

NeverTheLess – September 3, 2017

TODAY AND THIS WEEK

WELCOME TO ALL, especially if you are visiting us today. We are delighted to have you here. Nametags are an outward symbol of radical hospitality. If you don't have one, please see an usher or a greeter for assistance. If you are visiting, we also invite you to fill out a pew card and put it in the plate.

GUEST PREACHER today we extend a warm welcome to the Rev. Dr. Mary Brennan Thorpe, Director of Transition Ministry for the Diocese of Virginia.

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF Many of you have asked how we can best help the folks in Texas and along the Gulf Coast. The undesignated offering today will be donated to Episcopal Relief and Development to assist with their efforts to give aid and succor to the people and communities so devastated by Hurricane Harvey. And please hold the people in your prayers.

PASTORAL CALLS The Wardens will be helping to coordinate pastoral care; you may contact Sr. Warden Yancey Jones at 804.393.9901 or Jr. Warden Rebecca Cline at 804.683.0081.

ALSO OF NOTE

PARISH PICNIC AND MINISTRY FAIR ...next Sunday, September 10, immediately following 10:00 church, please join us for our annual parish picnic. Please bring a favorite dish to share.

And while you are enjoying the picnic, join us for a Ministry Fair. This congregation thrives on serving each other as well as our wider community. The Ministry Fair is a way for our ministries and committees to highlight the work we do and the ways we can participate to serve the greater good inside and outside our walls, and for you to explore volunteer opportunities.

BISHOP'S VISIT ON SEPTEMBER 17 Bishop Ted Gulick will be at St. James the Less on Sunday, September 17. We invite a volunteer or two to help coordinate a scaled-down reception in the **Library** (because of **CARITAS** - see next story) following the service. Please contact Dawn Davis, deltad368@gmail.com or 804-513-4169, if you can help.

OUTREACH

CARITAS @ SJTL – SEPT. 16-23 C.A.R.I.T.A.S. (Congregations Around Richmond Involved To Assure Shelter) is our area's ministry providing shelter, food, and community to a group of homeless people, church by church, one week at a time. St. James the Less will host ~35-40 gentlemen who are struggling with homelessness the week of September 16-23. C.A.R.I.T.A.S. helps to break the cycles of homelessness and addiction in the Metro Richmond area so that people can lead stable lives. They are the largest provider of homeless services in the area, innovative because the four programs strategically fill the gaps in this system. It helps the most vulnerable among us, which makes for stronger community. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities; sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board at Information Central, and bins for donations of sheets, washcloths, and/or toiletries are in the hallway.

SHRINE MONT

PARISH RETREAT AT SHRINE MONT our favorite weekend is fast approaching! September 22 – 24. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at Information Central in our hallway. \$125 for adults, \$50 for children 4-12 years. Some financial assistance is available.

SHRINE MONT BOOK DISCUSSION SELECTION We will have a discussion of *Walking the Bible* by Bruce Feiler (2001, Harper Collins Books), for those who are interested in taking part. The book reflects the author's desire to reconnect to the Bible by retracing stories of the Old Testament to their actual locations. It is a fascinating adventure story, archaeological study and personal spiritual exploration. It is also available used and for Kindle readers. For those of you who have "Visit the Holy Land" on your bucket list, this is the book for you!

PRAYER LIST – September 3, 2017

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for all the baptized in their daily life and work

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: San Diego - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd James Mathes; San Joaquin - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Chester Talton; San Joaquin - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Rice

For our parishioners requesting our prayers: **GUS** Miller, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **ERIN** Yagla, **STEWART** Dishman, **DON** Jones, **CHARLIE** Thompson, **NED** Stiles, **JOANIE** Burgoyne, **GAYELLEN** Wagner, **SALLY** Ellithorpe, **JIM** Cobb, **SYLVIA** Spagna, **BOB** Ellithorpe, **BETH** Harrison, **JACK** Keck

For those serving in the diplomatic corps, the military, and as missionaries: **KEMPER** Jones, **GREG** Ericksen, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison, **JAMES** Ashley, **ANDREW** Brunson

For the repose of souls: Debra Deweese; Wade Stimpson; Susan Lipsey

Relatives & Friends: *(people added this week are in italics)* **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace), **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family), **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish), **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy), **JANE** Markwood (mother of Tim Markwood), **NANCY** Margie (friend of Aleta Meyer), **MARY & JIMMY** (family of Tammie & Bob May), **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbie & Tom Street), The Rev. **NANCY** Cox (friend of the Meyer family), **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **HAMILTON** family (friends of the Roberts family), **BETTY FAY** Thomas (sister of Mary Lou Brown), **CAROL** Brown (sister of Bob Brown), **BETH** Vannais (cousin of Bob Brown), **EARL** May (brother of Bob May), **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **KIM** Cave (friend of Pat Jordan), **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb), **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker), **KATHY** Balducci (friend of Jenny Bruce), **BILL** May (brother of Bob May), **BETSY** Owen (sister of former organist's wife, Elaine Hooley, friend of the parish), **WIL** Lawrence (son of Ann & Wilbur Lawrence), **DONNA** Hoffman (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **CONNIE** Barney (friend of the Pace family), **LELIA** Moran (friend of the SJTL parish family), **PAM** Whittaker (friend of Beth Markwood), **AUDREY JO** Weaver (mother of Tammie May), **SUSAN** Adams (sister of Steve Pace), **MOLLY; MAGGIE; MARK** Longaker, **SHARON** Hooper (friend of Dawn Davis), **BILL** Russell (friend of Margaret and Chris Belyea), **RUTH** Syman-May (friend of the SJTL parish), **SAM** Hulsey and Family (friends of Charles & Faye Joy and Lula Hopkins). **DAVID & TRACEY** (family of Ricki & Jim Carson), **ERIN** Carroll Cullather (friend of Aleta Meyer), **SAVANNAH** Wood (friend of Beth Markwood), **SHELBY, GIL** Beaudry (Sylvia Spagna's mother), **BETSY** (sister of Jim Carson), **JODY** May (aunt of Bob May), **KATHY** Coleman (friend of Margaret Rush), **ANDY** Roberts (friend of Mary Lou & Bob Brown), **TERRY** Shaw (friend of Sandi Shirey), **JOANIE** Watkins (sister-in-law of Bobbie & Tom Street), **STEVE** (family member of Fran McConnell), **JP** Temple (nephew of Alice & Jim Cobb), **FRANK** BEAUDRY and family (Sylvia Spagna's family), **MELANIE V.** (friend of Ruth Savino), **DUFF** Green (brother of Melissa Hoar), **AUBREY** Fletcher (friend of Ann and Wilbur Lawrence), **TOM** Slaughter (brother of Ann Lawrence), **DEBBIE** Hill (friend of Pat Jordan), **SCOTT** (friend of Doris Hassell), **CRYSTAL** McLaughlin (friend of Anna Brawley), **NORA** Hall (friend of Kris and Rich Holt), **JR** Cook (friend of Anna Brawley), **DAN** Brummitt (uncle of Margaret Rush), **ANN** Taylor (friend of SJTL parish), **SUZANNE** Huff (friend of the SJTL parish), **JUDY** Sledd (friend of the Jones family); **LEROY** and **JOSEPHINE** (friends of Pat Jordan), **KAREN** Fetty (friend of Doris and Harry Hassell), **BILL** Turpin (friend of Teva Rittenhouse); **PAT** Barnhill (mother of Debbie Ham and friend of the SJTL Parish), the **JONES FAMILY** (Sharon, Debra, Jim, Dallyne, Jim, et al.) (friends of Anna Brawley); **ANNE** Taylor (friend of the SJTL parish); **DAVID** Willis (friend of the parish and the Ashland community)

For all the people and communities along our coastline affected by Hurricane Harvey.

VESTRY MEMBERS: Yancey Jones (Senior Warden); Rebecca Cline (Junior Warden); Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood; Ricki Carson; John Hoar; George Spagna; Janet Taylor