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The Tentmaker

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Daphne, Alabama

February 25, 2015

A Message from Thack

The Forty-Fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast is now history. St. Paul's was well represented at the Convention by your delegates, Bill Harrison, Kit Caffey, Jane Shoultz, Donna Brown, and Terri McMillan. Mary Alice and I were there as your clergy delegates. We were also pleased to include in our delegation Ms. Chase Jackson. Chase was one of two young ladies from the Diocese who were part of the "Youth Presence" at the Convention.

The annual gathering of the people and clergy of the Diocese was a good time to reconnect and have great fellowship with friends from throughout the Diocese. It was also a time to attend to the business of the Diocese such as passing the 2015 budget, the election of new Standing Committee members and the appointment of new people to serve on Diocesan Commissions and Agencies. The Convention also passed some resolutions calling on the Governors of the States of Alabama and Florida, the respective States Attorney Generals, Commissioners of the Departments of Corrections, and legislative leaders, to end abuse of prison inmates, reform our prisons and institute measures to improve the living conditions of the inmates.

However, the most important work of the Convention was the election of the Fourth Bishop of the Diocese. The Rev. James Russell Kendrick, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Birmingham, Alabama was elected to become the next bishop of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. Russell was born and raised in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida and attended St. Simon's On-The-Sound Episcopal Church there. He attended Auburn University and studied architecture. He was an architect in the Ft. Walton Beach area when he received the call to become a priest. Russell received his theological education at Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia and was in the class immediately ahead of mine. Since his ordination to the priesthood, Russell has served as the Curate of Holy Nativity Episcopal Church in Dothan, Alabama, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Newnan, Georgia and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Birmingham. Russell is married to the former Robin Rhodes and they have two children.

Russell's election will be a blessing to the Diocese. He's an enthusiastic leader who will bring different and creative skill sets to the office of bishop. I've known Russell and Robin for over twenty years and believe his call is the right one for the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast at this time in our history.

Peace, Thack

St. Paul's Convention delegates and their spouses at the Convention Gala.



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The Rev. Thack H. Dyson, *Rector*
The Rev. Mary Alice Mathison, *Curate*
Paul Anderson, *Music Ministry*

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*We worship together as we seek God, serve God,
and share God with love and acceptance for all.*

Congratulations Chase Jackson!

Our own Chase Jackson, a Junior at Spanish Fort High School and the oldest child of Wendi and Jim Jackson, represented the youth of our Diocese at the Diocesan Convention as a member of the "Youth Presence." Chase was one of five young people from around the Diocese who comprised the Youth Presence. The Youth Presence served as youth ambassadors to the Convention. As youth ambassadors, they had seat and voice in the councils of the Convention, promoted youth ministry by disseminating information to the Convention delegates about Diocesan youth events like "Happening," and performed liturgical roles as lectors during the various services. Chase was the lector for the Friday morning Eucharist and was a superb reader! She has since volunteered to become a lector at the 8:00 a.m. Sunday service. Congratulations are in order for Chase for a job well done! Thack



*Chase Jackson as a member of the Youth Presence working at the Diocesan Convention.
Also pictured is Jen Manning, youth director at St. James' Episcopal Church, Fairhope, Alabama.*

BINGO and SPAGHETTI —

BOY ARE WE BACK!! Our first Spaghetti/Bingo for 2015 was amazing! We filled all the tables, and had to put up more. We had lots of new folks join us. We welcome new folks any time - Parishioners and Non. We hope that those of you in the St. Paul's family will continue to support this fun way of raising money to pay for our beautiful Life Center. The spaghetti is outstanding and the Bingo is loads of fun. Come join us! Your friends are there - you should be too!!

Our next Spaghetti/Bingo is Friday, February 27, 2015. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. and the cost is \$5 for Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Drink, and Desert. Bingo starts at 6:30. Cards for 11 games are \$20 - play them all, or share with your family or friend! Free child care is provided for the younger children, older children are welcome to play! Hope to see you there! Remember, all proceeds go to help pay for our beautiful Life Center.

Prayer Requests

Immediate prayer requests:

Alice Bruza, Ronald Bruza, Maggie Dinsmore, Inman Ellis, Laurie Fuller, Juleigh Green, Payton Hazard, Julia Hellegers, HGloria Hudson, Earline Jordan, George Jordan, Olen Lambert, Jean Lathan, Judith Macoit, Bill and Sarah Mason, Ginger Miller, James Mitchell, Tracie Morrow-Knight, Jean Palmer, Terry and Mary Patrick, Suzanne Pecot, Heather Sharp, Cliff Stickney, Ken Swearingen, Dave Wagner, Joan Wood

Ongoing prayer requests:

Marie Baggett Nell Davis, Beverly Barney, Mary Katherine Bohannon, Sally Boom, Shirley Brasher, Amiel Brinkley, Dawn Cort, Corky Ellard, Cathy Girgen, David Hall, Robin Harris, Trevor Hawkes, Vernon and Eileen Head, Anne Henley, Lois Hollingsworth, Alice Grey Houston, Anna Irvine, Vickie Jackson, Carol Keeney, Ann Kenney, Rob Leake, Joe and Donna Och, Al Rawls, Marcia Rydin, Peggy Shilston, Linda Smith, Phyllis Springen, Steven Stack, Jed Steber, Sally Stokely, Bruce Thomason, Albert Thompson, Sally Thornton, Bill Waid, Jim Walker, Jane Watkins, John and Darryl Williams, Mary Lou Williams, Deb Wilson, Bob and Caroline Yearty

For the departed: Samuel Lee Roy Copeland

For those serving in the military:

Adam Blackwell, Owen Neal Bradley, Matthew Cheatham, Sam D'Addio, Michael Duchesne, Christopher Dukarm, Chris and Diana Evans, Landis Fouts, Deron Frailie, George Garner, Steven Grey, Matthew Harris, Rusty Henry, Daniel James, Matt Jones, Daniel Lessard, David McMillan, Kyle McSpadden, Patrick Mong, Bryan Quinn, Neil Quinn, Justin P. Ramsey, Derek Siegel, David & Elsa Stallings, Tim Tucker, Andy Tuttle, James Wallin

March 1-31

(01) David Johnson, Jessica James, (02) Nancy Dziubakowski, Heidi Lemon, Brittany Norman, (03) Kathy Moore, Mary Lister, (04) Jane Kant, Phyllis Bruce, Boyd Turnipseed, Philip Dobbins, (06) Erica McDonald, (07) Hoot Gibson, Meredith Portman, Mackenzie Nolte, (08) Airrior Norwood, Brenda Kasch, Matt Lovitt, (09) David Owens, (10) Tara Smith, (11) Shirley Hirs, Judy Williams, Robin Lambuth, Sophia Rains, (12) Eleanor Reeves, Jenna Meshejian, Julianna Rains, (13) Alyson Jackson, Emily Lyons, Ethan Lyons, (14) Patrick Mong, (15) Freda McDonald, Valerie Conner, Mason Howard, William Nicolson, (16) Bruce Thomason, Tootsie Bryant, Kim Nolte, Daniel Reeves, AnnMarie Turpen, Dusty DeNeefe, Julia Johnson, (18) Avos Stickney, Janet Penry, (19) Jean Lathan, Bill Carr, Barry Gaston, Stephanie Sandefur, Virginia Harris, Samantha Davis, (20) Gaye Wilson, (21) Mary Thompson, Borden Morrow, Jackson Chamberlain, (22) Joseph Cox, (23) Eric Brueggemann, (24) Eileen Head, Jim Gulledge, (25) Jean Palmer, Jack Taylor, (27) Tracie Knight, Graham Robertson, David Taylor, (29) Jon Morgan, Mickie Baria, Ack Moore, Jr., (30) Susan Pittman, (31) Susan Hurst, Gary Lathan, Karen Thomason

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

I need volunteers to rotate Children's Sunday School with me. The children show up shortly after 9:00 a.m. and lasts about one hour. I will have everything that you need prepared for you! If you are can help please call Elizabeth Faust at 251-404-0537 or email at ea.fst@hotmail.com.

AAJ—All About Jesus

AAJ will meet on March 8th, from NOON until 2:00 pm. We will meet in the underground for fellowship and we will make Matzos for our upcoming Seder Supper and enjoy lunch together! Please contact Elizabeth Faust at 251-404-0537 or email ea.fst@hotmail.com for more information.



The AAJs met on February 1st for pizza and fellowship and to create over 80 Valentine's Day cards for residents of the Brennity Senior Living facility in Daphne. Several AAJs then distributed the cards at the facility where they were warmly received.

AAJs group photo - left to right - Alexandra Brousseau, Clayton McGirl, Emily McGirl, Katie Raulerson from Brennity and Brianna Portman.

MARCH CURSILLO

Cursillo #154 will be held at Beckwith on March 12-15. Scott Thompson of St. James in Fairhope will serve as lay rector.

So what is Cursillo? Cursillo is a three-day weekend that introduces people to simple methods for nurturing and growing their relationships with Christ. It provides an experience of living in a Christian community centered in worship, prayer, study of scripture and interaction with other Christians. Its mission is to build up our parish churches by encouraging and empowering its members to prepare for doing the work of the church—the spreading of the Gospel.

If you are interested in attending, contact Thack or Elizabeth Ray. Pilgrim applications are available at coastalpilgrims.com or from Liz at elizabethray@bellsouth.net.



Preschool Registration

St. Paul's Episcopal Preschool is enrolling for the 2015/2016 school year! Registration for currently enrolled students and church members is during the month of February, but open enrollment to the community begins on March 1st. Spaces fill up very quickly now that we offer Extended Day hours! Our core program is from 9 am—1pm with engaging age appropriate curriculum. Our Extended Day Program offers before-care from 7-9 am and our after-care is from 1-5:30 pm. Please contact Mary Haulard, Preschool Director, at 626-2774 for more information.

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If you haven't looked at our website lately please check it out— www.stpaulseasternshore.com. It is updated almost every day. *This Week at St. Paul's* on the homepage will give you a listing of current events and activities. Also available on the site are Sunday Sermons both in text format and audio, Tentmaker, The Server's Schedules under THOSE WHO SERVE, Monthly Calendars, Family Information Forms, Facility Use Forms, and a link where you will be able to use your Visa or American Express cards for on-line giving, a gallery of pictures of parish events—just about everything you need. Take a little time to look it over.

Saints Honor Roll

To the glory of God...

In thanksgiving for the birth of Henry Wyatt Croley,
by Columbus Posey

With thanksgiving to the following for their labors setting up and taking down the vendor booths for our first "Southern Antiques Show" at Saint Paul's Life Center.

Howard Wilson, Chris Dedrickson, Ken McNamara, Tim Opt Holt, Darryl Bryant, Michael Odom, Dian and Vince Currie, Dave Hale, Bill Harrison, Lance Monley, Tom Walker,

Barry and Amy Taylor, their son Ford and daughter Madison, Michael Taylor and his sons, Jack and David, Lea Verneuille, Matt Cassity, Alan Hendrickson, Sloan Sandefur.

by Grateful Parishioners

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Family Information Form for Parish Directory

(Please print clearly and fill out one form for each Family Member)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ M or F _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Physical Address (If different than Mailing Address) _____
 Telephone Numbers: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Office: _____
 Email address: _____
 Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Anniversary: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Family Position: (circle one) Head Spouse Child Other
 Membership Status: (circle one) Member of St. Paul's Regularly Attend Visitor

Please circle all of your current ministries:

- Acolyte
- Altar Guild
- Anglican Studies/Inquirer's Class
- Bible on Tap
- Bingo Committee
- Breakfast Team
- Brotherhood of St. Andrew
- Chalice Bearer
- Children's Chapel
- Choir
- Church Staff
- Clergy
- Cooking Ministry
- Cursillo
- Donut Deacon
- EFM
- Emergency Preparedness
- Exceptional Foundation
- Family Promise
- Finance Committee
- Flower Guild
- Garden of the Resurrection
- Great Wednesday
- Greeter
- Grounds Up-keep
- Heaven & Health
- Jr. High Youth
- Lay Eucharistic Visitor
- Lector
- Men's Tuesday Bible Study
- Mid Life Christer's, NEWSONG
- Nursery Workers
- Parish Nursing
- Prayer Team
- Preschool
- Primetimers
- SEAL(to 5th Grade)
- SPAM (3rd-6th grade)
- Sr. High Youth
- St. Matthew's Guild
- Stephen Ministry
- Sunday Coffee Crew
- Sunday School @ 9:15 a.m.
- Supper Club
- Taize Prayer Team
- Usher
- VBS Volunteer
- Verger
- Vestry
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- Other: _____

[NEW Church Directory now available.](#)

The new Church Directory is now available via our website and your smart phone.

If you visit the website, www.stpaulseasternshore.com, look in the left hand corner of the screen where it says CONTACT INFORMATION, you will see the word directory, it is right above the **Thrift Shop** telephone number. This is the link that will take you to the directory. You will need a password to open the directory, so if you will email me or call the office, 626-2421, I will give you the password. This is to protect the information from being accessed outside of our congregation. The directory is in a PDF format and can be viewed and/or printed.

The directory will take a minute to open then it will display a picture of the church. You will have to scroll down to see the entire directory. It **does not** work by clicking on the pictures. You can also view the directory from your iPhone, iPad, Android or Kindle Fire by downloading the free Instant Church Directory Members App. You will need to search for "Instant Church Directory" in the Apple App Store, Google Play, or Amazon App Store, or use this link: <http://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/app> When you have the app on your phone you will have to type in your email address. Once they receive your email address Instant Church Directory will email you a password to type in on your phone. The directory will then be available for you to view.

All of the information in the new directory came from the information sheets that each of you filled out for this project. The photographs were also taken here at the church. If you had your picture taken and did not fill out a form, it will be missing information. If you turned in a form, but did not take a picture, your picture will be unavailable. In either case, **OR** *if you are new to our parish*, please email a picture to me and fill out a *directory information form* for each member of your family. *Pictures must be of individuals*, not a group photo. The Directory Information Form is available on page 9 of the Tentmaker or on our website at www.stpaulseasternshore.com under **FORMS**.

If you are not in the directory, please submit an information form and email me your picture. My email address is terriannmcmillan@aol.com The pictures have to be emailed to me in a JPG format. Be sure to include your name with the photo.

Please keep in mind that this is an ongoing project. I will continue to make changes on a daily basis. It is impossible for me to keep this directory up-to-date without your help. Please keep me informed of any changes to your directory information.

I would like to thank Dave Hale for helping me make this wonderful directory available to you online. I would also like to thank Michael Quinn, Bill Cody, and Dave Hale for the beautiful pictures they took of each of you. Great job!!!!

Thank you,
Terri McMillan

[Wednesday Morning Bible Study](#)

Wednesday Morning Bible Study has a new theme for Lent. During this season of reflection we will have a six-session study on prayer. Please join us as we walk through Lent together while exploring various forms of prayer such as the Anglican rosary, Coloring in Prayer, poetry, lectio divina, journaling, and centering prayer, (just to name a few) and growing in God's love. We meet at 10:00 am in the library. Please contact the Rev. Mary Alice Mathison at maryalice.mathison@gmail.com with questions.

[Youth News](#)

A special thanks to all those that came out to the Pancake Supper, it was a wonderful time of fellowship as we prepared for the season of Lent.

Also, the youth have been working hard to fundraise for their Mission Trip to Kentucky. We will be heading to Irvine, Kentucky, June 21-June 27 to work with the Episcopal Appalachian Ministries. We thank you for the contributions made during the Antique Show, Valentines Babysitting, and Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, and we thank you for your continued support and prayers. If you have youth who will be going into 6th grade through graduating seniors from high school who are interested in participating in the mission trip please contact the Rev. Mary Alice Mathison at maryalice.mathison@gmail.com.

[March](#)

3/1: JR 4:30-6:00, SR 5:30-7:00

3/7: Holy Hike. Meet at St. Paul's at 9:00am

3/8: JR 4:30-6:00, SR 5:30-7:00

3/15: JR 4:30-6:00, SR 5:30-7:00

3/22: JR 4:30-6:00, SR 5:30-7:00

3/29: Youth Stations of the Cross, 5:00-7:00pm

*Service Opportunity TBA

[April](#)

4/5: Easter, NO EYC

4/12: JR 4:30-6:00, SR 5:30-7:00

4/19: Youth Car Wash Fundraiser.

4/26: Spring Picnic

A Seder invitation to families:

Since Holy Week is NOT spring break this year, families will be around. Please consider bringing your family to the St. Paul's family gathering on Tuesday evening of Holy Week at 6:00 p.m. in Malone Hall, as we celebrate our annual Seder. In the Jewish home, the Seder is one way to share the Passover history with the whole family, and especially the kids. Bring your family and relive this story of emancipation into freedom. The Seder has a real resonance for us Christians as we prepare to celebrate our "Passover" at Easter.

Music for Lent: You may notice the biggest changes in our worship and music take place during this penitential season of Lent. The color is purple, the colorful flowers are replaced by greens. The hymns tend to be more reflective, inviting us to search inside ourselves to answer questions of our being and the meaning of our lives. Alleluia is gone, the Glory to God is gone, our Sanctus and Fraction Anthem for Lent are the most sparse setting we know, David Hurd's *New plainsong* setting. We replace our "usual" Presentation Hymn - Praise God from whom all blessings flow-with a doxology from one of our Lenten hymns - The glory of these forty days.

We began last Wednesday by being marked with ashes on our foreheads. Last Sunday, we chanted the immense Great Litany. It IS immense, and it's quite sobering, as the procession weaves around and around the congregation as we are praying for all peoples and all conditions of peoples and for our planet Earth.

For centuries, the Church has [unofficially] celebrated Mardi Gras, not just as a way of using up certain foods, but also of using up some of our mirth in order to clear our mental and spiritual computers - to make room for meditation and reflection.

Last Sunday the choir sang "Into the woods my Master went" and "Jesus walked this lonesome valley".

Next Sunday, March 1st, we shall sing the Trisagion as the Hymn of Praise. We use a Russian musical setting, after Alexander Archangelsky. What a great last name for a composer- Archangel! The choir sings David Stocker's setting of John Donne's marvelous poem, "Wilt thou forgive". **I invite you, in your quiet time before worship begins, to open the Hymnal to #140 and reflect on the anthem's words.**

On Sunday, March 8, Lent 3, I shall play as a prelude Ralph Vaughan Williams' beautiful setting of the hymn text "My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me". The choir will sing Henry Purcell's elegant and sparse setting of one of the sentences for the funeral service, "Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts".

You have another opportunity for a quiet hour of communal prayer as we offer Lenten Taize Prayer on Thursday, March 19, at 7:00 p.m. in our narthex, which makes a fine chapel for these services of prayer, scripture and song under candlelight.

Then, on Monday, March 30, join us in the narthex again, for Holy Week Taize Prayer coupled with Holy Eucharist. This service is at 6 p.m.!

Last Sunday afternoon, the choir went up to Westminster Village and shared several favorite anthems and narrations with the Westminster family. I said to the choir that it felt like going into someone's living room and sharing some familiar music with friends.

Blessings for a rich and fruitful Lenten journey.

Paul

HEARYE, HEARYE!!!

The LENTEN LUNCHES HAVE BEGUN!

Cooking Ministry is hosting them with soup, salad & dessert (those cookies).

Hope you can join us for a delightful interlude in your week.

We have fun preparing lunch for you and love the fellowship.

Don't forget the proceeds go to the Life Center Building Fund.

Same price (\$8.00)

Same time (after the healing service—about 1:00 pm).

See you there.

♥ *Cooking Ministry*

ST. PAUL'S SERVICES:**Sunday Worship**

Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:00 am

Christian Education
(Life Center and Malone Hall)
For Children and Adults
9:15 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:30 am

Wednesday Worship

Holy Eucharist, Rite I
7:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
with Healing Service
Wednesday
12:00 pm (Noon)

3rd Thursday

of each month
Taize Prayer
(Narthex)
7:00 pm

BIBLE STUDIES**Tuesday**

Men's Bible Study
(Malone Hall)
7:00 am

Wednesday

Morning Bible Study
(Library)
10:00 am

Great Wednesday
(Malone Hall)
6:00 pm
Potluck Supper and Study

VESTRY AND OFFICERS

**Term Ending
December 31, 2015**

Darryl Bryant
Matt Cassity
Kathy Mallory
Bruce Thomason
Taylor Haulard,
Youth Representative

December 31, 2016

Bill Harrison
Columbus Posey
Michael Turnipseed
Gaye Wilson, Sr. Warden

December 31, 2017

Donna Brown
Nancy Dziubakowski
Tim Michael
Howard Wilson,
Jr. Warden

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Martha Lathan,
Clerk of the Vestry
Airrior Norwood,
Treasurer