#### **ALL SAINTS**

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## A WORD FROM FATHER RICK

### **Dear Saints**

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. We hope to publish a parish newsletter each month. It is my desire that we sense the community that we enjoy in Christ and as members of All Saints Anglican Church. It is my privilege to serve as your pastor.

Together may we heed the admonition of Peter the apostle who wrote in his second epistle, "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." Growth implies life. Though we had sinned against God, "and become subject to evil and death," God in His mercy has spoken the words of life that are ours in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. By His amazing grace we received this Good News by faith. And now we stand together as His community of faith.

The journey of faith is difficult and often lonely. The world is indifferent to, if not hostile toward, the things of God. We know we are new creations by God's spoken breath that brings new life. And yet, the pull of this world is never far removed. It is easy to "drink the Kool-Aid" of this worldview. The promise is that the joys of this creation can satisfy. When we are tempted by the samples offered up, though, we are left empty.

I am reminded of how C.S. Lewis responded to this: "If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world." Similarly, St. Augustine once wrote, "...our hearts are restless until they find their rest in Thee..."

What a wonderful world! Yet, in its and our fallen state, nothing here will fully satisfy. The way forward for all of us is to be more affectionally drawn to God than to what we see and experience in this present age. This new affection comes and grows by the power of God's Word. That Word is about Jesus, hence, we hear Peter say to us, "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

August blessings!

## THE GARDEN OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



The Garden of the Good Shepherd is consecrated Holy ground where we commit cremated remains of deceased members of All Saints who have lived and died in the Christian faith. In addition, the Circle of Saints is the area where members of All Saints who are buried elsewhere are commemorated. The Memorial Garden provides a final resting place and beautiful, peaceful setting enabling

meditation and inspiration for those memorializing deceased loved ones. The links to the Policies and Plot Form are located on our website allsaintsanglicanhsv.com. We encourage all members to visit the Garden. Should you wish to join your brothers and sisters in the Garden when your time comes to be with our Lord, please contact either Lynda Valdez or Margie Lamber. All Saints encourages its members to make plans for when you leave this earth to be with your Father in Heaven. Those left behind will thank you for making arrangements ahead of time. Please contact the church office (501-915-8431) for further information.

## WEBSITE - Allsaintsanglicanhsv.com



Have you visited our website lately? It is very user friendly, however if you have trouble navigating it, Margie Lambert or

Margaret Buford would love to help you. The website contains a lot of interesting and useful information, including links to searching for information on Anglicanism, who and what we are, the various ministries we are involved in, sermons, articles that are published in the paper, as well as the most up to date picture directory, and more.

### **News to Warm the Heart**



All Saints Anglican Church was blessed to be able to offer 40 scholarships to children of Mountain Pine to attend the summer camp hosted by Harvey's Chapel. The camp is located along the beautiful shores of Lake Ouachita at the old Camp Story, which used to be the Girl Scouts camp. Campers fish, swim, play on gym equipment, play games and have Bible Study. Last year some of our members visited the camp and noticed there was a boy with no shoes. After camp, All Saints received a list of back-to-school wishes. Most requested multiple items, shoes, athletic wear, etc. But one little boy asked for nothing but a pair of

boots. The member who picked the boy's wish card decided to go to Atwood's to look for boots. Shockingly all the boots were between \$225-\$300, which was out of her price range. At the last minute and feeling discouraged, she spotted two clearance boxes, one was his size! They were on sale and marked down to \$67. (Definitely a God thing!) A few weeks after delivering the school wish list items, the member asked the secretary if the little boy liked his boots. She said he LOVED them and was quite the envy of the other students. Then she added, he was the little boy at camp that had no shoes. God is good!

## 4th of July Annual Cookout



Our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Cookout did not disappoint, thanks to chefs Keyser and Neiswander. The ladies did another phenomenal job of decorating Sherrill Hall in patriotic colors, flags and banners, which made it feel all the more festive. Thanks to all who helped make this another lasting memory!

### MERRY LOU NEISWANDER MEMORIAL FUND



In memory of our dear sister and verger, Merry Lou Neiswander, the Saints and others have donated over \$4,000 to her memory. The Vestry along with the Neiswander family, have agreed that a beautiful statue of The Good Shepherd to place in the center of The Good Shepherd Memorial Garden would be an appropriate expenditure of the donations. A search has begun to find one. Once found, a plaque will be placed at the foot reading: "In Memory of Merry Lou Neiswander." This is exciting!

### **CALENDAR FOR AUGUST**

All Wednesdays:		
8:00 am	Men's Prayer followed by breakfast at Caddies	
9:00 am	Ladies Prayer followed by breakfast at Caddies	
August 5	Pot Luck Sunday	
August 9-19	Father Rick on vacation	
August 13	Father William Celebrating	
August 20	Father Rick celebrating, Deacon Sami Jo preaching	
August 27	Father Rick celebrating, Dr. Meeks preaching	

August Birthdays		August Anniversaries	
8/7	Tom Buford	8/12	Roy and Lila Kay Lanio
8/7	Dorothy VanderEnde	8/31	Bob and Tina Mongrain
8/8	Art Smith		
8/10	Margie Lambert		
8/11	Sue Sherrill		
8/12	Ted VanderEnde		
8/27	Reuben McGilvary		

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Sunday School 9:00 am Sunday Service 10:30 am