



PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

BIRTHDAYS: Sep 6, Woodson Odom; Sep 8, Tom Wood; Sep 9, George Higley; Sep 10, Scott Hollis; Sep 11, Nancy Caroline Odom

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Stacey Cordell, Gene Giannini, Teresa & Bob Forbis, Barbara Jones, Abbey Hale, Frannie Smith, Michael Rowland, Betty & Tom, The Lee Family, Susan, Jerry, Austin, Danielle, Andrew, Rebecca, Brandy, Pam B. & Family, Diana L., The Smith Family, Leonard Herron, The Tansil Family, Nat Baxter, Denise & Jim, Sherri Ligon, Rosemary Paden, The Brown Family, Digna & Family, Susan, and Jerry

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST, REMEMBERING TODAY: OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAMS, ASHLEY STRANGE, T.I. DAVIS, NIKKI SKILES, BRIAN CLEMMER, STUART SKILES, JUNE MILLWOOD, BUTCH PORTER, DANA NELSON, ED, JAMES, KURT B., MARY STINNETT, KRISTIN DILL, CHIP HURDLE, HOOPER JONES, BRETT NICHOLSON, BILL NICHOLS, DAVID, BUCKY, BILL CORUM, PAUL HYDE, CHRIS, JOSH PARTLOW, LINDA & JIM CANTRELL, JACK & GAIL BOBICZ, THE PEOPLE OF HAITI, and THE AFGHANISTAN CRISIS

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given by Barbara & Tommy Jones to the glory of Almighty God
and in celebration of their 51st wedding anniversary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OSL HEALING UNIVERSITY: Healing University meets this Thursday, Sept 9, at 6:00 PM in the parish hall. This week's lesson is **Grace for Healing** taught by Barry Bennett. Are you struggling with a health issue or something else in your life? This lesson will show us why hearing God's word and understanding His grace in our life is an important aspect of healing.

ROSARY GROUP: Praying the Rosary is scheduled for Sept 13 at 5:30 PM in the church. The first Monday night of each month is their regular time, but, because of Labor Day, they are meeting the second Monday. All are invited.

2022 VESTRY ELECTION PROCESS: Three vestry positions for 2022, each for a 3-year term, will be elected by the parish at our annual meeting in November. The nominating committee will soon be searching for volunteers who are willing to be nominees to serve Saint Andrew's in this very important capacity. If you are contacted by the committee about serving, we hope you will seriously consider it. Most of our present and past vestry members would affirm that taking this leadership role and being on the vestry is a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

40th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WEST TENNESSEE: The Diocesan Convention will be on Friday, Nov 19, and will be held via virtual teleconference with 5 remote in-person sites (eg, Calvary, Holy Communion, St. John's – nothing too far away). If it's like last year, the day will most likely begin with a box lunch. Saint Andrew's is allowed to send five delegates in addition to our clergy – plus we need a couple of alternate delegates who can step in if a delegate encounters a conflict at the last moment. If any parish members would like to have this experience of representing Saint Andrew's at a Diocesan Convention, we encourage you to volunteer to be a delegate or an alternate delegate. Let the clergy or the church office know as soon as you can. Thank you!

MEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY: The men's group will finish their study of Daniel on Monday, Sept 6. Daniel is set during the Babylonian exile with the Hebrews living under the rule of the Babylonians and the Persians and, in many ways, has parallels to the times in which we are living. Beginning on Monday, Sept 13, the group will begin a new study, to be announced next week. All men are invited to join in each Monday at 10:00 AM in the parish hall.

FR. JEFF'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Fr. Jeff will restart his Bible study on Wednesdays in the parish hall beginning **Sept 8**, at 10:00 AM. The study will be on Genesis and will pick up with the materials posted on Facebook, with additional insights from the Church Fathers of the Christian faith. It will be a slow-motion study, trying to honor the depth to be found therein. Study notes will be provided online for those who want to print them off as a guide. All are welcome to join.

FR. CHRISTIAN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY: Fr. Christian is starting his new Thursday morning Bible study on Daniel and Esther on **Sept 9** in the parish hall at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome. There's no need to buy anything – Fr. Christian will pass out study materials.

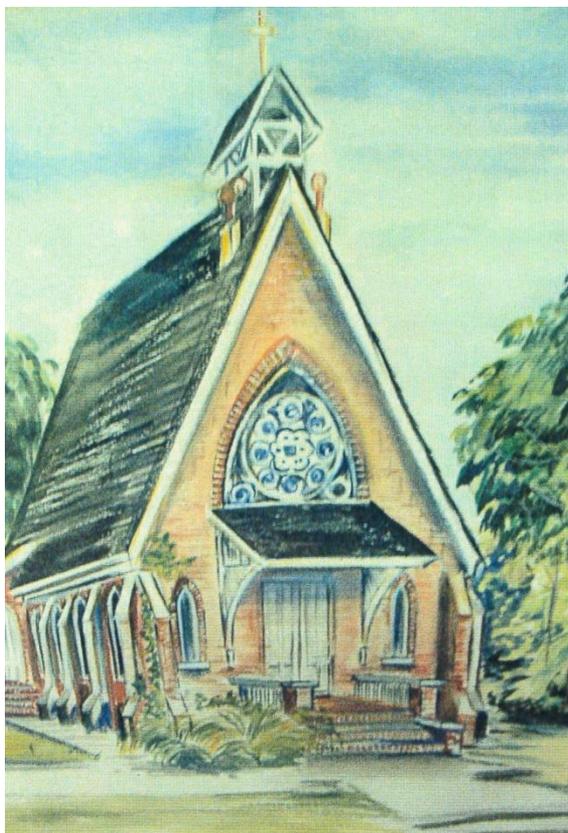
LADIES' TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: The ladies' study group will begin a new course on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM beginning **Sept 14**. It will be a 12-week course on **Slaying the Giants in Your Life**, by David Jeremiah. All ladies are welcome to join the study. Sara Dobbs has left the books on the bookcase right outside the church office. If you are planning to attend, please pick up a book and sign the sheet.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY AT SAINT ANDREW'S: A new Bible study, hosted by Women Mentoring Women, will begin on Tuesday, **Sept 14**, at 5:45 PM and run for 6 weeks. Saint Andrew's ladies are invited. It's a Priscilla Shirer video study called "Breathe: Making Room for Sabbath." With a jam-packed life, you need breathing room, a space for God to speak and room for you to hear. The books are \$13, and all attendees need one. You can order yours, or let Gina Harden know and she'll order for you (g_harden1@yahoo.com or 901-497-7877).

INQUIRERS' CLASS FOR CONFIRMATION AT BISHOP'S ANNUAL VISIT:

Are you interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church or in being confirmed during Bishop Phoebe's annual visit in Jan 2022? If so, please speak with Fr. Christian or call the church office, as Fr. Christian will be teaching classes in preparation for confirmation. Adults and youth are welcome to join the Inquirers' Class, whether or not you decide to be confirmed. More details about the class will follow later.

ALTAR GUILD: Our Altar Guild is a volunteer group whose ministry is to care for the sacred vessels, the bread and the wine, the linens and hangings, and the candles and torches used for worship in the sanctuary. Altar Guild members also supervise the decoration of the sanctuary with flowers. Altar Guild members prepare the sanctuary for services, and clean up afterwards. Liturgy begins and ends with the work of the Altar Guild. Teams of 4-5 people alternate weeks to serve. Preparing the sanctuary for services is a very rewarding ministry. We are in need of additional individuals who feel called to this ministry. If you are interested, please contact Barbara Jones or Margaret Stewart.



SOLO: BE NOT AFRAID

by Bob Dufford, SJ; text based on Isaiah 43:2–3 and Luke 6:20

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain: Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all. *Refrain*

Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me,
Blessed, blessed are you! *Refrain*

Daily Office, Year 1, Proper 18, September 5–11, BCP 982

Sun	AM Psalm 63:1-8(9-11), 98 1 Kings 12:21-33	PM Psalm 103 Acts 4:18-31 John 10:31-42
Mon	AM Psalm 41, 52 1 Kings 13:1-10	PM Psalm 44 Phil. 1:1-11 Mark 15:40-47
Tue	AM Psalm 45 1 Kings 16:23-34	PM Psalm 47, 48 Phil. 1:12-30 Mark 16:1-8(9-20)
Wed	AM Psalm 119:49-72 1 Kings 17:1-24	PM Psalm 49,[53] Phil. 2:1-11 Matt. 2:1-12
Thu	AM Psalm 50 1 Kings 18:1-19	PM Psalm [59,60] or 93, 96 Phil. 2:12-30 Matt. 2:13-23
Fri	AM Psalm 40,54 1 Kings 18:20-40	PM Psalm 51 Phil. 3:1-16 Matt. 3:1-12
Sat	AM Psalm 55 1 Kings 18:41—19:8	PM Psalm 138,139:1-17(18-23) Phil. 3:17—4:7 Matt. 3:13-17