

St. John's Visitor

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IT WAS A GREAT DAY!!!

On Sunday, July 5th, we had a single, patriotic worship service at 10:30 a.m., followed by a picnic in the Gym. The community was cordially invited to attend – and as you can see from the photo of the Sanctuary, it was a full house that day!

Dr. Howle gave a rousing sermon, including the recognition of several individuals within our own congregation for their remarkable contributions during their military years. Each branch of the service was recognized as well, while the music played their particular anthem, and they stood and received much-deserved applause.



An Honor Guard was present, thanks to the efforts of John Geiger, adding to the dignity of the Independence Day celebration. The Chancel Choir along with Aiken Brass was under the direction of Colonel Gary Lamb, formerly the commander of The U.S. Army Band, during his active duty years.

The flowers, the decorations, and the spirit of joy and celebration all added to the fun in the Gym, where an estimated 500 folks joined together in a delicious Summer picnic lunch after the worship service.

What a great event!



July 19, 2009
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
“SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD”
Scripture: Mark 6: 30 - 34
Messages this week by:
George Howle
Keith Stewart

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, July 16

- 9:00am Summer MDO
- 1:30pm Joseph's Coat
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

Saturday, July 18

- 8:00am Grace Kitchen

Sunday, July 19

- 8:15am Coffee House
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth
- 6:00pm College Class at Mahoney's
- 6:00pm Women's Bible Study

Monday, July 20

- 10:00am Exercise Class
- 12:30pm AI-Anon
- 7:00pm Finance Committee

Tuesday, July 21

- 9:00am Summer MDO
- 6:00pm ARMC Program - Ward Hall

Wednesday, July 22

- 9:00am Summer MDO
- 9:30am Quilting
- 6:30pm Potluck Supper/Missionary Program
- 6:45pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Women Bible Study

Serving This Week

- Crucifer** - Sarah Arnold
- Acolytes** - Brittany Campbell, Jordan Kelley
- Altar Guild** Pat Dickey,
Jewell Burckhalter, Jenny Johnson
- Crib Rm** (11am) - Susan Lawson
- Toddlers** - Amy Jernigan
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Amanda Ingram
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Carrie Killian
- Greeters 8:30** - Lee & René Boylston
- Greeters 11:00** - Bill & Nancy Vernon,
Dorothy Brannon, Tom Brown,
Tom & Diane Meyer
- Sunday AM Host (July 19)** - *Bryan Staubs*
- Evening Hosts**
 - Sunday (July 19) - *Charlie Neill*
 - Monday - *Chuck Bryan*
 - Tuesday - *Barry Pearson*
 - Wednesday - *Jim Minear*
 - Thursday - *Rick Endler*
 - Friday - *Matt Beckum*
 - Saturday - *Jim Wert*

Attendance	
July 5 - 675	
July 12	
8:30	112
9:02	139
11:00	372
Total	623
SS	280

NEW ARRIVAL: *Asher John Hezlep, son of Michelle & Adam Hezlep and great-grandson of John & June Cannon, was born June 2 in Atlanta, GA.*

Alexandra Williams, daughter of Christina & Brian Williams and great-granddaughter of Jennie Lee Willis, was born June 20 in Charlotte, NC.

CORRECTION: *Matthew Robert Thompson* correct dob is June 2.

Correct phone number for new member *Eunice Crisp* is 226-0672.

CONDOLENCES: *Deepest sympathy is extended to Bud Zobel in the death of his brother, Harold Zobel, on June 27.*

HOSPITALIZED: ARMC - *Mary Kenney*; UNIV. - *Jane Goldston*; Discharged to Carriage Hills - *Mildred Whitaker*

MORE COLLEGE GRADUATES!

ANTHONY BRUCE SELMAN

D.O.- Osteopathic Medicine LECOM
(Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine - Bradenton, FL)

CHRISTOPHER MANUEL SELMAN

B.S. - Meteorology Florida State University
(Grandsons of Bruce & Jane Selman)

****DOUGLAS WILLIAM WARD**

B.A. - Music Grand Valley State University
(Allendale, Michigan)

****Posthumously**

WANTED: One good man to replace a minibus driver who has had to resign because of his wife's illness. Duties include driving the van to pick up passengers for Sunday School, 9:02 service, and the 9:30 and 11 am worship services. At present, drivers are serving on a 7-week rotation. With a new driver, we can keep to that schedule! Please help ... it's an important mission of St. John's, and all the drivers say it's very rewarding. Call Joan Nagle at 641-1346 to sign up.



REMINDER - The bulletin board outside Catherine Nance's office is an ideal spot to post your items or services to sell or advertise for those that are wanted. Check it out!

Financials for week ending July 11, 2009

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 34,914
Budget funds rec'd this week	\$ 27,416
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 848,156
Actual expenses to date	\$ 821,812
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$ 357,800

Faith Promise Update

Faith Promise	\$176,512.00
Rec'd YTD	\$ 95,796.62
Disbursed YTD	\$ 91,322.82

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

St. John's **PRIMETIMERS TRAVEL GROUP** invites others to join them for their *two-day trip* to the North Georgia mountain town of **Helen** on Thursday & Friday, October 1-2, for the longest running *Oktoberfest* in America and for a side-trip to Dahlonega for the Gold Museum and to dine at the famous *Smith House* for a great family-style meal. Carolina Tours will provide the motor coach, driver and tour director. For cost and other details, contact Spence Grotheer, 6422-0084.

JOSEPH'S COAT, the new yarn ministry for Hospice, nursing homes, homebound patients, as well as sick and displaced children welcomes **any** donations, including remnants or leftover yarn





St. John's
youth ministry

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, July 19 6:00pm
Youth Group Meeting

FUEL Retreat registration has begun.
Please contact Gene for a sign-up sheet
or with any questions.

Join Gene & Jimi for lunch on Wednesday,
July 22, at the Wing Place on Pine Log Rd.

NEW MEMBERS will be received on July 26 - please contact the church office if interested.

SENIOR ADULT COMMUNITY CELEBRATION takes place at Trinity on the Hill UMC in Augusta on Saturday, August 8. Speaker for the occasion is **Dr. John Ed Mathison** from Frazer UMC. Registration is needed by July 30. Contact Nancy Reed if interested in attending.

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ACTS COLLECTION

JULY: Cereal

AUGUST: Instant or canned potatoes

Missionary Prayer Focus: May the women of *My Father's House* grow in their faith and put their faith into action.

GO Global Outreach News

-The Kenya team members are collecting plastic milk jug caps for the **Kenya Christian Camp**. They will be using them to make photo necklaces and need 150 caps. The slightly larger screw-on caps are preferred but any kind will do. There will be a collection point at the necklace station. Contact Frances Osteen with any questions (648-2548).

David Dill (grandson of Elizabeth Dill), a recent architecture graduate, will serve as an intern in Kampala, Uganda from August through December. He will work mainly on the design of a new school project. St. John's is supporting David's trip through funds and prayer support.

► There will be a **potluck supper** at 6:30 PM on July 22 in Ward Hall to meet **Reverends Mike & Sherri Morrissey**, two United Methodist ministers. The Morrisseys are the first GBGM missionaries to serve in Thailand and will be giving a presentation about their ministry. ◀

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

1. **Salkehatchie/Santee** (July 11-18)
2. **Kenya** (July 30-August 10)

CHILDREN'S CORNER

O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2009

THE UNFORGIVING SERVANT
CAROL BECKUM, TEACHING
(ALL AGES GATHER IN THE ARKADE
DURING SUMMER MONTHS!)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION - The South Carolina Heart Gallery is a photographic art exhibit featuring children in foster care who are waiting for adoption. This display is currently at the Aiken Center for the Arts, located on Laurens Street, and may be viewed through July 27 during regular business hours, Monday - Saturday, 11am to 5 pm.

The Ladies **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** continues its short-term study of the Book of James on July 22. The meeting is in Room 207 at 7pm and contact person is Carolyn Roberts, 649-6974.

New beginnings are taking place for these two familiar faces, while Michelle Brown (right) leaves her position as Director, Children's Ministries, for her new role as MOM; and, Allison Beatty (left) starts her journey as St. John's newest staff member, in Michelle's former slot. Allison has been active with the children of St. John's at MDO; and, as the recent co-leader of the 2009 very successful VBS. Michelle promises she will be back as a volunteer.



LOOKING AHEAD

- July 11-18** - Santee Salkehatchie
- July 22** - Potluck Supper & Missionary Presentation
- July 28** - Strategic Planning Tutorial
- August 16** - Blessing of the Backpacks
- August 17** - Public School resumes
- August 21-23** Fuel Youth Retreat
- August 23** - Strategic Planning Session
- September 6** - Great Day of Singing
- October 4** - World Communion Sunday
- October 13-14** - Stewardship Dinners
- November 1** - All Saints Sunday
(Daylight Savings time ends)
- November 7** - AppleFest
- November 13-15** - Asbury Hills Youth Retreat
- November 22** - Thanksgiving Sunday, Holy Communion
- December 6** - Children's Christmas Program
- December 20** - Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata
- January 27-31, 2010** - Next Global Impact Celebration

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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...

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- 29 KEITH STEWART
- 23 HARRY W. SAMPSON
- 26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE
- 25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE
- 27 GENE AIKEN
- 57 NANCY REED
- 34 ANNE HAWKINS
- 21 PAULA SAWYER
- 30 MICHELLE PEARSON
- 61 MICHELLE BROWN
- 60 MIDGE ROTHROCK
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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
- Director, Children's Ministries
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- Volunteer Facilities Coordinator
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