

The Bell Ringer

June
2022



Old Donation Episcopal Church

*Old Donation Episcopal Church is a family: Welcoming All ✝ Growing in God's love ✝
Joyfully worshipping Jesus Christ ✝ Serving in the power of the Spirit*



Join us for
**a Pentecost
farewell to
Mother Ashley**

SUNDAY, 5 JUNE FOLLOWING
THE 10AM SERVICE

Sunday, 5 June

The Coming of the Holy Spirit!
On this Sunday The Gospel is
proclaimed in multiple
languages simultaneously.

pentecost
*All of them
were filled with the
Holy Spirit and began
to speak in other
tongues.*
Acts 2:4

Join us to
**Welcome Mother Lissie
& Chris at our annual
Parish Picnic!**

SUNDAY, 12 JUNE FOLLOWING
THE 10AM SERVICE



From our Rector

June is often a significant month for many, and this year for ODEC it is certainly so. Pentecost is this coming Sunday - one of the three most important days in the Church year, celebrating God's gift of the Holy Spirit. Wear red! We also recognize graduations from HS and college (June 19 - get an email in to [Gretchen](#) so we don't miss someone!). We have some Navy families departing who we will miss, and others returning who we will welcome. It is also a time for another very important transition.

We have to say GOODBYE to the Rev. Ashley Urquidi as our Associate Rector after 7 years. Ashley+ has been our partner in ministry through some of the most challenging and positive times. I've been able to trust that all would be well whenever I had to focus elsewhere, or take a trip, because we have such a good team with her able to step up to anything. Sunday, June 5 let's give thanks for her life among us and send her off to All Saints' where we know she can flourish with all the gifts YOU'VE helped form in her.

Sunday, 12 June we say HELLO to the Rev. Lissie Rhoton as our new Associate Rector. Lissie+ and her husband, Chris, come to us from Texas (with origins in Georgia). We will have our annual parish picnic June 12 and welcome them, with all the best hopes and dreams for wonderful blessings of ministry together.

The picnic will be supplied entirely by ODEC. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers on the grill, with baked beans, slaw, and bags of chips on the menu. Our parish commissions will supply COOKIES for dessert in their new fun "Cookie Crawl" (think Irish pub crawl?). It will be easy and fun for you to hang out and meet Lissie+ and Chris after the 10:00am service. I understand there is even a significant prize from Stewardship Commission for participants in the Cookie Crawl.

June 19 will be graduation recognitions, and also a day of remembrance of Juneteenth. See the opposite page.

One other piece of news that is not positive: during the Friday the 13th storm two weeks ago, an electrical surge appears to have completely fried the internals of our beautiful organ in the Church. We are quickly gathering information about the extent of what we need to do and our insurance coverage. Thankfully, our organist, Zach Moats, is also a trained classical and Jazz pianist and our keyboards work! God is good. Challenges are always opportunities for Christians.

This month is a great time of opportunity to come celebrate the wonderful work God is continuing to do among and with us.



From our Associate Rector

Here is another in a line of "lasts": my final Bell Ringer article to you all. I've come back to it about ten times now, and still I'm not sure what to say.

I'll miss you.

I'm very excited, but I'll miss you, and this place, and all of the gifts you have to offer. It has been such an honor to be a part of what's happening here at Old Donation, and I'm thrilled that I'll be close enough to still see how it grows and shapes our community. We are still going to be in the same Convocation, after all!

There is so much important work happening here... Outreach, formation for all ages, creation care, spiritual nourishment, physical care... the list goes on. But I think perhaps the most pivotal and crucial undertaking is the Becoming Beloved Community commission, and your vestry's commitment on your behalf to devote extensive energy towards racial reconciliation.

We are a historic church; our ties to our ancestors are strong, and we are direct beneficiaries of the prayer, ministry, and work of those who raised this parish up. We have 385 years worth of ministry behind us, and that is a lot of time to do a lot of good. It's also a lot of time to make a lot of mistakes, some of them deep and devastating—like the parish itself owning slave(s) one of whom we now know was named Rachal.

It is not our job to berate ourselves or feel excessive guilt over the sins of those who have gone before us.

It is our job to not gloss over the ugly parts of our history, acknowledge the expense at which some of what we enjoy today came, and vow to constantly strive to do better with all that we have now. And that is a commitment this parish has made, one which I am so humbled to have been present for and part of, and which I hope to bring with me to any parish I am called in the future.

And now, my friends, goodbye! Strive for perfection; listen to my appeals; agree with one another; live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.—2 Corinthians 13:11 (Good News Translation).





#Juneteenth

Juneteenth is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African-Americans.

Juneteenth commemorates 19 June 1865, the date enslaved communities in the state of Texas learned the Civil War had ended, and that they were free from slavery, two years after the Emancipation Proclamation. Celebrated by African Americans for generations through food and fellowship, Juneteenth embodies Black resilience, independence, and community. It is a day African Americans set aside to commemorate the end of slavery and the promise of freedom - expressed through music, food, and ceremony.

Your 2022 Vestry

Holly Waide, *Senior Warden*

David Beach, *Buildings & Grounds/Planning*

Sonni Matthews, *Becoming Beloved Community*

Will Walker, *Finance*

Jonathan Halvorson, *Formation*

Arun Iyer, *Stewardship & People's Warden*

Marti Jones, *Evangelism*

Lisa Teeling, *Outreach*

Patricia Cheshire, *Congregational Care*

Jane Kiefer, *Day School*

Charlie Swift, *Historic Traditions*

Megan Wilson, *Parish Life*



It's Graduation Time!

Are you, or someone in your household graduating this year? Let us

know! Please email the [Parish Office](#) with the name and school.

Sacred Ground is an Episcopal Church film and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Old Donation has hosted five circles serving 67 people. Part of the National Episcopal Church program of Becoming Beloved Community, over 2,000 registered Circles have participated in this program since 2019 and the curriculum has been updated and revised based on feedback from 2,892 participants, facilitators, and organizers. Sacred Ground Circles will begin again at Old Donation next fall with in-person circles. If you are interested, please contact [Dan Ries](#), 757-277-1907). For more information on Sacred Ground go to: <https://episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/about>.



JOY Dinner ~ Supper club

Friday, 24 June 5:30pm at Butcher's Son at Hilltop. If you are interested and want to be on our email list, send a note to [George Londeree](#) who coordinates the group.

Welcome Our Newest Members

Tom Weeks

Tricia Sare

Summer Jobs at Chanco!



Nurses ✚ **Counselor**
Lifeguard ✚ **Ropes Instructor**
Sailing Instructor

Funeral for The Rev. Howard Hanchey

Some of us are hoping to attend Howard's funeral in Richmond on June 9, at 2:00pm at St. Paul's. If you would like to join us, [let us know](#) and perhaps we will drive the Church bus if it makes best sense.

Parish Picnic & Cookie Crawl Ministry Fair

The Annual Parish Picnic is Sunday, 12 June after the 10:00am service with burgers, beans, slaw and chips. Cookie Desserts is provided by each parish ministry. Enjoy a cookie, hear all about the how and what each ministry has to offer, and enter to win the Cookie Crawl raffle!

Volunteers Needed for the Picnic! Sign on to help with grilling, setup, or take down. For information, contact [Nancy Long](#) or at 757-375-7930

Weekly Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 10:00am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Eden Chapel
 5:00pm Sundays@5 Informal HE

2nd Sunday of the Month

5:00pm Paws, Prayers & Praise HE

Weekdays, Monday - Friday

12:00pm Noonday Prayers

June Birthdays

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| 1 Catherine O'Reilly | 14 Cameron Rennekamp |
| Fred Warneke | 15 Dan Miani |
| Doug Weiss | 16 Kent Ross |
| Sue Doll | Levi Urquidi |
| Benjamin Lacher | 17 Kaitlyn Piston |
| 2 Cheryl Hummer | Megan Piston |
| Ronny Barrio | Hunter Shih |
| Genevieve Nelson | Jack Alpigini |
| Bill Hart | 18 Janie Bowen |
| 3 Gloria Thompson | Kristen Carter |
| Randy Bolin | Lyle Swanson |
| Fred Olds | Dani Culpepper |
| 4 Jane Kiefer | 19 Patsy House |
| Maureen Loflin | Gary Hummer |
| Leah Moore | Anna Houtwed |
| 5 Alek Sas | 20 Phyllis Awbrey |
| Katherine McCullough | Danita Jacobs |
| Karla Hyman | Anne Hawkins |
| Caleb Downing | Brian Coyle |
| 6 Michelle Vasquez | Justin Ruiz |
| Bailey Improta | 21 Jeff Hood |
| 7 Amy Buckius | Ethan Aydar |
| 8 John Jarvis | Bill Walpert |
| Andrew Hailey | 22 Zoe Gurioli |
| 9 Karen Atkiss Grow | 23 Jake Fenter |
| Rosemary DeLacey | Anne Marie Schneeberger |
| Janet Stephenson | Nancy Long |
| 10 Debbie MacDougall | 25 Doralece Dullaghan |
| Cole Jackson | Libby Putzig |
| Trevor Darr | 26 Peter Hood |
| Sandra Hanna | 27 Bill Miller |
| 11 Kurt Kreassig | Will Oakley |
| Erin Foley | Payton Peele |
| Tyler Hancock | 28 Mairin Genova |
| Jake Culpepper | Ivy Kilby |
| 12 Isabel Sterzing | Vernon Murray |
| Charmaine Rosenfield | 29 Dottie Dudley |
| Tracy Darr | Courtney Miani |
| 13 Janet Amriott | Carol Gurioli |
| | 30 Cathie Brown |
| | Lyla Lind |

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Jesus Christ, Head of the Church
 The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes, *Bishop*
 The Rev. Robert J. Randall, Jr., *Rector*
 The Rev. Ashley E. Urquidi, *Associate Rector*
 The Rev. Fred Poteet, *Priest Associate*

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Old Donation Episcopal Day School

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Ages 2, 3, 4 and Kindergarten

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 12:20 pm

June Anniversaries

- 2 John & Liudmila Malone
Erin & Kevin Lind
- 5 David & Mary Scott Burt
- 6 Scott & Patti Somers
Maureen & Dave Jacques
Deb & Peter Fortin
- 8 Glenn & Laura Scott
- 9 Larry & Samantha Brittain
- 11 Philip & Michele Purrington
- 14 Dan & Nancy Ries
Tricia & Thom Sare
- 15 Fred & Mary Poteet
Amanda & Peter Huntley
- 16 Eleanor & Barry Richards
- 24 Ed & Sharon Butts
Kate & Steve Keck
Terry & Linda Ritter
- 25 Jorge & Monika Jara
- 27 Dani & Ryan Culpepper
John & Marguerite Duncan
Ben & Margie Garrett
Carol & John Jarvis
Kurt & Danielle Kreassig
Jim & Keren Pernini
- 28 Sally & Phillip Todd
- 30 Judy & Russ Sheldon



Rise in Glory:

Pat Davis
 Howard Hanchey
 Roy Malone