Dear Saints,

Welcome to another Spirit-filled program year at All Saints’! I continue to marvel at how rich and abundant our life together is here on this block. This month of August alone boasts so much to celebrate and be part of. I wonder if I might encourage you to consider exploring something new this year ahead? Signposts for your life of ministry will be planted all around you these next few weeks: backpacks will be filled and blessed for refugee children, welcome ministries will be seeking new recruits, children and youth ministries will host open houses for new and existing volunteers, and we will be moved and inspired by an evening forum and worship service to mark the 400th anniversary of African slavery in America, on Sunday August 18th. God stirs your heart, but you get to answer the call. I pray you will. Blessings for all you will be moved to offer this year.

Peace,

Zack

See page 5 for a list of upcoming Children and Youth opportunities.

For more information, contact The Rev. Zachary C. Nyein at znyein@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Formation Renovation

Dear Saints,

Last year we began a process of “renovating” our programs for children and youth, with an eye towards becoming a church that is truly of, by, and for young people in every way. We aspire not only to grow in number but to build our capacity to invite young people from every corner our city to find themselves known, loved, and celebrated as children of God. Under the leadership of Juliet Allan, and in partnership with consultants at Ministry Architects, our Youth and Children’s Task Force is about halfway through an 18-month plan for growth and sustainability. Many have asked how to be involved – please consider these opportunities:

1. Attend the Parish Forum: A Vision for Children and Youth on August 25 (See page 6 for details.)
2. Offer time and talent to our “Volunteer Village” (See page 4 for details.)
3. Commit to praying regularly for our children and youth

Finally, providing clear communication to the parish was identified as an area in need of significant improvement. To that end, I strongly encourage you to visit our newly launched youth and children’s online ministry hub at www.allsaintsatlanta.org/NextGen where you can stay up to date with all the latest news, events, and stories.

Peace,

Zack

Welcome Back to the Block!

Summer may be waning, but we’re ready to rock this block and welcome the beginning of an exciting new program year!

**Backpack and Briefcase Blessing**
On our final Summer Sunday, all children and adults are invited to bring their backpacks and briefcases to the worship service to receive a blessing for learning and growth throughout the coming year.

**Sunday, August 18**
10:00 a.m. worship service
For more information, contact The Rev. Zach Nyein at znyein@allsaintsatlanta.org.

**Back to the Block Party**
After the final 10:00 a.m. summer worship service of the season, join us as we say goodbye to summer and welcome everyone back to the block with a light picnic lunch, ice cream sundaes, arts and crafts, live music, and a water slide.

**Sunday, August 18**
11:15 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Kennedy Courtyard and Ellis Hall
For more information, contact Jill Gossett at jgossett@allsaintsatlanta.org.
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All Saints’ Episcopal Church

Regular Sunday Worship Schedule Resumes on August 25
Mark your calendar! We will resume our regular worship schedule on Sunday, August 25:

• 8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite I
• 9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II
• 11:15 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II
• 5:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II

Hot Sunday Breakfast Resumes on August 25
Hot Sunday breakfast returns with the start of the new program year! Enjoy freshly-made eggs, bacon, grits, and biscuits, prepared by the Men of Hope, Covenant Community alumni group. Served in Ellis Hall, 8:00–9:00 a.m. The cost is $5 per person; all proceeds go to the Men of Hope.

Noonday Prayer Resumes on August 26
Our weekday Noonday Prayer service returns on Monday, August 26. This brief service provides a time for restful contemplation during the busy workday and a chance to pray with the Midtown community. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 12:05 p.m.
Week One
Sunday, August 4
8 Pentecost
Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:50 a.m., P307
Reception of Thanksgiving for The Rev. Tim Black
11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Ellis Hall
Church of the Common Ground Reflective Discussion and Debrief
12:00–1:00 p.m., P307

Saturday, August 10
Diocesan Youth Tubing Trip
10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., Cool River Tubing, Helen, Georgia
E-Care Cooking Day
9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Ellis Hall Kitchen

Week Two
Sunday, August 11
9 Pentecost
Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:50 a.m., P307
The Music of Remembrance
11:20 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Ross Room

Rector’s Forum: For the City: Gary Mason
11:20 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Ellis Hall

Week Three
Sunday, August 18
10 Pentecost
Jesus on the Front Page
9:00–9:50 a.m., P307
Backpack Blessing
10:00 a.m. worship service
Refugee Ministries: New Volunteer Orientation
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fireplace Room, Tate Hall
Requiem: 400th Anniversary of Slavery in America
7:00–8:30 p.m., in the church; reception immediately follows

Week Four
Sunday, August 25
11 Pentecost
Regular Sunday Worship Schedule Resumes
Children’s Ministries Brunch/Open House
8:30–11:15 a.m., Kenan Commons, Pritchett Children’s Center

Wednesday Night Supper Returns!
Join us on Wednesday nights for delicious food and great fellowship. Renowned chef and restaurateur Deborah Van Trece prepares the dinner and a member of the clergy offers a casual, 7-Minute Eucharist around the dining tables at 5:55 p.m.

Wednesdays, beginning August 21
5:00–7:00 p.m., Ellis Hall

The cost is $10 per individual and $4 per child (ages 3–12); enjoy wine or beer for a minimal donation.
RSVP online at allsaintsatlanta.org/wns, at the Parish Life table on Sunday mornings, or email Jill Gossett at jgossett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Don’t miss our first Wednesday Night Supper when we’ll be raffling off a dinner for two* at Twisted Soul Cookhouse & Pours, owned by award-winning chef and caterer, Deborah VanTrece.

* $150 gift card

The church office will continue to close at 2:30 p.m. on Fridays through August 23.
In case of an after-hours pastoral emergency, call the church office at 404-881-0835 and the message you hear will direct you to the clergy on call.

Noon day prayer returns on Monday, August 26. Join us for worship each Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 12:05–12:30 p.m. in the church.
Coming Up

Reception of Thanksgiving for The Rev. Tim Black
Join us for a reception to celebrate the ministry of The Rev. Tim Black as his time at All Saints’ comes to a close. Tim has served our parish faithfully and lovingly, and we are richer for his years of ministry here. Gather with us to celebrate Tim and express our gratitude for his service here.

Sunday, August 4
11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Ellis Hall
For more information, contact Jill Gossett at jgossett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Join a Foyer Group to Make New Friends
Foyer Groups are one of the best ways to get to know your fellow parishioners at a big church like All Saints’. These small groups gather throughout the year at one another’s homes for low-key, informal dinners. Members of each group come from a diversity of backgrounds and many close friendships and connections have been formed by these gatherings. To join a Foyer Group, sign up at the Parish Life Table on Sundays throughout the month of August.

Sundays August 4 through 25, Sign Up at the Parish Life Table
For more information, contact Barbara Blender at 404-520-2479 or bblender@bellsouth.net.

Help Deliver Backpacks to Refugee Children
Help Refugee Ministries organize and deliver donated backpacks and school supplies to refugee children from our Backpack Buddies program. Meet in Ellis Hall after the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, August 4, to help us organize the donations and deliver the backpacks to Clarkston so that the children are ready for the first day of school on Monday, August 5. Lunch will be provided. We also invite volunteers to help deliver some of the backpacks to our partner agencies during the week of August 5.

Sunday, August 4
11:15 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Ellis Hall and Clarkston
To sign up to volunteer or for more information contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Join our Volunteer Village
Youth and Children’s Ministries encourage you to apply to join our Volunteer Village. We are looking for caring adults willing to give of their time and talents to help build up the next generation. There are many ways to help, from one-time jobs to weekly service, and we provide all the training.

Apply by Saturday, August 10
allsaintsatlanta.org/volunteervillage

E-Care Cooking Day
E-Care is our email-based network for prayer requests and meal delivery needs. Volunteers are invited to gather to prepare and freeze meals to be delivered to families that have new babies, health crises, or other life events that call for food and love from the All Saints’ family. No “Iron Chef” skills needed, just a willingness to follow a recipe, package meals, and do the dishes.

Saturday, August 10
9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Ellis Hall Kitchen
To sign up or for more information, contact Denise Funk at ddfunk@att.net.

Justice, Mercy, and Reconciliation: Lessons from the Middle East
We’re excited to welcome The Rev. Dr. Gary Mason back to All Saints’. Gary is a Methodist minister who spent 27 years in parish ministry in Belfast where he played an integral role in the Northern Irish peace process, and who now directs a conflict transformation organization based in Belfast called Rethinking Conflict. He will lead a discussion about the themes of justice, mercy, and reconciliation as they relate to the Middle East.

Sunday, August 11
10:00 a.m. worship service,
11:15 a.m. Parish Forum, Ellis Hall
For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Simon Mainwaring at smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

The Music of Remembrance with Dr. Kirk Michael Rich
Join our Director of Music, Dr. Kirk Michael Rich, to learn about the music of African-American composers, including pieces that will be featured during the Commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of African Slavery in America.

Sunday, August 11
11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Ross Room
For more information, contact Dr. Kirk Michael Rich at krich@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Backpack and Briefcase Blessing
See page 1 for details.

Sunday, August 18
10:00 a.m. worship service

Back to the Block Party
See page 1 for details.

Sunday, August 18
11:15 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Kennedy Courtyard and Ellis Hall

Commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of African Slavery in America
See page 8 for details.

Sunday, August 18

Wednesday Night Supper Returns!
See page 3 for details.

Wednesdays, beginning August 21
5:00–7:00 p.m., Ellis Hall

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To Know, Love, and Serve Our Neighbors

All Saints’ is alive. We are vibrant, joyful, and filled with hope. We are faithful – to one another and to the God who will always love us more. We care deeply, strive for justice passionately, and serve with the heart as well as our hands. All Saints’ is a special place.

Setting out on a three-year strategic plan that aims to focus us as a parish on coming to know, love, and serve our neighbors even more than we already do looks at first like an easy win. We love each other so easily and readily at All Saints’ that our plan really does build on our strengths.

We are creating new worship services in the park, on the move in Midtown, and here on our block, expanding our joy and widening our circle of friends.
What excites me most about this strategic plan is how I see it bringing us together in new and joyful ways. Vestry leaders are collaborating with staff and church members and in the process we are becoming more closely-knit into one another’s lives. Old friendships are growing deeper and new ones are being forged. Parishioners from all across our church community are joining together on task forces and focus groups, newly formed committees and grassroots gatherings to dream and create, and claim what is most important to them about our children and youth, our worship and music, the pastoral care we extend to one another, our striving for justice and healing, and the ways by which we tell our story to the world beyond.

Looking back over the first program year of our strategic plan, not only do I see us moving closer together, I see us choosing to step further from the familiar, and inviting others to join us there. Perhaps you were there or heard about our Easter Vigil in Piedmont Park at Lake Clara Meer. We saints filled the dock looking over the water. Voices of civil rights icons and poets were proclaimed alongside the story of salvation history as we sang by candlelight – it was magical.

We are creating an exciting new vision for our parish working alongside CEK Partners and Ministry Architects, and drawing from our incredibly talented parish.

Talented new staff have been welcomed to All Saints’ in Music, Parish Life, Young Adults and Innovation, and Digital Communications.
Maybe you are among the saints who made pilgrimage this year, from our walking stations of the cross in Midtown, to Washington DC, Israel and Jordan, and South Africa. We have planted our feet in new places and reached out to meet our Lord in new peoples, and gradually we are being changed by the generosity of God that meets us everywhere we go.

Might you be called to join this work? Pray about joining committees for Interfaith Engagement, Beloved Community, Stewardship, and Worship.

I see us dreaming together. Parents have juggled their schedules to make sure their voices are heard and their vision cast for the spiritual lives of all of our children and youth at All Saints’. Saints of all sorts were inspired to put our love into action on parish retreat in Kanuga, and Covenant Community has pioneered a new recovery community program spreading the net wider for more lives to be transformed. Refugee Ministries has reached out to new partners and we have worshiped with new songs and old, with our hearts and through our lives. We have danced for peace, and welcomed new friends to be among us to touch our lives.

In the program year ahead, we will launch a new website, pioneer neighborhood small groups, begin a new pastoral care lay ministry, create new opportunities to serve others, and host a new lunchtime concert series.
God is at work within us and through us, drawing us closer in and sending us further out. In the months and year ahead, we will treasure this gift of love that is so abundant in our parish and ask how we might turn to serve this city in new and audacious ways. Your passion, your voice, and your witness to God’s grace will be needed. I invite you to join me in building a legacy here at All Saints’ for us and for the generations to come.

In 2020, we will cast a vision together for the future of our block, seeking to leave a legacy for many generations to come.

I invite you to challenge our community to dream bigger and to reach further. Let us pray, discern, and boldly imagine the future together. God calls us forward. With that faith, we will follow. ✝

Peace,

[Signature]

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Opportunities for Rising Saints

Serve as an Acolyte
We invite youth (grades 6–12) to serve as acolytes for Sunday morning services. Acolytes carry the crosses, banners, and candles in procession, and help prepare the altar. No prior experience is necessary. Register at allsaintsatlanta.org/acolytes. Training is on Saturday, August 17 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Apply for Youth Leadership Positions
Youth (grades 9–12) are invited to apply to be members of our Youth Leadership Council and Acolyte Captains. These great opportunities shape our program and provide valuable leadership experience. Visit allsaintsatlanta.org/youthleadership to apply by August 11.

For more information on any of the above, contact The Rev. Zack Nyein at znyein@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Regional Episcopal Youth Tubing Trip
Youth and friends (grades 6–12) are invited to join us for the annual Episcopal youth tubing trip. Meet in All Saints’ parking lot at 8:00 a.m. to depart at 8:15 a.m. sharp.

Saturday, August 10
10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.,
Cool River Tubing, Helen, Georgia
$40 includes transportation, lunch, and a t-shirt. Register by Tuesday, August 6 at allsaintsatlanta.org/tubing.

Friday Night Attic Invasion
Youth and friends (grades 6–8) – don’t miss the first Friday Night Attic Invasion of the year! Just $5 gets you an awesome night of food, games, and surprises.

Friday, August 23
7:00–9:30 p.m., The Attic, 3rd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center

Back to (Sunday) School Breakfast Bash
Youth (grades 6–12) will gather for the first Sunday Morning Attic Hour of the year. Meet your leaders and play some games, with donuts from Revolution Doughnuts!

Sunday, August 25
10:20 – 11:05 a.m., The Attic, 3rd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center

Sunday Night Live (SNL)
Youth (grades 6–12) are invited to the first SNL of the year, with dinner, messy games, back to school prayers, and an ice cream sundae bar. Bring a friend and join us as we celebrate the beginning of a new year!

Sunday, August 25
6:00–7:30 p.m., The Attic, 3rd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center

For more information on any of the above, contact Joel Smith at jsmith@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Marie Kondo Summer Cleaning Marathon
Join this cleaning and organizing marathon to prepare our children’s spaces for the start of the new year. Lunch will be provided and youth can earn service hours. Come for a while or stay the whole time!

Saturday, August 10
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m., 2nd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center

Pool Party and Picnic for Connect (4th and 5th Grade) Families
Splash around and get to know each other before the program year begins. Bring a picnic for your family; drinks and dessert will be provided for all to share. Email Kathy Roberts (address below) to let her know how many you’ll be bringing.

Sunday, August 11, 12:00 – 2:30 p.m.,
Location TBA

Children’s Church Orientation with Holy Eucharist
Welcome to the first Children’s Church with Eucharist of the year! All parents are encouraged to attend the orientation session with their children, especially parents of Kindergartners.

Sunday, August 25
8:40 a.m. Gathering Time, 9:00 a.m. Eucharist, 2nd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center

For more information on any of the above, contact Kathy Roberts at kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

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August Youth & Children’s Choir Schedules

Welcome back!

**First Children’s Rehearsals**

Wednesday, August 21
Cherub Choir
4:00–4:30 p.m., Pre-K & Kindergarten (4 years old by 9/1/19)

Primary Choir
4:35–5:10 p.m., grades 1–2

Junior Choir
5:15–6:00 p.m., grades 3–6

Junior Handbells
6:00–6:30 p.m., grades 4–6

**First Youth Rehearsal**
Sunday, August 25
Grades 7–12
4:30 p.m. kick-off rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Youth dinner, The Attic

All Rehearsals are held on the 2nd Floor of The Pritchett Children’s Center.

Choir schedules can be found at allsaintsatlanta.org/music/childrens-and-youth-choirs and Google Calendar

Questions?
Contact Karol Kimmell, director karolkimmell@allsaintsatlanta.org.
A Vision for Children and Youth

We're excited to share our newest initiatives for Youth and Children's Ministries with the All Saints' community. Zack Nyein, our Associate Rector for Community Engagement and Children and Youth Formation, and Juliet Allan, Chair of our Children and Youth Task Force will share the insights we've learned from working with consultants from Ministry Architects and highlight ways that our parish can continue its legacy of teaching, forming, and tending saints across the generations.

Sunday, August 25
10:20–11:05 a.m., Ellis Hall

For more information, contact The Rev. Zack Nyein at znyein@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Stories of the Saints
with Bob Miller

Stories of the Saints is a formation series in which members of our community share meaningful personal narratives. In August, we'll hear from Bob Miller, a recovering Jezebels.

Births
George Oliver Gandy, son of Grant and Laurie Gandy

Baptisms
Ella Elizabeth Charles, daughter of Matthew and Natalie Charles
Emily Paige Charles, daughter of Matthew and Natalie Charles
Jane Harper Johnson, daughter of Grant and Brittany Johnson
Spalding Patton Fryer, son of Laura and Gibbs Fryer
Walter Wells Halloran, son of Meg and Banks Halloran
Camille Wagener Rice, daughter of Charlotte and Hunter Rice

Transfers In
Sandy Draper, Melinda Duryea, Isabel, August and Alix Draper from Holy Innocents’ Episcopal Church in Atlanta

Transfers Out
Jane Floyd
Joe Staiano and Todd Robinson

Weddings
Anne Forkner and Oluwasheyi Ayeni
Anne Vouga and Carl Richter
Jane Faulkner and John Aldridge
Courtney McAdams and Andrew Taylor

Deaths
Levent Bekir Sefersah
Pam Mackintosh
Joseph Nicholson Gordon, Jr.

Visit allsaintsatlanta.org/formation/childrens-formation or contact Kathy Roberts at 404-267-4272 or kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Coming Up: continued from page 4

Jezebels: Women’s Book Study Resumes on August 21

Jezebels is a group of women who have been meeting for about 10 years. While not a Bible study, our book choices may have biblical themes or theological issues. The group selects the books and group members take turns leading the weekly discussions.

Wednesdays beginning August 21
5:00–6:00 p.m. in P201
For more information, contact Mimi Spang at mimispang@comcast.net.

Contemplative Prayer Resumes on August 21

“Be still and know that I am God” (Psalm 46:10). Learn about the centuries-old practice of contemplative prayer, study readings for reflection and discussion, and engage in the discipline of centering prayer as a way to build communities of faith.

Wednesdays, beginning August 21
7:00–8:00 p.m. in P202
For more information, contact Gretchen Chateau at jetteyeknight@hotmail.com.

Every Sunday, beginning August 25

Little Saints’ Church (ages 3–4), 9:15–9:45 a.m., Nursery, 1st Floor, Pritchett Children’s Center

Children’s Church 9:00 a.m., chapel, 2nd Floor, Pritchett Children’s Center

Formation and Connect 10:20–11:05 a.m., 2nd Floor, Pritchett Children’s Center

Sunday, August 25
Welcome Back Craft and Games
Kids can play games and make a crafts together while parents attend our Parish Forum: A Vision for Children and Youth (see page 6). 10:20–11:05 a.m., 2nd Floor of the Pritchett Children’s Center

Visit allsaintsatlanta.org/formation/childrens-formation or contact Kathy Roberts at 404-267-4272 or kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

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Spalding Patton Fryer, son of Laura and Gibbs Fryer
Walter Wells Halloran, son of Meg and Banks Halloran
Camille Wagener Rice, daughter of Charlotte and Hunter Rice

Transfers Out
Jane Floyd
to St. John’s Episcopal Church in College Park, Georgia

Joe Staiano and Todd Robinson
to All Saints’ Episcopal Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Weddings
Anne Forkner and Oluwasheyi Ayeni
Anne Vouga and Carl Richter
Jane Faulkner and John Aldridge
Courtney McAdams and Andrew Taylor

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Vestry Notes

From the meeting on May 20, 2019

Todd Silliman offered a meditation reflecting on a change in his outlook toward work, moving from obligation to gratitude. Dot Miller presented the projects underway at the church this summer which will result in a closure of the sanctuary for several weeks. Georgia Power will bury most of the overhead power lines on church property in conjunction with the Norfolk Southern construction. A new charter was approved for the Finance Committee, and Dave Chambless was added as a new committee member. John Frazer was approved as Chair of the Endowment Committee. Diocesan Council delegates will be selected at next month’s Vestry meeting. Vestry members were given committee assignments for the coming year. Three new committees were created: Beloved Community Committee focused on social and racial justice, Parish Life Committee in support of the new Director, and Interfaith Engagement Committee. Simon Mainwaring offered a Special Resolution in honor of the service of Trav Carter, who is recognized for handling of contracts on behalf of the church. Nancy Dodson reported that the parish continues to be in sound financial condition, and under budget on expenses year to date. Simon looks forward to welcoming two new clergy, Sarah Stewart in June and Andy Barnett this fall. Todd Silliman recognized the work of Anne Henn as Interim Director of Parish Life. The meeting was adjourned.

From the meeting on June 17, 2019

Sheldon Taylor offered a meditation on how his involvement with Covenant Community has enriched his life. A slate of delegates was approved to represent All Saints’ at the Diocesan Council this November. Simon proposed that the Vestry consider a collaborative partnership between All Saints’ and The Absalom Jones Episcopal Center for Racial Healing. Discussions around the vision for this partnership will continue at future meetings. Progress on the strategic plan was reviewed and an update to the parish will be published soon. Treasurer Sheldon Taylor reported that the parish continues to be in sound financial condition and discussed plans to generate income from event parking. Simon introduced The Rev. Sarah Stewart to a warm welcome from the vestry. Senior Warden Todd Silliman gave an overview of topics discussed by the Executive Committee including management of tenants and the impact of Norfolk Southern construction next door.

All vestry meetings are open and meet at 4:30 p.m. in P305/306 of the Parish House with dates announced in The All Saints’ Monthly.

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lawyer who was raised at Christ Church in Whitehaven, Tennessee, and St. John’s in College Park. He and his wife Mary Helen have been at All Saints’ since 1967. Over the past 52 years, he has served as Clerk, Junior Warden, and Senior Warden of the vestry at various times and has taught about 15 Adult Formation classes. Bob will tell a story entitled “Scoundrel Time: The Desegregation of the University of Georgia.”

Sunday, August 25
10:20–11:05 a.m.,
Fireplace Room, Tate Hall
For more information, contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Book Study: The Heartbeat of God

Join us in studying the book The Heartbeat of God: Finding the Sacred in the Middle of Everything by Katharine Jefferts Schori, the presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church from 2006–2015. Members of the clergy will alternate leading this book study ahead of our Annual Parish Retreat to Kanuga on October 4–6, during which Katharine Jefferts Schori will be our guest speaker. She will also visit All Saints’ on the evening of Sunday, October 6 (stay tuned for details).

Sundays, August 25, September 1, 15, 22 and 29; 10:20 a.m.–12:10 p.m., P307

For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Simon Mainwaring at smainwarin@allsaintsatlanta.org.
Acknowledging African Slavery in America

This year marks the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first enslaved Africans to our continent in Jamestown, Virginia in 1619. On the evening of Sunday, August 18, we will join in remembrance and engage in conversation to acknowledge and address the legacy of slavery in this country and the most difficult parts of our life together as Americans and as Christians. Our rector, Simon Mainwaring, will moderate a panel conversation on the topics of justice and race with The Right Reverend Robert C. Wright, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta; Dr. Catherine Meeks, Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing; and Joel Thompson, Atlanta-based composer, pianist, conductor, and educator. After the conversation, we will host a worship service featuring healing prayers for our past, present, and future, as well as music from African American composers, including selections from Joel Thompson’s “Seven Last Words of the Unarmed,” which he wrote in response to the onslaught of killings of unarmed black men by police officers.

Commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of African Slavery in America

Sunday, August 18
5:30 p.m. Reception, 6:00 p.m. Plenary Conversation, 7:00 p.m. Service of Remembrance

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Learn about the music of African-American composers in The Music of Remembrance and hear pieces that will be featured during the Commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of African Slavery in America.

See page 4 for details.

The deadline for September Monthly is Wednesday, July 31. Please make your submission via our website, at allsaintsatlanta.org/news-and-events/announcements/. Thank you!