

## Weekly Newsletter August 30, 2018

The church office will be closed Friday, August 31st and Monday, September 3rd for Labor Day.

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### In our prayers:

Dick Jordan

Ellie

Rev. Ellie Thober

Jay

Jennifer Lang

Jim Chambers

Jim Meletiou

Joe

Karyl Danford

Laura Parker

Margaret Long

Marsha Brodsky

Pam Stenhouse

Ruth Williams

Sid Druen

Sophia Schatz

Susan Hughes

In our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for Emmanuel Parish & Chapel of the Transfiguration

### A message from Rev. Kevin Lloyd

What a tremendous welcome you have given me and my family! Our heads are still spinning a bit, but your warm and enthusiastic hospitality has made our transition so much easier. Thank you!!

To reiterate some of what I said in my first sermon here, we at Saint Alban's continue to live in "liminal space" (from the Latin *limen*, meaning threshold), that space and time between "what was" and "what is to come". You have been living in this space for quite some time now, even before you started the search process that led to Carmen's and my arrivals, and I'm sure it has not always been comfortable space. Indeed, it may have been quite UNcomfortable at times.

Now that Carmen and I are here, there might be a tendency to think that we can finally be done with the discomfort of "liminality" and move back into that more comfortable space of "normalcy". It can certainly be said that we have moved into a different phase of this particular liminal space in the life of Saint Alban's, but we are still teetering on the threshold of "what is to come". As I said in my sermon, the good news is that this is truly sacred space. As Richard Rohr says it, liminal space is that space "where God can best get at us."

Rather than trying to push through too quickly to our "new normal", we do well to continue to live with the liminality, remaining open and patient and listening for where God is leading us as a congregation in this time and place. As was evidenced by the Ministry

in Southern Pines & St. Mary's in Speed, NC.

In our **Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Anglican Church of South America & The Most Revd. Gregory James Venables, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America & Bishop of Argentina.

**Military Prayer List:**  
Ryan Leinberger

**Birthdays:**

**September 1**

Marc Miller  
Kayla Eberhardt  
Grace Loher

**September 2**

Gerri Holland  
Mary Fallon

**September 3**

Banks Taylor

**September 4**

Kelley McCarey

**September 5**

Maurice Meunier

**September 6**

Matt Givens  
Suzanne Sadler  
Mary Emerich

**September 7**

Jon Davis  
Nathaniel Gardner

**Anniversaries**

**September 4**

George & Gordon Jacobs

**September 5**

Marc & Kathy Miller  
Richard & Mary Colven

**September 8**

Phil & Nancy Craig  
Dan & Alexis Doherty

Fair this past Sunday, there is some incredible, life-giving stuff going on at Saint Alban's. The "new normal" will likely include most, if not all, of these wonderful ministries. However, as we move into this new chapter in the life of Saint Alban's with openness and patience, we may discover that God is leading us in some new and exciting directions. We may discern some new ways of doing the ministries already in place. We may discern the need to discontinue some ministries that are no longer needed. We may discern the call to completely new ministries that are needed at this time.

Regardless of what lies on the other side of the threshold we are currently on, I trust that with God's guidance and the loving support of each other, Saint Alban's will continue to be the remarkable community of faith that it is! I'm thrilled to be a part of "what is to come" in this wonderful place.

Grace & Peace,  
Kevin

**10:30 SUNDAY SERVERS**

**Altar Guild:**

Susan Beaumont, Alice Mietz

**Flower Guild:** Dana Phillips

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Jane Shoemaker

**Acolytes:**

Alex Colven, Drew Colven, Mickie Colven,  
Dillon Noble

**Lectors:** Richard Colven, Rosalind Seneca

**Ushers:** Steve Alfaro, Jon Davis

**Vestryperson:** Richard Colven

**This Week's Service Times**

**9:15 T/Th:** Morning Prayer

**8:00 Sunday:** Holy Eucharist

**9:00 Sunday:** Adult Forum

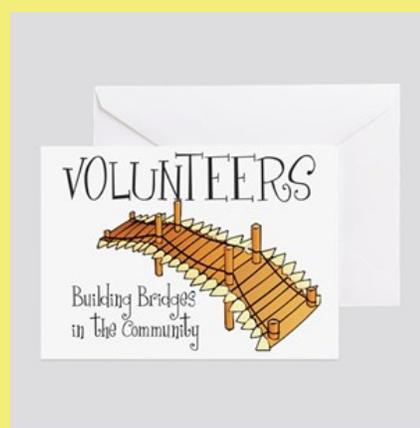
**10:30 Sunday:** Holy Eucharist & Choir

**Volunteer Sign Up Genius Link**

We always need volunteers for reading, greeting and Eucharistic Ministers. Please [click here](#) to sign up to volunteer for the church services.

## Volunteer Cards

St. Alban's ushers will have volunteer cards available for you for the next two Sundays. They'll provide an opportunity for you to let us know what gifts and talents you have—baking, woodworking, office skills, other—that you might be willing to share with the church from time to time! Please take a card, fill it out, and return it to the baskets that will be located on the tables in the short hallway leading into the nave! You can help build up the Body of Christ with the unique ways in which God has gifted you!



## Clergy Discretionary Fund

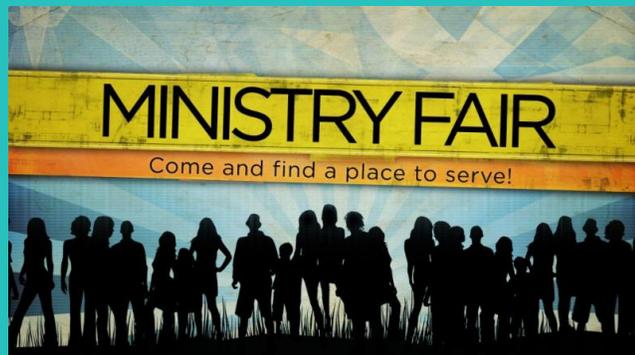
Sunday's loose plate offering will benefit the Clergy Discretionary Fund. If you would rather your donation go into the 2018 General Fund, then please put your contribution in a cash envelope.

## Sunday school volunteers

Opening weekend is **Sunday, September 9th** at 10:15am. We are in need of Sunday school volunteers! Looking for, **one high school leader and two elementary leaders**. Who can volunteer? You are not committed every Sunday. You pick the Sundays that you can volunteer. Please email [Lisa Givens](mailto:Lisa.Givens@st-alban.org) to ask questions or to volunteer.

## A big thank you

....to everyone who volunteered at or participated in our Ministry Fair last Sunday! What a wonderful day, filled with the energy of the Holy Spirit! And what an amazing display of over 40 different ways to get involved at St. Alban's or in St. Alban's ministries in the community! But did you miss the Ministry Fair? Don't be sad ☐--you can STILL get involved by going on St. Alban's website and look under our Outreach tab for ministries and ministry contacts-and just contact the person indicated for the ministry you're interested in!



## Grounds Work Day

Here at St. Alban's we are blessed with a beautiful church campus, both inside and out. As we near the beginning of Fall, it is time to plan and perform maintenance of our church grounds which include the Memorial Garden, shrubs around the buildings, trees, and grassed spaces on the property. Therefore, St. Alban's needs you (and your generous time and talent)! On **Saturday, September 29th from 8AM to noon**, the parish will be holding a grounds cleanup day and you are invited to attend. If you are interested and able, please use the signup genius link below, and please bring your



clippers, hedgers, loppers, etc to the work day. Many hands make light work, so thank you in advance for your time and support of this effort. Please use the sign up genius link to volunteer:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/8050948ADA72AA20-church](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/8050948ADA72AA20-church) - James Wally, Jr. Warden

## Oktoberfest Silent Auction Items

As part of St. Alban's Oktoberfest celebration and fundraiser on October 6th, we will once again host a silent auction with 100% of proceeds benefiting the ministries of St. Alban's. Do you have a business or vacation home that you would consider "donating" for the benefit? If so, please contact Stephanie Amadio at [sbamadio@gmail.com](mailto:sbamadio@gmail.com) or the parish office.

## Canterbury Signups



Please sign up to provide a meal for the students at Davidson College. A Movable Feast is the Episcopal Canterbury meal held in the

Davidson College Student Union on Sunday evenings. This is a great point of connection between St. Alban's and the College. Feeding college students a home cooked meal once a week is an incredible ministry of hospitality. It shows that the church cares about them and it provides a great way for students to find Christian fellowship. It's easy to do and you can be reimbursed for your groceries. You can sign up in the narthex of the church or please go to [www.takethemameal.com](http://www.takethemameal.com) Name: Students; Password: Canterbury. There you will find further instructions. Or you can sign up in the narthex of the ChurchContact Sandra Johnson with questions at [sandrakandted@yahoo.com](mailto:sandrakandted@yahoo.com).

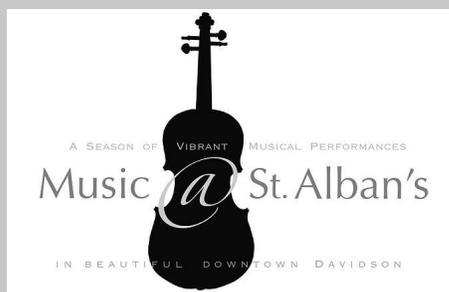
## Oktoberfest

Save the date for October 6th from 4pm to 9pm for our annual Oktoberfest event. Music, beer, food, bounce houses, games, lederhosen, and more!

Entry is free and food and beverages will be available for purchase. All are welcome and encouraged to bring others outside of our church community!!!



## Music @ St. Alban's



On Sunday, September 23, at 3PM Music at St. Alban's is proud to present: Heartland Baroque with special guest soprano Molly Quinn. Take an imaginative and compelling walking tour of Venice with Mark Twain as our 19th-Century guide, hand-in-hand with the most-revered Venetian composers of the 17th-Century: Claudio Monteverdi, Alessandro Grandi, Dario Castello, and Biagio Marinito. Come early for the young performers' pre-concert at 2:20PM. A meet-the-artist reception follows the main

concert. For tickets, contact [www.musicatstalbansdavidson.org](http://www.musicatstalbansdavidson.org) or 1-800-838-3006; tickets are also available at the door. This concert was made possible, in part, with funding from ASC, the N.C. Arts Council.

## St. Alban's Preschool

We can't wait to see all our preschool families at St. Alban's next week. Our Open House is on Tuesday and classes begin on Wednesday with Easing In for our two year olds (pick up at 11:00 a.m.).

Are you looking for a preschool program for your two or three year old child? We still have a few openings in our two and three year old classes for the 2018/2019 school year. If you know of a family looking for a preschool program, please have them contact the preschool. Our teachers have a great deal of experience and provide a loving, play-based, Christian environment and the class size is small. You can visit our website [www.saintalbanspreschool.org](http://www.saintalbanspreschool.org) or our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/saintalbanspreschool> for more information.



It's that time of year again. Time to link your Harris Teeter VIC card to St. Alban's and La Esquelita preschools. Help support both programs by signing up to link both schools by clicking <https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education> and entering program numbers 4868 and 4388. This is an easy way to support our preschools.

The preschool is also seeking substitute teachers. From time to time, our teachers need to be out due to illness or to care for their own family members. We are always seeking substitutes who would enjoy spending an occasional morning with us. No experience is necessary, just a love of young children. Substitutes are paid for their time. Please contact the preschool for more information.

**MORNING PRAYER**

Every Tuesday & Thursday  
from 9:15 to 9:30.

**NEWCOMERS**

The Newcomers meeting is held the first Sunday of each month following the 10:30 service. The meeting will be held in the front office. Please email [Mitzi](#) or [Valerie](#) for more information.

**NURSERY**

Do you have a young child who uses our nursery services? I hope you do because our paid nursery staff is wonderful! We are in need of volunteers each Sunday at 10:30. [Daniel Johnson](#) is the nursery coordinator and you can [Click here](#) to sign up.

**THE PINES**

Every 2nd & 4th Thursday at 11:00am, the Holy Eucharist is celebrated at The Pines.

**PASTORAL CARE**

Are you or someone you know in need of pastoral care? Please contact [Becky Mohlere](#) or [Mary Helms](#).

**MEMBER DATABASE**

Need to update personal info with St. Alban's? Check your pledge balance? Maybe look up another church member? ACS is our church database and it allows you to do all of this and more. Login with your church email and then follow this link for more info. [Read More](#)

**PRAYER LIST**

Would you like to add your family or friend to our prayer list? Please email [Jessica](#) the name. When emailing Jessica a name, please state whether you would like first and last name or just first name on the prayer list. The name will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks, or you can "renew" the name for another two weeks, please email Jessica this request too.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to request flowers on the altar in honor or memorial of someone please click the online form [HERE](#). A suggested minimum donation of \$50 per request.

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