



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes & Announcements

October 4, 2009

Prayer Requests

For Healing: Bob Benson, Anthony Bitting, John Bussinah, Serena Cann, Eunice Crawford, Tom Davis, Mimi Dial, Nancy Farish, Melinda Franks, Fred Hay Gantt, Lamar Grimmitt, Sally Hardy, Robert Hemphill, Tom Herbkersman, Laura Wells Hiers, Warren King, Susan Love, William C. Mann, Mickie Mathes, Marilyn Meacham, Susan Michaels, Mike Miller, Ramona Mitchell, Jim Mittenzwei, Evan Pertile, Sallie Reynolds, Earl Redout, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Dominic Rocco, Allen Rogers, Frances Sak, Suzanne Long-Santos, Andrew Sharpe, Jody Spruill, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, Martha Weed, 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, Heyward Lindler, Mike Williams

For those who have died: Buddy Mitchell (9/25), Jesse Hendricks, step-father of Faxie Watt

Wednesday Nights at St. John's

Junior Choirs 5:15 pm

Holy Eucharist 5:15 pm

Dinner 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the gym

Menu: *chicken pot pie, macaroni & cheese, salad, dessert*

Adult Program Is Life Getting in the Way?

Details on back page. 6:30-7:15 pm in the Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall. Nursery available for newborns – 3K.

Children's Program for 4K-5th grade

Chancel Choir at 7:00 pm (You may come late if attending the program.)

Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm Enjoy wonderful food and great fellowship. Costs: Free-Children (0-2); \$3.00-Children (3-10); \$6.00-Adults. Reserve your plate by calling the Parish

Office (799-4767) or e-mail

parishevents@stjohnscolumbia.org

Stewardship 2010

Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

--Ephesians 4.7

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

Basketball Ministry Basketball information and registration forms have been mailed and will also be available outside the church after services for the next few Sundays. Cost is \$45 per individual. Boys & girls teams start at 3rd grade and go up to Sr. High. Friends are welcomed and encouraged to sign up. For more information, please contact Hope Komar at 738-9286 or Dorian Del Priore at mdd@stjohnscolumbia.org.

ECW Cocktails by the Lake All Women of St. John's are invited Monday, Oct. 5, 5:00-8:00 pm to the home of Mackie O'Keefe (6371 Eastshore Rd.). Please bring either an appetizer or a beverage to share. Contact Pam Hodnett at phodnett@att.net or 252-7578.

Blessing of the Animals will be Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 4:00 pm in front of the Barr Center.

November Messenger deadline is Thursday, Oct. 8. All items must be copy ready and e-mailed to Rachel Cross (rbc@stjohnscolumbia.org) for consideration in the November Messenger.

New Members and Visitors are invited to a reception on Thursday, Oct. 8, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. Please RSVP to Ashley Jaillette at 331-5491 or ajaillette@alumni.clemson.edu.

Men of St. John's Annual Steak Supper Thursday, Oct. 15 at the King's Grant Clubhouse, 6:00 pm social, 7:00 pm food, \$15/person. Guests & newcomers are always welcome. Contact: Brant Hellwig 790-2797.

Men of St. John's Shrimp Sale Fundraiser 10 pound orders at \$8 per pound. Bennetts Point shrimp delivered fresh for pick up on Oct. 15. Friends don't let friends eat imported shrimp. If interested, please contact Bob Reynolds (647-7576). *Deadline for orders is Oct. 13.*

Kairos, prayers, & cookies Prison Ministry Ecumenical Weekend Oct. 14-18. There are two things we need from everyone: constant prayer and about 5,000 dozen cookies. Cookies, marked for Kairos, can be brought to the church kitchen and put in one of the freezers before noon on Wed., Oct. 15.

Celebrating Bishop Henderson The retirement date of our beloved bishop is drawing near. The diocese plans to honor him threefold: a legacy fund in his name, a gift to support the Millennium Development Goals and a personal gift. For more information about an opportunity to contribute, please check online www.edusc.org. Flyers also available in the narthex.

EYC 5-7 pm unless otherwise noted

- Oct 4 EYC @ the ART SHACK
Wall Mural Project Continued
Come ready to paint!
- Oct 11 Ultimate Scavenger Hunt
- Oct 18 EYC @ the SC State Fair (Details TBA)
- Oct 24 Home Works 1 Day Blitz \$25
Sign up ASAP

24: SR High Overnight @ Gravatt
Oct. 24-25; Cost: \$50. Sign up by Oct. 7

THE JESUS DOJO

Wed. night Bible Study @ 6:30
We will use movies, music and more to look at attributes of Jesus and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

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

Acolyte Training the last meeting will take place in the church at 4:00 pm (prior to EYC) TODAY. If you missed last Sunday's meeting attendance at this one is REQUIRED for ALL new or veteran acolytes. All youth of the parish age 11 and up who are not already serving are especially encouraged to attend and to begin serving as acolytes. Parents are always welcome to attend also! Contact: Acolyte Master, Marion Swain (803-493-4447 or cmswainsr@gmail.com)

ALL PARENTS: Please consider prayerfully beginning to bring your children to Junior Choirs on Wednesdays at 5:15 pm. (PLEASE NOTE NEW STARTING TIME.) We have superb, highly trained music leaders who will lead your child to love music and just being at church with friends in a non-competitive Christian atmosphere. We have groups for girls and boys age 3-7 and for boys only in grades 3-8 (led by our Chancel Choir soloist, John Callison.)

Handbell rehearsals begin Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 5:30 pm in the Music Room. If you can hammer a nail, you can play handbells. Join us!

UTO Ingathering last Sunday collected \$1,595.05.

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

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 needs 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).

Altar Flowers Open dates October 11, 25 & Nov. 1, 8, 15. Order forms are available in the church narthex or on-line. New cost of altar flowers is \$80.00.

Keenagers Luncheon (social group for retirees & friends) join us Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 12:30 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. Topic: A History of the Jewish Community in Columbia with Belinda Gergel. Learn about this vibrant community in our city from its earliest time until the present. Call the parish office (799-4767) to reserve your lunch by Friday, Oct. 16. Lunch is \$6.

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 Oct.. \$15/adult or \$20 at the door.



Opportunity for Outreach

Couldn't make it to Ecuador this summer?
Couldn't make it to John's Island?
Can you make it 1.2 Miles away?

Home Works 1 Day Blitz - October 24

We will be working on a house in Shandon that is 1.2 miles away from our church doors – will you join us? No experience needed. Adults and teens needed. Will you help restore hope? Cost:

\$25. Contact Brandon Templeton at 240-1760 or bctempleton@mmm.com for more info.

Adult Christian Formation Offerings for Fall

Finding the Way Back to Mayberry TODAY this class will meet following the 7:45 a.m. service in the Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall. 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.

Sundays 10:15 - 11:00 am

“Waylaid by Light: The Gospel that John Wrote” written by The Rev. Dr. John MacReadie Barr III. This class 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. Books will be available. TODAY-Sam Hunter. Next Sunday, Oct. 11-Lee Rambo. Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

Discovering the Episcopal Church and St. John's Intended for everyone, this class will explore the Episcopal Church using a text entitled *Your Faith, Your Life: An Invitation to the Episcopal Church* by Jenifer Gamber with Bill Lewellis which is designed to deepen our understanding both of the faith and of our lives. The class will also offer an insight into St. John's and the particular attributes and opportunities of our parish. Those seeking or considering confirmation in the spring will need to participate in this class which will be led by The Rev. Fletcher Montgomery and The Rev. Mary Moore Roberson. Room 9-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 The Rev. Mr. Keller covers in his very popular book “The Reason for God.” Books available on Amazon.com. Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall.

Wednesday Night Program

“Is Life Getting in the Way? Are we letting life get in the way of our relationship with God? Is what we hear, see, watch and absorb daily preventing us from having a meaningful relationship with God? Or, is what we listen to, watch and participate in weekly consistent with a godly message? Come explore the music of pop culture through Sister Hazel and other bands and compare what we hear with the message of the Bible and the Episcopal Church. 6:30 pm, Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

MOMS Bible Study Tuesdays at 9:30 am until noon in the Parlor-first floor, Heyward Hall. Childcare provided. 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 meet on Mondays at 11 am in Room 9-lower level, Heyward Hall.

St. Teresa's Guild will meet Sunday, Oct. 11, 3:00 pm in Room 215. Join us as we learn about the Love In Action Ministry with Tom Savage. We are also going to mend some of the Feast Of Lights Costumes. Please bring cookies to add to the freezer for the Kairos Prison Ministry Ecumenical Weekend Oct. 14-18. Contact Margaret Axson (765-9132).