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Greetings!

I hope you enjoyed our three special choirs in May: the Savannah Children's Choir on May 4, the St. John's Men's Choir on May 11, and the Porter-Gaud Treblemakers on May 18. In addition, the St. John's Chorale performed a special arrangement of "America the Beautiful" accompanied by trumpet in honor of Memorial Day on May 25. On May 28th St. John's hosted an organ recital featuring Emily Meixner as part of the Piccolo Spoleto L'Organo Series. All in all, it was a wonderful month of music at St. John's!

A reminder that the 7th Annual Summer at St. John's concerts begin this month! Here is some additional information about each concert; we would love to see you there!

Saturday, June 14 @ 5PM

Tom Noren, classical guitar

Tom Noren is an active performer and educator who has made the Charleston area home since 2005. A native of Rio de Janeiro and a graduate of New England Conservatory, Tom is currently the director of the Childbloom Guitar Program in Mt. Pleasant and Choir Assistant at the Cooper School. His solo guitar performance will bridge classical and popular genres as he performs works by Brazilian composers João Pernambuco, Garoto and Sergio de Pinna and Irish composer Turlough O'Carolan. Tom will perform on both 6 and 7 string guitars.

Saturday, July 12 @ 5PM

The Charlestons

A cappella vocal quartet consisting of Brink Norton, Stephen Spaulding, William Purcell, and Todd Monsell presents a program of sacred and secular favorites for four male voices. Pieces will include the sacred hymns "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" and "Let Us Break Bread Together," the Billy Joel classic "For the Longest Time," and Edvard Grieg's powerful anthem "Brother's Sing On," and many others.

Saturday, August 16 @ 5PM

La Belle Musique

Baroque instrumental ensemble (violins, recorder, cello, harpsichord) performs works from the 17th and 18th century, showcasing works by women composers including Isabella Leonarda, Elisabeth Jacquet de la Guerre, Anna Bon, Anna Amalia of Prussia, and Maria Theresia von Paradis.

All Summer at St. John's concerts are free and open to the public and will be followed by a reception on the portico. I hope to see you this summer for some wonderful music!

In music,

Todd

Music Quotation of the Month: "Life is for the living. Death is for the dead. Let life be like music. And death a note unsaid." -Langston Hughes

Congratulations to our 2014 Confirmands

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their two year course of instruction and will publicly affirm their Christian faith on June 1, 2014 at the 11:00 AM service. Being confirmed this year are: Jaden Andersen, Cille Fancher, Parker Hoffman, Eric Holmi, Ally McDonough, Drayton Siegling, and Jared Snell.

Confirmation is the process young adults go through as they study the Bible and the catechism and engage in conversation about their Christian faith. Following their course of instruction and conversation, each student makes a public affirmation of the faith into which they were baptized and confirms their continued participation in the life of the Church as a member of the body of Christ.

There will be a brief reception in the social hall at 9:45 AM on Sunday, June 1, to introduce these students and celebrate their profession of faith. They will make their public profession during the 11:00 AM service that same day. Please take a moment to speak with and congratulate our new confirmands.



Owen Loadholt Antley

June 5th — Wando High School

Owen will be attending
University of South Carolina

Claire Marie Moore

June 6th — Bishop England High School

Claire will be attending
Lander University

Elza Bouronich Dennis

May 15-16

Golden Grad from MUSC, School of Radiologic Technology

Lutheran Men Meet in June

The St. John's Lutheran Men will meet on Thursday, June 26, at 6:30 PM. The meeting will take place in the church social hall where we will enjoy our annual June Fish Fry. The program will be presented by Dr. George Malanos, Deacon with Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Additionally, the new slate of Officers will be presented and voted upon. Nominated are: President – Bill Lesemann; Vice President – Danny Marchant; Treasurer – Dave Sikes; and Secretary – Dick Fulmer.

Memorial Gifts were given in loving memory of:

Tasha Andersen

Johnny and Cameron Stuhr

Sister of Vernon Brannen

Mary Frederick, Capers and Sandra Poulnot

Hugh Jordan, Sr.

Mary Frederick, Capers and Sandra Poulnot





VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

On Thursday, May 8, 2014, the Vestry met to discuss and conduct the business of the church. The highlights of the Vestry Meeting follow.

- 1) The meeting was called to order and opened with a prayer offered by Pastor Butler.
- 2) The April 2014 Minutes were approved as submitted.
- 3) The April Treasurer’s Report was received as information. It was noted that the audit had been completed and we had received a “clean report” from the auditor.
- 4) The SC Synod Assembly will be held on May 29 - 31 in Columbia, SC. Delegates representing St. John’s are Pastor Butler and Dan and Nancy Prickett. This year’s Assembly will vote on the election of a Bishop for the SC Synod.
- 5) The Christian Education Committee reported that the Easter Egg Hunt had been a huge success with both lots of children and lots of activities. The Easter breakfast was well Attended, and the committee is already looking for hosts for the 2015 Easter breakfast.
- 6) The Evangelism Committee noted that 82 new St. John’s Tee Shirts have been sold and are being worn by members of our church. Several St. John’s brochures are being rewritten and locations are being sought in the downtown area that provide the best opportunity for people to see the brochure and be led to experience our Christian family.
- 7) The Property Committee is working diligently on a number of items, but perhaps the most important is to put into place all the moving parts necessary to have a “Hurricane Preparedness Plan” in place and ready for use during the hurricane season.
- 8) The Social Ministry Committee is hoping to recruit additional volunteers for Hope Lodge so that we have a Team A and a Team B for handling our sponsorship of meals.
- 9) The Worship and Music Committee noted that the Rite of Confirmation will be held on June 1, 2014. Pastor shared with Vestry that this year’s class is composed of seven Students and that the class has been a wonderful group of young people to work with for these past two years.
- 10) The Vestry reviewed each of the eight projects that were identified at the Vestry Retreat and heard progress reports from the groups.
- 11) The next Vestry Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 19, 2014.

Committee Meetings

June 2	Worship and Music Committee Meeting	6:30 p.m.
June 9	Social Ministry Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m.
June 16	Evangelism Committee Meeting	5:00 p.m.
June 19	Vestry Officers’ Meeting	5:30 p.m.
June 19	Vestry Meeting	6:30 p.m.

Financial Update

The Finance Committee provides each month an update of the contributions received in the current year as compared to the amount in the budget adopted by the congregation. The following is the budget to actual comparison through April 30, 2014.

Contributions received	\$ 108,222
Contributions per budget	<u>107,823</u>
Receipts over (under) budget	\$ 399

Congregational Concerns and Prayers

We remember in our prayers: Ed Andersen, John Anderson, Bobby Babson, Lena Doscher, Judy Greer, Nell Jones, Geneva Kahrs, Betty Lemacks, Eleanor Luden, Billie Jean Roble, Ed Rugheimer, Margaret Stephens, Cele West, all those who are infirm and recovering from illnesses and our members who have experienced losses of loved ones.

Our Loved Ones Away From Home

We have a prayer list of those members of St. John's and our extended family who are in the military and/or involved in this current military situation. When filling out your blue attendance card, please add the names to it and indicate "military," and we will include your loved ones on our prayer list. Presently included are: Derek Bean, Alex Bedenbaugh, Lt. Joseph Gibbons Clark, Mark Evans, Ryan Hanson, John Lesemann, and Christopher Osgood.



- June 1 Bessie Lesemann
- June 2 Melissa Spaulding
- June 3 Madeline Hoffmann
Dolores Nelson
- June 5 Pam Meetze
Kathie Stuber
- June 8 Eric Holmi
Beth Martschink
- June 9 Glenn Albrecht
Joe Clark
Barbara Lee
- June 11 Anne Holmi
Anna Eller
- June 15 Sara Hanson
Kaye Ristow
David Sikes
- June 17 Christi Kunkle
Nancy Prickett
- June 18 Brenda Brannen
- June 19 Laura Holmi
- June 20 Sophie Pelland
- June 21 Jaden Andersen
George Galante
Parker Hoffman
Karen Moore
- June 22 Thomas Stelling
- June 23 Norma Luden
Eddie Stelling
- June 24 Charles Lesemann
- June 25 Virginia Counts
Hugh Tant
- June 26 Dan Lackland
Virginia Moore
- June 27 Martha Ann Galante
Staci Pelland
Mike Refieuna
Linda Stephens
Chris Tant
Rudolph Thomas
- June 28 Carole Campbell
Charles McIntosh
Barbara Siegling
- June 29 Allison Hoffmann
Jaclyn Trayte

JUNE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:30 a.m.

	June 1	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
ACOLYTE	Deborah Bussey	EG Thomasson	EG Thomasson	Deborah Bussey	EG Thomasson
LECTOR/LAY ASSISTANT	Barbara Allen	Christi Kunkle	Jane Pelland	Deborah Bussey	Christi Kunkle
LAY ASSISTANT	Deborah Bussey	Jane Pelland	Sheila Thomasson	Randy Lesemann	Barbara Allen
COMMUNION SET-UP	Dolores Nelson	Cheryl Kostanesky	Deborah Bussey	Linda Martschink	Carole Jordan
GREETER	Dolores Nelson	Miles Martschink	Kathryn Tolley	Frickie Martschink	Barbara Lawton
MANAGER	Deborah Bussey	Sheila Thomasson	Karen Moore	Frickie Martschink	Tommy Harken
USHERS	Carl Beckmann, Frank Dorsey				

11:00 a.m.

	June 1	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
ACOLYTE	Laura Holmi	Ally McDonough	Jared Snell	Cillie Fancher	Jaden Andersen
CRUCIFER	Owen Antley	Henry Siegling	Gracie Lesemann	Owen Antley	Lynn Bean
LECTOR/LAY ASSISTANT	Norma Luden	Marc Marchant	Penny McKeever	Marc Marchant	Mike Andersen
LAY ASSISTANT	Brian Hoffmann	Mark Palasek	Nancy Prickett	Lynn Springer	Don Courtney
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP	Mary Lou Coombs	Sandra Poulinot	Gayle Hilton	Martha Clark	Mary Lou Coombs
GREETER	Evelyn Dolven	Mary Lou Coombs	Henry & Jane Siegling	Judy Butler	Mary Lou Coombs
MANAGER	Anne Lake	Bob Pickard	Dan Prickett	David Sikes	Chris Antley
FLOWER DELIVERY	Evelyn Dolven Joan Rigter	Sandra Poulinot Claudia Morton	Joy Cornwell Dolores Nelson	Claudia Morton Joan Rigter	Joy Cornwell Sandra Poulnot
EVANGELISM CALLS	Nancy Prickett	David Sikes	Henry Siegling	Marianne Albrecht	Diane Bean
USHERS	Dan Prickett, Van Kinnett, John Kyle, Josh Littlejohn, Chris Meany, Cas Siegling				