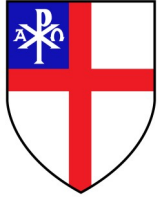


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November—December 2019

BISHOP'S EPISTLE

Change of Season, cool, fresh air this morning, reminds me of the coming season of Advent and the beginning of a new Church year. There is a joy in anticipation and blessing in seeing how God is moving in our church. It's tempting to listen to the negativity of the events of the world around us, but better to listen to and focus on what God is doing and how he is moving among his people.

Great things happening in the APA

Since our Synod in July 2019, it has been encouraging to visit parishes and see old friends and meet new members. It is spiritually uplifting to visit and see more families raising their children in the Church; to see many of our parishes becoming the core of life, the church family. And what a family we are a part of! For example, I have had the pleasure of experiencing the old and the young, the families and individuals breaking bread together at the Holy Eucharist at St. Barnabas Church, Dunwoody, Georgia. While there on October 6, I enjoyed the great African community singing and dancing and bringing others into their way of praising and thanking God for his goodness and mercy on the International Day of Thanksgiving. We are truly blessed to be a part of such a Church.

A Bright Future

Then, looking to the future, I see a number of young men moving toward ministry through postulancy, curacy and on to Ordination. There are also those who are called to a parish of their own, while others are serving a curacy in preparation of someday having their own parish. I have no doubt they will continue to bring enthusiasm and new life where ever they are or where God plans for them to be. We are blessed to have seasoned Clergy standing with our up and coming priests and deacons to help them and mentor them along the way.

The Power of Love

I recently preached a sermon on the Power of Love as opposed to the Love of Power. The world around us seems mostly focused on the Love of Power, a destructive force. I urge each one to focus on the Power of Love, which is the Love of Christ and his command to love one another. Christ-like love is the powerful, uplifting and positive force that will overcome the world. That, in fact, is what each one of us is called to embrace and to demonstrate. As we look forward to the new Church Year let us renew our commitments to be faithful and to love one another.

Praying for our new clergy

Speaking of new clergy in our ranks this year, I encourage all of you to pray for these men who are taking on the challenge of building up the Christian Community in the Anglican Way in new and unfamiliar circumstances. This has often meant moving their families, with all that entails, and re-establishing themselves in parishes with a new set of personalities. Particularly in our younger clergy families it means having children including babies among us. They are all following the godly admonition to multiply (primary evangelism). Babies and young children in the church create challenging but positive necessary adjustments in older congregations. Thank God for his leading these young well-trained men and their families to us and pray that God will bless their ministry among us.

Prayers for clergy recovering from health issues

Many of you have been praying for three of our priests who have or are recovering from critical health issues. Fr. Mark Siegel has completed five rounds of chemo-therapy with one more to go.

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Each treatment takes three days with a week or so of feeling terrible. They are praying for remission after this treatment and a CT scan to validate the chemo has worked. We will keep you posted. It is a long and difficult journey and please continue to pray for Fr. Mark and his wonderful wife Vicki.

Father Tom Burr continues to recover from his stroke. This too is a long journey and Fr. Tom is making good progress. He and his devoted wife Linda have been able to get to church on Sundays and sit in the congregation. Please pray that day by day Fr. Tom will continue in his recovery process.

Our other priest who has had serious health issues is Father David Conway. Father Dave has been battling cancer and a number of other health issues. He is described as a walking miracle by his doctors, but he is still in need of our prayers for a full recovery.

All three want me to let you know how much your prayers mean to them and their families.

APA Sunday School Curriculum

As anticipated, the promised APA Sunday School Curriculum has arrived and is now available! The DEUS Publication Department and Archdeacon Zwingert is prepared for distribution. We are very pleased with the final product and the work that Father William Martin, along with Amy and Matthew Clark have done to make this possible. We have done our best to keep cost down while still providing an outstanding curriculum. Information for purchasing is available on the APA website under the "Shop" tab. The cost is only \$49.99.

APA Winter Conference now a Retreat

I am excited to announce that I am changing the focus of our Winter gathering from one of a Conference to a retreat format. Bishop Chad Jones will be our retreat leader. It is a time for us to focus on prayer and the spiritual life. The book we have selected to read in preparation, *The Cure of Souls: A Manual for Clergy* by William Webb, is

available through various online book stores. (Note: if you order via Smile.amazon.com, instead of the main Amazon website, and select Anglican Province of America as your charity of choice, the APA will get a donation of 0.5% of the purchase price directly from Amazon. This applies to all orders done through smile.amazon.com. Prices are the same as main Amazon site.) The Winter Clergy Retreat for **2020** will be held in Dunwoody (Atlanta), Georgia, **February 5-7**, Wednesday evening until Friday morning (with special committee meetings occurring before and after the main conference). The proposed schedule is located on the last page of this Epistle which details hotel and meal information. All clergy, clergy wives, and deaconesses are invited from any part of our Province, the active clergy of the DEUS are expected to be there unless excused by the Bishop. ***The online Registration form will be available on the provincial website in November.*** An email notice will go out to all clergy when the registration is online. Please share with your postulants and any committee members at that time.

Combined APA and DEUS/DMA/DOW Synods

We will have our **combined APA and all our Diocesan Synods** (DEUS, DMA, and DOW) **August 3-7, 2020**. The combined Synods will be hosted by All Saints Church in Mills River, North Carolina, where Archdeacon Erich Zwingert is rector. I know this is a bit later than usual, but to get the lowest possible hotel rates, we had to work around the peak vacation season in the North Carolina mountains.

DOW News

Holy Angels Anglican Mission, Rev. Vincent Varnas, Priest-in-charge, will be relocating to Aloha, Oregon in November.

Holy Land Pilgrimage February 11 - 20, 2020

The deadline for registration has been extended for the next APA Holy Land Pilgrimage. It promises to be everything the last one was and

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more. Touch the Sea of Galilee, ascend the Mount of Transfiguration, celebrate the Eucharist at key Holy Land sites, pray Morning and Evening Prayer daily, carry a cross along the Via Dolorosa to Calvary and simply walk in the footsteps of our Savior. To register or for more details, see the url <https://www.explority.com/groups/nil/5cae54390300f4000481dd3b>.

Non-parochial and Retired Clergy Notice

This is a reminder to all non-parochial clergy that you are required to send your Diocesan Bishop (or Vicar General for DOW) a letter at least once a year (email is acceptable). Advent Season is preferred which is almost upon us. Please send me a letter or email during this Advent Season. This will satisfy Canon 43, Section 1 of the APA Canons which reads in part: "And every Minister not in charge of any Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services and if there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same." (Assistants and Curates are exempt because the Annual Parochial Report from the Rector/Vicar includes all his subordinate clergy.) I would enjoy and appreciate hearing from our clergy. Unfortunately, those non-parochial clergy who fail to contact me will ultimately be dropped from the APA roles.

Retired Clergy, although you are not required to write annually, I would enjoy hearing from you to see how you are doing.

In closing

As we approach the end of the Christian Year, I want to thank all those clergy and laity alike who have offered themselves unselfishly to the work of God's Kingdom through the APA. Some work in relative obscurity doing their faithful service to the Lord with little fruitfulness and earthly recognition. The greatest gift of all is knowing we are doing God's work and contributing to building His Kingdom. On behalf of all our Bishops, I want to thank all of you who are part of our Communion for your prayers and support. I pray we will have a blessed and prosperous New

Christian Year as we give ourselves in renewed energy to building this Church along with our Joint Synods (G-4) Partners to the Glory of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In Christ's love, *+Walter*

Ad Clerum APA

Ordinations:

DEUS: The Rev. Mr. Mark Perkins was ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests on Sept. 28, 2019, at All Saint's Church, Charlottesville, VA, by the Most Rev. Walter H. Grundorf, D.D. Fr. Perkins will continue to serve as Curate at All Saints, under Rev. Canon Glenn Spencer, Rector.

DEUS: Stephen Miller was ordained to the Sacred order of Deacons on October 19, 2019, by the Most Rev. Walter H. Grundorf, D.D., at St. Matthew's Church, Weaverville, NC, where he will serve as Curate under Fr. Gregory Miller, Rector.

DEUS: Mason Waldhauser was ordained to the Sacred order of Deacons on October 19, 2019, by the Rt. Rev. Chandler H. Jones, SCC, at St. Alban's Church, Joppa, MD, where he will serve as Deacon under Fr. J. Gordon Anderson, Rector.

Transfers:

DEUS: The Rev. Mr. Dennis Ryan transferred APA/DEUS to ACA, Diocese of Missouri Valley to serve at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Estes Park, CO.

Deposition

Haiti: The Rev. Mr. Steevens Morency was deposed September 6, 2019, due to Abandonment of APA (Haiti) to join apostate Church of Unity.

Removed from Roles

DOW: The Rev. Philip Schuyler, Chaplain, was removed from roles due to no communication. Domicile unknown.

Vacancies

- St. Luke's Church, Port Orange, FL
- St. Mathias Mission, Dothan, AL
- St. Martin's, Ocala, FL
- St. Peter's, Kingsport, TN

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Prayer List

Of your charity, keep in your prayers:

Fr. Stone; Fr. Wilson; Fr. Placer; Fr. Tom and Linda Burr, Fr. Mark and Vicki Siegel; Fr. Conway; Rick Watson (Synod Organist); Fr. John Gibson; Bishop Hanlan; Bishop Shaver; Fr. Carter; Fr. Bakley and wife, Pat; Fr. Gardner; and Bishop Stephen Strawn (G-4 Bishop).

APA Presiding Bishop, DEUS Bishop Ordinary Itinerary

Oct. 19: Ordination of Stephen Miller to the Sacred Order of Deacons, St. Matthew's Church, Weaverville, NC.

Oct. 20: Confirmations and Episcopal Visitation, All Saints, Mills River, NC.

Oct. 21: G-4 Archbishop Conference Call, APA Office, Oviedo, FL.

Nov. 2: Funeral, Jerry Brenner, St. Michael's Church, Matthews (Charlotte), NC.

Nov. 3: Episcopal visitation and Confirmations, St. Michael's Church, Matthews (Charlotte), NC.

Nov. 17: Episcopal Visitation, Annual Meeting, St. Alban's Cathedral, Oviedo, FL.

Nov. 19: Fundraiser event for new Christian School (Ecclesial School Initiative) to be founded at St. Alban's Cathedral, Oviedo, FL.

Nov. 25-29: Family vacation.

Dec. 1: Episcopal Visitation, St. Peter's, Deerfield Beach, FL.

Dec. 27: Wedding, Ocala, FL.

Dec. 29: Episcopal Visitation, St. Martin's Church, Ocala, FL

APA Missionary Bishop Haines Itinerary

Oct. 19: Attending Ordination of Stephen Miller to Sacred Order of Deacons, St. Matthew's Church, Weaverville, NC.

DEUS Bishop Coadjutor Jones Itinerary

Oct. 19: Ordination of Mason Murrow Waldhauser to the Sacred Order of Deacons, Saint Alban's Church, Joppa, MD,

Oct. 20: Episcopal Visitation and Confirmations, Saint Alban's Church, Joppa, MD,

Oct. 20: Episcopal Visitation and Confirmations, All Saints' Church, Lancaster, PA,

Oct. 26: Anglican Joint Synods Men's Retreat Day, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Alto, GA,

DEUS Bishop Coadjutor Jones Itinerary (cont.)

Nov. 14-16: Retreat Conductor, Diocesan Women's Retreat, Monastery of Our Lady of the Holy Spirit, Conyers, GA,

Dec. 6-7: Retreat Conductor, Men's Retreat for All Saints' Church, Charlottesville, VA in Staunton, VA,

Dec. 8: Episcopal Visitation and Confirmations, Saint Philip's Church, Blacksburg, VA.

DEUS Suffragan Bishop Perkins Itinerary

Nov. 10: Episcopal Visitation, St. Philip's Church, Pinellas Park, FL.

Nov. 12: Southeast Florida Traditional Anglican Clericus, Delray Beach, FL,

Dec. 10: Southeast Florida Traditional Anglican Clericus Delray Beach, FL,

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Birthdays

05	Rev. John Poole
10	Rev. Michael Bowhay
11	Rev. Dr. Creighton Barnes
14	Rev. Canon Robert Tregenza, PhD
20	Rev. Matthew Harlow
20	Rev. David Masterson
22	Rev. Kenneth Bailey
25	Rev. John DiBiasi
28	Rev. Sean McDermott

November Anniversaries

01	Dss. Deborah Kidd, <i>Setting Apart</i>
01	Rev. Gregory Miller, <i>Diaconate</i>
02	Rev. Canon Robert Hawkins, V.G., <i>Diaconate</i>
04	Rev. Daniel Malcolm, <i>Priesthood</i>
10	Rev. Michael Bolt, <i>Priesthood</i>
11	Rev. David Conway, <i>Diaconate</i>
11	Rt. Rev. William Perkins, Jr., <i>Bishop</i>
11	Rev. Mr. Robert Shoup, Jr., <i>Diaconate</i>
12	Rev. Robert Cheeseman, USAF, Ret. <i>Priesthood</i>
13	Rev. John O'Brien, Maj, USAF, <i>Diaconate</i>
13	Rev. Mr. Wilfrid Ulysse, <i>Diaconate</i>
14	Most Rev. A.L. Jaya Rao.P., <i>Bishop</i>
15	Rev. Mr. Clinton McKenzie, <i>Diaconate</i>
16	Rev. David Sokol, OPS,OHI, SSM, <i>Diaconate</i>
17	Rev. Eugene Godbold, PhD, <i>Diaconate</i>

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November Anniversaries (cont.)

- 17 Rev. Mr. Louis Linn, *Diaconate*
 17 Rev. Canon Glenn Spencer, *Diaconate*
 20 Rt. Rev. G. Raymond Hanlan, *Diaconate*
 20 Rev. Mr. Christopher Perez, *Diaconate*
 20 Rev. Mr. Alton Witham, *Diaconate*
 22 Most Rev. Walter Grundorf, D.D., *Priesthood*
 23 Rev. John DiBiasi, *Diaconate*
 25 Rt. Rev. Robert Loiselle, *Priesthood*
 25 Rev. Daniel Rieger, PhD, *Priesthood*
 26 Rev. Mark Siegel, *Diaconate*

December Birthdays

- 04 Rev. O. Michael Cawthon, Sr.
 05 Rev. Canon Walter Crites, V.G. Emeritus
 05 Very Rev. Nicholas Henderson
 08 Rev. Richard Baskwill
 08 Rev. John Lohmann, IV
 16 Rev. Chris Gardner, SSA, SM
 17 Rev. Mr. Thomas Houghton
 20 Rev. Robert Kirk
 20 Rev. John Klein
 23 Rt. Rev. Robert Giffin
 27 Rev. Michael Smith
 30 Rev. Robert Cheeseman, USAF, Ret.

December Anniversaries

- 05 Very Rev. Ralph Waterhouse, *Priesthood*
 06 Rev. Robert Cheeseman, USAF, Ret. *Diaconate*
 07 Rev. Kevin Burks, *Diaconate*
 10 Rev. Mr. Lawrence Stogner, III, *Diaconate*
 12 Rev. Paul Rivard, *Diaconate*
 13 Rev. George Harding, *Priesthood*
 14 Rev. Mr. J. Boyd Baker, *Diaconate*
 14 Rev. Michael Northup, *Diaconate*
 15 Rev. Bradley Cunningham, *Diaconate*
 16 Rt. Rev. William Perkins, CBS, SM, *Priesthood*
 16 Ven. Erich Zwingert, SSC, *Priesthood*
 19 Rev. Michael Bowhay, *Priesthood*
 21 Rt. Rev. Chandler Jones, SSC, *Priesthood*
 29 Rev. David Coady, SSA, *Diaconate*
 30 Rev. David Eastes, *Diaconate*

APA Winter Conference

Please see **next page** for
Schedule/Agenda

*Hotel Group Code and Rate
 to be announced at later date.
 Please watch emails and APA website.*

**Hotel Reservation Deadline
 and
 Conference Registration Deadline**

January 3, 2020

*Please contact the APA Office at 407.657.0880 or
 800.480.1087 or apadeus@cfl.rr.com if any dates are in
 error or a date has been omitted.*

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APA ANNUAL WINTER RETREAT

Clergy (and wives), Deaconesses, DEUS Bishop Advisory Committee,
DEUS Board of Examining Chaplains, and DEUS Standing Committee



Dunwoody/Atlanta, Georgia

February 4-7, 2017

Schedule/Agenda

Lodging: Doubletree by Hilton Atlanta Perimeter Dunwoody

4386 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, Georgia

Church Address: St. Barnabas Church, 4795 N Peachtree Road, Dunwoody, Georgia

All meetings and events at St. Barnabas Church

Tuesday, February 4

6:30 am – 8:00am	Breakfast (on your own*)
9:00 am – 6:00pm	Board of Examining Chaplains (BEC) Meeting (DEUS)

Wednesday, February 5

6:30 am – 8:00am	Breakfast (on your own*)
9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Bishop Advisory Committee & BEC Meetings (DEUS)
4:00pm – 6:00pm	Check-in table open <u>at church</u>
6:00pm	Evensong
6:30pm	Dinner (on your own*)

Thursday, February 6

6:30 am – 8:00am	Breakfast (on your own*)
7:30 am – 9:30am	Check-in table open at church
8:00 am	Morning Prayer
9:00 am	Morning Conference Session
11:55 am	Mid-day Prayers
12:00 pm	Clergy and Deaconess Lunch on - site
	Clergy wives' Lunch - on-site
1:00 pm	Conference Afternoon Session
5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
6:30 pm	Social Hour and Dinner (at St. Barnabas Church)

Friday, February 7

6:30 am – 8:00am	Breakfast (on your own*)
7:30 am	Morning Prayer/Travelers Mass
9:00 am – Noon	Standing Committee Meeting (DEUS)

* *There are several eateries near hotel*