

# EVANGELIST

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### Dear Friends,

"The Church changes the world not by making converts, but by making disciples."

– John Wesley

We are emerging from the midst of what seems like a long tunnel. It has been well over a year since our parish has had a chance to gather, worship, and enjoy the fellowship that we shared prior to the quarantine. Emerging from the quarantine we are saying goodbye to Father Carter, Father Drew, and Bryan, while we welcome Mother Beth and



Rev. Alston B. Johnson alston@stmarkscathedral.net

Derrick; I give thanks for the vibrant ministry and time that we have shared, but my thoughts are very much on the present and the future

In the coming month we are hoping to "gather the scattered," and we are making plans to rebuild our parish life. The focus at the outset will be upon inviting members of the congregation to assist in the Choir, Sunday School, the Eucharist, Youth Ministry, the Altar Guild, Community Outreach, and Bell Ringing. We have needs in each of these areas, and my hope and prayer is that you will ask yourself, "What might I contribute to the life of St. Mark's going forward." The simple truth is that as we go

forward we will need the time, talent, and treasure of our members to continue offering our Cathedral witness to our community.

Rally Day is set for August 29th, with our Sunday morning programs returning on September 12th, following the Labor Day weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to meet our two new staff members — Mother Beth Hendrix, our Curate, and Derrick Meador, our new organist and choirmaster. Each of them brings new insights and gifts to the life of St. Mark's. One of my goals for St. Mark's is that we can create communities within the Cathedral where of each of our members, from the youngest to the oldest, might find a group of fellow Christians with whom to walk the path of discipleship.

I believe that the Christian Gospel, and those who seek to follow it, offers an antidote to the false consolations of those cultural and social forces that would keep us distracted and "on the back foot" in our lives. Like Christians who have gone before us, we can find our "home" in the fellowship of the Church, and be reminders one to another that our truest identity is that we are God's children; and with God's grace we can discover the joy of sharing this Christian home, St. Mark's Cathedral, with others who are still searching.

We may be calling you in the days ahead. God is already calling.

Many Blessings and Godspeed,

Alston Johnson Dean – St Mark's

### **Rally Day**

Join us for Rally Day on August 29 right after the 10:30 a.m. service for lunch and our Ministry Fair in the gym. Come and see what St. Mark's is up to this fall!

If you or your group would like a display table, please contact Jennifer Beruvides as soon as possible. jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net

## The Rev. Deacon Beth Hendrix

joins St. Mark's Cathedral from the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. She is a 2021 graduate



(M.Div.) of Virginia Theological Seminary. Mother Beth is originally from Columbus, OH, and was raised from the age of seven in North Augusta, SC. She is an avid golfer, loves history, and is particularly passionate about serving persons who live with cognitive impairment and varied physical abilities. Mother Beth has two sons, Preston who is in law school in Florida and Tenison who is a visual artist in South Carolina. Her mother, Nancy, and brother, Frank, share a home in Florida.

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:00 am, 10:30 am, & 6:00 pm Sunday Holy Eucharist

### AUGUST 1, 2021 The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 16 :2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78 :23-29 Ephesians 4 :1-16 John 6 :24-35

### AUGUST 8, 2021 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19 :4-8 Psalm 34 :1-8 Ephesians 4 :25-3 :2 John 6 :35, 41-51

### AUGUST 15, 2021 The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

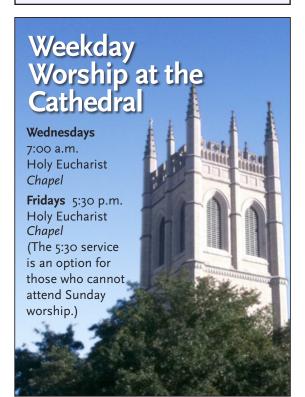
Proverbs 9:1-6 Psalm 34:9-14 Ephesians 5 :15-20 John 6:51-58

### AUGUST 22, 2021 The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 a.m. Baptism and Holy Eucharist

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Psalm 34:15-22 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69

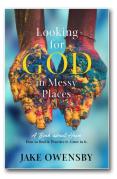
### AUGUST 29, 2021 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27
Psalm 15 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



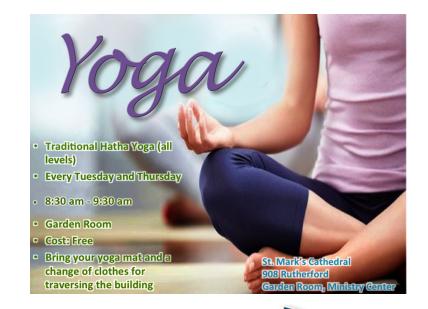
### We're Back!

Our SPIRITUAL DIRECTION GROUP meets on Mondays at 10:00 am in the library. The group is open to all who are interested in spiritual growth and participation in a caring and accepting group. (Other times to meet may also become available on request). For more information contact Rowena@stmarkscathedral.net.



### **Adult Christian Formation**

The Looking for God in Messy Places Summer Sunday School Class continues in August and it's open to everyone! We're reading Bishop Jake Owensby's new book, Looking for God in Messy Places, about hope. We're reading it aloud in class, so all you have to do is show up (and don't worry if you miss some weeks). E-mail Lauren Thibodeaux at thiblauren@gmail.com if you have any questions.



### **Lost Anything at Church?**

Or maybe you're just missing some item and have no idea where it might have gone. Drop by or call the church office and check into our lost and found! We have everything from sunglasses to scarves to cell phones to jewelry (including some very nice pieces.) Check and see what you're missing!

A full-color version of *The Evangelist* is on our website! Go to "Media," then "The Evangelist."

The Wardens, Vestry, and Members of Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral request the pleasure of your presence at

Choral Evensong and Dinner

in honor of

Bryan T. Mitnaul

Sunday, August 8, 2021

Join us as we celebrate and give thanks for his ministry as Canon for Cathedral Music.

Choral Evensong - 5:00 p.m.

Dinner in Parish Hall - 6:00 p.m.

Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral 908 Rutherford Street Shreveport, Louisisana 71104

R.S.V.P. to Anne Lasseigne at 318.347.2911 or jlassjog@aol.com

### If you are going through a difficult time...

...one of the Stephen Ministers from St. Mark's may be able to help. Stephen Ministers are laypersons who have received special training to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support for persons who are facing a crisis or going through tough times. After all, there are many difficulties and transitions in this life! Why not give yourself the gift of a Stephen Minister who can accompany you on part of your journey?! The care you receive is confidential, free and very helpful. For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Rowena White by email: Rowena@stmarkscathedral.net.

### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**



Hello St. Mark's Families! *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* is beginning again Sunday, September 12th. Level 1 Atrium is for children in K3 (who are potty-trained) - Kindergarten. Level 2 Atrium is for 1st graders - 3rd graders. Look out for registration forms available at the church office and by the nursery door. Please stop by our table to talk to Catechists at Rally Day in August. We look forward to

seeing the children again in the Atrium to learn about Jesus, Our Good Shepherd, the liturgy of our church, and discover the Bible. Learn more about Catechesis at https://www.cgsusa.org/.



### **Oblationers Needed**

Our Hospitality Committee invites parishioners (families, adult singles, siblings, friends) to serve as oblationers (gift bearers) at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. This is a meaningful way to serve the faith community. For more information please contact **Kathy Williams at 469-9211**.

### St. Mark's Wednesday Night Book Study

resumes meeting on **September 15 at 6:00 pm** in the church library and is open to anyone interested. This fall we will complete a 6 week study of the book **Simon Peter:** 

Flawed but Faithful by Adam Hamilton. There are two ways of viewing Peter: 1. The ordinary fisherman that left everything to follow Jesus with a passion that changed the world; 2. As the poor, uneducated, quick tempered man full of doubts and fears. In studying the man that Jesus called the "rock," we will examine our own

special gifts, talents and abilities that God can use to make a difference in our world.

LAWED BUT FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

The Highland Community Renewal Program has asked for assistance with school supplies. Any and all items are needed. Following are the needs:

30 back packs (big and small)

90 packs of loose leaf paper

30 pair of scissors

30 glue stick packs

30 small pencil sharpeners

60 packs of colored pencils

30 packs of crayons

30 packs of erasers

30 packs of washable markers

30 3 subject notebooks

30 rulers 30 binders

30 boxes of tissue

60 composition books

60 different colored folders

60 packs of pencils



Please drop off items to the church front office no later than **Thursday, August 5**. If you would like to donate money, contact **Jennifer Beruvides** at **jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net** 

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 1 Larry Cunningham Brad Lepore Bonnie Dubin 2 Hannah FitzGerald

Hannah FitzGerald Emily Nelson Tad Dicharry

3 Stuart Briscoe Sindee Finch Ben Davis

Anna Kate Childs

Susan Cage Ginger Seale

Minette Haynes Hines Vaughan Marie Gardner-McIntyre Jennifer Beruvides Georgia Johnson

6 Ron Boutte Drake Lee Mark Faries

Catherine Green Liam Alley Gray Burch Laura Poljak Gray Knicely

Gretchen Bell
Dale Anderson
Nanette Beach

Nanette Beach Maura Pugh Vicki Kilcline Susan Reeks Claire Childs Jonathan Sealy Charlotte Holtsclaw Jud Flores Emma Jones

8 Julia Scruggs Mark Sealy Alston Johnson

9 Betsy Kirby Lettie Burwell CeCe Wilbanks Harold Quinn, Jr. Parrish Brightwell

10 Pat Hilliard Robert Cady Ross Nelson Michael Q=Petersen

Rebecca Miller Will Horne Scott Wysong

12 Warren West David Duncan Jason Waltman Susanna Van Norman Payne Hennigan Trigg Erwin

13 Carolyn Gray Clare Nelson Caroline Ourso Caroline Cottingham Sarah Miller Annaclaire Taylor

Margaret Black Matthew Moss Onyx Zhang Pearce O'Neal

Sanders Hearne Zoe Caldwell Chris Zepeda Emma Tamplin August Knicely

Bob Lafargue Mikey Carlisle Scott Douget Cindy Mack Gerry Damlouji Joe Jayroe Chris FitzGerald

17 Laurice Goodrich Amanda Fortiz Quinn Kennedy

**Emily Smith** 

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Ena Henry
Eddie Jenkins
Cynthia Anderson
Susan Evans
Jim Graves
Karol Fontaine
Steve Horne

Blair Irion Michel Fritze William Allen Piper Brightwell

Anne Marie Schoonover Allie Gillen Emma Caraway Katherine Renda Chandler Aaron

20 Hani Dehan Chris Carter Brody Peterson Holly Hargrove

Pete Blanchard Esther Thompson

Kay Hyatt Liz Davis Elizabeth Tamplin Michaelann Nichols Alexander Childs

23 Scott Stroud Nelle Lloyd Lee Berry Whit Davis Natalie Nuckolls

24 Ron Roberts Donnette Martin Morgan Emmons

25 Janis Thompson Robert Jump Cody Brooks Kayla Marinoni

26 Lillian Randall John Herzog Julia Horne John Patrick Bartle

Andrew Comeaux Gene Hilliard John Bowen John Allen Thomas Kendall Nelson Isabel Carter Sara Blanchard

28 Patsy Reeks Elizabeth Prince Jenny Weber John Ourso

29 Bill Kalmbach Kristen Renda Gary Tubbs Anna Hardtner

30 Emaree Wallace Larry Shea Timothy Brown

Linda Allen Hanna Gamble

#### **MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

#### August 1

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nancy Kate Hargrove and Bob & Nancy Green.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan Siegel Roper.

### August 8

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Harman Chandler, Mr. & Mrs. Walter B. Chandler, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Havard and Steve & Becky White

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Willis O. Pickering, Sr. & Myrtle B. Pickering and Margaret Simpson Higginbotham.

#### August 15

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Muriel Porta Cofer and John W. Cofer, Jr.

### August 22

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Don and Virgie Wallace.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Murray Werner, Mr. & Mrs. Ruben White and Laurie Viser Moffett.

### August 29

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Eleanor Enloe Kayser.

#### WEDDINGS

Those whom God has joined together, let no one put asunder.

**Ashley Virginia Humphrey** & Fraser Scott McAlpine, on July 17, 2021

#### **BAPTISMS**

Emile George Jackson, son of Hailey & Blake Jackson, on July 11, 2021.

Eliza Ripley Jones, daughter of Lillian & Raymond Jones, on July 24, 2021

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

### **DEATHS**

Rest Eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Thomas Ratcliff,** son of **Joy** & **John Ratcliff,** on June 25, 2021.

Russell Higginbotham, son of Edwin Higginbotham, stepson of Candace Higginbotham, on July 4, 2021.

David Short, husband of Tina Short on July 22, 2021.

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### **Lectionary Sunday School**

Dean Johnson and other Cathedral clergy are facilitating a Sunday morning class and discussion following our Sunday Eucharistic Lectionary Readings. We hope that you will grab a cup of coffee and join us in The Garden Room for this gathering and scriptural study. We will meet at **9:30am**.

### We're getting the band back together!

There will be two acolyte training sessions next month for all new and returning acolytes. You must attend one of the sessions. Those sessions will be **August 15** and **August 22** immediately after the 10:30 am service. **Please meet in the choir stalls.** 





St. Mark's Physical Training Monday-Friday 5:30 am at the Cathedral

meets at 5:30 a.m. every weekday morning in the field across from the parking lot.

### Members of the Vestry of St. Mark's Cathedral

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