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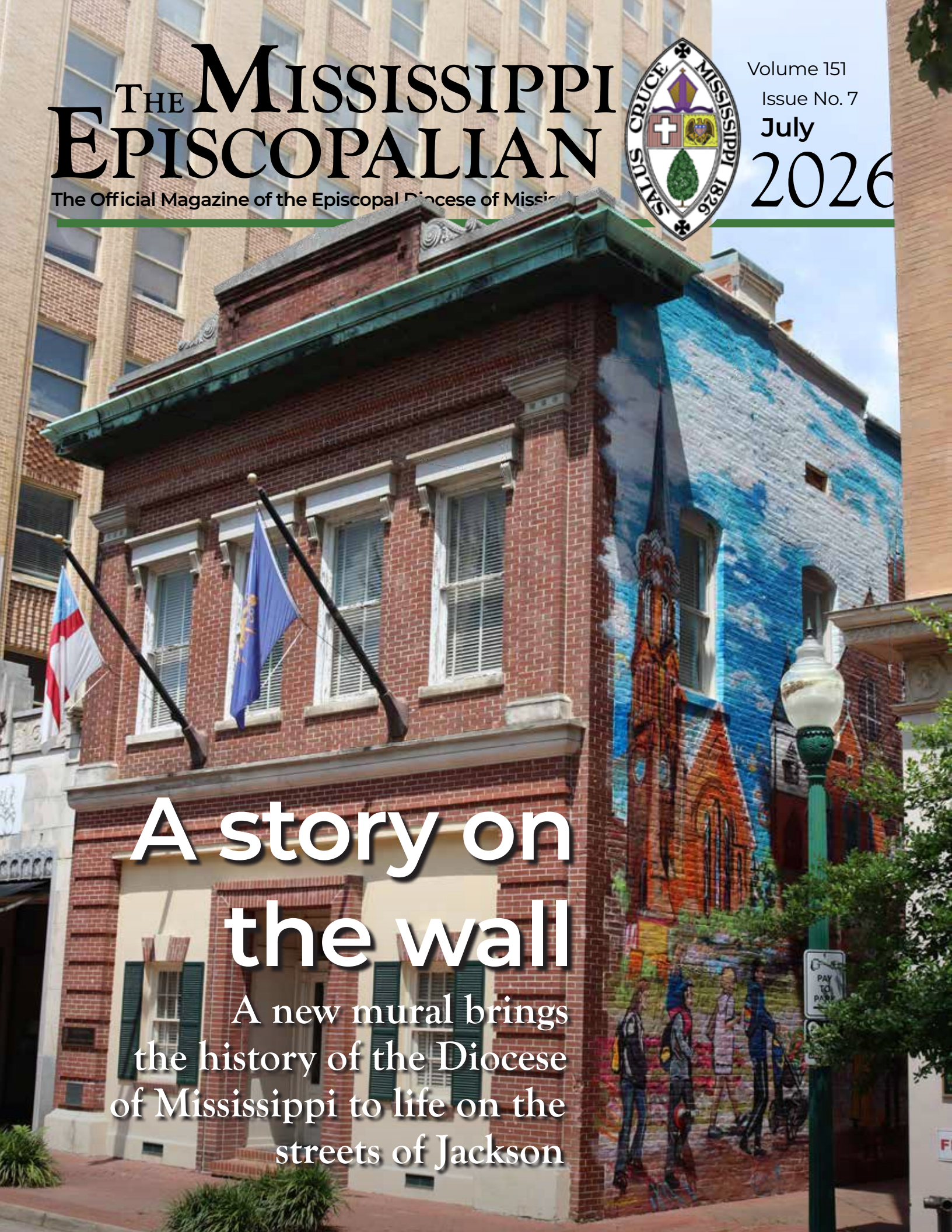


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## 2026 Sowashee Convocation

*Altar Guild Workshop*

Trinity Episcopal Church  
509 W. Pine St.  
Hattiesburg, MS 39402



*Saturday July 25, 2026*

### AGENDA

9am - 9:30am:  
Registration (\$25.00 per  
person) & Light Breakfast

9:30am - 10am: Welcome  
& Opening Remarks

10am - 11am: Back to  
Basics with Rev. Carrie  
Duncan

11am - 11:45am: Flowers  
with Chase

12pm - 1pm: Holy Eucharist

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Hosted by Church of the Ascension & Trinity  
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*Grace St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Memphis, TN*

**CONNECT** with others striving for racial healing and justice

**BE INSPIRED** by what is already in motion across the region

**PLAN** your next steps in this life-long work

**Sunday Morning, 10/25/26**

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**WORSHIP** together, again grounding our call to build Beloved Community in our faith in Jesus Christ.

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# A story on the wall

A new mural brings the history of the Diocese of Mississippi to life on the streets of Jackson

by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Dorothy Sanders Wells

Last year, Downtown Jackson Partners approached me with the idea of having an artist paint a mural on the side of Allin House.

My immediate reaction, I will admit, was skepticism: Our Diocesan office building tells the story of our ministry in Mississippi, and any depiction on the building would be rooted in that ministry to all of God's people in this place. A mural would not be secular in nature—but would show our faith, our service and our inclusivity.

Downtown Jackson Partners didn't blink. They suggested that I write a brief introduction to our ministry that could be shared with artists who had an interest in community art—and we'd let artist applicants come back to us with ideas.

All of the talented artists who shared a vision for what a mural might depict gave us great ideas to consider. But the artist who quickly rose to the top in her vision was local artist Andrea Kostyal. Kostyal's amazing mural became an inspired realization of her proposal—

showing differing and beautiful architectural styles of some of our worshipping spaces, and also incorporating the story of our ministry throughout the Diocese.

The mural offers glimpses of our Diocesan history, from the earliest worshipping communities formed along the Mississippi River, where plantations dotted the landscape: Christ Church, Church Hill (1820); Trinity Church, Natchez (1822); St. Paul's, Woodville (1823); St. James' Church, Port Gibson (1826); Christ Church, Vicksburg (1835). In addition to offering depictions of the variety of architectural styles found throughout the Diocese, the mural also includes depictions of three of our Bishops who have been part of a tremendous story of who we are as Episcopalians serving all of God's people in Mississippi.

By 1826, when the first Convention of the Diocese gathered, there was not yet a bishop diocesan, as none had been elected; provisional bishops filled that vacancy. The Rt. Rev. William Mercer Green was elected the first bishop in 1849. The Diocese grew to 33 churches during Bishop Green's episcopacy. He served until his

death in 1887. Bishop Green was focused on expanding the ministry of the church, including ministry among enslaved—and later, freed—black persons in Mississippi. Baptisms of black persons—no small measure controversial among Christian slaveholders—actually began before Bishop Green's episcopate, and continued on during it. It is reported that as early as 1827, services for enslaved black persons had also begun: The records of Christ Church, Church Hill, indicate that, between roughly 1820 and 1880, more colored (likely, all enslaved) persons were baptized at Christ Church than white persons (By 1877, records from Christ Church indicate that about 52% of the baptisms had been black persons, which would be proportionate to the Mississippi census of 1860 showed that 55% of the state's population was black.). Bishop Green is depicted on the mural as baptizing some of these black persons at Church Hill.

Bishop Green also ordained the first black clergyperson in Mississippi—a deacon named George Jackson—who may well have been the first black person ordained in a white Christian denomination in the South. Bishop Green had begun a theological formation school where Jackson was apparently prepared for ministry alongside white aspirants.

The second Bishop to be depicted on the mural is Bishop John Allin, who would go on to become Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church (and for whom the building is named). Bishop Allin served during a particularly tumultuous period in our nation (co-adjutor, 1961-66; diocesan 1966-74). He became part of an interfaith effort in Mississippi, the Committee of Concern, which worked to rebuild black churches that had been burned in Mississippi during the summer of 1964; black churches had been seen as hubs and organizing sites for nonviolent protesters as desegregation and voting rights efforts grew in Mississippi. The goal of the Committee of Concern was to rebuild 100 black houses of worship that had been destroyed; Bishop Allin was largely responsible for raising funds and resources (labor and materials) for rebuilding the churches. He is depicted on the mural in front of one of the rebuilt churches, Mt. Zion Methodist Church in Philadelphia, Mississippi, where the memorial to slain Civil Rights workers Andrew Goodman, James Chaney and Michael Schwerner is housed. Bishop

Allin accepted the church's invitation to preach for the rededication of the rebuilt Mt. Zion Church.

The third Bishop to be included on the mural is Bishop Duncan M. Gray, Jr., well-remembered, while he was Rector of St. Peter's Church, Oxford, for interceding and attempting to disperse the crowds as students at Ole Miss protested the admission of James Meredith as a student; Bishop Gray is depicted near the image of St. Andrew's Cathedral. James Meredith is also depicted on the mural, walking with textbooks in hand.

To be certain, there are some Episcopalians who are not depicted on the mural. For example, Jefferson Davis, who is memorialized in plaques in multiple of our churches—is not depicted. Neither is Byron de la Beckwith, who I'm told was a communicant of Church of the Nativity, Greenwood; de la Beckwith was ultimately convicted for having murdered black civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963. The fact that they are not included is not indicative of the fact that they are not part of the fabric of our story as the Episcopal Church in Mississippi. In hindsight, it might have been wise to specifically ask that they—and perhaps, others—be depicted, if for no other reason than to remind us that, as tremendous as our story of ministry among God's people in Mississippi truly is, our collective story has not always been about love, inclusion and grace.

We are thrilled to see Kostyal's completed mural—with some of our houses of worship, three of our Bishops, and a wide range of God's people—on display. The ribbon-cutting for the mural is scheduled—weather-permitting—for Wednesday, August 5 at 10:00 a.m., and all are invited to see this amazing public art and share in its unveiling for the community. 🏴‍☠️



[more photos on next page >>>](#)











# WORSHIP PRAYER

## Cursillo in the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi from two perspectives

*Cursillo is a three-day retreat tracing its roots to Spain in the early 20th century, with the first official Cursillo weekend taking place in 1943. Rooted in a deep desire to share the love of Christ, Cursillo calls Christians to live their faith more fully in the ordinary moments of everyday life. At its heart, Cursillo is about relationship with Christ and with each other. The movement has a long and devoted following in Mississippi. In this issue, two Cursillistas (as insiders call them), share their perspectives on what makes the experience so meaningful.*

### The Pilgrim's Perspective

by Danny Blanton

**M**y experience with Cursillo has been one of the most meaningful and transformative aspects of my spiritual journey. Cursillo provided me with an opportunity to step away from the distractions and demands of everyday life and focus intentionally on my relationship with God. Through worship, prayer, study, and fellowship, I gained a deeper understanding of God's grace and a renewed appreciation for the Episcopal tradition. The weekend experience challenged



me to examine my faith more closely and encouraged me to live out my baptismal covenant with greater purpose and commitment.

What made Cursillo especially meaningful was the sense of Christian community that developed among participants and staff. I was surrounded by people who shared their faith journeys with honesty, vulnerability, and encouragement. The friendships formed through Cursillo have continued beyond the weekend itself, providing a network of support, accountability, and prayer. These relationships have reminded me that the Christian life is not meant to be lived in isolation, but in community with others who seek to follow Christ faithfully.

The impact of Cursillo continues to shape my daily life. It strengthened my commitment to prayer, worship, and service, while helping me recognize the many ways God is at work in my life and in the lives of those around me. Cursillo renewed my sense of vocation as a disciple and inspired me to share Christ's love more intentionally through my actions, relationships, and ministry. It remains a powerful reminder that faith is not simply something we believe, but something we are called to live each day. 🌿

Danny Blanton  
St. Philip's, Jackson





# STUDY FELLOWSHIP

## The Cha-Cha's Challenge

by Kathy Shoalmire



It was by extraordinary circumstances that I ended up as an assistant Cha-Cha for Cursillo 140. We had someone from our congregation at Nativity who wanted to go. She has low vision, and we felt that it would be safer if she had someone designated to walk with her to get her acclimated to the “bumps in the sidewalk”.



The song *Here I Am, Lord* by Dan Schutte kept playing in my head: *I will go, Lord, if You lead me, I will hold Your people in my heart*. I volunteered to go with her. It was decided that I would serve as an assistant Cha-Cha to help where needed. I found the experience to be enriching.

Serving others is not without costs, both in terms of financial commitment and time commitment. Before going, my worried mind was focused on the expense of driving to two workshops, the cost of attending, paying for four days of pet care, and, of course, the amount of time that would be required was not insignificant. What I learned was how personal sacrifice can provide spiritual enrichment. That sacrifice can affect one's appreciation for what one has and what it means to have a servant's heart.

It only took the first workshop to shift my focus from what I was sacrificing to what I was receiving and what God had called me to do. It was a calling for me because I had not originally filled out a staff application, but God

### Cursillo 141

**September 18 - 20, 2026**

Camp Bratton-Green at Gray Center

Deadline for application:  
August 7, 2026

Cost: \$50  
cash or check due upon arrival



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opens doors. When he does, the blessings he bestows on you are far greater than your sacrifices. Watching the pilgrims' transition was a reminder of how my life was transformed by Cursillo. Listening to Rollos deepened my spiritual life once again. However, perhaps the greatest blessing I received was expanding my community to include more people from other parishes. I have lived most of my life serving my local church and pretty much ignoring what went on in the Diocese of Mississippi. Having a larger community to call my brothers and sisters has definitely enriched my life. I hope to go back for Cursillo 141. I will still worry about the things I worry about, but faith will show me that it's more than okay. God will lead me through my own “bumps in the sidewalk”. 🌍

Kathy Shoalmire  
Nativity, Water Valley



# We celebrate

For Independence Day 2026, Bishop Wells reflects on her family's history, the importance of education and educators, and the promise of America

**J**uly 3, 2026  
Dear friends,

As our family understands our history, my great grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Fields, Sr. ("Grandpa Benjamin"), was born in 1862, in Washington County, Alabama, as the child of an enslaved woman and her enslaver.

By January 1, 1863, the Emancipation Proclamation would have rendered him and his mother emancipated (In reality, what did that even mean??), although he and his family remained in Washington County. He and a brother lived parallel—yet not intersecting—lives to those of the legitimate children of the enslaver and his wife. We're told that Grandpa Benjamin never learned to read and write; there were no schools for black children near him. Farming was his family's vocation; at the time, farming meant food on the table.

Somehow, Grandpa Benjamin believed in freedom—the freedom that our nation's founders had professed. Despite being unable to read and write, he applied for land under the Homestead Act of 1862, filing a claim at the Montgomery land office on May 25, 1888. He successfully "proved up" his claim, and received 120 acres of land in a community known as Sunflower, in Washington County, Alabama. That homestead grant, authorized by President

Grover Cleveland on June 17, 1894, created a legacy for our family. As the years passed, Grandpa Benjamin and his three sons—Henry, Ben Jr., and George—lived on and farmed the land, providing livelihoods for a family that grew numerous there: The three sons had a total of twenty-nine children who were raised on the homestead.

Grandpa Benjamin apparently believed something else: that until his family had access to education, they would always be enslaved. When his youngest son, George, married a woman—Clara Bell Mitchell—who had been educated, and who could read and write, Grandpa Benjamin started a family school for all of his grandchildren on the homestead, probably in the mid-1920s. My mother was one of the grandchildren educated in the school, and she helped care for Aunt Clara and Uncle George's children. Of my grandfather Henry Fields' 16 children, more than half—9—were college graduates, most of whom went into classrooms themselves at least for a time, committing themselves to educating black children who had no other future. My mother and some of her sisters returned to Washington County classrooms after achieving their teaching certificates—bringing education to poor black families in a rural community where children otherwise would have suffered. My mother, her sisters and first cousins who taught in Washington County—those Fields Teachers—



had quite a reputation as being stellar and dedicated educators, following in the footsteps of Aunt Clara.

We know our family is privileged: Access to education gave us privilege. Had it not been for Aunt Clara, many years would have passed before family members would have been high school or college graduates. That, generations later, our family now counts among us teachers and education administrators/professionals, persons who have honorably served our nation's Armed



*The Wells family at the seating of Bishop Wells at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Jackson, on July 21st, 2024*

Forces (including several WWII veterans), nurses, physicians and other healthcare professionals, business persons, ministers, and attorneys is an unparalleled accomplishment—and one we do not take for granted. From the humble start of a man born into slavery, a man who could neither read nor write, six generations later (and more descendants than I can count!), Benjamin Franklin Fields, Sr. has indeed created an incredible legacy.

Our family's story is a rare one. For my daughters to be the fourth generation in a family to graduate from college is an achievement, no matter the race, ethnicity or background. We know the blessing of our story. We also know the responsibility that comes with the blessing.

Grandpa Benjamin was born just 86 years into the life of a new country—a country which, through nearly the entire first century of its existence as a nation (and for 200 years before), been reliant upon the labor of

enslaved persons. When he died in 1950, Grandpa Benjamin had never seen racial equality; he died in the Jim Crow South where segregation was expected, legal and enforced. But he died having left a strong mark on a strong family.

I wonder what he would have thought on July 2, 1964, when President Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act into law. I wonder if he would have said that all of the struggle was worth that single day—when persons like him had become visible.

As we approach the 250th birthday of our nation, I celebrate this monumental milestone. I celebrate for a great grandfather who believed a nation's promises even though he did not live to see some of those promises actualized—and whose courage and perseverance allowed him, as a black man, to seek out a homestead, build a schoolhouse to educate his family, and never give up hope. His steadfast refusal to give up hope paved a path for me and for all of my family.

I celebrate for a country in which slavery was the “law of the land” for nearly its first full century of existence, but whose lawmakers chose to bend the moral arc toward justice for all Americans by amending the Constitution to legally abolish it beginning in 1865. I celebrate for a country which recognized its continued shortcomings, and whose lawmakers in the mid-1960s passed sweeping legislation to reinforce the promises and values from 100 years before. I celebrate for a nation that sees and knows that we are still a work in progress, and that still holds before us the words of our founders: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

I celebrate for a country for which my father and a number of men in the Fields family proudly served in World War II, even though they returned home to segregation and inequitably-administered veterans' benefits. I share their belief in a nation that can grow through struggle, find its way and be a beacon of light and harbinger of justice beyond our borders. And I will add that I believe in care for all of our veterans, who even today return from duty with struggles we can't imagine; serving those who serve us must be a critical priority.



I celebrate for courageous women, men and children who have believed in the principles espoused by our founders and who, in peaceful protests, have raised a nation's consciousness to take note of places where injustice had taken root. I celebrate because images of injustice moved the hearts of many to urge us all to higher ground. I celebrate for the courage of families to desegregate schools, lunch counters, libraries and other places of public accommodation. I celebrate for Mamie Till, who wanted a nation to see her murdered son—an image that changed hearts forever. I celebrate for a country whose lawmakers crossed partisan party lines to embrace a Civil Rights Act in 1964 and acknowledge that the time for justice and peace among all Americans had come.

I celebrate as one who comes from a family of educators—and my family's value of, commitment to and love for education have meant that generations of us (now, myself included) have gone into classrooms to share knowledge and invest in our nation's future. Education and vocational training are still the key to opportunity and raising many of us from poverty and out of hopelessness—and we must commit to the underserved.

I celebrate because this nation—and no nation—will be perfect. Many persons will work tirelessly to bend the moral arc of the universe toward justice. Our commitment to justice for all persons must be unending.

I celebrate as one who believes in a God whose love for all of God's people—all of whom are made in God's image and likeness—is immeasurable and unending. If we would claim ourselves to be a Christian nation, loving as scripture teaches us that Christ loved—bringing healing to all of God's people, nourishing the hungry, walking alongside the marginalized, refusing to overlook the stranger and foreigner, willing to cross artificial, human-made boundaries—must be our example.

We're still learning, from tremendous persons whose footsteps we are privileged to follow. We're still growing into all that we can become.

We celebrate, because we're not giving up. 

In Christ,  
+Dorothy

# SAVE THE DATE

2026

## CENTRAL CONVOCATION

### *Diocesan Altar Guild Meeting*



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026**

**9:00 AM**

*Join us for a brunch and learn!*

*\$20 fee due at registration*

**Host:**

***St. Matthew's Episcopal Church***

317 St Matthews Street, Kosciusko, MS 39090

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# Faithful Departed

Please submit Faithful Departed notices to your church for submission.

**Kenneth Ewing Milam**, 80, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on December 13, 2024.

**Mary Beth Harkins**, 84, communicant of St. Andrew's,

Jackson, died on December 28, 2024.

**William Hebron Morris**, 93, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on January 11, 2025.

**Robert David Sanders, Jr.**, 80, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on January 29, 2025.

**Olivia Ann Bigger Thompson**, 76, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on March 14, 2025.

**Betty Ammons Brown**, 93, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on March 27, 2025.

**Frank Montgomery Duke**, 94, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on March 30, 2025.

**Tomas R. Blackwell**, 70, communicant of St. Andrew's,

Jackson, died on August 17, 2025.

**Emma George Hamilton**, 94, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on September 24, 2025.

**Martha Love Bradley**, 87, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on October 15, 2025.

**Paul Dewitt Bragg, Jr.**, 91, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on October 17, 2025.

**Catherine Boteler Boyle**, 72, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on November 3, 2025.

**Catherine Naef Hester**, 96, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on December 30, 2025.

**James Michael Lightsey**, 73, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on January 9, 2026.

**Milton Benjamin Roach**, 58, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on March 15, 2026.

**E. Grady Jolly, Jr.**, 88, communicant of St. Andrew's,

Jackson, died on March 16, 2026.

**Rose Lee Robinson**, 85, communicant of St. Andrew's,

Jackson, died on March 24, 2026.

**William "Bill" Moody Patrick**, 87, communicant of St.

Peter's, Brandon, died on April 8, 2026.

**Doris Joy Parker Bradley**, 93, communicant of Trinity,

Hattiesburg, died on May 26, 2026.

**Dr. Lecia Elizabeth Spriggs**, 63, communicant of St.

Andrew's, Jackson, died on May 26, 2026.

**James Clinton Smith**, 86, communicant of St. James',

Jackson, died on June 6, 2026.

**Finley Faxon Knox**, 85, communicant of St. Peter's,

Brandon, died on June 11, 2026.

**Anthony "Tony" Parrish**, 82, communicant of St.

Pierre's, Gautier, died on June 16, 2026.

**Sara Hospes**, 90, communicant of St. Peter's, Brandon,

died on June 17, 2026.

**Shirley Patrick Howard Baxter**, 90, communicant of

St. Luke's, Brandon, died on June 30, 2026.

## Deployment Report

### Churches seeking full or part-time clergy

Redeemer, Biloxi

St. Alban's, Bovina

Redeemer, Brookhaven

St. Thomas, Diamondhead

St. Pierre's, Gautier

All Saints, Grenada

Ascension, Hattiesburg

St. Mark's, Jackson

St. Paul's, Meridian

Trinity, Natchez

Resurrection, Starkville

Holy Trinity, Vicksburg

Church of the Nativity, Water Valley

### Churches seeking supply clergy

St. Stephen's, Batesville

Good Shepherd, Columbus

Holy Trinity, Crystal Springs

Christ Church, Holly Springs

All Saints, Inverness

All Saints, Jackson

St. Christopher's, Jackson

St. Mark's, Jackson

St. Matthew's, Kosciusko

Calvary, Michigan City

St. James, Port Gibson

Church of the Good Shepherd, Terry

Questions about deployment should be directed to

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# Diocesan Calendar

## July

- 25** Sowashee Convocation Altar Guild Workshop, Trinity, Hattiesburg, 9:00am - 2:00pm
- 30** Lay Worship Leaders Workshop, Zoom, 6:00pm

## August

- 1** Central Convocation Diocesan Altar Guild Meeting, St. Matthew's, Kosciusko, 9:00am
- 2** Bishop Wells visits St. Mary's, Vicksburg
- 4** Small Churches Collaborative, Zoom, 2:00 - 3:00pm
- 5** Ribbon cutting for Allin House mural, 10:00am
- 6-7** Commission on Ministry, 9:30am
- 7** Deadline for Cursillo 141 applications
- 7** Deadline for submissions to TME-News, 12:00noon
- 9** Bishop Wells visits St. Columb's, Ridgeland
- 12** TME-News Published
- 14-15** A. C. Marble Convocation, Solomon Center
- 15** The Mississippi Episcopalian September Deadline
- 21** Deadline for submissions to TME-News, 12:00noon
- 22** Lay Worship Leader Conference, Christ Church, Vicksburg
- 23** Bishop Wells visits St. Thomas, Belzoni
- 23** Bishop Wells visits Advent, Sumner
- 26** TME-News published
- 27** Standing Committee, Zoom
- 30** Bishop Wells visits St. Mark's, Gulfport

## September

- 1** Small Churches Collaborative, Zoom 2:00 - 3:00pm
- 4** Deadline for submissions to TME-News
- 6** Bishop Wells visits Creator, Clinton
- 9** TME-News published
- 10** Finance Committee, Allin House, 11:30am - 2:30pm
- 11-12** A. C. Marble Convocation, online
- 13** Bishop Wells visits St. Elizabeth's, Collins
- 15** The Mississippi Episcopalian October Deadline
- 17** Executive Committee, Allin House, 12:00 - 3:00pm
- 17** Lay Worship Leaders Workshop, Zoom, 6:00 - 7:30pm
- 18-20** Cursillo #141
- 18** Deadline for submissions to TME-News, 12:00noon
- 20** Bishop Wells visits St. James', Port Gibson
- 22-29** Fall House of Bishops, Camp Allen, Navasota, TX

## October

- 2-3** Ministry Exploration Gathering, Eagle Ridge Conference Center & Resort, Raymond
- 2** Deadline for submissions to TME-News
- 4** Bishop Wells visits Resurrection, Starkville
- 6** Small Churches Collaborative, Zoom, 2:00pm
- 9-10** A. C. Marble Convocation, Online
- 9** Deadline for submissions to TME-News
- 11** Bishop Wells visits St. Paul's, Meridian
- 14** TME-News published
- 15** 1% Seminary Support Due
- 15** The Mississippi Episcopalian November Deadline
- 17** Commission on Ministry, Allin House, 11:30am - 3:30pm
- 18** Bishop Wells visits Calvary, Cleveland
- 19-21** Clergy Conference
- 22** Trustees, Allin House, 1:00 - 4:00pm
- 22** Lay Worship Leaders Workshop, Zoom, 6:00 - 7:30pm
- 23** Deadline for submissions to TME-News, 12:00noon
- 25** Bishop Wells visits Christ Church, Church Hill
- 25** Bishop Wells visits Trinity, Natchez
- 28** TME-News Published
- 29** Standing Committee, Allin House, 1:30 - 5:00pm



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*The Allin House, headquarters of the Diocese of Mississippi, pictured at night with a new mural and alley lighting provided by the City of Jackson. To see more of the new mural, see page 3.*

