

St. John's Visitor

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REMEMBER
SOUP AND SALAD LUNCH
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18
IN WARD HALL
AFTER 11AM WORSHIP

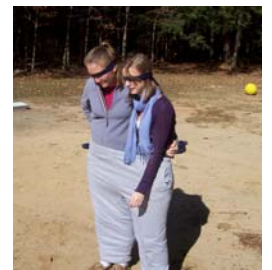


TURKEY DINNER TICKETS
ARE
STILL AVAILABLE
IN THE CHURCH OFFICE
\$9 - ADULT
\$4 - CHILDREN UNDER 10
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15
SERVING TIME 5:30-7:00 PM



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
BOXES ARE IN LOBBY
COMPLETED BOXES MUST
BE RETURNED BY
NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

ASBURY HILLS YOUTH RETREAT - 2007



November 18, 2007
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Meditation
"WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS"
Rev. Dr. George Howle
Scripture: I Corinthians 11: 23-24

Anthem **Celtic Laud** - The Chancel Choir
Offertory Gary Frazier - Baritone



NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, November 15

- No morning Bible Study
- 5:30pm Turkey Dinner -Serving begins
- 7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous
- 7:00pm Youth Bible Study

Friday, November 16

- 7:00pm Primetime Bridge

Sunday, November 18

- 8:15am Coffee House
- 12:00noon Soup & Salad Lunch
- 4:30pm Men's Praise Choir
- 5:00pm Youth Choir
- 6:00pm Christian Believer Bible Study
- 6:00pm Women's Bible Study
- 6:00pm Sunday Night Youth

Monday, November 19

- 8:00am Final First Place
- 10:30am Sunny Monday
- 4:00pm UMW Re-organizational meeting
- 7:00pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, November 20

- 11:00am Preschool Thanksgiving Feast
- 6:45pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm First Place

Wednesday, November 21

- 9:30am Quilting and Prayer Shawl Groups
- 1:30pm Old Testament Bible Study
- 4:00pm Grief Share Group
- No Fellowship Supper or Children's Choirs
- 7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group

Serving This Week

- Crucifer - Sarah Arnold
- Acolytes - Colin Braithwaite, Adam Bumpus
- Altar Guild - Nita Bell, Libby Taylor, Christy Kisner
- Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.) - Casey Young
- Toddlers - Holley Kring
- 2-3 Yr Nursery - Tara Long
- 3-4 Yr Nursery - Rosalind Crenshaw
- Greeters 8:45 - Lee & René Boylston, Elizabeth Dill
- Sunday School Greeter - Carla Dillman
- Greeters 11:00 - Jimmy & Ruth Stewart, David & Sandra Jameson, Selona Murph, Sherry Williamson
- Sunday AM Host (November 18) Norflet Caprell
- Evening Hosts
- Sunday (Nov 18) - George Kelley
- Monday - Charlie Neill
- Tuesday - Chuck Bryan
- Wednesday - Barry Pearson
- Thursday - Jim Minear
- Friday - Rick Endler
- Saturday - Matt Beckum

NEW ARRIVALS: *Gracelyn Mae Mueller*, daughter of *Alison & Todd Mueller* and granddaughter of *Clarke & Joanne Stanford*, was born November 4 in Athens, GA. *Zachary Michael Vernon*, son of *Scott & Susan Vernon*, was born November 8 in Augusta.

CONDOLENCES: *Deepest sympathy is extended to the Tim Wertz family in the death of Tim's stepfather, William Walker, in Graniteville on November 5.*

HOSPITALIZED: *Aiken - Rev. Loman Fish; Univ. - Roland Olcott; Discharged to Carriage Hills - Mildred Whitaker*

IN MEMORIAM

SHIRLEY LAWRENCE GARTUNG FOSTER

November 6, 2007

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE - Pledge cards continue to be received. To date 475 families have pledged \$1,467,363. There are still 509 families who have not yet responded but if their giving continues at the same level as last year, \$1,907,097 is the projected total for the 2008 budget.

NO UMM/UMW Christmas Social this year. Due to several scheduling conflicts and other complications, the leaders of St. John's Methodist Men and St. John's Methodist Women have jointly agreed *NOT* to have their annual Christmas Dinner/social this year.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP, led by Kathy Hargett, resumes meetings on Wednesday, November 14, from 4:00pm to 5:15pm. Please RSVP to church office.

If you are willing to donate a turkey or a gift card to a local grocery store **and/or** you can help with *One Table*, the community Thanksgiving meal, please contact Marsha Mikes, 644-7204. *Deadline for donations is Friday, November 16.*

Financials for week ending November 10, 2007

Budgetary needs for the week \$ 28,907
 Budgetary funds rec'd this week \$ 48,328
 Budget funds rec'd to date \$1,279,845
 Actual expenses to date \$1,129,759
 St John's loan amt w/Security Fed \$1,515,508

SUNNY MONDAY GROUP will meet next week, November 19 at 10:30am in Ward Hall. Luncheon follows the meeting and the menu



is potato soup, ham biscuits, deviled eggs, and pumpkin pie tarts. This month's program features Ellen & Rick Huston, collectors of Blenko Glassware (of West Virginia.) The Hustons invite anyone who owns a piece of this glassware to bring it for display and to share how they obtained it. Please make your luncheon reservation on the friendship pad or by calling the church office.



NO FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
 on
Wednesday, November 14
 or
Wednesday, November 21

Last Week's Attendance

8:45 169
 11:00 526
 Total 695
 SS 346
 Asbury Hills 56



Sunday, November 18

5pm - Youth Choir

6pm - Sunday Night Youth Meeting

Parents of Youth Prayer Group will now meet on the first Sunday of each month. The next meeting will be Sunday, December 2, 6pm in the Prayer Rm 117. This group is open to **anyone** who feels called to pray for our youth. You do not have to pray out loud. You just have to believe in the power of prayer. God has been faithful and answered so many of our prayers, so come join us to experience how great our God truly is. Questions? Call Renee Reid at 642-8951.



ALL MEMBERS OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN are invited to a meeting on Monday, November 19, at 4pm in Ward Hall. We will talk about getting this organization back on track at St. John's. We will be very informal. Please come and share your concerns and interests. It would be great if every circle could be well-represented. We hope to come out of the meeting with a process to elect a slate of officers to begin serving in January and a sense of unity once again.

Mary Lou Wallace

CHILDREN IN OARS are making wonderful gifts which will be donated at Christmastime. *Pay it forward two ways:* 1) by bringing in AA batteries, paper boxes with lids, wrapping paper and logs that are 6-8 inches in diameter! Once these items are brought, the elves (our children) will be busy creating beautiful Christmas gifts for those who least expect it. Please leave donations inside or outside Michelle Brown's office, Rm 108. 2) Come to join in the fun during our *Wrap It Up Party* on Saturday, December 8, at 3pm in OARS. Your help is needed to finish making the presents, wrapping the presents and decorating cookies. No one is too young or too old to *Pay It Forward*. Contact Michelle Brown, 648-6891, if you have questions.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH PARENTS & TEACHERS:

What an amazing turnout of children ages 4k-2nd grade at Children's Church this past Sunday! Thanks to *Lee & Lauren Fulmer, Stephanie Osteen & Mary Cornelius*, all the children had a wonderful time learning about Joshua & the Walls of Jericho. (*Please note - crafts may be tailored due to the children wearing their Sunday's best.*) We are working on a check-out system so that you can pick up your child in a swift and easy manner. Not everyone volunteering to teach Children's Church knows you and your child. For the safety of the children, please tell the Guardian Angels (who stand outside the doors of Children's Church) the name of your child and the angel will have the child brought to you in the hallway. Thanks for your cooperation! If you would like to be a Guardian Angel, please contact Michelle Brown or Harry Sampson at 648-6891

CHILDREN'S CORNER

O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2007:

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



NEW YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

GROUP will meet in at Gene & Katie Aiken's home on Thursday, November 15, 7:30pm. Please RSVP to Gene at 522-2008.

GLOBAL IMPACT CELEBRATION (GIC):

The GIC prayer team encourages you to pray
 - for the **Reyes family** – our missionaries of the month.
 - that our GIC teams will accomplish the lion's share of their planning before the holidays arrive.
 - for the health and safety of the missionaries we will be hosting in January.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY needs you! If you can knit or crochet, please join us from 9:30-11am on Wednesdays. If you cannot stay please stop by and pick up some yarn to work at home. If you can't come on Wednesdays the Sunday evening group meets at 5pm every other Sunday in the parlor. We need prayer shawls for this much-loved and greatly appreciated ministry of St. John's.

LOOKING AHEAD

November 15 - UMW Turkey Dinner

November 18 - Thanksgiving Sunday

Operation Christmas Child Dedication
 Soup/Salad Luncheon

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

December 2 - Children's Christmas Program

December 2-7 Preschool Book Fair

December 23 - Chancel Choir Cantata

December 24 - Candlelight/Communion Service (5pm)
 Candlelight Service (11pm)

January 23-27 - Global Impact Celebration

February 6 - Ash Wednesday Service

February 14 - Valentine Widow/Widowers' Luncheon

February 10 - Organ Concert

March 20 - *Last Supper* Dramatic Presentation
 and Communion

March 23 - Easter Sunday

April 5-11 - Mission trip to New Orleans

April 27 - Organ Concert

May 18 - Confirmation Sunday

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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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22 GEORGE K. HOWLE
23 HARRY W. SAMPSON
29 TERRY FLEMING
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE
27 GENE AIKEN
58 WALTER CANTWELL
57 NANCY REED
34 ANNE L. HAWKINS
21 PAULA C. SAWYER
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33 MARY KOSKY
35 MIMI WILAND
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