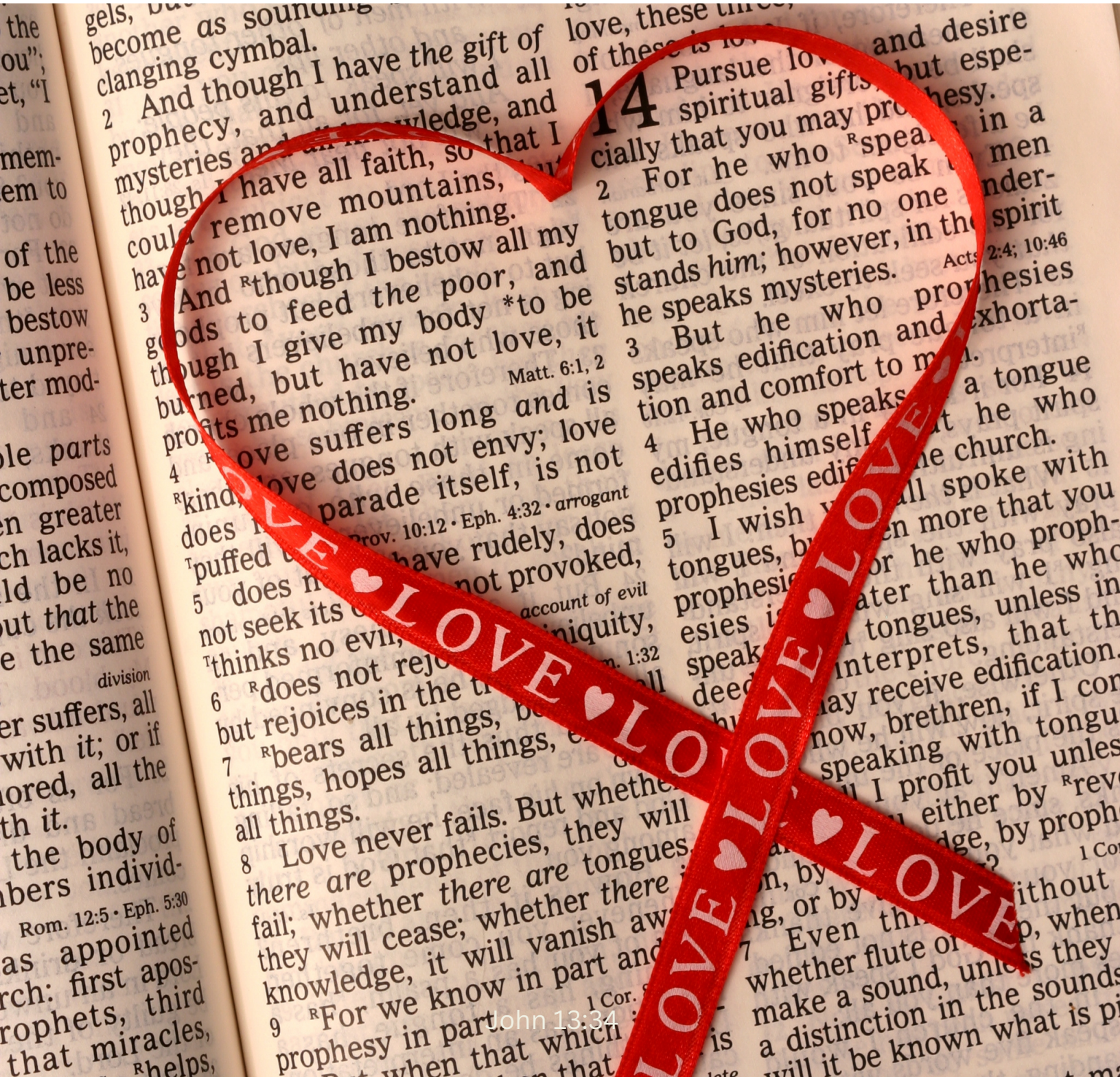


The Saints'

"I want to be in that number"

All Saints' Episcopal Church - Memphis

October 2023



Words From the Vicar

(Priest in Charge)

October is a festive month, especially at All Saints' Episcopal Church.
October is full of festive occasions - and a festival or two!

First, there's the *Blessing of the Animals* on Sunday, October 8th, at Noon.

Then, there's the *Community Yard Sale* on Saturday, October 14th.

Don't forget *SIPFest*: the Sea Isle Park festival: Sunday afternoon, October 15th.

October festivities end with Halloween, All Hallows Eve, before All Saints' Day.

Festive events happen all through October. Let's come together - and celebrate!

Bishop Phoebe's Visitation to All Saints': Sunday, November 5th

A bishop's visitation is not just a visit. It can include baptisms and confirmations, as well as some time with a congregation's leaders. All Saints' Mission Council will meet with Bishop Phoebe after worship and fellowship on November 5th.

Baptism and Confirmation are not the only options for those who wish to make a public affirmation of faith in Jesus Christ. If you or someone you know would like to be officially received into the Episcopal Church; or to reaffirm a commitment to Christ; or to become a member of All Saints', contact me at fathermom1949@gmail.com).

Stewardship 2024

*Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,
not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

~ II Corinthians 9:7

Soon, you'll be receiving a special (USPS, or "snail mail") letter from me. In that letter I'll be asking you to prayerfully consider how, in thanksgiving for all that God has given us, you might give back to God some portion of your time, talent, and treasure in a very concrete way: Making your pledge to All Saints' Episcopal Church in 2024.

I'm grateful for all you already give All Saints,' in this time I've been with you and in times past. Now, it's time, once again, to consider the future of this, your beloved congregation. I invite you to join me in prayer about what God is calling us, you and me, to give, financially and otherwise - and to do it cheerfully! - in 2024. ~ Tom+

Senior Warden Report

Roof replacement for the Nave and Narthex has been a long time in coming but is finally completed. We are very thankful for God's provision of Church Insurance and for Scott Owen, owner of Best Choice Roofing, for his professional interactions with our church leadership in this long awaited roof work.

Garden plots continue to produce vegetables and beautiful flowers. Many of the flowers you see on the altar on Sunday mornings come from some of the gardeners who donate their flowers to us.

Concert featuring Paulette Palmer and Connie Cupples, an organ and piano duet concert scheduled for Sunday, October 22, 2023 has been canceled. It has been postponed until Spring.

Dancers Inc, under the instruction of Karen Zissoff, has begun again in our Fellowship Hall in the afternoon on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. New students (ages 5-18) are still welcome and registration has been extended through the end of October. Contact Karen Zissoff, 901-301-(danc) 3262. Registration Form. www.Dancersinc.us

Community Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 8-12 noon. We need volunteers to sort and price items the week of October 9 and to set up items for the sale in the Fellowship Hall and other rooms in the office building. Please let Connie Cupples know if you can help with set up, take down and during the sale on Saturday.

We will have a table at SipFest scheduled on Sunday, October 15 from 3-6 pm at Sea Isle again this year. Volunteers are needed to help set up at 1pm and serve lemonade from 3-6.

THE SOUL OF AGING

with

Rev. Thomas A. "Tom" Momberg



Using a curriculum created by Caryl Casbon and Georgia Noble, two friends and longtime facilitators for the Center for Courage and Renewal (couragerenewal.org), we'll explore something of what our soul work might look like in this Fall season.

Join us for a brief spiritual sojourn into some of the vital questions of later life:

Who am I now? What is my purpose in life? What do I still have to offer the world with my gifts and my limitations? Where do I fit in this 21st century world?

SESSIONS

10.4-Session One: Aging as Claiming what Matters

We will spend time lovingly examining the un-lived parts of our lives.

10.11-Session Two: Aging as Making Peace with the Past

We will spend time lovingly examining our regrets and resentments.

10.18-Session Three: Aging as Enlightenment in Slow Motion

We will spend time lovingly examining the gifts that come with aging.

10.25-Session Four: Aging as Harvest Time

We will spend time lovingly examining what we want to leave for others.

I don't want to end up
simply visiting this world.
-Mary Oliver

A CHAPLAINS' CLASS 4-WEEK SERIES

3:00 PM EACH
WEDNESDAY IN
OCTOBER AT
TREZEVANT MANOR,
177 N. HIGHLAND ST.
MEMPHIS, TN



REV. THOMAS MOMBERG

Tom has served as an Episcopal priest in fifteen communities of faith, including a continuing care retirement community. He is also a longtime student of the work of Parker Palmer, founder of the Center for Courage and Renewal.

About the new Gloria (American Folk Song Mass)

In case you were wondering about which folk song relates to the new Gloria we're singing this month, it's the spirited tune, Greenfields. No, I didn't know Greenfields either, but unlike the rest of the American Folk Song Mass which came easily, deciding on a setting for the Gloria was a challenge, and took some songbook research—which is how I discovered Greenfields. Perfect for a Gloria!

“This folk hymn, found in every old Southern song book, is said to have been a favorite song of Abraham Lincoln,” according to the Fireside Book of Favorite American Songs (Simon & Schuster).

It turns out that in Lincoln's early career days, he served as town supervisor of a place called Greenfield. “Memories of Greenfield Town” (a journal dated 1853) says Lincoln was public spirited, interested in education, industrious to a fault... He could lay a wall of masonry, as well as make all the butter on the farm, to the great relief of his faithful spouse. In sickness among poor or well to do, he was a willing watcher and nurse.”

So Greenfields, the popular folk hymn and a reference to fond memories of his youthful career ,may have comforted Lincoln and lifted his spirits.

In any event, it's satisfying to bring this old tune back into service as a Gloria. For anyone who's curious, other folk songs that we're singing in our service mass, include the spiritual “All Day, All Night,” which is the basis for our Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy); and the Appalachian song “Shady Grove,” for Lamb of God.

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September Happenings



Ramona McKnight



Yolanda Harper



Kris Grauel

Girl Scouts

Bridging



Ceremony





Happy
October
BIRTHDAY



Billie Cocke

17th



October

2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Church Service 10am ✿	2	3 ☺	4	5	6 ✿	7
8 Church Service 10am	9	10	11 ♡♡	12	13 ♡	14 Community Yard Sale 8am ☺
15 Church Service 10am ☺	16	17	18 ☺	19	20	21
22 Church Service 10am	23	24	25	26	27	28 ★
29 Church Service 10am ◇	30	31 ✿				



COMMUNITY EVENTS



- Oct. 4 Girl Scouts 5:30
- T, W, Th Dancers Inc 4:00
- Each Wed. Aging of the Soul 3:00
- Oct 8 Blessing of All Animals 12pm
- Oct 13 Etude Club 10-1:30
- Oct. 15 SipFest 3:00 - 6:00
- Oct. 15 Greater Memphis Recorder Society 2:00
- Oct. 21 - Lisieux Yard Sale 8-12
- Oct. 22 Special Friends 4:30
