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THIS SUNDAY - CONFIRMATION

This Sunday at 10:30 a.m. we welcome Bishop Dorsey Henderson of Upper South Carolina, who visits us on behalf of Bishop Benhase.

A.R.D.F. SPECIAL COLLECTION

This special collection goes for relief and development among our Anglican Communion partners in the Global South. Please give generously.

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TO BE RECEIVED

John Gerard Bradshaw, Jr.

Confirmands and Families: Confirmands are asked to meet with the Bishop at 9:30 in the Chapel. At 10:30, confirmands and families are asked to sit in reserved pews (confirmands in front of the pulpit, families in front of the lectern.) This will permit families to join confirmands at the altar for communion. During the final hymn, confirmands and families are asked to follow the clergy out of the church, and proceed to the Parish House (in advance of the rest of the congregation) for the Reception in their honour.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL

Thanks to a young parishioner, who shares his birthday with St. John's church, I was reminded that St. John's Feast of Dedication – its birthday – falls on May 7th, and this year marks therefore its 158th year of its consecration by Bishop Elliott. Though the observance of the day slipped by me, we are grateful for the blessings of God bestowed upon those who have worshipped him here, and we ask his continued grace and mercy on the faithful in Christ for years to come.

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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.

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
ON FACEBOOK: St. John's Church in Savannah

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mr. J. Pride Sheahan

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. P. Drew Troxler

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Richard White Miller by Mr. and Mrs. John M. Saylor.

And in memory of family and loved ones by Dr. Robert Howell.

And in loving memory of Dr. Mary Neal Sanders, Professor of Music, Davidson College by Roland Steven Summers, Jr.

And in loving memory of Julie B. Smith by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Greer.

And on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Miller and Mr. Robert George Willson.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Philip F. Kirk, Ms. Anne H. Mingleddorf
Mrs. Timothy E. Coy, Mrs. Nicolas Farley
Mrs. Roland S. Summers, Mrs. W. Lee Belford
Mrs. Marshall F. Campbell, Mrs. Patrick Worsham

ACOLYTES

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

CONFIRMATION RECEPTION

hosted by The ECW

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASSES

- Clergy—Adult Confirmation (Chapel)
- Jack Wray (3rd Floor Classroom)—*David, Hezekiah, Josiah: Israel's Three Good Kings*
- David Noble—The Canterbury Tales—Reading Room, 3rd Floor.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & 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

WOMEN'S STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.
Thursday: 9:15 a.m.—*War in Heaven*—with Fr. O'Brien

THE EPISCOPAL YOUTH & CHILDREN'S SERVICES

2011—12 College Education Scholarships. Please visit their web site www.eycs.org to obtain the necessary forms. Applications should be completed and mailed to The Diocese of Georgia, 611 E. Bay Street, Savannah, GA 31401 and must be received by the EYCS no later than May 31st.

OWN A PIECE OF THE PAST

George Fawcett has made small wood crosses from the wood of the bell tower that can be worn around the neck. They are available after services for \$20.00. *Proceeds benefit the choir's trip to England.*

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

EASTER

Total attendance on the three Easter Sunday services was strong (slightly up, at about 1200), with over a thousand communicants. There were 85 younger children in the nursery or taking part in the 9:30 program, besides a good number of older children and youth who were in the church singing in the Choir, serving as acolytes, or worshipping with their parents.

Holy Week is a complex and demanding enterprise, requiring the energy, skill, and time offered by many – and that’s just the congregation! Though such occasions are never without some frustrating glitches, charity covers them all, and the week was replete with spiritual riches. My own favourite moment came with the singing of *Victimae Paschali* (#97), the stirring and beautiful plainchant sequence hymn, with which Christians have given thanks for the Resurrection for over a thousand years.

My thanks to many who contributed to the week’s observance: Fr O’ Brien; Brian Taylor, Wesley Perkins, Rich Mays, and the Choirs; Mrs. Roland Summers and the Chancel Society; Carter Hubbard, Wesley Krulic, and Sam Martin, together with the acolytes; Mrs. William Harrell, Mrs. Holden Hayes, and the Sunday School volunteers who led the 9:30 children’s program.

On Good Friday at 5:30 p.m., we took to the streets for the Stations of the Cross. With the cooperation of the Savannah P. D., who blocked traffic (all but one miffed skateboarder) a company of almost 100 persons of all ages followed the Cross (made by Mr. Arthur Weed) around Madison Square, heard scriptures read at each station by one of our youth, and offered Christ their praise and prayer. Strange as it

may seem, Episcopalians *knelt in the street* – and when they did so, other people joined in, and followed us into the Church for the creed, prayers, blessing, and the singing of “When I survey the wondrous cross”. There is a lesson there for us, I think! Though the Way of the Cross can only supplement, and never replace, the chief liturgy of the day (offered between noon and 3pm), it provides a valuable opportunity for public witness and popular devotion.

iPray-BCP

Our friends at All Souls Oklahoma City have just released an iPhone application for the Book of Common Prayer (1928 and 1662) called iPray-BCP. This app provides convenient access to the spiritual discipline of daily prayer (including Psalms and Scripture lessons) in the classical Prayer Book tradition of Morning and Evening Prayer.

PLANTING FAITH MINISTRIES SILENT AUCTION

Planting Faith Ministries is looking for donations to its June 24th annual fundraiser in Memphis, Tn., to support development and discipleship with farmers in Kenya. If you have vacation homes or other items to offer, please make contact with Anna Terry: (912) 220-6036 or aterry@plantingfaith.org

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK Monday to Friday 8:15 & 5:30 p.m.

Morning or Evening Prayer

Wednesday 8:15 Morning Prayer

9:45 *Litany* 10am *Sung Eucharist*

5:30pm. *Evensong, Supper & Class*
(Women Heroes of the Old Testament)

8:00—HOLY COMMUNION

COLLECTS, EPISTLE, and GOSPEL 170
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:00—12 Noon NURSERY (Cranmer Hall)

9:30—ADULT, YOUTH and CHILDREN’S CLASSES (Chapel and Cranmer Hall)

10:30 –Pre-school Worship Hour—3 year olds through Kindergarten (Cranmer Hall)

10:30 —CONFIRMATION, HOLY EUCHARIST and ADDRESS

HYMN: #91 *The Strife O’er* Victory

CONFIRMATION

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ADDRESS The Rt. Rev’d Dorsey Henderson

OFFERTORY

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ORGAN: *Musique Royale* Michel-Richard Delalande

Everyone is invited to attend the 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: Collect, Epistle, Gospel as at 8 a.m.)