



# The Sea Net

## St. Andrew's By-the-Sea Episcopal Church



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### ***Alleluia! dear friends, Christ is Risen!***

And with that rising the sin and brokenness of our lives and of the world is transformed and redeemed.

I want to share with you an Easter message from our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold:

*Jesus' resurrection plays havoc with the known, the safe, the familiar, the predictable and opens the way for what is real. And what is real is the unbounded and death-defying love of God which overcomes all estrangement and division and overleaps the chasm between life and death. It is an enduring and tenacious love that embraces all things turning death into life, sorrow into joy, suffering into hope, and bondage into freedom. As we celebrate the Easter feast may the same love that raised Christ from the dead raise us up in the full freedom of the Spirit to be agents and ministers of God's reality and hope to a world which cries out for healing and repair.*

We are an Easter people, living under the influence in the power of the resurrection. As we seek to live and serve faithfully, may we do so with Christ-like humility and obedience, but also with boldness and confidence in the power of God Almighty to raise up things which were cast down, make new things which have grown old, and to bring all things to their perfection through Jesus Christ... Who lives and reigns.

The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Blessed Eastertide,  
David +**

### **SPOTLIGHT**



**CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION  
TEAM  
FORMATION/PLANNING**

**APRIL 9th  
10:00 am**

*Please join us as we look forward to exciting changes in our Sunday School program for the fall of 2005. We are planning on a Sunday School hour with classes for adults, youth and children. Your help and input is vital.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Usual Weekly Schedule

#### Sundays

Worship Service .....10:00 am  
Fellowship Time .....11:00 am

#### Mondays

Cursillo Reunion Group .....Noon

#### Tuesdays

Healing Service .....10:00 am

#### Thursdays

Knitting Group .....10:00 am  
Motley Crew .....Noon  
Cursillo Reunion Group . 5:30 pm  
Choir Practice..... 6:30 pm  
Hand bell Practice ..... 6:30 pm

### Special Items of Interest

#### *Worship Team Meeting*

4/12 ..... 5:30 pm

#### *Parish Breakfast*

4/9 ..... 8 am

#### *Christian Ed Meeting*

4/9 ..... 10 am

#### *Pot Luck Dinner*

4/13 ..... 5:30 pm

#### *Vestry Meeting*

4/17..... Noon

*The Sea Net is now a MONTHLY publication. Articles, announcements, etc. for the Sea Net may be submitted to Kim Moore directly (kimmers@cox.net) or through the church office. With the Newsletter committee's approval, these submissions will be included when appropriate. The deadline for articles is the 15th of each month.*

### How About Lunch?

Try being part of a lunchtime 'family'. Come to St. Andrew's at 11 am on weekdays at 11 am for a hot, healthy lunch for just \$1. For reservations, call 833-9165. Program open to all residents, visitors and snowbirds.

### Adult Sunday School Class

A new class will be offered using the book *Opening the Prayer Book* beginning May 1st and will run for 8 weeks. It will be held in the Christian Ed building from 8:45 till 9:30 am. Please sign up in the Parish Hall in order to ensure adequate books are on hand for purchase (\$10 each).

### Spring Day Away

ECW Spring Day Away will be held April 30<sup>th</sup> at Camp Beckwith. The theme, "Everything I Ever Needed to Know, I Learned in the Book of Genesis" will be presented by The Rev. Craig Gavin. Registration is at 9:30 am and the program will conclude at 2:30. Registration (\$10 pp including lunch) deadline is April 22. Please call Carmen in the Diocesan office.

### Ordinations

The following ordinations of Deacons to the Priesthood have been scheduled:

The Rev. Jerald Hyche	April 16th	St. James', Fairhope
The Rev. Tim Watts	May 14th	St. John's, Robertsedale
The Rev. Jim Flowers	May 27th	All Saints, Mobile

The Ordination of Deacons who graduated this Spring includes Betsy Powell, Fr. David's wife. This event will be held at the new Diocesan Cathedral, Christ Church Mobile, on June 4th at 11 am.

### Icon Writing Workshop



A workshop will be held at St. Simons FWB from May 12-16. This faith journey is a 4 1/2 day creative process that will include the Eucharist, Gregorian chant, praying with icons, reading from Rowan Williams' and Henri Nouwen's icon books, and meditation. There will be free time and social hours for replenishment. To allow for personal instruction, the class is limited to 20 students. Cost: \$325 per person (program, icon materials, breakfast and lunch). Register with \$75 deposit per person, nonrefundable. The workshop begins with Eucharist at 3 pm on May 12 and ends Monday afternoon.

### UTO - United Thank Offering

Our spring UTO in gathering will be on May 8th, 2005. I know your UTO boxes are full of your Lenten prayerful thanks. Be sure to see the UTO display in the Old Sanctuary.

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