



The Acts



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- Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday Services
- Feb. 24: Memphis Men's Chorale Concert
- Feb. 28: Reading with the Rector

Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras Parade, Tuesday, February 21st, 5:30 p.m.

Please join us as we celebrate Shrove Tuesday with a Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras Parade for Children! Throughout the Christian world, Shrove Tuesday or "Pancake Day" is the day for feasting before the 40 day fast of Lent. The name "Shrove Tuesday" comes from the custom of people making their confession, doing penance, and being "shriven" or absolved. The tradition of eating pancakes comes from the English custom in which all foods forbidden during Lent, such as fat and eggs, had to be used up so they wouldn't spoil. These ingredients were made into cakes and the day became one of feasting and merry-making! Mardi Gras, which literally means "Fat Tuesday", is another form of the holiday which proceeds Ash Wednesday.

Shrove Tuesday at Holy Apostles will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a pancake and sausage dinner prepared by our Youth. Mardi Gras and Lenten themed crafts will be available for children. Children are encouraged to bring their



bikes, trikes, wagons or strollers decorated for the parade, which they can line up outside the Parish building doors (in case of bad-weather, we will have the parade indoors and they can line up in the PLC). They will toss Mardi Gras beads to the parishioners lining the route as they march right into the Church to bury the Alleluias, which are omitted from the Liturgy and music during Lent.

This fun event for all ages will be a great way to prepare for the more solemn Lenten season that follows. The cost of supper is \$5.00 per person, with a \$15.00 max for families. All proceeds go towards the Youth Fund, which will offset the cost of future trips and pilgrimages.



Schedule of Services for Ash Wednesday, February 22nd

Three liturgies will be offered on Ash Wednesday: 7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. Childcare will be provided at the 6:30 p.m. service.

Annual Parish Meeting Results

On Sunday, January 22nd, at the Annual Parish Meeting the following parishioners were elected as new Vestry members: Lee Carpenter, Frank Mayfield, Frank Potter, and Elaine Sanders. Congratulations to them and thank you to all those who stood for elections.

Bob Abney was elected Senior Warden and Mac McCarroll was elected Junior Warden. Cary Barnes remains as Treasurer and Jenny Boals remains as Clerk. Outgoing Vestry members Kevin

RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS**The Rev. John P. Leach**

What an exciting month this will be! We will begin a new phase in our life together at Holy Apostles as Dorothy Wells joins us as a Pastoral Associate in anticipation of her ordination to the Transitional Diaconate this summer. Dorothy, who served here as a Seminarian, will begin her new ministry on Sunday, February 5th. Until she is ordained this summer (God Willing), she will be with us on Sundays and at least one day a week. Dorothy will assist me in pastoral care responsibilities, share in preaching and teaching and will work with several other ministries in the parish. Her specific duties will be outlined in the coming days.

The Transitional Diaconate is ministry in which one who is seeking ordination to the priesthood serves as a deacon for six months, generally. The ministry of a deacon is “to represent Christ and his Church, particularly as a servant of those in need; and to assist bishops and priests in the proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the sacraments.” (From The Book of Common Prayer, p. 856) A deacon has specific roles in the liturgy as well including preparing the altar for the Eucharist, reading the Gospel and announcing the dismissal. Once a date is set for Dorothy’s ordination, we will make sure everyone knows.

We will begin a new phase in our life together at Holy Apostles on February 22nd, as Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. As the service for Ash Wednesday reminds us, Lent calls us to a time of “self-examination and repentance; prayer fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word” (BCP p. 265). We will have three services on Ash Wednesday (7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.). I encourage you to attend one of these offerings as a way of intentionally entering into Lent.

What a great month, a time to celebrate new beginnings and a time to offer our lives to a more intentional relationship with God.

Peace, John+

NOTES FROM THE CHOIRMASTER**Kristin Lensch**

As Fr. John and I sat down to plan liturgy and music for 2012 last fall, one thing discussed was how we could incorporate music from a set of hymnals Holy Apostles purchased from Calvary a few years ago. The hymnal is entitled *Lift Every Voice and Sing II: An African American Hymnal*. This is one of the hymnals authorized for use in the Episcopal Church. The result is that we will use a hymn from this hymnal in worship each week during Black History month, the month of February.

Even though there are only four Sundays, I think it will be readily apparent that these hymns do not represent traditions of only one race, but of our collective and blended humanity. Some of the hymns we will use include “Let us break bread together on our knees.” This is also in *The Hymnal 1982*, but it has been suggested that this hymn actually originated from black Episcopalians, in reference to the pre-Civil War era plantation church experience. We will also sing “Wade in the water,” a hymn that the Adult Choir sang as an anthem in September 2011 and generated a lot of discussion and enthusiasm within our congregation.





Sunday School Teacher Feature

This month's Teacher Feature highlights Laura and Taylor Beasley, who lead the 1st and 2nd grade classroom. The following is both of their answers to our questions:

What is your favorite flavor of ice cream and why?

Laura: Peanut butter and chocolate. I like the big chunks of peanut butter.

Taylor: Chocolate. I have just always loved chocolate.

If you had a whole day to yourself with no responsibilities, what would you do?

Laura: I would spend it relaxing outdoors

Taylor: Working outside in the yard.

What was your Sunday School experience like growing up?

Laura: We would go to church and then go to Sunday

school after the service. I enjoyed spending the extra time with friends that I didn't get to see throughout the week at school.

Taylor: I grew up in a Baptist church in Mississippi going to church and Sunday School with all of the people that I went to school and played sports with. It was a great experience since we were together pretty much every day.

What is your favorite thing about teaching Sunday School?

Laura: I like spending time talking with the children. I feel like I understand their perspective a little better just by listening to them.

Taylor: I am surprised at how creative the kids are with the art projects we do each week that ties in with the lesson.



Concession Stand Update

In the month of February, the Basketball Concession Stand sponsored by our young people for our Youth Ministries, will be winding down. A big thank you to those that have served and those that will serve! So far, the total money raised is \$534.27. All money raised will go towards the Youth Fund.

Souper Bowl Collection Sunday & Super Bowl Party Deets!

On Super bowl Sunday, February 5th, fifteen minutes before, and right after the 9:00 a.m. and the 11:15 a.m. services, EYC will stand outside the Church doors and collect loose change (or checks made out to MIFA) in large soup pots. The donations will benefit MIFA, the Memphis Inter-Faith Association. Youth should arrive early for the service they attend to help out.

At 6:00 p.m. that evening, all youth in 7th through 12th grades and their friends are invited to the Carpenter's Home (491 Indian Hollow

Cove, Collier-ville) for our annual EYC Super Bowl Party! If your last name begins with A-M, please bring your favorite snack! If your last name begins with N-Z, please bring your favorite bottle of soda or juice. Pick up will be at the Carpenter's when the game is over.



Pancake Supper Fundraiser! February, 21st: EYC arrive right after school lets out!

All Youth in Grades 7th through 12th, are encouraged to arrive to Holy Apostles as soon as you can after school lets out to begin preparations for our Pancake Supper! If you can't come until later, that's ok! We will need youth to help clean up after as well. This fun event's proceeds will go towards the Youth Fund which offsets the cost of future trips. Please let Penny know you are planning to attend at 937-3863 or email her at penny@holypostlestn.net.



CHILDREN & YOUTH

EYC February Schedule:

- 4th: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.:
Basketball Concessions
- 5th: Souper Bowl of Caring
- 5th: 6:00 p.m.:
EYC Super Bowl Party!
(Carpenter's House)
- 11th: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:
Basketball Concessions
- 12th: 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.:
Pictionary
- 17th-19th: Happening #51
- 19th: 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.:
Volleyball
- 21st: 5:30 p.m.:
Pancake Supper
and Mardi Gras Parade!
- 26th: 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.:
EYC & Club56 to
More Than a Meal

Club 56 February Events:

Tuesday, February 21st:

Pancake Supper! Club56 can help in the Craft area, making Alleluia Banners and masks with the younger kids. Please arrive at 5:00 p.m. to help!

Sunday, February 26th:

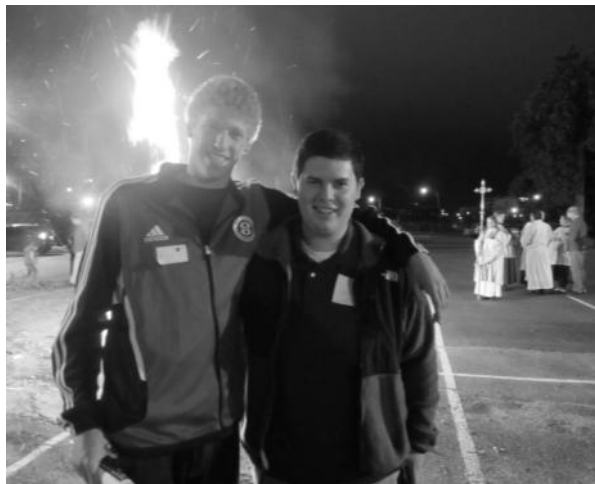
More Than a Meal. Each year Club56 attends More Than a Meal for three months in a row as part of their Lenten Devotion. We will caravan from Holy Apostles at 3:30 p.m. and return to Holy Apostles around 5:30 p.m.

For more information on any of these Youth and Children's programs, contact Penny Goldberg at penny@holypostlestn.net.



CHILDREN & YOUTH
(continued)

Holy Apostles Youth at Feast of Lights, January 8th



Register for Episcopal Day Camp 2012!

Episcopal Day Camp at St. Columba Conference and Retreat Center (a.k.a. Mud-Camp) has opened for new registrations for 2012. 1st to 6th graders have enjoyed EDC for many years and parents appreciate it as a Christ-centered program just on the outskirts of Memphis. Because registration is competitive, eager parents should sign their children up as soon as possible at www.saintcolumbamemphis.org. Employment and volunteer opportunities are available for young people in 7th grade or older.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rector's Forum Schedule

During the month of February, Rector's Forum will focus on Race in the Church.

February 5: We will look at historical figures in the Episcopal church who have been influential in issues of civil rights. This will be a candid and thought provoking discussion.

February 12: Our guest today will be Dr. Charles McKinney, Associate Professor (History) and Associate Director of the African American Studies Program at Rhodes College. Dr. McKinney is a widely published scholar and a much sought-after conference speaker.

February 19: We will continue our discussion on the role of the Church in the Civil Rights movement and today.

February 26: Today our guest will be The Rev. Colenzo Hubbard, Executive Director of the Emmanuel Episcopal Center. Father Hubbard's ministry involves coordinating the Emmanuel Center's efforts to assist youth and children in the most economically challenged neighborhood in Memphis.



ECW Out to Dinner Group, Thursday, February 16th, 6:30 p.m.

The Out to Dinner group of the ECW gathered for a wonderful meal and fellowship last month at Jim's Place Grille on January 10th. Our next dinner will be at Frank Grisanti's, in the Embassy Suites Hotel (1022 South Shady Grove Rd., Memphis), on Thursday, February 16th, at 6:30 p.m.

Reading with the Rector, Tuesday, February 28th, 6:30 p.m.

We had a great and lively discussion at Reading with the Rector in January - good food too! Our next selection will be *Love Wins* by Rob Bell.



This book generated quite a national discussion when first released.

Bell asks, "Millions of Christians have struggled with how to reconcile God's love and God's judgment: Has God created billions of people over

All women of Holy Apostles are welcome to come and bring a guest. Please call or email Bonnie Barnes at 831-5029 or bonnie.barnes@musowls.org to let her know if you plan to attend, so the restaurant can provide enough seating.

thousands of years only to select a few to go to heaven and everyone else to suffer forever in hell? Is this acceptable to God? How is this 'good news'?"

Grab a copy of the book and see what all the fuss is about. We will meet on Tuesday, February 28th at 6:30 p.m. (because the third Tuesday, February 21st is Shrove Tuesday). Remember, everyone is welcome for the fellowship and conversation, even if you haven't finished the book. Please come and bring a light appetizer.

Saints Alive! Saturday, February 18th, 6:30 p.m.

Saints Alive! is an opportunity for the adults of the parish to gather for food, fun and fellowship. This month, we are invited into the Germantown home of Alice and Curtis Finn (2644 Meadow Run Drive). The hosts will provide paper products and soft drinks. Guests are asked to bring a heavy hors d'oeuvre or dessert and choice of beverage. For any questions, please contact Courtney Dukes and csdukes@live.com. We hope to see you there!

Memphis Men's Chorale in concert, Friday, February 24th, 7:30 p.m.

"We are men, and we like to sing!" This is what you immediately hear when you go to the website of the Memphis Men's Chorale (www.memphismenschorale.org). It's worth the time to click there and hear the entire silly song, and it will be even more enjoyable to hear and see these men, live in concert here in the Holy Apostles nave on Friday, February 24th at 7:30 p.m. Their repertoire includes a wide variety, from the traditional music of Vaughan Williams and Randall Thompson, to the "manly music" of sea shanties and soldier



songs, to music of Otis Redding and The Beatles. The group began six years ago as 12 men from two downtown churches, and is now 28 singers strong, from all over the metropolitan area, directed by Jeremy Warner. Don't worry, even though it will be Lent, you're allowed to come and have a good time. It's allowed and guaranteed.

The concert is free and open to the public. If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Lensch at kristin@holypostlestn.net or 937-3828.

FELLOWSHIP

Men's Group Movie Night, Thursday, February 2nd

"Manly Movie Night" for the Men's Group takes place on the first Thursday of each month at the Malco Theater in Collierville. Please contact Glenn Hopper if you are not receiving his emails, at glennhopper@bellsouth.net or 461-5152.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Welcome the Caffertys

Our featured newcomers for February are the Cafferty family – Mike, Barb, and children Danielle and Matthew. They have come to us from Church of the Incarnation in Collier-ville. Mike is retired and enjoys golfing and gardening. He also likes to swim, and Barb tells that he is the only person she knows that swam from the Tappan Zee Bridge to the George Washington Bridge for charity. Mike is volunteering with the Literacy Council and is an usher at Holy Apostles. Barb works at International Paper as an Operations Manager for Imaging Paper. Her spare time is spent chauffeuring kids to different places. She loves to dance and has fun with the Wii Just Dance. Mike and Barb are originally from New York and Connecticut and visit there at Christmas and



summer vacations. They both love to read, mostly mysteries. They have jumped right in to help out in a variety of events at Holy Apostles and have joined the Newcomer’s Committee.

Danielle (16), nickname Dani, loves to cook and would like to be a pastry chef. She made the entire dinner for their turn at supper club. She attends St. George’s High School. She is very creative and has tried a number of things from the bass guitar to painting. She loves computer games and animae.

Matthew (15), nickname Matt, loves archery, airsoft as well as paintball wars and golf. He attends St. Benedict at Auburndale. He also loves to build things and his Xbox.

Barb will be received this month and Mike will transfer in. When you see them, give them a warm welcome to the Holy Apostles family!

Annual Parish Meeting ... continued from page 1

Reynolds, Walter Dunn, and Julie Farrell were recognized for their service. The Annual Parish Meeting Report is available at the Holy Apostles website, www.holyapostlestin.net.

Also, congratulations to parishioners Diane Reddoch and Thomas Carpenter, Jr. for receiving the Brian Pecon Lay Ministry Award.

Lenten Preaching Series at Calvary: Fr. John to speak, March 8th

The waffle irons are heating up at Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. Second St., downtown Memphis, in preparation for the 89th year of the Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop, which will be offered February 23rd through March 30th. The Lenten Preaching Series, which is free and open to the public, features daily presentations by local and national speakers at 12:05 p.m. each weekday, devoted to sharing the hope and love of God.

Holy Apostles’ own Fr. John P. Leach will be the featured speaker on Thursday, March 8th.

The Waffle Shop serves lunch in Calvary’s Mural Room from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., during the Lenten Preaching Series.



FINANCIAL



Financial Update: December 2011

	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Budget Y-T-D</u>
Plate:	\$9,289	\$69,162	\$60,000
Pledge:	36,987	437,884	489,000
Prepaid Pledge:	5,100	30,400	0
Church Home Grant:	0	<u>34,423</u>	<u>38,394</u>
Revenue Total:	\$51,376	\$571,869	\$587,394
Operating Expenses:	\$49,304	\$549,399	\$603,852

Grocery Card Fund Balance

The balance for the grocery card program is \$4,828.42. Don’t forget to use your Kroger grocery cards!

The vestry and staff thank you for your continued generosity and giving toward the mission and ministry of Holy Apostles.



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Prayer List

Marynelle Abney
 Rachael Baker
 Michael Ballard
 The Bigger Family
 Kevin Carpenter
 Sue Cliner
 Evans Culpepper
 Monica Lambert Davis
 Anita Emery
 Luanne Harris
 Steve Helton
 Carson Hollingsworth
 Joshua
 Bill and Lois Lancaster
 Elizabeth Massey
 Joyce McCown
 Robbie Moore
 Phillip Newman
 Paul
 Mary Riis
 Elizabeth Rinker
 Anna Roberts
 Sarah
 Michael Squillacioti
 Ben Troughton

As Christians in a faith community, we invite you to share names of those who are in need of prayer. We offer these concerns in weekly worship, in individual times of prayer and through the Intercessory Prayer group. We also do our best to maintain the prayer list and ask for your cooperation in doing so. Typically, we will keep someone on the list for one month unless otherwise requested. You may call the office, or email Linda at linda@holypostle.net. If you need to speak with Fr. John about any pastoral concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email him.

Attendance

January 1	The Holy Name	173
January 8	Baptism of Our Lord	311
January 15	Epiphany 2	295
January 22	Epiphany 3	279

February Birthdays

Mary Honey	3
Virginia Barron	3
Harold Finn	4
Anna Kramer	4
David Fang	6
Adam Stone	6
Matthew Adkins	7
Kaavya Robert	7
Brian Pecon	8
Jackson Litvin	8
Heather Blakley	9
Maria Kramer	9
Will Loftin	9
James Schafer	11
Andrew Chang	11
Bob Abney	15
Bob Capra	16
Martha Morris	16
Martha Crook	17
Nita Dunn	17
Mary McCarroll	17
Dwight Waller	19
Cameron Kawell	20
Bill Thompson	21
Lindsay Long	21
Maddie McCann	23
Mark Blakley	24
Adeline Brown	24
Paula Aymett	26
Phuong Fang	26
Matt Stone	26
Percy Mokros	27
Teresa Davis	27
Max Raynor	28

February Anniversaries

Donna & Michael Baldrige	2
Laura & Jeff Adkins	5
Emily & Hans Bjorkman	12
Don & Carla Myers	17

☞ Remembered ☞

In memory of James Thompson


Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Littlejohn
 Mrs. Jeanette Maddox
 Mrs. Diane Reddoch
 Mr. and Mrs. James Schafer

Altar Flowers & Outreach

When you purchase altar flowers for a particular occasion, you not only beautify the church for worship, but you also are helping the Altar Guild outreach, Our Little Roses, a home for children. If you would like to honor someone or remember a special event, you may order flowers by completing the order envelope in the hallway.

Transitions

Baptism: James Tate Yancey, Elise Claire Fang
Confirmation: Claire Boals, Emily Bjorkman, Hans Bjorkman, Jim Hieserman
Reception: Jay Broadhurst, Barb Cafferty, Suzanne Hieserman
Reaffirmation: Ben Sharpe, Lindsay Sharpe
Transfers in: Margaret Yancey
Births: John "Jack" Andrews Burruss to Anne and John Burruss



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Our Mission:

To provide a welcoming community
in which all can, with open hearts
and open minds, receive God's
grace through worship, fellowship,
learning and outreach to others.



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