



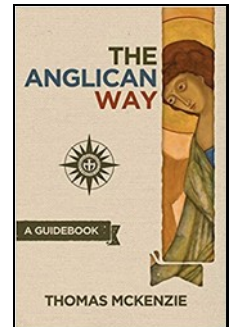
AUGUST 2019

The Vine

Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches..." John 15:5

Anglican Worship

Recently I read *The Anglican Way* by Thomas McKenzie, "a Guidebook for anyone interested in following Jesus as an Anglican Christian." It is a very interesting, informative, and readable book. McKenzie succinctly covers our Anglican history, our theological distinctives, our variety and unity, and how we worship. If you haven't read it, I encourage you to do so.



Anglican Sunday worship is from the Book of Common Prayer, and is typically Eucharistic, that is centered on The Word of God and The Holy Communion. Some Anglican churches periodically use Morning Prayer for their Sunday worship, which does not include Holy Communion. Like many other churches, Anglicans hear God's Word preached, but unlike some other churches, we also hear God's Word read. As the Apostle Paul told Timothy, "...devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching" (1 Timothy 4:13). Unlike some other churches, most Anglicans receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion each Sunday. As McKenzie said, "a sacrament is an encounter between God and his people through something material." In Holy Communion through the material Bread and Wine we mysteriously and spiritually encounter Jesus' Body and Blood tangibly. Hymns and songs of praise are sprinkled throughout Anglican worship services. Where some churches only call their time of singing "worship," we Anglicans see our entire worship services as "worship."

Anglican Christians follow the Christian Year with the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter, followed by Ordinary Times after Pentecost Sunday. Why follow the Christian Year? As C. S. Lewis said, "People like variety, but they also like things to stay the same." The Church Seasons and the Lectionary of Bible readings give us variety, but at the same time, consistency. Throughout the Christian year we always celebrate the vitally important focuses of the Christian faith: Jesus' Incarnation, the revealing of Christ to the Gentiles, Jesus' Baptism, Jesus' life, death, ascension, and resurrection, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, God the Holy Trinity, and the saints and Saints of the universal church in heaven and on earth.

Anglican daily worship is from the Book of Common Prayer. The daily worship services are called the Daily Office, which includes Morning Prayer, Midday Prayer, Evening Prayer, Family Prayer, and Compline. All of these services are found in the Book of Common Prayer. These services may be done in your home privately, as a family, with friends, or at the church. Each includes prayers, Canticles, and Bible readings. Some Anglican Christians worship four times a day. Others worship once or twice a day. Still others worship periodically throughout the week from the services of the Daily Office. If you haven't experienced Anglican daily worship, I encourage you to do so. If you don't have a Book of Common Prayer, you may buy a copy at a discounted rate in the Narthex of our church.

Our Path of Christian Maturity

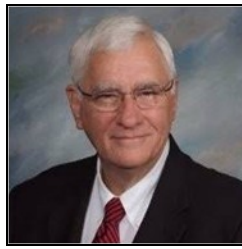
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The Faith Flash

Are you receiving our email newsletter, *The Faith Flash*? *The Faith Flash* comes out weekly with timely information and reminders. Sign up today by going to our website (www.faithanglicanchurch.org), or calling the church office (755-4848).

Welcome Fr. Frank!

Fr. Frank Myers, and his wife Gennie, come to us from Charlotte, North Carolina, moving here to be close to their son. Frank has been heavily involved in prison and jail ministry both in Mecklenburg County and in the West African country of Ghana.



He plans to be involved in prison ministry here too. Interested? Contact him. He is also on the board of the Anglican Relief and Development Fund.

BAPTISMAL DATES

Baptism is for those adults and older children who have made a commitment to Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Baptism is also for infants and younger children of parents who intend to raise their children to serve Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Those who intend to be baptized need to attend worship regularly. If you or your child is ready for baptism, please plan to be baptized on one of the following dates: **August 18th** and **November 3rd** (All Saints' Sunday). If you are interested please contact Fr. Herb.

Faith Serves at 8th Street Mission

Another great time in West Memphis in June! Many thanks to the food providers and the front line folks who helped: Peter C., Peter K., Doug C., Lance F., David H., James Z., and new comers Alex and Israel Garza. More than 40 folks were served at the June visit and around 1/3 had seconds! As one of the residents told us smiling, *"We don't eat like this every night!"*. All very appreciative and thankful, especially the FAC folks; proud to serve!



The Mission serves three meals a day to Crittenden County's most hungry.

Helping the Poor God's Way

Throughout the Bible, God makes it clear that it's our responsibility to help the poor. For instance on the Day of Judgment the King (Jesus) will say to those who feed the hungry, invite the stranger in, clothe the naked, and visit the sick and those in prison, "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25). Yet, how do we help the poor in a way that truly helps them? First, have an attitude of generosity and openhandedness, not hardheartedness or tightfistedness (Deuteronomy 15). Second, help the poor in a way that does not foster laziness or dependency, does not provide for illicit activities, and gives them love, honor, respect, and provision. Giving and lending (expecting nothing in return) to the poor is crucial in a crisis. However, in the long run applying the Gleaning Laws (Leviticus 19) to the poor is the best solution – "When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field... Leave them for the poor and the alien." In other words, don't just give money to the poor, leave some work (home and business) for the poor to do.

Ladies August Movie Night

Ladies, our last movie night of the summer will be Monday, August 19. at the home of Bill and Sudy Fisher at 6:30 for a light meal. The movie will start at 7:00. All ladies are invited. The title is to be determined. Invite your friends.

Birthdays

Jennifer Bostick	02	Amy Trippel	13
Jessica Hearne	05	Kelly Shipman	14
Bob Barnett	08	Jenny Ndaruhutse	20
Doug Conner	10	Daniel King	24
Bill Zachry	12	Chuck Glover	27

Anniversaries

Noland & Mary Pipes	15
Peter & Annette Kersting	31



Prayer Corner

Nancy Ebbing	Ron Cowan
Mansell Lancaster	Andy Chadwick
Eli Ritchie	Bill Walsh
John White	Janie Beth Covington
Al Graskey	Lincoln Garner

Faith Anglican Church Partners with Collierville Literacy Council as Their Satellite Location in Cordova



The Collierville Literacy Council (CLC) has been eager to better serve literacy needs in the Cordova area. They believe that there are folks that either do not have reliable transportation or the time to

travel back and forth, but still need the many services that CLC offers.

The FAC Parish Council voted unanimously to form a partnership with CLC to use our building as their official Cordova location. This will allow our neighbors to more conveniently access CLC.

FAC will be hosting Tutor Training that will allow tutors to be matched up with people needing:

- 1) Basic literacy skills
- 2) English language skills
- 3) Preparation to pass the High School Equivalency Exam (HiSet)

CLC will be offering HiSet Testing monthly at our church, Community Meet and Greets, as well as having tutors and students meet here, in a safe environment.

This is a very exciting opportunity to truly reach out into our community. We are helping change people's lives by assisting them to grow and flourish.

Tune in for more details on how YOU can take an active role, through CLC, to serve our neighbors.

Called to the Quiet Retreat Saturday, August 24th, 9 to Noon



Come spend some quiet time with your Lord, a time of prayer, meditation, reflection, and hearing from God. From nine until noon at our *Called to the Quiet Retreat*, we will begin with Morning Prayer, have a time of directed prayer, meditation, and reflection,

and conclude with Noon Day Prayers. A booklet is provided to help guide your time of prayer. You may enjoy walking the grounds or sitting in a lawn chair for a portion of your personal time of prayer and meditation. You may want to bring your Bible as well. Spiritual Direction and Reconciliation (Confession) will be available.

Youth Summer Service Days Recap

June 24th-26th was a blast!

The youth went out into the community of Memphis and served a family that is getting ready to adopt, by doing yard work and home improvement. Thanks to the work done by the students of Faith Anglican Church, this family will have a place that is better suited to be called "home" for the adopted children!



Back to School Lock-In

The heat is back and soon school will be as well, but that is okay because the youth of Faith Anglican Church will be having our back to school lock-in the 16th-17th of August. The event will begin on the 16th at 7pm and will end the 17th at 7am. Drop off and pick up will be at Faith Anglican Church. For more information please contact me directly.

Faith Anglican Church Ministry Moment Corner

Annette Kersting, Janie Adkins and Norma Pike are making jewelry items for Operation Christmas Child boxes. They meet on Tuesday mornings at Annette's home from 8AM to Noonish (or anytime in between) to laugh, enjoy sweet time together and to craft jewelry items. They would love to have you and your favorite child/ grandchild craft with them or learn to make jewelry.

Contact any one of them for more details.



LOVING PRAYING HANDS

In Psalm 31 David knew about the Lord's amazing, loving, caring hands. He said, "Into your hands I commit my spirit." With confidence we can trust God when our lives seem to unravel, seem unfair, chaos seems to reign, and there is uncertainty, confusion, and fear. One thing remains absolutely certain, those who are secure in the Lord are in amazing hands. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding," (Proverbs 3:5). We are to trust in the Lord and do what He admonished us to do; that is, to call on the elders and pray for the sick by anointing with oil and laying on of hands.

Jesus, as He was suffering on the cross, committed His life into His father's hands. He said, "Into your hands I commit my spirit" (Luke 23:46). Jesus totally trusted being in His Father's hands. When Bishop Emmanuel was here he laid His anointed hands on many of us and prayed for us. We felt God's presence through these hands. Praise God for human hands that God can use today to minister to His people, bringing peace and healing.



The prayer team is here for you to come to receive God's healing and comforting presence. We in turn, with your permission, may lay our hands on you in Jesus' name. Scripture speaks of this practice in 2 Timothy 1:6. "For this reason I remind you to kindle afresh the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands."

Mary Pipes, Prayer Team

Overseas Missions

Bishop Emmanuel Ntazinda of the Anglican Diocese of Kibungo in Rwanda visited our parish on May 12, 2019 and spoke to us about what the Lord is doing in Rwanda to heal the anguish left in the wake of the Great Genocide that befell that country in 1994. Between one half and one million people lost their lives or were driven out of the country leaving many wives without husbands and children without fathers. Now the Church is trying to re-build the trust that was destroyed during that nightmare. Bishop Emmanuel came to us at the invitation of Fr. Frederic Ndaruhutse to speak to our congregation and other congregations in Alabama, Georgia and Texas. He ended his stay in the states at the Anglican Conference in Dallas last month.

While the Bishop was with us, he shared his need for financial support for two very important missions that are in place in Rwanda and his Diocese. The first is financial support for education and training of seminarians to become priests in local churches. The Rwandan government now requires that all ministers be college trained to lead a church. It takes 3 years of education to receive a college degree and meet the requirement. The cost is \$1000 per year. When the annual salary of most Rwandans is less than \$750 a year, this is a tremendous obstacle to overcome. It is also one of the greatest opportunities, we as Anglicans, can share in to educate disciples to carry the word of the Lord to those in need.

The second most serious need that has an almost immediate effect on a Rwandan family is the addition of a goat to the family's household to provide many essentials. The goats cost \$30 each. Two goats, a male and female, would provide baby goats that the family can exchange for other necessities. The church requires that the first offspring must be given to another family that is in need and belongs to a different tribe to generate trust, love and Christian compassion. WOW!

In August I will speak more about our goals for this ministry to aid Bishop Emmanuel's diocese. We will ask for contributions on August 25th. Please join us in this effort to show that we at Faith Anglican Church are truly "Doers of the Word". God Bless +

Dave Hightower, Jr. Warden
Chairman, Missionary Support



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Service Times:

Sunday:

Holy Eucharist 8:10/10:30am

Sunday School 9:30am

All articles for The Vine are due in the office the **second Monday** of the month, send to:

laqueta@faithanglicanchurch.org

Summer Super Sunday for Kids — Out of Africa



Don't miss your flight! Super Sunday August 25th takes us to Africa to meet Angelique who lives in Rwanda. The Ndaruhutse family here at Faith are from Rwanda, too. We will have an adventure playing games that are loved in Rwanda, making a special craft, and even tasting a sample of their favorite foods. Discover the beauty of this African nation and learn about their gorilla refuge. Through a special video, Angelique will share with us about how she found Jesus through the Awana program and how her love for Jesus changed her life and the lives of her whole family. We will discover how Jesus can change our lives too.

So hop aboard, we are headed to Africa August 25th 4:00-7:00 pm. A celebration dinner is at 6:30 and an opportunity to register for the fall AWANA program at Faith.

We will have activities for your parents too!

