

St. John's Visitor

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ST. JOHN'S MEN, YOUNG AND OLD (TALENTED OR NOT!) MAKE THE MOTHERS IN ST. JOHN'S SMILE!

The men of the Chancel Choir and the Men's Praise Choir invite you to sing with them in the worship services on Mother's Day, May 13. The fellowship will be fun and the music will be easy; most importantly, the rewards will be great, to see all the mothers in the congregation smile with pleasure as you lead them in worship. Come to choir practice this Wednesday, May 2, from 6:45 to 7:15 and/or Wednesday, May 9 (same time). There will be music ready for you. Come join us for the Sixth Annual All-Men's Choir!

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

May 6, 2007 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sermon by
Rev. Dr. George Howle

Anthem

Sovereign Lord

Chancel Choir

Offertory

Gary Frazier, Baritone

Meetings to Note

Thursday, May 3

9:15 am Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday, May 6

8:15 am Coffee House
9:45 am Confirmation Class
6:00 pm UMYF/Confirmation Class
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm UMYF Parents Prayer Group

Monday, May 7

8:15 am First Place

Tuesday, May 8

6:00 pm Worship Committee
7:00 pm Board of Trustees
7:00 pm First Place

Wednesday, May 9

9:30 am Quilting Fellowship
9:30 am Old Testament Bible Study
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Group
5:00 pm Fellowship Supper
6:30 pm Youth Bible Study
7:00 pm Covenant Prayer Group
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Serving This Week

Crucifer - Matthew Risher
Acolytes - Kathleen Brannon, Connor Kane
Altar Guild - Peggy Boykin, Betty Grodahl, Abby Poulton
Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.) - Susan Vernon
Toddlers - Karen Buchanan
2-3 Yr Nursery - Stephanie Shick
3-4 Yr Nursery - Dawn Mahoney
Children's Worship - Kathy Samaha, Babs Bowers, Deedee Vaughters
Greeters 8:45 - Lee & René Boylston, Jerry & Billie Johnson
Sunday School Greeter - Beverly Burch
Greeters 11:00 - James & Lou Davis, Bill & Sylvia Spell, Bill & Mary Anne Quinn
Sunday AM Host (May 6)
Jay Bilyeu
Evening Hosts
Sunday (May 6) - John Tucker, Jr.
Monday - Edward Yeh
Tuesday - Charles McKeel
Wednesday - Dennis Fish
Thursday - Mike Uhle
Friday - Keith Polk
Saturday - Brian Eberhard

Last Week's Attendance

8:45	162
11:00	479
Total	641
SS	277

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

BAPTISMS: Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, April 29, were **Cole Robert Kring** and his father, **Brent Robert Kring**. Cole's mother and Brent's wife is **Holley Kring**. **Harry and Caroline Sampson** are Cole's grandparents.

NEW MEMBERS: Welcomed into St. John's membership on April 29:

Mr. & Mrs. Brent R. Kring (Holley)
603 Cardinal Dr. 502-0633

CONGRATULATIONS: **John Geiger** was recently promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in the South Carolina State Guard.

CONDOLENCES: Deepest sympathy is extended to **William P. Berrie** in the death of his brother, **Marvin E. Berrie**, in Aiken on April 28.

HOSPITALIZED: **Aiken** - Elmore Fabrick; **MCG** - Dick Irwin; **Doctor's** - Betty Thomason; **Discharged** - Thelma White

In honor of St. John's 150th anniversary, **Habitat for Humanity** sent a very lovely vase of flowers which could be seen in the narthex on Sunday morning and is now placed in the lobby outside the office. Sincere appreciation is expressed to Habitat and its director, Richard Church, for this thoughtful remembrance.

Ron Jernigan, Dave Kelly, Sandy Miller, Michael Norton & John Swanner successfully completed the Perspective on the Christian World Movement course. Perspectives is a 16 week college level course which has been essential in mobilizing hundreds of lay people to what God has called His church to do in reaching the lost of the world. The faithfulness and dedication of these five individuals will no doubt contribute to what God has in store for St. John's global outreach plan. Congratulations!



Remember to bring **FOOD FOR ACTS** when you come to worship next Sunday, first Sunday of the month!

APPLE FEST - 2007 will be held Saturday, November 3. Enthusiastic and somewhat organized women needed to lead this event. Ask God how he wants to you to serve. Call Renee Reid at 642-8951 to volunteer.



FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Menu for May 9

Baked Chicken
Macaroni and Cheese
Green Beans Fresh Fruit
Coconut Cake

Financials for week ending April 28, 2007

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 28,907
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 20,650
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 529,144
Actual expenses to date	\$ 452,683
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,934,908

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
MAY CIRCLE MEETINGS**

Tuesday, May 8

11:00 am #11 Betty Mullikin
205 Sand River Ct
12:30 pm # 9 Peggy Thome
337 Magnolia Lake Ct.
(RSVP by May 7 - 642-5196)
2:00 pm #10 Church Resource Rm
7:30 pm # 1 Mary Musick
7 Doral Drive

Monday, May 14

11:30 am # 4 Eejay's

Tuesday, May 15

12:00 pm #13 Cafe Monet
7:00 pm # 8 At the Church

Wednesday, May 16

7:00 pm # 7 At the Church

Saturday, May 19

11:00 am #14 Meet at church to carpool to lunch in Ridge Spring
(RSVP Mary Ward 649-1779)

Thursday, May 31

11:30 am # 3 Meet at church to carpool to General Elliott Inn

UMW Circle #10 will continue taking names next Sunday (May 6) for the **MOTHER'S DAY INSERT**. Cost is \$1 per name.

St. John's Youth News

Sunday, May 6

- 9:45 am Confirmation (Chapter 8)**
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir**
- 6:00 pm Regular UMYF Meeting**
(continuing the series about change)
- 6:00 pm Confirmation (Chapter 9)**
- 6:00 pm Parents' Prayer Group**

Sunday, May 13

PARENTS are invited to meet an applicant for the Youth Director Position. Next applicant comes May 27.

Sunday, May 20

SENIOR SUNDAY!

Is God calling you to prayer for the youth of our church and for your own teenage children or grandchildren? Please join a prayer group at 6:00 on Sunday evenings in the prayer room. If you have any questions, call Renee Reid at 642-8951.



CRAIN SCHOLARSHIP - Applications due May 15 and may be obtained from the church office.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

May Friendship Day

Saturday, May 5 10:00 a.m.
Salvation Army 322 Gayle Ave NW

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Aiken's 15th Annual Observance

Thursday, May 3 6:30 p.m.
First Baptist Church

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Bible Studies by Demand, Volume 2, continues on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30. Each session offers a different video teacher and subject. No workbook or homework. Three sessions remain: May 6, 20 and 27 (or June 3.)

PLEASE SAVE JARS FOR VBS

Please save 6 to 8 oz jars *with lids* for VBS crafts. (Baby food jars or any kind of jar with a lid.) The jars may be dropped off at the office. Pam Howle will appreciate your help!



NURSERY WORKER NEEDED

Must be 18 or older
Sunday mornings & evenings
Wednesday evenings



HONORING ST. JOHN'S PASTORS - SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2007

FISHIN' FOR UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

May 19, 2007 Floyd's Pond (Graniteville)

Depart - Aiken Department of Public Safety at 8 am Return - Aiken Department of Public Safety at 3 pm

Fishin' buddies needed!! Join kids from different Aiken neighborhoods for a day at the pond.

(Under 10 MUST be accompanied by Parent/Guardian)

Sign-up Sheet in office

Officer Rick Brown (819-8862)

Information Contacts

Officer Herbert Schofield (819-8863)

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