



St. John's Episcopal Church

3507 Pine St. Pascagoula, MS 39567

June 2022

Dear Friends,

A good practice for any vestry is to have goals for the future. This isn't to say that we only need to look at the future but we also need to see where we are currently and keep ourselves realistic about where we are and what our true opportunities are. There is a real balance to all of this and your vestry is certainly trying to stay in touch with both matters at hand.

One item we discussed at our last vestry meeting is the future. What will this congregation look like five years from now? What are the desires of the current vestry for St. John's in the next five years? More importantly, what are your desires? We are now making it a priority to look at this important goal as we spend our time together.

The day after our last vestry meeting, I made a timeline of what happens in the liturgical year. From Advent to Easter day we are an active congregation both in liturgy and other functions as well. These include the Posada, St. Nick, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week and Easter. After these seasons, things seem to calm down as we enter into the ordinary season. The ordinary season is from Trinity Sunday to the Sunday before Advent begins.

We are certainly thankful to Amy Baker for her work with the Sunday school and other children's activities that continue through the school year and Vacation Bible School which will happen next month. It is my hope that this ministry will be alive and well for the next five years and beyond.

Beyond our children's ministry, what are some other programs and ministries you would like to see happen at St. John's? But the real question, I think, is what are you willing to commit to help make programs and ministries happen at St. John's?

In reference to my Pentecost sermon, what is God calling you to and enabling you to do that will make a difference in your life and the life of St. John's? Please let a vestry member or myself know so that we can discuss it in our vestry meetings.

Thank you for being a part of St. John's and for supporting our future as part of the Jesus Movement.

Faithfully Yours,

Tom

Worship, food and fellowship

Pentecost Sunday at St. John's

St. John's celebrated Pentecost Sunday with new Pentecost vestments, all blessed the previous week. Following the service, we had a crawfish boil with our congregation decked out in red. Enjoy these photos from the day's service and festivities.



Pentecost continued . . .



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*Wearing red reminds us
of the fire of the Holy
Spirit*

FEMA Guide to Hurricane Preparedness

Whether you've lived in the Pascagoula area for years or are new to the area, it never hurts to refresh yourself on the key elements of preparedness. Hurricane season is here once again, and just hearing that could bring about significant stress, especially if you've been through a previous disaster. To combat stress, take action now. Each positive action you take can help you feel better and more in control.

Look for steps you and your family can take to prepare ahead of time for any disaster-related needs. It's time to make a plan today. FEMA suggests that the key elements of any solid plan include:

Communications

Your family may not be together when a storm strikes, so you need to know how you'll contact one another and reconnect if you are separated. Write down your contacts and plans. Print a copy for each member of the family. Make sure everyone in the family has copies and keeps them in a safe place, like in a backpack, wallet, or taped in a notebook. Also put those plans in your cell phones.

Establish a family meeting place that's familiar and easy to find. If you have pets or service animals, think about animal-friendly locations. Consider places in your house, in your neighborhood, and outside of your city or town so you are prepared for any situation.

Supplies

Being prepared for an emergency isn't just about staying safe during a storm or a disaster. It's also about how to stay comfortable, clean, fed, and healthy afterwards. If the power

goes out, you may not be able to go to the store or the bank. Being prepared means having your own food, water, cash, and other supplies to last for at least three days, and possibly longer if you are in a remote or hard-to-reach area.

Make a kit

Remember that your kit will depend on your own needs. Include clothing, toiletries, and medications. Once you have the basic items, consider what unique needs your family might have, such as supplies for pets or seniors. See the next page of this newsletter for a checklist you can print and use.

Financial Plans

It is a challenge to rebuild your life after a destructive storm or other emergency. Having access to personal financial, insurance, medical and other records is critical for starting the recovery process quickly and efficiently.

- Gather financial and critical personal, household, and medical information.
- Keep a small amount of cash at home in a safe place. It is important to have small bills on hand because ATMs and credit cards may not work during and after a storm when you need to purchase necessary supplies, fuel, or food.



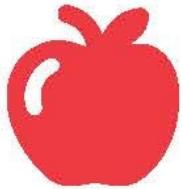
**Printable
Hurricane
Checklist**

HURRICANE EMERGENCY CHECKLIST



WATER

- Drinking water (one gallon per person per day for 14 days)
- Water for cooking and hygiene (one gallon per person per day)
- Water for pets



FOOD

- Non-perishable packaged or canned food to last 14 days
- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables
- Canned or boxed juice
- Canned or boxed milk
- Powdered coffee or tea
- Bread, crackers and cookies
- Special food for babies and the elderly
- Cereal
- Soup
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Granola bars
- Trail mix



HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Cooler for ice and food storage
- Flashlights with extra batteries or hand-crank
- Car charger for cell phones
- Battery operated digital TV with car charger adapter
- Grill with extra propane, charcoal or Sterno
- Waterproof matches
- Paper plates, bowls and cups
- Napkins, paper towels and toilet paper
- Water purification tablets
- Outdoor extension cords
- Plastic eating utensils
- Important family documents
- Diapers
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children
- Blanket
- Towels
- Cleaning supplies
- Work gloves
- Duct tape
- Multi-tool
- Waterproof tarps
- Plastic sheeting
- Rope
- Basic tool kit
- Moist towelettes
- Extra cash
- Maps
- Bicycle helmet
- Emergency generator



HEALTH ESSENTIALS

- Two week supply of prescription drugs
- Two week supply of vitamins
- Over the counter pain reliever
- Toiletries and hygiene items
- First Aid Kit
- Sunscreen
- Mosquito repellent
- Plastic garbage bags
- Antibacterial hand soap



FOR YOUR PETS

- Non-perishable food
- Water
- Medications
- Documentation and license
- Crate or pet carrier

Health and Hygiene products available for needy

Food Pantry customers and others in need can now get essential toiletries as a result of Church Secretary Jenn Johnson's initiative.

Jenn noticed over the past weeks that people were coming to the church asking for a toothbrush, toothpaste or soap. She suggested to Fr. Tom that we give the congregation an opportunity to donate these items or contribute cash for the purchase of them. As always, the congregation responded right away and contributions were used to purchase the pictured items.



“It’s amazing to see the church respond to a community need so quickly,” said Jenn. “It will feel so good to give a toothbrush or one of these other items to someone in need.”

Upcoming events on Children’s Ministry calendar

- June 12** - 1st Family Fun Night! This will be a Nerf party and obstacle course for both children and parents. More information to come.
- July 10-12** - Vacation Bible School 5:00 p.m. -7:15 p.m. The theme is *The Trinity*.
- July 17** - Children will sing at the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist.
- July 24** - 2nd Family Fun Night! Theme: *Messy Night*. More information to come.



St. John’s Parish Staff

The Rt. Rev. Brian Seage, *Bishop*
The Rev. Tom Fanning, *Rector*
The Rev. Ede Plovanch, *Part Time Associate Priest*
Hope Shotts Steiner, *Organist-Choir Director*
Terry Willis, *Sexton*
Jenn Johnson, *Church Secretary*
Amy Baker, *Children’s Ministry*
Pam Eaves, *Nursery Attendant*

2022 Vestry

Kelly Smith - *Senior Warden*
Deborah Banahan - *Junior Warden*
Deborah Banahan - *Parish Activities*
Rhonda Shook - *Outreach*
Con Lancaster - *Treasurer*
Donna Stewart - *Vestry Clerk*
Bobby Baker - *Assistant Treasurer*
Amanda Johns - *Member*
Matt Jones - *Member*

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JUNE

SUNDAY

If we missed your Birth-day or Anniversary please email or call Jenn with the date. Thank you!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
				Eli Pickett Sarah Smith *Deanna & Andrew Battley	Gabby Kyzar *Deborah & John Banahan	Sara Elizabeth Baker Archie Fitch
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
	Sheri O'Bryant	Jessica O'Bryant		Katherine Bosio	*Lori & John Warren	Wendy Frederic Joseph Green *Linda & Bruce Grimes
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Erica Dickens Nelson Pugh Emily Pugh	Isabella Waldrep *Barbie & Dale Harkey	Karah Vance	Walker Frederic Brittany Hicks	John Kinard Bubba Williams *Linda & Doug Holden	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Amelia Kate Frederic Janet Hux Teresa Parrish *Anna & Bill	John Banahan Marcia Baumhauer Meg Green Capps McElhane	Annie Battley	William Harkey	Andrew Baker Dolly Brockey Rick Minkler Eliza Wills	Leonard Fuller Carolyn Horne Chad Tolleson	Bennett Switzer
26	27	28	29	30	01	02
*Chandler & Charlie Beasley	Carby Shows	Johnny Banahan Taylor Battley	Amy Baker Nathan Waters *Jill & Bruner Bosio	Sherry Boman *Joann & Charles		
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
*Anniversary						

Lay Ministry Schedule June 2022

	June 5th The Day of Pentecost	June 12th Trinity Sunday	June 19th The Second Sunday after Pentecost	June 26th The Third Sunday after Pentecost
Verger	Bill Nelson	Dale Harkey	Bill Nelson	Dustin Taylor
Lectors/ Chalice Bearer	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
	Mary Maner	Priscilla Battley	Bob McDonald	Teresa Williamson
	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am
	Mary Mgt Bailey Kathy Khayat Bruner Bosio	Rick Roberts Monica Donald John Banahan	Charles Shook Carol Hutcherson Anna Stewart	Calen Wills Bruner Bosio Kathy Khayat
Acolytes		Gabby Kyzar, Fin Battley, & Jonathan Gates		Gabby Kyzar, Fin Battley, & Jonathan Gates
Worship Camera	Matt Jones	Bill Stewart	Bill Stewart	Matt Jones
Ushers	Leonard Fuller		David Minkler	Calen Wills
Altar Guild	Tonya Latady & Len Murray	Connie Belk & Amanda Johns	Rhonda Shook & Judy Williamson	JoAnne Fontaine & Laura Branch
Flower Guild	Amy Baker & Deborah Banahan	Deborah Banahan	Mimm Bilbo	Sherry Boman