



# The Cloak

newsletter Aug.-Oct. 2014



## The St. Martin's 2-Step

By the Rev'd Shirley Smith Graham

"Love each other." Love, again? Don't you Christians ever talk about anything other than love? Love. Love . Love. No, wait ... that's The Beatles. As right as the Beatles may have been about some things, they were wrong about at least one thing: love is *not* all you need. Jesus knew that we all need more than love. We need compassion. This is how it goes in the Jesus playbook:

1. Love one another
2. Because you will love imperfectly, despite your best efforts, have compassion on one another.

Upon what basis do I make this assertive claim? Re-read the Gospel of John, chapter 13, verses 34-38 (CEB):

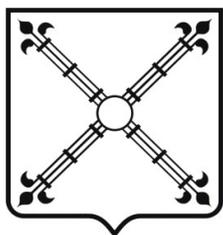
"I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you must love each other." (34)

Then, immediately afterward, in verses 36-38, Jesus gives an example of how spectacularly they will fail to love each other. Jesus tells Peter that he knows Peter will desert him, an awful example indeed of failing in the act of loving. It's no accident that Holy Scriptures gives us Jesus' own understanding that human failure happens directly after the "love one another" instruction. That's what makes this a 2-part instruction: 1) love each other and then, when your love is imperfect or someone receives your love imperfectly, 2) practice compassion.

One of the charisms I love about St. Martin's Episcopal Church is that, we are willing to be truthful about the human state and recognize what Jesus recognized, that because we will love imperfectly, we need a step #2. We are becoming more and more comfortable with having honest conversations that sound like this: I tried to do this, I tried to love in this way, and it didn't work out so well; and the answering voice from someone else in the congregation says, yes, you're right, that didn't work out so well. Let's try again. In other words "messing up" or a failure in communication or a project that falls short of the goal is not a moral failing; it's simply an invitation to be compassionate and to love again, to try again.

Communities that are *not afraid* are communities that achieve amazing things. More than that, communities that are not afraid (not afraid to set an audacious goal for fear it won't be attained, not afraid to love for fear of rejection, not afraid to start something good for fear of not being able to continue it forever) are communities in which the Kingdom of God is revealed as already present and powerful in the world.

As we embark on a new program year, I encourage you to join me in doing the St. Martin's 2-Step: 1) love each other and 2) practice compassion. This is all we need.



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Worship Services Saturdays at 5pm, Sundays at 8, 9:15, 11 am, & Wednesdays at noon.

# Volunteers Needed for the Annual Winter Shelter Program at St. Martin's

This year St. Martin's again has the very special opportunity to act as a Shelter Host Site to help the homeless community in the greater Williamsburg area. We are doing this in conjunction with the Community of Faith Mission and many other local church host sites and volunteers. We will be hosting the homeless between December 7th and December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014. We will need many volunteers to cover this week, including cooks for dinner and breakfast, intake people, and overnight people. If possible, we would also like some people to come and interact with our guests, possibly playing games, helping children with homework, or simply having a conversation with them. We also have a church partner, Hickory Neck Episcopal Church who will be helping us on some of the days. This is a much needed program in our area, one that will be a blessing for our guests and for us.



If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful program, please contact our yet to be named co-ordinator at [outreach@stmartinswmbg.org](mailto:outreach@stmartinswmbg.org) or Fr. Clay at [clay@stmartinswmbg.org](mailto:clay@stmartinswmbg.org) or (757) 229-1111

This will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know members of the Saint Martin's community as well as members of the larger community, whom we have been called to serve! If you would like to volunteer there are some training sessions that you might consider. Please stay tuned to Threads, facebook, twitter, and the Announcement insert in your Sunday Bulletin for news and information about concerning training sessions!

## Due to your generosity...

Saint Martin's is blessed to be able to help those who are need. We are also blessed to be able to support those organizations in the community who do incredible work with folks who need help. We have, this year, again donated over 10 thousand dollars to local non-profits whose mission is to make the world look a little bit more like the Kingdom. They are Spiritworks, Avalon Center for Women and Children, FISH, Jackson Fields Homes, ARC of greater Williamsburg, Williamsburg Walk the Talk, Community of Faith Mission, Olde Towne Medical and Dental Center. Congratulations to all of these organization and blessings in their ministries, and bless all of you have made these donations possible through your pledges.

## NEIGHBOR + NEIGHBOR Continues!!!!

It is a blessing to report that the Neighbor to Neighbor Wednesday potluck meals continue on! We are very fortunate to be able to provide wonderful healthy meals to our neighbors who are in need of a meal, conversation, and community. The meals are provided by your generosity, but the experience is provided by your hospitality! Please continue to support this wonderful ministry by bringing a side dish and your presence on the last Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in Miles Hall! Call Fr. Clay at 229-1111 for more details if you are interested!

## Thank you from Fr. Clay

So, it has been an interesting few years for many of us. I must say that in the midst of the things that happen in our parish, births, deaths, helping folks, laughing, crying about life and celebrating God's love- I noticed something. I noticed that I have been blessed by the call to be an intentional part of this community for three years now! Time flies when you're sharing life with folks you love. So, I want to thank all of you for allowing me to mess up, grow, and learn how to be a priest with yall. Here's for many more years to come! Thanks for all!





# Celebrate and Make a Difference at the Ministry Faire

Sunday, September 7, 2014,  
10 a.m. in Miles Hall

## In Recognition of a Lifetime of Service to the Church and Bravery During Life's Transitions

By the Rev'd Shirley Smith Graham

I have been inspired by so many examples at St. Martin's Church of people who have served the church over the course of their lives, in various capacities and are now facing the challenges of their elder years with courage and grace. In recognition of their inspiring examples, I am instituting The Order of the Compass Rose, to be awarded by the rector of St. Martin's to those persons who meet these two criteria. Each recipient will be given an Anglican Compass Rose in gratitude for their service and as a symbol of their faith to take with them wherever life leads.

The ritual action of awarding an honor is deeply rooted in our Anglican tradition although my direct inspiration is The Order of The Garter, which has been awarded by the British monarch since 1348. It is an outward and visible sign of the fidelity shared between the person awarded the honor and the institution making the award. I have chosen the Compass Rose as the symbol because it portrays traditional images of Anglican Christianity while also representing that the persons awarded will continue to take Christ's ministry with them wherever they may go. At the center of the emblem is the red cross of St. George on a silver shield, a reminder of the origins of the Anglican Communion in the Church of England. Encircling the cross is a band bearing the New Testament Greek inscription, "The truth shall make you free." The points of a compass reflect the spread of the Anglican Communion throughout the world. The miter at the top indicates the role of the episcopacy and Anglican order which are at the heart of the traditions of the Churches of the Communion.

*The first recipients of the award will be ...*

***Betty and John Herringshaw,  
Myrtle Engs  
and Carol Haas-Reynolds,***

*and the award will be made at the Ministry  
Faire on Sunday, September 7 at 10 a.m. in  
Miles Hall.*

By the Rev'd Shirley Smith Graham

Even a good tree doesn't rely on old growth but puts out new leaves in the growing season. Likewise, valued church traditions need to put out new leaves in order to ensure continued healthy growth. With that in mind, in collaboration with the the staff, I've introduced a change to our successful Ministry Faire, which kicks off the new program year for all ages in September. This year the focus will be fellowship and making a difference through small acts of ministry.

We shall gather in Miles Hall at 10 a.m., called together by a town crier, announcing the news of the day. Then we shall see a public screening of the new video about St. Martin's, generously created by Mark and Susan Goodin, which was made to help people outside our church walls know they are welcome here. After the brief video, I will make the first awards of the Order of the Compass Rose. Then I encourage everyone to circulate to the six "big ministry areas" and pick a good deed from the basket which will be at each of the six stations. By picking a "good deed," you will be able to sample an easy-to-do task for that ministry area as well as help out the ministry in a one-time-only way. In addition, we will be updating the traditional "Ministry Handbook" and making it available in print and online so that you can contact ministries about which you'd like to know more.

Please join us for this special festival hour on September 7th at 10 a.m. It's one of our hallmark events of the year, and you won't want to miss it.



# September 7, 2014

**COME**

**engage love** **community** **prayer**

**transformational life giving** **BIBLE** **discover belong**

**DO** **serve**

**music & liturgy**

**GIVE** **Jesus**

**adult faith formation**

# CONNECT

**CHRIST** **relationships** **compassion**  
**sacraments** **outreach** **grow**

At 10:00 am in Miles Hall

**learn fellowship group** **GO** **lay ministry**

# Ministry Faire

**Strong Episcopal Families** **fellowship**  
**Holy care discipleship journey resurrection**

Take advantage of our many Bible studies, fellowship opportunities, and spiritual groups

## Sundays

@ 10am in MH—Fellowship & Common Grounds

@ 4pm in MH—Youth Group

## Tuesdays

@ 6pm in MH—EfM

## Wednesdays

@ 6:30am in S—Benedictine Grp

@ 6:30pm in Jaque Ambler's Home—  
Lectionary Bible Study

3rd Wed @ 10:30am in L—DOK

4th Wed at 6:30pm in MH—Neighbor  
to Neighbor

## Thursdays

1st Thurs @ 1pm in MH—  
Community Café

## Fridays

@ Noon in CR—Lectionary Bible Study

## Saturdays

2nd Sat @ 8am in MH—Men's  
Fellowship

Various times and days TBA

Home Fellowship Groups



Planning meeting for youth group kids and their parents

Sunday, September 7th in Miles Hall from 4 to 6pm

Pizza dinner at 6pm

# Common Grounds

Something new is happening with our 10am Adult Formation  
In September, we will meet in a new place for informal conversation and  
The Eighth Sacrament of the Episcopal Church



## COFFEE

Stay tuned for further details published in Threads and Bulletin Announcements

## Education for Ministry

*Adult learning for lay people to help them define their own ministries*

**Faith is not  
believing that God can; it  
is knowing that He will!**

**Are you eager to  
GROW  
in your faith?**

# EfM

**Faith Formation is more  
than a subject to be  
taught. It is an invitation  
to a way of life!**

**Feed your FAITH  
and your fears  
will starve to death.**

**Contact Ann Meyer for more information (229-1111 or [ann@stmartinswmbg.org](mailto:ann@stmartinswmbg.org))**

# GETTING TO THE HEART OF GOD'S STORY

## STORY SUNDAY TO CONTINUE

All generations are invited to come to Miles Hall at 10am approximately once every four weeks to hear and see an interpretation of a Bible story. We can fit in eight stories each academic year. Hearing and seeing these stories in person is how many of our first century ancestors got to know them and made them "their" stories. We hope you will do the same and then hang around for fellowship while the children get involved in crafts.

### Story Sunday Dates

September 14, 2014

October 12

November 9

December 7

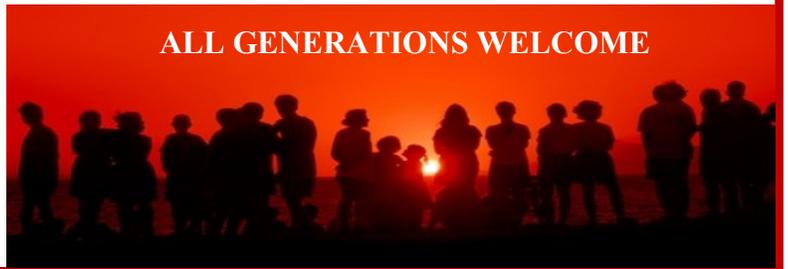
January 11, 2015

February 15

March 15

April 26

ALL GENERATIONS WELCOME



### BLESSING OF OUR WORK

Saturday, August 30th  
(5pm)  
&  
Sunday, August 31st  
(8am, 9:15am & 11am)

Bring your iPad, briefcase, hammer, backpack, etc., for a blessing



**Blessing of Animals**  
Sunday  
October 5th  
In Miles Hall  
At 9:15am  
Live or stuffed animals

### FELLOWSHIP



There are all kinds of  
**FELLOWSHIP**  
St. Martin's takes place in  
Miles Hall at 10am  
and involves  
**COFFEE**



## Biking for a Better World

**Sept. 13, 2014**

is a recreational bike ride fundraiser that will benefit Chanco on the James and Episcopal Relief & Development. The event will be Saturday, September 13 and will be based out of St. Martin's, Williamsburg.

There are four different rides available - 8, 23, 31 and 40 miles. Riders can register as individuals or as a family. Registration is just \$10 per person or \$25 per family, but individuals are requested to raise a minimum of \$75 per person and families to raise a minimum of \$200. When you register, you'll be able to set up a fundraising page that you can share via email and on social media like Facebook and Twitter. Lunch will be provided. Registrants who achieve the minimum fundraising request will also get a t-shirt featuring the event's very cool logo.

Go to <http://www.active.com/williamsburg-va/cycling/races/biking-for-a-better-world-2014> to register and start fundraising!

If you are interested in helping to organize the ride please contact The Rev. Keith Emerson (Diocesan Coordinator for Episcopal Relief & Development) at [keith@saintpauls-suffolk.org](mailto:keith@saintpauls-suffolk.org).

## Home Fellowship Groups

If you're interested in learning more about the fellowship and support that comes from participating in a neighborhood Home Fellowship Group, please contact Rev'd Shirley, [rector@stmartinswmbg.org](mailto:rector@stmartinswmbg.org), or 229-1111. The groups are re-mobilizing themselves for the Fall and we'll be adding a daytime group soon.





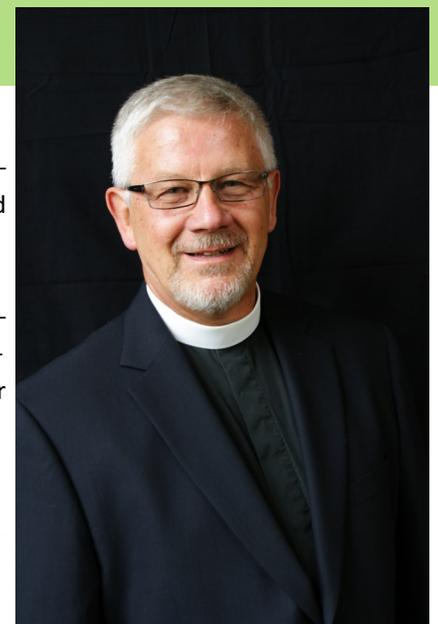
## Contemplative Prayer ... the Breath of Life

By the Rev'd Shirley Smith Graham

Save the Date for prayer that will create a space for your peace, relaxation and deep nourishment. Several forms of prayer are classic to Christian tradition to help people quietly connect with God's presence in a supportive group environment that prioritizes silence, gentleness, and imagination. One of these forms of Contemplative Prayer will be led by an experienced guide every Thursday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. with time at the beginning and ending of the hour for people to come from jobs and return to them. Each Contemplative Prayer session will begin in the Zig-Zag building, classroom 1, which is the room closest to the church sanctuary in the building adjacent to the church and the memorial garden. We shall begin with alternating two types of contemplative prayer, Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina. If you are interesting in learning more, please contact Rev'd Shirley before the first date on Thursday, Sept. 11, so we know to expect you and so that I can provide you with background information to help you get oriented. There is no need to attend every Thursday although it is one of those things where regularity of practice gives you great benefit.

## Save the Date for ... Internationally Acclaimed Martin Smith. November 8 and 9, 2014

Plan on taking the opportunity to experience one of the most highly regarded spiritual teachers in the Episcopal Church, the Rev'd Martin Smith, the weekend of Nov. 8 and 9th, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church. On Saturday, Nov. 8, Martin will lead a workshop, starting at 2 p.m. and ending at 4:30 p.m. The workshop is called "Opening the Unusual Door. During the session, Martin will lead us in teaching, experimentation and discussion about finding God's hidden presence in the less familiar places of our experience. He is well known throughout the Episcopal Church and beyond as writer, retreat leader, and teacher exploring contemporary spirituality. His widely read books include Reconciliation, A Season for the Spirit, The Word is Very Near You and Compass and Stars. A priest since 1971, he most recently served as the Senior Associate Rector at St Columba's church in Washington, D.C., the largest parish in the Diocese of Washington, while continuing to travel widely to preach and teach. He retired in 2012 to devote himself to his roving ministry of spiritual formation. On Sunday, Nov. 9, Martin will be our guest preacher at the 8 and 11 a.m. services as we celebrate our church's feast day, giving thanks for the Christian witness of Martin of Tours.





# HOLY CROSS ANGLICAN SCHOOL

*Serving God, Serving His Children*

June 5, 2014

Dear Friends at St. Martin's Episcopal Church,

The staff and children of Holy Cross Anglican School are very grateful for your recent donation of \$378.00US for the food program! You are unbelievable!!! Their future educational & health development is truly in the hands of caring folks like you. Without your help and support these disadvantaged children would have little opportunity to receive the education they need to become productive citizens of Belize and the world.

Last month of school and much going on! Everyone is busy taking final exams, preparing for Preschool graduation and Standard VI graduation. We still need sponsors for our high school scholarship program.....HELP! Re-registration is in full swing with new registration just around the corner. Holy Cross Dance team won Gold at the island's Festival of the Arts!!!! Woo, Hoo!! Volunteers are busy working on the playground, making repairs on our school and tutoring/counseling our students. Thank you all. PSE (primary school exam) results should be out the end of this week and the anticipation is high. Prayers from all, please!

We would all like to thank everyone who has taken time out of their busy lives to donate supplies, money and volunteering at our school. This school and its students have become so very special to those of us who work here. We are a family and so many of you are now a part of that family. We can always use volunteers to help with our projects, in case you feel the need to visit Holy Cross and want to help out. Contact Lydia Brown, our volunteer coordinator at: [volunteerbelize@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerbelize@gmail.com)

I hope that the next time you are feeling overwhelmed or discouraged you will draw strength in knowing that you have touched the lives of the children at Holy Cross Anglican School.

Blessings,

Linda Carter  
Office Manager  
Holy Cross Anglican School

Dear Friends of FISH:

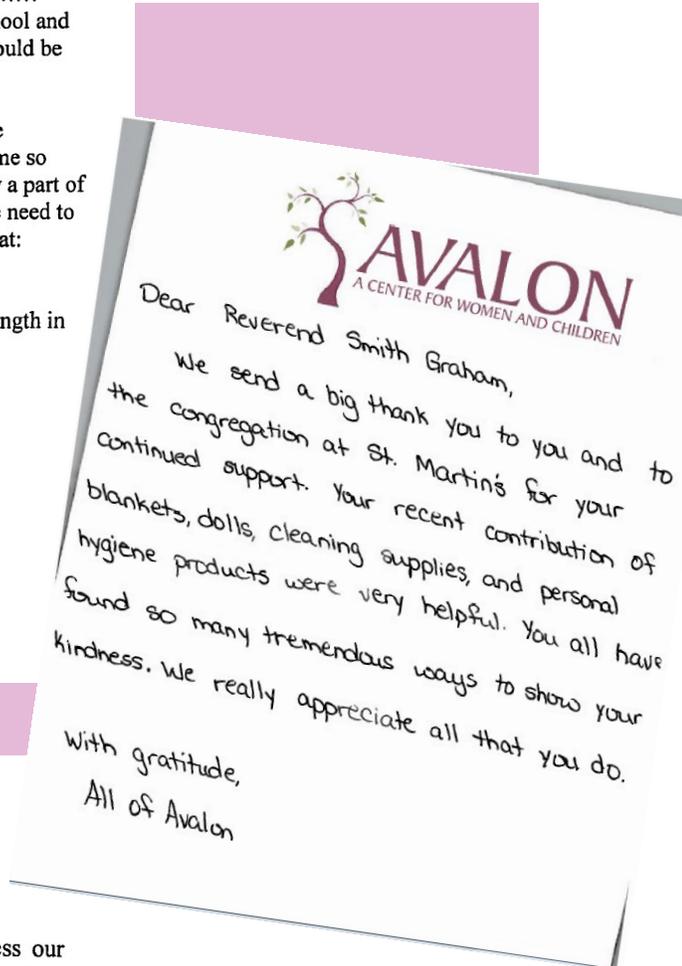
On behalf of the many FISH volunteers, and those we serve, I wish to express our gratitude to you and your members for your generous contribution to FISH. The Williamsburg area churches continue to provide a large portion of our financial support and many of our volunteers, all who serve without financial compensation. Without that support, our work would not be possible.

Your gift will greatly assist FISH in providing emergency food and clothing to those in need within our community. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

  
F. B. Kueser  
Treasurer

# Thank you for giving!



*July 6, 2014*

*Dear loving St. Martin Family,*

*Thank you so much for remembering my 97<sup>th</sup> birthday with your lovely cards and words. I am overwhelmed. I have never received so many birthday wishes before. Thank you all. I am so grateful to you for making the whole week so exciting and wonderful.*

*Love in Christ,*

*Myrtle Engs*

## **Anniversary**



By Martha Caruso

About a year ago, I said one of those prayers that asked God to direct and use me for His purposes. As an ultimate leap of faith, I actually quit my job and decided to trust in that prayer. To my surprise and gratitude, the Holy Spirit did just that! I came to St. Martin's one day to toss some ideas around with Shirley. While we spoke the conversation took a subtle shift and she told me that she was working on a pressing need to determine what the church's role might be as our population ages. More calls were coming into the church, from parishioners who either are elderly, their children, or other concerned friends. Shirley, being Shirley, prayed about it, and began to seek a path. She and Diane Langhorst were in the process of developing an interview tool which would help to determine what daily living needs our parishioners were facing. I said I would be happy to help, until I found a different job, since I needed to keep working.

Not long after this conversation, William Knipfer, in his nineties, still living in his boyhood home, passed away. He blessed his niece, Carolyn, with an inheritance, which she chose to donate to St. Martin's to help seniors like her godfather. This was just the donation that Shirley had prayed for. Her goal was to create a program that would:

- create a listing of community supports
- visit seniors in their homes, and have conversations about what their present needs might be
- provide them with information about what was available that could help them to age safely in their own homes.
- We would also explore relationships and ideas with other parishes in the Greater Williamsburg area.

The small donation which was meant to last four months, was like the loaves and the fish. It lasted a year! I visited about 30 parishioners and spoke to many more family members. St. Martin's now has a Senior Pastoral Web page with a Community Services Directory, articles, and announcements. We have also shared our model with Faith in Action, for them to be able to expand the program to other churches and civic organizations. In the process of researching and visiting community programs, we became involved with the Senior Services Coalition's Faith Outreach Task Force. As a result of this collaboration, St. Martin's will be

continued...

hosting a new monthly Community Café open to anyone 60+. See info in the bulletin or visit the [Senior Pastoral Care Page](#). The program grew when I joined the Home Communion pastoral team and began to include Home Communion on my visits.

I've saved the true miracles for last. When you pray to the Holy Spirit to guide your life, you never know what to expect. But I can honestly say, expect blessings! Visiting with parishioners, representing St. Martin's in the community, and being able to share the Eucharist with folks who were not able to come to church, has been such an incredible gift for me. I've asked some of our parishioners to give us a report card. Below are a few of the comments:

We were connected with kind, respectful, caring people to help us out from time to time.  
– Jim and Marcia

It was helpful and comforting to receive Communion while I was in Rehab recuperating from a serious fall.  
– Kay

Thanks for helping us find resources. We'll look into them and thanks for visiting with mom and dad. The visits really mean a lot to them! - John

Martha's visit to our house made me think about my obligation to our survivors concerning our personal information. This includes which agencies, which relatives and friends, which service suppliers must be notified. A recent report about someone's problems with cemetery authorization made me realize I have no paperwork on our preferences. We have good strong computer passwords, but our family doesn't know how to locate them. Who wants which of our possessions? I will arrange a family meeting to record this information. Thanks to Martha for getting me to think about all this.

The Home Communion has been so meaningful for both Ralph and I. We wouldn't have this if you didn't come. Thank you. - Ralph and Joyce

We were new and didn't have pressing health needs, but we wanted to share our gifts with others. I was encouraged to participate in the choir and since I didn't like driving at night, rides were arranged. This has culminated in having my group Windsor Winds being invited to provide sing-along entertainment for the first Community Café in September - Randy

I wanted to continue on the pastoral care team as a lay minister of Home Communion, but in order to renew my license, I had to take five hours of online Safe Church training. I don't have a computer or computer skills. Martha patiently sat with me and helped me to navigate the tests on my own at the church. -Carol

Thanks so much for helping mom stay in contact with the church. Since I'm so far away, there's only so much I can arrange on the phone. Mom really loves St. Martin's thanks for helping to get her to the services.

I'm so amazed at what good contact you keep with us. It's so good to feel so cared for by the church.  
- Betsy

When I stopped driving, it was suggested that I call Faith in Action for transportation. The volunteers were so friendly. We shared conversations and soon found we had common acquaintances. It was just like having a friend pick me up.



I thought this was what churches were supposed to do, care for each other, both physically and spiritually. It makes us feel that we are remembered and cared about.  
– Ann

Again thanks to William Knipfer and Carolyn for providing the initial funds to create this program. I hope others will consider donations to keep it going.



DAVE RAMSEY'S  
**FINANCIAL** *Peace*  
UNIVERSITY

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## How do I **TAKE THE CLASS?**

Taking FPU is easy. You can take control of your money no matter how busy your schedule. Classes are set at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Sundays, beginning September 14 from 5:30 to 7 PM with final class on November 9. **To register, please contact Cindy Albert or Richard Reeves at 229-2020 or email [CinAlbert@aol.com](mailto:CinAlbert@aol.com).** Class size is limited. Cost of materials is \$93 per couple.

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**Lesson 1 - Super Saving Common Sense for Your Dollars and Cents** - Dave explains the seven Baby Steps that will guide you throughout *Financial Peace University*. You will also learn the three key reasons why you should save money—and why you must start now!

**Lesson 2 - Relating With Money Nerds and Free Spirits Unite!** - Learn why it's important for spouses to communicate and work together toward success. Also, singles will learn the importance of accountability, and parents will find out how to teach their kids about money.

**Lesson 3 - Cash Flow Planning The Nuts and Bolts of Budgeting** - Learning how to take control of your money starts with a budget. Unlock the secret of developing a monthly spending plan that really works.

**Lesson 4 - Dumping Debt Breaking the Chains of Debt** - It's time to debunk some common debt myths! Dave reveals the truth about credit lies and gives you a plan to walk out of debt with confidence.

**Lesson 5 - Buyer Beware The Power of Marketing on Your Buying Decisions** - Dave draws on decades of experience to reveal the power and influence that marketing has on your everyday buying decisions.

**Lesson 6 - The Role of Insurance Protecting Your Health, Family and Finances** - In this lesson, Dave walks you through the world of insurance, carefully explaining what you need—and what you need to avoid.

**Lesson 7 - Retirement and College Planning Mastering the Alphabet Soup of Investing** - Dave walks you through the maze of retirement options and helps you figure out your best retirement plan. You will also learn how to plan for college so your kids can graduate debt free!

**Lesson 8 - Real Estate and Mortgages Keeping the American Dream From Becoming a Nightmare** - Dave draws on more than 20 years of real estate experience to teach you the ins and outs of mortgages and how to win when buying or selling your home.

**Lesson 9 - The Great Misunderstanding Unleashing the Power of Generous Giving** - Learn how generous giving can completely revolutionize your attitude and improve your finances, business and relationships

## "On the Fridge" Reminders

### August through October

- EVERY SATURDAY @ 5pm Evening Eucharist (S)  
EVERY SUNDAY 8, 9:15 & 11am Eucharists (S)  
EVERY SUNDAY @ 4pm EYC (MH)  
EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 6:30am Benedictine Grp (S)  
EVERY WEDNESDAY @ Noon Eucharist & Healing (S)  
EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 6:30pm Bible Study-Ambler  
EVERY THURSDAY @ 6:00pm EfM (MH)  
EVERY FRIDAY @ Noon Bible Study-Noble (CR)
- 8/2 1st Saturday Food/Friendship, 6pm, (MH)  
8/3 Healing at all Sunday Services (S)  
8/4-8/8 VBS (Bruton Parish)  
8/27 Neighbor+Dinner, 6:30pm (MH)  
8/30 Blessing of our Work, 5pm, Taize Service  
8/31 Blessing of Our Work all services
- 9/1 Office Closed-Labor Day  
9/4 Community Café, 1pm (MH)  
9/6 1st Saturday Food/Friendship, 6pm, (MH)  
9/7 New Pictures (portico after each service)  
Ministry Faire, 10:00 (MH)  
EYC & parents 4-6pm, dinner 6pm (MH)  
9/13 Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ 8am (MH)  
OSL Order of St. Luke's @ 10am (CR)  
Bike for a Better World  
9/14 New Pictures (portico after each service)  
10am Story Sunday  
Financial Peace University, 5:30 (CR)  
9/21 Sunday School Begins 10am  
Financial Peace University, 5:30 (CR)  
9/24 Neighbor+Dinner , 6:30 (MH)
- 9/28 Financial Peace University, 5:30 (CR)
- 10/2 Community Café @ 1pm (MH)  
10/4 1st Saturday Food/Friendship, 6pm(MH)  
10/5 Blessing of Animals 9:15am (MH)  
Financial Peace University, 5:30pm (CR)  
10/11 Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ 8am (MH)  
OSL Order of St. Luke's @ 10am (CR)  
10/12 10am Story Sunday  
Financial Peace University, 5:30pm (CR)  
10/13 Office Closed-Columbus Day  
10/19 Financial Peace University, 5:30pm (CR)  
10/26 Financial Peace University, 5:30pm (CR)  
10/29 Neighbor+Dinner, 6:30pm (MH)

RED=Liturgical; PURPLE=All Ages; BLUE=Adult;  
GREEN=Child/Youth; ORANGE=Secular

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS	
Name	Date
Shelby Hawthorne	1
Roxanne Lovelace	1
Denise Wade	2
Evan Lynch	2
Ruth D'Alessandro	3
Jonathan Sechrist	4
Ray Wolf	4
Alex Armbruster	6
Carley McQuain	6
Kate Palmer	7
Dennis Gilbert	7
Andrew Johnston	8
Ann Gray	9
Larry Jackson	9
Carol Haas-Reynolds	10
Douglas Finch	10
Dennis Ogorzaly	12
Carolyn Ramage	12
John Dewhirst	12
Elizabeth Keller	12
Sue Milligan	12
Kelsey Olsen	12
Lindsay Coleman	13
Ann Hunt	14
John Schwenkler	15
Frank Starman	16
Pembroke Hoffmier	17
Susan Patterson	18

Hanson Farkas	20
Toni Beacham	21
Nicole Davis	21
Margaret Dossin	21
Alex Babbitt	21
G.G. Gray	22
Connor Williams	22
Garland Gray	23
Taylor Gray	23
Katie Finch	23
Melissa Bird	24
Will Humes	24
Rowan Henderson	24
Sue Larkin	25
Noah Terrien	25
Linnea Patterson	25
Amy Harris	27
Bronwyn Anderson	27
Clay Riley	27
Gail Homer	27
Patty Westberg	28
Melissa Middaugh	29
Randy Milligan	30
Karen Link	30
Kayleigh Burden	30
JoAnn McGrew	31
Betsy Ambler	31
Tracy Luck	31
Will Armbruster	31

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS	
Name	Date
Pam Wright	1
Betty Herringshaw	1
Melanie Eiselen	1
Hunter Pease	1
Lissa Arruda	2
Paul Maycock	2
Richard Bevan	2
Ruth Conners	2
Sarah Noble	2
Polly Foote	2
Mandy Bostian	3
Dale Russell	4
Russell Thompson	4
Ruth McMahan	5
Ione O'Connor	5
Jennifer Milby	5
Marcus Fields	5
Sam Thompson	7
Patty Ogorzaly	8
Forrest Balko	8
Rene De Jager	9
John Goomis	10
Clara Wincheski	10
Susan Lontkowski	11
Marcia Weatherstone	11
Roxana Jankovic	11
Carol Wilson	11
Michael Vahey	11
Sue Garrett	12
Nelson Miller	12
Peggy Donohue-Cope	12
Jack Molloy	13
Blanche Scharf	13
Chris James	13
Maggie Elliott	13
Gavin Meadows	13
Lisa Hewett	14

Katie Wilson	14
John Conlee	15
Marcus Starman	15
Dave Douglas	16
Brooke Potter	16
Alexa Riley	17
Allan Willey	17
Adeline Nickerson	17
Mark Jaworski	18
Doug Finch	18
Elinor Lashley	19
Willis McClure	19
Patty Jackson	19
Nora Jackson	19
Christopher Flower	20
Aurora Curtis	20
Dean Mosher	21
Meggie Rodgers	21
Allison Gray	21
Richard Reeves	22
Randolph Cabell	22
Karol Yengel	22
Keira McInerney	22
Gilbert Elston	23
Adam Terrien	23
Raymond Foote	25
Susanne Sechrist	25
David Lowman	25
Dennis White	26
Alex Hardee	27
Thomas Cici	27
Marsha Lyman	28
Ross Larkin	30
Adam Link	30

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date
Shirley Hern	1
Len Scharf	1
Susan Axtell	1
Beth Goomis	1
Benjamin Dorsett	1
Bonnie Mershon	2
Todd Larkin	2
Rubye DeWitt	3
Robert Iles	3
Andrew McGrew	3
Rosie Robbins	4
Sara Dossin	4
Gilbert Elston	6
Lillian Pease	6
Mae Pease	7
Scott Larkin	7
Kelsey Smart	7
Jordan Damien	8
Ryan Dorsett	9
Conrad Burgazli	10
Kornelia Blaha	11
Sue Ducibella	11
Mikey Vahey	13
Stuart Jackson	13
Allen Back	14
Helen Mosher	14
Mia Meadows	14
Rachel Baum	14
Allison Hamilton	15
Edward Sykes	15
Katharine Sykes	15
Rick Jones	15
Kent McQuain	16
Elle Humes	16
Diane Gilbert	17
Ray Alie	18

Theresa Smith	18
Pete Gushue	18
Larry Williams	19
Tom Hale	20
Drew Stelljes	20
Elayne Anderson	21
Kelly Tremblay	21
Jill Gushue	21
Victoria McLaughlin	23
Margaret Sykes	23
Eric Johnston	24
Don Noble	24
Elizabeth Melton	25
Linda Butler	25
Ava Shird	25
Barbara Faubert	25
Lindsay Resner	25
Naomi Yatzeck	25
David Baum	26
Julia Howard	26
Timothy Wilson	27
Lucy Faisant	27
Shirley Smith-Graham	28
Katarzyna Terrien	28
Barbara Buder	28
Lois Headden	29
Meaghann Terrien	29
Olivia Castleman-Dry	29
Elizabeth Yates	29
Edith Edwards	30
Mary Hawthorne	31

## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date
Creig and Julie Humes	6
Mark and Karen Florimonte	7
John and Louise Bright	7
Buzz and Kathy Wincheski	8
Ted and Mary Lynch	8
Ray and Mary Alie	8
Ward, Mrs. Nancy L.	8
Ed and Emily Pease	9
John and Julie Conlee	11
Dee Holmes and Christopher	11
Bill and Shelby Hawthorne	15
David and Karen Link	16
Michael and Susan Terrien	20
Walter and Jean Barter	20
Lynn and Sallie Dievendorf	20
Timothy and Carol Wilson	23
Ted and Marsha Lyman	24
Jaque and Betsy Ambler	24
Richard and Georgie Shane	24
Frank and Martha Caruso	25
Jim and Susan Axtell	31
Joanne and Jim Cheves	31

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date
Tony and Ruth D'Alessandro	1
Rosie and John Robbins	1
Rene and Dana De Jager	2
Larry and Mandy Bostian	6
Jack and Edith Edwards	6
Robin and MaryAnn Church	6
Bob and Mary Mulcahy	6
Howard and Phyllis Glenn	10
Tom and Betsy Luckam	12
Sue and Randy Milligan	13
Mark and Dani Jaworski	15
Dennis and Catherine White	16
Parker and Karen Burden	20
Ron and Kate Palmer	21
Chris and Linda James	24
Jim and Lynne Detmer	26

## OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date
Augie and Sandy Liebler	2
Mike and Barbara Faubert	5
Rex and Lynn Hoover	6
Robert and Anne Arseneau	10
Gary and Linda Osborn	11
Lynn and Chuck Gaunt	12
Jim Yatzeck and Jane Core-Yatzeck	13
Michael and Katie Vahey	14
Thomas and Ellan Postemski	16
David and Elizabeth Baum	18
Dave and Paulette Holtgrieve	21

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