

# The Messenger

**CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL  
MOBILE, ALABAMA**



## Special Stewardship 2011 Issue



### SHARING OUR VISION: LOOKING FORWARD IN FAITH

**Dear Cathedral Family,**

In October every household in the Cathedral family will be contacted by a vestry member to ask for your help in forging a vision for the future of our parish - God's call to Christ Church Cathedral. Our stewardship program this year will be an extension of the visioning process that took place this summer. The vestry has determined what they believe to be our focus for the next three to five years. Now they will ask you to share what you see as our challenges and hopes as a cathedral parish. Together we will prayerfully discern God's call to us and how we will build the Body of Christ so that we will better be able to serve in downtown Mobile.

On Sunday mornings in October we will hear from vestry members who will share their hopes for Christ Church Cathedral. As we move forward, the vestry will be able to take the information gathered and forge that into a road map for our future. They will bring the gathered information to the parish at the annual meeting on Sunday, December 5.

Faithfully,

### Save the Date

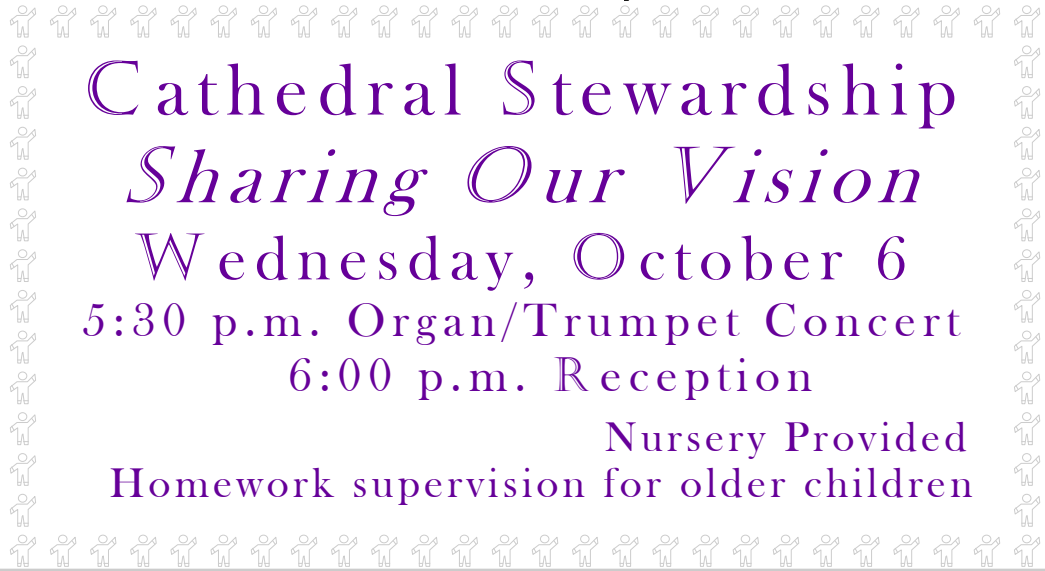


Cathedral  
Celebration  
All Saints'  
Sunday  
November 7  
10:00 a.m.  
Festival Eucharist  
Celebration follows

### Cathedral Stewardship *Sharing Our Vision*

Wednesday, October 6  
5:30 p.m. Organ/Trumpet Concert  
6:00 p.m. Reception

Nursery Provided  
Homework supervision for older children



## Financial Update

through  
August 2010

Pledge payments over the summer were slow, bringing us to a \$70,361 deficit by the end of August. Please make every effort to bring your pledge up to date. We continue to manage the expense side of the budget, which is currently on target.

**Blessing of the Animals**  
Sunday,  
October 3, at  
4:00 p.m.



## The Sub-Dean's Message

Dear Cathedral Family,

Our gospel readings in late summer this year have felt sometimes like a difficult hand in a game of cards. What are we to do with lessons on the cost of discipleship, the dangers of wealth, the sword-bearing and division-bringing Jesus? What are the messages that God is putting in front of us in these lessons for the playing out of our life together, our future, our mission?

During the month of October, we will hear from our leadership about the vision they perceive and the hope they have for the future of Christ Church Cathedral. In addition, each household in the Cathedral family will have the opportunity to visit with a member of our leadership team and to share with them your vision and your hope for the future of our Cathedral. Clergy and lay leaders will listen carefully to the visions we hear and use these to establish priorities and to set goals for realizing ministries to which we believe God is calling us.

This fall will be a time of discerning how best to be stewards of the gifts God has given us here at Christ Church Cathedral. We will be seeking insight about the resources we have been given—our gifts of hospitality and worship and historic sacred place, as well as money and the opportunities of our particular moment in time—and how these resources may be used to build relationships. Resources can move and motivate people, fueling dynamic relationships that may be creative and transformative.

In the days ahead, please think and pray about your personal stewardship of your resources—how you can best use your money, your valuable assets of gifts and abilities to build relationships that are pleasing to God. And please think and pray about our life here together as the Body of Christ at Christ Church Cathedral—how we can best use our resources to accomplish the mission that God has given to us in this place, at this time. Please pray that we may be faithful in little and much, in focusing our hearts and minds and all our resources on sharing the love of God with this world.

Faithfully,

## Women of the Well

Wednesday, October 13

7:00 p.m.

At the home of Lissa Watkins

103 Lanier Avenue

A group of Christ Church Cathedral women will gather one Wednesday evening a month for a time of reflection on the Bible, conversation, and prayer. This year, they will discuss *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World: Finding Intimacy with God in the Busyness of Life* by Joanna Weaver. The book begins with this sentence, "Have you ever tried to do it all?" If these words resonate with you, please join the group.

## SHARING OUR VISION: LOOKING FORWARD IN FAITH

*What are your hopes and dreams for the  
Christ Church Cathedral family  
as we look forward in faith?*

As we **Share Our Visions** during October, we will hear from several members of the Cathedral vestry. They have been working on a visioning process this summer and will share with us how they see in the future for Christ Church Cathedral. Throughout the month of October, members of the vestry will be contacting each family in the parish so they can listen to your vision.

### “Sharing Our Vision” Speakers for Stewardship

Sunday, October 3

Robison C. McClure, Junior, Senior Warden

An Evening at the Cathedral

Wednesday, October 6

5:30 p.m. Organ Concert

6:00 p.m. Reception

Sunday, October 10

Charles F. White

Sunday, October 17

Mary Carol Ladd

Sunday, October 24

Happy D. Henson

Sunday, October 31

Rick Mitchell

Robert W. Israel, Junior Warden

*As you consider your 2011 pledge, please  
remember to complete your 2010 pledge.*

## Vestry Elections 2011 Responsibilities of Vestry Members

*Resolution of Christ Church Cathedral Vestry  
approved on October 10, 2005*

- ✠ To live a daily life reflecting the Christian faith; to strive to grow spiritually through worship, prayer, and educational opportunities.
- ✠ To participate faithfully in the worship of the church.
- ✠ To attend vestry and chapter meetings and retreats.
- ✠ To work for unity among the clergy, vestry and congregation through open communication; to accept the position of vestry member as an opportunity to serve our Lord.
- ✠ To demonstrate meaningful and sacrificial financial support of the church including making and fulfilling an annual pledge of support; to consider that the Christ Church Cathedral vestry upholds the tithe as the standard of giving and encourages the parish to consider proportionate giving; and to be working toward the tithe.
- ✠ To accept the role of leadership, work diligently and congenially at assigned tasks, and seek out ways to improve the Cathedral Church including: To make new and regular members and visitors feel welcome through personal greetings, visits, and an invitation to participate in activities of interest to them, and To encourage all members of the congregation to become a part of activities and ministries of the church and to attend parish meetings.

## Vestry Nominating Committee

*Please direct to these individuals your nominations for candidates to fill 6 vestry positions.*

### Graduating Vestry Class

Robby McClure  
Susan Clinton  
Jamie Davidson  
Bob Israel  
Happy Henson  
Mark Weeks

### Dean's Appointed Members

Skip Archer  
Ben Coale  
Kennon Drew  
Tom Garth  
Lucy Lyons  
Janet Rich Pittman

## Annual Parish Meeting & Vestry Elections

**Sunday, December 5**

During Coffee Hour.  
Please plan to attend.

## The Cathedral Chapter and Vestry

### Class of 2010

Jamie K. Davidson  
Susan A. Clinton  
Happy Henson  
Robert W. Israel  
Robison C. McClure, Jr.  
Mark S. Weeks

### Class of 2011

E. Burnley Davis  
Carolyn D. Eichold  
Mary Carol Ladd  
Margaret M. McGovern  
Richard Mitchell  
Leland L. Moore, Jr.

### Class of 2012

Ginny Behlen  
Carter Drane  
Ken McElhaney  
Win Thurber  
Laura Warren  
Charles White

### Chapter Members

The Rev. Ken Cumbie,  
*St. Luke's, Mobile*  
Magoo Hamilton,  
*St. Thomas', Greenville*  
Mendy Henderson,  
*St. Agatha's, deFuniak Springs*  
Joy Tway,  
*St. Andrew's, Destin*

## Cathedral Prayer List

**Members:** Lisa Cooper, Hetty Cunningham, Brink Brinkley, Walter Moss, Dolores Drane, Nick Nichols, Alice Carwie, Bubber Carwie, Tom Twitty, Raymond Fields, Butch Trawick, Connie and Marion Gonzales, Virginia Inge, Victor Stanton.

**Friends and Family:** Glenn Foster, William Hicks, Lewis Tyner, Dolores Sullivan, Taylor Lee, Penny Johnson, Sharon McDonald, Enola Shields, Curtis Stone, Chris Brown, Rhett Boyd Leake, Bill Meyer, Gwen Cook, Dauren Hamilton, Katie Hamlin, Lois Anne King, Isabelle Smith, Chas Pierce, Bobby Clark, George Seymour, Jr., Kathryn Wessinger, Robert Bressett, David Key, Ted Middleton, Andrew Ewaskiewicz, Derry Hargett, Van Davies, Melody Williams, Dyson Deaton, Steve Chandler, Sr., Brenda Puckett, Marvin Williams, Clinton Taylor, Bill Johnson, Sally Boom, Steve Lauten, Peter Martin, Alice Crook, Gray Thorworth, Charlie Alexander, Betty Torbert, Jean Wentworth, Kate Granada, Mark Micalizit, Jeffrey Ezell, Mary Ladd Turner, Blanche Hatter, Will Nichols, Janie Houser, Steve Zalopany, Rebecca Hatcher, Mary Thompson, Victor Leon, Helen Corley, Linda Logan, Amie Marks, Ann Tyner, Lydia Bennett, Don Heaton, John Beltz, Edwin Stebbins, Marian Macpherson Currie, Jeff Sewell, Eric Sharpe Jr., Greg & Rita Wright.

**Baptism:** Helen Ann and Randolph Benjamin, children of Natalie and Ben Coale and grandchildren of Betty and Harwell Coale.

**For Those Serving in the Military:** Brad Israel, Christopher Hume, Brandon Warren, Darrien Gibson, Kelley Hood, Jensen Basenberg, Andy McMillan, Kevin Lock, Evan Sizemore, Robert McNeil, The Rev. Bowen Woodruff, Thomas Key, Daniel White-Spunner Reed, Jimmy Burgess, Jonathan Duralde, Andrew Campbell, Michael Boggao, Ron Lansong, John Rogers, Jr., Patrick Little, Thomas Middleton, Dallas Carl, Brett Granger, Sam Garcia, Chris Marslender, Jerry Olin, Abby Hutchins, Thomas Clough, Justin Rickert, Tyler Gamble, The Rev. Martha Kester, Dwight Williams, James Pontius, Todd Mouthaan.

### Prayer for the Gulf of Mexico:

We pray today for the preservation of our natural environment, especially the Gulf of Mexico and the lands and waters it touches: Guide those who labor to contain the oil that endangers the creatures of sea and land; Strengthen those who work to protect them; Have mercy on those whose livelihoods will suffer; Forgive us for our carelessness in using the resources of nature, and give us wisdom and reverence so to manage them in the future, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

*Daughters of the King will meet on Monday, October 25, at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Elizabeth Harrison, 2914 Cottage Hill Road*

**Pastoral Care Team October**  
Susan Crowson,  
Holly Hall,  
Marolyn Kruse.

**Loaves & Fish**

Monday, October 18  
11:15 a.m. At 15 Place  
Thank you to  
September volunteers:  
Mary Cook,  
Elizabeth Harrison  
Sam Power.



**Morning Circle**

Monday, October 11  
Home of  
Elizabeth Harrison  
2914 Cottage  
Hill Road

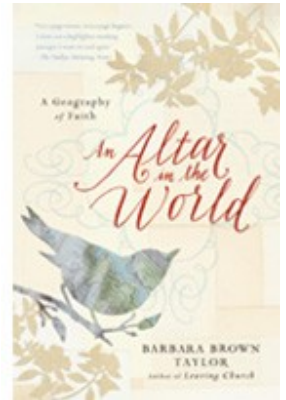
Call  
Carolyn Stephenson  
at 342-5637  
for information  
or Elizabeth at  
473-4383  
for directions.

**October Birthdays**

October 1	Virginia Van Antwerp	October 13	Melody Williams
October 3	Dunn Chandler Kenneth White-Spunner	October 16	Jordan Chow Malcolm Warren Alex Calder
October 4	Meg McGovern Richard Wright	October 17	Katie Patton
October 7	Virginia Inge	October 18	Kristin Butler
October 8	Tricia Coggin Gladys Moss	October 20	Ponnie McClelland
October 9	Leslie Ladd Duane Watford	October 22	Edward Ladd
October 10	Jimbo Blankenship Tee McCarron Glenn Patrick	October 23	Charlie Behlen Chris Douglas
October 11	Mary Esther Elliott Zaidee Galloney Richard Jeffers IV Erica McElhaney	October 24	Peggy McClelland
October 12	Eleanor Baker Ed Crowson Geary McDonald	October 25	Susan Clinton
		October 27	Corinna Luce Donald Morris
		October 30	Richard Jeffers III Charlie White
		October 31	John Ferguson Catherine Taylor Ashley White

**The Cathedral Fall Read**

For everyone who joined the One Parish+One Book this summer and wants to read more we present the Cathedral fall read: *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Author Nora Gallagher says of the book, “An Altar in the World is about how faith can be both practical and sensuous. In Barbara Brown Taylor’s hands, the old division between heaven and earth is healed and both come alive. Your mind, your body and your soul will be well fed by this wonderful book.” Taylor is an Episcopal priest who has served parishes in Georgia and currently teaches religion at Piedmont College and at Columbia Theological Seminary.



Get reading, and we will meet in early December for conversation.



**Episcopal Youth Community: The EYC**

The EYC is open to all the youth of the parish grade 6 and up. This year we will meet twice a month on Sundays generally alternating between the Cathedral and in members’ homes. If you would like to host the group, please contact the Cathedral office to let us know.



**Sunday, October 17** 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Join us at the Cathedral

**Sunday, October 31** 5:00 p.m. until Halloween activities and dinner in Ashland Place at the Jeffers’ home, 108 Ryan Avenue

## An Episcopal Visit

The Right Reverend Philip Menzie Duncan, II will visit Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday, November 21. He will meet with the clergy and lay leadership and he will join us for the 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist. If anyone would like to be confirmed, this date is available. Please speak with Dean Cook or Cn. Gibson so that arrangements may be made for instruction.

## Diocesan News

For more information on any Diocesan event please go to the website: [diocgc.org](http://diocgc.org)

**October 7** Last "Famous Fish Fry" of this season—\$8 per plate  
St. Peter's, Bon Secour. 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**October 8-10** ECW / Altar Guild Fall Conference at Beckwith

**October 9** Annual BBQ/Bakesale with Trash & Treasure Sale  
St. Andrews', Mobile

**October 9** Annual Draw-down and Silent Auction  
St. John the Evangelist, Robertsdale. 6:00 p.m.

**October 15 & 16** The Textures of Autumn Garden Tour:  
includes the garden of Church of the Redeemer  
9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily

**October 16** BBQ & Blues at Church of the Advent, Lillian

**October 16** Murray House Open House 1257 Government St. 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**October 21** Men's Supper All men of the diocese are invited! St. Paul's, Foley 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**October 22-24** Art of Contemplative  
Parenting Retreat Beckwith Camp and  
Conference Center

**October 23** Fine Wine, Good Food, Great  
Art Event Church of the Redeemer 6-8 pm

**November 5-6** Seventh Annual Market  
Days St. Paul's Chapel, Magnolia Springs

## Supper Club

It is fall now and time for a new Supper Club sign-up. Yvonne Holladay has again agreed to organize those who wish to participate. If you have signed up before, please do so again. If you haven't belonged before, now is the time. There is a sign-up sheet on the ministry table or you may call or e-mail the Cathedral office—contact info is on the back. Yvonne will contact everyone who is interested.

**Cursillo #143 will be held November 4 - 7 at Beckwith.**

## Christ Church Cathedral

All Saints Celebration

Sunday, November 7

10:00 a.m.

Please list names to be remembered during the service  
Place in the Alms basin or call them into  
the Cathedral Office at 438-1822 or e-mail to  
[office@christchurchcathedralmobile.com](mailto:office@christchurchcathedralmobile.com)  
by Monday, November 1.



Many thank to our **Kick-Off Breakfast cooks**: from the left, Jack Lyden, John Davidson, Bill Hall, Steve Chandler, Sr., Steve Chandler, Jr.

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