



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes & Announcements

August 9, 2009

Prayer Requests

For Healing: Ned Badgett, Nell Barr, Bob Benson, Serena Cann, Tom Davis, Mimi Dial, Nancy Farish, Wayne Fisher, Melinda Franks, Fred Hay Gantt, Lamar Grimmitt, Robert Hemphill, Laura Wells Hiers, Warren King, Mary Law, Susan Love, Susan Michaels, Mike Miller, Charles Mitchell, Ramona Mitchell, Jim Mittenzwei, Dale Ness, Evan Pertile, George Pierce, Bill Pollack, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Dominic Rocco, Allen Rogers, Frances Sak, Andrew Sharpe, Harry Sparks, Jody Spruill, Ida Storrs, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, The Rev'd Deacon Margaret Todd, Martha Weed, Florrie Willoch, Pearl Wilson

For Expectant Parents: Kristin & Don Alexander, Christine & Hugh Burkett, Meagan & Brad Higinbotham, Stacey & Paul Jones, Christine & Jim Koutrakos, LeAnne & Shane McCormack

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

This Week at St. John's . . .

We welcome to St. John's this morning Ms. Carmel Chery, an Episcopal seminarian from Haiti. She will be visiting Columbia until mid-September, working with some of the churches in our area, and experiencing many new things on her first trip outside her native country. The Diocese of Upper South Carolina maintains and nurtures an important partnership with the village and parish of Cange in the Diocese of Haiti. Welcome to St. John's, Carmel!

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).

Yoga will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Room 215-Heyward Hall. Contact: Anne Miller (799-4498).

September Messenger All items must be submitted by *Thursday, August 13* for consideration in the August Messenger. Send items to Rachel Cross (rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org).

Tweenagers (social group for women 40-60) will meet on Thursday, Aug. 20 at 6:30 pm at the home of Laura Williams (604 Spring Lake Rd.). Mary Wallace Coleman will lead us in a discussion of the book *Voiceless Lips*. Please bring a snack or drink to share. Contact: Cathy Bourne (cbourne@sc.rr.com).

Harvest Hope Food Bank Remember your list: car keys, children, offering envelope, 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.

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

Please join us in
Celebrating Ten Years of Ministry Together

The Rev. J. Fletcher Montgomery
and
St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, August 30

Holy Eucharist 10:30 am
followed by a luncheon in the Barr Center
Please let us know by August 27 if you
will be coming to the luncheon.

Call the parish office
803-799-4767, ext. 101 or e-mail
parishevents@stjohnscolumbia.org

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

Chancel Choir rehearsal Wednesday 7 pm in the Music Room. All are welcome at any time. If you seek further information before joining us, contact Celia in the Music Office or any choir member.

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.

Parish Office Summer Hours Monday through Friday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm.

Altar Flowers *Open dates Aug. 16 & 23.* Order forms are available in the church narthex or on-line.

Forward Day By Day booklets are available in the church narthex or the parish office. Large print also available. Cost is \$1.

Safe Church Training This diocesan professional ethics workshop will be held Tuesday, Sept. 1, 5:45 – 8:30 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. This training is required for all basketball coaches, Sunday school teachers, and visitors to the sick or shut-in, staff, vestry and youth advisors. To register, please contact Rachel Cross (799-4767 or rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org). Deadline is Monday, August 24.



This is a life changing program that teaches you how to make the right decisions with your money. Those who attended this class this past spring rave about the benefits of this Dave Ramsey class and what it has meant to their lives. Don't miss this opportunity to see what it can do for you and your family. The class will meet on Sunday evenings in the Multipurpose Room. 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, September 20 from 5-7 pm. Make plans, now, to join us! Questions? Please call Shelly Jones at 665-7255

Children's Sunday School begins Sept. 20, 10:15 - 11:00.

Adult Christian Formation Offerings for Fall

Adult Sunday School begins September 27. The following are the planned offerings:

“Waylaid by Light: The Gospel that John Wrote”

written by The Rev. 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. Rev. Barr+ will lead the first class with a variety of lay people leading in the following weeks for a 12 week period. Books for this class are being supplied. This class will meet in the Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

“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 Rev. Keller covers in his very popular book “The Reason for God.” Also planned for 12 weeks, this class will be led by Benton Williamson and Julie Lumpkin and will meet in the Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall.

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. Led by The Rev. Fletcher Montgomery, The Rev. Mary Moore Roberson and others, this class will meet for 6 weeks in the Barr Center Dining Room.

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.