



THE GREEN SHEET

A newsletter for clergy and lay church leadership

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CLERGY NEWS

No News to Report this edition.

CLERGY CONFERENCE SAVE-THE-DATE

Remember, the annual **Clergy Conference will be held at Beckwith, October 6-8**. Further details and registration available soon.

DUE ASAP UPDATE DIRECTORY INFORMATION FOR DIOCESAN DATABASE

If your church has had any changes in leadership (clergy, vestry, etc.) within the last year, please update the congregational directory for the diocesan database. Contact jenn@diocgc.org if you aren't sure if the form has been completed this year or if you would like to know what information we have on file.

[DIRECTORY UPDATE FORM](#)

DUE SEPTEMBER 1 ANNUAL CHURCH AUDIT

Reminder that annual church audits for the year ending 2020 are due to the Diocese by September 1, 2021. This is one of the very few canonical requirements that all Episcopal churches need to complete. An updated audit checklist and directions can be found on the Diocesan website at: <https://www.diocgc.org/administrative-resources> The new checklist was developed to assist and guide any church with an Audit Committee and provides a way to identify and track those processes that may need strengthening. Any questions, please contact the Administrator at dwight@diocgc.org or call the office at 850-434-7337.

CHANGES TO THE ONLINE SAFEGUARDING / RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Our Safeguarding system is currently migrating to a new platform; it may be unavailable for a short time the week of July 12. The name of this program is changing from the "Armatus" System to "Praesidium Academy."

Praesidium Academy will launch this new system on July 14, 2021. Administrators and anyone who has taken modules in the system with an active email may receive an email directly from Praesidium Academy with login information. Courses have been updated and you will find the system easier to navigate. If your coursework is over 4 years old, it may be considered dated/expired and may not have been moved over into your new account.

As we will be reviewing the new courses and updating the landing pages once we have access, additional information will be sent to parishes in August. In addition, we'll check in with all Safeguard Administrators once they have had the opportunity to take tutorial videos and review the system. We'll be available to answer any additional questions on how to navigate, run reports, sign new members including updates on our overall Safeguarding/Risk Management Policy currently being modified.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Poss or Dwight Babcock at 850-434-7337.

NEW LICENSED LAY EVANGELISTS

Finding the time to plan and enact meaningful works of evangelism and outreach can be very challenging, especially in these times of pandemic. If your parish has the heart for evangelism, but could use some help developing leaders, please encourage emerging leaders in evangelism to apply for the lay school's licensed lay evangelist program.

In the licensed lay evangelist program, we train leaders to engage in the work of sharing God's Good News thoughtfully, carefully, respectfully, and authentically by word and action. Licensed lay evangelists can proactively assist in the existing work of the parish, in reaching out to new folks, deepening people's spiritual practice of evangelism, and lead us in new and innovative ways to invite the community to more of God's goodness. Our training is grounded in the teachings of the Episcopal Church, our Traditions, and Scripture. Students will learn to articulate their own stories of God's loving

presence in their lives and to learn to seek it in the lives of others. Students will also be tasked with designing ways to challenge us to move beyond our walls and nurture our parish's impulses of growth and creativity within the walls. Presently, we plan to offer classes in person and by Zoom accompanying homework and group projects.

If there is anyone in your parish who might be interested in this kind of learning and growth, please encourage them to consider this program. Those interested may also contact the dean of the lay school, The Rev. Joy Blaylock, or The Rev. Lydia Knizley Johnson, Missioner for Evangelism and Development. Applications may be found here:

https://2f23db9c-81c0-437f-88c1-0d3b99fdb03d.filesusr.com/ugd/4525a9_c638a5bc5437499fa17470a5f5942d39.pdf

The Rev. Dr. Joy Blaylock- JoyBlaylock@diocgc.org

The Rev. Lydia Knizley Johnson – 251-377-7809; Lydia@diocgc.org

FOR YOUTH LEADERS - GREENHOUSE SESSIONS: CULTIVATING REGROWTH OF OUR YOUTH GROUPS - PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR YOUTH LEADERS

Tuesdays: August 10, and August 24

Gather online with youth leaders from across the Diocese to talk about how your ministry is preparing for the upcoming year. Through a series of guided discussions with the DioCGC Youth Ministry Leadership Team, we will help churches of all sizes consider how their youth ministry will be renewed in the post-pandemic environment. We will cover these topics: planning, communication, recruiting, music, and worship!

Two session times offered:

- [Sign-up here for day sessions](#), held at 12 p.m. CDT
- [Sign-up here for evening sessions](#), held at 7:30 p.m. CDT
- Or do a combination of day and evening sessions - whatever fits your schedule!

2021 LOGIN CREDENTIALS FOR TENS STEWARDSHIP MATERIALS

2021 Password: James1:17 (Note: a username is no longer required.)

We are a diocesan member of TENS, [The Episcopal Network for Stewardship](#). With our membership comes the ability for all of our churches to use the materials advertised by TENS. They include all the printable materials and resources for an eight-week giving campaign. This year's materials combined with the ZOOM workshops in July and August will help you and your congregation navigate these new times, using technical and pastoral best practices. Please download the tools through the members portal and invite your stewardship teams to sign up for workshops.

The login credentials change each year for members. Website: <https://www.tens.org/resources/member-resources/>

INSURANCE UPDATES

- CPG has the 2021 Clergy Tax Return Preparation Guide for 2020 Returns available on website or linked here: <https://www.cpg.org/globalassets/documents/publications/tax-2021-clergy-tax-return-preparation-guide-for-2020-tax-returns.pdf>. In addition the 2021 Federal Reporting Requirements for Episcopal Churches is also available on the website or linked here: <https://www.cpg.org/globalassets/documents/publications/tax-2021-federal-reporting-requirements-for-episcopal-churches.pdf>
- Please visit our website for additional insurance info:
 - <https://www.diocgc.org/congregational-resources>
 - [Risk Management & Insurance Basics for Religious Organizations \(recommended\)](#)
 - [Safety and Insurance Handbook for Churches \(recommended\)](#)

REMINDERS:

- As noted earlier, your annual church financial audit is due to the diocesan office by September 1 (per Canons). We fully understand if you are delayed due to COVID closure/distancing difficulties. We ask that you notify Kim or Dwight to provide a status of when you plan to complete your audit. Thank you to those churches that have completed your audit or checked in with us!

UPDATES CONGREGATIONS IN TRANSITION (as of 8/1/2021)

Andalusia, St. Mary's

Interim in place

Eufaula, St. James

Interim in place

Foley, St. Paul's	Call made and accepted
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis	Vacancy announced
Magnolia Springs, St. Paul's Chapel	Vacancy announced
Milton, St. Mary's	Interim in place
Niceville, St. Jude's	Interim in place
Panama City Beach, Episcopal Churches of (Grace and St. Thomas)	Interviewing candidate

For information, please contact:

The Rev. Massey Gentry, Canon to the Ordinary, at mgfairhope@gmail.com or (251) 459-4169.

Please do not contact the openings directly.

PIANO AVAILABLE

Free Wurlitzer Standup Piano, 56x24x37 (L/W/H). [See photo](#). Destin/Fort Walton Area. Owner is moving from the area in August. Contact Chaplain Mark Juchter at mark@juchter.com.

JOB POSTINGS [Submit a job posting](#)

No postings

LEARN - PRAY - ACT RESOURCES

As a recommitment to our work of Becoming Beloved Community, the Commission on Racial Justice & Reconciliation gathered resources for us to do this work. You can find the resources at www.diocgc.org/learn-pray-act.

MUSIC LICENSING

If your church offers music during services, it is important to follow all copyright guidelines, which include maintaining a license to perform, broadcast, or print copyrighted music. Review your church's licensing agreements, and be sure to add the streaming option if you are broadcasting services online. Recommended licensing companies include [One License](#), [Christian Copyright Licensing International](#)(CCLI), [Christian Copyright Solutions](#).

CYCLES OF PRAYER FOR DIOCESE AND PRISON MINISTRY

Congregations are asked to include both our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and our Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer in their Prayers of the People, newsletters, and/or bulletins. Both are available at www.diocgc.org/cycle-of-prayer.

BOOKMARK THE DIOCESAN CALENDAR

Stay up-to-date on diocesan events by bookmarking our calendar: <https://www.diocgc.org/calendar-of-events>.

COMMUNICATIONS QUICK LINKS

[Submit an article for publication](#)

[Submit a church/community event](#)

[Submit a job posting](#)

UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Standing Committee Meeting	Aug 10	Duvall Center & Zoom
Greenhouse Session for Youth Leaders	Aug 10	Zoom Register here
Jonathan Myrick Daniels Virtual Event	Aug 14	Online at www.dioala.org
Greenhouse Session for Youth Leaders	Aug 24	Zoom Register here
YOUTH EVENT DioCGC Youth Musicians Leadership Summit	Aug 27-29	Beckwith Register here

YOUTH EVENT Worship on the Water	Aug 29	Beckwith Register here
Diocesan Office Closed for Labor Day	Sep 6	Duvall Center Closed
CANCELLED - Men's Conference	Sep 17-19	Cancelled
Racial Justice & Reconciliation Sacred Conversation Workshop	Sep 18	All Saints, Mobile Register here
BayLights	Sep 24-26	Beckwith

BISHOP RUSSELL'S SCHEDULE

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Lambeth Bishops' mtg	Aug 3	ZOOM
Visitation	Aug 8 am	Epiphany, Enterprise
Visitation	Aug 8 pm	St. Michael's, Ozark
Standing Committee mtg	Aug 10	Duvall Center & ZOOM
Clergy in New Positions Orientation	Aug 12	Duvall Center
Jonathan Myrick Daniels Pilgrimage	Aug 14	Virtual Pilgrimage
Visitation	Aug 15	St. Mary's, Coden
Commission on Ministry/Standing Committee mtg	Aug 21	St. Cyprian's, Pensacola
Visitation	Aug 22	St. John's, Mobile
Memorial Service [Deacon Ann Johnson]	Aug 28	St. Mary's, Milton
Visitation	Aug 29	St. Agatha's, DeFuniak Springs
Visitation	Sep 5	Epiphany, Crestview
Office Closed	Sep 6	Labor Day
Lambeth Bishops' mtg	Sep 7	ZOOM
Commission on Ministry Nominee Orientation	Sep 11	TBA - in Pensacola
Visitation	Sep 12	St. Cyprian's, Pensacola
Sewanee Trustees mtg	Sep 15	ZOOM

Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

Green Sheet 2021

Treasurer's Report - July 2021

(Please Note: Report reflects funds received as of July 30, 2021)

Congregational Pledges	MTD Actual (2021)	YTD Rec'd (2021)	YTD Budget Variance	Annual Pledge (2021)
Pledges				
Andalusia, St. Mary's (131)	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	(\$440)	\$11,040.00
Apalachicola, Trinity (120)	\$1,333.00	\$9,331.00	(\$329)	\$16,560.00
Atmore, St. Anna's (114)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$350)	\$600.00
Atmore, Trinity (27)	\$200.00	\$1,400.00	\$112	\$2,208.00
Bay Minette, Immanuel (29)	\$1,084.28	\$3,743.68	\$1,877	\$3,200.00
Bon Secour, St. Peter's (165)	\$421.55	\$3,412.75	(\$825)	\$7,265.00
Brewton, St. Stephen's (168)	\$804.90	\$13,878.65	\$5,793	\$13,861.00
Cantonment, St. Monica's (118)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$350)	\$600.00
Chickasaw, St. Michael's (45)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$302)	\$517.00
Chipley, St. Matthew's (46)	\$450.00	\$2,700.00	(\$450)	\$5,400.00
Citronelle, St. Thomas (4)	\$0.00	\$440.00	\$265	\$300.00
Coden, St. Mary's (33)	\$5,227.00	\$5,227.00	\$2,845	\$4,083.00
Crestview, Epiphany (40)	\$300.00	\$960.00	(\$650)	\$2,760.00
Daphne, St. Paul's (675)	\$0.00	\$30,403.00	(\$4,832)	\$60,403.00
Dauphin Isld, St. Francis (55)	\$830.00	\$5,880.00	(\$34)	\$10,138.00
DeFnk Spgs, St Agatha's (52)	\$0.00	\$2,204.58	\$256	\$3,340.00
Destin, St. Andrew's (83)	\$480.00	\$2,880.00	(\$881)	\$6,448.00
Dothan, Nativity (511)	\$0.00	\$13,560.00	(\$2,379)	\$27,324.00
Enterprise, Epiphany (47)	\$800.00	\$5,600.00	\$448	\$8,832.00
Eufaula, St. James' (196)	\$1,200.00	\$8,400.00	\$233	\$14,000.00
Fairhope, St. James' (1453)	\$0.00	\$50,667.91	(\$9,575)	\$103,273.00
Foley, St. Paul's (263)	\$1,666.70	\$11,666.98	\$934	\$18,400.00
Ft. Wltn Bch, St. Simon (516)	\$4,699.85	\$26,613.54	(\$4,595)	\$53,500.00
Greenville, St. Thomas (130)	\$2,551.75	\$12,883.12	\$516	\$21,200.00
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis (243)	\$1,055.00	\$11,699.00	\$1,071	\$18,220.00
Gulf Shores, Holy Spirit (375)	\$0.00	\$14,400.00	(\$1,056)	\$26,496.00
Jackson, St. Peter's (29)	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$649	\$1,288.00
Laguna Beach, St. Thomas (96)	\$641.26	\$3,823.32	\$577	\$5,565.00
Lillian, Advent (75)	\$938.50	\$6,569.50	\$130	\$11,040.00
Magnolia Spgs, St. Pauls (201)	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	(\$2,648)	\$13,110.00
Marianna, St. Luke's (132)	\$3,250.00	\$8,166.00	\$2,013	\$10,548.00
Milton, St. Mary's (160)	\$0.00	\$4,250.00	(\$5,667)	\$17,000.00
Mobile, All Saints' (418)	\$1,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$0	\$18,000.00
Mobile, Christ (607)	\$3,483.33	\$24,383.31	\$0	\$41,800.00
Mobile, Good Shepherd (146)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$247)	\$423.00
Mobile, Redeemer (270)	\$1,046.97	\$7,718.15	(\$2,362)	\$17,280.00
Mobile, St. Andrew's (37)	\$254.00	\$4,082.00	\$2,166	\$3,285.00
Mobile, St. John's (119)	\$846.43	\$5,922.62	(\$4,735)	\$18,271.00
Mobile, St. Luke's (331)	\$1,666.00	\$9,997.00	(\$1,670)	\$20,000.00
Mobile, St. Mark's (6)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,400)	\$2,400.00
Mobile, St. Paul's (2033)	\$29,168.00	\$102,088.00	\$0	\$175,000.00
Mobile, Trinity (215)	\$2,200.00	\$7,700.00	(\$467)	\$14,000.00
Monroeville, St. John's (45)	\$479.15	\$6,465.90	\$563	\$10,120.00
Navarre, St. Augustine's (127)	\$188.00	\$1,205.55	(\$631)	\$3,148.00
Niceville, St. Jude's (238)	\$2,560.50	\$20,557.50	\$6,992	\$23,256.00
Ozark, St. Michael's (44)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$915)	\$1,568.00
Pnma City, Holy Nativity (706)	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	(\$2,500)	\$30,000.00
Panama City, St. Andrews (250)	\$1,177.00	\$9,644.37	(\$4,356)	\$24,000.00
Panama City, St. Patrick's (64)	\$325.00	\$1,931.30	\$434	\$2,567.00
Panama City Beach, Grace (123)	\$0.00	\$5,502.00	(\$915)	\$11,000.00
Pensacola, Christ (1307)	\$10,175.00	\$60,288.00	(\$10,937)	\$122,100.00
Pensacola, Holy Cross (211)	\$1,800.00	\$12,700.00	\$100	\$21,600.00
Pensacola, Holy Trinity (90)	\$951.05	\$6,657.35	\$0	\$11,412.00
Pcola, St. Christopher's (603)	\$5,430.83	\$38,015.81	(\$1)	\$65,172.00
Pensacola, St. Cyprian's (45)	\$0.00	\$2,600.00	\$620	\$3,395.00
Pensacola, St. John's (104)	\$833.33	\$2,916.66	(\$2,917)	\$10,000.00
Pt St. Joe, St. James' (125)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0	\$4,250.00
Robertsdale, St. John (61)	\$135.00	\$945.00	\$438	\$869.00
SRB, Christ King (255)	\$2,240.60	\$22,315.80	(\$6,851)	\$50,000.00
Troy, St. Mark's (116)	\$1,420.00	\$9,940.00	(\$184)	\$17,355.00
Wewahitchka, St. John's (16)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,400)	\$2,400
Total Pledges	\$98,314	\$664,736	(\$48,817)	\$1,223,190