are unqualified....each one of us has a gift to offer...you'd be surprised what you can do once you say “yes, Lord, use me.”

This is a critical time in the life of St. Augustine's church. I am very excited about where we are going because I have seen a tremendous amount of support and togetherness pouring out from you all. So let's keep the momentum going...support Phil who is doing a yeoman's job, support your Vestry which is taking on more and more responsibility and pray every day that your eventual Search and Nominating committees will hear the murmurings of the Holy Spirit and follow the Voice.

Cream always rises to the top....and in my opinion, the people of St. Augustine ARE the cream of the crop.

Faithfully,

JoAnn Blackstock

Save The Date

2019 Hunger Walk

April 28, 2019

12:00pm: Park Opens, Onsite Registration & Entertainment Begins

2:00pm: 5K Walk & 5K Run

4:00pm: Event Ends and Park Closes

The Home Depot Backyard

1 Backyard Way, Atlanta, GA 30313

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FEBRUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tu	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUNDAY SCHEDULE 9:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite I 10:00 a.m. Adult Forum 11:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite II Children's Sunday School					1	2
3 - Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite I 10:00 a.m. Adult Forum 11:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite II Children's Sunday School	4	5	6 Path to Shine	7 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	8	9 8:45 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew Meeting 10:00 a.m. Vestry Meeting
10 - Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite I 10:00 a.m. Adult Forum 11:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite II Children's Sunday School	11	12	13 Path to Shine	14 Valentine's Day 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	15	16
17 – Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite I 10:00 a.m. Adult Forum 11:00 a.m. Eucharist Rite II	18 President's Day	19	20 Path to Shine	21 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	22	23
24 – Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany 10:00 a.m. COMBINED SERVICE Eucharist Rite II Children's Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Mortgage Burning with Hot Dogs and Hamburgers	25	26	27 Path to Shine	28 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal		

Just for Laughs!

A cat and a mouse died and found themselves in heaven. St. Peter greeted them warmly. As he encountered Mouse one day, he inquired how things were going.

Mouse: Well, this is a wonderful place, but it is so huge and I am so small. I often feel overwhelmed. Sure wish I had some roller skates....

St. Peter: You shall have them, my friend.

A few days later, St. Peter ran into Cat.

St. Peter: How are you finding your stay with us, my friend?

Cat: I am over the moon (get it ?), St. Peter. I never expected such a heavenly heaven...the best part?

MEALS ON WHEELS!

Author Anonymous

The Center for Racial Healing & Reconciliation
&
The Atlanta Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians
invite you to join us as we celebrate the remarkable life
and witness of the first African American ordained
as a priest in the Episcopal Church.



The Feast of Absalom Jones

Sunday, February 10, 2019

3 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Church of the Incarnation

2407 Cascade Rd. SW

Atlanta, GA 30311

The Reverend Naomi Tutu

(Daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu)

will be our preacher.

For more information, contact Tiffany King at Tifferlk@outlook.com

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners:

Napoleon Babb Jr.
Fred Barwise
JoAnn Blackstock
Dwight Briggs
J.B. Burke
Judy Erhardt-Sinor
Evelyn Fowlkes
Doug Francis
Glenda Frederick
Mandy Gray
Elaine Irwin
Lidia Lower
Ronica Malvea
Pat Mathis
Kim McDonald
Jamie & Richard Rasche
Claron Robinson
Suzanne Ross
Wilma Ross
Henry & Elsa Sisco
Donna Smith
Roberta Valentine Smith
Becky Weaver
Flo Webster
Alvin Williams
Maisie Williams
Thelma Williams

Those On Active Duty In The Military:

Andy Andersen
Justin Q. Johnson
Henry Olcoroafor
Dylan Reynolds
Paris Reynolds

Those Beyond Our Parish:

Vicki Abbott
The Rt. Rev. Frank Allan
Rick Bishop
Ed Boggan
Jeffrey and Monica Caudle
Rylee and Blayke Caudle
Tim Condrey
John Conti
Judith Faith Crocker
Lisa Crumbley
Rachel Daniel
Dallas Ellis Iii

Evelyn Fry
David Harwood
Deacon Liz Grant-Hilton
Jason Honea
Alyssa Johnson
Haylee Kane
Tish Lawless
Laurie Lopez
Jimmy Martin
Luke and Heath Martin
David McDonald
Cathy McWilliams
Brian Mesch
Bill Monk
Maureen & Joseph O'Brien
Christopher, Austin & Danny-Jo
Parker
Paula & Scott Payne
Odette Pisanti
The Prock Family
Bob Putman
David Putman
Jen Ray
Kristin Reynolds
Harriet Ronkin-Lynton
Irene Rogers
Jerry Scott
David & Scott Shepard
Monica Shepard
Charlene Smith
Dennis Smith
The Rev. John Stanton, Former Rector
James Steerman and Family
Harriet Thompson
Mozelle Vample
Belinda Watson
Betty White
Dorothy White
Susan Windham

Former Members and Parish

Friends:

The Rev. Terri Brice
Catharine Groover
Jessie Hardin
Kathryn, Justin & Jason Jimmerson
Graham & Sunshine Maddux
Sidney and Ray Reynolds

Happy Birthday

Ken Kimsey	02/01
Faith Marshall	02/08
Wilma Ross	02/11
Vincent Obi	02/12
Kathy Kimmell	02/13
Evelyn Fowlkes	02/16
Rubena Uyeh	02/16
Michael Weeks	02/18
Elayne Miller	02/19
Olivia Johnson	02/23
Catherine Meeks	02/27

Happy Anniversary

Ernie and Misty Lopez	02/05
Chuck and Terrie Dale	02/17
Samson and Ngozi Obi	02/29

Sympathy To

Ronica Malvea and family on the death of her husband, Bonnie Malvea, on January 17, 2019.

Funeral service scheduled for
Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019

Visitation 2-4PM / Service 4-5PM
Lakeside Funeral Home
121 Claremore Drive
Woodstock, GA 30188

Ministers of Worship

February 2019

Please be at the church 20 minutes prior to the service and report to the Verger. If you are not available, please(1) find a replacement and (2) update the Church Office for bulletin changes. If you cannot find a replacement, contact the Verger of the Day:


Vergers: Chuck Dale chdale@mindspring.com (404 237-4668); Phil Kyle jp_kyle@bellsouth.net (770 898-4959)

Date	Time	Servers/Lectors		Altar Guild	Ushers	Flower Guild
1st Sunday	9 Am	Verger: Philip Kyle Psalm - Lee Cash Lesson 1 - Lee Cash Crucifer - Lee Cash	Server/Chalice -Lee Cash Lesson 2 - Donna Smith P.O.P. - Evelyn Fowlkes	E. Fowlkes Donna Smith Elaine Beal Susana Kyle	Olivia & Jenna Johnson	Evelyn Fowlkes Donna Smith Elaine Beal
Feb 3	11 Am	Crucifer- Ezinne Ifi Torch- Oluchi Ifi Torch-Chinelo Ifi Lesson 1- Comfort Obi	Server/Chalice - Ginny H. Chalice - Wes Williams Lesson 2 - Corrie West P.O.P. - Becky Weaver		Corrie West	
2nd Sunday	9 Am	Verger: Philip Kyle Psalm- Matt Johnson Lesson 1- Jenna Johnson Crucifer- Jenna Johnson	Server/Chalice- Matt Johnson Lesson 2- Judy Thompson P.O.P.- Susanne Ross	Joann B. Mary Job Vicki Owen	Olivia J.	Teresa Hale Mary Job Vickie Owen
Feb 10	11 Am	Crucifer- Doug Francis Torch – Kathy Maddux Torch – Jamie K. Lesson 1–Kathy Maddux	Server - Veronica Ridenhour Chalice - Kathy Maddux Lesson 2- Susana Kyle P.O.P.- Virginia Clark		Susana Kyle	
3rd Sunday	9 Am	Verger: Philip Kyle Psalm – Mary Job Lesson 1 – Mary Job Crucifer – Mary Job	Server/Chalice – Mary Job Lesson 2 – Donna Smith P.O.P. – Bill Simms	Ginny Harrell Veronica R	Michele	Veronica R. Thelma W. Wesley W.
Feb 17	11 Am	Crucifer - Jamie K Torch – Wesley Williams Torch- Doug Francis Lesson 1- Rubena Uyeh	Server/Chalice - Susana Kyle Chalice - Wesley Williams Lesson 2- Catherine Meeks P.O.P. - Robert Harrell		Ruben Uyeh	
4th Sunday Feb 24	10 Am	Verger: Philip Kyle Crucifer- Ezinne Ifi Torch- Oluchi Ifi Torch-Chinelo Ifi Lesson 1- Comfort Obi	Server – Kathy Maddux Chalice – Lee Cash Lesson 2 – Mary Job P.O.P. – Evelyn Fowlkes	Yvonne C. Precious M. Jean Marie S.	Clyde Weller	Yvonne C. Precious M. Jean Marie S.

February 9, 2019
Paths of Hope for the
Journey to Wholeness,
A Quiet Day
9:00am-2:30pm
St. Patrick's
Episcopal Church

Sponsored by
The Absalom Jones
Center for Racial
Healing &
Reconciliation

PATHS OF HOPE FOR THE JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS A QUIET DAY



**SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 9TH
2019**

**9:00AM
- 2:30PM**

**ST. PATRICK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 4755 N. PEACHTREE ROAD
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30338**

This Quiet Day will center around the labyrinth image provided by the Episcopal Church in relationship to racial healing and reconciliation. The day will create a brave and contemplative space for deepening our call and capacity for this holy work of reconciliation.

Facilitators: Melise Fathi | Reverend Laura Bryant | Reverend Julia Rusling

Participants have to complete the basic Dismantling Racism Training before registering for this event. Please bring your lunch and a goody to share.
\$10.00 Registration covers supplies and material for the day. Send checks made payable to the Diocese of Atlanta for registration to: Absalom Jones Center, 807 Atlanta Student Movement Boulevard, Atlanta, Georgia 30314
Be sure to include your name, address, email, phone number and parish

Participants limited to 18. For additional information contact Dr. Catherine Meeks: cmeeks@episcopalatlanta.org

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ST. AUGUSTINE'S VESTRY 2018-2019

JoAnn Blackstock	Treasurer
Phil Kyle	Sr. Warden/Buildings
Elayne Miller	Parish Life
Jean Marie Simon	Christian Formation
Clyde Weller	Grounds
Corrie West	Outreach/Jr. Warden

CLERGY

The Rt. Rev. Rob Wright	Bishop of Atlanta
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