



# CROSSTOWN

August 2021

*At the foot of the cross in downtown St. Petersburg*



*Elaine New, with police officers and other volunteers, at Not My Son rally:  
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## **A New Year Begins!**

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# With Stories and Stitches, We'll Learn at Compassion Camp To Cultivate Loving Care for Ourselves and Others

This summer's Vacation Bible School invites our children to cultivate compassion for each other, ourselves, and the world.

At Compassion Camp, August 5 through 7, we'll learn about compassion and empathy in the Bible stories of Miriam, Elijah, the Good Samaritan, and Pentecost. All of these stories help us find ourselves within an ancient stream of people who have deliberately chosen compassion.

We are proud to partner with the Sew Much Hope Project, a collaborative social enterprise based in St. Petersburg. Women



who are refugees learn how to sew and participate in a co-op, making and selling products to earn supplemental income for their families. Sew Much Hope Project is in the process of merging with RAMWI (Refugee & Migrant Women's Initiative) to reach more women.

Courtney Erickson founded Sew Much Hope Project in 2017. She and her family — husband Bjorn and children Aksel, Celia, and Elin — recently started attending the Cathedral, and participated in the Cathedral Arts Troupe during Lent.



When we were thinking of projects the children might do during VBS that connect compassion with action, Courtney and Sew Much Hope came to mind. Thankfully, Courtney, her mother Janet, and women

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## Compassion Camp

Thursday-Saturday, August 5-7

Thursday-Friday, 5:30-8 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Harvard Hall

Ages 4 through 5th grade

Nursery care available for younger siblings

\$35/child, \$60/family max

[spcathedral.org/compassion](http://spcathedral.org/compassion)

## Compassion Camp

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from SMHP (and their children!) agreed to join us for VBS and help us experience the joy of sewing.

Then on Sunday, August 8, at the 10:15 a.m. service, the children will perform “What Does the Lord Require of You,” a song based on Micah 6. There will also be a blessing of the backpacks. All students and educators are invited to come forward for a blessing. We’ll also have backpack tags for all who want one.

We have invited the principal and teachers from Campbell Park Elementary School to be with us that day. Campbell Park, one of our community partners, is the recipient of backpacks and school supplies contributed by the congregation.

To make all this run smoothly, we need volunteers, both youth and adults: kitchen crew, setup, and cleanup; small-group leader, station leader, and more. Please contact Hillary Peete ([hpeete@spcathedral.com](mailto:hpeete@spcathedral.com)) or visit [spcathedral.org/compassion](http://spcathedral.org/compassion) to sign up.

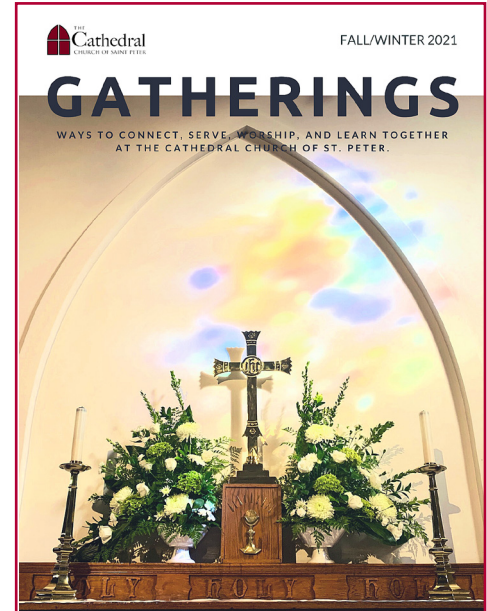
Learn more about SMHP here: [sewmuchhopeproject.com/](http://sewmuchhopeproject.com/)

Learn more about RAMWI here: [ramwi.org](http://ramwi.org)



## Coming Soon: Brochure with All the Details

Watch for the publication this month of *Gatherings*, our fall-winter brochure, listing dozens of worship, formation, outreach, and arts events from August through December. In one place you’ll find details of all the Bible studies, classes, book talks, book club news, musical programs (Choral Evensong and chanted Compline return!), and special events: our popular Canoeucharist, another “Thomas Talk” by three musicians who share that name, Christmas plans, and much more.



# Bring on the Chicken (and Lots of Sides and Desserts): Our Holy Hootenanny Potluck Welcomes You August 22

Our first potluck picnic brunch in who-knows-how-long will be after the 10:15 a.m. service on Sunday, August 22. Hooray!

This is a welcome-back Holy Hootenanny, which means you can expect bluegrass music playing in the background in Harvard Hall. Yeehah!

St. Peter's will provide both fried chicken and rotisserie chicken (without breading,

so the gluten-free among us can enjoy it). You bring everything else: salads, sides, desserts.

We'll have aluminum pans for you to pick up on August 8 and 15 to bring back with your contribution.

**WHAT WE'RE HUNGRY FOR:** The term is "collective effervescence," defined by psychologist Adam Grant as "the sense of energy and harmony people feel when they come together in a group around a shared purpose" (*New York Times*). We can't wait to feel it at the potluck!

the community. Collect a stamp from each ministry table and enter to win a special flower arrangement from the Cathedral Flower Guild.

"I know

how long we've all waited for a chance to break bread together," Dean Morris said.

"These brunches are St. Peter's signature of fellowship and welcome. I've said many times during the pandemic that I couldn't wait to see everyone back here, filling the place as it was meant to be filled. I hope all of you who feel comfortable doing so will be here that day."

We welcome volunteers to help with set-up, serving, and clean-up. Please speak to Michelle Thomas ([mthomas@spcathedral.com](mailto:mthomas@spcathedral.com)) if you'd like to help.

During the picnic, you're invited to visit ministry tables to learn more about ways to connect and serve the Cathedral and



# A New Leader, New Plans for the Cathedral Library

Our Cathedral library is now under the enthusiastic leadership of Charles Jaynes, self-described “avid reader, and an English teacher for 38 years who worked very closely with librarians for all that time.”

Charles assumed the role at Dean Morris’s request after the death of longtime library leader Marian McGrath.

“I want the library to be a place people will use, not just books on shelves — where

they’ll find enjoyable fiction and non-fiction, recent books as well as classics,” Charles said. “We are a congregation full of people who love to read — look at our St. Peter’s Book Club and our book talks. I want to encourage everyone to come in, look us



*Charles Jaynes, avid reader. Photo by JUDY STARK*

over, and become aware of what’s here. It’s not just reference books or old Bibles.

“I also want the library to be a place where people come and browse and find inspiration, even deepen their faith by reading meditations and commentaries” on the Bible, he said.

Charles has spent the last few weeks weeding the collection (many of you benefited from this at our recent yard sale) and reorganizing the shelves. Please

take a few minutes next time you’re at church to stop by and browse the collection and find something enjoyable to take home and read! The library/chapter room is in the hallway between the Narthex and Harvard Hall.

## What about donations?

Our storage and display space is very limited, so we cannot accept large donations of books. Please do not just drop off books. E-mail Charles Jaynes ([chasrj39@hotmail.com](mailto:chasrj39@hotmail.com)) with a description of what you have to offer and he will make a selection.

We have some restrictions: no travel books, no cookbooks, no Reader’s Digest Condensed Books, no encyclopedias, dictionaries, or reference books, no textbooks, no coffee-table books, no how-tos.



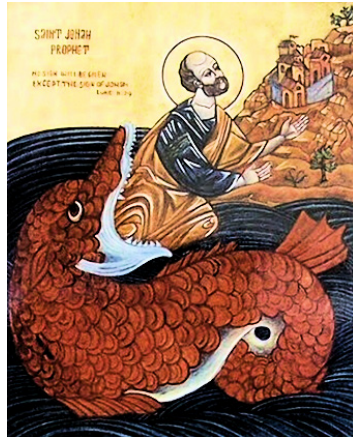
## Take a Deep Dive into Jonah and the Whale ...

Canon Ethan Cole will lead another of his popular online Bible studies this month — on the Book of Jonah.

“We will read and discuss in depth the prophet Jonah — whose story is more like an ancient novella than like the prophetic texts we are more familiar with, such as Isaiah or Amos,” Canon Cole said. “Jonah is called by God to preach repentance to Israel’s ancient enemy, and he famously flees his vocation, reluctant to let God be merciful to the Ninevites.

“We will look at some of the literary and historical issues, but we will focus on what is the message of Jonah for us as Christians, and how can we live and proclaim a Gospel word of mercy,” he said.

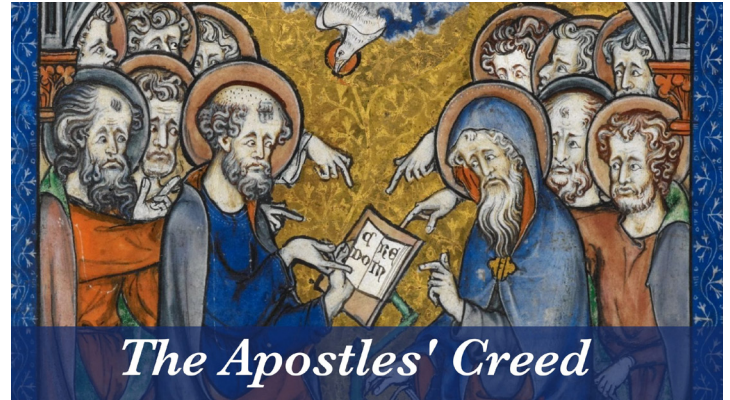
The class meets via Zoom from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, August 10, 17, and 24. Register at [spcathedral.org/book-and-bible](https://spcathedral.org/book-and-bible).



## ... Then Dig Deep into The Apostles' Creed

Following up on their successful team teaching about the Book of Revelation, Canon Cole and the Rev. Canon Dr. Thomas Williams will offer a three-part webinar series, “Dogma, Devotion + Discipline.”

The first session, from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, August 25, is devoted to the Apostles' Creed. Future webinars will take up the Lord's Prayer (September 29) and the Ten Commandments (October 27). Register at [spcathedral.org/adults](https://spcathedral.org/adults).



# Your Gift of Faith-Filled Generosity Makes a Difference to Others — and to You

**Ray McColgan, Stewardship Chair**

Stewardship is what we do 24/7 — your generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure. Without these gifts, the Cathedral could not do the work of providing worship and learning opportunities, outreach and partnership programs, beautiful music and flowers, youth and family opportunities, assuming leadership in our diocese, and so much more.

The Bible tells us so! Everything we have is a gift from God. All good things are gifts from God (1 Timothy 6:17). Food and clothing (Matthew 6:25, 33), rain and fruitful harvests (Leviticus 26:4), faith (Ephesians 2:8), grace (James 4:6), wisdom (Proverbs 2:6, James 1:5), and life itself (Isaiah 42:5) are all gifts from God.

The gifts we have received are not for our use alone. God gave them to us for the purpose of serving Him and serving others.

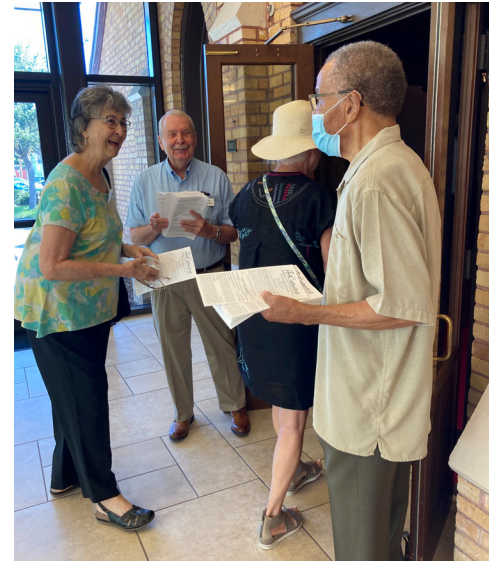
Whether you are new to the Cathedral,

or a longtime member who is looking for a new challenge, our ministries offer you a place where you can make a difference in someone's life and enrich your own.

Please visit our website, [spcathedral.org](http://spcathedral.org), and look under the SERVE tab for opportunities in the church and in the community. Or speak to our Canon for Hospitality, Brandon Peete, or to members of the Chapter, the Stewardship Committee, or the clergy. We'll be glad to help you find a place where you can give a gift of faith-filled generosity. (As you read through this issue of *Crosstown*, you'll see many opportunities to use your time and skills to benefit others.)

We invite those of you who have found a meaningful place to serve to share your thoughts about why you are making an investment of time and talent. Please e-mail

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*Ushers Ray McColgan and Gene Blocker greet Barbara Martin.*

## Faith-Filled Generosity

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me ([rmccolgan@me.com](mailto:rmccolgan@me.com)) with three or four sentences about how serving others has changed your life, and we'll feature your comments in future issues of *Crosstown*.

Don't be shy! It takes all of us to make the Cathedral function and live out its ministries. We are all blessed when we understand how what one of us does connects with what others do. Thanks to all of you for all you give.

## Donut Delights

Who knew you could have so much fun with donuts (besides eating them)? Our children enjoyed decorating donuts (both real and pretend) at coffee

hour on July 11, then playing ring toss in the garden with inflatable donut-lookalike swim rings.

Photos by HILLARY PEETE



*Clockwise from top left: Morgan Vengroff at the ring toss; Anne Charles Donaldson likes what she eats; a table of art you can eat; Alex Underwood with "sprinkles"; and Olivia Miller takes a bite.*



# Daughters of the King Offer Women Opportunities for Prayer and Service

**Karen Torrissi**

Members of The Order of the Daughters of the King® are women and girls between the ages of 7 and 107 who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are

strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life and supported through the companionship of our sisters.

Our local chapter comprises nine women who meet the third Saturday of the month.

“Our calling is prayer, service, and evangelism,” president Kathy Kelly said. “Every meeting we review our prayer list for the month, which includes requests from our congregation. We support a local charity, currently Campbell

Park Elementary. Last month we collected funds for three \$25 Publix gift cards for families of the school, and this month we will contribute funds for school supplies.”

At their meetings the group reflects on a spiritual book, or on a topic presented by Kathy, such as the gifts of the Holy Spirit or passages from the Psalms.

“We pray together for the needs of the world, our country, our church, and our own personal intentions during the meeting,” Kathy said. “DOK members are encouraged to volunteer to do service within their own family, the church, and the wider community.”

DOK members are all at different stages of our Christian journey – some have just begun, and some have been on this path for a long time. But no matter where we

*Meet the Daughters! Standing: Karen Torrissi, Alice Putman, Phyllis Waters, Vie Cox. Seated: Susan Darrow, Nancy Johnson, Kathy Kelly, Carol Ellis. Not pictured: The Rev. Paige Hanks. Photo by JUDY STARK*



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## Daughters of the King

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are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same: to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others.

No special spiritual attributes are needed to become a Daughter, only a sincere desire to draw nearer to God and to help others do the same. This Episcopal Church-wide order represents Christian women who adopt a Rule of Life based on the promises of our Baptismal Covenant (see Page 304 of the Book of Common Prayer).

You can recognize a Daughter by the cross she wears. It bears the inscription *Magnanimiter crucem sustine*, which means “With heart, mind, and spirit, uphold and bear the cross” and the initials FHS, which stand for “For His Sake.”

### Join the Daughters

The St. Anne Chapter of the Daughters of the King meets at 3 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at the Cathedral. To learn more, please contact Kathy Kelly at [kathykellyrd@gmail.com](mailto:kathykellyrd@gmail.com) or (727) 527-3727. The churchwide website is at [doknational.org](http://doknational.org).

**NEW TO THE CATHEDRAL?** Join us for **Coffee with the Clergy** at 9 a.m.

Sunday, August 15, in Harvard Hall. Canon for Hospitality Brandon Peete and other members of the clergy and staff as well as lay leaders are happy to welcome you, tell you more about the Cathedral, and get to know you. No need to reserve; just come. Questions? E-mail Canon Peete at [bpeete@spcathedral.com](mailto:bpeete@spcathedral.com).



**THE SUMMER CHOIR** continues to provide music at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays through the end of August. If you'd like to sing, meet in the Cathedral at 9 a.m. Sunday for a short rehearsal. The only requirement is that you be fully vaccinated. No weeknight rehearsals. Sing one Sunday or every Sunday until September. This is a good opportunity for those who like to sing and for Cathedral Choir members who want to get their voices back in shape after a year-plus of not singing. Questions? Speak to Music Director Dwight Thomas, or e-mail him at [dthomas@spcathedral.com](mailto:dthomas@spcathedral.com).

# Opportunities for Children and Youth To Serve and Learn About Their Faith

## Acolyte Information Meeting

Sunday, August 22  
9-10 a.m.

All children (3rd grade and up) and youth who are interested in becoming acolytes, along with their parents, are invited to an acolyte information meeting with Michelle Thomas and Acolyte Warden Joanie Andrews.

We'll gather in the Choir Room, then tour the inner sacristy to see where acolytes vest, and coordinate schedules for new fall acolytes. Contact Michelle Thomas with any questions ([mthomas@spcathedral.com](mailto:mthomas@spcathedral.com)). Adults who are interested in acolyting should also contact Michelle.



## Youth Confirmation Kick-Off

Sunday, August 29  
3:45-5 p.m.

Using the "Confirm not Conform" curriculum, our youth confirmands — Ellie Curtis, Carter Curtis, Joseph Shideler, Dustin Knight, and Sophia Preston — will embark on an exploration of the breadth of the Christian tradition; ask questions and express their doubts; and discover what they truly believe. Learn more about this program's curriculum at [confirmnotconform.com](http://confirmnotconform.com).

Between August and the Easter Vigil — April 16, 2022 — we will gather for weekly discussions and two retreat days. Youth are paired with confirmation mentors: Lauren Durst, Justin Knippen, and David Lessard. Please pray for our confirmands and mentors!

All youth in 8th grade and above are eligible. Please contact Hillary Peete for more information ([hpeete@spcathedral.com](mailto:hpeete@spcathedral.com)).



We continue on  
**SUMMER HOURS**  
through Labor Day.  
The office is open  
from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Monday through  
Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1  
p.m. Friday.

## Get Your Hands Dirty! Enjoy a Morning Down on the Farm

We thoroughly enjoyed the spring tour of Benison Farm in May. All ages are invited to join with others from the community one Saturday a month from 9 to 11 a.m. to learn more about this community garden, tend the chickens, and do a little weeding.

Fall dates are August 28, September 25, and October 23. Save the date for the first farmers' market of the season: November 20! Benison Farm is at 2920 26th Ave. S.



Benison Farm is a joint project of St. Thomas and St. Augustine's Episcopal Churches. It provides fresh produce to south St. Petersburg, which is often a food desert, and

engages a diverse group of people in serving the community.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Hillary Peete ([hpeete@spcathedral.com](mailto:hpeete@spcathedral.com)). You can drop in any time from 9 to 11 a.m. No experience necessary!

## August Collection: Diapers for Babycycle

Our outreach opportunity for August is Babycycle, the only community diaper bank in Pinellas County for children from birth to age 12. It distributes diapers to partner agencies serving low-income families, including the St. Petersburg Free Clinic, Daystar Life Center, CASA, and Resurrection House.

If you've shopped the diaper aisle recently, you know this: They're not cheap. A month's supply of diapers for just one child can cost \$100 and is not covered by WIC or food stamps (SNAP).

St. Peter's has been an enthusiastic supporter of Babycycle for several years. Read our past *Crosstown* stories about the excellent and much-needed work of Babycycle at [spcathedral.org/crosstown-blog](http://spcathedral.org/crosstown-blog). Or visit their website: [babycyclefl.org](http://babycyclefl.org).

We're seeking donations of diapers and wipes. Please bring them to church on Sundays or during weekday office hours.





# Lend a Helping Hand, Make a Difference in Someone's Life

## Penny Roen

Our work as the Outreach Committee is to coordinate the Cathedral's support of our three community partners: Campbell Park Elementary, Resurrection House, and Peterborough Apartments. Now that many of us are feeling more comfortable getting out and about, here are some volunteer opportunities we hope you'll respond to. Come once for an hour, or commit to more time — whatever works for you.

**Campbell Park Elementary:** Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, August 3, to deliver the backpacks and school supplies donated by Cathedral members in June and July and to help set up the new school Resource Room. Watch the Friday Cathedral Connection e-mail for details. Contact Penny Roen ([PennyRoen@gmail.com](mailto:PennyRoen@gmail.com)) for information or to volunteer.

**Florida Resurrection House:** Director Ellen McDonald will speak about the work



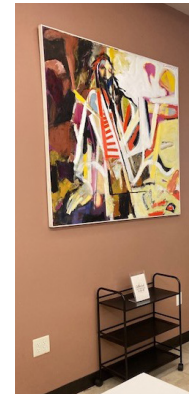
*Just one of the backpacks, and lots of school supplies, headed for Campbell Park. Photo by PENNY ROEN.*

of Florida Resurrection House at 9 a.m. Sunday, August 29, in Harvard Hall. She'll talk about their programs, new directions, and how you can be involved. Resurrection House is a faith-based residential program for single parents and their children that offers case management, life skills, continuing education, counseling, and support so participants can break the cycle of poverty and become self-supporting.

Currently Resurrection House needs volunteers to provide care for children aged 6 months through 8 years from 6:30 to 7:30

p.m. Mondays while their parents attend life-skills classes. Please contact Hillary Peete in the Cathedral office for information ([hpeete@spcathedral.com](mailto:hpeete@spcathedral.com)).

**Peterborough Apartments:** Plans are under way to assemble emergency bags for residents in the fall. Watch for details.



*Got something to drop off? The Outreach cart, under the "Lazarus, Come Out!" painting behind the front desk, is the right place. Photo by JUDY STARK*

## A Tale of Two Giraffes' Epic Journey: August Book Club Selection

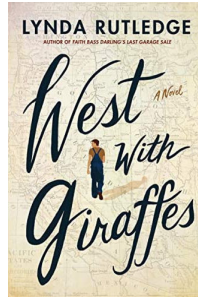
**Roberta Poellein**

*West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge is a rousing tale based on the true story of how a pair of giraffes (yes, really!) survived a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. It's the August selection for the St. Peter's Book Club, and Shar Nudelman is the presenter.

The novel is set in 1938, when war was looming in Europe, the Great Depression lingered, and Americans were desperate for something to raise their spirits. They found it in the story of the giraffes' perilous transatlantic journey, followed by a 12-day road trip from the East Coast to the San Diego Zoo. At the wheel is the narrator, Dust Bowl rowdy Woodrow Wilson Nickel.

"Part adventure, part historical saga, and part coming-of-age love story, *West with Giraffes* explores what it means to be changed by the grace of animals, the kindness of strangers, the passing of time, and a story told before it's too late," [amazon.com](#) says.

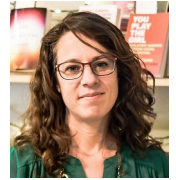
The book club meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 24. All are welcome! No need to have read the book; our lively discussion may inspire you to do so.



## Bookstore Co-Founder Is Our March Book Talk Presenter

We're excited to add another name to our lineup of presenters for the 11th season of the Cathedral Book Talks.

**Alsace Valentine** will be our speaker on March 8. She is the co-founder of Tomolo Books, the independent bookstore that has attracted a great following for its smart selections and live and online author events and book clubs.



We'll have the title of the book she's discussing a little closer to the date. Tomolo Books is at 2153 First Ave. S, St. Petersburg.

Our speaker on November 9 is the Rev. Kenny Irby of Historic Bethel AME Church, on *Better, Not Bitter: Living on Purpose in the Pursuit of Racial Justice* by Yusef Salaam, one of the "Central Park Five," Black teenagers who were wrongfully convicted of the rape of the Central Park jogger in 1989.

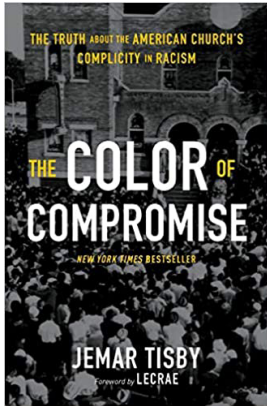
Our speaker on January 11 is Colette Bancroft, book editor at the *Tampa Bay Times*. We'll have her title a little closer to that date (in plenty of time for Christmas giving or hinting). We're awaiting responses from other potential presenters for our talks on October 12 and February 8.

Our free book talks run from noon to 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month in October, November, January, February, and March. Lunch is available (\$5).

## All-Diocese Read Explores Churches' Involvement in Systemic Racism

The diocesan Race and Reconciliation Committee invites everyone to participate in a diocese-wide read in August and September of *The Color of Compromise: The Truth About the American Church's Complicity in Racism* by Jemar Tisby.

There will be two Zoom sessions, at 7 p.m. August 23 and October 4. The first is an opening discussion with video clips. During the next few weeks, read the book, and join the second Zoom gathering to discuss the book and talk about concrete solutions to end racist practices and create a more inclusive church. Find details at [spcathedral.org/beloved-community](https://spcathedral.org/beloved-community).



*The Color of Compromise* “details how the American church” — all denominations, not just the Episcopal Church — “has helped create and maintain racist ideas and practices,” [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) says.

The book offers a historical, sociological, and religious journey from colonial times through slavery and the Civil War, the Jim Crow years, the Civil Rights era, and the Black Lives Matter movement.

Many denominations — including the Methodists, Presbyterians, and Baptists — split before the Civil War over slavery. Southern Episcopal dioceses joined the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Confederate States of America during the war, but were welcomed back after it ended. Leonidas Polk, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana, was a slaveholder and a major general

\* Presiding Bishop, HOD President “are grieved” by discovery of mass graves of Indigenous children at former church-associated boarding schools: <https://tinyurl.com/yfv684ws>

in the Confederate Army.

“The goal of this book is not guilt,” writes the author, who is CEO of The Witness Inc., an organization dedicated to Black uplift. “The purpose of tracing Christian complicity with racism is not to show white believers how bad they are. It is simply a fact of American history that white leaders and laity made decisions to maintain the racist status quo.” Now, he says, “it is up to Christians who comprise the church to end compromise with racism within the church.”

## Around the Cathedral

### LISTENING SESSION Invites You to Share Thoughts on Our Next Bishop

The Bishop Coadjutor Search Committee invites everyone to a listening session at 7 p.m. August 4 at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church to talk about what you'd like to see in our next bishop.

Bishop Dabney Smith has called for the election of his successor. An online survey last month was one way for the Search Committee to hear from parishioners. Live listening sessions all around the Diocese of Southwest Florida are a second way for the diocese to speak and the committee to hear.

In addition, there will be two Zoom listening sessions — at 7 p.m. August 3 and 5 — for those unable to attend an in-person session, and a Spanish session at 7 p.m. August 4 at St. Vincent's in St. Petersburg.

You must register by August 1 for any of these sessions here: [spcathedral.org/who-we-are](http://spcathedral.org/who-we-are).

St. Thomas' is at 1200 Snell Isle Blvd. NE, St. Petersburg.



**HURRICANE SEASON** runs through November 30, and August and September are often the most storm-prone months. Tropical Storm Elsa last month gave us a good test run: Now's the time to amass your hurricane supplies, get your house and yard in order, and decide where you will go if you must evacuate. You can find evacuation maps, shelter locations, forecasts, and other information at [www.tampabay.com/hurricane/](http://www.tampabay.com/hurricane/) The Cathedral does not provide hurricane shelter. When winds blow in excess of 40 mph, the premises are secured and the staff leaves.

Please call the office (727-822-4173) to **LET US KNOW WHEN YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL AT HOME**. Because of privacy laws, the only way we know you are ill is if you tell us. And please let us know when good health has been restored.

Visit our intercessory prayer web page ([spcathedral.org/prayer](http://spcathedral.org/prayer)), where you can find guidance on how to pray; view a prayer list that is updated weekly; send in prayer requests; or request a pastoral visit.





# We'll Soon Be Serving Families; Now, Let's Serve Them Dinner!

## Karen Amundrud

I'm delighted to announce that Family Promise of Pinellas will re-open in mid-August to serve homeless children and their parents.

This has been a long time coming. We ceased services to clients in late 2018

while we sought financial stability and leadership development. Now, strengthened on both fronts, we are able to resume working with clients. Our guests are housed at participating churches as they seek jobs, social services, and permanent housing. We are part of a national nonprofit that serves homeless families.

Four times a year, the Cathedral supports a host church, Palm Lake Christian, by providing a dinner and a lunch for our guests. We're now looking for a team of



Cathedral volunteers who will get together once a quarter to prepare the food and take it to Palm Lake Christian. If you like to cook and have fun with others in the kitchen, this could be the ministry you're looking for! Please speak to me,

Karen Amundrud, if you'd like to do this (my contact information is at the end of this story).

We do require some training, which you can do online. These are the steps:

1. Complete online Volunteer Training at your own pace (watch videos, Introduction through Module 1-5). These can be found at <https://familypromise.org/volunteer-training->

2. Complete the Volunteer Assessment at end of Volunteer Training at Family

Promise Volunteer Training Assessment. (You'll be asked for our affiliate name: Family Promise of Pinellas County.)

3. Complete a session (this takes about an hour) about our affiliate by contacting me for the schedule at [amundrudk@yahoo.com](mailto:amundrudk@yahoo.com) or (727) 480-1835.

I draw your attention to our golf tournament on September 30. This is a great opportunity to raise money for Family Promise and enjoy a day on the golf course.



## Signs of the Times

Cathedral members were part of a group of about 50 volunteers who held signs, waved, and handed out flyers July 16 around Williams Park on behalf of Not My Son, a community effort to support Black youth and keep young people safe and out of trouble

during the summer. Organizers offered free Covid-19 vaccinations and food from Heavy's Food Truck.

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*Clockwise from top, a great crowd of volunteers. Canon Ethan Cole hangs out on the corner with Deputy Gerry Thompson. Ray McColgan, Stephen and Christina Morris, and Michelle Thomas stake out Third Street at Second Avenue N. Karen Amundrud and Hillary Peete flash their sign and their smiles.*



# August Transitions

## Birthdays

1	Pat Bygrave	9	Averell Lenhardt
1	Gretchen Hamm	9	Jim Stevens
1	Sydney Smith	10	William Pastman
2	Bonita Cobb	11	Alexander Beck
2	Bill Cross	11	Charlotte Foster
3	Betsy Pheil	13	Gabriel Cotrino
3	Ryan Witko	14	Bob Churuti
4	David Hobbs	14	Barbara Wright
4	KayeLynn Salsman	15	Jacqueline Jones-Blacker
5	Michelle Correll	15	David Lessard
6	Abigail Albert	15	Eve Munkittrick
6	Laurence Roberts	15	Beth Snyder
7	Molly Goodwill	15	Ronnie Sylvester
7	John Hamm	16	Bruno Adams
7	Noelle Leroy	16	Steve Buyens
9	Liz Allen	16	John Faber

16	Mary Howe
17	Kathy Coughlan
17	Matt Dahm
17	Johnny Van Heest
18	Debra Davis
18	Jan Dooley
18	Emma McBaen
18	Gary Patterson
19	Chloe McBaen
19	Evelyn Ranuro
19	Lois Ricciardi
20	Vonnie Bennett
20	Jerry Buchert
20	Helen Munkittrick
21	Addison Campbell-Correll
21	Aubrey McManus
22	Christina Morris
25	Anna Chandler
25	Holly Morris
25	Sara Pastman
26	Sherie Campbell
26	Cory Center
26	Liam Dickinson
26	Victoria Gault

26	Suzanne Hill
26	Matilda McBaen
28	Ronan McBaen
28	Leanne Spletzer
28	Pat Williams
30	Karen Amundrud

30	Joe Burnsed
30	Henry Morris
30	Michael Scott
31	George Billias
31	Dianne Denk
31	Richard Rome

## Anniversaries

1	Michael Blacker & Jacqueline Jones-Blacker
1	John & Louise Garrigues
2	Rick & Heather Neefe
3	Ryan & Elizabeth Ferrell
6	Amy & Shaughn Hurt
7	Greg & Gaye Burnsed
7	Reid & Kerry Carlisle
8	Jon & Betsy Reynolds
11	Andy & Kate Munkittrick
12	Ed & Marnie Long
16	Ed & Betty Shamas

19	Seth Hunnicutt & Clay Farrar
20	Terry & Larissa Crow
20	Joseph & Hilary Sosa
27	Ed & Freda Caley
27	John & Carol Ellis
30	Henry & Lindsey Juarez
31	John & Adelia Samaha

## Deaths

Lois Wilt  
Judy Stanton

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## St. Peter's: A Guide

### Our Worship Schedule

**Sunday, 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite I and sermon**

**Sunday, 10:15 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II and sermon**

**Wednesday, 12:05 p.m., Holy Eucharist**

Masks and social distancing are optional for those fully vaccinated and are highly recommended for non-vaccinated individuals.

Sunday services at 10:15 a.m. can be viewed on Facebook or at [spcathedral.org/worship-live-stream](https://www.spcathedral.org/worship-live-stream), where the order of service can be downloaded.

**If you have a pastoral emergency after hours,  
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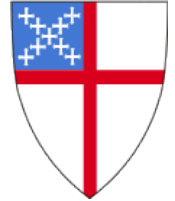
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