

# St. John's Visitor

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## **UMW Wants YOU!**

*Come and learn more about the Younger Women's Circles forming.  
Sunday, August 30, at 2-3:30 pm.*



**Upper Photo:** Mimi Wiland, Sandra Jameson, and Mary Halfmann



**Right Photo:** Bella and her mom Kelly Boni join Lilli (held by Allison Beatty, Director of Children's Ministries), Barton and Michelle Orr

**Don't they all look great together? It's time for you to join in United Methodist Women of St. John's.**



Young Women of St. John's: These gals have all worked together to send out your invitations.  
Call 648-6891 and let us know if you are coming, and if you need child care.

***We really hope you'll come.***

**NEWS OF THE FAMILY**

**NEW ARRIVALS:** *Miss Romera Rose Gelinas and Mr Archie Gray Gelinas were born on August 7 in Augusta. Delia & Josh Gelinas are parents of the twins and Mary Jane Lock is their grandmother.*


**HOSPITALIZED:** ARMC - *Evelyn Morris, Bill Kulp, Marie Priester*

**IN MEMORIAM**

**JANE Y. GOLDSTON**

**August 9, 2009**

REMEMBER NAME TAGS - ESPECIALLY ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 23!

**ON SUNDAY** lots of action is planned at St. John's. All school teachers will be honored at the 9:30am breakfast in Ward Hall - please extend the invitation to any teachers you may know. At the 9:02 and 11:00 services, students of all ages are encouraged to bring backpacks and receive a blessing for the coming school year. From 3-5pm is the Back-to-School Blast in the gym (inflatables, games, face painting, refreshments, the Mayfield Ice Cream Truck - even a LIVE BAND.  Please note that supervision by parents is required.

**Financials for week ending August 8, 2009**

Budgetary needs for the week \$ 34,914  
 Budget funds rec'd this week \$ 43,061  
 Budget funds rec'd to date \$ 973,561  
 Actual expenses to date \$ 935,676  
 St John's loan amt w/Security Fed \$ 354,100


**Faith Promise Update**

Faith Promise \$177,112.00  
 Rec'd YTD \$105,786.62  
 Disbursed YTD \$ 95,889.90

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

**August 16, 2009  
 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
 Blessing of the Backpacks**

**Messages this week by  
 George Howle and Keith Stewart  
 Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 4 - 8  
 Services at 8:30 and 11:00  
 in the sanctuary.  
 Contemporary service 9:02 in gym.**

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** has need of a locking file cabinet. Is there someone who has one to donate? 

**LONG RANGE PLANS** for St. John's will be the topic at the Strategic Planning session for Church Council Leadership on Sunday, Aug 23, following worship. Lunch is being served

St. John's will host a **CHRISTIAN THEATER WORKSHOP** for grades 6-12 on Saturday, September 12, from 2:30-5:30pm. This dynamic hands-on workshop teaches foundational techniques needed in good acting. Concepts are taught through theatre games and improv which are then brought together for application in script work. Fast-paced, active and fun. The class accommodates a variety of skill and experience levels. There is no cost for the workshop but participants **MUST** pre-register. Registration forms are available on the receptionist's desk outside the church office. Please call Catherine Stapleton Nance at the church, ext. 26 for additional information.

**Meetings to Note**

**Thursday, August 13**

- 1:30pm Joseph's Coat
- 6:00pm Evangelism Committee
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous
- 7:00pm Prayer time for Kenya group

**Saturday, August 15**

- 8:00am Grace Kitchen
- Sunday, August 16 - Blessing of the Backpacks**
- 8:15am Coffee House
- 9:30am Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 3:00pm Back to School Blast
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth
- 6:00pm College Class at Mahoney's
- 6:00pm Women's Bible Study

**Monday, August 17**

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

**Tuesday, August 18**

- 7:00pm Strategic Planning Committee
- 7:00pm Joyful Sounds resume rehearsal

**Wednesday, August 19**

- 9:30am Quilting Fellowship
- 10:00am ACS Site Visit
- 7:00pm Women's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Honduras Team Meeting

**Serving This Week**

- Crucifer** - Colin Braithwaite
- Acolytes** - Colby Hozey, Lauren Pearson
- Altar Guild** Donna Caprell-Kraft, Gayle Garrison, Mary Cornelius, Paula Clayton, Sharon West
- Crib Rm** (11am) - Kristin Padgett
- Toddlers** - Casey Young
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Kimberly Canada
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Katie Proctor
- Greeters 8:30** - Claude and Marie Goodlett
- Greeters 11:00** - Gail and Evelyn Marine  
 Monnie Pitts, Sharon West
- Sunday AM Host (Aug 16)** Ken Alexander
- Evening Hosts**
- Sunday (Aug 16) - Dan Fabrick
- Monday - Eric Randall
- Tuesday - George Kelley
- Wednesday - Charlie Neill
- Thursday - Chuck Bryan
- Friday - Barry Pearson
- Saturday - Jim Minear

Attendance	
August 9	
8:30	88
9:02	102
11:00	341
Total	531



St. John's  
youth ministry

## SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, August 16 6:00pm  
**MESSY NIGHT!!**

Wear your bathing suit and bring a towel.  
Come prepared to get messy!!

It's not too early to sort through your **JEWELRY FOR APPLEFEST!** Please put your jewelry donations and small jewelry boxes in the basket on desk in front of office. Questions? Call Nancy Perrine, 649-0318.

If anyone borrowed **CLOTHING RACKS** from the church, please return them. Three of the best ones are missing and needed for AppleFest Consignment Sale.



**THURSDAY MORNING** Bible Study begins at 9:30 on Sept 10 with the video-driven Beth Moore study of *Esther*. Books may be ordered from Glenna Lathrop, 649-4508, or Jan Gilbert, 641-3882.

### ACTS COLLECTION

*AUGUST: Instant or canned potatoes*

*SEPTEMBER: Canned beans*

**Missionary Prayer Focus:** Praise God for the Jack Meeks Ramp Ministry and for the work, fellowship and lives that are touched.

## GO Global Outreach News

**John and Frances Osteen** are currently in Kenya to help put on an overnight Christian camp for 131 children. Most of these children are AIDS orphans and are sponsored by **Michael Agwanda's** Life for Children Ministries. Please keep this ministry in your daily prayers:

- For cultural understanding and unity
- That their words and actions will grow God's kingdom
- For the children to grow in their knowledge of God
- For all to see God at work and join Him
- For everyone's safety throughout the trip
- For God's will to be done
- For the safe return of the mission team

The **Kairos #32 prison ministry** will take place at McCormick Correctional Institution in McCormick, S.C. from September 16-19. Participating from St. John's will be **Dave and Beth Kelly, Jim and Charlotte Holly, Tom and Pam McCollum, Nancy Fairgrieve and Mick Ferrell**. A cookie campaign to provide 6,000 dozen homemade cookies is now underway. Please contact Dave Kelly (649-3591) for more details regarding recipes and guidelines if you would like to help bake cookies.

The **Aiken Pregnancy Care Center** will be holding their annual Life Walk on September 19. Stay tuned for further details as they become available.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2009

THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS  
DE BUMGARDNER, TEACHING

(ALL AGES GATHER IN THE ARKADE  
DURING SUMMER MONTHS!)

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for the Back to School Bash on August 16 from 3-5pm. If you are able to help watch the children while they jump and play, please show up and let Tina Frazier know that you are there to help. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

**FINAL PLEA** for donated door prizes to give to Aiken County School Teachers (such as a vacation home for a few nights or *any* donation you feel school teachers would enjoy, please contact Phyllis Coker, 649-1511.

**STILL NEEDED** - a volunteer at the **Welcome Kiosk** on every *third* Sunday following 11am worship. Questions? Call Carla Dillman at 642-6390.

**FIRST PLACE 4 HEALTH**, a health-oriented Bible Study, begins fall classes Monday, Aug 24, 8am, at the church. Contact Mary Jo Wilson, 648-1644, if interested.

### LOOKING AHEAD

**August 6-18** - Kenya Mission Trip

**August 16** - Blessing of Backpacks/Teacher Breakfast  
Back to School Bash

**August 17** - Public School resumes

**August 21-23** Fuel Youth Retreat

**August 23** - Bibles presented to Third Graders

**August 23** - Strategic Planning Session (lunch served)

**August 26** - Chancel Choir resumes weekly rehearsals

**August 30** - UMW Organizational Gathering

**September 6** - Great Day of Singing

**September 13** - Under the Steeple "Acts of Renewal"

**October 4** - World Communion Sunday

**October 13-14** - Stewardship Dinners

**October 25** - Trunk or Treat

**November 1** - All Saints Day - Daylight Savings time ends

**November 7** - AppleFest

**November 13-15** - Asbury Hills Youth Retreat

**November 19** - UMW Turkey Dinner

**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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the Good News of Jesus Christ, through  
worship, nurture and service.*



## Serving you...

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