

# St. John's Visitor

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*Groundbreaking! Left to right: Midge Rothrock, Carolyn Heffner, Donna Walker, Harry Sampson, Nancy Fairgrieve, Matt Willoughby and Doris Hoffman*

## Columbarium Construction Is Underway

St. John's Columbarium Prayer Garden will soon become a reality. Plans are to have a dedication and initial inurnment on October 31, to coincide with the All Saints Day worship services. This is always a special day of remembrance here at St. John's, as we commemorate those who have joined the Church Eternal.

The first section of the columbarium, in which 108 double niches are held, will soon be placed in its permanent location. There are provisions being made for three other sections of niches within the Columbarium, which will be placed as the

need arises. Foundations for these are included as part of the initial construction, so that the later additions will not require this peaceful haven to be disturbed with further major construction.

While our first section still has space for others who wish to purchase niches, we have been so pleased at the success of our initial offering. Funds received more than cover the costs associated with creating this peaceful Columbarium Prayer Garden, without impacting St. John's budget. This was the goal of the Columbarium Team, who worked diligently to make the pieces fall into place in a timely and well-planned manner.

The team, chaired by Carolyn Heffner, includes Doris Hoffman, Joan Nagle, Leland Reynolds, Donna Walker, Matt Willoughby, Nancy Fairgrieve, Midge Rothrock, and Harry Sampson.

For further information, or to indicate interest, please contact Nancy Fairgrieve in the church office.

**August 22, 2010**  
**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:30 Traditional Worship - Sanctuary**  
**9:02am Contemporary Worship - Gym**  
**11:00am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary**  
**"ONE MISSION"**  
**Luke 7: 18 - 23**  
**Rev. Dr. George Howle**

**Meetings to Note**

**Thursday, August 19**

- 8:30am CPR Training
- 1:30pm Joseph's Coat
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

**Friday, August 20**

- 7:00pm Bridge Players

**Saturday, August 21**

- 8:00am Grace Kitchen

**Sunday, August 22 - Promotion Sunday**

- 8:15am Coffee House
- 8:30am Worship
- 9:02am Contemporary Worship
- 9:45am Church-wide Bible Study
- 11:00am Worship
- 4:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 4:30pm Men's Praise Choir
- 5:00pm Youth Choir
- 6:00pm Women's Bible Study
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth
- 6:00pm Parents of Sunday Night Youth

**Monday, August 23**

- 8:00am First Place 4 Health
- 10:00am Exercise Class
- 3:45pm Acolyte Training
- 7:00pm Women's Bible Study

**Tuesday, August 24**

- 9:30am Stephen Ministers
- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Church Council

**Wednesday, August 25**

**Preschool/MDO Open House & Conferences**

- 9:30am Bible Study
- 9:30am Quilting Fellowship
- 5:45pm Children's Choirs begin
- 6:00pm Youth Band Practice
- 6:45pm Chancel Choir Rehearsals
- 7:00pm 9:02 Band Practice
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Grp

**Serving This Week**

- Crucifer** - Rachael Perkins
- Acolytes** - Carley Downs, John Luke Nance
- Altar Guild** (August) - Donna Caprell-Kraft, Gayle Garrison, Mary Cornelius, Paula Clayton, Sharon West
- Crib Rm** - Deedee Vaughters
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Megan Godard
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Roslyn Ingram
- Sunday AM Host (8/22)** - TBA
- Evening Hosts**
  - Sunday - (**Aug 22**) - Bruce Burns
  - Monday - Rick Endler
  - Tuesday - Matt Beckum
  - Wednesday - Jim Wert
  - Thursday - Tom Brown
  - Friday - Bob Kosky
  - Saturday - Marc Nadeau

**NEWS OF THE FAMILY**

**BIRTHDAY:** Special wishes to **Selona Murph** who celebrates her 95th birthday on August 22.

**BAPTISMS:** Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, August 15, were **Sarah Elizabeth (Bes) Botto** and **Joseph Clyde Botto** as well as their father, **Joseph James Botto II**.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Welcomed into St. John's membership on Sunday, August 15:

- Joe & Apryl Botto (Bes & Joseph added to baptized roll)**  
4120 Banks Mill Rd 642-5878
- Josh & Jen Fleming (Aiden added to baptized roll; Avery added to constituent roll)**  
112 Bristol Pass 503-913-1022 (Jen's cell)
- Deborah Niya and sons, Matt Droghini & Richard Droghini**  
191 Dogwood Rd 644-0309
- Opal Wood**  
1256 Carriage Dr 648-4736

**HOSPITALIZED:** ARMC - Evelyn Morris, Skippy Bryson, Jack Rogers, Ruth Milks; Univ. - Earl Melton; **Discharged** - Jenny Johnson, Becky Robbins

Dear St. John's family - "Dixie" and I are so blessed with all your prayers, cards, food and George's visits during our illness. We don't know the length of my journey, but feel so fortunate to have you beside us. The Circle 4 ladies are "angels" with visits and delicious meals.  
**Gail and "Dixie" Hendrick**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**



will soon be here, and volunteers are needed to help put out boxes and deliver the filled ones to the local collection site. If you are interested, please contact Kristen Bates at 649-3297 or Allison in the church office.

**ALL BRIDGE PLAYERS** are welcome to join the group meeting Friday (8//20) at 7pm in Ward Hall. Harry Shade, 648-9313, is the contact person.

**CHRISMON WORKSHOP!** Come help us repair the slightly used Chrismons and learn to make new ones. September 2, at 9:30 in room #116. If you are interested, please call Cindy Snell at 642-5672.

**Financials for week ending August 14, 2010**

Budget funds rec'd this week	\$ 29,545
Budget needs for the week	\$ 33,091
Budget Funds Rec'd to date	\$1,028,632
Expenses to date	\$1,008,519
St. John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$266,735.08

**Faith Promise Update**

Faith Promise 2010	\$173,987.00
Rec'd to date	\$116,666.25
Expenses to date	\$112,900.00

**UNITED METHODIST MEN'S MEETING** for August is Thursday, 8/26. Rep. Tom Young will be present for the program. Bring your covered dish and come to Ward Hall at 6:30. This invitation is extended to all men of the church.

**PROMOTION SUNDAY** is August 22. All students are invited to come "move up" to the next class in Sunday School. If you haven't attended in a while, now is the perfect time to come back. We'll look forward to seeing all of you there!

**SISTERS BIBLE STUDY** resumes on Thursdays at 9:30am beginning September 9 to study the Book of John. Any interested women are invited.

Attendance	
August 15	
8:30	92
9:02	140
11:00	403
Total	635
SS	288

**SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH****August 22 Regular Meeting 6:00pm****Parents meeting is this Sunday, also!***Bring a covered dish and come at 6pm.**Following supper, parents meet with Jimi Whitesell while youth members finish "Crazy Love."*

Youth Choir resumes at 5pm Sunday

**CHILDREN'S CORNER****SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2010****3K THROUGH 4TH GRADE:****ABIGAIL MAKES PEACE****1 SAMUEL 25: 1 - 35**

**ST. JOHN'S PRESCHOOL/MDO** programs resume on August 30. Parents conferences and open houses take place the preceding Wednesday and Thursday, August 25-26.

**REMEMBER!** *Twelve Key Study* starts on August 22. This is a grass roots opportunity for us to corporately look at the heart of who we are and who God wants us to be as a church. If you haven't joined a Small Group or Sunday School Class yet, it's not too late! For more detailed information go to [www.stjohns-umc.org](http://www.stjohns-umc.org), call the church office at 648-3882, or pick up a blue information/registration form at the receptionist desk, in the sanctuary, gym or bulletin board as you enter the doors to the church office. Study guides are currently being distributed in small groups, Sunday School classes, and after worship on Sunday.

*ACTS COLLECTION in August - Toilet Tissue***GO Global Outreach News**

**New Habitat Build:** This fall St. John's UMC will be teaming with four other local churches to support a home-build project for Habitat for Humanity. Funds from Faith Promise will be donated to support the project. St. John's volunteers are needed to help with construction as well as provide lunches on the following days: August 28, September 24/25 & November 12/13. You do not need to be a master carpenter to help with this effort—workers of all skill levels are encouraged to volunteer. If you are interested in helping out with construction, please contact Kevin Buchanan at 617-9558 ([buchanan4@gforcecable.com](mailto:buchanan4@gforcecable.com)) or Lee Boyleston at 648-9242 ([lee@holleyheatingandair.com](mailto:lee@holleyheatingandair.com)). If you would like to help provide lunches, contact Beth Kelly at 649-3591 ([beththechef@juno.com](mailto:beththechef@juno.com)).

**Kairos Cookies:** Kairos #34 Prison Ministry will be September 16-19. Home baked cookie donations are being requested to help show the love of Christ to the residents at McCormick Correctional Institution. Please consider helping out either individually or as a group. For additional details, contact Beth Kelly (see contact info above).

**Epworth Offering:** September 12 will be the second of two annual Work Day Offerings to support the ministry of Epworth Children's Home. Epworth is not an apportioned ministry & relies heavily on these Work Day offerings to provide CARE to the more than 75 children who call Epworth home. Please consider a donation in September.

**APPLE FEST 2010 - NEW FEATURES**

**UMM Booth** - Men of St. John's are welcome to contribute their talents in offering contributions of handmade woodworking projects or hobby projects which would become the lasting possessions of others. For more information please contact Steve Lathrop, 649-4508.

**Handmade Heirlooms** - St. John's quilting ladies are manning this new area which will feature needlework of all kinds and also paintings. If you are gifted in such an area, please consider making an original contribution to Apple Fest. Alice Burdette (648-5786), Frances Burnham (648-8320), Betty Holloway (644-3683) or Nancy Perrine (649-0318) will be happy to answer your questions.

**Fried Apple Pies** - Because of popular demand, the fried apple pies will be back! Dan Bullington has graciously offered to fry the pies. Volunteers are now needed to assist in making and rolling dough on October 11 & 14. On Nov 6 help is needed to assemble pies for Dan. If you can assist, please call Mary Halfmann (644-3098.)

**NEXT GRIEFSHARE GROUP** will be at Eejay's Restaurant at 6pm **Wednesday, August 18**.

**PRIMETIME TRAVEL GROUP** tours Park Seed Company, lunches at Yoder's and visits Happy Cow Creamery in Pelzer on Wednesday, Sept 15. Mattie & Les King can provide details. Contact them at 643-9844.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Saturdays** - Grace Kitchen opens at 8am  
**August 22** - Churchwide Bible Study-Sunday School Hr  
**August 25/26** Preschool/MDO Open House  
**August 27** - Parents' Night Out  
**August 30** - Preschool begins  
**October 3** - World Communion Sunday  
**October 31** - All Saints Day  
**November 6** - AppleFest 2010  
**November 7** - 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  
**February 11-13** - Youth Revolution

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*We grow in faith and number by sharing  
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## Serving you...

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22 GEORGE K. HOWLE  
29 KEITH STEWART  
23 HARRY W. SAMPSON  
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE  
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE  
57 NANCY REED  
34 ANNE HAWKINS  
21 PAULA SAWYER  
30 MICHELLE PEARSON  
61 ALLISON BEATTY  
60 MIDGE ROTHROCK  
27 JIMI WHITESSELL  
58 ALLEN RADCLIFFE  
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