



**ALL SAINTS**

AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
COMMUNITY IN RICHMOND VA

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 17, 2023

## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Thank you for visiting today! All are welcome at All Saints, and we would be honored to help you find a home and sacred place here. Let any of us know if you have any questions or needs. Please share a little about you and your family on the visitors card in the pew. You may give this card to an usher or place it in the offering plate as it is passed. To learn more about All Saints, visit our website, [allsaintsrichmond.org](http://allsaintsrichmond.org) or connect with us on social media (Facebook/Instagram/YouTube - [allsaintsrva](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)). But, most importantly, welcome!

## 5 WEEK BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAYS AT 9:15AM

Join the Rev. Ben Robertson and the Ven. David Curtis for a 5 week study of 1st Thessalonians. 1st Thessalonians is thought to be the oldest work in the New Testament, written before any of the gospels. We will meet on Sundays, from 9:15 to 10am through October 8 in Thornton Hall. Feel free to bring your Bible, and we welcome whatever translation you prefer to use. No registration is required.

## SATURDAY LUNCH PACKING EVENT

We will have our next Saturday Lunch Packing event on **Saturday, September 30** in Thornton Hall. We will gather around 9:00am to begin packing lunches and making sandwiches for 4 area shelters. We need a shopper (expenses reimbursed), lunch packers, sandwich makers, and a delivery driver. Questions? Email Winston, [whazlegrove@allsaintsrichmond.org](mailto:whazlegrove@allsaintsrichmond.org) Signup here: [tinyurl.com/asclunchpacksept](https://tinyurl.com/asclunchpacksept)

## EVENSONG + COMMUNITY DINNER: OCTOBER 1 AT 5PM

On Sunday, October 1 at 5:00 PM, we'll resume our schedule of 1st Sunday Evensong & Community Dinners. All are welcome to attend and join us for dinner! This year, many of the services will be preceded by an extended prelude. On October 1, Scott Hayes will offer an extended prelude of French organ music on our Austin pipe organ. The Parish Choir & Choral Scholars will sing Stanford's Evening Service in C Major, and Balfour-Gardiner's "Evening Hymn" as the anthem.

## FESTIVAL CHOIR TO BEGIN REHEARSALS ON OCTOBER 5

The Festival Choir will begin rehearsals on Thursday, October 5, 7:30 PM. This new singing opportunity welcomes all who love to sing, but can't make a long-term commitment, sing in a smaller choir in another church, or just want to give singing a try! Rehearsals continue on Thursdays through October, plus a 12:30 - 2:00 PM rehearsal on Saturday, November 4. We'll learn Gabriel Fauré's "Requiem", to be sung at Evensong at 5:00 PM on Sunday, November 5 (All Saints Sunday). All are welcome!

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: OCTOBER 8 AT 5PM

Save the date for our annual blessing of the animals service on Sunday, October 8 at 5:00pm. This service will be outdoors (weather permitting) on the patio. Bring your pet, a picture of your pet, or a stuffed animal for a special blessing. We will also be collecting cat and dog food for Welborne's food pantry beginning Sunday, September 24. We are asking for donations of wet and dry dog and cat food. You can leave these items in the marked baskets in the Cloister Hallway. Thank you!

## JIM BENNETT JAZZ CONCERT; OCTOBER 13 AT 5:30PM

Join us for an unforgettable evening of music under the stars on the All Saints patio. An accomplished jazz pianist, Jim Bennett serves at the Church of the Holy Comforter, Richmond. Desserts and refreshments will be available. Suggested Donation of \$15.

## YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

Save the date for a young adult gathering at the home of Mary Catherine and Josh Copes on **October 14**. More details to follow!

## VOLUNTEERING AT WELBORNE

Welborne is looking for more All Saints volunteers to help out on the first Monday of each month. They need four volunteers per Monday—October 2, November 6, December 4, and February 5 from 4:30-6:30pm. Lookout for a signup in the DOVE or email Joan Dalrymple with questions, [jrdcpd@gmail.com](mailto:jrdcpd@gmail.com)

## PRAY FOR THE SAINTS: THURSDAYS AT 12:15PM

Calling all prayer partners! “Pray for the Saints” meets Thursdays at 12:15pm-1pm, in the All Saints Library. This is a comforting, healing and forward looking time of prayer. Join us whenever you can.

## KINDNESS ROCKS!

We are offering a new, fun way to share kindness – by sharing rocks. That’s right – rocks! These are not just any rocks – these are Rocks of Kindness. Some are colorful, some are decorated with pictures, and some will display a message of inspiration. You will find them in our Garden of Rocks of Kindness near the Preschool Playground. You are welcome to take one if it inspires you or makes you happy. Take one rock or a few and make them pretty. Take some for your children or grandchildren to paint. You can also paint rocks that you may already have. Maybe put some words of inspiration on them, then bring them back and leave them in the garden. Be sure to use paint that will stand up to the weather. Outdoor acrylic paint is great.

## ARE YOU OK?

Our Congregational Care Team wants you to contact a member of the team, Winston, or Ben+ if you or someone you love needs pastoral care or attention. As a community of Saints and friends, we believe in the power of prayer and being there to support you during challenging times. If you are ill, having surgery, hospitalized, mourning, or just struggling with something, please do not hesitate to reach out to the church office, [info@allsaintsrichmond.org](mailto:info@allsaintsrichmond.org) or 804-288-7811. We are here to bring you a meal, extend a helping hand, lend an attentive ear, and offer prayers. We want you to be OK, and help in any way we can.

## WELBORNE UNITED METHODIST FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Thank you for supporting Welborne’s Food Pantry. **They need: jelly (no glass), hearty soups, peanut butter, and cereal.** Donations can be left in the green shed by the playground at All Saints. To volunteer at the food pantry, or to help with delivering donations to Welborne, please email Mark Wilcox, [mbwmsi@gmail.com](mailto:mbwmsi@gmail.com)

## JOIN THE ACOLYTE TEAM!

We are looking for youth (5th grade and up) to join our Acolyte team this Fall! Training is provided and scheduling is flexible, working around choir, sports, vacations, etc. Acolytes are an integral part of our worship service and your youth will gain unique experience and form church friendships. Please contact Anne Blackwell with any questions, [annefblackwell@gmail.com](mailto:annefblackwell@gmail.com)

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