



### **Welcome to St. John's**

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We hope you enjoy worshiping 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](mailto:ajaillette@alumni.clemson.edu). We are happy to have you here today!

**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.

Visitor and newcomer nametags are placed on the bulletin board in the Barr Center across from the kitchen.

### **Altar Flowers at St. John's**

Today's altar flowers are given by Bill Martin to the Glory of God and in loving memory of his wife Peggy Martin.

### **Music at St. John's**

**Today, September 19:**

**9:00 am** Selah leads music. Interested in joining? Contact Gordon Schell at [gschell@sc.rr.com](mailto:gschell@sc.rr.com) or 790-5329.

**11:15 am** Hymns accompanied by handbells played by Ann Gregg and Margaret Buchanan. Offertory anthem "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" by Maurice Bevan.

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

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

**Next Sunday: 11:15 am** Wesley Paulman, saxophone.

### **Youth at St. John's**

#### **EYC Calendar**

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

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| Sept 19   | EYC Service and Mission                |
| Sept 26   | Art Shack @ St. John's                 |
| Oct 3     | the gathering (stories)                |
| Oct 10    | Service and Mission                    |
| Oct 17    | ReCreation                             |
| 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 begins Today***

#### **Nursery Available on Sunday**

9:00 am Service

10:15 am Sunday School Hour

11:15 am Service

**Children's Sunday School** 10:15 am

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 begin today with the following Fall Offerings***

#### **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.

Today's class will be led by Reverend Brad Wilson.

**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 Meetings & Training Sessions** Sundays, September 19 & 26 at 4:00 pm (prior to EYC) in the church. All new and veteran Acolytes should plan to attend one (1) of these sessions. 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](mailto:cmswainsr@gmail.com) with questions or conflicts.

**Keenagers** will meet Tuesday, September 21 at 12:30 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. Program led by Theodore and Margaret Ann Dubose: a virtual hike of the Mount LeConte in the Smokies. Call the Parish Office now at 799-4767 to make your lunch (\$5) reservation.

**New Location! St. Clare's Guild** will meet Monday, Sept. 20 at 7:00 pm in the Heyward Hall Parlor. New members are welcome. For information contact Melissa Kupfer at 414-9346 or by email at [meljohn@sc.rr.com](mailto:meljohn@sc.rr.com).

**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.

**Altar Flowers Open Date** September 26. Order forms are available in the church narthex or on-line.

**MOM's** All mothers are welcome to join MOM's 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.

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

**Mental Health Support Group** is getting together a confidential group to support families with loved ones living with mental and emotional illness and with addictions. The meeting is today at 5:30 pm in the parlor. Call Mary Bryan at 254-8235 or Barbara Mullen at 252-1571 if you have any questions.

**Collection for Cooperative Ministry** There is a need for Large, X-large, 1X, and 2X undershirts, socks and underwear. Disposable diapers for babies and adults are also needed. Collection basket is in the Barr Center.

**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](http://www.bishopgravatt.org) for more information.

**Prayer Requests at St. John's**

**For Healing:** Bob Benson, Anthony Bitting, Rhoda Brooker, Serena Cann, Ralph Coleman, Mary Margaret Collins, David Cooper, Brion Denny, Georgia Ewing, Janice Fort, Burt Fowles, Melinda Franks, Lamar Grimmitt, Donna Hall, Tom Herbkersman, Laura Wells Hiers, Nancy Hinson, Sandy Jacobs, 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:** Bramley & Thomas Faulds, Amber & Scott Rankin, Collins & Carroll Williamson, Laura & Scott Winburn

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

**Wednesdays at St. John's**

**4:30 pm:** Holy Eucharist & 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 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad & banana pudding.  
(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.*