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Dear Saints,



I've just returned from Vancouver, British Columbia after attending the ACNA's 2015 Provincial Council meeting. It was a wonderful meeting in a beautiful location. It was such a joy to gather with delegates from all over the United States and Canada to celebrate all that God has been doing in our midst.

- We heard a report from Dean of the Anglican Church in Nepal about the aftermath of the devastating earthquakes two months ago. He said, "Nepal has been shaken but our faith in God has not been shaken."
- We heard that the Anglican Relief and Development Fund in the US, Canada and Australia have raised over \$150,000 to aid the people of Nepal.
- We heard about a little girl's vision to help orphans in Uganda by selling cupcakes. She sparked a movement that has raised over \$280,000 from children's cupcake stands all over the country (www.thecupcakekids.org).
- We heard a Japanese priest share about her ministry among her native people living in Vancouver and how God is using something as simple as a community garden to bring people together in the love of Jesus.
- We heard about how the new Anglican Catechism has been translated into twelve different languages and is being developed into programs that can be used by churches, individuals and families to help disciple both children and adults in their faith.
- We heard about the Matthew 25 Initiative which is providing matching grants to churches who are involved in outreach ministry in an effort to increase awareness of and involvement in reaching out to the least, the lost and the lonely.
- We learned that as of 2014, the ACNA has 948 churches and 110,006 members with an average Sunday attendance of 71,664. There were 2406 baptisms and 2030 confirmations and 2824 individuals that were known conversions to faith in Christ.

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This is just a sampling of all we heard and you can actually read the reports or watch videos from the meeting at the ACNA website (www.anglicanchurch.net).

A lot has been happening in the world during the time right before I left and right after I returned. The senseless murder of nine brothers and sisters in Christ in Charleston, South Carolina has left the nation devastated. It's heart breaking to see the aftermath of such evil and hatred, and yet it's also heartwarming to see how the families of the victims reached out to the murderer with forgiveness and the grace of Jesus Christ. What a witness to the power of the Holy Spirit in our midst! Then there is the recent Supreme Court ruling on same sex marriage. For some, this has been a cause of celebration but for those who believe in the truth of God's Word and the authority of the Scriptures, it has been a sad turn of events. Yet we do not despair because the Holy Spirit is able to bring His power and grace into this situation, just as He has in Charleston. He will show us the way forward as the Church through this changing cultural tide that we are living in.

For those of us at All Saints, we will continue to worship and serve the Lord as He has called us to do. We will continue to reach out with His love as His hands and feet to all those in our community as we are able. We will continue to proclaim the truth of Jesus and the good news of His Gospel. Thank you for your faithfulness and your partnership in ministry. You are all very precious to me.

In Christ's love and with mine,
Mtr. Travis

Hungry Lambs Ministry

We are changing our protein that we put in homeless lunch bags. We would like to start using Beef Jerky and Trail Mix. The can be brought in large bags and we will separate them into smaller bags. We also could use individually packaged wet wipes to



put in small zippered bags. And remember to pick up a couple of the brown bags for your car.

July Birthdays

3-Opal Allen
4-Mary Smith
7-Lee Farnsworth
10-Lois Berry
11-Matt Thursby
12-Susie Folsom
15-Skip Cope
16-Joe Gerber
16-Alan Watkins
17-Aaron McNeece
23-David Stephens
24-Russell Rauh
24-Gary Lancaster
27-Rick Allen
27-Patricia Thomas
31-Judy Harrison



August Birthdays

1-Karalee Kleehammer
4-Doug Boline
5-MacKenzie Weaver
5-Mary Pirro
10-Robert Plant
12-De Rauh
14-Chris Rauh
22-Wayne Folsom
23-Jean Bernard
31-Jo Anne Arnett

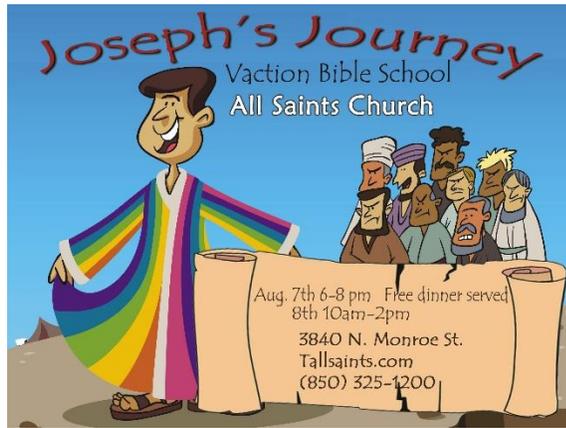
All of you are invited to the First Friday Birthday Celebration on the first Friday of the month at TGIF (Capital Circle N.E.) at 12:30 p.m. RSVP to Sara Jean Wainwright -- ph: (562-6599).

Tallahassee Christian College and Training Center Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of these awards given in appreciation of their willingness to give of their time teaching classes and/or using their



other talents to make TCCTC what it has become today.



Vacation Bible School

This year the children will go with Joseph as he journeys from resented and envied little brother to prisoner to second only to the pharaoh of Egypt. They will learn through crafts, teachings, songs and games how Joseph loved and listened to God.

Deacon Chase has worked out a wonderful program that will give the children hands-on experience in how God shows his love to his people in many ways.

We are hoping to have as many as 30 children and we are very grateful for the volunteers who will be helping with the children. Any others who would like to help on Aug 7th, 6-8 and /or Aug. 8th, 10-2 would be lovingly welcome.

We would also like to thank everyone who helped raise \$400+ dollars to help with VBS and children's ministry.

Mark Your Calendars Now!

Monday, August 3rd at 6:00 pm-Make personal invitations for the Community Dinner and children to come to Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, August 4th at 6:00 pm-Community Dinner

For information about how you can help call the office at (850) 325-1200



"From the Beginning": God's Design for Marriage

A Statement from the Anglican Church in North America

The Archbishop and Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America have received the recent ruling by the Supreme Court of the United States of America and are deeply grieved by the stark departure from God's revealed order. We are concerned for the inevitable results from this action to change the legal understanding of marriage and family life.

While this decision grieves us, God's truth and the goodness of the order established in creation have not been changed. The kingdom of God cannot be shaken. We pray with confidence that God will reveal his glory, love, goodness, and hope to the world through his Church as we seek to follow him in faith and obedience.

Jesus Christ teaches that God is the author of marriage from the beginning of time (Matthew 19:4-6). God's design for marriage has always involved a man and a woman: "a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh" (Genesis 2:24). These truths have ordered civilization for thousands of years. Where God's designs are followed in any society, including his designs for marriage and families, the result is the greatest possible blessing and abundance of life.

The Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is often summarized as, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). Because of his love, we love and care for all those who experience same-sex attraction. The Anglican Church in North America continues to welcome everyone to experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

Marriage is established by God for the procreation and raising of children and for the good of society. For this reason, governments have an interest in marriage and have delegated authority from God to protect and regulate it. But

no court, no legislature and no local magistrate has the authority to redefine marriage and to impose this definition on their citizens.

The United States of America, so its founders believed and taught, is a nation under God whose citizens' fundamental rights are derived from the Creator. There is no right to a relationship which is contrary to the Creator's express design. We cannot accept the Supreme Court's decision purporting to find a fundamental right to same-sex "marriage" any more than we can accept its claim to have found a right to destroy human life in the womb. We will work with others to overturn this decision, and we pray that others will join with us in this effort.

Meeting this week in Vancouver, British Columbia, we are reminded that our Canadian members have been living under a similar legal standard for the last ten years. Their situation includes minimal legal protections for those who in good conscience cannot recognize this redefinition, and it is our prayer that stronger protections will be put into place and honored in the United States.

In the meantime, we shall continue to exercise our religious freedom to perform marriages for those who come for holy matrimony as defined by our Church. The Anglican Church in North America only authorizes and only performs marriages between one man and one woman. We respect the consciences of those clergy who may decline to perform marriages as agents of the state. We ask our churches to respect such decisions and help make arrangements to minister to those seeking to be married. We are also well aware that this ruling may create difficulties for our lay members and Christian institutions as they seek to be faithful in upholding God's design for marriage, and we will make every effort to find ways to support and stand with them.

The Church bears witness to the truth of God's Word and God's design of marriage (see attached statement on "Bearing Witness"). When government oversteps its rightful authority, "we must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29).

Today there is no place for either triumphalism or despair, so we prayerfully and sincerely urge a spirit of charity by all. We speak out of a concern for the consequences that our people and our neighbors will suffer from an unjust and unwise decision by five justices of the

Supreme Court. We call those justices to repentance, even as we echo Jesus' words, praying for God the Father to forgive them, for they know not what they have done.

We call our people to a season of prayer for marriage and offer the accompanying Litany and Prayer to guide us.

*Unanimously adopted by the College of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America.
June 26, 2015*

A GLIMPSE OF WHAT'S AHEAD FOR CHRISTIANS IN AMERICA. . . State Silences Bakers Who Refused to Make Cake for Lesbian Couple, Fines Them \$135K



Source: Kelsey Harkness/The Daily Signal (posted on www.heritage.org)
Melissa Klein. (Photo: Patrick Frank)

Oregon Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian finalized a preliminary ruling today ordering Aaron and Melissa Klein, the bakers who refused to make a cake for a same-sex wedding, to pay \$135,000 in emotional damages to the couple they denied service.

"This case is not about a wedding cake or a marriage," Avakian wrote. "It is about a business's refusal to serve someone because of their sexual orientation. Under Oregon law, that is illegal."

In the ruling, Avakian placed an effective gag order on the Kleins, ordering them to "cease and desist" from speaking publicly about not wanting to bake cakes for same-sex weddings based on their Christian beliefs.

"This effectively strips us of all our First Amendment rights," the Kleins, owners of Sweet Cakes by Melissa, which has since closed, [wrote on their Facebook page](#). "According to the state of Oregon we neither have freedom of religion or freedom of speech."



July 2015 All Saints Service Schedule

	5 th	12 th	19 th	26 ^t
Chalice	Mike Stephens	Ken Klos	Jean Williams	De Rauh
Write in sub	Ken Klos	Mike Stephens		
Crucifer/Acolyte	Vienna Pozniak	Betty Ann Watkins	Chris Rauh	Matt Thursby
Write in sub				
Greeter	Betty Ann Watkins	Doug Boline	Chris Thursby	Chris Thursby
Write in sub				
Usher	Alan Watkins	Bob Plant	Ken Klos	Henri Thursby
Write in sub				
Audio	Vic Aderhold	Sue Klos	Matt Thursby	Russell Rauh
Write in sub				
1st Reader	Aaron McNeece	Justin Glenn	JoAnne Arnett	Skip Cope
Write in sub				
Old Test	Ezekial 2:1-7	Amos 7:7-15	Isaiah 57:14b-21	2 Kings 2:1-15
Psalm	123	85:7-13	22:22-30	114
2nd Reader	Vic Aderhold	Frankie Allen	Henri Thursby	Jean Williams
Write in sub				
Epistle	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Ephesians 1:1-14	Ephesians 2:11-22	Ephesians 4:1-16
Gospel	Mark 6:1-6	Mark 6:7-13	Mark 6:30-44	Mark 6:45-52
Refreshments	Lois Berry	Barbara Cratty	Covered dish	Jean Williams
Write in sub				
Altar Guild	Sue, Mary, Karalee	Bonnie, Vienna	Susie, Henri	Sue, Mary, Karalee
Write in sub				
Clean up	Lancaster, Plant	Lancaster, Plant	Lancaster, Plant	Lancaster, Plant
Write in sub				



August 2015 All Saints Service Schedule

	2 nd	9 th	16 th	23 rd	30 th
Chalice	Mike Stephens	Ken Klos	Jean Williams	De Rauh	Mike Stephens
Write in sub					
Crucifer/ Acolyte	Matt Thursby	Betty Ann Watkins	Vienna Pozniak	Mike Stephens	Chris Rauh
Write in sub					
Greeter	Doug Boline	Chris Thursby	Betty Ann Watkins	Doug Boline	Chris Thursby
Write in sub					
Usher	Chris Thursby	Alan Watkins	Ken Klos	Bob Plant	Alan Watkins
Write in sub					
Audio	Vic Aderhold	Matt Thursby	Sue Klos	Russell Rauh	Matt Thursby
Write in sub					
1st Reader	Mary Smith	Aaron McNeece	Justin Glenn	JoAnne Arnett	Skip Cope
Write in sub					
Old Test	Exodus 16:2-15	Deuteronomy 8:1-10	Proverbs 9:1-6	Joshua 24:1- 2a,14-25	Deuteronomy4: 1-9
Psalm	78:14-25	34:1-8	34:9-14	16	15
2nd Reader	Judy Harrison	Henri Thursby	Frankie Allen	Jean Williams	Vic Aderhold
Write in sub					
Epistle	Ephesians 4:17- 25	Ephesians 4:25- 5:2	Ephesians 5:15- 20	Ephesians 5:21- 33	Ephesians 6:10- 20
Gospel	John 6:24-35	John 6:37-51	John 6:53-59	John 6: 60-69	Mark 7:1-23
Refreshments	Plant	Watkins	Covered dish	Kistler	Thursby
Write in sub					
Altar Guild	Bonnie,Vienna	Susie, Henri	Bonnie,Vienna	Sue, Mary, Karalee	Susie, Henri
Write in sub					
Clean up	Arnett, Hartsfield, Klos				
Write in sub					
Children's ministry	Betty Ann, Elaine	Henri, Robin	Sallie, Mary	Sue, Barbara	Henri, Elaine
Write in sub					