

CTK: January News 2019



I recently bought a captivating book called *Historic Houston Streets: The Stories Behind the Names*. One cool nugget concerns our area, Atascocita. The book explains how Atascocita is “most likely a misspelling of Atascosito, a Spanish name for a military trail laid out in the mid 1700’s... It is probably the oldest street in the Houston area.”

There are many great stories about our street names. Some involve old war heroes (and villains), literary references, history of pioneers, and so on. Behind the names of the street signs, there’s often a story. In many cases, we forgot the story, and we simply don’t know how the name came to be.

I was thinking about this as it relates to worship. Much like the story of street signs in Houston, there are stories of how our worship came to be. There are many stories and customs that developed over 2,000 that shaped our customs in worship.

Most customs are Biblical, some were drawn from local customs, and sometimes we forgot our history. One way to make worship more meaningful is to remember why we do what we do.

This **January 13th & 20th** we will have an **Instructed Eucharist**. An Instructed Eucharist is a worship service where we explain why we do what we do in worship. January 13 will focus the instruction on the first half of the service (Liturgy of the Word), while January 20 will focus the instruction on the second half of the service (Holy Eucharist).

Here are some additional activities coming up in January:

Annual Meeting: January 13, 2019 at 9:15AM

This meeting will summarize some of the key events of 2018. For those newer to the Episcopal Church, an annual meeting summarizes the major events and ministries of the previous year. Annual meetings usually take place near the middle of January.

Confirmation Class. Please sign up in early January.

For those interested in being Confirmed, this class will begin on January 20th at 9:15am. Classes will be in the evening, based on group availability, ending with Confirmation by Bishop Doyle on March 24, 2019. For those who want to be Received into the Episcopal Church from another tradition, please see Fr. David with any questions or interest you may have in Confirmation or Reception.

Bishop Doyle Visitation March 24, 2019

Please mark your calendar for the Bishop’s visit. For those being Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church, this is an especially important date to save.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. David

What's Happening in January

6

- 8:00 Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
- 10:30 Holy Eucharist with Music and Children's Chapel

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- 7:00 PM Daughters of the King

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- 8:30 Brotherhood of St. Andrew

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- 8:00 Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
- 10:30 Holy Eucharist with Music and Children's Chapel

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- 9:15 Annual Parish Meeting
- 6:00 - 7:30 PM EYC Campfire and S'mores

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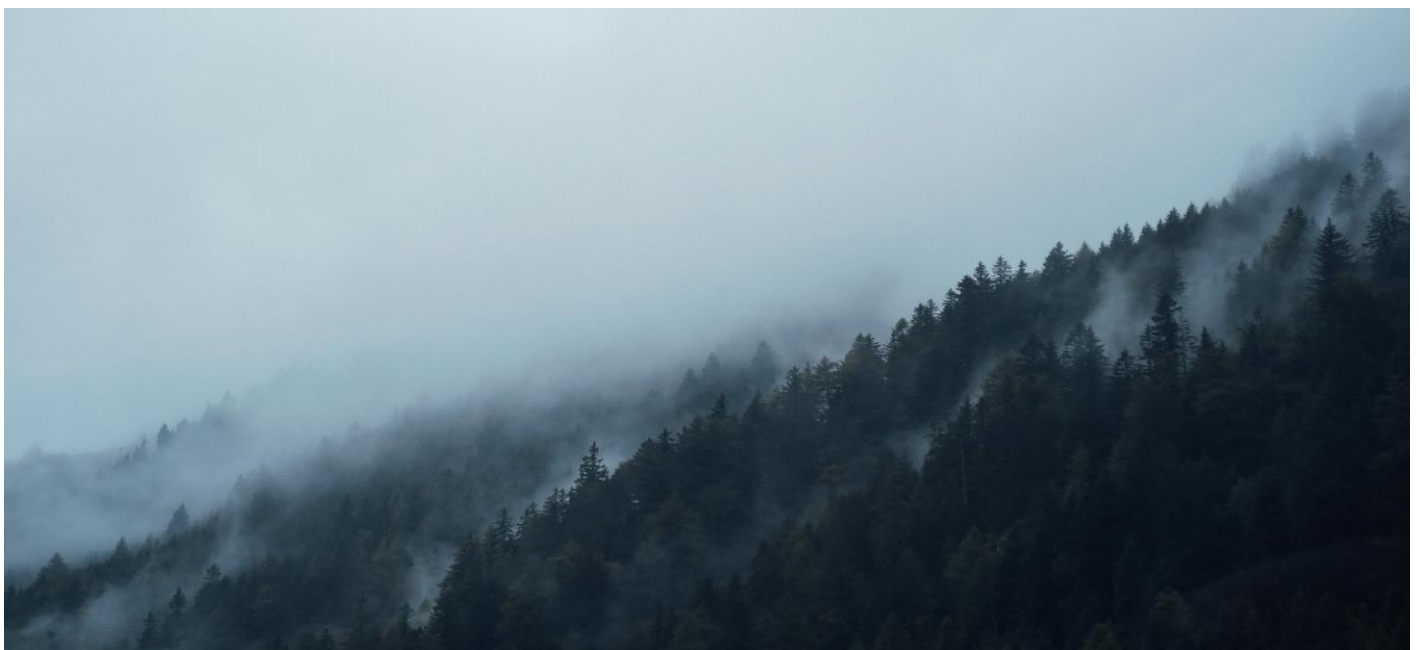
- 8:00 Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
- 10:30 Holy Eucharist with Music and Children's Chapel

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- 8:00 Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
- 10:30 Cantata and Holy Eucharist and Children's Chapel

27

- 6:00-7:30 PM EYC



FYI

Antony, Abbot in Egypt, 356

January 27



In the third century, many young men turned away from society and went to live in deserts or mountains, in solitude, fasting, and prayer. Antony of Egypt was an example of this movement, and became the founder of monasticism.

Antony's parents were Christians, and he grew up to be quiet, devout, and meditative. When his parents died, he and his younger sister were left to care for a sizable estate. Six months later, in church, he heard the reading about the rich young ruler whom Christ advised to sell all he had and give to the poor. Antony at once gave his land to the villagers, and sold most of his goods, giving the proceeds to the poor.

Athanasius, who knew Antony personally, writes that he spent his days praying, reading, and doing manual labor. Moving to the mountains across the Nile from his village, Antony dwelt alone for twenty years. In 305, he left his cave and founded a "monastery," a series of cells inhabited by ascetics living under his rule. Athanasius writes of such colonies: "Their cells like tents were filled with singing, fasting, praying, and working that they might give alms, and having love and peace with one another."

Antony visited Alexandria, first in 321, to encourage those suffering martyrdom under the Emperor Maximinus; later, in 355, to combat the Arians by preaching, conversions, and the working of miracles. Most of his days were spent on the mountain with his disciple Macarius.

He willed a goat-skin tunic and a cloak to Athanasius, who said of him: "He was like a physician given by God to Egypt. For who met him grieving and did not go away rejoicing? Who came full of anger and was not turned to kindness? . . . What monk who had grown slack was not strengthened by coming to him? Who came troubled by doubts and failed to gain peace of mind?"

From Lesser Feats and Fasts

FYI

Annual Parish Meeting

On **January 13 at 9:15**, we'll be holding the **Annual Parish Meeting**. During this meeting we'll summarize some of the key events and ministries of 2018. Please plan on attending!



EYC Campfire and S'mores

The **EYC** is kicking off the new year with a **Campfire and S'mores** on **January 13**. The fun begins at **6:00 PM** and runs till **7:30 PM**. This is too good to miss!

EYC Meeting

Our regular **EYC** meeting is scheduled for **January 27** between **6:00 and 7:30 PM**. Don't miss it!



Time to Celebrate!



January 1 Morgan Beesley
January 2 David Heaton III
January 6 Anne Rodriguez
January 7 Rosalie Pyle
January 10 Rosemary Sullivan

January 10 Sherry Herring
January 11 Lesley Exum
January 27 Valerie Fitzgerald
January 27 Nathan Yee

Happy Anniversary!

January 28 Robert and Susan Lunson



Who's Doing What?

Usher Schedule

January 6

- 8:00 – Robert Lunson and Rachel Shaye
- 10:30 – George and Barbara Spence, Saman Khalaf, Paul Masters

January 13

- 8:00 – Henry Lee and Robert Keller
- 10:30 – Hilary Sellar and Steve Goodson

January 20

- 8:00 – Rod and Anne Rodriguez
- 10:30 – Bruce and Diane Newport

January 27

- 8:00 – Robert Lunson and Rachel Shaye
- 10:30 – Mike and Edie McDaniel

Lay Reader and Chalice Bearer Schedule

January 6

- 8:00 – Deb Tisch
- 10:30 – Rosalie Pyle (LR), Lesley Exum (CB1), Susan Lunson(CB2)

January 13

- 8:00 – Theresa Reed
- 10:30 – Julie Langler (LR), Valerie Bonnie (CB1), Dan Langler (CB2)

January 20

- 8:00 – George Ebert
- 10:30 – Fiona Aston (LR), Rice Aston (CB1), Lynda Rought (CB2)

January 27

- 8:00 – Debbie Lee
- 10:30 – Billie Bailey(LR), Rice Aston (CB1), Valerie Bonnie (CB2)

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Vestry's Financial Summary as of November 30, 2018

Revenues and Expenses Year-to-Date	
Total Revenues	\$255,543
Total Expenses	\$250,395
Total Revenue Less Expenses	\$5,148
Cash Accounts	
Operating Account	\$52,985
Capital Campaign	\$40,130
Reserve	\$3,843
Building	\$1,090
Total Cash	\$98,047

Concealed Handgun and Open Carry Restrictions

NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (Trespass by License Holder with a Concealed Handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (Handgun Licensing Law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

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