

St. John's Visitor

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A DAY TO REMEMBER WITH THANKS!



Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor



Combined Choirs



An Attentive Congregation



Food and Fellowship

*Sunday was a special day to remember. It was a day to say, "Thank You," for all those who have gone before us and have given so much to this church over the past 150 years. Thank you to the anniversary committee of **Bob Kosky, Genie Farmer, Elizabeth Dill, Jim Ross, Dot Poe, Mary Ann Rogers** and to the many others who gave of their time and talent to make Homecoming this past Sunday so special. I am deeply thankful for the hours you have each given to make the occasion one of truly historical significance for St. John's.*

George Howle

UPON THIS ROCK
History Drama of St. John's UMC
Sunday, October 14
7:00 pm Gym

October 7, 2007
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday
"RECALLING OUR SAINTS"
Scripture: Hebrews 12: 1-2
Rev. Dr. George Howle

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to **Eldon and Opal Bullington** who will celebrate fifty years of marriage on Friday, October 5.

NEW MEMBERS: Joining St. John's church family on Sunday, September 30:
Gary & Alice Allington

203 Sand River Ct 642-3492

Chrissy Bowers

347 Chime Bell Church Rd 649-0717

Todd & Dawn Campbell

Whitney & Brittany Campbell added to Constituent Roll

309 Country Glenn Av-Graniteville 594-0069

Lizette Fitch (Mrs. Mike)

Bella and Jaiden Fitch added to Constituent Roll

106-C Hollow Tree Dr 644-4794

John & Betty Jossey

701-M Greengate Cir (temp.) 522-0990

Chuck & Mickie Seitter

402 Northwood Dr 642-7836

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATE! - **Jeffrey Christopher Davis** graduated this summer from Brunswick Community College in Supply, NC, with an Associate Degree in Applied Plant Science of Turfgrass Management. Jeff is the son of Nancy Martin and grandson of Fraser & Lib Sofge.

CONDOLENCES: Deepest sympathy is extended to **Doris Hoffman** in the death of her brother-in-law, **Curtis Lucal**, in Norwalk, OH, on September 25.

Dear Friends: On behalf of your brothers and sisters in Christ at Aiken's First Baptist Church, please receive our heartiest congratulations on the glorious occasion of your one hundred fiftieth anniversary!

As your neighbors across Chesterfield Parkway for these fifteen decades, we rejoice in the rich heritage of your steadfast worship and witness in this community and far beyond. We delight in the common commitment to Christ that binds us to one another and to our great and gracious God. We anticipate the fruit of your faithfulness to the divine mission which defines and directs your promising future.

On this wonderful day of reflection and remembrance, do be confident that we celebrate with you! May God grace you with continued conviction to live the Gospel, vibrant vision to be the presence of Christ, and the Holy Spirit's sustenance to accomplish the sacred work entrusted to your care.

Blessings, Fred W. Andrea III

OCTOBER CIRCLE MEETINGS

Monday, October 8

11:00 am # 4 & #14 Church Parlor

Tuesday, October 9

10:00 am #11 Church Kitchen

12:30 pm # 9 Eejay's

2:00 pm #10 Church Resource Rm

7:30 pm # 1 Pat Sauls

907 Magnolia St SE

Monday, October 15

2:30 pm # 3 Church Parlor

Tuesday, October 16

2:00 pm #13 Church Rm 116

7:00 pm # 8 At the church

Saturday, October 20

9:00 am # 7 Church kitchen

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Ladies' Room in the narthex will be under construction through Sunday, October 21.

Financials for week ending September 29, 2007

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 28,907
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 19,478
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$1,100,401
Actual expenses to date	\$1,029,888
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,688,508

Meetings to Note

Thursday, October 4

9:30am Believing God Bible Study

7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

7:00pm Youth Bible Study

Sunday, October 7

8:15am Coffee House

4:30pm Men's Praise Choir

5:00pm Youth Choir

5:00pm Lay Leadership Committee

6:00pm Sunday Night Youth

6:00pm Parents' Prayer Group

6:00pm Christian Believer Bible Study

6:00pm Women's Bible Study

Monday, October 8

8:00am First Place

7:00pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, September 25

7:00pm Board of Trustees

Wednesday, September

9:30am Quilting and Prayer Shawl Groups

1:30pm Old Testament Bible Study

5:00pm Fellowship Supper

6:00pm Children's Choirs

6:45pm Chancel Choir

7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group

7:00pm Men's & Women's Bible Study

Serving This Week

Crucifer - Thomas Osteen

Acolytes - Matt Hudgins, Alan Kelly

Altar Guild - Sue Corley, Mae Croft,

Betty Grodahl, Billie Johnson

Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.) - Susan Vernon

Toddlers - Katie Proctor

2-3 Yr Nursery - Molly Jones

3-4 Yr Nursery - Dawn Mahoney

Greeters 8:45 - Jerry & Billie Johnson,

Hilda Secrist, Ann Carter

Sunday School Greeter - Diane James

Greeters 11:00 - Jack & Libby Taylor,

John & Joyce Bowman,

Henriann Goddard, Johanna Gibbs

Sunday AM Host (October 7)

Frank Smith, III

Evening Hosts

Sunday (Oct 7) - Edward Yeh

Monday - Charles McKeel

Tuesday - Dennis Fish

Wednesday - Mike Uhle

Thursday - Keith Polk

Friday - Brian Eberhard

Saturday - George Bodkin

Last Week's Attendance

10:30	920
Lunch	est. 750

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Menu for October 10

Pork Chops

Wild Rice/Sausage Casserole

Applesauce

Vegetable Medley

Apple Cobbler

St. John's Youth News

YOUTH CHOIR - 5 pm - Jr. High Sunday School Rm
SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH - Mission discussion will continue with Rebecca, Lauren and Christa sharing about their trip to Honduras during the summer.

ASBURY HILLS RETREAT is November 9-11. You may still register - see Gene or Walter.

STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN CONCERT will be at the USCA Convocation Center on Thursday, October 18. Discount rate is available if there's enough interest. Let Gene Aiken or Randi Hyché know if you plan to attend.

OUR WEDNESDAY SUPPERS are a continuing success and a heartfelt thanks to **ALL** who are helping. There is still a need for **VOLUNTEERS** - no special skills are necessary, just a willing and joyful heart. Please call Mimi Wiland (648-6891) or Genie Farmer (648-3806) if you are able to serve in this great ministry.



Please pick up your new church history in the hall of the Education Building. They will not be mailed.

PAPER TOWEL TUBES are needed for the OARS program. If you can help with this, please leave donations in the clearly labeled box atop the short refrigerator in the kitchen between now and October 21.

REMEMBER NON-PERISHABLE FOOD FOR ACTS when you come for worship next Sunday.

Several downtown churches have joined hands to assist Charonica Pope, Director of **BROTHERS AND SISTERS**, with an afternoon program for children in the downtown area. If you have the skills to tutor children, be a mentor, read stories or give attention and hugs to children who just need a little boost to succeed, this may be a ministry just for you. Brothers and Sisters is open from 2:30 until 6:00 each day. To learn more about this new venture, please call Jean Schwalbert, member of First Presbyterian Church, at 649-3857.

APPLE FEST SIGN-UPS will take place under the portico following Sunday School and both worship services beginning Sunday, October 7. Helpers are needed with frozen casseroles, baked goods, silent auction and simply in general. Please find a way to participate!

On Wednesday, October 17, Channel 12 is presenting another Community Seminar entitled **Mortgage Fraud**. The speaker will be Charles Knight, Senior Legal Counsel at the Department of Consumer Affairs.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2007:**

1ST GRADE: HOLYWOOD CINEMAS
2ND GRADE: THOU ART
3RD GRADE: FROM BC TO PC
4TH GRADE: THE ARKADE
5TH/6TH GRADE GIRLS: JOYFUL NOISE
5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS: CREATION STATION

CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Please contact Mark Mahoney (648-1279) if you have not registered. Ages are as of 9/1/07.

		<u>Ages</u>
5-6 Co-ed	11-12	Boys and Girls Teams
7-8 Co-ed	9-10	Boys and Girls Teams
	13-15	Boys and Girls Teams
	16-18	Boys and Girls Teams

Coaches for all ages needed also!

Practices start the first week of November and games will begin the week of December 1.

LOOKING AHEAD

October 7 - World Communion Sunday

October 14 - Homecoming Drama

October 21 - Stewardship Sunday

October 28 - Sarah Oliver Concert (Harpist)

November 3 - Apple Fest

November 4 - All Saints Sunday

Claflin College Choir

November 5 - St. John's Charge Conference

November 9-11 - Asbury Hills Youth Retreat

November 11 - Prayer/Healing Service

November 15 - UMW Turkey Dinner

November 18 - Thanksgiving Sunday

Soup/Salad Luncheon

November 26 - St. John's Choir at Biltmore House

December 2 - Children's Christmas Program

December 23 - Chancel Choir Cantata

January 23-27 - Global Impact Celebration

Men interested in joining the Wednesday Night Bible Study please contact Jim Holly at home, 648-1700, or email him at cjholly@bellsouth.net. The book of Mathew will be studied in detail.

The GIC prayer team asks you to pray for

-the health of the GIC team leaders and their teams

-the health and safety of our missionary families

-for our Missionaries of the Month - The David

Sherbrooke family - that David will be able to finalize his schedule for the trip in January and save on airfares

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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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29 TERRY FLEMING
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE
27 GENE AIKEN
58 WALTER CANTWELL
57 NANCY REED
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