

St. John's Visitor

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009

Last week, St. John's was turned into a swamp for our vacation bible school, Crocodile Dock, where fearless kids learned how to shine God's light! It truly was amazing to see so many precious children experiencing God's love. At Crocodile Dock, the kids visited several stations to experience the daily bible point in an exciting way. The bible points included God's presence, power, love, life, and care. We pray that these bible points will live in the hearts of all of the kids that came to vacation bible school. Thank you so much to all of the amazing volunteers for glorifying Him with your talents and love for the children.

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me." Mark 9:37



Thank you, Denise Musick and Allison Beatty, for your leadership!



Thanks, also, to all leaders and teachers!!



NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, June 18

1:30pm Joseph's Coat
7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday, June 19

7:00pm Monthly Bridge Group

Saturday, June 20

8:00am Grace Kitchen

Sunday, June 21 - Father's Day!!

8:15am Coffee House
10:00am Whitney Simons - Mexico Missionary
6:00pm Women's Bible Study

Monday, June 22

9:30am Exercise Class
12:30pm Al-Anon
7:00pm Assimilation Committee

Tuesday, June 23

7:00pm Church Council

Wednesday, June 24

Youth to Carowinds

9:30am Quilting
5:30pm Grief Share Group at Red Lobster
7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group
7:00pm Literacy Team Training

Serving This Week

Crucifer - Lindsay Carpenter
Acolytes - Rachael Perkins, Collin Ray
Altar Guild Sally Bradley, Carla Dillman, Cindy Snell, Marguerite Flynn
Crib Rm (11am) Krissy Zeigler
Toddlers - Stephanie Shick
2-3 Yr Nursery - Michelle Orr
3-4 Yr Nursery - Roslyn Ingram
Greeters 8:30 - Tom McCollum
Greeters 11:00 - Lee & Dot Poe, Adam & Kristen Bates, Marvin & Shirley Rosine

Sunday AM Host (June 21) - Dave Sherburne

Evening Hosts

Sunday (June 21) - Barry Pearson
Monday - Jim Minear
Tuesday - Rick Endler
Wednesday - Matt Beckum
Thursday - Jim Wert
Friday - Tom Brown
Saturday - Bob Kosky

Attendance - June 7

8:30	111
9:02	141
11:00	443
Total	695
SS	279

BAPTISMS: Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, June 14, at the 9:02 service was **Rachel Ann Mussetter**, daughter of **Mitch and Jessica Mussetter**.

Baptized at the 11:00am service was **Marian Yeste Stapleton**, daughter of **David & Marian Stapleton** and granddaughter of **John & Cynthia Stapleton**. Reverend Stapleton had the pleasure of administering the Sacrament to baby **Marian**.

NEW ARRIVAL: **Evans Hayes Bryson**, son of **Jennifer & Rusty Bryson**, grandson of **Gwen & Ambrose Schwallie**, and great-grandson of **Shirley & Evans Daggett**, was born June 15 in Charlotte, NC.

HOSPITALIZED: ARMC - **Fannie Lee Morey**; **Discharged** - **Beth Green, Mildred Spencer**

PARTY LIKE IT'S 1969!!

"Younger Senior Adults" on up are invited on Wednesday, July 15, to Ward Hall at 5:30 for food, games, prizes and a good time. Simply bring a covered dish of your choosing and come casual - no reservation needed.

UNITED METHODIST MEN have Owen Clary as their guest speaker for the June 25 meeting. His topic is "Only In Aiken." Those residing in Aiken for any length of time are well aware of Mr. Clary's longtime interest in sharing his knowledge of Aiken's rich history. You are invited to bring a covered dish and join the group at 6:30pm in Ward Hall.

ACTS COLLECTION in JUNE - canned tuna and/or canned salmon and in **JULY** - cereal

Financials for week ending June 13, 2009

Budgetary needs for 2 weeks	\$ 69,828
Budget funds rec'd for 2 weeks	\$ 70,368
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 759,614
Actual expenses to date	\$ 713,219
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$693,303.31

New Members will be received Sunday, June 28. Those interested in membership are asked to contact the church office.

Also on June 28 is the final session of "Getting to Know St. John's - How We Serve" Missions & Ministries

JULY FLOWER CALENDAR has openings on the 12th (2 vases), the 19th (1 vase) and 26th (1 vase.) Contact the office if interested.

DAY TRIP TO ATLANTA on Tuesday, August 4, includes the Aquarium, Museum of Patriotism and dinner at Blue Willow Inn. There are openings and Mattie King is the person to contact if you'd like to be part of the group.

Faith Promise Update

Faith Promise	\$176,512.00
Rec'd YTD	\$ 89,645.62
Disbursed YTD	\$78,647.82
**2009 Faith Promise year =	
2/1/09 thru 1/31/10	

**June 21, 2009
Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Messages this week by:
George Howle
Gene Aiken
Services at 8:30 and 11:00 in the sanctuary.
Contemporary service at 9:02 in the gym.**



SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

June 21 6:00pm

Jimi Whitesell leading

Wednesday, June 24

Day trip to Carowinds for those signed up.

Missionary Prayer Focus: For safe travels and a full agenda as we send a team to Quimistan, Honduras.

GO Global Outreach News

Make plans to hear **Whitney Simons** at 10:00 AM in Ward Hall on June 21. 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.

Volunteers are needed for a **Community Vacation Bible School** to 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. Please contact Michelle Brown (648-6891) or michelle.brown@stjohns-umc.org if you can help out.

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. **Salkehatchie/Sand River** (June 13-20)
4. **Salkehatchie/Pee Dee** (June 24-July 4).
5. **Salkehatchie/Santee** (July 11-18)
6. **Kenya** (July 30-August 10)

LOOKING AHEAD

- June 13-20** - Sand River Salkehatchie
- June 22-26** - Community VBS at Memorial Baptist Church
- June 27-July 4** - PeeDee Salkahatchie
- July 5** - Single worship service followed by picnic
- July 11-8** - Santee Salkehatchie
- August 16** - Blessing of the Backpacks
- August 17** - Public School resumes
- August 21-23** Fuel Youth Retreat
- October 4** - World Communion Sunday
- October 13-14** - Stewardship Dinners
- 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 Cantata
- January 27-31, 2010** - Next Global Impact Celebration

CHILDREN'S CORNER

O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009

- 1ST GRADE:** MARY & MARTHA'S B & B
- 2ND GRADE:** THE ARKADE
- 3RD GRADE:** JOYFUL NOISE
- 4TH GRADE:** CREATION STATION
- 5TH GRADE:** PALMS & PSALMS

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

More scenes from VBS 2009



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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...

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