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The Historic African Episcopal Church Of St. Thomas

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The Very Reverend Canon Martini Shaw
The 17th Rector

The Rev. Fr. Daren E. Evans Associate Rector

The Rev. Fr. Gerald Collins
Associate Priest

Please click on the link provided for the **Order of Service** for this Sunday.

As our nation prepares to celebrate Thanksgiving, this Sunday we shall gather around the holy table to give thanks for all of God's blessings. Please join us.



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Christ the King/ Youth and Young Adult Sunday NOVEMBER 24, 2024

"WELCOME TO THE MOTHER CHURCH"

"Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Give thanks unto Him and bless His name".

Psalm 100:4

Grace and Peace to you from God on
The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King,
Youth abd Young Adult Sunday. We Welcome
Anne Rice-Burgess, Chief Executive Officer for
Episcopal Community Services (ECS).

On behalf of the Clergy, Wardens, Vestry, and People of God, welcome to the historic **African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas**, founded in 1792 as the first Black Episcopal Church in the USA. The first rector of this historic parish, The Rev. Fr. Absalom Jones was also the first Black Episcopal priest in the nation.

Our parish boldly proclaims the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are an active, mission-minded and growing church family. Whoever you are and wherever you may find yourself on your spiritual journey of faith, you are always welcomed at St. Thomas' Church, where we are joyfully and enthusiastically committed to Jesus' message of love, hope, prayer, acceptance and faith. Today, as you worship in this place, may you experience and feel the presence of the Lord, and may you leave feeling renewed, refreshed and revived. Whoever you may be and however you may find yourself experiencing life's journey, do know that St. Thomas Church welcomes you. Again, welcome!

Faithfully,

Martini Shaw+

(The Very Rev. Canon) Martini Shaw, 17th Rector and Dean of the Schuylkill Deanery



We welcome Anne-Rice-Burgess, Chief Executive Officer for Episcopal Church Services as our guest speaker this morning. Anne Rice-Burgess has more than 30 years of experience in faithbased human services organizations, most recently leading Methodist Services as President and CEO. Anne's career stemmed from her own experience as an adopted child and lifelong attendance and membership in faith-based institutions. Her passion for the work lies deeply in her

conviction that regardless of any person's circumstances of birth and/or experiences in life, every person deserves to be equally valued and provided with opportunities to thrive. Anne's career has been highlighted by the work she has done to create permanent families, the development and construction of permanent housing for unhoused individuals and families, the creation of programming and housing for LGBTQIA+ youth, multiple grant awards for early childhood education, OST, case management, health and wellness services, domestic violence, capital improvement projects, the creation of an urban farm, and advocacy.

She has a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Georgetown University and a Master's in Human Services and Counselling Psychology from Chestnut Hill College. In addition, Anne obtained a generalist certificate in Human Resources through Villanova University and attended the Nonprofit Executive Leadership Institute at Bryn Mawr College.

Anne is the mother of one daughter, who is now attending college and was previously a foster parent to another daughter. She resides in Philadelphia and is passionate about the collective needs of all members of her community at large.

FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR:

This is a reminder that the Mass ends following the Closing Hymn and Dismissal. Please make an extra effort to refrain from leaving the Service before the conclusion. This request is being made in order to respect others gathered for worship.

Our Annual Stewardship Drive has begun. Please prayerfully consider an increase in your 2025 Faithful Giving toward the vibrant ministries of St. Thomas. Remember that our individual goal should be to become a biblical tither (10% of one's earnings).

Are you working toward that spiritual goal? A chart to assist with Faithful Giving may be found here.

The Faithful Giving Form may be found using the following link or when you come to church on Sunday please place your Faithful Giving card on the Altar of God.

Thank you to the individuals who have submitted their 2025 Faithful Giving cards. The list of names may be found here.



Condolences and prayers for Ronnie H. Collins on the death of her friend/companion the Honorable Charles H. Cuffield (President Judge Emeritus, Philadelphia Traffic Court).

Arrangements are pending. May the soul of Charles rest in peace and rise in glory. Please pray for the family.

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Annual Judicial Sunday November 17, 2024







More pictures may be found on our <u>Facebook</u> page.

A reception was held after the service sponsored by Mincey Fitzpatrick Ross, LLC, Tucker Law Group, LLC, and Ballard Spahr, LLC.



Congratulations to:
Khayla Smith Brunson and
Michael Brunson on the birth
of their new baby girl, Sienna,
pictured with brother Weston.
Khayla is the daughter of proud
mother and
grandmother, Anita Smith.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS - UPCOMING DECEMBER SUNDAYS

Sunday, December 1st - First Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 8th - Second Sunday in Advent Men's Day-Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Mark Kelly Tyler, Former Pastor, Mother Bethel A.M.E Church

Sunday, December 15th - Third Sunday in Advent Tree of Life Angel Tree Party - after service in Anderson Hall

Sunday, December 22nd - Fourth Sunday in Advent Youth and Young Adult Sunday

Annual Church School Christmas Presentation



THIS WEEK AT AECST - NOVEMBER 25, 2024

Tuesday, November 26th

Advocacy Outreach Group Meeting - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, November 27th

Young Adult Bible Study with Fr. Daren 6:00 PM in the Absalom Jones House

St. Thomas Gospel Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM in Anderson Hall

Thursday, November 28th

Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, November 29th

Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Saturday, November 30th

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A Celebration of 70 years at St. Thomas

Please join Loretta Ferguson on Sunday, December 1, 2024, after service, for a Chat & Chew "Trip Down Memory Lane" celebrating her 70 years as a member of St. Thomas.

She is dedicating the fellowship to her church family who inspired her spiritual growth over the years. She thanks God for directing her to this Episcopal denomination through her loving mentors, Mrs. Jessie Morris, her school teacher, and Mrs. Katheryn Evans, her first employer.

She has been anointed with spiritual food from her church family since 1952. She also acknowledges all the rectors, interim ministers, associates, Vestry and guild leaders, and her Church family.



An Advent Theological Series "Re-imagining Advent: Journeying with the Prophets." Facilitated by David King

Join facilitator David King, as we explore the season of Advent as both a past and present reality for the church, applying the prophetic texts of the liturgical season to the present day.

The prophets spoke in the past about God's reign, but what do they have to say to us today? Using the prophets as our guides, we will re-engage Advent in all its political, social, and theological importance.

The series will be part lecture, part discussion so that folks can listen and engage with the material themselves. Each session will be immediately after service in the nave of the church for I hour.

Sunday, December 1st - Advent 1: Jeremiah Sunday, December 8th - Advent 2: Malachi Sunday, December 15th - Advent 3: Zephaniah Sunday, December 22nd - Advent 4: Micah St. Thomas is proud to support St. James School.
Our Sisterhood Guild provided holiday food gift
certificates and cans of yams for families
and the community of the school.



The Sisterhood Guild would like to thank all of those in the congregation who supported our collection of sweet potatoes for St. James School. We ended up collecting 254 cans for the donation.

The Guild also gave St. James 10-\$25 gift cards from ShopRite, to give out to families. Thanks again for all of your continued support of our outreach efforts.

You are such a blessing.

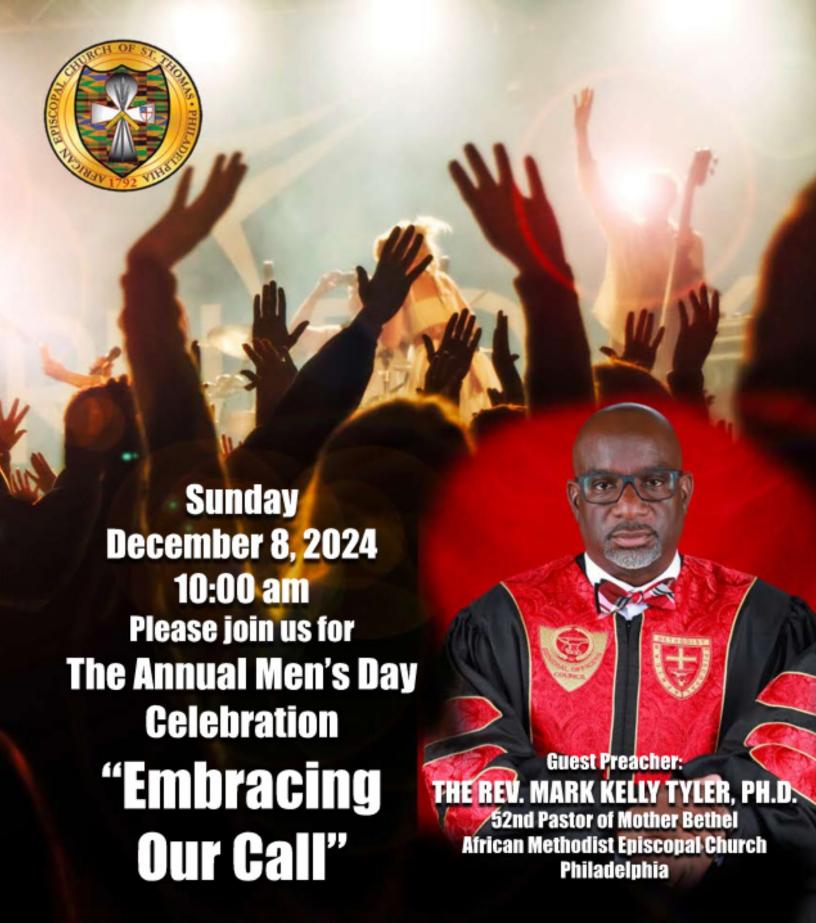
The RPM (Retired Persons Ministry) of Overbrook Presbyterian Church & St. Thomas Seniors gather to share gratitude & thanks



EXPRESSIONS OF GRATEFULNESS!

We are so grateful for these individuals who faithfully give their time to keep the AECST EXPRESS on track and on the move. (St. Thomas Altar Guild and St. Thomas Mailing Team). A big "Welcome" to new Altar Guild member, Robyn Lynch!





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Please assist the Vestry in planning and providing for making the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas the best it can be in response to your Christian journey by completing this questionnaire by **December 15**.

You can respond <u>online</u> or use a paper questionnaire provided on a table at the back of the church. (We love online responses!)

Cherie Felder Events provided a wonderful reception for Judicial Sunday last Sunday proudly sponsored by Mincey Fitzpatrick Ross, Tucker Law Group, and Ballard Spahr.

You can view the gallery here:

Judicial Sunday Coffee Hour Images.

"The New Members Manual" has finally arrived!

Please use the link to access it.



SAVE THE DATE!!!
Christmas Eve Service
Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at 7:00 PM



ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers on the High Altar are in loving memory of the late **Edith B. Jones**, given by her children, Robert and Ronald Jones, Pamela Jones Johnson; son-in-law Kelvin Johnson, Sr., grandchildren, Ian Jones, Ashley (Scott) Williams, Kelvin Jr. and Julian Johnson, and great-grandchildren, Amelia and Vivian Williams.

To order flowers for the High Altar, Absalom Jones Altar, or Columbarium, please use this <u>link.</u>

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CALLING ALL DANCERS!!!!

Opportunity awaits if you want to praise the Lord in dance and worship. The "Angels in Motion" dance ministry, a multi-generational ministry welcomes all ages, and skill levels in ballet, modern, jazz, and African dance to join! Interested? Please contact, Director, Pamela Johnson.



Hosted by The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Saturday, January 25, 2025 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

6063 Lancaster Avenue | Philadelphia, PA 19131 Ticket Prices:

\$50 for Adults (21 and older) | \$25 for Youth (under 21)

Join us for a day of empowerment and spiritual growth! Enjoy a continental breakfast, a delicious lunch, and participate in engaging workshops designed to uplift your spirit and strengthen your faith.

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with others and explore the strength found in our faith!

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact:

Cynthia Muse at musecyn@aol.com

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OUTREACH MINISTRY IN ACTION!!!

Members of the St. Thomas-Chosen 300 Ministry gather to provide food to those in the community.



More pictures may be found on our Facebook page.

RE-IMAGINING OUR MINISTRIES

Persons are needed:

- -to lift their voices on the **Comfort Choir** during funeral services at St. Thomas. Please contact **D. Lynn Joell** if interested.
- -to serve with the **Sound Ministry** for Sunday morning service and weekday funeral services. If interested, please contact Gladyce in the Parish Office.
- -to serve on the **Altar Guild**. This amazing group of individuals prepares our altar each week for the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Interested people should contact **Alfreda Brockman**.
- -to serve as **Readers and Intercessors** to read the Holy Scripture during our weekly services. Interested persons should contact Gladyce in the Parish Office to sign up.
- -to join the **Transportation Ministry**. The main mission of the ministry is to provide transportation to parishioners who attend Sunday Service who may be parked in a nearby remote parking lot. Please contact **Gladyce** in the office if you are interested.
- -as **Acolytes** to serve on the altar. Please contact **Fr. Daren** if you are interested.
- -Photography Ministry is in need of additional photographers. You do not need to be a professional photographer but do enjoy taking pictures. Anyone interested can contact Bill Edmonds or Dale Williams.

The Shepherds Ministry is still in need of many more volunteers to be able to shepherd all households of our congregation. Shepherds set their own schedules to be in regular touch with their households of sheep by phone, email, text or various social media platforms. Each is assigned no more than 4 households. All Ministry meetings are held via Zoom. Please note that the Vestry will continue to shepherd, for one year, all new members joining the congregation. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Charlene M. Wiltshire.



EXCITING NEWS!!! SPREAD IT!!!

Our new and exciting Family Podcast Series is ALIVE!! Two series are now available for your listening enjoyment.

#1 - Fr. Daren introduces the Series with **Fr. Shaw** as his guest. "Creating a Culture of Conversation". The podcast can be found using this <u>link.</u>

#2 - Fr. Daren welcomes **Pamela Johnson** as his guest. "Body Image: Good Enough for Jesus". The podcast can be found using this <u>link</u>.

#3 - Fr. Daren welcomes **Tynecia Wilson** as his guest. Conversation: "The Adultification of Black Girls". The podcast can be found using this **link**:





CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Are you willing to serve for at least one Sunday per month as a church school teacher? Please prayerfully consider this call. We are especially looking for young adults, men, and anyone who loves children. Please speak with Fr. Daren ASAP if you are interested.



At St. Thomas, we embrace and celebrate our youth. If you have children in your family or neighborhood, please invite or bring them to be a part of our amazing Church School program. When was the last time you invited someone to church?



Church School begins at 10:00 AM on Sundays in the Undercroft. Please use the QR Code to register your child.



ATTENTION ALL ACOLYTES

Rehearsals are EACH SUNDAY immediately following service. For more information, please speak with Fr. Daren.



A REMINDER TO ALL GUILDS, ORGANIZATIONS, MINISTRIES, AND INDIVIDUALS:

ANY and ALL Activities using the church facilities (i.e., Anderson Hall, the Undercroft, the church) or the Absalom Jones House MUST be scheduled and approved by the Parish Administrator: Gladyce DuBrey or call (215-473-3065) and NOT the SEXTON beforehand. It is VERY IMPORTANT that all activities are listed on the calendar of the Parish Office.

DAILY RECOMMENDED BIBLE READINGS

READINGS FOR Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King after Pentecost November 24, 2024

The First Lesson - Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
Psalm 93

The Second Lesson - Revelation 1:4b-8
The Holy Gospel - Mark 13:1-8

The Holy Gospel Readings for the Week of November 25, 2024

Monday- Matthew 19:1-12
Tuesday - Matthew 19:13-22

Wednesday - Matthew 19:23-30

Thursday - Matthew 20:1-6

Friday - <u>Matthew 20:17-28</u>

Saturday - Matthew 20:29-34



VERGERS NEEDED!

Are you being called to this exciting ministry?
Want to know more about what a Verger does?
The Verger Guide may be found here
Please speak with Karen Ragland or the Rector for more details.



The Adult Bible Study Group

will resume next Tuesday, November 26th. Please contact Fr. Jay for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE:

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Kenneth Dow - Presbyterian

IN REHAB:

Helena Allen - Simpson House; Leotta Griffith, Linda Holmes -Saunders House; Deborah "Binky" Seay - Broomall Manor; Inez Turner, Veger Stephen - St. Francis Rehab; Gwendolyn Langford-Arden Courts of Cherry Hill

AT HOME:

Robert Brown, Ridart "Butch" Farmer, Alletta Parris-Olday, Ola Bass; Ronald Coleman, Shirley Winkfield, Thelma Silvers, Lemont Johnson, Patricia Ellison, Mary Ann Jones, Shirley Caldwell, Terry Corson, Barbara Douglas, Wendell Whitlock, Cornelia Camp, Kenneth Dow, Yvonne Syndor, Donald Hunt, Jr., Rev. Dr. Thomas Snowden, Grace Wetzel, Yvonne Syndor; Waltier Blocker

KEEP IN PRAYER:

Justin Trotman, Cathy Stafford, Teri Taylor, Lisa Woodley, Adinah Edwards, Carl Dean, Patricia Holmes, Ann Stewart, Sandra Bryant Miller, Autumn Simmons, Darryl Stewart

WE PRAY FOR

those who are Incarcerated and their families, as well as those affected by their actions.

Our Wednesday in-person Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM.
We continue our journey through Acts of the Apostles.

YOUTH COUNCIL

Do you feel called to work with Youth? Do you have great ideas that will help the church to connect with the youth of today (and vice versa)? You are invited to be a part of our parish Youth Council. Please contact Fr. Daren for more details.

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

All young adults (those in their 20's and 30's) are invited to a time of fellowship on the 4th Sunday of every month in Anderson Hall immediately following worship.

GIRLS FRIENDLY

Girls Friendly will begin on **Saturday, October 5th**. Please contact **Nikkol Simms** for more information.

DO YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

Have you ever thought about using that talent to glorify God in worship? Please prayerfully consider joining our St. Thomas Jazz Ensemble, St. Thomas Chancel Choir or St. Thomas Gospel Choir. If interested, please contact Gladyce in the Parish Office ASAP to get details on upcoming scheduled rehearsals.

Calling for Youth Acolytes!



All youth of our church are invited to serve in the AECST Acolyte Ministry. No prior experience is needed as training will be provided. This is an excellent way for our children and youth to be involved in the life of the church. For more information please speak with **Fr. Daren.**

Scout Troop #133 - Our Cub Scout Program is open to children grades 1-5. The Cub program meets at 2:00 PM. on Saturdays.

Our Scout Program is open to children aged 11-17 years old. The Scout Program meets at **3:00 PM on Saturdays**.

Please contact Scout <u>Master Howard Chapman</u> for more information.

AECST LIVE STREAM

Please join us for worship on the <u>St. Thomas website</u>, the <u>Live Service</u>, or on our <u>Facebook</u> page or <u>Youtube</u> every Sunday morning at 10:00 AM. You can also watch <u>Past</u> <u>Services</u>.

HOW CAN I BE FAITHFUL TO GOD AND THE CHURCH THROUGH STEWARDSHIP?

"To whom much is given, much is required." -Luke 12:48

The Stewardship Committee of the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas recognizes that stewardship may take form in several ways, your time, your talent or your treasures. The one commonality is that each of us must prayerfully ask God to guide us in making the right choices and have faith that He will guide us to the right decision.

Our church has a tremendous congregation that is thriving and growing. The ministries that we have serve all of God's children near and far. These endeavors require all three forms of stewardship: but especially your sharing of treasures. Prayerfully consider donating to one or all of the special requests below.

FAITHFUL GIVING CARD (PLEDGE)

Please pray for your Faithful Giving for 2024 and 2025. You'll be able to complete your <u>Faithful Giving Card</u> on the <u>church website</u>, or by using the paper Faithful Giving Card. Strong support is needed to meet the budget, our many endeavors and outreach projects at St. Thomas. Your Faithful Giving Card can also be placed in the Alms Basin or mailed to the church office.

THE BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES have been placed in Anderson Hall beside the Offering Envelopes. Please pick them up with your offering envelopes. If you've already picked your offering envelopes up, please pick up your Building Fund envelopes. You can also do your Building Fund offering online. Each box of Building Fund envelopes will include twelve envelopes, one for each month. Thank you.

CAPITAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT FUND

If you are actively contributing, thank you! Your gifts are truly appreciated. Everyone is asked to make a minimum sacrificial gift of \$40 per month. The Building Fund Envelopes are located in Anderson Hall beside the Offering envelopes. When using electronic payments select "Building Fund." If using checks write "Building Fund" on the memo line of your check.

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

The church has received many "undeliverable" mailings. If you have moved, please update your mailing address with the church office by **email** or phone 215-473-3065.

Can you help deliver offertory envelopes to our sick and shutin parishioners? If you live near a parishioner who is unable to come to church, it would be much appreciated if you would bring their envelopes to them. A list of our sick and shutin parishioners is located next to the offertory envelopes in Anderson Hall.

IMPORTANT: Make sure your name, envelope #, and amount are included on the front of your offering envelope. This is critical for bookkeeping accuracy. Help is just an email away. Contact <u>Judy Tillman</u>.

RECTOR'S PRAYERFUL WISH LIST

\$100,000.00. Our air conditioning units have provided over 30 years of comfort. They are now in need of being replaced. Please prayerfully consider donating toward the replacement and use the <u>link</u> provided. Thank you to those who have already given toward the new air-conditioning units.

There are several ways to submit your offering and tithes: church service offertory, use the QR code, website donations, download the Givi app, U.S. Mail or hand deliver it to the fiscal office.



WAYS TO CONTINUE TO BE FAITHFUL TO GOD AND THE CHURCH THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

"To whom much is given, much is required." Luke 12:48

- 1) Sunday Offering Plate.
- 2) Mail in your check or money order to the church. Please use the following address: The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas c/o Fiscal Administrator. 6361 Lancaster Avenue, (Absalom Jones Way).Philadelphia, PA 19151
- 3) **Use the Givi app.** If you don't already use the app and don't have an account, it's easy to obtain. Please download the Givi app, **(givi IOS App)** for your Apple (iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch) or **(givi Android App)** for your Android device. If you have any questions, please speak with **Deadra Cannon**, 215-844-6115.
- 4) **Bring your check** directly to the Fiscal Office during regular business hours (Monday Thursday 10:00 AM-2:00 PM) **After business hours**, drop your envelope in the door mail slot located on the front patio of the Absalom Jones House.
- 5) Church website Online Giving
 Simply select the button/s on the page that represents
 where you'd like your payment to be applied, i.e. your
 pledge, the AJ House, Easter, etc. NOTE: Please remember
 to enter your envelope number in the Customer ID field, if
 you are a member of St.Thomas when filling out your
 online giving information.)
- 6) **Pledge Cards** Please send them via the US mail to the church or fill out the form **electronically** through the **www.aecst.org** website or send an email to our **Fiscal Administrator**.

Thank you so much to all who have return them.

MINISTRY STAFF

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Deborah Harrison	D. Lynn Joell	Kelvin Johnson
Pamela Johnson	Patricia Lynch	Judith Simkins-Booth

THE AFRICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS is a Christ-centered community that welcomes all people. This community embraces and executes the core values of our founder, the Reverend Absalom Jones: leadership, morality, spirituality, equal rights, education, liberty, charity, justice, humanitarianism, self-determanation, self-respect, and freedom.

St. Thomas is an open, Christ-centered community of faith in which the Gospel is re-imaged, taught, lived, and spread.