



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes & Announcements

April 5, 2009

Prayer Requests

For Healing: Lou Hiers Atkins, Ned Badgett, Nell Barr, Bill Benson, Bob Benson, Eunice Crawford, Tom Davis, Mimi Dial, Nancy Duvall, Nancy Farish, Melinda Franks, Fred Hay Gantt, Lamar Gremmitt, Robert Hemphill, Laura Wells Hiers, Warren King, Mary Law, Walter Lewis, Susan Love, Charles Mitchell, Ramona Mitchell, Jim Mittenzwei, Sally Mullinix, Dale Ness, Evan Pertile, George Pierce, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Allen Rogers, Andrew Sharpe, Jody Spruill, Ida Storrs, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, Kit Turner, James Walker, Martha Weed, Florrie Willoch, Pearl Wilson, Donald Wright

For Expectant Parents: Liz & Ryan Brewer, Sarah & Hoyt Burnett, Lisa & Travis Faulds, Meagan & Brad Higinbotham, Jordan & Michael Mancini, LeAnne & Shane McCormack, Becky & David Shea, Elizabeth Hope Stalvey & Gene Foppe, Amanda & David Williams

For Active Military: Fred Aldrich, John Benson, Stephen Donald, Michael Fisher, Michael Hook, Kyle James, Heyward Lindler, Ben Minton, Scott Turner, Mike Williams

Enjoy petits fours TODAY in the courtyard near the playground between Heyward Hall & the Barr Center following the 9:00 and 11:15 am services

Easter Egg Hunt TODAY at 3:30 pm at Still Hopes. All children and grandchildren are welcome! Sponsored by St. Clare's Guild.



Labyrinth and Journey to the Cross

TODAY @ 6-9 pm in the Barr Center gym. EYC will host this prayer experience for the whole parish. Drop in any time, allowing yourself 30 minutes to 1 hour to experience the Labyrinth and other prayer stations.

Come walk the Labyrinth, an ancient contemplative prayer walk that dates back at least to the 13th century. Also come participate in the Journey to the Cross, a twelve station prayer experience that is multisensory and interactive. These prayer experiences will be set-up in the Barr Center. There will also be a coffee and dessert bar.

"Won't you watch one hour with me?" Sign up TODAY for the all-night prayer watch. Sign up sheet is available in the church narthex. One or more people are needed for all hours between 7:45 pm Maundy Thursday (4/9) until Good Friday, 12 Noon. Men of St. John's will provide security during the late hours.

Collection for Cooperative Ministry New and gently used summer clothing along with new underwear and socks for children and adults will be collected TODAY and Monday, April 6 only. A collection box will be in the Barr Center lobby only. Contact: Tom Savage (796-8488).

May Messenger Deadline is Thursday, April 9. Please send all items to Rachel Cross (rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org).

Parish Office will close at noon Good Friday (4/10) and reopen Tuesday, April 14 at 8:30 am.

Decorate the church for Easter Please join us Saturday, April 11 at 9:30 am in the church and bring your garden clippers. All are welcome and needed.

Sunday School for all ages will not meet Easter Sunday. Classes will resume April 19.

Easter Lily Delivery On Easter Sunday following the 11:15 service your help delivering lilies to shut-in or homebound parishioners would be greatly appreciated.

Altar Greens

Given by St. John's 4th grade boys' basketball team to the glory of God and in honor of, and in thanksgiving for, our wonderful coaches: David Lewis, Dennis Way, Michael Littlejohn, and Rhett Hardin.



Holy Week Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Holy Eucharist 5:15 pm

Maundy Thursday
*6:00 pm followed by an all-night prayer watch.

Good Friday 12:00 Noon

The Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday at 8:00 pm
Gather in the front of the church for the lighting of the new fire.

Easter Sunday
Holy Eucharist 7:45 am, *9:00 am, and *11:15 am
No Sunday School or EYC.

*Nursery Available

Super Galactic Yard Sale & BBQ Sale: Sat., Apr. 18
Spring cleaning? Don't throw it out! Donate it to youth missions. Deliver donations to the church the week after Easter. This huge yard sale is open to the community and raises funds for our summer missions. We will also have breakfast items and award winning BBQ by the pound for purchase. If you are interested in volunteering to help staff the Yard Sale, please contact Dorian.

EYC Calendar

Sundays 5-7 pm unless otherwise noted

Apr 5 Labyrinth & Journey to the Cross 6-9 pm
Apr 12 EASTER! NO EYC
Apr 18 Super Galactic Yard Sale (Sat.)
Apr 19 No EYC
Apr 25 (Sat.) Home Works 1 Day Blitz \$15
If interested, contact Dorian
Apr 26 EYC @ the Art Shack
May 2-3 EYC Gravatt Overnight \$45
This includes Night Zip and 3 meals

Summer Youth Missions

Sign up Deadline: April 10 Final Payment Due May 1

June 12-16 Jr. High HW: Augusta, GA \$40

7 youth signed up so far

July 26-Aug 2 Sr. High HW: Johns Is, SC: \$150

\$50 deposit due with signup

11 youth signed up, 9 spots available

Need 2 Female Chaperones

Always check the blog for updates and details:
Stjohnscolumbiayouth.blogspot.com

Vacation Bible School *Crocodile Dock-Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light* June 15-18, 9:00 am – 12 pm. \$10/child, \$20/family max. VBS is for 3K through rising 5th graders.

Vacation Bible School Volunteers - We need your help to make St. John's VBS 2009 a wonderful and enriching experience for our children! If you are interested in volunteering or helping in any way, please contact Allison Gallagher amgallagher02@yahoo.com or Anne Stuart McMillan mcmillantrees@sc.rr.com.

CAMP (Christian Action Mission Project) for children in rising 3rd grade through rising 5th grade. June 15-18, 9:00 am-12 pm. \$10/child, \$20/family max.

Wednesday--NO Junior Choirs this week.

Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesday, 7-9 pm in the Music Room. Enquiries about participating may be directed to Director of Music Celia Tolar-Bane at the church Monday-Thursday or on Sunday mornings.

As you enter for worship every Sunday, please remember to pick up a green Wonder, Love and Praise songbook. Some of our music at all services (except 7:45) will be from this new hymnal supplement.

Yoga will meet on Tuesdays April 7 at 6:30 pm.

The Knitting Group will not meet this week (4/9).

St. Mary's/St. Catherine's Guild will meet on April 13 at 3 pm in the Parlor. Contact: Judy Anderson (799-1821)

St. Monica's/St. Bridget's Guild will meet on April 13 at 7 pm in the Parlor. Program: Power of Forgiveness. Contact: Margaret Buchanan (mbuch6108@bellsouth.net).

Newcomers Welcome All newcomers and interested visitors are invited to an informal get-together at the home of Tammi and Brant Hellwig on the evening of Thursday, April 16 from 6-7:30 pm. For more information about this event or to RSVP, please contact Brant Hellwig (790-2797).

Weight Watchers Group starting at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral on Tuesday, April 7 at 8:00 am. Please contact Ellen Linder (771-7300) if you would like to join.

All Women of St. John's Please join us for our spring ECW Branch Dinner at the King's Grant clubhouse on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Lauri Yeargin from Camp Gravatt will be our speaker. Cost: \$15.00 per person. Please RSVP by April 16 to Pam Hodnett at phodnett@att.net or 252-7578.

Harvest Hope Food Bank is in dire need of toilet paper, soap, other personal items (toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, shampoo, etc.) Perhaps you have sample bottles of shampoo, lotion, etc. from visits to hotels or meetings. Clean out your bathroom closets of unused items like this. Put items in the basket in the church narthex.

Help Support a School Child in our Adopted Village
Would you like to honor a St. John's High School Senior, or another school child in your life, by making a donation to the St. John's Adopt a Village project? The school St. John's helped build in Chapoteau, Haiti offers a wonderful education opportunity for the children who attend. The annual cost of one child's education is \$240. *Adopt a Village Project forms are in the church narthex or on-line with PayPal.* A list of all students honored will appear in the Youth Sunday May 17 bulletin. *Deadline is May 11.*

Keenagers Luncheon (a social group for retirees & friends) will be on Tuesday, April 21 at 12:30 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. Topic: "A Gullah Tale: Moses, Pharaoh, and the Peezle Tree" with Matthew Fletcher. Lunch is \$5.00. Reserve your place by calling the parish office (799-4767 or nsg@stjohnscolumbia.org). All are invited regardless of age!

Connections (a social group for couples in their 20s & early 30s) will meet on Wednesday, April 22 at 7:00 pm at the home of Lara and Scott Winburn (2914 Monroe St.). Contact: Collins Williamson (787-5759).

St. John's Gravatt Day Picnic & Outdoor Church Service Sunday, May 3 at the Bishop Gravatt Center in Aiken. Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am followed by a barbeque lunch with all the fixin's, swimming, relaxation and games. **Optional Overnight** stay at Gravatt (May 2-3): Registration forms for the overnight are available in the back of the church or online.

Tweenagers (social group for women 40-60) will meet Thursday, April 16 at 6:30 pm. Location: TBA. We will discuss the book "Dinner with a Perfect Stranger" by David Gregory. Contact: Cathy Bourne (cbourne@sc.rr.com).

Adult Christian Formation

Sundays 10:15-11:00 am

The Essential Bible Guide: 100 Readings Through the World's Most Famous Book TODAY Randy Epting & David Lewis will present "The Apostles' Teaching" Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

Cads (sometimes) of the Bible This series looks at well-known figures, at the moments they stumble, and discusses the divine and human aspects of these sacred narratives. TODAY: The Adam Family – Off to a Rough Start. Led by The Rev'd Mary Moore Roberson. Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall.

Living Faith This DVD series by N. T. Wright focuses on: history of the Church, comparing Christianity to other religions, providing answers to common challenges to Christianity, and summarizing Christian doctrines and beliefs. Barr Center Dining Room.

Rector's Bible Study will resume Monday, April 20.

Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study Tuesday 6:45 am in the Barr Center. Contact: Ned Badgett (787-8189)

MOMS (Ministering Our Mother's Spirits) Bible Study will not meet this week 4/7).

