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Letter from the New Rector:

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. (BCP, p. 265)



Dear Saints,

This month, the season of Epiphany ends and Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on the 22nd of February. It's a time when we ask the Holy Spirit to shine His light into our hearts to help us examine the state of our souls. For me, the image of the soul as a garden is a good one to carry into the season of Lent. Gardens are places of beauty and peace which are the result of patient, careful and often hard work. Through a variety of tasks that are lovingly and consistently applied, gardens can become fertile and fruitful. Our lives are to be fruitful testimonies to the grace and power of God's love at work both in us and through us. While we receive this freely through faith in Jesus, we are also called to "*work out our salvation with fear and trembling, because is God who works in us to will and to act according to His good purpose.*" (Philippians 2:12-13). Therefore, in loving and grateful response to God's gift of salvation, we are called to a life of discipleship and discipline. Lent provides us the perfect opportunity to grow in our understanding and application of the many disciplines which have borne fruit in the lives of the saints over the centuries.

What is needed will be different from person to person, and from season to season in our lives.

- Some will need to work the soil of their gardens – removing the obstacles that keep them from receiving the seed of God's word so that they can grow in God's grace.
- Others will be ready for planting the seeds God's word in their hearts by reading and studying the Bible.
- Others may find what is needed is some weeding – the weeds of bitterness, unforgiveness, or possibly unhealthy patterns and habits have found their way into the gardens of our souls. These are removed through repentance, fasting or self-denial.
- Still others may find that what is needed is a season of rest. Some have allowed themselves to be too busy, even in their devotions. They have simply been working too hard "doing" and need to focus more on "being." This may be a time for resting in God's presence and listening to His voice. *(continued on next page)*

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(Letter from the New Rector continued) This Lent, prayerfully ask God to show you how He would have you use this season. What are the disciplines He is calling you to explore? What is He perhaps calling you to set aside for a time? Let this season be one where you offer up the garden of your soul to the One who made you and loves you. He will be faithful in giving you all that you need.

*Happy gardening!
Mtr. Travis+*



GIVING THANKS AND SHARING A MEAL

As God begins to grow our congregation, it is important that we stay connected with one another and provide our new members with the opportunity to form relationships beyond Sunday morning worship. That is why the vestry has decided to have a **potluck lunch on the third Sunday of each month, following our worship service.** I would also like to use this time to bring back something that many of you have asked about – the **thank offering.** At each monthly potluck meal, we will have the opportunity for sharing our thanksgiving for God's power and grace at work in our lives. The offerings that are made will be giving to a different outreach or mission effort each month.



In February, the thank offerings will go to help support Lori Jackson, daughter of Cheryl Jackson. Lori is a missionary in the Ukraine through *Most High Ministries* here in Tallahassee (www.mosthighministries.com). Her work is with youth through *Radooga*, a camp and conference organization that exists to help build the church in Ukraine. So on **February 19th**, please bring a dish to share and plan on staying for a meal with your brothers and sisters at All Saints. Also, plan to take the opportunity to share your thanksgiving and your gift to God's work through Lori in the Ukraine.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

27 –Sean Buchanan
28- Jody Glenn



God's Valentine Gift

God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't candy, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man,
So He could freely give
His sacrificial love for us,
So you and I could live.

He gave us sweet salvation, and
Instruction, good and true--
To love our friends and enemies
And love our Savior, too.

So as we give our Valentines,
Let's thank our Lord and King;
The reason we have love to give
Is that He gave everything.

By Joanna Fuchs

BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF DUST AND ASHES

- "That same day a Benjamite ran from the battle line and went to Shiloh, his clothes torn and dust on his head." (1 Samuel 4:12)
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BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF DUST AND ASHES (continued)

- "On the third day a man arrived from Saul's camp, with his clothes torn and with dust on his head. When he came to David, he fell to the ground to pay him honor." (2 Samuel 1:20)

- "Tamar put ashes on her head and tore the ornamented robe she was wearing. She put her hand on her head and went away, weeping aloud as she went." (2 Samuel 13:19)
- "When David arrived at the summit, where people used to worship God, Hushai the Arkite was there to meet him, his robe torn and dust on his head." (2 Samuel 15:32)

Adapted from James Akin

CHURCH DIRECTORY: HELP!

BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE ALL SAINTS DIRECTORY. Kudos to all of you who have already done so. Aaron McNeece will be taking pictures on (Jan. 29), Feb. 12, 19, and 26.

If you have not received a request to update your directory, please fill out a directory form found on the information table in the reception area.

Upon completion, a directory will be e-mailed to you and copies will be available for those of you who do not use email. It WILL NOT be placed on the website

FEBRUARY AT THE CENTER

The Center for Biblical Studies invites you to come, learn, and experience love during February. Register for the following classes at centerforbiblicalstudies.org.

THE SPOKEN BLESSING: AN APPROACH TO LIFE; A RESPONSE TO GOD

Instructor: Ann Gleaton, B.A.

This five-week study is designed for Sunday School teachers, homeschoolers, and Christ-centered classrooms. Its principles fit every relationship and are applicable in the home, public classroom, and workplace. Join us to learn how to use the Spoken Blessing effectively. Children are welcome if under their parent's care.

Date: Five Tuesdays, February 14 - March 13

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$49 for personal growth; \$95 for 1 semester credit; \$10 materials fee.

Text: Your Bible, *The Spoken Blessing: A Spiritual Posture*, by Ann Gleaton (ISBN: 1933148969)

THE WOMEN OF ACTS (Seminar)

Instructor: Judith Warren Hawkins, M.S., J.D.

The Book of Acts reveals the intimate, intentional, inspiring involvement of women during the growth of the Early Christian church.

Date: Saturday, February 18

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Cost: 12.50 for personal growth; \$25 for .25 semester credit

Text: Your bible and a notebook

THE BOOKS OF I AND II PETER

Instructor: Margaret Swinger, M.A.

In his letters, Peter blended five different themes: 1) Christians can expect suffering as a natural part of a dedicated life to Christ, 2) Christians to live righteous and holy lives, 3) No matter how much suffering they experienced in Asia Minor, they did not deserve it, 4) Christians are to submit themselves to others for the sake of the gospel, and 5) Jesus endured the agony of the cross to save mankind from the bondage of sin.

Date: Five Tuesdays, February 21 - March 20

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$49 for personal growth; \$95 for 1 semester credit

Text: Your bible and a notebook

REMOVING ROADBLOCKS TO YOUR IDENTITY AND PURPOSE IN CHRIST (Seminar)

Instructors: Jim and Pat Banks, House of Healing Ministries

This seminar will be geared toward re-establishing personal identity, clearing the way for each individual to see who God made them to be so they can fully embrace their earthly assignment and reason for being here. It will involve a combination of removing elements of trauma that targeted identity and purpose; healing and developing the human spirit where the real blueprint for personal identity resides; and specific teaching and interactive exercises to identify and develop personal identity.

Date: Saturday, February 11

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$12.50 for personal growth; \$25 for .25 semester credit

Text: Bring your Bible, a notebook, and several pens for copious note taking

ABCs OF CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT (Seminar)

Instructor: Doug Apple

How can we strengthen traits that honor the King of Kings? What can we learn that will help us walk in humility, speak with grace; honor others; and honor God with our bodies, souls and spirits? How can we make better decisions for our individual lives, workplaces and ministries? How can we help others do the same? This seminar will be Biblically based and will be presented in strong and practical ways as we raise the standard of the high calling of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Date: Saturday, February 18

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$12.50 for personal growth; \$25 for .25 semester credit

Text: Bring your Bible

LENTEN READING SCHEDULE FOR 2012

To help with your Lenten discipline, we offer this Lenten Reading Schedule which will guide you through the Gospels and New Testament during the 40 days of Lent. May God bless you richly this Lenten season as you draw closer to Him in His Word, through prayer, and through the other spiritual disciplines. May they help you prepare your heart for the joy of Easter.

Date	#	First Reading	Second Reading
2/22	1	Matthew 1-5	Romans 1-3
2/23	2	Matthew 6-8	Romans 4-7
2/24	3	Matthew 9-11	Romans 8-9
2/25	4	Matthew 12-14	Romans 10-12
2/26	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
2/27	5	Matthew 15-17	Romans 13-16*
2/28	6	Matthew 18-20	I Cor. 1-4
2/29	7	Matthew 21-23	I Cor. 5-7
3/1	8	Matthew 24-26	I Cor. 8-12
3/2	9	Matthew 27-28	I Cor. 13-16
3/3	10	Mark 1-3	II Cor. 1-4
3/4	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
3/5	11	Mark 4-6	II Cor. 5-8
3/6	12	Mark 7-9	II Cor. 9-12
3/7	13	Mark 10-12	II Cor. 13 – Gal. 3
3/8	14	Mark 13-16*	Gal. 4-6
3/9	15	Luke 1-2	Eph. 1-3
3/10	16	Luke 3-5	Eph. 4-6
3/11	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
3/12	17	Luke 6	Phil. 1-3
3/13	18	Luke 8-9	Phil. 4- Col. 1
3/14	19	Luke 10-11	Col. 2-4
3/15	20	Luke 12-13	I Thess. 1-5
3/16	21	Luke 14-17	II Thess. 1- I Tim. 1

Date	#	First Reading	Second Reading
3/17	20	22 Luke 18	I Tim. 2-6
3/18	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
3/19	23	Luke 21-22	II Tim.
3/20	24	Luke 23-24	Titus - Philemon
3/21	25	John 1-3	Heb. 1-4
3/22	26	John 4-6*	Heb. 5-8
3/23	27	John 7-8	Heb. 9-10
3/24	28	John 9-11	Heb. 11-13
3/25	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
3/26	29	John 12-13	Jas. 1-4
3/27	30	John 14-17	Jas. 5- I Pet. 2
3/28	31	John 18-21*	I Pet. 3-5
3/29	32	Acts 1-3	II Peter
3/30	33	Acts 4-5	I John 1-3
3/31	34	Acts 6-8	I John 4- II John
4/1	Sunday (no Lenten readings)		
4/2	35	Acts 9-10	III John thru Rev 2*
4/3	36	Acts 11-13	Rev. 3-7
4/4	37	Acts 14-16	Rev. 8-12
4/5	38	Acts 17-19	Rev. 13-17
4/6	39	Acts 20-22	Rev. 18-22*
4/7	40	Acts 23-28** (only reading of the day)	
4/8	Easter Sunday -- <i>Alleluia. Christ is risen The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.</i>		

The * indicates that a reading is slightly longer than average. In the case of Acts 23-28 it is substantially longer than average but also the only reading of day 40.



Fr. Gil's Retirement Dinner



**NEWS FROM THE WORLD-WIDE
ANGLICAN COMMUNION**

**A PASTORAL LETTER FROM
ARCHBISHOP DUNCAN**

[Editor's note: During the past month there has been an unfortunate crisis and much confusion in the Anglican Mission in America. Here is a helpful, insightful, and encouraging update from our beloved archbishop, Robert Duncan (source: anglicanchurch.net)]

“Recent events within the Anglican Mission in the Americas have challenged us all. The vision, however, that governs our fledgling Province remains unchanged: a Biblical, missionary and united Anglicanism in North America.”



20th December, A.D. 2011
Eve of St. Thomas the Apostle

**TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE ANGLICAN
CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA:**

Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Recent events within the Anglican Mission in the Americas have challenged us all. This letter is a brief report to you all about those events and about our efforts to find a path forward. The present reality is brokenness. The vision, however, that governs our fledgling Province remains unchanged: a Biblical, missionary and united Anglicanism in North America.

The resignation of nine Anglican Mission bishops, including the Bishop Chairman, from the House of Bishops of Rwanda, changed relationships with Rwanda, with fellow bishops and with the Anglican Church in North America. The resigned bishops lost their status in our College of Bishops as a result of their resignation from Rwanda. The Anglican Mission also lost its status as a Ministry Partner, since that status had been predicated on AMiA's relationship with Rwanda. In addition, confusion and hurt has been created in Rwanda and in North America, and there is much serious work ahead of us.

Representatives of the Anglican Church in North America and of the Pawleys Island leadership met today in Pittsburgh. For the Anglican Church in North

America the starting point was the importance of our Provincial relationship with the Province of Rwanda (a sister GAFCON Province) and with His Grace Archbishop Onesphore Rwaje, of our relationship with the North American Bishops Terrell Glenn and Thad Barnum and all the clergy licensed in Rwanda, and of our relationship to those represented by the Pawleys Island group with whom we were meeting. We, as the Anglican Church in North America, have been deeply connected to all three, and we can only move forward when issues and relationships have been adequately addressed and necessary transitions are in progress.

The agreement from today's meeting in Pittsburgh was that the Anglican Church in North America is prepared to enter into a process by which our relationship with those who will rally to the Pawleys' vision and leadership (Anglican Mission in the Americas, Inc.) might be restored to a status like the one existing before the Ministry Partner decision of 2010. All those at the meeting today agreed "that there were no subjects that were not on the table." For the Anglican Church in North America, these subjects must include leadership, relationships, and jurisdictional participation in a way that is fully Anglican.

We made a partial beginning. Bishops Leonard Riches and Charlie Masters agreed to lead the negotiations from the Anglican Church in North America. Bishops Doc Loomis and TJ Johnston will lead from the AMiA side. There is much about what has happened that will have to be faced. The other part of this beginning will be to come alongside P.E.A.R. and their designated bishops (Barnum and Glenn), clergy, people and parishes in North America as they discern their next steps. The good news is that we know a God who has called us and who is able. [I Thess. 5:24] We are sure that He wants all the pieces back together in an ever-more dynamic, ever-more-submitted, ever-more transformed and transforming North American Church. [John 17]

Keep praying. With God nothing shall be impossible. [Luke 1:37] And besides that, He works all things together for good for those who love Him, who are called according to His purpose. [Rom. 8:28] Blessed Christmas!

Faithfully in Christ,

Archbishop and Primate
Anglican Church in North America

All Saints Anglican Church Service Schedule February 2012

	5 th	12 th	19 th		26 th
Chalice	D. Rauh	J. Williams	V. Aderhold		M. Stephens
Substitute(s)	Swap dates	Swap dates	Swap dates		Swap dates
Crucifer/Acolyte	M. Stephens	B.A. Watkins	F. Allen		C. Rauh
Substitutes	V. Pozniak	M. Thursby	V. Pozniak		M. Thursby
Greeter	B. Hill	D. Hartsfield	B. A. Watkins		S. Wainwright
Substitutes	Swap dates	Swap dates	Swap dates		Swap dates
Usher	L. Berry	H. Thursby	L. Harrison		M. McCarthy
Substitutes	A. Watkins	A. Watkins	A. Watkins		A. Watkins
Audio	V. Aderhold	M. McCarthy	R. Rauh		M. Thursby
Substitutes	D. Rauh	D. Rauh	D. Rauh		D. Rauh
1st Reading	B. Hill	J. Calhoun	A. McNeece		V. Aderhold
Substitutes	JoAnne Arnett	J. Glenn	JoAnne Arnett		J. Glenn
2nd Reading	F. Allen	J. Harrison	S. Cope		J. Williams
Substitutes	J. Crosby	H. Thursby	J. Crosby		H. Thursby
OT Reading	Isaiah 40:21-31	2 Kings 5:1-14	2 Kings 2:1-12	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12	Genesis 9:8-17
Psalter	Psalms 147:1-12, 21c	Psalms 30	Psalms 50:1-6	Psalms 103 or 103:8-14	Psalms 25:1-9
Epistle	1 Cor. 9:16-23	1 Cor. 9:24-27	2 Cor. 4:3-6	2 Cor. 5:20b – 6:10	1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel	Mark 1:29-39	Mark 1:40-45	Mark 9:2-9	Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21	Mark 1:9-15
Counters	R. Allen J. Calhoun	R. Allen J. Calhoun	R. Allen J. Calhoun		R. Allen J. Calhoun
Intercessors	Joe & Joanne Arnett	Joe & Joanne Arnett	Joe & Joanne Arnett		Joe & Joanne Arnett
Refreshments	McCarthy	Hill	Thursby	NONE	Watkins
Substitutes	Swap dates	Swap dates	Swap dates	NONE	Swap dates