



Otey Notes



From the Rector—Announcements

CAC Director to Step Down

The Rev. Deacon Betty Carpenter has announced her upcoming retirement as Director of the Community Action Committee. Betty has helped CAC achieve a much-improved financial position while expanding its services in such areas as tutoring and ministry in the Sherwood area. She will continue in the position until approximately mid-year, and it is planned to have the incoming director in place in time for some overlap. A celebration of her work will be announced closer to that. Betty has *not* retired as Deacon of Otey Memorial Parish, so we will continue to be blessed with her service in ministry.

The Rector and CAC board will collaborate in the search for a new director, and nominees will be invited at the appropriate time. While it is particularly fitting that as CAC Director Betty was a deacon, the order of ministry focused on serving the poor, the position of director will be open to both lay and clergy applicants.

Treasurer Transition

Kathy Solomon has been Otey Parish Treasurer since mid-2016. She brought accounting expertise, energy, and commitment to the considerable task, and has rendered outstanding service to the parish. Last year she made it known that she wished 2019 to be her last year in the position. With gratitude for her service, the Vestry has elected Alec Moseley to the position of Assistant Treasurer. He has been working with Kathy to learn the job, and it is anticipated that the Vestry will elect Alec to the office of Treasurer at its regular meeting on January 16. Kathy will then begin her well-deserved relief, though she has graciously offered to be available for consultation as needed. Please thank Kathy for her excellent work and pray for Alec as he undertakes new duties.

New Seminarian for 2020



Ted Clarkson (R) & Mikey Whitman

John Simpson completed his 2 semesters as Otey's seminarian this past December, and as announced at the Annual Parish Meeting in November, our seminarian for the coming year will be Ted Clarkson. Born and raised in Augusta, Georgia, Ted is a life-long Episcopalian who grew up in and around the Church of the Good Shepherd and the Episcopal Day School. He received the Bachelor of Music in vocal performance from Southern Methodist University in 2007. After graduation, he stayed in Texas and worked in a variety of fields,

including operations for an auction house and human resources for an interna-

TAKE NOTE

CHRISTIAN FORMATION SUNDAYS, 9:45 AM Godly Play for ages 3-11 Adult Forum—9:45

- ✓ Jan. 5 Rector's Forum
- ✓ Jan. 12 "Everything's Connected"—Becky Wright
- ✓ Jan. 19 "Martin Luther King, Jr. & Amos 5:21-24" – Malcolm McLaurin
- ✓ Jan. 26 Bishop Otey Sunday

MONTHLY EVENTS

- ✓ Jan. 15 Otey Notes submissions due, 3:00 pm
- ✓ Jan. 16 Vestry Meeting, 5:30 pm
Adult Education
- ✓ Jan. 31 Community Meal 12:00 noon, St. Mark's Hall

OFFICE CLOSURES

- ✓ Jan. 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

YOUTH MINISTRY/FOTM

- ✓ Jan. 12 Breakfast with parents—9:45 am, Brooks Hall
- ✓ Jan. 25 Candle making at Full Circle Candles (Located in Halleluiah Pottery)

Many thanks to all those who participated in making our Christmas services so joyful and beautiful: the Altar Guild, those who helped decorate the church, the musicians and all who assisted with the services, and everyone

international chain of restaurants. Ted was an active member of the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration in Dallas where he served as a choir member, eucharistic visitor, vestry member, and chaplain to the rector search committee. In 2015, he began working at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Fort Worth as the rector's assistant and was promoted to Director of Children and Youth Ministries in 2017. A middler in the School of Theology, he received the Freeman Award for Merit for demonstrating academic excellence in his junior year. Ted is married to Michael (Mikey) Whitman who works as an account director for Tracy Locke, a Dallas-based advertising agency.

Otey Receives Special Gift

Otey Memorial Parish has received a very generous one-time gift of \$100,000 from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous. The Vestry is stewarding this gift carefully to make the most effective use of such munificence, and plans to reserve it for special uses determined by careful and prayerful consideration. Many thanks to the donor among us!

Vestry Highlights--Meeting of December 19, 2019

- Adopted the 2020 operating budget.
- Allocated up to \$46,500 from the special gift (see above) to pay off the debt from the necessary repairs to the bell tower in 2019. Doing so relieved the next 2 years' operating budgets from debt payments, bringing the 2020 budget into balance.
- Elected Dorothy Gates, Barbara Prunty, and Beth Wiley delegates, and David Burnett alternate, to Diocesan Convention, to be held January 24-25 at St. Bartholomew's Church, Nashville. (Parish clergy Rob Lamborn and Betty Carpenter are automatically delegates.)

Why do Otey and CAC follow Franklin County schools for delays and closures for inclement weather?

The current policy has been in place since 2015, established by the Rector in consultation with the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Following Franklin County Schools is a simple way to get the word out broadly and quickly, including to people who rarely or never use email.

The primary consideration, of course, is safety for employees, parishioners, and the public. The Parish Administrator lives about 4 miles out Jump Off Rd. (where other

drivers going too fast are also a consideration). A large number of parishioners are elderly. Our sexton works part-time, and so is not available to clear snow and ice at all times the building is used. (The Sewanee Childrens Center decides its own closures, as it does not have to maintain the entire campus, is not open at night, and does not share our age demographic.)

A weather closure means employees are not required or expected to be on premises, but should keep up with work as best they can remotely, including being available via email. And if they judge it safe to come to Otey, nothing prevents them from doing so.

Bishop Otey Sunday



Bishop Otey Sunday will be January 26th with Dean Neil Alexander preaching at both services and Waring McCrady speaking at the Adult Forum. Refreshments will be provided. All are invited.



See February's Otey Notes for a complete picture reflection of 2019.

Happy 2020 everyone.

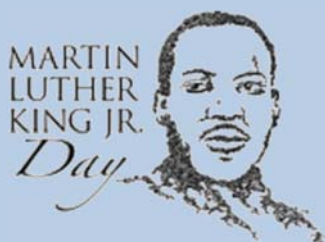


PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR: Joan Baird, Helen Bailey, Phoebe Bates, David Burnett, Ginny Capel, Corky Carlisle, Alfred Farris, Sally Franklin, Catherine Garcia, Patrick Irwin, Ariel Jones, Cheryl Lankhaar, Raymond McCoy, Mary Matlock Newman, O'Connor family, Mickey Suarez, Ken Taylor, Peggy Ward, Steve, Jennifer



Zoe Grammer	1	2	Mickey Suarez	1	18
Christopher Van de Ven	1	2	Cullen Thompson	1	19
John Bratton	1	4	Myers Gorrell	1	22
Carey Wofford	1	4	Aubrey Black	1	23
Karen Keele	1	7	Kathy Sturgis	1	25
Lisa Howick	1	9	Alice Cammack	1	25
Joe Porter	1	9	Anna Evatt	1	27
Joel Cunningham	1	11	Margaret Wilson	1	27
Waring McCrady	1	13	Katie Finn Hurst	1	27
Glen Smalley	1	13	Louise Irwin	1	28
Ward Cammack	1	15	Luciana Mollica	1	29
Mary Priestley	1	16	Cabell Thompson	1	31
Noel Workman	1	17			

Otey's Office and the Community Action Committee will be closed on January 20 for Martin Luther King Day.



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- David Burnett, '20
- Joel Cunningham, 22
- Susan Holmes, '21
- Lisa Howick, '20
- Louise Irwin, '22
- Karen Meridith, '21
- Sue Moseley, '21
- Annette Smith, 22
- Lee Stapleton, '20
- Kathy Solomon, Treasurer
- Alec Moseley, Assistant Treasurer
- Julie Elrod, Clerk

OTEY MEMORIAL CHURCH
Lay Ministry Schedule January 2020

Position	January 5 2nd ^d Sunday After Christmas	January 12 Epiphany 1	January 19 Epiphany 2	January 26 Epiphany 3
	8:30	8:30	8:30	8:30
Vestry of the Day	Susan Holmes	Sue Moseley	Karen Meridith	David Burnett
Crucifer/Server	Robin Bates	Louise Irwin	Karen Meridith	Robin Bates
Torchbearers			Ian Tucker Jamie Pappas	
Reader	Julia Bates	Sue Moseley	Adam Tucker	Pamela Byerly
Lesson 1	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 49:1-7	Isaiah 9:1-4
Reader	Diane Jones	Dorothy Gates	John Solomon	Julia Bates
Lesson 2	Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a	Acts 10:34-43	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Intercessor	Robin Bates	Alec Moseley	Sandy Baird	Robin Bates
Chalice Bearers	Susan Holmes Julia Bates	Louise Irwin Alec Moseley	Bill Mauzy Karen Meridith	Julia Bates Karen Keele
Ushers	Karen Keele Tim Graham	Freddie Tucker Larry Prince	Bruce Baird John Solomon	Larry Prince Freddie Tucker
Nursery	Cara Kitzrow Jeannie Babb	Annika Derham Cara Kitzrow	Annika Derham Cara Kitzrow	Annika Derham Cara Kitzrow
	11:00	11:00	11:00	11:00
Crucifer/Server	Beth Wiley	Betty Barton Blythe	Lisa Howick	Beth Wiley
Torchbearers				Mary Ming Lynch Cabell Thompson
Reader	Nancy Burnett	Anne Griffin	Lane Price	Beth Wiley
Lesson 1	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 49:1-7	Isaiah 9:1-4
Reader	Stephen Burnett	Jay Fisher	Phebe Hethcock	Rachel Lynch
Lesson 2	Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a	Acts 10:34-43	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Intercessor	Lee Stapleton	George Dick	Julian Price	Lee Stapleton
Chalice Bearers	Lee Stapleton Rachel Suarez	Betty Barton Blythe Jay Fisher	Julian Price Lisa Howick	Lee Stapleton Beth Wiley
Ushers	Greg Maynard Susan Holmes	Jimmy Blythe Tom Howick	Doug Seiters Ann Seiters	David Burnett
Godly Play	Barbara Prunty Julia Bates	Julia Bates Aaron Elrod	Barbara Prunty Karen Keele	Beth Wiley Jeannie Babb
Altar Guild	George Dick	George Dick	George Dick	George Dick
Flowers	Christmas greening up	Marilyn Phelps	Marilyn Phelps	Ann Aitken
Bread Baker	Julia Bates	Julia Bates	Julia Bates	Jo Ann Barker
Coffee Hour	Epiphany Luncheon	Diane Jones	Lynn Stubblefield	Bishop Otey Society
Tellers	Rachel Suarez Beth Wiley	Sue Moseley Rachel Lynch	Lisa Howick Phebe Hethcock	Steve Blount Rachel Lynch

** Schedule subject to change per Rector's discretion

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>7:30 a.m., Mon-Fri, Morning Prayer (Church)</p> <p>4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri, Evening Prayer (Church)</p>	<p>SCC – Sewanee Children’s Center FOM – Fire on the Mountain EfM – Education for Ministry CAC – Community Action Committee</p>		<p>1 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>2 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:00P / F@H Support Group Brooks Hall</p>	<p>3 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5 8:30 & 11:00 Holy Eucharist CAC Pantry Sunday 9:45A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Godly Play – Claiborne • Youth Ministry – Hethcock Adult Ed. • Adult Forum –Rector’s Forum- 	<p>6 The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ</p> <p>9-11 CAC open</p> <p>12:15P / Epiphany Holy Eucharist</p> <p>5:00P / Women’s Recovery Group (Brooks Hall)</p> <p>7:00P / Centering Prayer (St. Paul’s Chapel of Claiborne Parish House)</p>	<p>7 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:30 Staff Meeting – Hethcock Room</p>	<p>8 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>9:30A / Parish Life meeting Hethcock Room</p>	<p>9 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:00P / F@H Support Group Brooks Hall</p>	<p>10 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 8:30 & 11:00 Holy Eucharist 9:45A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Godly Play – Claiborne • Youth Ministry –Breakfast, Brooks Hall • Adult Forum –“Everything’s Connected” – Becky Wright 	<p>13 9-11 CAC open</p> <p>5:00P / Women’s Recovery Group (Brooks Hall)</p> <p>7:00P / Centering Prayer (St. Paul’s Chapel of Claiborne Parish House)</p>	<p>14 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>15 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p><i>Otey Notes due by 3pm</i></p>	<p>16 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:00P / F@H Support Group Brooks Hall</p> <p>5:30P / Vestry Meeting – Hethcock Room</p>	<p>17 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>18 The Confession of Saint Peter the Apostle</p>
<p>19 8:30 & 11:00 Holy Eucharist 9:45A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Godly Play – Claiborne • Youth Ministry- Brooks Hall • Adult Forum “Martin Luther King, Jr. & Amos 5:21-24” – Malcolm McLaurin 	<p>20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Otey Office and CAC closed</p> <p>5:00P / Women’s Recovery Group (Brooks Hall)</p> <p>7:00P / Centering Prayer (St. Paul’s Chapel of Claiborne Parish House)</p>	<p>21 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:30 Staff Meeting – Hethcock Room</p>	<p>22 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>23 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:00P / F@H Support Group Brooks Hall</p>	<p>24 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>25 The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle</p> <p>2:00P / FOTM Candle making at Full Circle Candles (Located in Halleluiah Pottery)</p>
<p>26 8:30 & 11:00 Holy Eucharist Bishop Otey Sunday 9:45A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Godly Play – Claiborne • Youth Ministry – Brooks Hall • Adult Forum “Bishop Otey” – Waring McCrady 	<p>27 9-11 CAC open</p> <p>5:00P / Women’s Recovery Group (Brooks Hall)</p> <p>7:00P / Centering Prayer (St. Paul’s Chapel of Claiborne Parish House)</p>	<p>28 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>29 9-11 CAC Open</p>	<p>30 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>1:00P / F@H Support Group Brooks Hall</p>	<p>31 9-11 CAC Open</p> <p>12:00 noon – Community Meal – St. Mark’s</p> 