



# St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes & Announcements

September 6, 2009

## Prayer Requests

**For Healing:** Bob Benson, Anthony Bitting, John Bussinah, Serena Cann, Eunice Crawford, Tom Davis, Mimi Dial, Nancy Farish, Wayne Fisher, Melinda Franks, Fred Hay Gantt, Lamar Grimmitt, Sally Hardy, Robert Hemphill, Tom Herbkersman, Laura Wells Hiers, Warren King, Susan Love, William C. Mann, Susan Michaels, Mike Miller, Charles Mitchell, Ramona Mitchell, Jim Mittenzwei, Dale Ness, Evan Pertile, Sallie Reynolds, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Dominic Rocco, Allen Rogers, Frances Sak, Suzanne Santos, Andrew Sharpe, Jody Spruill, Ida Storrs, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, Cassandra Gallucci-Treap, Virginia Vincent, Martha Weed, Florrie Willoch, Pearl Wilson

**For Expectant Parents:** Kristin & Don Alexander, Christine & Hugh Burkett, Stacye & Paul Jones, Christine & Jim Koutrakos

**For Active Military:** Fred Aldrich, John Benson, Heyward Davis, Stephen Donald, Michael Fisher, Michael Hook, Kyle James, Heyward Lindler, Mike Williams

**For those who have died:** Lois DeWitt Zemp, mother of John Zemp.

## TODAY . . .

**Labor of Love** The Labor of Love campaign marks Labor Day as an affirmation of our commitment to work on behalf of others who are less fortunate and need our presence, our helping hands, and our hearts. The youth will be collecting donations after church to help raise financial support for Home Works. Please look for our youth with buckets and Home Works t-shirts after church TODAY and at the Ministry Fair on Sept 13.

**Today's Altar Flowers** Given to the glory of God.

**Altar Flowers** *Open dates Sept. 13 & 27.* Order forms are available in the church narthex or on-line.

## Return to Three Sunday Services

September 13  
7:45, 9:00 & 11:15 am



## Welcome Back Sunday

September 13  
Breakfast & Ministry Fair in the Barr Center gym  
10:15 -11:00 am

If you would like a table at the ministry fair, please call the parish office (799-4767). Deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 9.



## Wednesday Nights at St. John's

Starting September 9  
**Junior Choirs** at 5:00 pm  
**Holy Eucharist** resumes at 5:15 pm  
**Dinner** starting at 5:30 pm in the gym  
**Program** on Sept. 9 will be for all ages.  
*Sharing our Ecuador Mission Experience*  
Presented by St. John's Youth Missionaries  
6:30-7:15 pm in the Multipurpose Room-lower level,  
Heyward Hall. Nursery available for newborns – 3K.  
**Chancel Choir** at 7:00 pm (You are welcome to come late if attending the program.)

**Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm** Enjoy wonderful food and great fellowship. Costs: Free-Children (0-2); \$2.00-Children (3-10); \$5.00-Adults. Reserve your plate by calling the Parish Office (799-4767) or e-mail [parishevents@stjohnscolumbia.org](mailto:parishevents@stjohnscolumbia.org).



## Sunday School

**Children's & Youth** classes begin Sept. 20, 10:15 - 11:00. Adult classes begin Sept. 27.

## Searching For a Bishop

Information session will be on Sunday, Sept. 20 at 10:15 in the Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

## EYC

- Sept. 13 EYC Kick Off @ the Lake 3-7 pm  
BBQ dinner and fun on the water @ the Close  
family lake house 148/152 Spence Shores Ct.  
Full details on the Blog
- Sept. 20 EYC @ the Art Shack
- Sept. 27 EYC: the gathering
- Oct. 4 Ultimate Scavenger Hunt
- Oct. 24 Home Works 1 Day Blitz \$15

## Diocesan Calendar

- JR High Fall Retreat @ Gravatt  
Sept 25-27; Cost: \$75, sign up by Sept. 9
- 24: SR High Overnight @ Gravatt  
Oct. 24-25; Cost: \$50, sign up by Oct. 7

Always check the blog for updates and details:  
[Stjohnscolumbiayouth.blogspot.com](http://Stjohnscolumbiayouth.blogspot.com)

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.

**Selah**, St. John's acoustic worship group is looking for additional singers to help expand our vocal range. Selah leads music at the 9:00 worship service about once a month. If you are interested in singing contemporary worship songs at St. John's, please contact Gordon Schell (790-5329)

**Junior Choirs** for grades 5K and 7up will begin this Wednesday 5:00-5:45 pm. St. John's Singers (grades 3 and up) will begin the year as a boys-only choir and will sing with the Chancel Choir men on the first Sunday of each month at the 9:00 am service. Girls will join the boys during December to prepare to sing for the Christmas Eve service.

**Parish Office** will be closed Monday, Sept. 7.

**Yoga** will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall. Contact: Anne Miller (799-4498).

**Mt. LeConte Hike** in the Smokies of Tennessee Oct. 22-24, Thursday through Saturday. A St. John's tradition for 40 years, we would love for you to join us! Call Margaret Anne DuBose 782-0661 or e-mail [mabdubose@sc.rr.com](mailto:mabdubose@sc.rr.com).

**Harvest Hope Food Bank** Remember your list: car keys, children, offering envelope, plastic bags and food items for Harvest Hope. They are in dire need of toilet paper, soap, and other personal items such as toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, shampoo, etc. Put items in the basket in the church narthex.

**Hand Middle School's Helping Hands** is in need of college ruled notebook paper, multi-section three ring binders, and book bags. A collection box will be in the Barr Center. Contact: Barbara Mullen (252-1571).

**Keenagers Luncheon** Tuesday, September 15. Topic: A Fireside Chat with FDR given by Dr. Edward Beardsley. Dr. Beardsley is a retired history professor from USC. He will bring history alive *via* his portrayal of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Come and relive a critical time in the history of our country. A \$3 donation to help offset the cost of this program will be greatly appreciated. However, do not let this request deter you from attending this exciting event. Make your reservation for lunch by Friday, Sept. 11. Cost of lunch is \$6.

**Weight Watchers** begins on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 7:45 am at Trinity Cathedral. The cost is \$98 for 10 weeks. Please let me know if you plan on attending-Ellen Lindler (771-

7300).

**St. Monica's/St. Bridget's Guild** will meet Monday, Sept. 14 at 7:00 pm in the Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall. Contact: Margaret Buchanan (776-6713)

**St. Clare's Guild** will meet on Sept. 21 at 7:00 pm at the home of Rebecca Smith for fellowship and planning of the 3rd Annual Nov. 6th Fall Fling. We welcome new members. Contact Rebecca Smith for more info, 960-5780.



**Save The Date!** St. John's Annual Fall Fling. Join us for Food, Fun and Music, Seibels House and Gardens, Friday, Nov. 6, 7:00 pm til 10 pm. \*Proceeds to benefit St. John's Youth Missions. Tickets go on Sale in October. \$15/adult or \$20 at the door.

## Adult Christian Formation Offerings for Fall

Adult Sunday School begins September 27.

**“Waylaid by Light: The Gospel that John Wrote”** written by The Rev. Dr. John MacReadie Barr III- This book will serve as the text for an in-depth study of the Book of John. During this class, we will contemplate what the Book of John tells us about Jesus, his character and his personality. We will also explore what Jesus is seeking to do in our lives and what mission he is sending us on.

**“The Reason for God” by Timothy Keller - Why does God allow suffering in the world?** How could a loving God send people to hell? Why isn't Christianity more inclusive? How can one religion be “right” and the others “wrong”? Why have so many wars been fought in the name of God? These are just a few of the topics that The Rev. Mr. Keller covers in his very popular book “The Reason for God.”

**Discovering the Episcopal Church and St. John's -** Intended for everyone, this class will explore the hows and whys of the Episcopal Church, our theology and liturgy. It will also offer an insight into St. John's and our particular attributes and opportunities. While it will serve as education for those adults seeking confirmation in the coming year, everyone is encouraged to participate as the topics will be timely and important.

**Finding the Way Back to Mayberry -** Based on The Andy Griffith Show, this class will explore basic values such as character, personal responsibility, honesty, and integrity that were routinely exemplified by the show, and tie them to the Bible. Beginning in October, this class will meet following the 7:45 a.m. service on the second Sunday of each month.

**Financial Peace University** This is a life-changing program that teaches you how to make the right decisions with your money. Members of the community are encouraged to attend along with members of St. John's, so invite your friends and neighbors to come along with you! Classes begin Sunday, Sept. 20 from 5-7 pm. Make plans now to join us! Questions? Please call Shelly Jones at 665-7255.

**MOMS Bible Study** meets on Tuesdays, at 9:30 am until noon in the Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall. Childcare provided. We are reading *To Live Is Christ, Embracing the Passion of Paul* by Beth Moore Contact: Cope Fralick (256-7749).

**Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study** Tuesdays at 6:45 am in the Barr Center. Check the website for the reading schedule. Contact: Ned Badgett (787-8189).

**Rector's Bible Study** will resume Monday, Sept. 14 at 11 am in Room 9-lower level, Heyward Hall.