



# St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Notes & Announcements

April 26, 2009

### Prayer Requests

**For Healing:** Lou Hiers Atkins, Bill Benson, Bob Benson, Eunice Crawford, Tom Davis, Mimi Dial, Robin Driggers, Nancy Farish, Melinda Franks, Fred Hay Gantt, Robert Hemphill, Laura Wells Hiers, Warren King, Mary Law, Walter Lewis, Susan Love, Mike Miller, Charles Mitchell, Ramona Mitchell, Jim Mittenzwei, Dale Ness, Mary Nichols, Evan Pertile, George Pierce, Sam Roberts, Colleen Robinson, Allen Rogers, Andrew Sharpe, Jody Spruill, Ida Storrs, Aloo Tata, John Thomas, James Walker, Martha Weed, Florrie Willoch, Pearl Wilson

**For Expectant Parents:** Liz & Ryan Brewer, Sarah & Hoyt Burnett, Christine & Hugh Burkett, Lisa & Travis Faulds, Meagan & Brad Higinbotham, Jordan & Michael Mancini, LeAnne & Shane McCormack, Becky & David Shea

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

**For those who have died:** Marie Winn Tollison (4/17), mother of Lynn Barnett

**For Births:** Gabriel Robert Williams (4/20), son of Amanda & David Williams, grandson of Laura & David Williams; Samuel Allan Foppe (4/21), son of Elizabeth Hope Stalvey & Gene Foppe, grandson of Karen & Allan Stalvey.

### Confirmation

The following people will be confirmed today by Bishop Henderson at the 11:15 am service.

*Sarah McMillan Axson  
Michaela Close  
Leslie Allen Cotter, III  
Katherine Keller DuBose  
Evans Elaine Epting  
Mary Grace Graham  
Luke Neal Hodges  
Taylor Clark Jackson  
Katherine Elizabeth Law  
Thomas Adrian Boland, Jr.  
Heather Evans Overdyke*



*Everyone is invited to a reception on the patio with Bishop Henderson and the confirmands immediately following the 11:15 service. If it is cold or raining, we will gather in the Barr Center Dining Room.*

### This Week at St. John's

**Midlands Convocation Meeting TODAY 3-5 pm** at St. Timothy's.

**Yoga** will NOT meet on April 28.

**St. John's Equipped for Leadership Training** will be on Wednesday, April 29, 5:30 - 8:30 pm in the Barr Center Dining Room. Dinner and childcare will be provided. We plan to explore how each of us can contribute to the work being done in Christ's name at St. John's and what skills are helpful in fulfilling those roles. Contact: Lee Rambo (252-9227) or Faxie Watt (256-1011).

**Church Women United** collection of health kits will be Friday, May 1 between 9:00-10:00 am, hospitality 10:00-10:30, church service 10:30-11:30. are encouraged to come any of these times to help and to welcome our guests from many area churches of varying denominations.

**Equipped for Action: Changing Lives - Volume III** Diocesan Leadership Follow-up Day "Leaven in the Dough, Scatterers of Seed" on Saturday, May 2, at Christ Church Episcopal School, Greenville. The day will focus on the most essential part of mission-stories-our stories, The Story, and hearing the stories of others. This is the core of assertive evangelism and a crucial part of being a vital Christian community. Register on-line at [www.edusc.org](http://www.edusc.org)

### St. John's Gravatt Day Picnic & Outdoor Church Service

Sunday, May 3  
Bishop Gravatt Center  
in Aiken

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am followed by barbeque lunch with all the fixin's, swimming, relaxation and games.

**Optional Overnight stay at Gravatt (May 2-3):** Registration forms for the overnight are available in the back of the church or online.



## EYC Calendar

Sundays 5-7 pm unless otherwise noted

Apr 26 EYC @ the Art Shack  
May 3 St. John's Gravatt Day  
May 10 No EYC Mother's Day  
May 17 Spectacular St. John's Got Talent Revue  
EYC Celebration & Mission Fundraiser Dinner

### EYC @ St. John's Gravatt Day

This event is FREE!

9 am Meet @ St. John's  
10:30 Service @ Outdoor Chapel of the Holy Spirit on Campside  
Lunch BBQ by Jim Quinn  
After Lunch: Swimming, Football, Ultimate Frisbee, Games, etc. Optional Ropes Course Add-on for \$20.  
We will depart from Gravatt around 3 pm to return to St. John's by 4 pm.

### Spectacular St. John's Got Talent Revue 5-7 pm

EYC End of the Year Celebration

Youth Talent Show and Auction

Ecuadorian Dinner Fundraiser

\$10 Adults/ \$5 Children/ Children 2& under Free

Youth Grades 6-12 Free/ \$30 Family Max

This will be an evening of fun and celebration! We will share pictures and stories from all of this past year's events, and we will exhibit the talents of our youth and parishioners. Youth missionaries will also auction off their time and talents in service. The whole parish is invited to attend.

**Graduating Seniors** Please email Dorian your college or post-high school plans for recognition in the Youth Sunday bulletin on May 17. Senior gifts will be presented during the 9 am service, so please RSVP to Dorian to let him know if you will be present.

**Super Galactic Yard Sale Results** Thank you to all the volunteers who gave time and energy during the week sorting and during the Yard Sale on Sat. Special thank you to Ann Ruderman and Mrs. Close for their hard work on Friday night. Also, thank you to everyone who donated items; without you, we wouldn't have had a yard sale at all! Our net profit was right at \$4,000! This is amazing! With one clean swoop, we are able to cover all of our overhead expenses for the Home Works trips and contribute significantly to the Ecuador trip.

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

**Vacation Bible School Crocodile Dock-Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light** June 15-18, 9:00 am – 12 pm. \$10/child, \$20/family max. VBS is for 3K through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Vacation Bible School Volunteers** - We need your help to make St. John's VBS 2009 a wonderful and enriching experience for our children! If you are interested in volunteering or helping in any way, please contact Allison Gallagher [amgallagher02@yahoo.com](mailto:amgallagher02@yahoo.com) or Anne Stuart McMillan [mcmillantrees@sc.rr.com](mailto:mcmillantrees@sc.rr.com).

**CAMP (Christian Action Mission Project)** for children in rising 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through rising 5<sup>th</sup> grade. June 15-18, 9:00 am– 12 pm., \$10/child, \$20/family max.

**Junior Choirs** resume in September.

**Chancel Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Music Room. Enquiries about participating may be directed to Director of Music Celia Tolar-Bane at the church Monday-Thursday or on Sunday mornings.

**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.

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### Help Support a School Child in our Adopted Village

Would you like to honor a St. John's High School Senior, or another school child in your life, by making a donation to the St. John's Adopt a Village project? The school St. John's helped build in Chapoteau, Haiti offers a wonderful educational opportunity for the children who attend. The annual cost of one child's education is \$240. *Adopt a Village Project* forms are in the church narthex or on-line with PayPal. A list of all students honored will appear in the Youth Sunday May 17 bulletin. *Deadline is May 11.*

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

**Collection for Cooperative Ministry** New and gently used summer clothing along with new underwear and socks for children and adults will be collected May 3 and Monday, May 4 only. A collection box will be in the Barr Center lobby only. Contact: Tom Savage (796-8488).

**The Knitting Group** will meet Thursdays at noon in the Library. New and experienced knitters welcome!

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### Adult Christian Formation *Sundays 10:15-11:00 am*

**The Essential Bible Guide: 100 Readings Through the World's Most Famous Book** TODAY E100 will have a wrap-up class. Multipurpose Room-lower level, Heyward Hall.

**Cads (sometimes) of the Bible** – a companion piece to the recently completed Superheroes of the Bible. This series looks at well-known figures, at the moments they stumble, and discusses the divine and human aspects of these sacred narratives. TODAY David, The Sheep Stealer. Led by The Rev'd Mary Moore Roberson. Parlor – first floor, Heyward Hall.

**Living Faith** This DVD series by N. T. Wright focuses on: history of the Church, comparing Christianity to other religions, providing answers to common challenges to Christianity, and summarizing Christian doctrines and beliefs. Barr Center Dining Room.

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**Rector's Bible Study** Mondays at noon in Room 9.

**Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study** Tuesday 6:45 am in the Barr Center. Contact: Ned Badgett (787-8189)

**MOMS (Ministering Our Mother's Spirits) Bible Study** Tuesday 9:30 am in the Parlor-first floor. We are reading *Shepherding a Child's Heart*. Childcare provided. Contact: Cope Fralick (256-7749).

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### Altar Flowers

Given by St. John's vestry to glory of God and in celebration of, and in thanksgiving for, the ministry of Bishop Henderson.

