

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

BIRTHDAYS: Nov 5, Field Norris; Nov 6, Betsy Hall; Nov 7, Georgia Vick; Nov 9, Rob Hughes; Nov 10, Sara Stewart; Nov 11, Davis Woods, Jay Walne

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Abbey Hale, Lorie Turner, Mary Lou Thesmar, Joe Marsh, David, Paul, Mark, Rhonda & Dale, Anita Coughlin, Callie, Paul Massa, Carole Scruggs, Mary Ellen, Lori, Wendy Davis, Fr. René, and Lindsey Mobley

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST, REMEMBERING TODAY: OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAMS, ASHLEY STRANGE, NIKKI SKILES, BRIAN CLEMMER, STUART SKILES, BUTCH PORTER, ED, MARY STINNETT, BUCKY, PAUL HYDE, JACK & GAIL BOBICZ, PAM BRAMLEGE, JULI VALLEY, GINGER WILLIAMS, BARBARA & TOMMY JONES, ANN & WALKER, BETTY & TOM, THERESA, BILL RICHARDSON, DAN S., SHERRI, SAVANNAH HYDE, and MIKE COLEMAN

DEATH: McGehee Marsh, parishioner, wife of parishioner David Marsh, Oct 31

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We have now finished the first phase of our new church directory so it's time to stop and say "Thank you" to the many people involved in the process. This project was hugely successful due to the coordinated action of many individuals. Thank you to all the parishioners who signed up and came for their portraits. Initially we scheduled only two days but the immediate response made it apparent early on that we needed to add a third day. Thank you to Cynthia Carpenter for assisting to make sure there was a notice in the bulletin each week, for collecting pictures from individuals who could not attend, plus going to individuals' homes and taking their pictures. Thank you to Fr. Jeff and Fr. Christian for making announcements at all the services and keeping this project focused in peoples' minds. Thank you to Paula Wood, Patti Gildea, Heather Benedetti, Rita Compton, and Deborah Kessler for serving as volunteers to sit behind a desk for several hours at a time to check parishioners in to keep the process moving on a timely basis and to insure the information we had was correct. Thank you to Chris Coughlin for assisting in having the parish hall set up for Portrait Café. If you were not able to have a portrait taken during this time, you may still be able to have a picture added by contacting the office within the next few days. Joe Stinnett

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE: The annual pledge cards should be returned by **Nov 5** so that the 2024 budget can be created realistically. Please be sure to update any information that has changed for address, phones, e-mail, etc. And if you'd like to be on our birthday list, give us your family's birthdays. If for some reason you did not get your mailing, we have extras in the office. Thank you for your love and faithfulness in supporting the ministry of Saint Andrew's.

THANKSGIVING DAY HOLY EUCHARIST: Thursday, Nov 23, at 10:00 AM.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS FOR THANKSGIVING DAY: We need volunteers to serve as <u>Acolyte</u> and <u>Usher</u> for Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist. If you can help out, please sign up in the parish hall. Thank you.

PRAYING THE ROSARY: Monday, Nov 6, at 4:30 PM in the church.

SCHEDULED CHURCH OFFICE CLOSING: The church office will be closed Wednesday–Friday, Nov 22–24, with no Bible studies or morning prayer on Wednesday or Friday.

BIBLE STUDIES: We have an abundance of opportunities to gather and study the Bible. The Men's study is on Mondays at 10 AM; the Ladies' study is on Tuesdays at 10–11:30 AM; the new study of Exodus, facilitated by Fr. Jeff, meets every Tuesday from 1:30–3:00 PM; Fr. Jeff's Genesis study is on Wednesdays at 10 AM; and Fr. Christian's study is on Thursdays at 10 AM. All the above are in the parish hall. The EYC will meet for Bible study every Wednesday at 6 PM in the EYC room in the basement.

ORDER OF ST. LUKE MINISTRY PRAYER TEAM: The Order of St. Luke provides a prayer team for ministry each Sunday after the 8:30 service. If you need prayer, meet them at the front of the sanctuary.

SAINT ANDREW'S NIGHT – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: This year we will have Saint Andrew's Night here at the church in the parish hall. It is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov 29, at 6:00 PM. Please mark your calendars, and sign up on the bulletin board in the parish hall. Saint Andrew's will provide all the food this year. You are welcome to bring wine for your dinner if you wish. We hope you will join us for this special, once-a-year evening. New Vestry members for 2024 will be elected, and Fr. Jeff will update us on the state of the parish.

VESTRY MEETING: The Vestry will meet on Wednesday, Nov 8, at 7:00 PM in the parish hall.

VESTRY NOMINEES FOR 2024: Three Vestry positions, each for a 3-year term, will be elected at Saint Andrew's Night on Wednesday, Nov 29, at 6:00 PM. The nominees are Mary Walton Allen, Lisa Carter, Ting Ting Davis, Charles Hall, Don Johnston, and Jay Walne. Their bios will be published soon. Be sure to sign up for Saint Andrew's Night, to be held right here in the parish hall, with dinner provided. The sign-up is posted in the parish hall.

ADVENT RETREAT: On **Dec 3** after the 10:30 service, there will be an Advent Retreat led by Fr. Jeff Marx helping us to focus on the season and prepare us for Christmas. Lunch will be provided for retreat attendees. Please sign up in the parish hall and indicate whether you will eat lunch. Also, please indicate whether you will need nursery/childcare (give children's ages). We need the lunch and nursery/childcare information by **Sunday, Nov 25** so we can order the food and hire workers if needed.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS: You may submit your requests for poinsettias in memory or honor of someone. The church is always beautifully decorated with poinsettias on Christmas Eve and the First Sunday after Christmas. The cost is \$15.00 for each dedication. Turn in your check made out to Saint Andrew's (put "poinsettia" on the memo line), **and** be sure to turn in the names (indicating in memory, in honor, or in thanksgiving) to Cynthia or Martha by **Dec 15**.

LESSONS & CAROLS LED BY EYC: Everyone is invited to Lessons & Carols, which will be led by our EYC group on Dec 10 at 5:00 PM. Come out for a nice Advent service in support of our youth.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT HOSTED BY EYC: Our EYC group is hosting Parents' Night Out on Saturday, Dec 16, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. It's a great time for parents to have a date night or go Christmas shopping, or both.

NATURALIZATION CEREMONY FOR SENYONIS: Dear friends in Christ, we are so grateful for your support and friendship from far and wide in praying with us and for us. It's been a long journey and so many people helped along the way. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your faithfulness in standing with us! If you desire to attend our naturalization ceremony, the date is Thursday, Nov 16, 2023, at 9:00 AM, at the Benjamin Hooks Library, 3030 Poplar in Memphis. Blessings, Christian+

Daily Office, Year 1, Proper 26, Nov 5–11, BCP 990

Sun AM Psalm 24, 29 PM Psalm 8, 84

Neh. 5:1-19 Acts 20:7-12 Luke 12:22-31

Mon AM Psalm 56, 57, [58] PM Psalm 64, 65

Neh. 6:1-19 Rev. 10:1-11 Matt. 13:36-43

Tue AM Psalm 61, 62 PM Psalm 68:1-20(21-23)24-36 Neh. 12:27-31a,42b-47 Rev. 11:1-19 Matt. 13:44-52

Wed AM Psalm 72 PM Psalm 119:73-96

Neh. 13:4-22 Rev. 12:1-12 Matt. 13:53-58

Thu AM Psalm [70], 71 PM Psalm 74

Ezra 7:(1-10)11-26 Rev. 14:1-13 Matt. 14:1-12

Fri AM Psalm 69:1-23(24-30)31-38 PM Psalm 73

Ezra 7:27-28, 8:21-36 Rev. 15:1-8 Matt. 14:13-21

Sat AM Psalm 75, 76 PM Psalm 23, 27

Ezra 9:1-15 Rev. 17:1-14 Matt. 14:22-36

EYC MISSION STATEMENT

Our goal as a youth group is to be an all-inclusive community of young believers who set an example for other Christians in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity (1 Tim 4:12).

EYC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- If you have questions or you want to be added to the list to get texts about EYC events, get in touch with Julie at 901-240-6189.
- Sunday school meets every Sunday at 9:30 AM. Be sure to make this a priority in your Sunday routine. Donuts are usually provided as an extra incentive to come learn from Fr. Christian.
- Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 6 PM in the basement EYC Sunday school room. Snacks are
 provided, and we hope to see everyone there!
- Applications are now open for Diocesan Youth Council! The Diocesan Youth Council (DYC) is a
 group made up of 10th-12th grade students from around the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee
 tasked with bringing their thoughts, perspectives, and interests to diocesan leadership, creating
 meaningful fellowship and service events for young people in our diocese, and providing insight to Bishop
 & Council. The first term of the DYC will begin in Spring 2024. Members will meet once a quarter over
 Zoom. The anticipated time commitment will be 4 hours/quarter. Applications for the DYC are due by Dec
 15, 2023. Apply at EDWTN.org/Youth.
- Sunday, Nov 5: There is a Diocese-wide event. You should bring a unique white clothing item if you can
 that can be changed/altered. Dinner will be provided. We'll leave from the church at 3:20 and will be
 home around 6:30.
- Saturday, Nov 11: We will have an EYC service project.
- Sunday, Nov 19: We will meet in the parish hall from 5:30-7:30.
- Wednesday, Nov 22: No EYC Bible Study.
- Thursday, Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist at 10 AM. Give THANKS and enjoy turkey day!
- Wednesday, Nov 29: Saint Andrew's Night, at 6 PM, so no Bible Study that night either. If you are 16 years old or older, you are welcome to join the adults in the parish hall. Everyone else can come to the church basement for pizza and to help play with the younger kids while the parents are upstairs.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Sunday, Dec 10: Lessons and Carols. More details to follow but readers will be needed. If you have a
 talent to share like playing an instrument, reading a poem, etc., we would love to have you showcase that
 during this service. Let Julie know what you would like to do for this service.
- Saturday, Dec 16: EYC will do Parents Night Out; we will be hosting games and activities with the
 younger kids. Be thinking of something fun we can do with them.

SOLO: GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

(words by Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960; music by William M. Runyan, 1870-1957)

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not, As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness, To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (REF)