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## **NEW DUVALL CENTER CLOSED ON JULY 4**

The Duvall Center office of the bishop and diocesan staff will be **closed on Thursday, July 4**, in honor of Independence Day.

## **CLERGY NEWS**

Welcome, to Jody and Julia Burnett, and their children Stewart and Virginia. Jody has accepted the call to be Rector of St. Paul's, Mobile, eff July 1. We wish Jody and family all the best as they settle into Mobile and begin a new ministry at St. Paul's; to **Tom and Susan Miles**, who are living amongst us in retirement. Tom has been licensed to Supply and is happy to serve when there is a need.

# **NEW 81ST GENERAL CONVENTION SPECIAL EDITION NEWSLETTER**

The 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church will be held June 23-28, in Louisville, KY. Bishop Russell and the diocesan deputation will represent the Central Gulf Coast.. The purpose of the General Convention is to pass legislation that affects the whole Episcopal church. Updates will be posted on our website at <a href="https://www.diocgc.org/general-convention">https://www.diocgc.org/general-convention</a>. If you would like to receive daily reports of the work of our deputation, consider subscribing to our special edition newsletter: <a href="https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/FoS4LJE">https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/FoS4LJE</a>.

## **UPCOMING LEADERSHIP TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

# Saturday, August 3 10 a.m Hybrid Treasurer's Training with Dwight Babcock For treasurers Details forthcoming

## **NEW** LAY SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY PRESENTATIONS

During the summer, the Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast is launching a campaign titled **"Fan the Flames of Pentecost: What Does It Mean to Be a Disciple?"** to invite and encourage each of its members into a deeper discernment about your specific call to ministry. Presentations will be given on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. on each of the five lay tracks offered by the Lay School for Ministry. We invite you to share this information in your church's newsletter and announcements. For more details and presentation dates, visit: <u>https://www.diocgc.org/post/fan-the-flames-of-pentecost</u>.

# **CLERGY REMINDER: NEW ASSIGNMENT FORM**

CPG has recently been running into a few issues with clergy / employers that have not submitted or updated employment / compensation changes with CPG via the "New Assignment Notice" form. This has implications for clergy pensions and takes a fair amount of work to clean up. Note that CPG sends all clergy an annual statement about your compensation, credited service accrued, etc.; if you see anything needing to be fixed / updated, this form needs to be completed and sent to CPG timely. Remember, clergy/employers need to submit this form to CPG when:

- A cleric begins an assignment or changes employers, including initial employment
- A cleric's employment status changes to make him/her eligible (or ineligible) for benefits
- A cleric's employment is terminated, including due to retirement
- A cleric's or lay employee's compensation changes, including when a one time payment is made

You can find the CPG form at: <u>https://www.diocgc.org/administrative-resources</u> or call Kim at the diocesan office at (850) 434-7337.

## STEWARDSHIP MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM TENS

#### 2024 password: Ephesians5:2 (Note: a username is no longer required).

Annual pledge campaign materials are available on the TENS website: This year's theme is "More Than Enough: Annual Pledge Campaign". Resources include: Graphics and Logos in many common formats; Customizable letters from Clergy, Stewardship Committee, and Wardens; Customizable pledge / promise cards, etc. All churches have access to TENS materials as they are included in our diocesan membership. The login credentials change each year for members. LOGIN at: <u>https://www.tens.org/</u>.

# **RESOURCE: LAY LEADERS DIRECTORY**

The list of Lay Leaders who have been canonically certified as Lay Worship Leaders and Lay Preachers is available on the diocesan website. We have provided this list for many of our smaller parishes that have occasional need of assistance when supply clergy are not available. Bishop Kendrick and Dean Joy Blaylock work in conjunction with those who are invited to lead worship or preach at a church different than their own. This has been found to be a joyful fruit of the Lay School as it deepens the bonds of relationship and ministry across our diocese.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dean Joy Blaylock at <u>joyblaylock@diocgc.org</u>. You can find the Lay Leader list here: <u>https://www.diocgc.org/lay-ministry</u>.

# ONLINE SAFEGUARDING / RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Our Safeguarding system uses a program from Presidium Academy. You can find links and guidelines on the diocesan website at: <u>https://www.diocgc.org/administrative-resources</u>. Each church must identify church Administrators; Admin's can be added to the system by contacting the Diocesan Office. These Admins will add their church members to the Academy system and generate "invitations" to those needing to take Safeguarding modules.

#### 1. To Sign Up for new Safeguarding system:

E-mail the Safeguarding Online Administrator assigned to your parish.

- 2. Your designated church Administrator will facilitate your access to Praesidium Academy by generating an "invitation email" which will be sent to you from donotreply@praesidiuminc.com.
- 3. Fill in the required information (including your desired password).
- 4. Click Accept Invite.
- 5. You will be redirected to the login screen please log in with your email address and the password you just created.
- 6. You can now proceed to find and complete the required modules.

If your coursework is over 4 years old, it will be considered dated/expired and may not have been moved over into your new account. If you have any questions, please contact Dwight Babcock or Mary Poss at 850-434-7337.

## **JOB POSTINGS**

#### **NEW** Organist/Pianist - St. Andrew's, Mobile

St. Andrew's, Mobile is seeking a part-time organist/pianist to play for three Sundays per month, Feast Day services, Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday, and Holy Week services. Applicants should contact Phyllis Findley at phyllis@phyllisfindley.com.

#### Choir Director - St. Simon's on the Sound, Fort Walton Beach

St. Simon's, Fort Walton Beach is seeking a **part-time choir director** for leading and directing the choir in musical performances during church services and special events. This role requires a strong musical background, experience working with choirs, and a deep understanding of Episcopal liturgical music. Applicants should contact the Rev. David Knight at <u>rector@stsimons-fwb.org</u>.

#### **UPDATE** CONGREGATIONS IN TRANSITION (as of 6/1/2024)

Cantonment, St. Monica's	NA	
Dothan, Nativity	Interim in place on July 1	
<u>Milton, St. Mary's</u>	In process	
Redeemer, Mobile	In process	
Mobile, St. Paul's	Call made, begins July 1	
Mobile, Trinity	In process	
Panama City, Holy Nativity	Receiving names	
Panama City, St. Andrew's	In process	
Pensacola, Holy Trinity	In process	

**Please do not contact the openings directly.** For information, please contact: The Rev. Ashley Freeman, Canon to the Ordinary, at <u>ashley@diocgc.org</u>.

#### **INSURANCE UPDATES**

- Please visit our website for additional insurance info:
  - Congregational Resources
  - <u>Risk Management & Insurance Basics for Religious Organizations (recommended)</u>
  - Safety and Insurance Handbook for Churches (recommended)

#### LINK TO SUBSCRIBE TO DIOCESAN EMAIL LIST

We would be so grateful if you would consider adding the link below to your regular church communications and on your websites so that members can subscribe and stay connected to news from around the diocese. Thank you! **SUBSCRIBE TO DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS**.

#### MUSIC LICENSING

If your church offers music during services, it is important to follow all copyright guidelines, which include maintaining a license to perform, broadcast, or print copyrighted music. Review your church's licensing agreements, and be sure to add the streaming option if you are broadcasting services online. Recommended licensing companies include <u>One License</u>, <u>Christian Copyright Licensing</u> <u>International</u>(CCLI), <u>Christian Copyright Solutions</u>.

# CYCLES OF PRAYER FOR DIOCESE AND PRISON MINISTRY

Congregations are invited to include both our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and our Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer in their Prayers of the People, newsletters, and/or bulletins. Both are available at <u>www.diocgc.org/cycle-of-prayer</u>.

# **NEW VESTRY MEMBERS? SUBMIT UPDATES TO THE DIOCESAN OFFICE**

Annually, we request churches to update their leadership directory for the diocesan database. The update is especially important to report changes in vestry membership. Please submit your completed form, linked below, as soon as possible. Thank you! Direct questions to jenn@diocgc.org. CHURCH LEADERSHIP DIRECTORY FORM

# **DID THE BISHOP VISIT YOUR CHURCH?**

Send high resolution images (1MB or larger file size) from any bishop's visitations to jenn@diocgc.org, including the photographer's name for credit.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS Stay up-to-date on diocesan events by bookmarking

our calendar: https://www.diocgc.org/calendar-of-events.

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
School for Ministry Lay Leader Graduation	Jun 8	St. Cyprian's, Pensacola
Lay School Presentation	Jun 12	Trinity, Mobile
Standing Committee Meeting	Jun 18	ZOOM
General Convention	Jun 23-28	Louisville, KY
Lay School Presentation	Jun 26	St. Christopher's, Pensacola

# **BISHOP RUSSELL'S SCHEDULE**

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Visitation	Jun 2	Redeemer, Mobile
Sr. High Summer Camp	Jun 2 - 6	Beckwith
School for Ministry Lay Leader Graduation	Jun 8	St. Cyprian's, Pensacola
Visitation	Jun 9	Trinity, Mobile
Protecting Places of Worship Forum	Jun 10	Bayview Community Ctr, Pensacola
Special Dedication of Donated items	Jun 12	Westminster Village, Spanish Fort, AL
Visitation	Jun 16	St. John's, Pensacola
Standing Committee meeting	Jun 18	ZOOM
General Convention	Jun 20 - 28	Louisville, KY
Visitation	Jun 30	St. Matthew's, Chipley

#### Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast Green Sheet 2024 Treasurer's Report - May 2024

(Please Note: Report reflects funds received as of 05/31/2024

Congregational Pledges Pledges	MTD Actual (2024)	YTD Rec'd (2024)	YTD Budget Variance	Annual Pledge (2024)
Andalusia, St. Mary's	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	(\$2,000)	\$12,000.00
Apalachicola, Trinity	\$1,666.00	\$8,330.00	(+_,, \$0	\$20,000.00
Atmore, St. Anna's	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
Atmore, Trinity	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$500)	\$1,200.00
Bay Minette, Immanuel	\$233.00	\$2,667.80	\$876	\$4,300.00
Bon Secour, St. Peter's	\$0.00	\$2,013.90	(\$1,231)	\$7,788.00
Brewton, St. Stephen's	\$810.68	\$9,986.18	\$1,897	\$19,413.00
Cantonment,St. Monica's	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,458	\$2,500.00
Chickasaw, St. Michael's	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
Chipley, St. Matthew's	\$350.00	\$2,000.00	\$0	\$4,800.00
Citronelle, St. Thomas	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$21)	\$50.00
Coden, St. Mary's	\$5,704.00	\$5,704.00	\$3,327	\$5,704.00
Crestview, Epiphany	\$250.00	\$1,250.00	\$0	\$3,000.00
Daphne, St. Paul's	\$2,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$0	\$30,000.00
Dauphin Isld, St. Francis	\$1,041.00	\$5,204.50	\$0	\$12,490.00
DeFnk Spgs, St. Agatha's	\$413.30	\$1,946.63	(\$241)	\$5,250.00
Destin, St. Andrew's	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	(\$1,333)	\$8,000.00
Dothan, Nativity	\$9,166.74	\$32,083.47	(\$1,333) \$9,167	\$55,000.00
Enterprise, Epiphany	\$681.00	\$4,474.00	(\$418)	\$11,740.00
Eufaula, St. James'	\$1,275.00	\$6,375.00	(9410) \$0	\$15,300.00
Fairhope, St. James'	\$10,065.65	\$51,139.38	(\$3,027)	\$130,000.00
Foley, St. Paul's	\$0.00	\$10,697.34	(\$3,451)	\$33,957.00
Ft.Wltn Bch,St. Simon	\$4,554.33	\$22,771.69	(\$5,451) \$0	\$54,652.00
Greenville, St. Thomas	\$1,369.70	\$8,247.00	\$164	\$19,400.00
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis	\$1,552.00	\$5,293.50	\$104 \$948	\$10,429.00
Gulf Shores, Holy Spirit	\$2,812.50	\$14,062.50	\$0 \$0	\$33,750.00
Jackson, St. Peter's	\$2,012.50	\$2,000.00	\$0 \$1,250	\$1,800.00
Laguna Beach, St. Thomas	\$2,000.00 \$0.00	\$1,757.31	(\$654)	\$5,787.00
Lillian, Advent	\$0.00 \$771.00	\$3,855.00	(\$054) \$0	\$9,252.00
Magnolia Spgs, St. Pauls	\$0.00	\$6,250.00	,\$0 (\$4,167)	\$25,000.00
Marianna, St. Luke's	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$833	\$10,000.00
Milton, St. Mary's	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,693.50	(\$1,129)	\$6,774.00
Mobile, All Saints'	\$0.00 \$1,666.67	\$8,333.35	(\$1,125) \$0	\$20,000.00
Mobile, Christ	\$6,966.66	\$17,416.65	\$0 \$0	\$41,800.00
Mobile, Good Shepherd	\$0,500.00 \$1,300.00	\$6,500.00	\$0 \$0	\$15,600.00
Mobile, Redeemer	\$1,066.66	\$6,113.70	\$1,751	\$10,470.00
Mobile, St. Andrew's	\$1,000.00 \$0.00	\$790.00	(\$814)	\$3,849.00
Mobile, St. John's	\$1,333.30	\$3,787.30	(\$1,754)	\$13,300.00
Mobile, St. Luke's	\$1,555.50 \$0.00	\$3,333.66	(\$1,754)	\$20,000.00
Mobile, St. Paul's	\$16,250.00	\$81,250.00	(\$3,000) \$0	\$195,000.00
Mobile, Trinity	\$1,466.67	\$7,333.35	\$0 \$0	\$17,600.00
Monroeville, St. John's	\$1,400.07 \$256.87	\$1,416.64	,\$4,139)	\$13,334.00
Navarre, St. Augustine's	\$333.33	\$1,999.99	\$333	\$4,000.00
Niceville, St. Jude's	\$2,434.00	\$12,170.00	\$0	\$29,206.00
Ozark, St. Michael's	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$817	\$1,400.00
Pnma City, Holy Nativity	\$3,327.50	\$16,637.50	\$0 \$0	\$39,930.00
Panama City, St. Andrew's	\$1,136.00	\$5,700.00	(\$2,633)	\$20,000.00
Panama City, St. Patrick's	\$267.75	\$1,652.26	\$402	\$3,000.00
Panama City Beach, Grace	\$1,166.92	\$5,834.60	\$0	\$14,003.00
Pensacola, Christ	\$10,875.00	\$41,750.00	(\$12,625)	\$130,500.00
Pensacola, Holy Cross	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00	(\$12,025) \$0	\$24,000.00
Pensacola, Holy Trinity	\$899.04	\$4,495.20	\$0 \$0	\$10,789.00
Peola, St. Christopher's	\$6,115.00	\$4,495.20	\$0 \$0	\$73,380.00
Pensacola, St. Cyprian's	\$0,113.00 \$0.00	\$30,575.00 \$0.00	,\$0 (\$1,369)	\$3,286.00
Pensacola, St. Cyphan's Pensacola, St. John's	\$0.00 \$1,765.05	\$0.00 \$6,499.52	(\$1,309) \$2,333	\$3,288.00
Pensacola, St. John's Pt St. Joe, St. James'	\$1,765.05 \$0.00	\$0,499.52 \$0.00		\$10,000.00
Robertsdale, St. John	\$0.00 \$135.00	\$0.00 \$540.00	(\$625) (\$135)	\$1,500.00 \$1,620.00
SRB, Christ King	\$135.00 \$0.00	\$340.00 \$18,531.32	(\$135) (\$4,385)	\$1,820.00 \$55,000.00
Troy, St. Mark's	\$0.00 \$1,370.00	\$6,860.00	(\$4,385) (\$640)	\$35,000.00 \$18,000.00
Wewahitchka, St. John's	\$1,370.00 \$0.00	\$8,880.00 \$2,000.00	(\$640) \$1,167	\$18,000.00
Total Pledges	\$0.00 \$116,347	\$539,723	(\$23,567)	\$1,351,903
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