



## ***Press Release***

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ARCHITREATS: FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION  
*BISHOPS, BOURBONS, AND BIG MULES:*  
*A HISTORY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN MONTGOMERY*  
PRESENTED BY J. BARRY VAUGHN

ArchiTreats: Food for Thought continues another year of interesting and informative talks on Alabama history at the **Alabama Department of Archives and History** on **Thursday, September 18th**. Join us at **noon** as J. Barry Vaughn presents *Bishops, Bourbons, and Big Mules: A History of the Episcopal Church in Montgomery*.

Since 1855, the influence of the Episcopal Church has been a constant and important thread in the history of Montgomery from its days as the capital of the Confederacy to its present role as a modern state capital. Join us this month as J. Barry Vaughn explores the history of the church in Alabama's capital city and the pivotal role that it has played in the spiritual and political lives of its citizens.

Alabama native J. Barry Vaughn grew up in rural Blount County and graduated from the Alabama School of Fine Arts. He holds a B.A. from Harvard University, a Master of Divinity from Yale University and a Ph.D. from Scotland's St. Andrews University. Dr. Vaughn has taught at several institutions including Samford University, the University of Alabama, and the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. His articles have appeared in *Alabama Heritage*, *Baptist History and Heritage*, and *The Baptist Review of Theology*. His first book, *Bishops, Bourbons, and Big Mules: A History of the Episcopal Church in Alabama*, was published in 2013 by the University of Alabama Press. Copies of Dr. Vaughn's book will be available for purchase at this event.

This ArchiTreats presentation made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a sack lunch and enjoy a bit of Alabama history. Complimentary beverages are provided. **Admission is always FREE!**

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