

the All Saints' Monthly

News and Announcements from All Saints' Episcopal Church



Atlanta, Georgia

We Shall Be Free



I admit that I do not have the classic profile of a Garth Brooks fan. 'Fan', might be an overstatement, as it happens. It's more that I have been known to listen to a particular song of his, 'We Shall Be Free', more than once. In another life, I might have been a country singer.

Here are some of the words that members of my family now recite in their sleep:

'When we're free to love anyone we choose, When this world's big enough for all different views, When we all can worship from our own kind of pew, Then we shall be free.'

The New Yorker describes Brooks' 'big-tent idealism' as 'cheesy and vague', which to a lot of Episcopalian clergy is probably a compliment.

I also like Freddy Mercury and Billy Joel and Thomas Tallis, and most of the time it's better not to justify the enigma of musical taste, or as my brothers might say, the lack of it.

The reason why I like Garth Brooks' 'We Shall Be Free' is because it speaks clearly and simply to the faith I have built my life upon: that God's grace draws us into an uncommon communion. To proclaim, 'we shall be free' is to proclaim Christ,

making new all things, transcending and transgressing previously disordered boundary markers. For we are not intended to be people who mark one another out for difference. We are called to a deeper kind of belonging, constituted in God's grace, that draws the common humanity up to the surface and asks us to be honest with one another and to God about the barriers we place in one another's way.

'We shall be free' is also an American song. Freedom is not the philosophical preserve of Americans alone, of course – just speak to the Thai school children who have inspired a generational shift in that country's struggle for freedom. It is, though, a theme that American discourse loves to return to, yoked as it is with justice, clearly demonstrated in Brooks' song.

How, then, do we understand justice in this nation's struggle for freedom? This month, Natosha Reid Rice and I will be in conversation with parishioner and former Acting U.S. Attorney General, Sally Yates, exploring this very question. Sally is the second in this year's *Faith in the City* speaker series, which attempts to help the church be people who answer the call to love, serve, and transform the world via the voices of leaders and thinkers from our city and national life. Sally is a remarkable public voice, and a public servant for Georgia and the nation of whom we are unashamedly proud. Yet, I am even more proud of the capacity of this parish to be



a place of public conversation that sees in others the dignity we proclaim for all people in our baptismal vows. Our country needs articulate and loving Christian witnesses to the freedom God inaugurates in all of us. I would love to hear your insights into how justice and national identity yoke with your Christian faith.

'We shall be free' – a song I won't stop singing anytime soon.

Peace,

For more information about *Faith in the City: Justice and American Identity* please see page 8.

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Top: The Can Drive was a whopping success, with over 1,000 pounds of non-perishable goods collected. Bottom: Children's and Youth Ministries held a socially distanced Moving Up Ceremony, where Zack bestowed some socially distanced blessings!

Grace Notes

Thanks to **Sarah, Fiona, and Brendan Sullivan** for joyfully helping with the Canned Goods collection for The Atlanta Food Bank.

Jeffrey Friedman was the top collector of canned goods by donating 220 pounds, with **Hank and Linda Harris** coming in second place and **Sue Everets** in third place.

Huge gratitude for all the folks that showed up to celebrate our children that are moving up to a new formation group: **Shawnee Smith, Kara Wilkes, Jack Norton, Remy Wilkes, Bailey Sullivan, Darcy Gaynor, Caroline Stanford, Comer Yates, and Hank Harris.**



Thanks to fabulous envelope stuffers!

They got the Annual Canvass mailing out the door:

Marie Louise Muhumuza, Diane Barber, Louise Franklin, Elizabeth Nadal, Winifred Davis, Leila Konas, Lee Walter, Cathy DeLaney, Bill Bedford, Jill Gossett, Don Runnion, Elizabeth Robertson, Anne Wilson, and Gail Rogers.

Thanks to **Pete Todd** for constructing and transporting the photo booth backdrops for the Blessing of the Animals.

Week One

Thursday, October 1

Noonday Prayer
12:05–12:20 p.m., *online*

Young Adults
Compline Prayer
8:00–8:30 p.m., *online*

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Jesus as
a Radical
Revolutionary
8:30–9:30 p.m.,
online

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Sunday, October 4
18 Pentecost

ADULT FORMATION

The MiCAH Project:
Sacred Ground

Spirit Reboot:
Baptismal Practices
for Holy Borderlands

Jesus on the Front Page
Faith and Money Series

9:00–9:55 a.m., *online*

Kanuga Campfire Singalong
7:00–7:30 p.m., *online*

Monday through Thursday,
October 5–8

Noonday Prayer
12:05–12:20 p.m., *online*

Wednesday, October 7

The Journey
with the Rev. Karen Evans
10:00–11:00 a.m., *online*

Jezebels: Women's Book Study
5:00–6:00 p.m., *online*

On Reflection
6:00–6:10 p.m., *online*

Contemplative Prayer
7:00–8:00 p.m., *online*

Three 20th Century Short
Stories about Religion
6:30–7:30 p.m., *online*

Thursday, October 8

Young Adults
Compline Prayer
8:00–8:30 p.m., *online*

Week Two

Sunday, October 11
19 Pentecost

Faith in the City:
Justice and American Identity,
with former U.S. Attorney
General, Sally Yates
9:00–9:55 a.m., *online*

Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:55 a.m., *online*

Virtual Brunch and Bible
11:00 a.m., *online*

Monday through Thursday,
October 12–15

Noonday Prayer
12:05–12:20 p.m., *online*

Wednesday, October 14

The Journey
with the Rev. Karen Evans
10:00–11:00 a.m., *online*

Jezebels: Women's Book Study
5:00–6:00 p.m., *online*

On Reflection
6:00–6:10 p.m., *online*

Contemplative Prayer
7:00–8:00 p.m., *online*

Thursday, October 15

Saints Untapped
7:00–8:00 p.m., *online*

Young Adults
Compline Prayer
8:00–8:30 p.m., *online*

Week Three

Sunday, October 18
20 Pentecost

ADULT FORMATION

The MiCAH Project:
Sacred Ground

A Scaffolding for Life:
the Daily Office

Lost in Wonder, Love and
Praise: Music in the Church

Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:55 a.m., *online*

Monday through Thursday,
October 19–22

Noonday Prayer
12:05–12:20 p.m., *online*

Wednesday, October 21

The Journey
with the Rev. Karen Evans
10:00–11:00 a.m., *online*

Jezebels: Women's Book Study
5:00–6:00 p.m., *online*

On Reflection
6:00–6:10 p.m., *online*

'Tis a Gift to be Simple:
Conversation as Art
6:30–7:30 p.m., *online*

Contemplative Prayer
7:00–8:00 p.m., *online*

Thursday, October 22

Young Adults
Compline Prayer
8:00–8:30 p.m., *online*

Week Four

Sunday, October 25
21 Pentecost

ADULT FORMATION

The MiCAH Project:
Sacred Ground

A Scaffolding for Life:
the Daily Office

Lost in Wonder, Love and
Praise: Music in the Church

Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:55 a.m., *online*

Monday through Thursday,
October 26–29

Noonday Prayer
12:05–12:20 p.m., *online*

Wednesday, October 28

The Journey
with the Rev. Karen Evans
10:00–11:00 a.m., *online*

Jezebels: Women's Book Study
5:00–6:00 p.m., *online*

On Reflection
6:00–6:10 p.m., *online*

'Tis a Gift to be Simple:
Conversation as Art
6:30–7:30 p.m., *online*

Contemplative Prayer
7:00–8:00 p.m., *online*

Thursday, October 29

Young Adults
Compline Prayer
8:00–8:30 p.m., *online*

JOIN THESE YOUNG ADULT ZOOMS IN OCTOBER:

Jesus as a Radical Revolutionary, Thursday, October 1, 8:30 p.m.

Join us for a lively discussion on social justice. This Young Adult fall formation series, held on the first Thursday of each month, invites us to explore topics of revolution, dissent, disruption, and change in society and the church. Follows Compline prayer (8:00 p.m.)

Virtual Brunch and Bible, Sunday, October 11, 11:00 a.m.

Gather 'round our virtual/communal table the second Sunday of each month for a lively bring-your-own-brunch conversation with peers and mentors. You only need a posture of respect and generosity (and a suitable mobile device) to be in the "Zoom Where It Happens" as we explore God's Living Word in scripture and in the unfolding texts of our lives.

sign up at allsaintsatlanta.org/online-adult-formation/

Saints Untapped: Breaking Out, Thursday, October 15, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

See details on page 4!

For more information, contact the Rev. Sarah Stewart at ssewart@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Coming Up

The Journey with the Rev. Karen Evans

See page 6 for details.

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. on Zoom

Walk the Labyrinth at All Saints'

The Diocesan COVID-19 protocols now allow for 'pilgrimage' activities on church campuses. Starting on October 4, we will offer the opportunity for a group of up to 15 parishioners to walk the labyrinth outdoors in the church courtyard. All participants must follow our COVID-19 protocols.

Sundays, beginning October 4
6:00–6:45 p.m., Kennedy Courtyard

To register please visit:

https://form.jotform.com/AllSaints_ATL/labyrinth

For more information, contact Betsey Gibbs at bgibbs@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Kanuga Campfire Singalong

See page 5 for details.

Sunday, October 4, 7:00–7:30 p.m.
on Facebook and Vimeo



Saints Untapped: Breaking Out

Saints Untapped breaks out in October: Join us as we break out of pandemic monotony and experiment with pop-corn-style virtual conversations. You won't want to miss the break out room magic as we mix up the dialogue, with rotating partners and fresh topics!

Thursday, October 15
7:00–8:00 p.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact the Rev. Sarah Stewart at ssewart@allsaintsatlanta.org.

A Scaffolding for Life: the Daily Office

In our rising and in our laying down, daily prayer builds a rhythm for our lives. Especially in a time such as this, where so much of what we have come to rely on has disappeared, discover the treasures available in morning prayer, noon-day prayer, and evening prayer. Experience simple and approachable prayer practices that you can carry with you. With the Rev. Dr. Andrew Barnett and Rebecca Parker.

Sundays, October 18, 25
9:00 a.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Andy Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Micah 6:8

MICAH:

Introduction to Sacred Ground

Would you like to take part in small group conversations about race and our faith journey? The Episcopal Church has created a 10-part curriculum of small-group study, listening, and sharing called *Sacred Ground: A Film-Based Dialogue Series on Race and Faith*. To introduce you to Sacred Ground, the MICAH Project is offering three classes that sample the curriculum's readings and films. Each class will include opportunities for conversation about the material as it relates to race and faith in our lives. With Sarah Hill.

Sundays, October 18, 25
and November 1
9:00 a.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Andy Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Lost in Wonder, Love and Praise: Music in the Church

Join Dr. Kirk Rich for a 3 week exploration of hymns, psalms, and anthems. We will consider the history and theology of some of the great works in our canon, focusing on the relationship between music and meaning. With Dr. Kirk Rich.

Sundays, October 18, 25
and November 1
9:00 a.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Andy Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Tis a Gift to be Simple: Conversation as Art

The latin roots of "conversation" mean literally "to turn with." Imagine the transformation that could happen if we all developed that skill. This gathering develops listening as a spiritual practice and an art form. With Virginia Apperson, Caroline Herring, and the Rev. Martha Sterne.

Wednesdays, October 21, 28,
and November 4
6:30–7:30 p.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Andy Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Sing Around the Campfire with Us!

In honor of our Kanuga Weekend tradition, we invite you to a Campfire Singalong for All the Saints. Join us around your own “campfire” as we sing classics, just as we would at the Friday night gathering during our parish retreat. This is for all ages, all saints, and all your friends and neighbors. Invite someone to join in as we raise our voices in praise and thanksgiving and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!



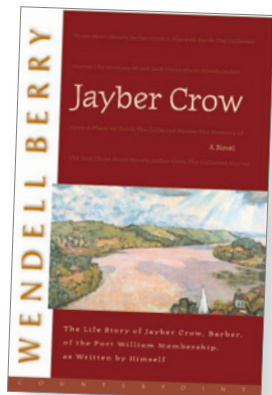
Kanuga Campfire Singalong
Sunday, October 4, 7:00–7:30 p.m.
on Facebook and Vimeo

For more information, contact Kathy Roberts at kr Roberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Coming Up: *continued from page 4*

Novel Theology: *Jayber Crow* by Wendell Berry

In this rich novel, Wendell Berry tells the story of Jayber Crow, orphan and divinity student, who returns home to Port William, Kentucky, after college to live out a quiet bachelorhood as town barber, church sexton, and gravedigger, witnessing the changes in rural Southern life caused by the decline of traditional farming and the rise of agribusiness. A quiet man and a good listener, Jayber recalls the lives of his friends and neighbors, and those he has loved.



Wednesday, October 21
7:00 p.m., on Zoom

Visit allsaintsatlanta.org/novel-theology to register for this Zoom meeting.

Session 3 of Adult Formation begins Sunday October 18 and runs through Wednesday, November 4.

During these three weeks, we invite you to explore the treasures available to us through prayer, as well as the relationship between our church’s music and meaning. We’ll create space for conversations about race and our faith journey, and learn to listen as a spiritual practice and an art form. Please join us for this exciting new session of Adult Formation!

For more information on or to sign up for any of our Adult Formation offerings, please visit allsaintsatlanta.org/online-adult-formation/, contact the Rev. Dr. Andrew Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

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Youth & Children’s Choir Schedules

All-Parish Campfire Sing-Along

Sunday, October 4
 7:00–7:30 p.m.
on Facebook and Vimeo

Zoom in to Choir!

Join us as we meet weekly to sing, learn, and laugh online. All must register at allsaintsatlanta.org/fallregistration

WEDNESDAY REHEARSALS

Wednesday, August 21

Cherub Choir

4:00–4:25 p.m.,
 Pre-K and Kindergarten

Primary Choir

4:30–5:05 p.m., grades 1–2

Junior Choir

5:15–6:00 p.m., grades 3–6

SUNDAY YOUTH REHEARSALS

(Grades 7–12)

Youth Choir

6:00–7:00 p.m., grades 7–12

All rehearsals are on Zoom.

Contact Karol Kimmell, director
karolkimmell@allsaintsatlanta.org



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Every Sunday

Children's Church, 8:00 a.m.
on Facebook and Vimeo

Grow and Club 45

Formation:

9:00 a.m. K–1st grade

9:30 a.m. grades 2–3

10:45 a.m. Club 45

(follows the worship service)
on Zoom

Sunday, October 4

At the Table:
Luke 15:11–35

Sunday, October 11

To the Neighbor:
Mark 2:1–12

Sunday, October 18

For Myself: Mark 12:28–31
and Deuteronomy 6

Sunday, October 25

Along the Way:
Ruth 1:1–22

Sunday, November 1

With the World:
Leviticus 25

For more information
contact Kathy Roberts at
kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Beginning “The Journey”, with the Rev. Karen Evans

The Bible is full of journeys: short, long, searching, moving, fleeing and more.

Things happen on these journeys. Lives are changed; new directions are found. And, through it all “the feeling remains that God is on the journey, too.” ~Teresa of Avila

The Journey is a Bible study exploring the biblical journeys and what they have to say about our own. The first journey is with the Israelites as they travel through the wilderness to the Promised Land.

The Journey with the Rev. Karen Evans
Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. on Zoom

For more information, contact
the Rev. Dr. Andy Barnett at
abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Looking Forward



Concert Series: Songs of Struggle and Hope

Tenor Bradley Howard,
Director of Vocal
Studies at Emory
University, presents
a recital of art songs,
arias, and spirituals with

Director of Music Kirk M. Rich accompanying. Music of Handel, Mozart, Schumann, Grieg, Gounod, and many others.

**Friday, November 13, 7:30 p.m.,
on Facebook and Vimeo**

For more information, contact Dr. Kirk Rich
at krich@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Save the Date: Adult Inquirers' Class

Simon Mainwaring will lead a new session of our Adult Inquirers' class, starting in February.

**Mondays, February 1 through March 22,
6:30–8:00 p.m., on Zoom**

For more information, contact Pat Kiley
at patkiley@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Covenant Community Expands its Reach This Thanksgiving

This year, Covenant Community has pivoted to provide Thanksgiving meals to our former refugee community by preparing and delivering food boxes. This will be a joint effort by Covenant Community, Threads, Refugee Ministries, and Children's Ministries. Please stay tuned for details about how you can support this work.

**Meal deliveries will be made
on Tuesday, November 24**

To volunteer to deliver meals,
or for more information, contact Sharmin Blue
at sblue@covenantatlanta.org.



Covenant Community Thanksgiving
Meal for the Homeless, 2019

Vestry Notes

From the meeting on August, 2020

Michael Gragnani joined the meeting representing the Future of the Block committee. He reported that the parish engagement phase of the effort will be on hold until worship on campus has resumed and sufficient time has passed for parish life on the block to be reestablished. Danny Johnson introduced himself as co-leader of this year's canvass, which will have the theme "Lifting Through Generosity". The HR committee put before the vestry a proposed Sex Offenders Registry Policy for All Saints'. The vestry approved the policy as presented. The church remains in

sound financial position, though pledge payments were down slightly in July. Tenancy was ended this month for the Goodfella's restaurant and adjacent cigar bar. Senior Warden Todd Silliman reported that initial building repairs are planned to address settling issues. Simon Mainwaring updated the vestry on the development of a steering committee for Racial Justice and Healing. Following a closing prayer, the meeting was adjourned.

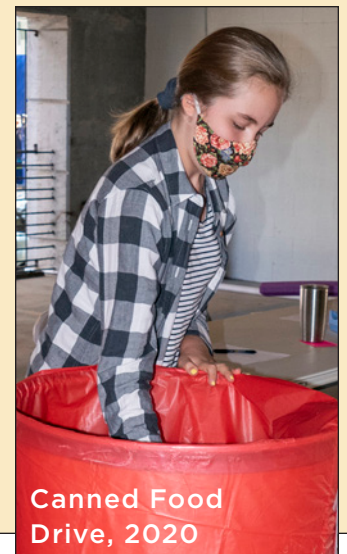
All vestry meetings are open to all. Please check our online calendar for our next meeting.

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*Sundays,
October 4, 11, 18, 25
online*

*For more information
on how to join classes
contact Joel Smith at
jsmith@allsaintsatlanta.org.*



Transitions

Transfers In

Anna Shuford from St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Atlanta Webb, Betsy, Owen and Harrison Armentrout from The Cathedral of St. Philip in Atlanta, St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Atlanta, Church of the Epiphany in Atlanta, and Church of the Redeemer in Baltimore, Maryland

Josh King from St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Greenville, South Carolina

Transfers Out

Jim and Laura King to St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Washington D.C.

Deaths

Walter Evans Smith

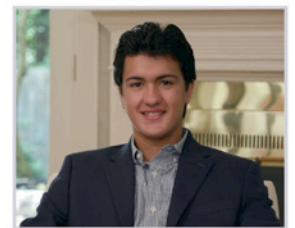
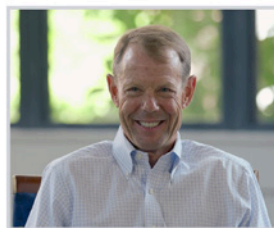
The Annual Canvass is underway.

Please make your pledge today. Mail in your pledge card or make your pledge online at allsaintsatlanta.org/giving/.

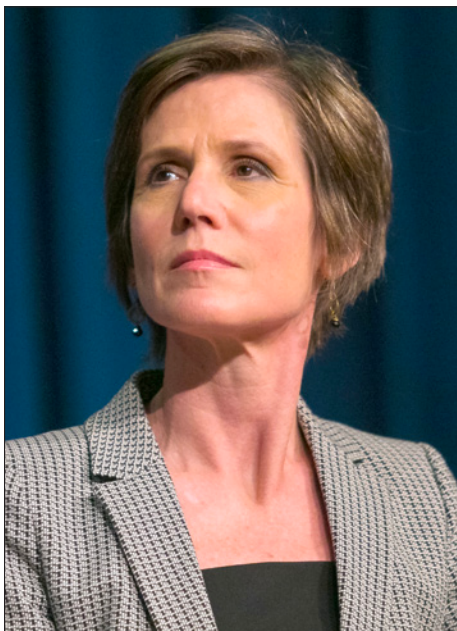
Pledges received by October 25 will be listed in the November 1 bulletin for All Saints' Day.

Thank you!

*Danny and Louisa Johnson,
Canvass 2021 Chairs,
louisa.dan@gmail.com*



*Lifting Through Generosity
Annual Canvass 2021*



Justice and American Identity

Join Revs. Simon Mainwaring and Natosha Reid Rice in conversation with parishioner and former U.S. Acting Attorney General, Sally Yates, as they explore the theme of 'Justice and American Identity'. Sally served for three decades at the Department of Justice, here in Atlanta and in Washington,

with civil rights, criminal justice and prison reform measures among her many achievements. Sally currently co-chairs the Council on Criminal Justice, is a board member at the

Ethics Research Center and is Partner for Special Matters and Government Investigations at King and Spalding.



Our *Faith in the City* speaker series seeks to deepen understanding of issues, widen appreciation of differing perspectives, and inspire lives of faithfulness in the public square. The series is led by our rector, the Rev. Dr. Simon Mainwaring, working in partnership with the Rev. Natosha Reid Rice, All Saints' Minister for Public Life.

Each part of the series will examine an issue that has significance in the city of Atlanta as we seek to understand the city as the context for our lives of faith, and how our faith might inform our role within it.

***Faith in the City: Justice and American Identity
with Sally Yates, former U.S. Acting Attorney General
Sunday, October 11, 9:00 a.m., Facebook and Vimeo (Live)***
For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring
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