



St Margaret's Notebook

April 16, 2009



The Bishop's Easter Message The Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta April 12, 2009

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

What's not wonderful about that?

When the women went to the tomb on Sunday morning they went to honor the body of Jesus with oils and spices to cover the odor of decaying flesh. They worried along the way whether they would be able to do their work. They were there on Friday when the huge stone was rolled in front of the tomb to seal it shut.

They were astonished to discover that not only had the stone been rolled away, but that the body of Jesus was no longer there. There was a young man sitting near by who told them that Jesus had been raised from the dead, and that they were to tell the disciples that Jesus was on his way to Galilee.

One might think that they would have been overjoyed, relieved, and hardly able to contain themselves. A son (in Mary's case), a best friend (in Mary Magdalene's case), and a family friend (in Salome's case) who was dead is now alive and on his way to meet them in Galilee. What's not wonderful about that?

They went, remember, to honor a dead man's body. Jesus had promised them that he would rise and be with them again, but evidently they did not believe him. Had they really believed there would have been no reason to go and care for his mortal remains. When they discover that Jesus is risen, they were alarmed - seized with terror and amazement - and they fled the scene with their lips sealed until they found Peter and the other disciples to tell them what they had seen and heard.

"They were afraid," St. Mark tells us. I think that's exactly what most of us would have felt had we been there. And, truth be told, I think we should perhaps be a little afraid still. Not afraid because Christ is dead, but at least a little unsettled because he is risen - alive, forevermore! Why? Because in the world we inhabit, dead people stay dead! But in the new order established by God in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, dead people live, forever! In other words, the way things have always been need not be the way they always will be!

That means the world we inhabit really can be different. Because Christ is Risen we are no longer tied to the old ways. In the new order of the resurrection we can create a world in which our innocent children are not randomly gunned down. We can create a world in which the poor have food and clothing. We can create a world where education and health care are universal rights for all. We can create a world in which everyone has enough.

As people of faith - sure and certain faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead - we no longer have to settle for normal. In the new order created by the resurrection, God is doing something new. The only question is whether we're going to spend our energy and resources sustaining normal, or whether we're prepared to take a clue from God and do something new. No wonder the women were frightened on resurrection morning! Scares me too when I think about it!

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

+ J. Neil Alexander
Bishop of Atlanta

Holy Week



Maundy Thursday



Palm Sunday



Chemin Rogers, Joe and Ali Garrett, Judy and Richard Smith, Barb Paul, Laurie Fleck, Julie Williard, Bonnie Bar, Craig Williard, Gerhard Bar, Melissa and Chuck Willis were confirmed / received by Bishop Whitmore on Sunday, April 5.



Good Friday





Easter



ADULT EDUCATION FORUM

We continue our monthly program on Wednesday, April 22 at 7:30pm. Dr. Brent Mundy will speak on Missionary work in Kenya.

GRADUATING SENIORS: Do you know of a graduating senior? Please let Julie in the church office know of any graduating seniors so that we may publicize them in a future newsletter.



GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Make your own safe, non-toxic green cleaners! Great for the environment and easy on your wallet!

All-Purpose Cleaner: Mix 1/2 cup vinegar and 1/4 cup baking soda (or 2 teaspoons borax) into 1/2 gallon (2 liters) water. Store and keep. Use for removal of water deposit stains on shower stall panels, bathroom chrome fixtures, windows, bathroom mirrors, etc. **For more ideas, check out http://www.eartheasy.com/live_nontoxic_solutions.htm**

THRIFT SHOP DONATIONS -

The Thrift Shop is accepting summer clothing and small household goods.



SPRING SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING: All Sunday School teachers are asked to attend a spring meeting on Sunday, April 26th at 11 am in the Rose Parish Hall. Please join us to review the year and begin planning classes for the fall.

EYC SENIOR NIGHT, SUNDAY MAY 3rd, 5 pm: All members of the parish are invited to come celebrate with the five seniors graduating from high school this spring. They are: Rob Cooper, Sam Goodson, Christopher Keene, Ben Lawrence and Anna Rash. We will begin with dinner and remembrances in the Rose parish hall and conclude with Holy Eucharist in the sanctuary.



SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADUATION will be held at the 9 am Eucharist on Sunday May 10th. All teachers and students are asked to attend.

THANK YOU to all who donated candy, stuffed and hid eggs for our annual egg hunt. We couldn't have done it without you!



CAMP MIKELL: Have you signed your child up for a week at our Diocesan summer camp for the summer? Mikell is a wonderful home away from home for hundreds of kids from around our Diocese. Each week-long session offers campers a chance to connect with God, nature, peers and caring adults. This summer two members of St. Margaret's, Andrew Gordon and Haley Hart, were selected to serve as members of Summer Staff. They will work at Mikell for the entire summer season. Several other youth from St. Margaret's were selected to serve as volunteer counselors, Ariel Reynolds, Julia Reed, Christopher Keene and Sam Goodson. The summer schedule and registration information can be found at www.campmikell.com



United Thank Offering (UTO) began more than 100 years ago as a simple way for women to express their gratitude to God for the many blessings shown to them day by day, by dropping coins (along with a prayer of thanks) into a simple blue cardboard box called "The Blue Box." The first "ingathering" of UTO donations was presented at the sixth Triennial Meeting in 1899 and totaled \$2,188.64 from all nine provinces in the United States. Small as it was, this gift helped build the first Episcopal Church building in Alaska and sent Lisa Lovell to Japan as the first woman missionary from the Episcopal Church. Donations now exceed \$3,000,000.00 annually and are "ingathered" twice a year. Grant requests, received through the local diocese every December, are evaluated and two requests from each diocese are submitted to the National UTO Committee (made up of representatives from each of the nine provinces). Committee members visit the programs and sites of these requests and then award the grants. All collected UTO monies go toward these many grants that are awarded annually.

Don't forget to drop a coin in your UTO collection box when you have an occasion to be thankful for a blessing. U.T.O boxes can be found at the Coleman St. entrance

Tanner's Shocking Giveaway - Please help St. Margaret's win an AED.
 As a continuation of its "Learning CPR is Easy" program, Tanner Health System will award an automated external defibrillator (AED) and AED/CPR training to the nominated not-for-profit organization that receives the most votes online!



In the event of cardiac arrest, an AED can save a life. An AED is a computerized medical device that can check a person's heart rhythm. It can recognize a rhythm that requires a shock, and it can advise the rescuer when a shock is needed. The AED uses voice prompts, lights and text messages to tell the rescuer the steps to take.

Nominations for Tanner Health System's "Shocking" Giveaway have been processed and finalized, and now it's time to vote at www.tanner.org/cpr

Voting begins on April 15 and continues through April 29. You may vote once a day, so bookmark the page and don't forget to return. The organization receiving the most votes will win the AED and training (including CPR training kits) for up to 100 organization members - a giveaway valued at approximately \$5,000. The winner will be announced on April 30.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

02-Apr Susan McMillin, Mikell Wells
03-Apr Lynda Gerber,
Gareth Hoffman,
04-Apr Aaron Reynolds

05-Apr Debbie Pyles
06-Apr Lauren Nassetta
09-Apr Kip Carter, Leslie Hunsicker,
Bill Jacobus, Catherine Lindahl
10-Apr Steven Minor, Audrey Perdue, B.W. Chase
11-Apr P.J. Hovey
12-Apr Jason Robinson, Paul Campbell
13-Apr John Hull
15-Apr Betty Gaddis, Ben Kennedy, Beth Smith,
Lisa Gezon
16-Apr Glenn Folds, Shell Bush, Ali Garrett
17-Apr Jo Fortner
18-Apr Jill Jarrell, Tom Miller
20-Apr Lee Griffin, Will Cochran, Ryan Weber
23-Apr Ron Adams, Julia Richards, Peg Callahan
24-Apr Reba DeGaris, Alice Sawyer
25-Apr Michelle Shook
26-Apr Irving DeGaris, Megan Hooper
27-Apr Nelson Gerber, Peter Maierhofer, Suzi Blosser
28-Apr Joe Shook
29-Apr Carol Chapman
30-Apr Karen Swanson, Debbie Bernhardt,
Ella Daniel

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

05-Apr Tom & Sherry Foreman
06-Apr Dan & Julie Cain
11-Apr Tom & Brenda Fitzgerald
19-Apr Vaughn & Betty Gaddis
29-April Frank & Heather Sciolis

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 21 Vestry Meeting - 7:00 pm
April 22 Wednesday night series returns
Dr. Brent Mundy speaks on Missionary
Work in Kenya, 7:30 pm
May 10 Annual Slide Show in parish hall -
between the services.
June 7 Summer Worship Schedule begins
10:00 am

Upcoming EYC Events:

April 19th Regular EYC, 5 -7 pm
April 26th Oral History Presentations – Part 2,
5 – 7 pm
May 3rd Senior Banquet, 5 – 7 pm
May 10th NO EYC Mother’s Day
May 17th End of the Year Party

**DID WE LEAVE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR
ANNIVERSARY OFF OUR LIST? CALL JULIE IN
THE CHURCH OFFICE, 770-832-3931 OR EMAIL:
STMARGARETS@CHARTERINTERNET.COM
WITH THE DATES.**

April 19, 2009

	9:00	11:00
Crucifer	Kelsey Cain	Rob Cooper
Bookbearer	Jackie Cain	Ellen Brady-McGaughey
Taperer	Liam Hulstine Ella Daniel	

Altar Guild Susan Lenaeus, Jeanne Condrey, Peter Croft, Julie Williard,

Children's Church Karen Adams

Lay Readers	9:00	11:00
	Joe Garrett	Julie Lindahl
	Suzi Blosser	Chris Lindahl
Ushers	9:00	11:00
	Dan Cain	Mary Hart
	Julie Cain	Tony McGaughey

Thrift Shop

April 17

10:00 - 1:00	Bob and Karen Swanson
1:00 - 4:00	Irene Bernard, Nancy Disinger

April 18

10:00 - 1:00 Fred and Jeanette Bernhardt

April Paper Pantry Elaine Holmes, Martha Goodson

April Hostesses Rose Dufour, Irene Berard, Bunny Godard, Julie Lindahl, Diana Rash

April Vestry Person of the Month Lin Reed

April 26, 2009

	9:00	11:00
Crucifer	Ariel Reynolds	Julia Reed
Bookbearer	Aaron Reynolds	Daniel Reed
Taperer	Delaney Paul Cate Paul	

Altar Guild Julie Lindahl, Alice Jakubiak, Andra Morris, Olive Godwin

Children's Church Julie Parrish

Lay Readers	9:00	11:00
	Amanda Reynolds	Pauline Rodwell
	Jo Fortner	Jim Uglum
Ushers	9:00	11:00
	Tom Parmer	Hugh Mitchell
	David Reynolds	Carol Mitchell

Thrift Shop

April 24

10:00 - 1:00	Debbie Pyles, Kathie Schoerner
1:00 - 4:00	Emily Cumming, Susan Lenaeus

April 25

10:00 - 1:00 Bob and Deloris Covel

April Paper Pantry Elaine Holmes, Martha Goodson

April Hostesses Rose Dufour, Irene Berard, Bunny Godard, Julie Lindahl, Diana Rash

April Vestry Person of the Month Lin Reed

PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Sumner, Luke and Jack, Jan, Alice, Georgia, Chris, Annalee, Sarah, Margaret, Joe

Family and friends: Jackie, Lainey, Nicky, Brenda, Tina, Barbara, Murphy, Lois, Lisa, Jeanette, Maya Ruby, Gladys, Clara, Brenda, Laura, Elizabeth, Dorothy, Hazel, Carmen, Kim, Jackson, Bruce, Jane, Gene, Sylvia, Paula, Betty and Scott, Mark, Mary, Jim, Steven, Larry, David, Alexis, David, Steven, Steven, Mitchell, Jennifer, Mary, Bertha Ann, Tim, Orrin, Willis, Virginia, Darren, Johnny, Chase, Logan, Dwayne, Lisa, Ralph, Frank, Kristi, Chris, Georgia

Military: Walker, Steven, Lyle, Doug, Jessie, Matthew, Sarah, Robert, Elizabeth, Will, Jordan, Stacey, William, Andrew, William

Deaths: Dr. Joe Hughes, John Scott

“Our prayer unites us” The intercessory prayer group meets on Wednesdays at 12:00 NOON and is followed by the celebration of the Eucharist at 12:15PM. You are welcome to join us for this very important intercessory ministry. Anyone desiring intercessory prayer, or if you have someone you would wish to nominate to receive the blessing of these prayers, please contact Nancy Elder or Julie. We will pray for people for a period of one month and then we need to be advised if additional time is needed. As it is important to keep this intercessory list current, please plan on advising us when the need for specific prayer for an individual has terminated. This will prevent us from having a long unwieldy list of persons no longer in need.



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Richard Smith

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