THE FUTURE OF CHRISTIANITY AND THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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There are three great religious questions that have been asked over the centuries in an effort to find self-understanding, meaning and God. They are: Who am I? Who are you? Where are we going? The answers to these questions are vital links to the future, to where we are going, and how we are going to get there. St. Mark's Church and School are on the threshold of transitions in leadership and direction. Whenever we are in the midst of change, the human tendency is to be myopic, to look down, instead of looking ahead.

The Christian Church is in a sea of change. We are riding that sea without a certain compass. So what might our future be? How will we get there? Who will come with us? Our Lenten presenters this year bring years of experience and sophistication to the task at hand.

Lent is a time for self-examination and for renewing our trust in God. It is time to examine all those pieces of life and faith we hold dear. This Lenten program is designed to help us understand who we are, where we are going and who is coming with us.

In order to do this, I have invited some old friends, people that I trust. People engaged in ministry, trying to understand the Church; that is, the Episcopal Church and where we are going together. Each speaker arrives with a different perspective; we talk together and search for some common answers among us. This Lenten program is our step along the way in which we will engage our spiritual life, our faith life and our choices for the future. It will give us something to envision, pray for, and work toward at St. Mark's. The great Roman Catholic Theologian Karl Rahner wrote, "The Christian of the future will be a mystic or he/she will not exist at all."

William Shakespeare wrote: "It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves."

Oscar Wilde said, "The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future.

Finally, the wise George Burns quipped, "I look to the future because that is where I am going to spend the rest of my life."

Come and tell us what you think and feel!!!

March 12

The Reverend Albert Cutie:

Rector of St. Benedict's Episcopal Church, Plantation Florida and

Dean of the Broward Deanery



The Reverend Mr. Cutie, was ordained into the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church in 1995 and received into priesthood of the Episcopal Church in 2009. Mr. Cutie is a nationally known author and radio commentator on Christianity and the Episcopal Church. He served as priest in Charge at the Church of the Resurrection in Miami, Florida, and currently is Rector of St. Benedict's Episcopal Church in Plantation Florida.

March 19

The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare;

Rector St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Washington D.C.



The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare is the Rector of St. Alban's Episcopal Church; Geoffrey has deep experience in ministry having served for 18 years as Rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Atlanta. Mr. Hoare has served as Rector of St. Paul's Church in Alexandria, Virginia, and also at Christ Church in Raleigh, North Carolina. Geoffrey is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He has read theology at Cambridge University and graduated from Yale Divinity School. He serves on the Advisory Board for Anglican Studies at Candler Divinity School and is on the Board of Berkley Divinity School at Yale. He has also taught at Virginia Episcopal Seminary. He is active in the Archbishop of

Canterbury's Compass Rose Society.

March 26

The Reverend Daniel Heischman;

Executive Director, National Association of Episcopal Schools



The Reverend Mr. Heischman has served as chaplain at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. He was Head of the upper school and Assistant Head at St. Alban's School, Washington, D.C. He has served as the Executive Director of the Council for Religion and Independent Schools. Mr. Heischman began his ministry at St. Paul's Church in Englewood, New Jersey and served as chaplain and Assistant Head of Trinity School in New York City. He is a graduate of Wooster College in Wooster, Ohio, Phi Beta Kappa. He graduated from Yale Divinity School and earned a Doctor of Ministry from Princeton Theological School. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity from Yale Divinity

School in recognition of distinguished service to Episcopal schools and universities.

The Reverend Leslie J. Hague;

Rector All Saints Episcopal Church, Fort Lauderdale, Florida



Reverend Mrs. Hague is the Rector of All Saints Church in Fort Lauderdale. She served as Rector of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Arlington, Virginia. She served at St. Peter's Church in Savannah, Georgia and at the National Council of Churches in New York. She is a graduate of William and Mary University and General Theological Seminary.

April 9

The Reverend Robert G. Trache;

Rector and Head of School, St. Mark's Episcopal Church and School



Mr. Trache has served as Rector of St. Mark's Church for the past ten years and as Head of St. Mark's School for the past eight years. He has served as Rector of Epiphany Church in Winchester, Massachusetts, St. James Church in Richmond, Virginia, Immanuel Church on the Hill in Alexandria, Virginia, and St. Elizabeth's Church in Sudbury Massachusetts. He began his ministry at St. John's Church in Wilmington, North Carolina. He has a B.A. and M.A. from George Washington University in Washington D.C. and is a graduate of Harvard Divinity School. He has read theology at Cambridge University and received a certificate in Business Administration from Stanford University.

Mr. Trache was the COO of the Great Valley Center in Modesto, California and Executive Director of Corpus Christi Metro Ministries in Texas. He was also a founding member of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Compass Rose Society and received Virginia's First Freedom medal for religious and ecumenical leadership.

Tuesday evenings during Lent, the parish family of St. Mark's gathers for a simple soup supper:

Parish Hall

Soup Supper – 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

In The Church

Lenten Speaker – 7:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.