

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 31, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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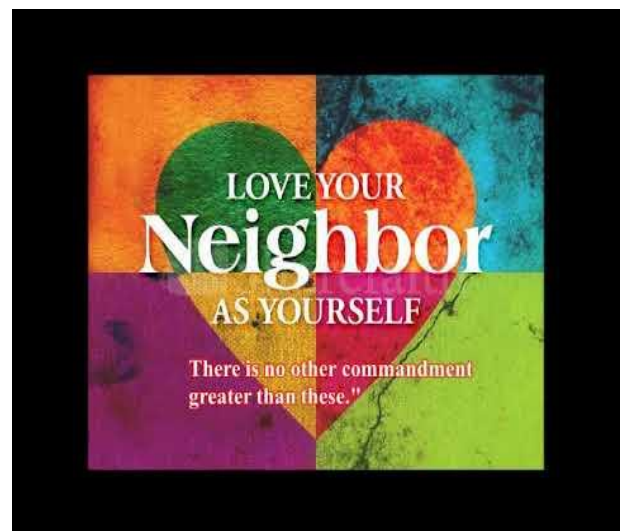
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HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

Opening prayer

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn

L194 v1, Lead Me, Guide Me

Akers

Refrain:

Lead me, guide me along the way;

For if You lead me, I cannot stray;

Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak, and I need Thy strength and power

To help me over my weakest hour;

Let me through the darkness Thy face to see,

Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [REFRAIN]

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect for the Day

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of Ruth (1:1-18)

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you

have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die— there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 146 (*Read responsively by whole verse*)

1. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2. Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,*
for there is no help in them.

3. When they breathe their last,
they return to earth,*
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4. Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!*
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**5. Who made heaven and earth, the seas,
and all that is in them;***
who keeps his promise for ever;

6. Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.*

**7. The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;***
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

*8. The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger;**
*he sustains the orphans and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.*

**9. The Lord shall reign for ever,*
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

A Reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews (9:11-14)

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

H439 v1, What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?

What wondrous love is this, O my soul?

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

The Holy Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (12:28-34)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

After the Gospel the Reader says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn

H439 v2, What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,

to God and to the Lamb I will sing,

to God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,

while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,

while millions join the theme, I will sing.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Prayers of the People Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Samuel our Bishop, our Rector Hugh and all priests, and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble especially those who are on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

For those at Home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Sam Oliver Sr., James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Howard Vincent Lewis, Franklyn Bramble, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove.

Lawson, Cynthia Holland, Genevie Vaughn, Harriet Bowen. Livy Hitchcock, Sheila Gonzales, Reubina Gomez, Scott Allen, Sam & Sharal Jugger and Allan Johnson.

For those in the care of the Doctor:

Joycelyn Stephens, Jo Ann Robinson, Williamae Jackson, Lauren Sapp, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Marva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamela Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Mayleen Rosheuvell, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Fr. William Guthrie, Herma Watson Taylor, Fred and Sheila Hickman, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Canon Nelson Pinder, Camilla Stapleton, Elijah Malone, Carl Maxwell, Fr. Ranfurly Brown, Al Lawson Jr., Bill Bush, Kendra Nixon and Nohemy Reid.

For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams.

For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson and Thandi Williams.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs, and those of others.

Silence.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and people

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Celebrant then says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Peace

A221 v1, Peace, Be Still

Palmer

1. Master, the tempest is raging!

The billows are tossing high!

The sky is o'ershadowed with blackness,

No shelter or help is nigh;

"Carest thou not that we perish?"

How canst thou lie asleep,

When each moment so madly is threat'ning

A grave in the angry deep?

Refrain:

The winds and the waves shall obey thy will.

"Peace, be still!"

Whether the wrath of the storm-tossed sea,

Or struggles or evil, whatever it be,

No water can swallow the ship where lies

the Master of ocean and earth and skies:

They all shall sweetly obey thy will.

"Peace, be still! Peace, be still!"

They all shall sweetly obey thy will.

"Peace, peace, be still!"

Offertory

Organ Interlude

Doxology

A650, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A (remain standing)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people stand or kneel)

Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. *Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn L119 v1-4, Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart Atkinson

1. Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart,
wean it from sin, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are,
and make me love you as I ought to love.

2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no opening skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away

3. Teach me to feel that you are always nigh;
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unceasing prayer.

4. Teach me to love you as your angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame:
the fullness of the heaven-descended Dove;
my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

Meditation Hymn

Organ Interlude

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn H287 v1,6 &7, For all the saints

Sine Nomine

1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever bless'd.

Alleluia, alleluia!

6. The golden evening brightens in the west.
Soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest.
Sweet is the calm of paradise the bless'd.

Alleluia, alleluia!

7. But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array,
as God to glory calls them all away.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

***OUR VISION** is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.*

***OUR MISSION** is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.*



HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!



Zuri White (11/01), David Wasson (11/3), Thomas Payne (11/4), Dawn Freeman (11/5)

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Feast of All Saints – November 2nd

This year's observance will be by zoom on Tuesday November 2nd. We are asking those who wish to have their loved ones mentioned at the non-liturgical service to kindly send their names to the office by the latest Monday afternoon. *Fr. Hugh+*

From the Rector's Desk

I share with you today, another reflection received from a sister in Christ. It is entitled – Camouflaged Christians.

There is so much phoniness and hypocrisy in society today, that it is difficult to determine who is real and who is not! We have people making great efforts to put in appearances, just so they could impress others. Sadly this is sometimes even true in our churches. For there we have camouflaged Christians, helping to lead church services, singing like angels in the choir stalls, and serving as greeters for those attending, affording them great warmth and affection as they are handed church bulletins. As soon as church is done, these very people resume their old ways of living. Let me ask you, would you respect your pastor/priest if you knew he was having an extramarital affair, or the church treasurer was lining his or her pockets with the Lord's money? Would your opinion of the lay leaders be different if you knew they were abusing their partners? We would be appalled, and should be! See, when we pretend to live by biblical principles while pursuing a worldly lifestyle, there is only one word to describe us – Hypocrite. What does the word say? Listen to the writer of 1 Peter 2:1 – “therefore, rid yourself of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.” There is perhaps only one way to rid one's self from such behavior and that is to do what is called in the church the 180 – making a complete change by surrendering our total selves to Jesus. Here is what Paul the Apostle said to the believers at Rome (Romans 13:14 – “clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.”

This is the modern translation of that verse – choose to be real and rejected than to be fake and accepted. The critical difference between a struggling believer and a calloused hypocrite.....is desire. Fellow believers, let us hate what is evil in our lives and cling to what is good, always. As Jesus says to us in Matt. 6:33 and following – seek ye first His kingdom and His righteous and all good things He will add to our lives.

Fr. Hugh+

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of Heaven and Earth: Grant unto us thy suppliant people, protection against hurricanes, earthquakes, and other calamities; that in tranquility of weather we may rejoice in the comfort we desire and may always make right us of thy bountiful goodness through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic

Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see one another not as vectors of infection, but as opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Suggested daily Readings for Season after Pentecost: October 25 to October 30

Mon.	Ecclus. 19:4-17	Psalm 41, 52	Luke 11:14-26
Tue.	Ecclus. 24:1-12	Psalm.45	Luke 11:27-36
Wed.	Ecclus. 28:14-26	Psalm119:49-72	Luke 11:37-52
Thurs.	Ecclus. 31:12-18	Psalm50	Luke 11:53 – 12:12
Fri.	Ecclus. 34:1-8, 18-22	Psalm 40, 54	Luke 12:13-31
Sat.	Ecclus. 35:1-17	Psalm 55	Luke 12:32-48

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALTHEMESE

The Tallahassee City Commissioners unanimously voted to honor a pillar of the community, Althemese Barnes, during its Wednesday meeting on October 27, 2021. The Smokey Hollow portion of the Cascades Park, located at the corner of West Pensacola and South Meridian Streets, will be named the Althemese Pemberton Barnes Commemorative Park. This is in tribute to the many historical projects that Ms. Barnes has provided leadership to including establishing the John Gilmore Riley Centre/Museum, providing leadership to several African American cemetery restoration projects, researching and publishing numerous historical books, serving as historian on several local and state heritage trail projects and being the genesis behind the research that resulted in the Smokey Hollow Community being recognized and physically memorialized as a part of the Cascades Park Development.