

# St. John's Visitor

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## UMM Annual Golf Tournament a Great Day of Fun, All for a Good Cause



The St. John's United Methodist Men annual golf tournament turned out to be a wonderful success! George Howle, Senior Pastor (*and* respectable golfer) started the tournament off with a bang on Friday, May 22, 2009, a bright, sunny day, with just a short burst of rain late in the afternoon.

A full field of 87 golfers assembled for a delicious lunch, grand fellowship, and prizes for about half the field. Steve Lathrop, President of the UMM, got the whole idea started earlier this year, and was the host and emcee of this exciting tournament, held at The Golf Club at Cedar Creek.

Our winning 4-some for this Captain's Choice event consisted of two couples, Renee` and Lee Boylston, and Jan and Jack Gilbert. Following them were 3 teams tied for second place. Actually, the whole field had respectable scores. (Of course, mulligans *were sold*, so maybe this helped the totals!).

A significant sum of money was raised; and, when all is said and done, this tournament was able to provide the Ministers' Discretionary Fund net proceeds of approximately \$5,000. The recipient of these funds has been designated. She is a miraculous survivor of cancer which was quiet advanced when discovered. The medical bills for her treatments placed increased worries on this family. Now, they can enjoy some relief, while she begins her newly-chosen career as a servant of God, in missions here locally. Recently, against all odds, she was pronounced to be in remission. So, whether you participated,

sponsored a hole, provided a gift certificate, added to our goody bag, or just encouraged the players, your contribution made a difference.

It could not have been done without the willing and generous support of so many volunteers, area businesses and good-natured participants.

Watch for an announcement for the date next year. Because it was so much fun, plans are to do it again in '10!

**June 7, 2009**  
**First Sunday after Pentecost**

**Messages this week by:**  
**Keith Stewart**  
**Gene Aiken**

**Services at 8:30 and 11:00 in the sanctuary.**  
**Contemporary service at 9:02 in the gym.**



**NEWS OF THE FAMILY**

**Meetings to Note**

**Thursday, June 4**

7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

**Friday, June 5**

4:00pm Baking for Project Graduation

**Saturday, June 6**

8:00am Grace Kitchen

**Sunday, June 7**

8:15am Coffee House

10:00am Getting to Know St. John's

3:00pm Bible School Volunteers' Meeting

5:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

6:00pm Women's Bible Study

6:00pm Sunday Night Youth

6:00pm College Grp Meets - Check w/Mahoneys

**Monday, June 8**

8:00am First Place

9:00am Vacation Bible School

10:00am Exercise Class

12:30pm Al-Anon

6:00pm Pastor Parish Relations Committee

**Tuesday, June 9**

9:00am Vacation Bible School

7:00pm Board of Trustees

7:00pm Joyful Sounds rehearsal

**Wednesday, June 10**

9:00am Vacation Bible School

9:30am Quilting

7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group

7:00pm Men's Bible Study

**Serving This Week**

**Crucifer** - Adam Bumpus

**Acolytes** - Daniel Lunn, Max Madden

**Altar Guild** Sally Bradley, Carla Dillman,  
Cindy Snell, Marguerite Flynn

**Crib Rm** (11am) Deedee Vaughters

**Toddlers** - Teresa Crain

**2-3 Yr Nursery** - Amanda Stefanakos

**3-4 Yr Nursery** - Dawn Mahoney

**Greeters 8:30** - Tom & Pam McCollum

**Greeters 11:00** - Lee & Dot Poe, Adam & Kristen  
Bates, Marin & Shirley Rosine

**Sunday AM Host (June 7)** - John McMahan

**Evening Hosts**

Sunday (**June 7**) - Edward Yeh

Monday - Charles McKeel

Tuesday - Dennis Fish

Wednesday - Mike Uhle

Thursday - Keith Polk

Friday - Brian Eberhard

Saturday - George Bodkin

**NEW MEMBER:** Also received into membership on May 24 and unintentionally omitted from last week's list:

**Frank Ray Lock IV**

Baptized and Received

**BAPTISM:** Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, May 31, was **Connor Noele Willoughby**, daughter of **Matt and Jennifer Willoughby**.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Congratulations to **Lib and Fraser Sofge** who celebrate sixty years of marriage on June 9.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HIGHSCHOOL GRADUATES OF 2009:**

**SARAH ELIZABETH ARNOLD**  
**EMERY KYLE BECKNER**  
**KATHLEEN ERIN BRANNON**  
**BLANE CATER BURCH**  
**CATHERINE BLANCHE BYRD**  
**BRIAN ELLIS COLEMAN**  
**MICHAEL CORNELIUS**  
**SARA MICHELLE DAVIS**  
**MICHAEL BERRIE HARVEY**  
**ELIZABETH ANNE JARRIEL**  
**CONNOR WRIGHT KANE**

**ERIN ELIZABETH KELLY**  
**VICTORIA NICOLE LOCKRIDGE**  
**ELIZABETH BREELAND MAHONEY**  
**BETHANY MANDERS**  
**NICOLE MARY NEILL**  
**THOMAS MICHAEL OSTEEN**  
**ASHLEY GRACE REID**  
**JAMES DOUGLAS RODGERS**  
**CLAIRE ASHLEY SHERBURNE**  
**SYDNEY TURNQUIST**  
**KATHERINE RENEE WEIGLE**

**STEPHEN LEADERS LEAVE FOR LEADER'S TRAINING**

*Alice Allington, Jeanette Isaacson, Rick Endler and Keith Stewart, future Stephen Leaders from St. John's, will leave Sunday, June 7, for training in Orlando. At the course, they will learn to train people here at St. John's to be Stephen Ministers. They will begin seven days of intensive training in the techniques of teaching others to do caring ministry.*

*These Stephen Ministers will be a part of the caring ministry here at St. John's, providing one-to-one care for those who are in need. Watch for further information about how you can become a Stephen Minister.*

*Right now, these four Stephen Leaders are asking for our prayers; specifically, for safe travel, for the training in which they are participating to be all that God intends it to be for St. John's, and for others within St. John's to be called by God to become Stephen Ministers.*

*We eagerly look forward to the blessings the Stephens Series will bring to St. John's.*

Circle #8 will be taking names again June 7 and June 14 after the 8:30am as well as before and after the 9:02 and 11:00am services for the **FATHER'S DAY BULLETIN**. Cost is \$1 per name.

**Financials for week ending May 30, 2009**

Budgetary needs for the week \$ 34,914  
Budget funds rec'd this week \$ 15,778  
Budget funds rec'd to date \$ 689,246  
Actual expenses to date \$ 666,695  
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed \$691,108

**Faith Promise Update**

Faith Promise \$176,312.00  
Rec'd YTD \$ 86,590.62  
Disbursed YTD \$78,647.82

**\*\*2009 Faith Promise year =  
2/1/09 thru 1/31/10**

**GETTING TO KNOW ST. JOHN'S**

sessions begin Sunday (June 7) at 10:00am in Ward Hall. First session is *Who We Are*, led by George Howle. All interested persons are welcome.

**UMW Circle #7** meets Wednesday, June 17, 7pm in Room 116.

**UMW Circle #11** meets Tuesday, June 9, 12pm at Eden Gardens.

**Attendance - May 31**

8:30	139
9:02	111
11:00	463
Total	713
SS	353



St. John's  
youth ministry

**SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP**  
**June 7, 6pm**      **Regular meeting**  
**Permission slips will be available at**  
**this meeting for all summer one-day trips**  
**planned this year.**

*"Families Wanted!!!"*

*Need loving families to deliver popsicles to the  
hardworking volunteers during Salkhatchie Week.*

*June 13<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.*

*Your reward?*

*A refreshing popsicle to enjoy while observing the  
wonderful work going on right here*

*in our own back yard!*

*If you are interested, please call the church office.*

**ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR** has openings in all remaining months of 2009 except June and December. Please contact the office (648-6891) if you wish to remember or honor a love one(s) in this way. Cost is \$40 per vase.

#### **ACTS COLLECTION**

**JUNE:** Canned tuna and/or canned salmon

**Missionary Prayer Focus:** May God be with Pam, Susan and Deedee as they seek to spread His love to the children of St. Petersburg, Russia, and peace for their families remaining in Aiken.

## **GO Global Outreach News**

-**Whitney Simons** will be visiting St. John's on June 21 to give a presentation in Ward Hall at 10:00 AM. Ms. Simons will be talking about her experience working with **Athletes in Action** and **Campus Crusade** in Puebla, Mexico. Please contact Michael Norton (648-9740) for more info.

A **Community Vacation Bible School** will be held at Memorial Baptist Church from June 22-26. Children from five area churches, Helping Hands & Christ Central are invited. The VBS is scheduled for 5:45-9:15 PM each day in an effort to appeal to a wider cross section of volunteers.

Please contact Michelle Brown [michelle.brown@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:michelle.brown@stjohns-umc.org) or (648-6891) or to help out with this ministry.

**Robert Gonzi**, a social worker with **Life for Children Ministry**, is in need of a used computer. Contact Frances Os-teen (648-2548) if you have a desktop/laptop to donate.

**Upcoming Mission Trips:** Please support the following short-term mission trips with your prayers:

1. **Russia** (June 7-17)
2. **Honduras** (June 10-20)
3. **Salkhatchie/Sand River** (June 13-20)
4. **Salkhatchie/Pee Dee** (June 24-July 4).

## **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR  
SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2009**

**1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE:** THOU ART  
**2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE:** FROM BC TO PC  
**3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE:** MARY & MARTHA'S B & B  
**4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:** THE ARKADE  
**5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:** JOYFUL NOISE

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: "ALL OF THEM WERE  
FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT" ACTS 2:4**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, CROCODILE DOCK**, begins next week on June 8th! We are getting ready for an exciting adventure, discovering God's presence, power, love, life, and care. Please pray for all of the wonderful volunteers, children, and their families. Pray that needs will be met and hearts will be

touched. Pray that God may be glorified in all ways as we plan, prepare, and seek his will for this year's VBS.

**VBS Volunteers!** Hopefully you are as excited as we all are that Crocodile Dock is just around the corner! To prepare for next week, there is an important Volunteer Meeting this Sunday, June 7th at 3:00 in Ward Hall. The meeting should last no more than 1 hour, and childcare will be provided. If you have stations to decorate/set-up, you will also be able to do so after the meeting. We appreciate all of you SO much and look so forward to seeing all that God has in store for us and the children next week!

In His love, Michelle, Denise, and Allison

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**May 31-June 3** - South Carolina Annual Conference  
**June 7** - ALL Volunteer VBS Meeting  
**June 8-12** - Vacation Bible School  
**June 13-20** - Sand River Salkehatchie  
**June 22-26** - Community VBS at Memorial Baptist Church  
**July 5** - Single worship service followed by picnic  
**August 16** - Blessing of the Backpacks  
**August 17** - Public School resumes  
**August 21-23** - Fuel Youth Retreat  
**October 4** - World Communion Sunday  
**November 1** - All Saints Day - Daylight Savings time ends  
**November 7** - AppleFest  
**November 13-15** - Asbury Hills Youth Retreat  
**December 6** - Children's Christmas Program  
**December 20** - Chancel Choir Christmas Canatata

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*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  
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Nurture Pastor  
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Director of Music Ministries  
Financial Services  
Director of Youth Ministries  
Director, Adult & Senior Ministries  
Assistant to Ministers  
Church Secretary  
Director, Preschool/MDO Ministries  
Event Coordinator  
Director, Children's Ministries  
PR/Communications Coordinator  
Volunteer Facilities Coordinator  
Asst Director, Youth Ministries  
9:02 Music  
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Custodian Coordinator  
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