

St. John's Visitor

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S NEWEST MEMBERS!!

The following members of the 2010 Confirmation Class were received Sunday, May 23:

CONFIRMAND

ADAM BECKUM
MEAGAN CATHEY
KAYLEE CRENSHAW
CHRISTOPHER DEMINCK
BRIANNA DOWNS
CARLEY DOWNS
CAROLINE GRIER
JAKE HARRINGTON
ELIZABETH HAZLEWOOD
PETE HELMS

MENTOR

SHERALD RODGERS
FRANCES OSTEEEN
CHARITY LEIGH
GEORGE BODKIN
BRENDA AIKEN
PAULA CLAYTON
BETH KELLY
BARRY CLAYTON
NANCY PERRINE
JEFF WALLACE

CONFIRMAND

JON LUNN
TAYLOR MABRY
RYAN MUIR
SOPHIE NANCE
ABBY RAY
SAVANNAH TAYLOR
CLAIRE TURNER
RYAN UHLE
WILL WERTZ

MENTOR

KEITH POLK
PHYLLIS COKER
JASON ADAMS
DIANE MINIARD
JUDY JERNIGAN
MARSHA MIKES
CYNTHIA STAPLETON
MARK MAHONEY
HARRY SAMPSON

CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, MAY 31

*Please submit newsletter information
no later than Friday morning of this week.*

May 30, 2010 – First Sunday after Pentecost
GRADUATION SUNDAY

8:30 Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
9:02am Contemporary Worship - Gym
11:00 Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

Scripture: Ephesians 2: 8 - 10
Messages by
Adam Bumpus
Kaitlyn Mikes
Class of 2010

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, May 27

- 10:00am Bible Study
- 12:00pm Joseph's Coat Luncheon
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

Saturday, May 29

- 8:00am Grace Kitchen

Sunday, May 30

- 8:15am Coffee House
- 8:30am Worship
- 9:02am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 10:00am Senior Breakfast
- 11:00am Worship
- 4:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 6:00pm Bible Study

Youth Cookout at Aiken State Park

Monday, May 31

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

Tuesday, June 1

- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Joyful Sounds

Wednesday, June 2

- 9:30am Quilting Fellowship
- 9:30am Bible Study
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Bible Study

Serving This Week

- Crucifer** - Lauren Pearson
- Acolytes** - Max Madden, John Luke Nance
- Altar Guild** - Peggy Boykin, Nancy Martin, Nancy Perrine, Sandra Cantwell, Sandra Dunn
- Crib Rm** - Heather Yeh
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Molly Jones
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Robin Vitali
- Sunday AM Host (May 30)** - Bobby Coker
- Evening Hosts**
 - Sunday - (May 30) - John Geiger
 - Monday - Bob Fogle
 - Tuesday - Jeff Crenshaw
 - Wednesday - Robin Dillman
 - Thursday - Kevin Buchanan
 - Friday - Jon Paul Hyché
 - Saturday - Jimmy Moore

Attendance last Sunday	
8:30	88
9:02	147
11:00	475
Total	710
SS	294

MORE COLLEGE GRADUATES:

ADAM J. GOTTLIEB

(Grandson of Charles & Betty Thorngate)

Doctor of Jurisprudence - The University of Oregon

ASHTON GRAY ANDERSON

Granddaughter of Gilda Holland)

B.S., Accounting (with honors) - The University of South Carolina

JAMIE JEANETTE DAVIS

Associate Degree, Accounting - Haywood Community College

(Daughter-in-Law of Nancy Martin)

BAPTISM: *Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism last Sunday was Savannah Rose Taylor, a member of the 2010 Confirmation Class.*

CONDOLENCES: *Deepest sympathy is extended to Clayton and Brenda Smith who have recently experienced double losses. Brenda's nephew passed away on May 9 and Clayton's niece died on May 10.*

HOSPITALIZED: ARMC - Pat Boyer; Charleston - Bill Mobley; Discharged to home care - Virginia Lybrand

IN MEMORIAM

ANNETTA "ANN" H. TAYLOR

May 23, 2010

UNITED METHODIST MEN: Remember the Jimmy Stewart Fish Fry on Thursday, May 27. Come to Ward Hall at 6:30pm, enjoy the fish and bring a dessert.

GETTING TO KNOW ST. JOHN'S

Who We Are- June 6-Rev. Dr. George Howle
How We Serve-June 13 - Ministries/Missions
What We Believe-June 20-Rev. Keith Stewart
 Anyone, whether a new or longtime member, is invited to attend any or all of these informational sessions.

To honor or remember your father in the **Father's Day bulletin**, plan to see a member of UMW Circle 8 after 8:30 service or before & after the 11am worship. Cost is \$1 per name.

Financials for week ending May 22, 2010

Budget funds rec'd this week	\$ 23,722
Budget needs for the week	\$ 33,091
Budget Funds Rec'd to date	\$ 740,356
Expenses to date	\$ 632,437
St. John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$282,748.88
Faith Promise Update	
Faith Promise 2010	\$173,987.00
Rec'd to date	\$ 92,605.50
Expenses to date	\$ 70,825.00

REMINDER: Contact Nancy Fairgrieve in the Finance Office if interested in a niche or memorial plaque in the Prayer Garden Columbarium. Purchase agreements are due June 1.

INTERESTED IN MEN'S SOFTBALL? Please contact Keith Stewart at the church by June 1 (648-6891) or on his cell (439-2543).

GOLF REPORT: The winning team in last week's tournament at Cedar Creek. was composed of *David Moore, Hall Beard, Ben Reeves & Mark Byrum*. Second place went to the team of *Jimmy Stewart, Sr, Jim Stewart, Jr, Josh Stewart & Nathan Stewart* while third place team included *Steve Lathrop, Dave Buchanan, Al Snell & Bruce Burns*. Proceeds for the ramp ministry are being calculated and will be reported at a later date.



YOUTH GROUP will go to Fish Lake Picnic Center at Aiken State Park for a picnic Sunday afternoon. Meet at the church parking lot at 3 pm. Food will be provided.



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**VBS Wish List -
Can you help?**

Please bring donations to palm tree outside church office by Sunday, June 6.

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| New string mop | Wiggly eyes (adhesive type) |
| New bath toys | Plastic spoons |
| 9 oz. clear plastic cups | 48 two-liter bottles |
| 2 spray bottles | 6 wading pools |
| 3 spongeballs (med. size) | Fruit Loops cereal |
| Bags of gummy worms (15) | Play-doh |
| Plastic snakes | Ritz crackers (1 box) |
| Goldfish crackers (1 box) | Beach ball |
| Pringles baked wheat sticks | Wet wipes |
| Square pretzels | Plastic coffee stirrers |
| Large bags of plain M&M's | 10 Pool noodles |
| Bags of mini-marshmallows | Vanilla wafers |
| Sandwich-size re-sealable bags | Bite-size blue corn chips |
| Chocolate graham cracker crumbs | |

GO Global Outreach News

Honduras Agape Foundation: Maynor Castillo, coordinator of all the Foundation's activities in Honduras, was in Aiken from May 10 - 20. During his visit, he met with George Howle, Gene Aiken, Michael Norton & Lauren Norton, who served as translator. Maynor thanked St. John's UMC for our financial & prayer support over the years. He said without such support, the work of the Foundation cannot be accomplished. He also asked for special prayers that he be effective in his work for the Foundation as well as for personal health issues.

Honduras Trips: There are still openings available for three upcoming short-term mission trips to work with the Honduras Agape Foundation. The travel dates are: June 9-19, June 23- July 3, & July 6-16. Activities will include construction, Vacation Bible School & evangelism. Please contact Michael Norton (648-9740) or Frances Osteen (648-2548) if interested.

New Missionary Booklet: The Global Outreach Leadership Team (GOLT) has produced a new 31-page booklet with updated information on all our current mission partners. Permanent copies of the booklets have been placed in the sanctuary pews for reference. Please contact the church office if you would like an additional copy to take home. Information on our mission partners is also available on our web site: www.stjohns-umc.org/.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2010
3K THROUGH 4TH GRADE:
PAUL EXPLAINS CHRISTIANS' RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST
EPHESIANS 1: 15 - 2:10

WHEN MY MOM DIED... STEPHEN MINISTRY



I needed someone to listen to me as I told her history and nurtured my memory of her. I needed someone to listen to all that we were to each other. I needed someone to let me be angry, to let me be sad, to let me cry. Now I know where I could have found someone who would have been there just for me. Stephen Ministry.

SAND RIVER SALKEHATCHIE beginning date of June 12 is quickly approaching. If you or your group can offer support to this group in any way as they repair homes for local families in need, please contact Phyllis Coker at 649-1511 or 270-7121 (cell.)

ACTS COLLECTION

MAY: Macaroni & Cheese JUNE: Pasta

LOOKING AHEAD

- Saturdays** - Grace Kitchen opens at 8am
- May 30** - Graduation Sunday
- June 6** - Commissioning of Stephen Ministers
- June 10-13** - SC Annual Conference, Florence
- June 12-19** - Sand River Salkehatchie
- June 14-18** - Vacation Bible School
- July 4** - Single Service & Churchwide Picnic
- July 21** - 50+ Activity Night
- August 15** - Blessing of Backpacks
- August 22** - Churchwide Bible Study-Sunday School Hr
- October 3** - World Communion Sunday
- November 6** - AppleFest 2010
- November 7** - All Saints Day (Daylight Savings time ends)
- November 18** - UMW Turkey Dinner
- December 5** - Children's Musical Program
- December 19** - Christmas Music Sunday
- January 16, 2011** - Day of Commitment to Christian Unity
- January 21-23** - Mission Impact Celebration
- February 11** - Valentine Luncheon
- February 11-13** - Youth Revolution

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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
29 KEITH STEWART
23 HARRY W. SAMPSON
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE
27 GENE AIKEN
57 NANCY REED
34 ANNE HAWKINS
21 PAULA SAWYER
30 MICHELLE PEARSON
61 ALLISON BEATTY
60 MIDGE ROTHROCK
27 JIMI WHITESSELL
58 ALLEN RADCLIFFE
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THE PEOPLE OF ST. JOHN'S

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Nurture Pastor
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Director of Music Ministries
Financial Services
Missions & Evangelism
Director, Adult & Senior Ministries
Assistant to Ministers
Church Secretary
Director, Preschool/MDO Ministries
Director, Children's Ministries
PR/Communications Coordinator
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