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ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

begins Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Parents: *A cold breakfast is served in the Fellowship Hall from 8:45 to 9:25 a.m. At 9:30, please register your children in their classrooms (directions in the foyer) - then go to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and **Parents' Meeting** with the Rector.*

Other Adults and Youth: *At 9:30 a.m., proceed to designated classrooms.*

Confirmation Class Students and Parents: *On this Sunday, at 10:30 a.m., please sit with the class teachers (Mr. Carter Hubbard and Mrs. Edward Derst) in the designated pews in front of the pulpit.*

MINISTRY TO FAMILIES AND COLLEGE OUTREACH

I am very pleased that Mr. Michael Chastain, a Presbyterian pastor of almost thirty years experience, a native of Savannah, baptized at St. Peter's, Charleston, S.C., has accepted the post of *Director of Family Ministry and College Outreach* at St. John's Church. As a Presbyterian pastor he will not be exercising a sacramental or priestly ministry at St. John's, but will be serving the congregation as a teacher, pastoral counselor – especially of those preparing for marriage and in marriage – and as an evangelist to the local college community. Please introduce yourselves to him, make him welcome, and support his ministry in your prayers. GGD

MEN'S CLUB

ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET

Thursday, September 16th

Tickets on Sale at Coffee Hour \$30

Guest Speaker: Col Eric Robyne,

Headmaster, Veritas Academy

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

MONDAY – FRIDAY

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

TUESDAY 14TH (HOLY CROSS DAY)

8:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Holy Communion

WEDNESDAY

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

10 a.m. Litany and Sung Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Evensong (Church)

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

Those who have been baptized and confirmed, or are ready and desirous to be confirmed, are admitted to the Holy Communion. In case of doubt, please consult the clergy.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE: www.stjohnssav.org

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mrs. Edward J. Derst III

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. Henry D. Stevens IV

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory Mr. and Mrs. John Herbert Mather, Mr. William P. Thompson, and Mr. Robert M. Thompson by Mrs. William P. Thompson.

And in honor of the life of Col Lindsey P. Henderson, Jr. by his loving family.

The flowers at the altar in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in honor of Fr. Dunbar on his birthday (Sept. 11th).

Mrs. Richard C. E. Jennings, Mrs. Marshall F. Campbell
Mrs. Jonathan D. Sprague, Mrs. Philip F. Kirk
Ms. Anne H. Mingleдорff, Ms. Jeanne H. McMillan
Mrs. Henry F. Inglesby, Jr., Mrs. Michael Wilson

ACOLYTES

8:00 Oliver Maloney
10:30 Will Sadler
Kameron Sallee, Cord Helmken
Chris Dixon, Lindsay Pindar
Charles Perrie, John Osborne

COFFEE HOUR CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Floyd G. Whittington, Jr.

ADULT CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

- Fr. O' Brien – **Foundations III: The Old Testament** (Chapel)
- Jack Wray 2nd **Isaiah** (3rd Floor Classroom)
- David Noble – **Canterbury Tales** (Reading Rm, 3rd Floor)

MEN'S STUDY AND DISCUSSION GROUPS

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Study—
(Parish House Dining Room, enter by Kitchen)
Thursday 7 a.m. Bible Study (Reading Room)

BAZAAR HAPPENINGS

- **JANE'S CANNERS** meet Wednesdays in the Cranmer Hall kitchen following the 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion. Call Jane Pressly 233-6551.
- Please remember as you are cleaning your closets to keep the in mind the **White Elephant, Treasure Room, Books**, etc. **Storage is available.** Contact Leah Brunson 231-8911 or 398-1620. Written instructions for use of storage facility are available in the church office.
- We are also looking for contributions to the **Silent Auction.** (Parties, Vacation Destinations, Trips, Oriental Rugs, China, Gift Certificates, etc.) Contact Sarah Ross 655-6966 or Gennie Leigh Sumner 657-6221.
- Looking for **Waitresses** for the Bazaar Luncheon on Wednesday or Thursday (or both), contact Jessica Osborne 898-0202.
- Caroline Hayes 897-0343 is taking orders for personalized Holly Day's Aprons. Cost \$25 to go to the **Nun's Nook.**

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS THIS FALL:
For Children only? The Old Testament
Story of Salvation for Adults**

This year in Grades 1-5 of Sunday School, the children of St. John's will be studying the Old Testament History of our Salvation, making use of *The Jesus Storybook Bible* (available for purchase and use at home). To assist parents, grandparents, and once and future teachers, we are offering a six-Wednesday evening Adult Overview of the same history of salvation – referring to the Bible and the Children's Bible. Of course this is not just for parents and teachers! Learning what the children are taught can be a great learning experience for adults.

Sept 15 – *Creation, Fall, Judgment, and New Creation*

Sept 22 – *the Promise of Redemption and the Fathers of Faith*

Sept 29 – *Exodus from Egypt to the Promised Land*

Oct 6 – *David's Kingdom*

Oct 13 – *Exile and Homecoming*

Evensong 5:30pm (Church)

Supper 6:05pm (Cranmer Hall: \$8/person; \$12/family – please phone the church office to reserve a place);

Class 6:35pm-7:20p.m. (during Girls' Choir Rehearsal)

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S:

Newcomers and inquirers at St. John's are invited to learn more about St. John's in an informal discussion.

Sunday 19th – *Faith: What We Believe* (Fr. Dunbar)

Sunday 26th – *Service: How We Serve* (Lay leaders)

Sunday 3rd October – *History: How We Got Here*

9:30am in Conference Room, above the Chapel

FOR THE SOUL'S HEALTH

Does it matter what we believe? The bumper sticker seen around town exhorts us just to "believe": but for Christians this cannot mean open-ended, generic believing - believing in anything, believing in yourself, or believing in the act of believing. Faith has a definite content, which can be known, because it has been revealed in Christ to chosen witnesses and transmitted faithfully by the Church. Otherwise it is just what the atheists claim it is – wishful thinking, self-generated certainty, an irrational fantasy.

Not only has it a definite content, but it matters whether we know it or not: our salvation depends upon this knowledge. That conviction is reflected in the Ministration of Holy Baptism to Infants, when the godparents - speaking on behalf of the child's new spiritual family, the Church, and thus also for his parents - acknowledge the duty to see that the child to be baptized "will learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and *all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health*". The service takes for granted that there is a doctrinal content to Christian faith, and that our salvation depends upon knowing it.

This perspective has been central to the community of Faith at St. John's Church: for at least the last three decades Christian Education for all ages has been our first priority after Worship itself. This September, with a new Church School year's beginning, I trust that all of you will find your place in this community of teaching and learning, knowing and believing, those things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health. GGD

8:00—HOLY COMMUNION

Collect, Epistle, and Gospel 209
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service until 9:25 a.m..

9:30—ADULT, YOUTH and CHILDREN’S CLASSES

(Cranmer Hall, Conference Room, and Chapel)

9:30 — 12 Noon: Nursery *(Cranmer Hall)*

10:30—Pre-School program continues—3 year olds through Kindergarten *(Cranmer Hall)*

Jr. Choir for grades 1—4 *(Cranmer Hall)*

10:30 - SUNG EUCHARIST and SERMON

CARILLON

HYMN #340 *We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died* Breslau

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KYRIE ELEISON (Hymnal #710) Healey Willan

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The Nicene Creed 71

HYMN #337 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Rockingham

1st through 4th Grade children enrolled in Junior Choir exit following the cross

SERMON Fr. Dunbar

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HYMN #356 *At the Name of Jesus* King's Weston

ORGAN: *Carillon* Louis Vierne

Everyone is invited to attend a Coffee Hour in the Parish House immediately after the 10:30 service.

If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.

12 Noon—HOLY COMMUNION (Chapel) same as 8:00