

St. John's Visitor

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Joe Lee Hill Endowment Fund

In August of 2000, **Sims W. Hill** established the **JOE LEE HILL ENDOWMENT FUND** to honor the memory of his brother. The terms of the fund agreement are for the promotion of the existence of the Endowment Fund to the members of the church. The reasons are to attract contributions to the Fund and to generate recommendations for distribution of funds according to the covenants of the Fund.

The church is challenged to distribute the net annual income generated by the Fund's investments to: Children's Place, Inc. of Aiken; children under the age of 18 in Aiken County for costs associated with attending a Youth Christian Camp; and provide a scholarship (funding) to a member of the church attending seminary.

Recommendations and contributions from the congregation are welcome and can be made by calling the church office.

John Troutman, Chair
Endowment Committee

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2007



Please stop by the main lobby bulletin board and sign a star for your loved one if his/her name is not already listed in support of our brave troops.



June 17, 2007
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day
"WHAT MAKES A FATHER A REAL HERO"
Scripture: **1 Samuel 17: 2 - 11**
Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

Music **GIFT OF LOVE**
Women's All-Church Choir
HONOR THY FATHER & THY MOTHER
Ava Winans and Catherine Nance

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, June 14

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday, June 15

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
12:00 noon VBS Luncheon

Saturday, June 16

Sand River Salkehatchie ends

Sunday, June 17

8:15 am Coffee House
4:30 pm Men's Praise Choir
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Monday, June 18

10:30 am Primetime Sunny Monday
6:00 pm Finance Committee

Tuesday, June 19

7:00 pm First Place
7:00 pm Evangelism Committee

Wednesday, June 20

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

Serving This Week

Crucifer - Gaines Milliner

Acolytes - Collin Ray, Jimmy Rodgers

Altar Guild - Gayle Garrison, Jenny Johnson, Donna Caprell Kraft

Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.) - Molly Jones

Toddlers - Michelle Orr

2-3 Yr Nursery - Deedee Vaughters

3-4 Yr Nursery - Laura Rowan

Children's Worship -

Greeters 8:45 - Joe & Leah Lewis
Elizabeth Dill

Sunday School Greeter - Beverly Burch

Greeters 11:00 - Keith & Julie Polk
Mary Gardner, Shirley Powell,
Monnie Pitts, Ivey Alexander

Sunday AM Host (June 17)

Jim Heffner

Evening Hosts

Sunday (June 17) - Eric Randall

Monday - George Kelley

Tuesday - Charlie Neill

Wednesday - Chuck Bryan

Thursday - Barry Pearson

Friday - Jim Minear

Saturday - Rick Endler

Last Week's Attendance

8:45	178
11:00	544
Total	722
SS	297

WEDDINGS: Congratulations to *Michael Yates Coleman and Angela Paige White* who were married in the sanctuary on Saturday, June 9.

Congratulations also to *David Culler Courtney and Erin Kirk* who were married in Saluda Shoals Park, also on June 9.

HOSPITALIZED: Lexington - Bob Rehn

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2007 COLLEGE GRADUATES!!

TAYLOR SCOTT BRAITHWAITE

B.A. - English, The Citadel

KELLIE DENISE FISH

B.A.-Psychology & B.A.-Sociology, Coastal Carolina University

KATHERINE "KATIE" IRENE FLEMING

B.S. - Biology, The University of South Carolina - Aiken

KELLY ELIZABETH JONES

Doctorate - Physical Therapy, Duke University

MICHAEL SHANE PERKINS

B.S. - Economic & Environmental Science, Clemson University

JONATHAN DAVID ROLLINS

B.S. - Microbiology, Clemson University

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry participants thank those members of the church who have recently made donations to this ministry in memory or in honor of someone.

The reception for *Neil and Patsy Flowers* was well attended and well organized. Special thanks to Sarah Perkins, Claudette Strickland and Paula Kane who made it all happen with great help from many others. If was a fun and fond farewell event and the "Notes for Neil" book signed by so many of you will be a special remembrance for Neil and Patsy.

Many thanks to the members and staff of St. John's for all the food, cards and support given to me during the illness and passing of my husband, Jack.

Sincerely, **Frances Burnham**

SUNNY MONDAY GROUP meets next week on June 18 at 10:30 am in Ward Hall. The program, *Senior Matters*, about geriatric care will be presented by St. John's member, Nancy Reed. A luncheon follows the program (ham, pineapple casserole, green beans, cornbread and dessert) and reservations are appreciated.

Jim Holly will lead a 10-week **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** beginning June 20. This Wesley Ministry Network study is titled *Serious Answers to Hard Questions*.

Each lesson is a stand alone study with discussion presented by a different speaker. The presenters are from Wesley Theological Seminary, Asbury Theological Seminary, Oxford University and Duke Divinity School. Class will meet Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the education building.

Financials for week ending June 2, 2007

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 28,907
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 44,778
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 703,545
Actual expenses to date	\$ 600,276
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,897,908

Be part of a group to make things happen - don't wait to be called! Let **APPLE FEST '07 CHAIRS** Jeanette Isaacson (644-9168) or Hilda Secrist (642-4028) hear about your ideas and how you'd like to help.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH:

Please join the women of the chancel choir and youth choir as we have our All-Church Women's Choir on Father's Day, June 17, in both worship services. There is *one rehearsal* on June 13 in the choir room, from 6:45 to 7:15. Come be part of the fun and fellowship!



St. John's Youth News

Sunday, June 17 - NO UMYF meeting

Some spots are still open for the Florida trip to "Give Kids the World." A deposit is required if you are interested. Contact Debbie Rodgers at 649-5979.

REMINDER!!! The deadline to return the M & M containers is July 1. Proceeds are for *Give Kids the World*.

CAR MAGNETS WITH CROSS & FLAME EMBLEM are available from a Contagious Christians class member - 1 for \$5 and 2 for \$9. This is a class fund-raising project with proceeds going toward class mission projects.



The June 2007 **HONDURAS GLOBAL OUTREACH TEAM** is currently away ministering with those they have been called to serve. The team will be returning to Aiken on June 16 with numerous stories to share about what God did through them while they were in Honduras. On July 12, beginning at 6:00 pm, you are invited to come to hear their stories. Mark your calendars now and stay tuned for further details. Please continue to pray for them: *Brian and Christa Eberhard, Archie Hargett, Ed, Lauren and Michel Norton, Jeff Ray, and Al Snell.*



UNITED METHODIST MEN meet next on Thursday, June 28, with Dr. Randy Shelley as special guest to speak about the Honduras Medical Mission. Meeting begins with a covered dish supper at 6:30pm.

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve and share the love of Jesus in our local community? If so, **Christ Central Ministries-Aiken** is joining with area churches to partner together on behalf of "our Gloverville, SC neighbors" in the following ways:

A free lunch program will be offered to neighborhood children from June 4 – August 17, Monday-Friday, noon to 1:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to assist the on-site coordinator (food is provided through Summer Food Program tax dollars).

After lunch, from 1:00-2:00 pm, there is a need for volunteers to provide craft projects, games, music, drama, etc. for the children.

Every Friday evening, from June 8-August 17, 6:00-8:00 pm, volunteers are needed to share the love of Christ by providing food, drinks and activities for people of all ages. Some suggestions are music, drama, puppets, mimes, games, movies, etc.

There's often no need to re-invent the wheel. Simply consider taking the ministry you, your Sunday School class, youth group, VBS group, Children's ministry group, etc. provide within the walls of our church out into the community. If you are interested in sponsoring one of these events, please contact Jan Gilbert at 646-0451 (cell) or Ron Jernigan at 648-9859.

This week St. John's is hosting roughly 70 visitors who are participating in the **SAND RIVER SALKEHATCHIE CAMP 2007**. Lodging and most meals are provided at the church. Work is being done at six sites around the Aiken area under the leadership of Neil Flowers with the assistance of other adult site leaders. Please remember them and the families they help in your prayers.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR
SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2007:**

1ST GRADE: MARY & MARTHA'S B & B

2ND GRADE: THE ARKADE

3RD GRADE: JOYFUL NOISE

4TH GRADE: PALMS & PSALMS

5TH/6TH GRADE GIRLS: HOLYWOOD CINAMAS

5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS: THOU ART

Well, **DINNER-FOR-EIGHT** has completed its spring session and, from many reports, a good time was had by all around the table. We'll take a break for the summer and return for the fall session with registration during the month of August. *New members, this is a wonderful way to become better acquainted with your church family.* Watch for the registration announcement and join us around the table.



JOYFUL SOUNDS want to share handbell fun, fellowship and learning with you. Join them on June 26 at 7 pm for a workshop to acquaint you with handbells, good music and this great program. If you can count, you can play! Come and try.

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Please contact the church office
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