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It's all in the name

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness." And God said to the man and the woman, "Be fruitful and multiply ... and have stewardship over the fish of the sea



THE VERY REV. BARKLEY THOMPSON

and the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves on the earth." (Genesis 1:26 & 28)

Adam and Eve were the first stewards. God created them in God's very image, and that means they were made,

more than anything else, to love. It was for this purpose that God gave the first human beings stewardship over the creation. God loved what God had made, and God wanted the world to be in the care of someone who would love it with equal passion.

But God was left with a quandary: Adam and Eve were brand new. How could they be taught to love what God loved? How could their passion to tend to the delicate things of earth be kindled? We find God's answer in the next chapter of Genesis:

So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. (Genesis 2:19)

God knew — and the first humans discovered — that once we have named something, it becomes vital and real to us. Once something has been named, we can connect to it in love. I'll never forget the first time I gazed upon my newborn son and called him, "Griffin." The next utterance from my mouth was "bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh" (again with allusion to Genesis). Once named, there was never any doubt Griffin would

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Seed and Root groups

a neighborhood-based youth program



Minister for Youth and Young Adults Jeremy Bradley, left, leading a discussion at the youth fall retreat to Galveston last year.

In October, the Cathedral's Youth Ministry is launching Seed and Root Groups, which are weekly, home-based programs for our teens in grades 6 to 12 that foster community and faith in the neighborhood.

The youth ministry has been developing Seed and Root groups for about a year, after two high school students in EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) suggested to Youth Minister **Jeremy Bradley** that there be some sort of opportunity for Bible study and fellowship geared to the older teens held in the setting of a home. "We want to listen to students," says Bradley.

Replacing EYC, which met as one group **YOUTH**, page 6

Clergy staff role realignment to enhance Outreach and Justice Ministries, Latino Ministries, and Pastoral Care

Dean Barkley Thompson has announced a ministry realignment among Cathedral clergy staff. Beginning October 15, the **Rev. Glenice Robinson-Como** will be Canon Missioner for Outreach and Justice Ministries. In her new capacity, Canon Como will coordinate the Cathedral's outreach and social justice efforts and serve as staff liaison to the Mission Out-

reach Council and Justice and Peace Council. She will be the staff point-person for such annual events as Christmas at the Cathedral, the Alternative Giving Market, and the Justice



THE REV. GLENICE ROBINSON-COMO

and Peace Summer Documentary Series. She will also nurture Cathedral relationships with social service partners and Interfaith Ministries Houston. Canon Como was also recently named secretary of the national board of the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE), which is a testament to her leadership. Dean Thompson says, "During her curacy, Glenice served as

chaplain to The Beacon. She also has a heart for God's justice. I know she will excel in this new position, and I'm excited to see where

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OUR CATHEDRAL FAMILY

We celebrate with

- new members Christopher "Chris" Dack and Brady and Emily Rodgers.
- the family of **Camila Anita DiLauro**, who was born August 7, 2018 to members **Christina** and **Justin DiLauro**.
- the families of Benjamin Christopher Borreca, Beckett Alexander Dunlap, Emma Arsenia Gallevo, and Henry William Simmons, who were baptized at the Cathedral on Sunday, September 2, 2018.

We extend heartfelt sympathy to

- the family of **Margaret Roach**, who died on August 16, 2018. Margaret is the mother of parishioner **Miss Anne Stovall**.
- the family of **Leon Dodson**, who died on September 3, 2018. Leon is the partner of parishioner **Earl Kile**.

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar

- On Sunday, September 2, were given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Officers Cindy Lopez, Roy LeCompte, Cordell Demouy, Leon Grayers, Hobart Gaw, and retired officer Wesley Gee, who make up the incredible team who keep our campus safe.
- On Sunday, September 9, were given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Tom Cobb** and **Jennifer Cobb**.
- **20** On Sunday, September 16, were given to the glory of God in gratitude for the ministry of **Canon Genevieve Razim** by the Women's Bible Study group.
- On Sunday, September 16, were given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Beverly Bond Holmes** on her birthday by **Dean, Barbara**, and **Katie Barnes**.
- On Sunday, September 30, were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Lisa Albright by Anne, Brynne, Joey, and Joe Albright.
- On Sunday, October 7, are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Phyllis Keese Webb** by her family.
- On Sunday, October 7, are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Bill Renfro** by his family.
- On Sunday, October 14, are given to the glory of God in loving memory of his parents, Frank E. Hood and Lillian Wadkins Hood, and his aunt, Margaret Hughes, by Frank E. Hood Jr.
- **21** On Sunday, October 21, are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the Cathedral Bookstore's 36 years of service to Christ Church Cathedral, the Diocese of Texas, and the downtown community, with special thanks to its faithful volunteers and supportive parishioners.
- On Sunday, October 21, are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for her sister, **Carol Lewis**, and in loving memory of her parents, **Roy** and **Lois Hanning**, and brother-in-law **Bob Lewis**, by **Ginger Hanning**.
- On Sunday, October 21, are given to the glory of God in loving memory and gratitude for **Doug Hoffman** by **Mary Hoffman**.
- **20** On Sunday, October 28, are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **John W. Benzon** by **Annie Benzon** and their daughters.

On the organ console

On Sunday, October 21, are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Harvey M. Shepherd Jr.** by his daughters.

NAME, from cover

be the recipient of a powerful parental love.

We are in the midst of our Every Member Canvass, and we share in Adam's and Eve's role as stewards of God's good creation through the ministry of the Cathedral. We have a budget that funds our ministries, maintains our campus, and pays our staff. But budgets can be abstract. As you pray about your own stewardship pledge for 2019, I ask that you name the things you love about the Cathedral. In naming, your passion for this place and its Gospel work will be kindled:

- Name the ministries you cherish.
- Name the ways that Christ Church reaches out to the community.
- Name the times your heart has been pricked and your life transformed here.
- Name the people you love here.
- Name the ways the parish has walked with you in difficult times.

After you've given name to all the things that you love about Christ Church Cathedral, I pray you'll return your pledge card and make your commitment to the parish for 2019 as a steward of God's love.



Two great ways to connect

BY KAREN KRAYCIRIK

This fall season there are two stimulating programs that offer opportunities to engage in fellowship to help you feel more connected to parishioners from all walks of life. Whether you're seeking to simply meet new people or are hoping to develop longer lasting friendships, the combination of Neighborhood Gatherings and Foyers Fellowship Groups create environments of fellowship for many seeking connection.

Neighborhood Gatherings are offered in both the fall and spring seasons each program year, and are open to anyone — no matter what service you go to or how long you've been attending. On a weekday evening, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., a host family opens their home to parishioners for some light bites and cool beverages. These gatherings are informal and are fellowship-focused, plus Dean Thompson provides a brief update on what is going on at the Cathedral. You should receive an invitation in the mail, but you can always select the date and location that works best for your schedule (October 2, 10, 17, and 30). Attending a neighborhood gathering is a

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Literary events at the Cathedral this fall

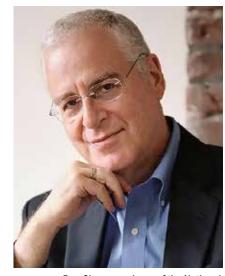
BY LUCY CHAMBERS

A cozy quote on Pinterest says, "Fall is for fires and books." The blazing hearth fire is at best a sometimes-thing in Houston, but we can get our fall feel-good from books. And this fall, the Cathedral's line-up of authors is inspirational enough to make us forgive our climate. We began the literary season with the launch of **Dean Barkley Thompson's** new book, *In the Midst of the City: The Gospel and God's Politics* on September 23, and the momentum continues in October as Brazos Bookstore partners with the Cathedral to present two internationally renowned authors.

Friday, October 12, at 7:30 p.m., **Mitch Albom**, author of *Tuesdays with Morrie*, *The Five*

People You Meet in Heaven, and several other beloved books, speaks about *The Next Person You Meet in Heaven*, the long-awaited sequel to *The Five People*. Albom's latest book reminds us of the value of every individual life and the ways perceived endings can become transformational opportunities.

On Tuesday, October 16, at 7:30 p.m., Ron Chernow, winner of the National Humanities Medal and the Pulitzer Prize and author of six books, including *Alexander Hamilton*, which inspired the Broadway musical, presents *Grant*. Chernow's latest study examines the mercurial and misunderstood life of the soldier and statesman. Described by George Will in *The* LITERARY, page 8



Ron Chernow, winner of the National Humanities Medal and the Pulitzer Prize

A sanctuary that unites

Dating back to my earliest memories, I have always felt that the New Year should be rung in right around September rather than January first. As a child, September meant the end of carefree summers. The pool would close and a new school year would commence. This, of course, meant early mornings, homework, and more responsibilities. It was a time to wrap up the fun and get serious.

Years later, it basically feels the same. I approach the fall with the same trepidation as I did as a child. Alarm clocks go off earlier, and calendars start to fill up with things such as haircuts and dentist appointments.

Conversations about which grandparent gets to stay with us over Thanksgiving happen, and I find myself yelling the words, "Get in the car!" more often than I want.

Despite the anxiety that comes around this time, the fall has also always been my favorite time of the year. The weather is cooler. Our family is reunited with friends we have not seen over the summer, book clubs and Bible studies recommence, our kids take to the streets in their Halloween costumes, and spending time with loved ones and family during the holidays is on the horizon. Fall is also the time of year that I pause and consider my personal goals and resolutions as well as those of my family.

It is a time for some reflection on

what is important and what we want to accomplish over the course of next year.

Fall is also the time when Logan and I make our "Every Member Canvass" pledge to the Cathedral. It is not always an easy decision for us and it happens at a time of the year when we feel as though we are pulled in a number of different directions. At times, we

can feel overwhelmed by the number of needs in our community and causes we wish to stand behind. But every year, the Cathedral stands out as an institution we choose to support. Much of this decision is based on the deep gratitude we feel for what it provides the community and, perhaps



BY KRISTIN AND LOGAN JOHNSON

selfishly, ourselves.

When I step on the campus of the Cathedral, I am comforted by the feeling of being a part of something bigger than myself. During a time that feels polarizing and divisive, I am grateful to Christ Church for being a sanctuary that unites. I am grateful for its inclusivity and tolerance, its promotion of justice and peace, and its educational opportunities and thought-provoking sermons. Most of all, I am grateful for its message to share God's love.

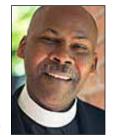
As part of this community, I share in the excitement and satisfaction that comes from all the good things we do here. That is why we choose to make our pledge.

CLERGY, from cover

our outreach and justice work takes us as we proclaim God in the midst of the city."

The **Rev. Simón Baustista Betances** previously included Outreach in his ministry portfolio. Yet, as the Cathedral's

Latino congregation has grown and become more active, Canon Bautista's role as Canon for Latino Ministries has become a full-time role. Dean Thompson explains, "The shared ministry of Simón and our Latino parishioners continues to bear much fruit, like the sower's seed that fell on good soil. Simón is the virtual vicar of our Latino congregation, and our new staff alignment will enable him to fo-



THE REV. SIMÓN BAUSTISTA BETANCES

cus his whole energy in that vineyard." To further enhance Canon Bautista's work, in September the vestry created the Latino Ministry Council, granting official status to the Latino congregation lay leadership team.

Pastoral Care will now be coordinated from the Office of the Dean. All clergy will continue to participate in pastoral care, and the **Rev. Jim Morgan**, who currently serves as chaplain to the Beacon, will also join the Cathedral staff as part-time Pastoral Associate. Jim will focus on in-home and hospital visits with parishioners. Dean Thompson offered, "I am deeply



THE REV. JIM MORGAN

grateful for the leadership Canon Como has provided in pastoral care these past several years. We will build upon our already-strong pastoral care ministry by implementing a version of the pastoral care system that worked ably and well at prior parishes I served. My executive assistant **Louise Langford** and I will deploy our Cathedral clergy and Community of Hope-trained lay pastoral care shepherds to ensure that no Cathedral parishioner is forgotten. When our parishioners are in need, the Cathedral will respond." Dean Thompson will become the staff liaison to the Pastoral Care Council.

Rally Day, Confirmation Retreat, Fajita Fiesta, and more

IN PICTURES

Right: Youth preparing to ride the giant swing at Camp Allen for this year's Confirmation Retreat.





Above: Norman Bailey on pilgrimage to the Holy Land via camel (not the whole way). Below: The Very Rev. Barkley Thompson with Father Nael abu Rahman at Christ Anglican Church in Jerusalem, as part of this fall's pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

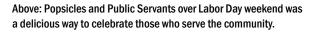












Left: The 20s $\&\,30s$ group kicked off the year with a crowd for Fajita Fiesta.

Right: Everyone, including the priests, was able to test his/her strength (foreground) as well as be photographed (background) at Rally Day.



YOUTH, from cover

of 6-12th graders on Sunday afternoons at church, the new format divides members into a "Seed" group for middle schoolers and a "Root" group for high school students. Each group meets on a weeknight for age-appropriate conversation in members' homes rather than at church.

In planning the Seed and Root groups, several decisions were both missional and intentional, says Christy Orman, youth ministry associate. The midweek gathering, for example, "gives Sunday evenings back to families" for them to come together or get prepped for the week ahead. The satellite locations address the difficulty of students reaching the downtown campus. And by meeting in small groups in small spaces — and in sharing a meal — the conversations can be more intimate.

With meetings beyond the church walls, the Seed and Root groups initiative joins other neighborhood programs offered by the Cathedral. Examples include Bible by the Glass, the Vicar's Road Show, and, at the holidays, the Latino/Hispanic Ministry's Las Posadas. In addition, the church's youth program leaders already visit middle and high schools at lunch.

Says Dean Barkley Thompson, House groups were the manner in which the earliest Christians met to share their faith and deepen relationships. Seed and Root groups will allow our youth to tap in to that rich history. I'm eager to see what fruits grow from this new format."

Going into the community is also a response to formational, missional, and youth goals put forth at the diocesan level in its Vision 2020.

Deepening faith through conversation

Bradley says both groups "will explore

Christianity and fellowship, the Bible, our traditions, worship, prayer, and caring for one another, although the groups will be distinct from one other according to their ages.

As the group names suggest, the Seeds will be planted in younger students while the older ones will draw on their Roots to dig deeper into topics.

By design and intent, the new program is less formal than Sunday School, he says, which continues at the church on Sunday, and is not lectionary based.

Instead, topics draw from curriculum, current events, and personal experiences, or "what's alive in their lives at the moment," as Christy Orman explains it. "If needed, we can pivot to hear their questions."

Bradley describes the vibe as "more of a 'hangout' as we deepen our faith through conversations and we build up our friendships within our church community."

Opportunities to lead and contribute

Seed and Root group meetings will be led by a combination of youth leaders, including Bradley, Orman, Cathedral parents and adults, and vetted young leaders from around the diocese.

The co-leaders are appreciative of the families and individuals who agreed to provide leadership, host groups in their homes, and offer meal provisions.



Seed groups

Central Location Rodi/Brejon Household, 77019 Tuesdays starting Oct. 2 6:30-8 p.m.

West Side Location Memorial City Mall Food Court, 77024 Thursdays starting Oct. 4 6:30-8 p.m.

Root groups

Central Location Dowdy/Dagley Household, 77005 Wednesdays starting Oct. 3 6:30-8 p.m.

West Side Location Whataburger, 77055 Thursdays starting Oct. 4 6:30-8 p.m.

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If you would like to support our youth Seed and Root groups as a host, leader, or meal provider, please contact Youth Minister Jeremy Bradley at 713-217-1349 or at jbradley@ christchurchcathedral.org.

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great way to casually meet new people in a laid back and friendly environment.

If you're looking to get to know a small group of people more intimately, consider participating in Foyers Fellowship Groups. Foyers groups are made up of six to ten parishioners who agree to break bread together several times throughout the year. When you register for Foyers, you can select to be assigned to a group that includes others from your neighborhood, or you can select a random assignment to a group with folks from all over; there are also groups for families with kids. From Foyers groups, many people have formed lasting friendships and met people they may never have come across at church on Sundays. These groups meet between six to eight times throughout the year, but the benefits are long lasting. Registration is open until Tuesday, October 16, in both the cloister on Sundays and online; and the official program kickoff starts with a potluck dinner on Sunday, October 21.

If you have any questions about the Fall Neighborhood Gatherings or the Foyers Fellowship Groups programs, contact Karen Kraycirik, minister for community life, at 713-590-3338.

A Natural Approach to Burial

By Glenice Robinson-Como

With the current need for us to become a more eco-friendly community, we are consistently reviewing our programs so that we might continue become better stewards of our environment. The pastoral care ministry is happy to introduce the Green Burial concept as an option to the cathedral's funeral planning program. Green Burial offers a way in which our bodies can return to nature. It is environmentally friendly and reduces our carbon footprint by limiting the release of embalming chemicals into the earth. In addition, it also reduces the costs family members spend on typical funerals. Nearly 54 percent of Americans are considering a green burial, and 72 percent of cemeteries are reporting an increased demand, according to a survey released by the National Funeral Directors Association. If you are interested in more information about planning a green burial service, please contact Louise Langford at 713-590-3305 or at llangford@christchurchcathedral.org to discuss this option.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Visit christchurchcathedral.org or call 713-222-2593 to learn more about these and other events at the Cathedral.

Registration recommended ▲ Registration required ➤ Registration closed

★ Childcare available (3 mo. to 12 yrs.)

Bring a friend!

OCTOBER



OCTOBER 2, 10, 17, 30

Fall Neighborhood Gatherings

6-7:30 p.m. Save the date to enjoy some fellowship with others who live in the neighborhood.

OCTOBER 3

WED

Dean's Book Club Special Interview *

6:30-8 p.m., Sanders Hall. Houston Chronicle "Gray Matters" columnist Lisa Gray will interview Dean Thompson about his new book, In the Midst of the City.

OCTOBER 4

Compline with Canines and Kitties 😃

7-8 p.m., Friends For Life, 107 E. 22nd. Evening prayer with sweet kitties and pups.

OCTOBER 5

FRI

Bridge Night 😃

6-9 p.m., McGehee Conference Room. Bring a dish for the potluck social.

OCTOBER 7

SUN

Pink Ribbon Sunday

10 a.m., Reynolds Hall. In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Pastoral Care ministries will provide pink ribbons and refreshments.

Blessing of the Animals

4 p.m., Nancy's Garden. Service in observance of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi.



OCTOBER 12

FRI

Author Mitch Albom *

7:30 p.m., Cathedral. In partnership with Brazos Bookstore, international best-selling author Mitch Albom will read from his new book, The Next Person You Meet in Heaven. (\$)

OCTOBER 13

SAT

Organ Recital by Daryl Robinson 🖈

5 p.m., Cathedral. Daryl Robinson presents his first solo recital at Christ Church as we celebrate the 80th anniversary of the installation of the Edwin Robinson Spotts Memorial Organ, completed by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co. in 1938.

OCTOBER 16

Author Ron Chernow *

7:30 p.m., Cathedral. Pulitzer Prize winning biographer Ron Chernow presents his new book, Grant. (\$)

OCTOBER 20

SAT

Diocesan Choral Festival

4 p.m., Cathedral. Lessons and anthems will be performed for the public as part of this choral festival.

OCTOBER 21

SUN

Foyers Potluck Dinner Kick-off A *

6-8 p.m., Reynolds Hall. Sign up to be a part of a group of six to eight parishioners who meet once a month throughout the year to break bread and share fellowship. Group assignments will be revealed at the Foyers Kickoff Potluck Dinner.

OCTOBER 21 AND 28

SUN

Bring Your Parent to Sunday School

10 a.m., Jones Building. Meet your child's Sunday School teacher and get to know other parents with children the same age as yours (Cathedral Godly Play (ages 3 years-1st grade) on October 21: Rotation (grades 2-5) on October 28).

OCTOBER 26

FRI

Cathedral Boo Bash 😃 🖈

6-8 p.m., Reynolds Hall. Familyfriendly event with trick-or-treating and All Hallow's Eve service.

OCTOBER 27

SAT

Conferencia Te *

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Reynolds Hall. This conference for Latina/Hispanic women encourages and enhances spiritual growth, and invites attendees to take a moment for themselves and appreciate how amazing they are.

OCTOBER 26-28

FRI-SUN

Youth Fall Retreat 😃 🔺 A retreat open to all 6-12th graders.

WEEKLY

SUNDAYS

Dean's Hour, Adult, Youth, and Children's Sunday School Classes *

10-11 a.m., various locations.

Mes de la Herencia

2:30-4:45 p.m., Reynolds Hall. The annual celebration of Latino/Hispanic culture (October 7, 14).

Celtic Eucharist. "The Well" ★ 😃

5 p.m., Cathedral. Drawing inspiration and music from the Celtic tradition, this service focuses on prayer, silence, meditation, and grace.

The Anglican Way *

6-7:30 p.m., McGehee Conference Room. Dean Thompson's exciting 6-week course on what it means to be Anglican. For any who want a deeper understanding, as well as adults seeking baptism or confirmation. (October 7, 14, 21)

MONDAYS

Centering Prayer

11:15-11:45 a.m., Hines Center.

Healing Service

12:05 p.m., Golding Chapel.

Bible "By the Glass" 😃

6:30-8 p.m., OKRA, 924 Congress. Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. and Bible study at 7 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Gospel Parallels

7 a.m., Mellinger Room. Join the Vicar for a look at the ways in which New Testament images of Jesus are modeled on Old Testament figures.

Education for Ministry (EFM) A ×

6:30-9 p.m., Mellinger Room. Comprehensive adult theology program. (\$)

Bible by the Glass North ╩

7 p.m., Brixology in the Vintage; 110 Vintage Park. An extension of our popular downtown bible study, hosted in Spring Cypress.

WEDNESDAYS

Men's Morning Bible Study

7-8 a.m., Jeffers Conference Room.

Women's Morning Bible Study

9:30-11 a.m., Jeffers Conference Room.

Bilingual Eucharist

6-6:30 p.m., Golding Chapel.

The Vicar's Road Show:

Monasticism **A**

6:30-8 p.m., meets monthly at a choice of locations. Canon Callaham takes a look at the history and meaning of Monasticism in Christianity.

Tue., Oct. 2, in Tanglewood

Thu., Oct. 4, at Town & Country

Wed., Oct. 17, in the Heights

Tue., Oct. 30, in Montrose

WEDNESDAYS CONT.

Cathedral 20s & 30s *

6:30-8 p.m., BYC (Treehouse). Weekly discussion group and social gathering of young adults.

Buscando la Luz 🔺

(Second, third, and fourth Wednesdays) 6:30-8 p.m., Bride's Room. Spanishlanguage discussion group.

THURSDAYS

Gospel Parallels

12 p.m., Mellinger Room. This is a repeat of the Tuesday morning bible study by the same name.

The Mourner's Path

6:30 p.m., Dean's Conference Room. Small, spiritually directed workshops for those in grief. (starts October 11)

UPCOMING

NOVEMBER 1

THU

All Saints' Day Special Worship

12:05-12:45 p.m., Cathedral chancel. Celebrating the saints and remembering the departed. This will take the place of regular mid-day worship.

NOVEMBER 3

SAT

Cemetery Tour — Women Who Made Our Houston 🔺 😃

1-6 p.m., departing from the Heritage Society at 1100 Bagby St. In partnership with Archaeology Now, the Adult Formation Council presents a one-of-a-kind cemetery tour highlighting the lives of Houston women. (\$)

NOVEMBER 4

SUN

Loyalty Sunday

Turn in your pledge cards for 2019!

Organ Recital and Evensong *

4:15 and 5 p.m., Cathedral. Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir, with a reception to follow.

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Stories of love and courage: the women who made Houston

BY ART CALLAHAM

Visiting the grave of our loved ones can be a powerful way of linking us to our personal past. Telling stories of those that have gone before can buoy our sense of belonging and inspire us to continue the legacy of our forbearers.

This fall, the Religion and the Arts Council is partnering with Archaeology Now (formerly The American Institute of Archaeology, Houston Circle) to present a cemetery tour fo-

cusing on the women who shaped Houston history. The group, led by Houston historian Betty Chapman, will discover Saturday, November the final resting places of a unique cast of 3, 1-6 p.m. characters and visiting with their living

CEMETERY TOUR

relatives, hearing stories of the bygone days of our beloved city and looking forward to better days to come. After the tour, the group will hear the sweet sounds of a New Orleans brass band, sip wines made by women vintners, and taste hors d'oeuvres crafted by Laurenzo Catering.

The tour is on Saturday, November 3, from 1-6 p.m., departing from the Heritage Society at 1100 Bagby St. Tickets are \$55 each, prepaid reservations only, and are available by phone at 713-364-6344 or through Paypal at paypal.me/ houstonarchaeology.

For more information, contact Canon Callaham at the Cathedral or **Becky Lao**, executive director of Archaeology

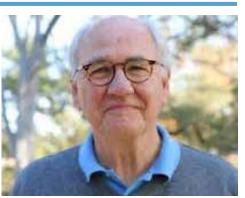
LITERARY, from page 3

Washington Post as "a tutorial on measured, mature judgment ... a gift to a nation much in need of measured judgments about its past," this biography has been widely praised across the political spectrum of periodicals.

On Sunday, November 4, after the 11 a.m. service, we welcome back our former dean the Very Reverend J. Pittman

McGehee to sign and discuss his new book of poetry, Nod of Knowing. Mc-Gehee, a notable lecturer and educator in psychology and religion and author of The Invisible Church: Finding Spirituality Where You Are, Raising Lazarus: The Science of Healing the Soul, Words Made Flesh, and The Paradox of Love, focuses his poetry on the spiritual aspects of daily life.

In addition to books by these great authors, the bookstore stocks titles being read by St. Theresa's and the Dean's book clubs, Canon Vicar Art Callaham's Holy Mysteries class, and Canon Callaham and Rev. Betty Adam's



McGehee coming Sunday, November 4, to sign and discuss his new book Nod of Knowing.

Theological Roundtable. As Meg Wolitzer says, "Books light the fire whether it's a book that's already written or an empty journal that needs to be filled in." Whatever your reading taste — Episcopal, ecumenical, or eccentric - this season the Cathedral presents book lovers with plenty of opportunities to warm your heart or excite your mind. Turn down the AC, curl up with a good book, and fall into reading with us!

Tickets to the Mitch Albom and Ron Chernow events are available at brazosbookstore.com and include a copy of the book.