

St. John's Visitor

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INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Community is invited!

JUNE 29, 2008

Single patriotic service at 10:30

This stirring service will feature patriotic words and music. The Aiken Brass will participate and Colonel Gary Lamb will lead the music that day, something he did for the official US Army Chorus during his active-duty years.

**An all-church picnic in the gym follows
as well as the opportunity to
welcome St. John's new Nurture Pastor,
Rev. Keith Stewart**

Please plan to attend.



June 29, 2008 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

THE KEEPERS OF THE SPRING"

Scripture: Isaiah 58: 11

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

Single service only at 10:30 a.m.

No Sunday School

Nursery available for infants through age 4

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, June 26

- 6:30pm United Methodist Men
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous
- 7:00pm Congregational Care Committee

Sunday, June 29

- 10:30am **SINGLE WORSHIP SERVICE**
- 11:45am All-Church Picnic in Gym
- 6:00pm Women's Bible Study
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth

Monday, June 30

- 10:30am Summer Exercise Class
- 7:00pm Women's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Apple Fest Meeting

Tuesday, July 1

No Fun Tuesday meeting this week.

Wednesday, July 2

- 9:30am Quilting and Prayer Shawl Groups
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study

Thursday, July 3

- 6:30pm United Methodist Men
- 7:00pm Congregational Care Committee

Serving This Week

- Crucifer** - Rebecca Osteen
- Acolytes** - Collin Ray, Claire Vecchio
- Altar Guild** - Sally Bradley, Sara Little, Cindy Snell, Marguerite Flynn
- Crib Rm** (11:00 a.m.) - Marian Dean
- Toddlers** - Robin Vitali
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Karen Buchanan
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Angie Doolittle
- Greeters 8:30** - Tom & Pam McCollum
- Greeters 11:00** - Mary Gardner, Shirley Powell

Sunday AM Host (June 29)

Dave Kelly

Evening Hosts

- Sunday (**June 29**) - *Jeff Ray*
- Monday - *John Geiger*
- Tuesday - *Jeff Crenshaw*
- Wednesday - *Robin Dillman*
- Thursday - *Kevin Buchanan*
- Friday - *Lamar Keisler*
- Saturday - *Clay Jones*

Last Week's Attendance

8:30	157
9:02	108
11:00	410
Total	675
SS	263

NEW MEMBER: Received during the 9:02 service on June 22:

Joan Retherford

114 Timmerman St 508-4828
P O Box 14 - Warrenville

NEW ARRIVALS: Kristopher Cooper Kisner, son of **Kris & Jennifer Kisner** and grandson of **Steve & Christy Kisner**, was born June 18 in Augusta.

Wyatt Daniel Fulmer, son of **Lauren & Lee Fulmer** and grandson of **Sharon & Billy West**, was born June 19 in Aiken.

WEDDING: Congratulations to **Wade Thomas Gordy, III**, and **Tanya Marie Corgan** who were married June 14 in Jackson, SC. Wade is the grandson of **Janet (Swope) & C. B. Wade**.

Congratulations also to **Lindsay Elizabeth Foreman** and **Stuart Mathew Griswold**, who were married in the sanctuary on June 21. Lindsay is the granddaughter of **Ray & Mozelle Hydrick** and the late **Mary Hydrick**.

ANNIVERSARY: **George and Mary Duffie** will celebrate 50 years of marriage on June 28. George served as senior minister at St. John's from June, 1995, until his retirement in 1998.

CONDOLENCES: Deepest sympathy is extended to **Mary Alice Lockhart** in the death of her sister, **Martha Ann Burckhalter**, in Aiken on June 16.

Sincere sympathy is also extended to **Nola Radcliffe** in the death of her brother, **James Benedict**, in Sequim, WA, on June 23.

HOSPITALIZED: **Aiken** - Monnie Pitts; **Augusta** - Walt Burckhalter; **Discharged** - Andrea Mikes, Marvin Rosine, Bill Durrett, Dottie Kochli; **Eden Gardens** - Fred Robison; **Pepper Hill** - Harry Carey; **Carriage Hills** - Marie Priester; **Mattie Hall** - Harry Burdette

Dear Church Family - Words are not adequate enough in expressing my thanks to St. John's for all you did for my Mom (Jean Huiet) and our family during her 3½ months' stay at Aiken Regional. The prayer shawl, the daily visits, the prayers and the outpouring love of our church was truly amazing. No doubt if my family lived in Aiken, they would be members of St. John's. I am so proud to be a part of this church family. Thanks again for the many acts of kindness shown to my Mom and my entire family. With heartfelt appreciation - Beverly Burch & Family

NEXT FAMILY ACTIVITY - Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 20, and go cheer for the Augusta Green Jackets.

Family Life Council invites children of all ages and their families to meet them in the parking lot at 5:45 pm.



UNITED METHODIST MEN

have a change in program this month.

John Strickland will talk about the Scouting Program at St. John's. All men of St. John's are encouraged to attend. Bring your covered dish and join them in Ward Hall on Thursday, June 26, at 6:30pm.

REMINDER - Applefest

meeting is Monday, June 30, at 7 pm in Room #118. All interested in Applefest are welcome!!



Financials for week ending June 21, 2008

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 35,042
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 25,536
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 809,600
Actual expenses to date	\$ 658,749
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,054,708

Faith Promise report for week ending June 21

2008 Faith Promise	\$233,252.48
Received last week	10,980.00
Received YTD	75,063.89
Disbursements to date	51,950.00
Balance for which to pray	158,188.59



St. John's
youth ministry

Wednesday, June 25
Lunch with Gene & Marshall - 1:00pm

*Meet at the Wing Place
by the new Walmart*

Wednesday, July 2

Meet at Chick-Fil-A

Looking ahead

August 22-24 is the **Fuel Retreat** at Awanita with other South Carolina churches. This is open to grades 7-12. See Gene Aiken for details.

There are now new hardback **NRSV BIBLES** in the Sanctuary and the Chapel. If you would like to cover the cost of one (\$10) or more Bibles in honor or memory of a loved one, please stop by the receptionist desk on Sunday morning or during the week to make the arrangements.



**Share a Smile—
It's Contagious**

GO Global Outreach News

ACTS

1. Canned vegetables are being collected for the month of June. Of course, other donations are always welcome. Please use the blue containers in the narthex.
2. Please pray that the ACTS clients looking for work will be able to find employment and support their families.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR
SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2008:**

- 1ST GRADE: JOYFUL NOISE**
- 2ND GRADE: CREATION STATION**
- 3RD GRADE: PALMS & PSALMS**
- 4TH GRADE: THOU ART**
- 5TH/6TH GRADE GIRLS: FROM BC TO PC**
- 5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS: MARY & MARTHA'S B & B**



POWER LAB, the Vacation Bible School Program for 2008, was enjoyed by nearly 190 students and roughly 60 workers and helpers. Enthusiasm was evident in all groups and the week was a resounding success. Through their mission emphasis, children in Aiken, Columbia (South America) and Ethiopia will be helped. Special words of gratitude go to *Kathy Samaha, Denise Musick and Allison Beatty* for their leadership. A huge **THANK YOU** and sincere appreciation are due all those teachers and helpers whose efforts made the program fun for all.

LOOKING AHEAD

- June 28-July 5** - Pee Dee Salkehatchie
- June 29** - Independence Day Celebration
- July 13** - Communion (all services)
- July 12-19** - Santee Salkehatchie
- July 23** - Short Term Team - Potluck Dinner
- July 26** - Junaluska Singers
- August 2** - Grace Kitchen begins
- August 17** - Promotion Sunday, Blessing of Backpacks
- October 5** - World Communion Sunday
- October 26** - Trunk or Treat
- November 1** - AppleFest
- Jan 21-25** - Global Impact Celebration

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a guest,
leave as
a friend



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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
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