



Episcopal Church  
of the Holy Family  
Jasper, GA 770-893-4525

October 15, 2021

Creating Christian Community: Serving and Engaging People in Vibrant Ministries

This week at Holy Family Episcopal Church

## *Touchstone*

**Sunday Adult Education:** Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, we continue a five session film series, *A New Family*. The series features New York Times best-selling author, Rachel Held Evans. A native of Tennessee, she wrote and spoke about "faith, doubt and life in the Bible belt". Her books include *Inspired*, *Searching for Sunday*, *Faith Unraveled* and *A Year of Biblical Womanhood*. She served on President Obama's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.

*A New Family* explores inclusivity in the church. Evans said, "The folks you are shutting out of the church today will be leading it tomorrow. The future is in the margins". Please join us as we explore opening the doors of the sanctuary. What might a future in the margins look like?

Coffee time begins at 9:00 AM followed by the film and discussion at 9:15 AM. Questions? Call Kathleen Allen-Leonard.

Zoom Meeting ID: 833 8671 2826

**Click for Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83386712826>

**Vestry Meetings:** The Parish Vestry meets the fourth Tuesday of each month (unless special meetings called). They are open to anyone who wishes to sit with us and learn how the vestry manages the finances and activities of the parish. You can be present, but without voice or vote. Vestry minutes are published in the weeks following each meeting both on the parish hall bulletin board and on the parish website. If you wish to give input to the vestry you may contact any member. *G. Yandell*

**Bishop Wright Present Sunday, October 31:** Early in August, Bishop Robert Wright accepted my invitation to be preach and teach on October 31. We will celebrate All Saints' Day a day early. He will teach the 9:15 Adult Class in the Nave. There will be one service only at 10:30. It will be live-streamed and taped as well as the service following. Mark your calendars now. *G. Yandell*

**Thank you to Jacques LeBlanc and the Grounds Team:** Monday morning Jacques (Parish Sexton) was clearing the office area of leaves when he looked around the back of Pete's Porch and saw a large pine tree partially fallen onto the roof. After a closer inspection, he realized he couldn't dislodge it himself, so he called Bruce Elliot and the grounds team. By Noon Tuesday the grounds team had moved the tree and sawn it up. This kind of response doesn't happen in the real world. I am grateful to all of you. *G. Yandell*

**End of the Year Considerations:** As we approach the end of 2021, many of you have retirement accounts that have an annual required minimal distribution (RMD) as a percentage of the holdings that you have in the retirement account. The IRS requires you to pay tax on the distribution; however, if you contribute your RMD to a non-profit organization such as Holy Family, you avoid 100% of the tax. A

number of our parishioners pay their entire next year's pledge using this process. You can simply have your distribution check sent to Holy Family and indicate that the amount is for your 2022 pledge. You could also choose to use part of your distribution for your pledge and another portion for the mortgage reduction fund for example. This is a nice simple and painless way to avoid tax while at the same time making your desired contributions to Holy Family. If questions please feel free to contact Jim Braley as Chair of the Finance Ministry or your financial advisor. *-Jim Braley*

**Support the Weekend Snack Program:** Tate United Methodist Church in Tate, Georgia, is the site for an indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, NOVEMBER 6th, to benefit the Weekend Snack Program that provides weekly snacks for Pickens County students. Holy Family supports this program with volunteers and Outreach funds. ***Yard Sale items are needed*** and can be left on the carport (deck) of the parish office. No clothes, books, CDs, cassettes or VHS, please. If you have items you would like to move on, please drop them off and a volunteer will pick up and deliver to the Methodist Church each Wednesday morning until November 3. Also, plan to attend the WSP Yard Sale and buy some of your neighbors' treasures. Thanks! *-Melinda Edwards*

UNRESTRICTED GIVING THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2021

Anticipated Contributions for September	\$38,017
Actual Contributions in September	\$31,030
Anticipated Contributions January-September	\$372,126
Actual Contributions January-September	\$384,380
Mortgage balance 9/15/2021	\$78,658.12



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The Rev. George S. Yandell, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Ted Hackett, Priest Associate - The Rev. Byron Tindall, Priest Associate

The Rev. Katharine Armentrout, Deacon

John King Carter, Organist/Choirmaster - Jacques LeBlanc, Sexton

Ric Sanchez, Chief Verger - Jim Braley, Verger - Amelia Broussard, Verger

Christie Beiring, Parish Administrator



**Vision:** *Revealing Jesus through our actions by extending his love for us through our service to others*

**Mission:** *Creating Christian community: serving and engaging people in vibrant ministries*