

Summer 2007

The Chapel is open 24 hours a day every day of the year.

The University Center is open 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and for programs and events as scheduled.

The Chapel Office is open Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

If you need access to the facilities during closed hours, please contact our Chapel Residents:

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The Missioner

From the Desk of the Chaplain

The Franklin polar expedition of 1845 included 138 officers and men who carried a 1200 volume library, a hand organ, china place settings, wine goblets, and sterling silver flatware. They wore no special clothing for the Arctic, only the uniforms of Her Majesty's Navy. In The Contemplative Pastor, Eugene Peterson writes: "It was a noble enterprise, and they were nobly dressed for it. They all died. Their corpses were found with pieces of backgammon board and a great deal of table silver engraved with officer's initials and family crests. Dignity was all."

Dignity was all. In worship, as in polar exploration, dignity cannot be all. We Anglicans are proud of our dignified and orderly worship rooted in the English prayerbook tradition. The Gloria follows the Opening Acclamation, which is followed by four readings, the Gospel being last. The Creed is followed by the Confession. The Eucharist follows one of four orderly forms. If you get lost, the order is printed in your service bulletin. You may leave for coffee after the Dismissal. Sunday by Sunday, we conduct ourselves with order and dignity.

Dignity in worship is good, but it cannot be the highest good. If there is no place for undignified behavior in worship, then worship will be disconnected from the real grit of life. It's not real. Real life includes tears, shouts, guffawing, groans, and fury. Life will not always allow us to keep our dignity. A frantic trip to the ER with a parent will teach you this. A dark depression or a betrayal by a close friend will also do the trick. Life regularly strips us of our dignity. We must make room for this reality in our worship. The Psalms help us do that.



Students enjoy mudbugs and fellowship at the crawfish boil.

The undignified language of the Psalms is at the core of our worship.

The Psalms serve as a combination prayerbook-hymnal for the Church. And though we chant them in an orderly and dignified manner, they contain all manner of undignified emotions. The Psalms include tears of despair: *You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle*; pleadings: *Deliver me from my enemies, O my God...Rouse yourself*; deep resentment: *When he is tried, let him be found guilty; let his prayer be counted as sin*; fury: *Pour out your indignation upon them, and let your burning anger overtake them*; hand-clapping exuberance: *Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy*. This is where we really live. The Psalms teach us that our God meets us in all these undignified and disorderly moments.

Our "Crawfish Communion" annually loosens our clutch on order and dignity. This year, the service was held in the Memorial Garden. Our worship included a trio that led several Bluegrass standards. (The banjo insures against an over-emphasis on dignity and order!) During the distribution of communion, a car stopped on Highland with a stereo blasting so loud that the communion vessels rattled. Two dogs showed up. After worship, the congregation proceeded to roll up its collective sleeves and consume 450 pounds of Louisiana crawfish. It was real life.

At a crawfish boil, as in worship, if you hold too tightly to your dignity, you will go home hungry.

The Rev. Andrew S. Rollins
Chaplain

Clergy & Staff

The Rev. Andrew S. Rollins,
Chaplain

The Rev. Howard L'Enfant,
Associate

Linda Armstrong, Deacon

Laurie Morris,
Chapel Administrator

Leah Keyes, Music Director

Brad Pope, Organist

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Ellen King, Treasurer

Dianne Turgeon,
Spiritual Director

Advisory Committee

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Senior Warden

Lance Armstrong,
Pastoral Ministries

Susan Nelson,
Communications

Donna Sentell, ECW

Shawn Bailor, Newcomers

Remy Fin,
Young Adult Ministries

Holly Coates Carville

Mary Garner Devoe

Kathy Finley

Kristin Fitzgerald

Buddy Pellerin

Kathy Pellerin

Stephen Crawford

Get to Know Our Students

We will begin the fall semester with an extremely strong group of student leaders. Here are some of our most active students so that you can put a name with a face:



Hi! I'm **Charlotte Gates**. I'm a sophomore at LSU majoring in biology and psychology. I'm from Shreveport and I attend Grace Community United Methodist Church. My favorite CD is *Rusted Root*. I plan to spend the summer at Camp Hardtner. I enjoy soccer, racquetball, and photography.



Hi! I'm **Kate Stump**. I'm a sophomore at LSU and my major is biology. My other student activities are: Delta Gamma, TAF, Student Government, and LSU Tap Ensemble. I'm from DeRidder, LA and I attend Trinity Episcopal Church. *Adore* by the Smashing Pumpkins is my favorite CD and my favorite thing to do is cook a really involved meal. I plan on taking an intercession class in May, then working the rest of the summer and taking weekend trips to visit friends until the beginning of August.



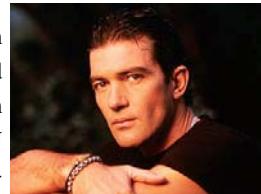
Hi! I'm **Kortney Raeuchle**. I'm a senior at LSU majoring in biology. I'm from Lafayette and I attend St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. My other activities are Kappa Delta, Rotaract, ODK, Alpha Epsilon Delta, Student Government, and work in the biology research lab. My favorite musical group is Maroon 5. I plan to spend the summer as a permanent staff member at Camp Hardtner. I enjoy traveling (especially to the beach).

Hi! I'm **Rachel Lombardo**. I'm a sophomore at LSU majoring in history and international studies. I'm from New Orleans and I attend Trinity Episcopal Church. My other activities are Kappa Alpha Theta, Volunteer LSU and running. My favorite CD is *Inbetween Dreams* by Jack Johnson. This summer I plan to work in New Orleans and take a trip to Paris with my family. I love running, driving in the car, listening to music, reading fun facts about history, baking cookies, hanging out with friends, and watching Saints football (who dat)!



Rachel Lombardo & Katherine Simon

Hi! My name is **Katherine Simon**. I'm a sophomore at LSU majoring in mass communications:public relations. I'm a copy editor at the Reveille and I'm a member of Delta Gamma and PRSSA. My hometown is New Iberia and I attend both Epiphany and St. Barnabas Episcopal Churches. My favorite musical artist is either Matt Nathanson or John McGlaughlin. This summer I plan to stay home and work. I have a lot of favorite things to do, but Compline in the dark in a circle at the altar of St. Alban's was pretty awesome.



Buenos tardes. I'm **Andrew Yeates** and women love me. I am a sophomore at LSU majoring in philosophy. I work the late shift at Middleton Library where I stare deeply into the eyes of freshmen women while making comments about existentialism and pain. My hometown is Mandeville, though I summer in Rio. My favorite thing to do is comb my hair and thoughtfully rub my jaw. My ambition in life is to save inner city school kids through the power of ballroom dancing.

Get to Know Our Students



Hi! My name is **Katie Jones**. I'm a senior at LSU majoring in communication sciences & disorders. I'm a Resident Assistant, and I'm active in the LSU Speech Language Hearing Clinic and National Student Speech Language Hearing Association. My hometown is Katy, TX, and I attend Church of the Holy Apostles. My favorite CD is *Midwest Skies & Sleepless Mondays* by Augstana.

This summer I plan to work at a speech and language clinic in Baton Rouge and as an on-campus conference assistant at LSU. I enjoy going for long drives with all the windows rolled down and music playing at a strong volume.

Hi! I'm **Matt George**. I'm a senior at LSU majoring in biological sciences (pre-dental). I'm from Lake Charles and I attend St. Michael's Episcopal Church. I'm a member of the Pre-Dental Society at LSU and I work at the Eye Care and Surgery Center. My favorite CD is *Rivertown Remedy* by the Bradfords. This summer I plan to stay and work in Baton Rouge while taking the graduate school preparation course. I enjoy sitting on the beach with friends without having to worry about school, work, or anything important.



Matt George & Camille Musso

Hi! I'm **Camille Musso**. I'm a junior at LSU and my major is psychology with a French minor. I'm a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, College Republicans and Up 'Til Dawn and I work at Ted & Daisy's boutique. I'm from Lake Charles, LA, and I attend St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church. My favorite CD is *Because of the Times* by Kings of Leon. I will spend the summer studying French and studio art with the LSU in Paris program, then backpacking around Europe. I love yoga, photography, and doing crosswords while drinking coffee.

Hi! I'm **Michael West**. I'm a senior at LSU and my major is business management. My other student activities are: SAE and Camp Hardtner. I'm from right here in Baton Rouge and I attend Trinity Episcopal Church. My favorite CD's are *August* and *Everything After* by the Counting Crows. This summer I plan to work at Camp Hardtner. My favorite things to do are anything Hardtner, LSU sporting events, and midnight Compline at St. Alban's.



Michael West and Stephen Crawford

Hi! My name is **Stephen Crawford**. I'm a senior at LSU majoring in philosophy. I work at Middleton Library. My hometown is Zachary, LA, and I grew up going to St. Patrick's Episcopal church. My favorite CD is the self-titled album by a little band named Sublime. This summer I'll be headed to Camp Hardtner to be a camp counselor, and my favorite thing to do is play guitar.

My name is **Hunter Thomas Boynton**. I'm a senior at LSU majoring in general business. I'm a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and College Republicans. I'm from beautiful downtown Abbeville, LA, and I attend St. Paul's Episcopal Church. My favorite CD is *50 Number Ones* by George Strait. This summer I will be going to summer school here at LSU, working, and spending lots of time by pools, fishing and playing golf. During the summer I love to be outside, swimming, fishing, skiing, playing golf, floating down rivers, doesn't really matter what I'm doing as long as I'm outside.





Kathy Finley and Charles Keigley serve food at the C.S. Lewis Lunch

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

(Psalm 34:8)



Stephen Crawford and Fr. Drew at the crawfish communion.

Lord, when was it we saw you hungry or thirsty....? **(Matthew 25:45)**

Thanks to our many devoted cooks and servers who made this past semester's Sunday Evening Student Dinners such a success week after week. On average, we fed about 40 students each week. Thank you to:

Amy Copeland	Barron Seifert	Kenny Champagne
Charles & Kay Keigley	Sean & Laura O'Keefe	Charlie & Paula Williams
Ellen King	Julie King	Hal Canning
Maia Butler	Bob & Kathy Finley	Donna Sentell
Jeri Flynn	Renee Smith-Tadie	Lois Taylor
Wendel & Julie Foushee	Danny & Susan Nelson	Mary Devoe & Bob Calongne
Drew & Leslie Bowers	Lance & Linda Armstrong	Buddy & Kathy Pellerin
Gail Pryor	Cynthia Edmonston	Larry & Emily Hubbard
Alison Walker	Constance Clark	Nancy Ward
Jim Willis & Emily Stich	John & Gretchen Godbee	John & Peggy McConnell

We have also gratefully received donations from the following parishes and individual clergy of the diocese in support of our "Lunches with C.S. Lewis." By the end of this past semester, we were serving around 50 each Wednesday. Catering these lunches costs in the neighborhood of \$200 per week, so we are extremely grateful for the support of these diocesan churches:

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Clinton	Trinity Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge
St. James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge	Trinity Episcopal Church, New Orleans
The Rev. Patsy R. Lyle	St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge
Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans	St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Houma

We also thank those several parishioners who helped to serve and clean up week after week at the Wednesday "Lunch with C.S. Lewis":

Charles & Kay Keigley	Bob & Kathy Finley
Barron Seifert	John Berault

And many thanks to all of you who prepared and delivered food for the students during Exam Week. The food was greatly appreciated by all the students.

News from the Anglican Communion

The House of Bishops will gather in New Orleans from September 20-25. We can expect this meeting to attract a great deal of media attention. The schedule and agenda have not yet been released, but the Archbishop of Canterbury has confirmed that he will attend. The primates of the Anglican Communion have set a deadline of September 30 for the Episcopal Church to respond to the Tanzania Communiqué, which greatly increases the importance of this gathering in New Orleans. The Windsor Report, the Tanzania Communiqué, and various other important documents and comments are now posted on our web page (www.stalban.org) under "Anglican Communion News" for those who wish to be better prepared to understand and follow these meetings and issues.

Welcome Leah Keyes Our New Music Director

Leah Keyes is a native of Charleston, SC, and a 2006 graduate of Furman University in Greenville, SC. While at Furman, she was active as a vocal soloist, choir member, and student leader. Most notable in her choral conducting contributions at Furman were her roles as student conductor for the Furman Singers, Music Director of the Furman Chancel Choir, and Music Director of a student-led a cappella group. She recently completed her first year in the MM Choral Conducting program at LSU, studying with Dr. Ken Fulton and Dr. Sara Lynn Baird. Upon graduation with her master's degree in May 2008, Leah plans to pursue a career as a High School Choir Director. After being around St. Alban's for almost a year, she is thrilled to be joining the family officially as the new music director.



Leah Keyes, our new music director

Summer Choir Plans

As we've done in the past, we will reduce our number of paid choir singers from six to three from mid-May until mid-July. This summer, the paid choir singers will be off for four weeks from mid-July to mid-August. Such a plan will benefit us in several ways. First, it gives our paid choir members a time to rest when most of them are not in school. Second, it will give the St. Alban's congregation four Sundays to offer music ourselves without the leadership of a choir. Third, this move will allow us to keep the music budget on line. Finally, the break will prepare us to welcome back these wonderful School of Music students at the beginning of the fall semester.

Quarterly Financial Report

St. Alban's Chapel ended the first quarter of 2007 with a total deficit of \$10,544. The majority of that is accounted for by a shortfall of \$8973 in pledged giving for the first quarter. (We did gain back some of that ground by ending April with a pledged giving shortfall of \$4813.)

Our total budget for 2007 is \$206,880. Of that amount, we have budgeted to receive \$144,035 in pledged giving. (The additional income is in the form of cash contributions, wedding and building use, and designated gifts.) The backbone of our budget is pledged giving. So it is extremely important that these pledges be paid. If you have fallen behind in your pledge, please make every effort to catch up. Thank you!

The St. Alban's Annual Summer Retreat

Our third annual St. Alban's Summer Retreat will be held at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center (SECC) in Robert, LA on Friday evening, August 10 and Saturday, August 11. All St. Alban's parishioners are encouraged to attend the retreat. Our theme will be "Leadership". We will discuss how we all exercise leadership in the home, at our places of work, at school, and most especially in the church. To help us think along those lines, each retreat participant will be asked to read Kevin Martin's new book *5 Keys for Church Leaders*. Father Martin is the canon for congregational development in the Diocese of Texas and a well-known preacher, teacher and author. This short book (93 pages) will help us to address the general topic of Christian leadership and to apply it specifically to St. Alban's. **The registration form for the Summer Retreat can be found on the back page of this newsletter.**

Please contact the chapel office (343-2070) if you are scheduled for surgery or if you are unexpectedly hospitalized. Father Drew, Father Howard, and Deacon Linda are available for hospital visits, anointing of the sick, home communions, and follow-up calls if they know that someone is in need.

We bid farewell to **Drew and Leslie Bowers**, who are moving to Woodstock, GA. Drew has completed his masters in conducting at the LSU School of Music and has accepted a position as director of music at Milton High School. Leslie will continue her work from home as a voicewriter. St. Alban's thanks both Drew and Leslie for all that they have brought to this community over the past year. We wish them joy in their new home! **Their new address is: 604 Dahoma Trl., Woodstock, GA 30188.**



A scene from the 2006 St. Alban's Summer Retreat.

"Our doors are open all day, every day for everybody"



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Worship & Activity Schedule

Sundays

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

6:00 p.m. Student Eucharist, Rite II

Visit our website:

www.stalban.org

St. Alban's Summer Retreat Registration Form

August 10-11, 2007

Solomon Episcopal Conference Center, 54296 Hwy. 445, Loranger, LA 70446

Single (1 Adult, Private Room): \$130; Double (1 Adult, Shared Room): \$98 per person; Family (2 adults w/no children or only children under 6): \$145; Family (2 Adults w/Children over 6): \$145 + \$35 for each child over 6 years old. Babysitters will be available onsite. For details contact the Chapel Office at (225) 343-2070.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Enclosed is my check for: \$_____ Single (\$130) Double (\$98)

Family w/ no Children or Children Under 6 (\$145)

Family w/ Children (\$145 +)Number of Children Over 6 _____ x \$35 = _____

Deadline for Registration is
July 31st. Bring this form
and payment to the Chapel
Office or Mail to:

P.O. Box 25183

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Cost Includes: Overnight Stay and 3 meals and the book *5 Keys for Church Leaders* by Kevin Martin.