



# St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### Prayer Requests

**For Healing:** Bob Benson, Anthony Bitting, Ellen Buchanan, Serena Cann, Ralph Coleman, Eualta Crews, Brian Denny, Mimi Dial, Elaine Epting, Burt Fowles, Melinda Franks, Lamar Grimmitt, Donna Hall, Robert Hemphill, Tom Herbkersman, Laura Wells Hiers, Rudy Jones, Roger Keane, Diane Lamar, Susan Love, Morris Lumpkin, Joyce Mann, Sandra Martin, Mickie Mathes, Marilyn Meacham, Susan Michaels, Jim Mittenzwei, Evan Pertile, Earl Redout, Lee Riser, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Dominic Rocco, Allen Rogers, Greg Rollings, Frances Sak, Suzanne Long-Santos, Jody Spruill, Joyce Sumwalt, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, Stace Todd, Martha Weed, Pearl Wilson

**For Expectant Parents:** Margaret & Matt Bodman, Bramley & Thomas Faulds, Caroline & Jimmy Hartley, Taylor & Mike Rider

**For Active Military:** Fred Aldrich, John Benson, Heyward Davis, Michael Fisher, Michael Hook, Alex Robinson, Mike Williams



**Parish Day of  
Mission and Service**

**Hands of Hope** is an intergenerational event that will give all members of the church an opportunity to go out in the community and practice living out Jesus' call to love and serve our neighbor. This is a great to practice living out our faith in tangible, practical ways while serving and ministering with others in our community.

For more details and to register, please visit the parish website. Follow the registration link, provide your contact info, and select the ministry opportunity that you would like to participate with. Opportunities include, but are not limited to: Home Works, Harvest Hope Food Bank, Cooperative Ministries, Finlay House, Cookies for Kairos, and others.

### Today at St. John's . . .

*Gather on the patio between the church and Heyward Hall before the 9:00 & 11:15 services for the Palm Sunday procession, weather permitting.*

**TODAY. . .** Enjoy petits fours and lemonade following the 9:00 and 11:15 am services in front of the Barr Center

**Easter Egg Hunt TODAY** at 4:00 pm at Still Hopes. All children and grandchildren are welcome! Sponsored by St. Clare's Guild.



### JOURNEY TO THE CROSS & LABYRINTH

Hosted by EYC. TODAY: Palm Sunday 5-7 pm. All are welcome to join us for a multi-sensory worship experience. Journey through the last week of Jesus' life through 12 prayer stations, then take a prayer walk through the Labyrinth, an ancient prayer tool. Contact

Dorian for more details.

**"Won't you watch one hour with me?"** A sign-up sheet for the all-night prayer watch is available in the church narthex. One or more people are needed for all hours between 7:45 pm Maundy Thursday (4/1) until Good Friday, 12 Noon. Men of St. John's will provide security during the late hours.

**Decorate the church for Easter** Please join us Saturday, April 3 at 9:00 am in the church and bring your garden clippers. All are welcome and needed.

**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.

### Holy Week Schedule

#### Monday (March 29)

11:00 am Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows (St. John's)  
Holy Eucharist 5:15 pm

#### Tuesday, Wednesday (March 30-31)

Holy Eucharist 5:15 pm

#### Maundy Thursday (April 1)

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

#### Good Friday (April 2)

12:00 Noon

#### The Great Vigil of Easter (Saturday, April 3)

8:00 pm

#### Easter Sunday (April 4)

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

\*Nursery Available

EYC 5-7 pm unless otherwise noted

Mar 28 Journey to the Cross & The Labyrinth  
Apr 4 Easter (NO EYC)  
Apr 11 EYC FRY OFF  
Apr 17 Super Galactic Yard Sale 8 am-1pm  
Apr 18 EYC: the gathering  
Apr 25 EYC Art Shack

### **SUPER GALACTIC YARD SALE**

Apr. 17 (Sat.) 8 am-1pm  
Please deliver donated items to the gym Apr 12-16.  
All proceeds directly benefit our youth summer missions.

### **HOME WORKS MISSIONS**

We still have a few spaces left; please contact Dorian for details. Forms and registration fees (payable to St. John's) are now due.

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

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**No Children's Music Classes** on March 31 or April 7—classes resume April 14.

**Schedule Change** Handbells now meet on Thursdays at 5:30-6:30. Join us!

**Chancel Choir** Come and join us—all are welcome!  
Wednesdays 7:00-9:00 pm.

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

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**Vacation Bible School** June 14-17 We're gearing up for another exciting week of VBS! We need lots and lots of helping hands, so come join the fun! Please contact Katherine Templeton ([kn templeton@aol.com](mailto:kn templeton@aol.com)) or Lee Rambo ([leerambo@sc.rr.com](mailto:leerambo@sc.rr.com)) if you can help.

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**Parish Office** will close at 12 noon Good Friday and reopen Tuesday, April 6 at 8:30 am.

**May Messenger Deadline** is Thursday, April 8. All items must be copy-ready and e-mailed to Rachel Cross ([rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org](mailto:rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org)) for consideration in the May Messenger.

**UTO Collection** last Sunday totaled: \$ 1328.11

**Harvest Hope Food Bank** Keep up the giving and remember to bring dry or canned goods each Sunday and put the items in the basket in the church narthex.

**Hand Middle School's Helping Hands** Needed: 3-ring dividers and re-gift items for the Mothers' Day shop, along with gift bags and tissue. A collection box is in the Barr Center lobby. Contact: Barbara Mullen (252-1571).

**Agape Reminder** Agape volunteers provide meals for St. John's members and families in times of illness, surgery, death, and childbirth. If you, your family, or others you know may need this comfort food, please call the parish office (799-4767).

**Pastoral Care: Mental Health in Our Parish & Our Community** Pastoral Care Committee has gathered written materials about resources for families and has put them in the library. We have also included a place there for you to indicate interest in meeting informally with other St. John's members to talk about experiences and offer mutual support. For questions call Mary Bryan 254-8235, Barbara Mullen 252-1571, or Eileen Schell 790-5329.

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

**St. Monica's/St. Bridget's Guild** will meet on April 8 at 1 pm in the Parlor. Contact: Margaret Buchanan ([mbuch6108@bellsouth.net](mailto:mbuch6108@bellsouth.net)).

**St. Mary's/St. Catherine's Guild** will meet on April 12 at 4 pm in the Parlor. Contact: Judy Anderson (799-1821)  
**All Women of St. John's** Please join us for our spring ECW Spring Gathering Sunday, April 18 5:30 to 8:00 pm at 1711 Crestwood Dr. Please bring an appetizer or beverage to share.  
**Newcomers & Visitors 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 8 from 6-7:00 pm. \*Childcare provided on-site. For more info about this event or to RSVP (include # of children), please contact Ashley Jaillette, 803.331.5491 or [ajaillette@alumni.clemson.edu](mailto:ajaillette@alumni.clemson.edu).

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### **Adult Christian Formation Offerings**

Sundays 10:15 - 11:00 am

**The Book of Luke** Join us as we read, study and learn from the Gospel of Luke. 3/28: Events of Holy Week-Beverly Moore. 4/4: No class. 4/11: The Resurrection of Jesus Christ and Post-Resurrection Appearances. Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

**The Friendship of Women: The Hidden Tradition of the Bible** Based on a book by Joan Chittister we will look deeply into biblical stories of female friendships in order to extract greater truths. We will look at friendship between people through the lenses of faith, tradition, and scripture and will explore the often overlooked voices and experiences of women in the Old and New Testaments. This class isn't just for women!! Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall

**Discovering the Episcopal Church and St. John's** Intended for everyone, this class is exploring the hows and whys of the Episcopal Church, our theology and liturgy. Room 9-lower level, Heyward Hall.

**Return to Mayberry** This class will meet April 11 immediately following the 7:45 am service. Based on The Andy Griffith Show, this class explores basic values such as character, personal responsibility, honesty, and integrity that were routinely exemplified by the popular television show. Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall

**Coffee Talk II** in parlor. Led by Sarah Montgomery. Starbucks coffee! *Starting April 11.*

**The Apocrypha: Stories in the Bible** you probably have not heard. Led by Tuesday Morning Bible Study in Barr Center dining room. *Starting April 11.*

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**Rector's Bible Study** will not meet this week or next. Study will resume Monday, April 12.

**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).

**MOMS Bible Study** will not meet this week or next. Study will resume Tuesday, April 13. (256-7749).

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### **Operation Love to Haiti**

Sponsored by the Servant Ministry Team

A collection box is in Barr Center lobby. Questions? Contact: Sidney Wait (799-1910, [sidneywait@gmail.com](mailto:sidneywait@gmail.com)) or Barbara Mullen (252-1571, [bfmullen@aol.com](mailto:bfmullen@aol.com)). For pick-ups during the week, contact Tuck Williams (787-1512 [twilliams8254@yahoo.com](mailto:twilliams8254@yahoo.com)).

### **Urgent Needs**

- Packaged food (rice, beans, granola bars, peanut butter)
- Disinfectants & sanitizers
- Tents of any size & high quality
- Tarps of all sizes
- New shoes, good for walking
- First aid kits
- Blankets
- Towels & washcloths
- Personal hygiene products (soap, toothpaste, shampoo)
- Flashlights and batteries (hand-crank version good)
- Generators

No clothing now or glass containers.