



## THE MESSAGE: LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN

Many years ago, a group of my college friends gave me a framed poster with an image of a sailboat plunging into a giant wave and the phrase "MAKE IT HAPPEN" and a quote from Oliver Wendall Holmes that, for them, summed up the energy they said I brought to many of our activities: "Greatness is not in where we stand, but in what direction we are moving. We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it—but sail we must, and not drift, nor lie at anchor." I was humbled by their gift, and the quote has hung in my office ever since. When I was in Army basic training, I even brought it with me on an index card and hung it in my locker. Both the idea "make it happen" and the quote itself have become like mantras to me as I have navigated life.

This summer I had the opportunity to go sailing several times on the Chesapeake. I am not an experienced sailor by any means, but I thoroughly enjoyed the time on the water, the time with fellow parishioners and new friends. One of the moments I came to look forward to most was the moment when everyone on the boat awaited the skipper's command to "break." Prior to that moment the crew was usually chatting casually and enjoying the views, but as the skipper felt and read the wind he would call the crew



to prepare to adjust the sails. Everyone would go to their appointed positions and get ready...and then there would be a silent pause...waiting...readying...waiting...then a sudden call to "BREAK," and everyone on crew would simultaneously spring to action to do their task, and the boat would change direction, "sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it," zig-zagging across the water toward the destination.

As we ready ourselves for a new program year, there is so much underway here at All Souls and so much we can choose to make happen. It's time to call "all hands on deck," pull up our anchors, come back to church, and set sail. There is plenty of wind for us to use, so much opportunity. *Jadon+*

## Save the Date!



- **20's & 30's Group**, September 14, Undercroft, 7 p.m.
- **Endowment Board Quarterly Meeting**, September 24, Conference Room, 12:45 p.m.
- **Wise & Mature Luncheon**, September 27, Undercroft, 12:45 p.m.
- **Episcopal Men's Fellowship**, October 11, Undercroft, 6:30 p.m.

**WOMEN OF ALL SOULS . . .** Join us this Tuesday, September 12, for a brown-bag supper, meditation, and a discussion of Flannery O'Connor's short story, "Good Country People." We will meet in the Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. Please enter the church at Woodley Place or the door of the new addition. All are welcome—especially newcomers! Questions? Contact The Rev. Elizabeth Orens at [eorensnoel@earthlink.net](mailto:eorensnoel@earthlink.net).

**NEW ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITY: EFM GROUP FORMING . . .** EFM is a program of education and reflection that meets weekly in a small group, led by a trained facilitator, to survey Christian scripture, history, and theology and integrate them into their own life of faith. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact Rachelle Sam at (409)363-3605 or [sam.rachelle@gmail.com](mailto:sam.rachelle@gmail.com). More info about EFM: <http://efm.sewanee.edu/about-efm/about-efm>.

**IONA AGING IN PLACE WORKSHOP . . .** Iona Senior Services, an organization which helps older adults and their families with the challenges and opportunities of aging, is offering a free workshop on September 16 from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Brighton Gardens of Friendship Heights, 5555 Friendship Boulevard, Chevy Chase, MD 20815. The workshop will address decision-making when considering aging in place, exploring other housing options, and paying for care and services. You'll leave with advice on how to know if moving is the right choice and practical tips for having family conversations about moving. Space is limited! Register today by emailing [registration@iona.org](mailto:registration@iona.org) or calling (202)895-9409.

**A NEW WAY TO CONNECT . . .** Our church is moving to a new program called *Realm* that offers some exciting opportunities to support the way you are involved in our church—it will make it easier for our church family to connect with each other, keep up with what's going on, and grow as a connected community. We will roll out the features of *Realm* gradually, but over the next few weeks we will be sending out email invitations for you to create a *Realm* log-in. We encourage you to create an account, and use this opportunity to review and update your personal information, upload a photo, review your privacy preferences, and get used to navigating the website. You will also be able to stay connected with All Souls on the go by downloading the free Connect Our Church Community app. Visit [www.allsoulsdc.org/realm](http://www.allsoulsdc.org/realm) for more information on this exciting new opportunity for us to connect!

## All Souls Serve

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—OUR REFUGEE FAMILY IS COMING! . . .** The three-parish ministry (All Souls/Christ Church/St. John's) that has been meeting for months in hopes of being able to sponsor a refugee family learned from Lutheran Social Services this week that an Afghan family (a father, mother, and two daughters) will arrive on September 21. All the various committees are now springing into action to ensure that all is in readiness for these newcomers to the U.S. The furnishings committee, co-chaired by Jeff Wells and Chuck Hunter, needs the assistance of several able-bodied parishioners next Saturday, September 16 (time and meeting place TBD), to help move furniture into the family's apartment. Anyone able to help should contact Jeff Wells at [jeffreyraywells@me.com](mailto:jeffreyraywells@me.com) ASAP. Thank you for doing your part to extend hospitality to the stranger & show how All Souls cares.



**REFUGEE SUPPORT PROJECT—FOOD COLLECTION . . .** We are collecting food and diapers for the Haydaris, an Afghan–Iranian family. There is a box to receive contributions for them in our Undercroft. Requested items include rice, beans/lentils, breakfast cereal, baking ingredients, spices, canned tomatoes, canned tuna, olive oil/cooking oil, and size 5 diapers.

**SAMARITAN MINISTRY TOILETRY DRIVE.** . . All Souls is conducting a toiletry drive this month, collecting donations of toothpaste, tooth brushes, dental floss, non-alcoholic mouthwash, soap and body wash, shampoo and conditioner, shaving cream and razors, deodorant, and feminine hygiene products. Through September 24, place donations in the marked bins in the undercroft. We will sort and prepare the toiletries at our September 27<sup>th</sup> Wise & Mature Luncheon, when a representative from Samaritan Ministry will speak with us about their programs.



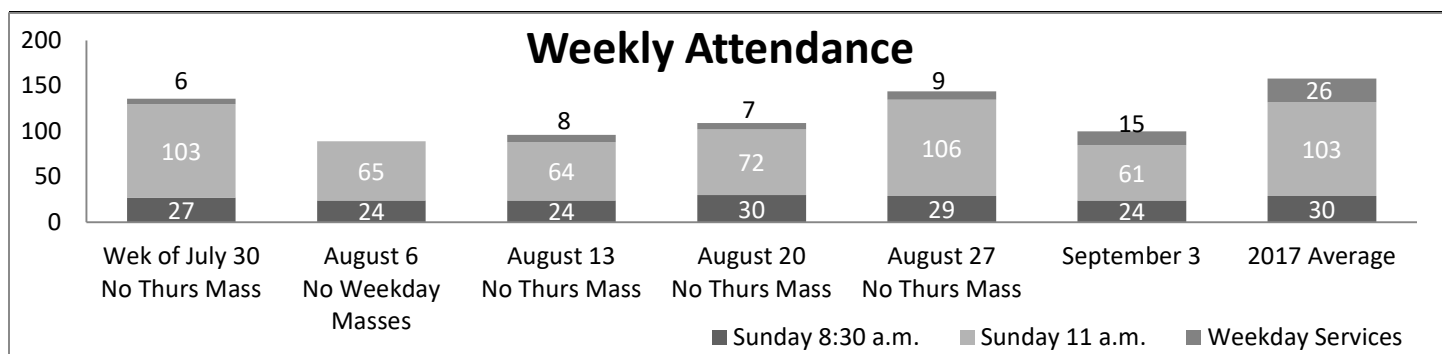
**SAMARITAN MINISTRY GALA & AUCTION . . .** Samaritan Ministry is hosting their 2017 Gala & Auction on Saturday, October 28 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Washington Episcopal School in Bethesda. There will be live & silent auctions, refreshments, and music. We hope to fill a whole table with a contingent from All Souls. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased at <http://bit.ly/SMGW2017Gala>. Questions? Email [karenlynnlightfoot@gmail.com](mailto:karenlynnlightfoot@gmail.com).



**BOOK FAIR FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT THE ECC . . .** The Episcopal Center for Children (ECC) is a non-profit, non-denominational day treatment/special education program for emotionally troubled children and their families. Visit Politics and Prose Bookstore (5015 Connecticut Avenue NW) on Sunday, September 17 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and 20% of your full-priced purchases will be donated to ECC. Special ECC coupons will be located at the cash registers and in the Children's Section. Parking available behind the store. Questions? [the.domenicos@verizon.net](mailto:the.domenicos@verizon.net).

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR . . .** Ralph Braun, Susie Bruninga, Margaret Child, Peggy Crook, Lois Eaker Dutro, Julia Gutierrez, Fred Jordan, The Reverend Lucia Lloyd, Tom Mabon, Susan Morrison, Bill Pressly, Joan Shapiro, Merriam Woodhouse, for those in Foreign Service, our armed forces on active duty, and all those impacted by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

**DEDICATIONS . . .** The flowers at the High Altar are offered in thanksgiving for the efforts of the three-parish ministry to sponsor a refugee family, in which so many All Souls parishioners are engaged . . . The candle in the Mary Chapel has been given by our rector to burn during the entire month of September as a perpetual prayer for the presence of Christ's love and peace in the healing and repentance of the racial divisions that plague us as individuals and as a nation.



<b>Liturgical Ministers for September 10, 2017</b>	
Acolytes:	(CR1) Mark Hoffman, (T1) Katherine Nordal, (T2) Marcia Anderson, (Book) Martha Domenico, (CR2) Heidi Rasciner, (TR) Barry Huber
Bell Guild:	Kevin LeGrand, Julie Duriga
Greeters:	Greg DuRoss, Kathleen Scholl
Lectors:	8:30 (OT/Psalm/NT) Wynsor Taylor, (PP) Rachelle Sam; 11 (OT) Susie Bruninga, (NT) Joe Howell, (PP) Jim Solomon
Ushers:	Rob Gibbs, Fernando Moran Arce, Josie Martin, Ellie Martin
Breakfast	Loaves & Fishes
Coffee Hour:	The Vestry of All Souls

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