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Time and Talent Fair – September 29th

*Stewardship: Loving God with Our Time, Talent, and Treasure.
“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”
Matthew 6:21*







Dinner on the Grounds – Sunday, October 27th



1940s photograph of *Dinner on the Grounds* at St. Alban's

Dinner on the Grounds, catfish dinner, is our annual fundraiser for outreach projects, which this year are the Camp Bratton-Green scholarship fund and the Vicksburg/Warren County Humane Society. Because we are raising money for these two worthy causes, we need everyone to sell as many tickets as possible to meet our goal of serving 400 dinners. This event is a wonderful time to invite others to enjoy a great dinner outdoors on our beautiful church grounds and introduce them to our church home.

In addition to selling tickets, we need your help before, during, and after the dinner with the set-up, cooking, serving, and clean-up. If you haven't yet signed up for a job, please let Betsy Selby or Beth Guynes know that you would like to help and we will have a job(s) for you.

Retreat Day at St. Alban's Church

*"In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went to a deserted place, and prayed."
Mark 1:35*

On Saturday, September 28, twenty-two people gathered at Saint Alban's Church to attend a retreat conducted by Reverend Billie Abraham. The theme of the retreat was "Seeing the Face of Christ." Those attending the retreat centered their thoughts on spending quiet time with God. The day was one of prayer and contemplation.



Seeing the *Face of Christ* in others

✠ Billie's Corner

*"I no longer call you servants . . . I have called you friends. . .
You did not choose me, I chose you. . . This is my command, love each other."
John 15:14 - 17*

When Bishop Gray met with the vestry during his Annual Visitation, he posed the question: "What is happening at Saint Alban's Church?"

The answer is clear—the Holy Spirit is happening at Saint Alban's Church. How is the Holy Spirit being manifested in our community? One way of seeing the actions of the Holy Spirit is reflected in the words of Jesus from the gospel according to John as stated above. Jesus is telling us that he has chosen us to be his friends and has commanded us to love one another. We are a community of friends who care for each other. Our community is expanding as new people are welcomed.

At our last vestry meeting, vestry and wardens expressed what they thought was happening at Saint Alban's Church. The responses were varied. We are a church community that offers pastoral care. When someone is sick, we respond with prayers, cards, visits and food. When someone shows an interest in ministry, they are supported—Kelsey Artman and Betsy Selby made mission trips to foreign countries. Saint Alban's is like home—for some on the vestry Saint Alban's has been a life-long home; for others it is has become home. Holy hospitality is the DNA of our community. We are a faithful community who gathers together for worship each week—we feast together at the altar as we receive the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

For years now, we have included in the Prayers of the People the petition that more people would find their home at Saint Alban's Church. Our prayers are being answered as we welcomed thirteen people by way of Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation. We also welcomed two children who were baptized.

The Celebration of the Eucharist, Cursillo, 12 Steps for Spiritual Wholeness, Retreats, EFM, Adult Sunday School, Children's Chapel, ECW, Altar Guild, Choir, Liturgical Servers, Special Events, the Healing Service, Community Volunteers, Committee Members—all of what we do influences all of who we are.

What makes what we do a ministry and not business? The Holy Spirit!

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful
and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.
Amen.*

In peace

Billie+

Josie's Journal

*How will your garden grow?
Very well, if it is the Lasagna Garden*



On September 3, the students in the Warren County detention center planted broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage and tomato plants; beets and mustard green seeds in their “Lasagna Garden.” They watered the garden daily. Three weeks later, the result is nothing less than phenomenal!

This is the first time for many of the students to plant something and watch it grow. They will reap the benefits of your (St. Alban’s) generosity when the produce is picked and prepared by the jail cooks for lunch or dinner. From seed—to plant—to produce—to table is a concept the students can now understand because they have participated in the process and not just read about it in a book.

Hopefully, this might be the light bulb comes on so the students can see that they can actually succeed at something. Success comes at a price—planting, watering, watching and picking the produce. My hope is that they will carry the energy, effort and enthusiasm in the lasagna garden into their academic subjects—English, math, social studies and science.

In peace

Josie+

October Schedule

Sunday

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:30 AM
Adult Sunday School, 10:00 AM
Children's Chapel, 11:00 AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 11:00 AM

Wednesday

Twelve Steps to Spiritual Wholeness Meeting, 7:00 AM
Healing Service & Eucharist, 6:00 PM

Thursday

Cursillo Grouping, Noon

Saturday, October 5

ECW Meeting, 9:00 AM, Parish House

Sunday, October 6

Animal Blessing, 8:30 & 11:00 AM Eucharist, Outside Chapel

Monday, October 7 — Thursday, October 10

Clergy Conference, Gray Conference Center

Sunday, October 13

Second Sunday at Saint Mary's, Bolton, 4:00 PM
Old Fashioned Hymn Sing, featuring songs from *Smoke on the Mountain*

Tuesday, October 15

Vestry Meeting

Saturday, October 26

Memorial Service with Lumineers, 6:00 PM

Sunday, October 27

Dinner on the Grounds, Noon, 2:00 PM

October Birthdays

3 Rachel Sullivan	23 Mary Ann Wright
4 Key Davis	24 Ann Tompkins
8 Allan Leese	25 Jack Abraham
8 Michael Morrissey	25 Marci Turner
9 Wanda Warren	25 Peter Williams
13 Jana Guynes	27 William Newell Brabston
15 Mickey Barlow	28 James Drake
16 Anita Bonar	30 Bill Davis
19 Annadele Touns	30 Alice Pronger
22 Stanley Lee	31 Wilma Mitchell

October Anniversaries

6 David & Jennifer Normand	18 Bill & Lynda Hubbard
14 John B. & Margie Scott	21 Scott & Amy Burr

Prayers for the People

For those Sick or in Need:

Anna	Carol Ann Greer	Richard Massey
Sherry Barton	Jay	Becky Drake
Jackson Monti	Lucas Guynes	David Pruett
Sherry Horan	Patsy Shappley	Carol Langford
Terry & Charlie Brantley	Denise Gellespie	Joshua Hampton
Damien Hansford	Amanda Warren	Junette Tomlin
Margaret Lowry		

Liturgical Schedule—Sundays in October

	October 6, 2013	October 13, 2013	October 20, 2013	October 27, 2013
	<i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</i>
First Reading	Lamentations 1:1-6	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Joel 2:23-32
Psalm	Psalm 137	Psalm 66:1-11	Psalm 119:97-104	Psalm 65
Second Reading	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel	Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14
	Animal Blessing			Dinner on the Grounds
Lay Worship Leader				
8:30 a.m.	Tommy Skinner	Ann Tompkins	Harvey Smith	Tommy Skinner
11:00 a.m.	Richard Price	Harvey Smith	Richard Price	Ann Tompkins
Master of Ceremonies	Susan Price	Beth Guynes	Susan Price	Jennifer Normand
Acolytes				
Crucifer	Kerri & Peter Williams	Koury Collins	Susan Price	Jennifer Normand
Gospel Bearer	Jeff, Josh & Jonah Artman	Beth Guynes	Deacon Josie	Genevieve Walker & Children
Lector	Theo Williams	Ed Shelnut	Mary Carleton	Sharon Hanks
Prayers of the People	Deacon Josie	Linda Walker	Deacon Josie	Theo Williams
Oblation Bearers	Linda Gerache Jenni & Caroline Sciro	Marcie Turner Wilma Mitchell	Richard & Margo Massey	Betty Rushing Janice Herington
Ushers & Greeters	Joey Gerache Jay Sciro	Dalton Thames Sara Margaret Porter	Dan Carleton Jim Drake	Jim Drake Allan Leese
Altar Guild	Judy Morrissey Ann Tompkins	Susan Price Kerri Williams	Cassandra Price Margie Scott	Terri Brantley Sharon Hanks
Eucharistic Minister	Susan Price	Ed Shelnut	Susan Price	David Pruett
Coffee Host	Margie Scott & Beth Guynes	Penny Freund Sara Porter	Rev. Billie Susan Price	
Wednesday Healing	October 9, 2013	October 16, 2013	October 23, 2013	October 30, 2013
	Tommy Skinner	Ann Tompkins	Harvey Smith	Tommy Skinner