



Welcome to St. John's

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us today. If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card located in the pews and place it in an alms basin or give it to an usher. If you would like to speak with someone about our church, please contact Ashley Jaillette with the Newcomer and Visitor's Committee at 803-331-5491 or ajaillette@alumni.clemson.edu. We are happy to have you here today! Visitor and newcomer nametags are placed on the bulletin board in the Barr Center across from the kitchen.

New Members & Visitors are invited to a reception on Thursday, September 30, 6:00 -7:00 pm at the Home of Alice & Jason Adams, 129 Old Hampton Lane. RSVP to Ashley Jaillette (contact info above.) Childcare provided on-site. An RSVP for number of children is appreciated.

Altar Flowers at St. John's

Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Music at St. John's

Today, September 26: 9:00 am St. John's Choral Scholars "It Is Well with My Soul" arranged by Chris Rice.
11:15 am Hymns accompanied by Wesley Paulman, tenor saxophone. Offertory anthem "The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune" by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Wednesday, 4:30-5:15 pm: Music/Rhythm for children

NOTE: 4K children have been added to this activity.

Sing/play in church the next time on October 17.

Thursday 5:30 pm: Join Handbells (Music Room)! All ages/skill levels welcome. Call Polly Watts 254-2888.

Next Sunday, October 3: Brian McCants, 'cello.

5:45 pm Evensong—Choir and Rector at Finlay House

Youth at St. John's

EYC Calendar 5-7 pm @ St. John's unless otherwise noted

Sept 26 Make Your Own Pizza Night
Oct 3 ArtShack @ St. John's
Oct 10 Service and Mission
Oct 17 ReCreation: Corn Maze!
Oct 24 ArtShack @ St. John's
Oct 29-30 Lock-In (HUGE! Many churches invited!)

YOUTH DIOCESAN EVENTS

Oct 23-24 "24:" Sr High Retreat @ Gravatt
Cost \$50, register by Oct. 8

Youth Prayer Breakfast @ Panera

Tuesdays @ 7am

D-Group: Wed Night Bible Study

6:30 in the SR High Room: The Kingdom Experiment
Come and explore how we might live out scripture intentionally. How do we apply Jesus' teachings to our daily life, and how do they translate his teachings into real actions? Come and join the experiment.

Children's Sunday School 10:15 am

Nursery Available on Sunday

9:00 am Service

10:15 am Sunday School Hour

11:15 am Service

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3K "Little Lambs" (Curriculum used)

4K - Story Hour Year I (Room 129)

5K - Story Hour Year II (Room 117)

1st Grade - Godly Play (Room 216)

2nd Grade - Godly Play (Room 215)

3, 4 & 5 Grades - Living the Good News (Room 226)

Children's Chapel

9:00 am Service for 3K, 4K, 5K

Adult Formation Classes 10:15 am

The Book of Acts (Heyward Hall Multi-purpose Room)

Do you wish you knew more about the Bible? Are you afraid to ask what might turn out to be a rather elementary question, so you just don't ask it? Did you know the Bible is filled with stories and accounts of people just like us, who had the same challenges and situations facing them as we recognize in our lives today? When you hear someone say, "The Bible is relevant and timeless!" do you think to yourself, "Really? I wish someone would show me how that's true." This class will help us to begin a walk through The Acts of the Apostles. We'll strive for the perfect pace that will encourage newcomers and novices and also challenge those who are further along in their knowledge of the Bible. Come and find out what the 1st century church experienced in the years following Christ's resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit. You'll be surprised how much we have in common with those first Christians, and you'll be encouraged by identifying anew the work of the Spirit in our lives today.

Getting Involved with God (Heyward Hall Parlor)

Do you find reading the Old Testament intimidating, frustrating, unengaging? How might it speak to us today with

greater meaning and relevance? In her book *Getting Involved with God: Rediscovering the Old Testament*, Duke University divinity scholar Ellen Davis provides a revitalized reading of these ancient texts in ways that respond to the cultural, environmental, and spiritual conditions of our own time. We'll read a chapter or two each week followed by lively discussion in class as we rediscover the Old Testament with greater understanding and appreciation. (Book provided for 20 attendees, \$13.00 each)

Counterfeit Gods (Barr Center Dining Room)

Do you believe money, power, or love can bring you true happiness? Discover how only God can wholly satisfy our cravings! Using nationally renowned minister Reverend Tim Keller's latest book *Counterfeit Gods* as our guide, we will read and discuss classic Bible stories (such as Abraham and Isaac, Jonah, Zaccheus and several others) to understand how our human hearts can turn good, wholesome as well as some not so good things, into idols that drive us away from the First Commandment and discuss the key to transforming our own minds. (Book provided for 15 attendees, \$14 each)

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Annual Acolyte Meeting & Training Session Today at 4:00 pm (prior to EYC) in the church. All new and veteran Acolytes who did not attend last week should plan to attend this session. All youth, age 6th grade and up, are encouraged to serve as Acolytes at St. John's. Contact Acolyte Master Marion Swain, at 803.493.4447 or cmswainsr@gmail.com with questions or conflicts.

St. Clare's Family Picnic TODAY! Members and their families are invited to a picnic at Hollywood Park (corner of S. Gregg & S. Saluda streets) immediately following Sunday school. Contact Melissa Kupfer @ 414-9346.

Men's Monday Morning Bible Study, Men's Bible Study now reading and discussing *A Father's Gift: Lessons from Proverbs* by Ken Wingate. Contact: Ned Badgett 787-8189.

The Rector's Bible Study meets Mondays at 11 am in Room 109, lower level Heyward Hall. All are welcome to attend this informal, conversational Bible Study. Come as you are. No experience necessary!

Yoga Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room, lower level, Heyward Hall. Contact: Anne Miller 799-4498.

Altar Flowers Open Date October 3. Order forms are available in the church narthex or on-line.

MOMs All mothers are welcome to join MOMs Tuesday morning meetings in the parlor from 9:30 am -12:00 pm. Childcare provided. Contact Cope Fralick at 367-2544.

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 3, 4:00 pm.

EWC Fall Branch Meeting Sunday, October 17, 5-7 pm, home of Rhett Hardy, 24 Woodhill Circle. All women are invited to attend. Bring an appetizer or beverage.

Steak Dinner All men are invited to a Steak Dinner on October 21: Social hour at 6 pm. and Dinner at 7 pm. BYOB. Cost for dinner is \$12 per person.

Men of St. John's Shrimp Fundraiser Get your fresh shrimp caught locally from Bennetts Point, SC. \$8.50 a pound, minimum order 10 pounds. Pick-up for shrimp orders is at the Steak Dinner on October 21 beginning at 5:30 pm. Profits from the sale go to philanthropic causes in

the church and the local community. Deadline to place orders and payments is October 17. Contact Bob Reynolds at 238-3227 or mail check to PO Box 5857, Columbia, SC 29250.

Wanted! Used suitcases on wheels for supplies in Cange, Haiti. Label the suitcase "For Cange" and leave it in the Barr Center foyer. Call Ned Badgett at 787-8189 for info.

Under the Tent 2010 Buy your tickets now! An evening benefiting Gravatt Camp & Conference Center, Friday, October 22, 7:00 pm at The Hall at Canal and Senate. Tickets are \$45 per person before October 1. Visit www.bishopgravatt.org for more information.

Save the Date The Kanuga Family Weekend is February 18-20, 2011.

Congratulations to our Shandon Cluster of Churches neighbor the Very Reverend Richard D. Harris, Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and Vicar General of the Diocese of Charleston: The bishop of Charleston announces that His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI has named Father Harris a Prelate of Honor with the title Reverend Monsignor. St. Joseph parish plans to announce a celebration of the conferral of this honor in the near future.

Prayer Requests at St. John's

For Healing: Bob Benson, Anthony Bitting, Serena Cann, Ralph Coleman, Mary Margaret Collins, David Cooper, Liz Cooper, Brion Denny, Georgia Ewing, Janice Fort, Burt Fowles, Melinda Franks, Lamar Grimmitt, Donna Hall, Tom Herbkersman, Laura Wells Hiers, Nancy Hinson, Sandy Jacobs, Lyn Johnson, Rudy Jones, Susan Love, Chris MacDougall, Joyce Mann, Sandra Martin, Mickie Mathes, Kathryn McCormick, Marilyn Meacham, Susan Michaels, Jim Mittenzwei, Evan Pertile, Earl Redout, Bob Reynolds, Sam Roberts, Dominic Rocco, Allen Rogers, Greg Rollings, Peggy Samotis, Aloo Tata, Ron Tata, John Thomas, Stace Todd, John Tolar, DuBose Tuller, Buster Walker, John Walker, Polly Watts, Martha Weed, Ann Wells

For Expectant Parents: Amber & Scott Rankin, Collins & Carroll Williamson, Laura & Scott Winburn

For New Parents: Bramley & Thomas Faulds on the birth of their son, Jackson Crew, born July 1, 2010.

For Active Military: Fred Aldrich, John Benson, Michael Fisher, Michael Hook, Kyle James, Mike Williams

Wednesdays at St. John's

4:30 pm: Evening Prayer & Holy Communion
Children's Music & Rhythm Classes

5:15 pm: Adults: "Believing is Believing"
Children: "Learning to use my Bible"
& "Growing with God"

6:00 pm: Family Supper Baked Ziti, salad, garlic bread and apple crisp (Kid's meals will begin at 5:45 pm)

6:30 pm: Adults: "Believing is Believing"
Youth: "The Kingdom Experiment"

7:00 pm: Choir Practice

Nursery Provided for Infants & Toddlers from 5:00-6:30 pm. Call Mary Jo at 799-4767 for extended nursery hours.