



Crossings

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS ✠ EPISCOPAL
875 COTTON STREET, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 9:30 and 11:00 am
Saturday: 5:00 pm

Book Study and Eucharist

Wednesdays: 11:00 am

Nursery

Sunday
9:45 am – 12:30 pm

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday: 9:45 am

Sunday School

Sunday: 10:00 am

The Vestry

Reece Middleton, Senior Warden
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Steve Snodgrass, Secretary
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Material for *Crossings* must be received by **12:00 Wednesday**.

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Old Man in His Pew among the Piskies

An excellent and touching essay by Garrison Keillor on corporate worship and kinship with the world:

A whole string of perfect summery September days and we sit outdoors eating our broiled fish and cucumber salad and the last of the sweet corn crop while looking at news of people stranded in flooded towns of North Carolina, unable to evacuate because they are caring for an elderly bedridden relative. They stand on their porch, surrounded by filthy floodwater, waiting for rescue, and meanwhile we pass a bottle of Pouilly-Fuissé and look forward to ice cream.

This is why a man goes to church, to give thanks for blessings and to pray for the afflicted, while contemplating the imbalance, us on the terrace, them on the porch. And to write out a check for flood relief.

I go to church where my wife and I were married twenty-three years ago in New York City. She was raised Episcopalian so I became a Piskie too, out of pure gratitude. Had she been a Quaker, I would've quaked; had she been Jewish, hand me the Torah, Laura. My evangelical family liked Jeremiah and Ezekiel a lot more than "Blessed are the meek" and if there had been a First Pharisee church in our town, we'd have been there. Piskies are a mixed lot, lifelong and newcomers, believers and tourists, and this church has African and Asian elements along with the Anglos in our wingtips and herringbones. After we confess our sins and are absolved, people ramble around the sanctuary shaking hands and hugging, a cheerful and democratic moment, like recess in school. We've all been forgiven for our arrogance and carelessness and put that behind us and now have a chance to do better. This is enormously uplifting and then the ushers come along with the collection plates. I scribble:

I say the prayer of contrition
And see my pernicious condition,
And then in an inst-
Ant am cleansed, or at least rinsed,

Garrison Keillor



A sinner but a newer edition.
I trust that after I die
I will fly to my home in the sky,
But if it's not so,
I'll never know,
I could worry about it, but why?

And onward we go to Communion. The church is practically full and Communion takes awhile and I turn to the Communion hymn and it's not one of the high Anglican hymns that we're often obliged to attempt, hymns meant for a choir in white robes with cinctures and ruffled collars, with singers named Alistair, Barnaby, Cecil, and Dorian, after which there will be tea and cakes in the refectory and someone will ask about our summer in Cornwall and we'll say, "Brilliant. Smashing."

No, it's not one of those hymns, it's Low Church, so low that I associate it with the Pentecostals singing in a storefront, or a revival service under a tent. It's "Give Me Jesus." It's a spiritual that's made its way into bluegrass and Christian rock, and Southern quartets have recorded it and so has Kathleen Battle and it goes:

In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise,
Give me Jesus.

And "When I am alone" and "When I lay me down to die"—and we Episcopalians of Manhattan are seized by the power of this simple song and sing it with feeling. The music takes hold of you and no matter what was on your mind a moment ago, you give yourself to this song, and then the organ drops out on the third verse and we're a cappella and tears come to your eyes because suddenly you are not a New Yorker anymore, not a white college graduate, but are maybe out in the middle of Nebraska or Oklahoma or North Carolina, surrounded by farmers and truck drivers and their wives, most of whom voted for the real estate developer, and you're singing, "You can have all this world, give me Jesus." My aunts and uncles and cousins are there who didn't come to the wedding because it was my third marriage, and we're all singing, "Give me Jesus." We're together with people who disapprove of us almost as much as we do of them and we are all singing.



It's why a man goes to church, to be shaken, and I walked out onto the street and past the deli, the Thai restaurant, the Korean grocery, and headed home to my wife. She was looking at photographs of people stranded in their homes in North Carolina, waiting for help to arrive. Brown floodwater up to the floorboards, woman in a chair, man in the doorway, waiting.

Garrison Keillor's writings can be found at <http://www.garrisonkeillor.com/>

We pray for the big things and forget to give thanks for the ordinary, small (and yet really not small) gifts. How can God entrust great things to one who will not thankfully receive from Him the little things?

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

PLEASE NOTE: OUR DIOCESE HAS CHANGED THE WAY WE RECEIVE NEWS

We will no longer receive printed copies of ALIVE! Instead, updates and notices will be sent by email every Thursday to everyone who subscribes. Please keep abreast of important news of the diocese by signing up on the diocesan website. Scroll to the bottom of the home page; under "Keep in Touch," click "Sign up to receive the diocesan newsletter." The diocesan website is:

<http://www.epiwla.org/homepage.htm/>

Daily Feast: Meditations on the Word, Year B

Louisville: Westminster, John Knox Press, 2012



The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Year B, Proper 21, Track 2 September 30, 2018

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 ✎ *Psalm 19:7-14* ✎ *James 5:13-20* ✎ *Mark 9:38-50*

(James 5:13-20) . . . [I]t is not just for ourselves that we pray. We pray for others that we know personally who are in need and those whose needs are known to us in the wider world. This allows us to see the image of God embodied in others, to share in their suffering, and to add our voice in God's hearing for the good of the world. We can do this on our own, but the power of prayer is seen most clearly in the praying community of the church as these concerns are voiced aloud in worship and other gatherings of God's people.

Kathy L. Dawson

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: Year B, Proper 22, Track 2 October 7, 2018

Genesis 2:18-24 ✎ *Psalm 8* ✎ *Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12* ✎ *Mark 10:2-16*

(Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12) "Perfection" does not mean an excellence out of reach of ordinary human experience. Perfection, in a gospel sense, means "completeness"—fully carrying out the purpose for which we have been created—clearing out the clutter and corruption of our living so that the "imprint of God's very being," which is in each one of us, can be fully revealed.

Susan R. Andrews

Calendar for October and November

Saturdays	Holy Eucharist	5:00 pm	Chapel
Sundays	Informal Eucharist	9:20 am	Rose Garden or Chapel
	Nursery	9:30 am - 12:15 pm	Education Building
	Sunday School	10:30 am	Education Building
	Holy Eucharist	11:00 am	Nave
Tuesdays through Fridays	Daily Office of Morning Prayer	8:15 am	Chapel
Wednesdays	Study of Luke's Gospel	11:00 am	Undercroft
	Holy Eucharist		
Thursdays	Art and Bible Study	1:30 pm	Fairmont Apartments
Wednesdays in October	Engaging Aging Study/Workshop	11:00 am	St. Matthias'
Friday-Sunday, October 5-7	Joy in the Journey Retreat		Camp Hardtner
Saturday, October 6	Stewardship Summit	10:00 am-3:00 pm	Camp Hardtner
Sunday, October 7	The Continuing Feast	after the 11:00 service	Undercroft
Wednesday, October 17	Vestry meeting	5:30 pm	Undercroft
Saturday, November 3	Diocesan Convention	8:00 am-5:00 pm	Country Inn, Pineville
Saturday, November 17	ECW Fall Festival and Soup Lunch	10:00 am-1:00 pm	Undercroft
Wednesday, November 21	Vestry meeting	5:30 pm	Undercroft
Saturday, November 24	Garrett Boyte's Ordination to the Diaconate	10:00 am	St. James', Alexandria

Prayer List

Wanda Allen	Presiding Bishop Michael Curry	Barbara Hughes	Jack Theurkauf
Margaret Boudreaux	Ron Dean	Maureen Locke	Robert Todd
Marie Boudreaux	Shirley Enani	Rita Lotspeich	Sara Townsend
Cary Rhea Brooks	Floyd "Buzzy" Farrar	Mim McCoy	Barbie Nations Tyler
Mikey Carlisle	Ed Finuf	Reed Nations	Larry Wright
Georgia Cook	Maggie Fowle	Jim Santa Ana	Mary Wright
Hugh Coyle	Christine Hennigan	Brady Sessions	
Sara Lou Coyle	Hoyo	Mary Ann Shemwell	

We pray for those who serve and are served by St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry; for the people of North Carolina, the Philippines, and China, as they suffer from the hurricanes; for refugees fleeing disaster, war, abuse, and famine and who are hoping for a new life; for all who grieve or suffer in any way, and for those who care for them; for teachers, parents and children, that our homes and schools may be places of learning and safety; for the people of our country, that we may work in unity to overcome our fears and prejudices; for first responders and the people they serve; for people in all places where there is war and fear, and for those who seek peace and justice; and for the leaders and the people of our country as we seek solutions to violence and injustice.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for Iglesia Episcopal La Esperanza de Familias Unidas, Monroe; for Trinity, Natchitoches, The Rev. Suzanne WolfenBarger (Bill); and for Epiphany, New Iberia, The Very Rev. Matthew Woollett (Harriet).

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda, The Most Rev. Stanley Ntagali, Archbishop of Uganda and Bishop of Kampala; and for The Episcopal Church, The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church.

On September 23 the Flowers on the High Altar were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband David by Jean Dooley.

On Sunday, October 7, the Flowers on the High Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Glen Allen on his birthday by Wanda Allen; and in loving memory of Eva McDonald on her birthday by Monty and Lynn Walford.

Say Ministries

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: September 30

Sunday 11:00 am:

Lectors: Ginger Paul, Reid Raymond

Prayers of the People: Melissa Fowle

Eucharistic Ministers: Kendall Raymond, Anna Grace Madden

Acolyte: Herschel Richard

Ushers: Edward Cloyd-Baldwin, Tommie Sue Brooks

Altar Guild Saturday 5:00 pm: Margaret Heacock, Edward Cloyd-Baldwin

Altar Guild Sunday 11:00 am: Ginger Paul, Sara Townsend

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: October 7

Sunday 11:00 am:

Lectors: Kay Hunter, Hannah Wallace

Prayers of the People: David Richard

Eucharistic Ministers: Herschel Richard, Sr. Anna Grace Madden

Acolyte: Hannah Wallace

Ushers: Mike Wilkerson and Laura Wilkerson

Altar Guild Saturday 5:00 pm: Margaret Heacock, Edward Cloyd-Baldwin

Altar Guild Sunday 11:00 am: Kay Hunter, Ginger Paul

We offer our deepest condolences to Suzy Nelson upon the death of her brother John Nelson, who died on September 15.

Service Music

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: September 30

Mass: Mathias and Hurd
Psalm 19:7-14: Robert Knox Kennedy
Anthems: *The Call* R. V. Williams
Hymns: 8 Bunesan 609 Gardiner 692 The Third Tune 637 Lyons
Organ: *Aria* C. Van Hulse *Communion* René Rabey
Prelude and Fugue in Am, BWV 543 J. S. Bach

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: October 7

Mass: Mathias and Hurd
Psalm 8: Psalm 8 metrical tune: Land of Rest text: Webber
Anthem: *Immortal, Invisible* Thiman, arr.
Hymns: 390 Lobe den Herren 480 Kingsfold 344 Sicilian Mariners 657 Hyfrydol
Organ: *Sonata II (movements 1 and 2)* Hindemith *Concerto in Gm, HWV 291* Handel

Upcoming:



November 1, Pentecost XXV
Steve Snodgrass, violin



December 2, Advent I
Advent Lessons and Carols with Eucharist
with cellist, David Jankowski



December 24, Christmas Eve
with strings, Mary Eileen and Zackery Grant

Thank you, Lynn and Monty!

Lunch in honor of the Bishop's Visitation and Ron Youngblood's Confirmation on September 16 was the best ever! Lynn and Monty Walford outdid themselves (hard to do, from past celebrations) making and serving the spaghetti, salad, and bread. Everyone had a wonderful time, as always, enjoying the superb food and fellowship. Another unique Holy Cross gathering!
Thank you, Lynn and Monty!

Mary

EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

Joy in the Journey Retreat: Are These Extravagant Promises?
Presented by the Bishop's Commission on Addiction and Recovery
Leader: John McAndrew, M. A. M. Div.
October 5-7, Camp Hardtner

Stewardship Summit
October 6,, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Camp Hardtner
The Rev. Dr. Katie Hays and the Diocesan Stewardship Task Force

Diocesan Annual Convention
November 3, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Country Inn and Suites, Pineville

Ordination to the Diaconate
Brooks Boylan, Garrett Boyte, Lee Jefferson, and Meg Lovejoy
November 24, 10:00 am
St. James', Pineville

Please see the diocesan website for more information: www.epiwl.org

To live as a child is to live free of the self-justifications that adults use to prove their worth, and the heavy burden of self-consciousness about our status. To live like a child, says Jesus, is the only way to enter his kingdom.

Dan Clendenin

Hope House Fundraiser Clue #10

Metal, wood, plastic, glass, and stone;
it takes all, not just one alone.

Strong and stout will be the result,
making life less difficult.



ENGAGING AGING

with Area Experts

hosted at Saint Matthias Church

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ON FOUR WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER

3 OCTOBER @ 11 A.M.

HEALTHY AGING

reduce illness and improve health

facilitated by local television personality Bob Griffin, *Living the Good Life* on KTBS

Brain Health with Tamara Crane, MA, CDF, Bossier Council on Aging

Physical Therapy with Eric Weatherly, DPT, owner of Independent Therapy Solution

Diet and Nutrition with Julie Hartley, RD, CHC, LDN, Wellness Dietician & Lifestyle Medicine Specialist

10 October @ 11 A.M.

AGING WITH GRACE

explore wisdom

facilitated by the executive director of Bossier Council on Aging Tamara Crane, MA, CDF

Spiritual Side of Aging with the Rev'd Bryan McDowell, 1st Presbyterian Senior Adults Minister, *Retired*

Using our Gifts with Susan Campbell, PhD, Community Foundation Asst Dir of Community Investment

Valuing Senior Survivors with Bob Griffin

17 October @ 11 A.M.

CHALLENGES

find resources that work

facilitated by Stacey B. Hand, MA, CVT, of Alzheimer's Agency of Shreveport Bossier

Technology with Seniors with John Bogan, Donor & Media Manager, Caddo Council on Aging

Loss and Grief with Kathy Brooks Daniel, PhD, RN, CPHQ, Grief Ministry Coordinator

Money Matters with Diana DeCharles, MBA, CFP, Owner of SagePoint Financial

24 October @ 11 A.M.

VISION FOR LAST CHAPTER

plan for peace

facilitated by local television personality Bob Griffin, *Living the Good Life* on KTBS

Prayer and Transformation with Alan Prater, Retired Hospice Chaplain for Christus' Grace Home

Telling Your Story and Obituary Writing with Harriet Dagget, Author and Educator for Seniors

Pre-Planning for Funeral with Donna Valentine, Family Service Counselor



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Hope House: There is an ongoing need for coffee, sugar, creamer, laundry detergent, disposable razors, and personal size hygiene products (soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc.). Please take your donations to 762 Austen Place or to the church office. Thank you for your continued support.

Forward Day by Day for **October** and **November**, in both standard and large-print editions, is available in the Narthex and the Undercroft.



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