

# St. John's Visitor

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## HOLY WEEK PROVIDES MANY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



**PALM SUNDAY** - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary  
9:02 a.m. in the gym

As we enter Holy Week, we shall remember Christ's triumphal entry into the City of Jerusalem. Outwardly, it is a day of victory but, as the week progresses, we become mindful of our Lord's betrayal and move quickly to His trial and crucifixion.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** - 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

A number of men who are members of this Church Family will present a live dramatization of *The Lord's Supper*. This is a most meaningful and moving portrayal, and you will not want to miss it. Following the drama, the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated by all who are present.

**GOOD FRIDAY** - 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Tenebrae is a service of the Shadows. Readings from the Holy Scripture will enable us to truly experience the darkness that enveloped our Lord and those who viewed His crucifixion on Calvary. This will be a somber worship service with the Cross draped in black.

**EASTER SUNDAY** - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

9:02 a.m. in the gym

Plan to be present and share in the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the Gift of New Life that it brings to all God's creation and to you and me. Join us for these times of worship and experience the true blessedness of this holy season.



### PLEASE REMEMBER

Early Worship  
in the sanctuary  
now begins at 8:30 a.m.

902 WORSHIP  
CONTEMPORARY SERVICE  
9:02 AM IN THE GYM

March 16, 2008  
Passion/Palm Sunday

"THE PASSION ACCORDING TO MATTHEW"

Rev. Dr. George Howle  
Scripture: Matthew 26: 14 - 27, 66

**NEWS OF THE FAMILY**

*Meetings to Note*

**Thursday, March 13**

9:30am Bible Study  
7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

**Sunday, March 16**

8:15am Coffee House  
9:02am Contemporary Worship in Gym  
12:00noon Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt  
5:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
6:00pm Women's Emmaus  
6:00pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00pm *Christian Believer* Bible Study

**Monday, March 17**

8:15am First Place  
10:30am Primetime Sunny Monday  
6:00pm Evangelism Committee  
7:00pm Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm Finance Committee

**Wednesday, March 12**

9:30am Quilting and Prayer Shawl Groups  
9:30am TF Bible Study  
12:00noon Lenten Lunch-1st Presbyterian  
4:00pm Grief Share Group  
5:00pm Fellowship Supper  
6:00pm Lenten Communion Service  
7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group  
7:00pm Men/Women's Bible Study

**Serving This Week**

**Crucifer** - Thomas Osteen  
**Acolytes** - Collin Ray, Danielle Smith  
**Altar Guild** - Mary Musick, Lynda Troutman, Sharon West, Sherry Williamson  
**Crib Rm** (11:00 a.m.) - Casey Young  
**Toddlers** - Holley Kring  
**2-3 Yr Nursery** - Tara Long  
**3-4 Yr Nursery** - Rosalind Crenshaw  
**Greeters 8:30** - Paula & Barry Clayton, Claudette Strickland, Ed Farmer  
**Sunday School Greeter** - Beverly Burch  
**Greeters 11:00** - Walt Croft, Lee Poe, Marcia Harris, Sherry West, Nancy Vernon, Charlie Thorngate  
**Sunday AM Host (March 16)**  
*Jim Heffner*

**Evening Hosts**

Sunday (March 16) - *Dennis Fish*  
Monday - *Dan Fabrick*  
Tuesday - *Eric Randall*  
Wednesday - *George Kelley*  
Thursday - *Charlie Neill*  
Friday - *Chuck Bryan*  
Saturday - *Barry Pearson*

**USBORNE BOOK FAIR**, sponsored by the Preschool/MDO, is at St. John's Tuesday and Wednesday, March 11-12. Drop by the Preschool Office and view their selection.

**NEW ARRIVAL:** *Bryce William Barron, son of Holly & Myke Barron, grandson of Virginia (Sofge) & Terry Haynes, great-grandson of Lib & Fraser Sofge, was born February 29 in Greenville, TX. Nancy Martin is his great-aunt.*

*Madison Suzanne Rodrigues, daughter of Joe & Jessica Rodrigues, was born March 4 in Aiken.*

**HOSPITALIZED:** *Aiken - Ray Hydrick, Bill Johnson; Discharged - Roberta Timmerman, Don Rothrock, Elizabeth Dill*

**IN MEMORIAM**

**LEONARD FRANKLIN BAKER**

**February 19, 2008, in Salisbury, NC**

**IN MEMORIAM**

**HERBERT W. KEITH**

**March 5, 2008, in Grand Junction, CO**

*We would like to thank you all very much for the prayers, the cards, and the visits while our mother was ill and at the time of her death.*

**The Phillip Polk Family**

*The striping of the parking lots was a leadership project led by Matt Morton, a scout in Troop 121. This project is one of the requirements for the Eagle rank.*

**FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**

**No Supper on Wednesday**

Menu for **Thursday, March 20**

*Chicken/Wild Rice Soup  
Grilled Cheese Sandwiches  
Strawberry Delight*

**Volunteers are needed to serve as cashiers, servers, and to clean up in the dining room. PLEASE help when & where you are able.**

**Financials for week ending March 8, 2008**

Budgetary needs for the week \$ 35,042  
Budgetary funds rec'd this week \$ 50,572  
Budget funds rec'd to date \$ 386,271  
Actual expenses to date \$ 297,378  
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed \$1,133,608

**Faith Promise report for week ending March 8**

2008 Faith Promise \$233,152.48  
Received last week 2,577.00  
Received YTD 23,654.04  
Balance for which to pray \$209,498.44

**SUNNY MONDAY** will meet next week, March 17, at 10:30 am in Ward Hall. Greg Capers will be speaking to the group about St. John Towers, Augusta's faith-based retirement community for 30 years, owned by Wesley Woods, Inc. Greg will be remembered by many as a former St. John's staff member. Luncheon follows the program. Please make reservations by telephoning the office or by marking the friendship pad when it is passed on Sunday.

**Attendance Last Sunday**

8:30	79
9:02	110
11:00	352
Total	541
SS	309



**6:00pm - Sunday Night Youth Meeting**

Senior Highs continue the series on Spirituality vs. Religion.  
 Junior Highs will continue the series on Abraham.

**SALKEHATCHIE**

St. John's youth ministry Registration forms are now due for Pee Dee and Santee Salkehatchie camps. Please remember that the Aiken Salkehatchie is for those who have already been to that camp.

**THE GREAT ESCAPE**

This summer retreat in Cleveland, TN, at Lee University is for current 6th-8th graders. The week will feature thought-provoking devotional times, wonderful speakers, great band and amazing games. Sign-ups are currently ongoing. See Gene Aiken for details and cost.

**CONGRATULATIONS, YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS**

on the outstanding job you did in leading worship last Sunday. As Jeff Wallace observed Monday in the Aiken Standard, "we are handing the reins of leadership in this world over to a willing and capable generation of young men and women."

**EASTER EGG HUNT** takes place this Sunday. There will be a light lunch in Ward Hall following the 11am service and the egg hunt begins after lunch. Leave your eggs in the baskets outside the church office by Wednesday.



**EASTER LILY ORDERS** will be taken again next Sunday, March 16. Look for a volunteer in the lobby outside the church office. Names of those being honored or remembered will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.



**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOME BUILD**

Once again St. John's will be participating in this ongoing ministry which provides simple, decent, affordable housing for Aiken families. St. John's founded the local affiliate 20 years ago and this upcoming house will be home #70. Volunteers are needed who would like to share in this community ministry - a wonderful opportunity to extend a helping hand as well as share in some great fellowship with other church members. St. John's is sharing this build with other churches which results in work days on 4/19 (afternoon), 5/10, 5/31, 6/21 and 7/19. In addition to builders, volunteers are needed to provide lunches. If interested, please contact David Buchanan at [buchanan@gforcecable.com](mailto:buchanan@gforcecable.com) or 641-1285.



**CHILDREN'S CORNER**

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2008:**

- 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE: MARY & MARTHA'S B & B**
- 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE: THE ARKADE**
- 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE: CREATION STATION**
- 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE: HOLYWOOD CINEMAS**
- 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS: THOU ART**
- 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS: FROM BC TO PC**

Another successful basketball season has been completed. The youth of our church represented us well in demonstrating not only their athletic skills but, more importantly, their sportsmanship skills. St. John's would like to thank the coaches who volunteered their time and talents to make this opportunity available for our youth. There were 13 teams from St. John's with over 120 participants in the Church League this year.



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| Ben Dean, Scott Heath, James Crain   | 5-6 Year Olds    |
| Jeff Ray, Dwayne Berry, Clay Smith   | 7-8-Year Olds    |
| Jeffrey Crenshaw, Paul Gerstenberger | 9-10 Year Girls  |
| John Tiffany, Mark Hogue             | 9-10 Year Boys   |
| Tom Nance, Jeff Ray                  | 11-12 Year Girls |
| Bob Fogle, Jon Lunn                  | 11-12 Year Boys  |
| Mark Mikes                           | 13-15 Year Girls |
| Brian Madden, Noel Chapman           | 13-15 Year Boys  |
| Baker Leigh, Walter Cantwell         |                  |
| Mark Mahoney, Charlie Neill          | 16-18 Yr Girls   |
| Andrew Busbee                        | 16-18 Yr Boys    |

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the 11-12 Year Old Girls, 13-15 Year Old Boys and 16-18- Year Old Girls on winning their respective divisions!

**LOOKING AHEAD**

- March 20** - Last Supper Dramatic Presentation and Communion
- March 21** - Tenebrae - Service of Shadows
- March 16** - Palm Sunday  
Easter Egg Hunt
- March 23** - Easter Sunday
- April 5-10** - Mission trip to New Orleans
- April 27** - Organ Concert
- May 18** - Confirmation Sunday
- June 1** - Graduation Sunday
- June 16-20** - Vacation Bible School

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*We grow in faith and number by sharing  
the Good News of Jesus Christ, through  
worship, nurture and service.*



## Serving you...

### Ext

22 GEORGE K. HOWLE  
23 HARRY W. SAMPSON  
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE  
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE  
27 GENE AIKEN  
58 WALTER CANTWELL  
57 NANCY REED  
34 ANNE L. HAWKINS  
21 PAULA C. SAWYER  
30 MICHELLE I. PEARSON  
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Financial Services  
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