

St. John's Visitor

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4th of July @ 10:30 One Worship Service

Plan to attend. Bring your family and invite your friends!

**No reservations (and no cost) for the picnic in the Gym
following this special service.**

We will have the privilege of enjoying a wonderful patriotic service celebrate Independence Day and to honor our military men and women, past and present. We appreciate so much all who have served and sacrificed that we might live and worship in freedom.



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This stirring service will feature patriotic words and music, under the direction of *Colonel Gary Lamb*, a member of St. John's, and formerly the commander of The U.S. Army Band during his active duty years. Aiken Brass and Joe Laorenza, percussionist, will participate with the Chancel Choir, as we salute those who serve and have served.

Great Preaching - Stirring Music

**Honor Guard organized by
Brigadier General John Geiger
South Carolina State Guard**

Wonderful Food - Everybody Welcome

Patriotic and Full of Fun.

NOT TO BE MISSED!

June 27, 2010

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

**"WE ARE ONE BODY"
Scripture: Ephesians 4: 1 - 6
Message by Gene Aiken**

Since Sunday will be Gene Aiken's last day on staff, he will be greeting well-wishers prior to 8:30 service, after 9:02 service and at a reception in Ward Hall following 11am worship.

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, June 24

- 1:30pm Joseph's Coat
- 6:30pm United Methodist Men
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

Saturday, June 26

- 8:00am Grace Kitchen

Sunday, June 27

- 8:15am Coffee House
- 8:30am Worship
- 9:02am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship
- 12:00pm Reception for Gene/Katie Aiken
- 4:30pm Men's Praise Choir
- 4:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 6:00pm Bible Study
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth

Monday, June 28

- 9:30am Exercise Class
- 6:00pm Relay for Life Meeting

Tuesday, June 29

- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, June 30

- 9:30am Quilting Fellowship
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Grp
- 7:00pm 9:02Band Practice

Serving This Week

- Crucifer** - Kaitlyn Mikes
- Acolytes** - Benjamin Rawls, Michael Rogers
- Altar Guild** - Sally Bradley, Carla Dillman, Cindy Snell, Marguerite Flynn
- Crib Rm** - Brenda Meeks
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Virginia Morris
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Alice Burdette
- Sunday AM Host (June 27)** - Dave Kelly
- Evening Hosts**
 - Sunday - (June 27) - Bob Kosky
 - Monday - Marc Nadeau
 - Tuesday - Jeff Ray
 - Wednesday - John Geiger
 - Thursday - Jeff Crenshaw
 - Friday - Robin Dillman
 - Saturday - Kevin Buchanan

Attendance - June 20

8:30	115
9:02	160
11:00	375
Total	650
SS	268

NEW ARRIVALS: *Ann Michelle Aiken, daughter of Gene & Katie Aiken, granddaughter of Bill & Brenda Aiken as well as Terry & Carla Fleming, was born June 20 in Augusta.*

Brady James Scott, son of Amy & Stephen Scott and grandson of Archie & Kathy Hargett, was born June 21 in Columbia.

ANNIVERSARIES: *Congratulations to Carolyn and John Tucker who celebrate fifty years of marriage on Friday, June 25.*

Congratulations also to Marion & Reba Courtney who celebrate 69 years on 6/30.

NEW MEMBERS: *Received into membership on Sunday, June 20, were:*

- Dora Bush (Mrs. Proctor)**
310 Landing Dr 644-0802
- Kristin Padgett (Mrs. Russell)**
323 Birch Wood Ct, Warrenton 663-5272
- Gary & Judy Phillips**
205 Ironbark Ct 226-0919
- Hank & Jenna Smalling**
1796 Huntsman Dr 649-4926
- Ben & Ruth Ann Trame**
122 Country Glenn Ave, Graniteville 593-2796
- Robert Wunder**
189 Cheltenham Dr 226-0685
- Jeremy & Mary West**
Joseph Brady West added to baptized roll
109 Marigold Dr 226-0637

CONDOLENCES: *Deepest sympathy is extended to Joe Bumpus in the death of his sister, Lorene Bowman, in Waverly, TN, on June 15.*

Sincere sympathy is extended to Nita & Bob Martin in the death of their son, Marc Martin, in Augusta on June 20.

HOSPITALIZED: ARMC - Bill Rorex, Jake Miniard; **Univ.** - Katie & Ann Michelle Aiken; **Doctor's** - Dorothy Abbott; **Discharged** - Debi Rood

Dear St John's Community - The loss of Elmer Wilson, my father, back in January was very tough on our entire family. Now with the loss of our home, we feel a new sense of loss but everything happens for a reason, and God will always be good. Only the Good Lord Himself would have gotten my 13 year old up out of bed and safe! We lost some memories, lots of personal belongings, but we still have each other, the Lord on our side, and tremendous support from friends and family. Thanks to all of you for your donations, prayers and support. We love you all and we will rebuild and be stronger. Praise be to God! Love from Lowrie, Amy, Brandon & Davis (Wilson)

FYI - Amended figure for proceeds from UMM Golf Tournament held May 21 is \$6523.50. This is the amount which will benefit the Jack Meeks Memorial Ramp Ministry.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for **Grace Kitchen** on Saturday, July 3, to prepare and serve breakfast. Please contact Bobby Coker (439-6596) or the church office if you are able to help.

Financials for week ending June 19, 2010

Budget funds rec'd this week	\$ 18,301
Budget needs for the week	\$ 33,091
Budget Funds Rec'd to date	\$ 826,813
Expenses to date	\$ 777,542
St. John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$277,299.84

Faith Promise Update

Faith Promise 2010	\$173,987.00
Rec'd to date	\$ 99,811.15
Expenses to date	\$ 72,625.00

Plan to stop by the bulletin board in the lobby outside the church office and **SIGN A STAR** to honor your loved one in the Armed Forces.

NEXT GRIEF SHARE GROUP

Tuesday, July 20, 6pm at FATZ



St. John's
youth ministry

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH
June 27 Regular Meeting
6:00pm
 Program: Crazy Love - Part 4
Please note: Counselors meet at 5pm Sunday.

Party Time for 50+

**Senior Adult Council
is at it again.
Mark your calendar -
Game and Card Night Party!!!!!!
Wednesday, July 21, 6pm**

**Bring a covered dish. There will be door prizes
and fun, fun, fun!
Bridge, other card games, board games and
Plenty of laughs. See ya' there!**

ACTS COLLECTION

JUNE: Pasta

JULY: Pasta Sauce

GO Global Outreach News

An Epworth CARE Story: Zay is a middle school student at Epworth Children's Center. Recently, she spent an afternoon with other middle schoolers from local churches around Columbia. To help everyone get to know one another, Zay's group leader asked each member of the group what they would change about themselves if they could.

Zay came from a family situation that provided her with mostly hurt & lots of uncertainty. Because of this, she has struggled with trusting the adults who were suppose to care for her. Zay arrived at Epworth over a year ago & soon completed her 5th grade year of school. Last summer, after being at Epworth for only a couple weeks, Pastor Megan informed the children they would be taking a weekend trip to the beach. While telling the children what to pack, Zay pulled Pastor Megan aside & asked with all seriousness, "Are you going to feed us while we are gone?" Pastor Megan was taken aback, and looked at Zay with all seriousness of her own & replied, "Of course."

As the middle schoolers shared the ways they would change themselves if they could, Zay's turn came up. She was again completely serious as she looked at the group leader, "Well, I could use more cookies!" Everyone in the circle laughed, but Pastor Megan smiled inside. Zay is finding it possible to be comfortable with herself. The CARE she receives at Epworth Children's Home is providing peace to a child who only knew uncertainty in her past.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2010
3K THROUGH 4TH GRADE:
RUTH MARRIES BOAZ
RUTH 2 - 4

PLANS CHANGED! Sunday evening women's Bible study begins the 10-week Beth Moore study of *Esther* on **July 11** at 6pm. Janel Poe, 648-4541, will place the workbook orders.

The **AWARE** course, a 5-week evangelism course published by Stonecroft Ministries, begins Monday, July 12, at 7pm in the Parlor. Sue Frushour, 648-8126, is the facilitator.

ALONE.



"What's wrong?"

"Nothing."

But there is something wrong, and it makes it all

the worse when you don't know what it is.

You hurt. They're together. You're alone.

If you are going through separation or divorce, call Stephen Ministry. We want to help.

Summer is a great time to begin work on **CRAFTS FOR APPLEFEST**. Sales on supplies are in stores. Contact Arlene Usher or Brenda Meeks if you have questions.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Saturdays** - Grace Kitchen opens at 8am
- July 4** - Single Service & Churchwide Picnic
- July 16** - Parents' Night Out
- July 21** - 50+ Activity Night
- August 15** - Blessing of Backpacks
- August 22** - Churchwide Bible Study-Sunday School Hr
- August 27** - Parents' Night Out
- 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

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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

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34 ANNE HAWKINS
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30 MICHELLE PEARSON
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60 MIDGE ROTHROCK
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