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INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

**We are Baptized to Witness and Minister
In the Name of Jesus Christ**

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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

Are we being changed through the work of the Holy Spirit? There are many of us who wrestle with our imperfections and desire a change in our thought process and attitude. Jesus said in Matthew 18 and verse 3, “unless you change and become... you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” This change takes place within the **heart of the soul**; the center of emotion, intellect and will. However, it takes time for the Holy Spirit to penetrate our hearts that have been hardened by sin and our emotional issues. “This transformation happens as we spend time in God’s presence, allowing him to reshape our hearts. So take time! Listen to him tell you who he is and how much he loves you. Admit the things inside you that are far from perfect. Give him the time and space he needs to do it. As you grow confident in his love, your heart will expand to begin to love others the way he does. You will be different.” Are we intentional in our walk with Jesus? A deliberate daily walk with Jesus will see a gradual change of our hearts.

This is a gradual process of change (conversion) that requires our time, conscious and deliberate participation for worship and prayer. As you sit in God’s company, the Lord will mold you into the likeness of His Son’s heart. It is the Holy Spirit living inside of us who will heal our souls, and enable us to bear the Spirit’s fruit of forgiving-love, joy in thanksgiving, peace in kindness and patience in attitude. Growing in the Spirit towards Christ likeness is an adventure. Are you a committed disciple for this journey of faith? Take the step of faith, put your trust in the Lord and you will see **a transformation** in your life.

Jesus has called us to imitate his life so that we are shaped by it. This means living according to the character of Jesus’ life that we see in the Gospels, which must be at work within us, shaping us to live His risen life. We are called to deliberately open our hearts to be shaped by the person of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

A call to Intentional Discipleship sustained by the Holy Spirit is our focus for 2018-2020

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors who are worshipping with us today.

Sirrano+

Offertory: Let the Whole Creation Cry

Let the whole creation cry: Alleluia!
Glory to the Lord on high! Alleluia!
Heav'n and earth, awake and sing: Alleluia!
God is good and therefore king! Alleluia!

Praise Him, all ye hosts above, Alleluia!
Ever bright and fair in love, Alleluia!
Sun and moon, lift up your voice, Alleluia!
Night and stars in God rejoice, Alleluia!

Warriors fighting for the Lord, Alleluia!
Prophets burning with His Word, Alleluia!
Those to whom the arts belong, Alleluia!
Add their voices to the song, Alleluia!

Men and women, young and old, Alleluia!
Raise the anthem manifold, Alleluia!
And let children's happy hearts, Alleluia!
In this worship bear their parts, Alleluia!

There is a candle in every soul

There is a candle in every soul
Some brightly burning, some dark and cold
There is a Spirit who brings fire
Ignites a candle and makes His home

Refrain

***Carry your candle, run to the darkness
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle, and go light your world
Take your candle, and go light your world***

Frustrated brother, see how he's tried to
Light his own candle some other way
See now your sister, she's been robbed and lied to
Still holds a candle without a flame

We are a family whose hearts are blazing
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky
Praying to our Father, in the name of Jesus
Make us a beacon in darkest times.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: We pray for preachers of the word, theologians and Bible translators, for all organizations that seek to provide people with the Scriptures. We remember before you all who are growing in the faith for those in confirmation classes and preparation for baptism classes. We pray for shepherds of your flock, for all ministers of your word and sacrament for John, Archbishop; Howard, Diocesan Bishop; Robert and Leon Suffragan Bishops, for Sirrano, Olando, Andrea, and all other clergy and church workers.

Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Leader: Lord of the Nations, we pray for our nation and leaders; for Patrick, We pray for Patrick, Governor General; Andrew, Prime Minister; Peter, Leader of the Parliamentary Opposition; all Members of Parliament and the Senate. We pray also for the Judiciary that they may serve justice and protect and safe-guard the human rights, of every Jamaican. Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Leader: Lord, creator of all, help us to be aware of our stewardship of the environment and creation and grant that we may use the resources of the earth rightly. Enable us to protect our watershed and landscape from pollution. We pray for areas where the soil is overworked, and the landscape is unproductive. We pray for farmers where crops have failed and fishermen of our world especially in areas where reefs have been overfished. Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Leader: We pray for all who work to promote your kingdom, all who seek release for captives, to bring sight to the blind, to bind up the broken-hearted and to restore the fallen. We ask your blessing on relief agencies and care workers, for the work of the Red Cross, the United Nations and the World Health Organization and save the Children fund. Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Leader: We pray for homes where it is difficult to be a Christian, where there is enmity and strife, and violence, for homes where there is neglect and abuse. We give thanks for all agencies, organizations and people that support families in their needs and crisis. We pray for friends and loved ones who have lost faith, for any who have become hard and cynical, for all who fail to see glimpses of glory, or hear your call.

Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Leader: We give thanks that you bear us up and do not suffer us to face destruction; you offer us life which is eternal. We pray for loved ones departed, for all who have left sorrow and pain for life and love eternal. Lord of our Salvation

All: We put our trust in you

Silence May Be Kept

All: Lord God Almighty, we look for you, we long for you, we watch for you, we wait for you. Give us wisdom to know you and courage to serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

All: Strengthen our faith.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Fay Jenkinson	Heron Wright	Wilfred Carr
Olive Lawrence	Headley Clarke	Evan Grant
Lena McDonald	Beryl Smith	Fredrick Green
Hazel Hyde	Victoria Mightly	Sybil Shirley

Kindly inform the Church Office when you become aware of members who are ill at home, in hospital, or absent from Church for a while.

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did You Know?

It was customary for virgins to be a part of marriage banquets. Since the wedding procession was usually at night, many would carry torches or lamps. However, no one would know the time that the bridegroom would arrive with the bride, until the herald comes crying. At their arrival, those who are with the crowd/procession, will be able to slip inside, and the doors are closed immediately. As a result, those who are late will not be allowed to enter.

Quote for Reflection

Jesus wants to be and must be our highest priority if we are going to be prepared for His coming or even make it to the end. That means not only letting go and giving up on the things of the past that we once thought were so important, but we must also “forget those things that are behind and strain forward to the things ahead in order to press toward the goal of the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.” (Cousineau, J. A., *Preparing the Bride: Who Is Jesus Returning For?*, 2011)

Question for Reflection

How prepared are you to meet Jesus, as Lord, when He returns to harvest the souls of the earth for His kingdom?

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (November 12 - 18)

The Church is open **Monday to Friday**
between **9 a.m. and 5 p.m. for prayer**

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	5:30 p.m.	Home for Girls
	5:30 p.m.	St. Andrew Settlement
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion - Sick and Shut-In (Clergy)
	5:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Care Center
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 p.m.	Church Committee
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	11:00 a.m.	Little Brothers
	2:00 p.m.	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship

**What is your Ministry within the Church
for the growth of the Kingdom of God?**

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Jevaughn Hurge, and Anthony Williams 12/11, Kay Brown, Winsome Hall, Hepburn Wint and Minke Newman-McLaren 13/11, Patrick Palmer, Carol Hamilton and Roger Goldson 14/11, Shirley Tyndall, Velma Davis, Annie Mantle and Desland McKenzie 15/11, Ari-anna James 16/11, Neville Hendricks, Paul Wright, Hyacinth Williams and Simone Harris 17/11 and Beverley Porter and Clifford Strudwick 18/11.

Condolence is extended to Janice Dayes and family on the passing of her husband Hamar Dayes. His funeral service will be on Friday 17th, at 11 a.m. Also to Alwyn Smith and family on the passing of his brother, Westby Smith in Florida. His funeral service will be on Wednesday November 25, at St. Saviour's Church, Milk River.

Patronal Festival will be celebrated on Sunday Dec. 3, 2017 at 7:30 a. m. We will have only **ONE** service on that day as we worship as a church family.

Confirmation Class continues on Wednesday, November 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Intentional Discipleship - The Diocesan Launch will be held at Church Teachers' College,, Mandeville on Sunday November 12, at 10:00 a.m.

“Diocesan Youth Rally, November 18, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at St. George’s Church, Savanna-la-mar. The March of Witness will begin at St. George’s and end at the Manning’s School, where all other activities will take place.”

The Harvest Supper Committee is inviting members and their families to support the stalls on Friday 17. Please make your returns as early as possible.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 - Joint Fellowship Groups Service at 6.00 p.m.
The theme is “TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD”

There will be a service at the Cathedral on Nov. 26, (Cathedral Sunday) at 3:30 p.m. There will be **NO Evening Service** here at 6:00 p.m.

Needed urgently a Project Volunteer Coordinator for overseeing the SAPC Greenhouse agricultural project. Kindly contact the SAPC Administration office

TWENTYTHIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 12, 2017 - Proper 27 - Year A

6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament	Joshua 24:1 - 3a, 14 - 25	Deryke Smith
Psalms 78: 1 - 7	Refrain (All sit) <i>"We will tell the glorious deeds of the Lord, the wonders He has done."</i>	<i>Alleluia!</i>
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Epistle	1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 18	Jennifer Goodison
Gospel	Matthew 25:1 - 13	
Prayer of Intercession	page 4	

8:00 a.m. SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional	364	
Old Testament	Joshua 24:1 - 3a, 14 - 25	Gervaise McLeod
Psalms 78: 1 - 7	Chanted	BCP page 566 (All stand)
Epistle	1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 18	Pascale James
Gradual	340	(Children Leave for Sunday School)
Gospel	Matthew 25:1 - 13	
Sermon	Rev. Canon Serrano Kitson	
Prayer of Intercession	page 4	
Creed	561	
Offertory Hymn	Let the whole creation cry	(See pg. 3)
During Communion	628, 630, 518, 441	
Sunday School	670	
Recessional	496	

10:30 a.m. CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

6:00 p.m. JOINT FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

THEME "TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD"