

**Meals on Wheels** is a community based organization, providing hot meals to shut-ins, among other services, that Rufus Woody and Judy Evans support with their efforts in a variety of ways. Contact person: **Judy Evans, 512-301-8838, judye@mail.utexas.edu.**

**The Music Ministry/Choir of St. Alban's** is expertly directed by **David Means, 361- 799-9629, davidmeans@aol.com.** Choir practice is on Sundays at 9 AM and new singers are always welcome.

**Nursery Care** is coordinated by **Mary Capps, 512-295-4168, mcapps07@yahoo.com.**

**The Outreach Commission** is a newly formed body that gathers with the intention of moving the ministries of St. Alban's into the community at large. Contact **Jill Binder, 512- 280-1588, jillbinder@sbcglobal.net.**

**Prison Ministry/Kairos** is a Christian, ecumenical, volunteer, lay-led continuing ministry to prisoners and their families. Contact **Freth Carroll, 512-376-9389, frethtx@msn.com.**

**Prison Ministry/SAIL – St Alban's Inmate Literacy Project (SAIL)** is an all-volunteer effort to bring the gift of literacy to our incarcerated brothers and sisters with reading problems. We are currently working with inmates at the Travis County Correctional Complex in Del Valle. Tutors work one on one with the students using cutting edge methodology which produces rapid, effective results. No experience is required and all training is provided. Contact: **David Polacheck, 512-280-4752 (H), 512-750-8142 (C).**

**Publicity** for St. Alban's activities will be directed by **Kate and Bob McVey, 512-291-4006 (H), ktshome@yahoo.com, robert@robertmcvey.com**

**Safeguarding God's Children** is a national course in the prevention of child abuse required of all persons working with children in the Episcopal Church. Our in-house instructor is **Sylvia Evans, 512-894-3870, picas@prodigy.net.**

**Saints and Sinners Supper Club** are small groups formed with the express purpose of enjoying good food and fellowship. The groups are organized through the church office, **JoeAnn Wright , 512-371-6679 (H), joeannwright@att.net**

**St. Clare's Guild** expresses their creativity through a variety of hand crafted items; baptismal gifts for babies, lap blankets, prayer shawls, mariner's scarves and hats, and toys for children. **"Klickety-Klack"** meets every other Saturday from 10-12 to knit, crochet and create together for the benefit of those in need of tangible comfort and support. No experience necessary – lessons and simple patterns provided! Contact **Sheila Hancock, 512-295-4204 (H), shancock5@austin.rr.com.**

**Tai Chi**, a "meditation in motion" is practiced on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 in the Parish Life Center. It promotes serenity through gentle movements and breathing that connect mind and body. For further information contact **Sue Shirley, 512-444-8979, jasu1@sbcglobal.net.**

**Ushers** warmly welcome worshipers to services, provide service leaflets, and direction for seating as needed. Training is provided and inquiries about this flexible and valuable ministry can be directed to **Carl Hayes, 512-301-2245, chhayes1@sbcglobal.net.**

**Vergers** serve as Master of Ceremonies for St. Alban's Sunday worship. Contact **Jerry Inman, 512-280-6119, jmhinman@earthlink.net.**

**Vestry Members** are elected for three-year terms to the ministry of leadership for the St. Alban's faith community. More information can be obtained by contacting **Senior Warden Charlotte Peck, 512-292-3443, charpeck@austin.rr.com.**

**Walking the Mourners Path** is a Christ-centered, scripturally based grief support group. The eight week program is led by two certified grief facilitators and one clergy person. Contact persons are **Rev. Margaret Waters, 512-282-5631 (W), margaret@stalbansaustin.org, Charlotte Peck, 512- 292-3443 (H), charpeck@austin.rr.com, or Sue Shirley 512- 444-8979 (H), jasu1@sbcglobal.net.**

**Website: www.stalbansaustin.org** is a valuable source of information for those in our community and for those seeking a church. The St. Alban's Webmaster is **Dede Saenz, 512-441-8803, dedes@sbcglobal.net.** Dede welcomes feedback and/or assistance.



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## Lay Ministry Opportunities 2009-2010



Thank you for taking time to read about the many ministries enjoyed by our members. We hope you are, or soon will be, a member of St. Alban's, and that you will find your place in God's service with us.

This list is continually changing. We seek to participate in the work of God's Kingdom, both within the walls of the church and in the world. We are always open to new ministry opportunities about which you may be passionate. We firmly believe that each of us is called by our Baptismal promises to seek and serve Christ in all persons, love our neighbors as ourselves, and work for justice and peace among all people.

*Rev. Margaret Waters, Rector*

*Rev. Ann Brotherton, Associate Rector*

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# *Lord, make us instruments of your peace.*

**Acolytes** are often youthful, however, all baptized Christians (ages 11-99) are welcome to participate in worship as acolytes. The Acolyte master is **Tom Guthrie, 512-394-9249, tkguth3@austin.rr.com.**

**Adult Christian Formation** Sundays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM; Kerygma New Testament Survey – Monday at 6:30 PM; The Art of Engaging Holy Scripture (TAEHS) – Wednesday at 7-8:30PM; Confirmation Classes – Sunday Afternoons TBA. For further information contact the **church office at 512-282-5631.**

**The Almanac**, the monthly newsletter, available on our website or by mail is becoming a larger job as our activities increase. If you can help with this creative effort please contact **Linda Crannell, 512-494-6358, lmcraanell@austin.rr.com.**

**Altar Guild** Duties include setting up the altar, pulpit and lectern and insuring that proper liturgical colors are used for all services. Communion vessels and linens are lovingly maintained. Special tasks are associated with holidays, baptisms, weddings, funerals and memorial services. Please contact **Frances Porter, 512-663-1644, fmporter@yahoo.com.**

**The Bread Ministry** provides fresh loaves of homemade bread that are presented to visitors at the Greeter's Table after the 10:30 AM services. It is a gift that says "thanks for visiting – do come again". If you are a baker and would like to help contact **Phyllis Droke, 512-280-0240, gdroke@austin.rr.com.**

**The Brotherhood of St. Andrew** is a men's group dedicated to prayer, study, service and fellowship that meets the second Saturday of the month at 8:30 AM. They are led by **Jethro Vail, 512-282-6694, jethrovail@yahoo.com.**

**Children's Ministries** provides Sunday School for 3-yr olds – 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Children go to the 10:30 AM service with their parents, are dismissed for their classes, and then rejoin their families for communion.

3-5 year olds attend 'Godly Play', a Montessori based curriculum in which the lesson is experienced through storytelling and activities.

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders participate in Rotation Workshop, in which one story or theme is taught for 2-4 consecutive weeks, using storytelling, art, drama, music and cooking. Director: **Pam Graham 512-288-2723, pam@stalbansaustin.org.**

**Cinema Paradiso** 3rd Sundays at 5PM. Open to all adults for the viewing and discussion of meaningful movies. Contact **Rev. Ann Brotherton, 512-291-8642 (H), 512-786-7250 (C), ann@stalbansaustin.org.**

**Coffee Hosts** are teams who work on rotation to provide some of the finest Coffee Hour Fellowship imaginable. Many visitors say they have returned largely because of their efforts. If you would like to participate in this ministry contact **Mary Capps, 512-295-4168, mcapps07@yahoo.com.**

**The Community of Hope** is a well trained group of volunteer lay chaplains, organized to provide support through visitation to members of the congregation in times of crisis, illness, or periods of confinement in homes or health care institutions. It is a Christian community united in prayer, shaped by Benedictine spirituality and equipped for pastoral care under the direction of the Rector. Ministries include Eucharistic, home, hospital and flower delivery visits, the prayer shawl and bread ministries, Meals on Wheels visits, retirement home chapel services, nursing home and hospice visits, ministry to the homeless and those suffering from abuse, ministry to those in prison, telephone and prayer ministry and a variety of support groups. For more information, contact **Sue Shirley, 512- 444-8979, jasu1@sbcglobal.net.**

**Daughters of the King**, a worldwide Order for women established in 1885. Daughters pledge themselves to a program of daily prayer, service and evangelism, evidenced in dedication to the extension of Christ's kingdom and the strengthening of the spiritual life of the parish. President: **Katherine Muhlenbruch, 512-344-9789, kmuhlenbruch@att.net.**

**EFM – Education for Ministry** is a four-year program of theological education, undertaken one year at a time in small groups that meet weekly for three-hour seminars – Tuesday 6-9 PM and Wednesday 1-4PM.. It provides the opportunity to study the Bible, theology and church history as well as a time to get to know a small group of like-minded people.

Co-mentors: **Claudia Perez 512-921-2649 (C), claudiajeann@gmail.com, Nelson Smith 832-594-8162, quenby2301@yahoo.com, and Rev. Ann Brotherton, 512-291-8642 (H), 512-786-7250 (C), ann@stalbansaustin.org.**

**EYC – Episcopal Youth Community** provides opportunities for parish and diocesan fellowship and learning. Faith and fun, through fellowship and service to the church and community, are EYC goals. Activities such as service and mission projects, lock-ins, retreats, and fundraisers are planned throughout the year. Middle

and High school youth are invited to participate in activities and regular Sunday morning classes at 9:30 AM. Leadership is provided by the elected Youth Council, and Youth Minister, **Charlotte Gemar, 512-291-8638, charlotte@stalbansaustin.org.**

**Family Game Events** occurs every 5th Saturday of the month at 3:30 PM in the Parish Life Center. It is an informal way for families to become acquainted and have fun together. Contact **Lisa Kittel, 512-262-0732, lisa@stablansaustin.org.**

**Floral Guild/Flower Delivery** - Those who enjoy flowers arrange the flowers for the altar for Sunday services. This ministry is financed by donations from the parish to commemorate occasions of thanksgiving. Flowers are delivered each Sunday afternoon by COH members to parishioners. **Sheila Hancock, 512-295-4204, shancock5@austin.rr.com.**

**Food Ministry** is organized by **Judy McInnis and Artie Clingman** to provide food for families in crisis. They can be reached at **512-487-5387, judyanmc@aol.com.**

**Greeters** welcome visitors and provide information, a gift of homemade bread and assistance to newcomers on Sunday mornings. **Kay Penney, 512-247-5651, mpenney693@aol.com.**

**Kids Hope, USA** is partnering with St. Alban's to provide mentors for selected first grade students at Menchaca Elementary School one hour each week during the school year. The goal is to provide a consistent adult companion and ongoing support for at-risk children under the guidance of their teacher. A mentor and a prayer partner are assigned for each child. All mentors are trained and supervised by **Program Director, Jill Binder, 512-280-1588, jillbinder@sbcglobal.net.**

**Homeless Ministries** include work at Trinity Center and care packages for persons on the street or in need and are coordinated by **John Rouse, 512-280-7424, john-pam\_rouse@sbcglobal.net.**

**Laundry Ministers** work behind the scenes to be sure all vestments are cleaned each month. This effort is coordinated by **Sheila Hancock, 512-295-4204, shancock5@austin.rr.com.**

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEM's) and Lectors** assist at Eucharistic celebrations by serving as chalice bearers, reading scripture and leading the prayers of the people. Open to any confirmed communicant, age 16 or older. **Pam Rouse, 512-280-7424, john-pam\_rouse@sbcglobal.net** or **Jerry Inman, 512-280-6119, jmhinman@earthlink.net.**