



St Margaret's Notebook

December 7, 2006



From the Rector

You know the feeling.

The phone rings at an odd time.

Your stomach knots with a "knowing" that something is amiss.

I had such a sensation last night

when Martha's cell phone number appeared on the Caller ID
only 30 minutes into her 75 minute drive to Birmingham.

In the seconds before picking up the call,

the mama in me imagined the worst. Has she been in an accident?

Relieved to learn her car merely had broken down on the back roads of Alabama,

Patrick and I were soon on our way to scoop her up.

In the morning light,

I am grateful that my daughter is safe at home.

Additionally, I am thankful for

remote area cell phone coverage,

24-hour wrecker service,

and the sole elderly woman who stopped to help.

In this season of Advent, we are called

to be aware of the "knowing" within us,

to be attuned to the signs that God is present among us,

in the stars, in those who companion us on our earthly pilgrimage,

in all times and all places.

You know the feeling. This Advent may you, as last Sunday's anthem suggests,

"Open up your hearts, let the Christ Child in."

Handwritten signature: Hand +

ECW CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will hold their annual Christmas luncheon at 12 noon, on Tuesday, Dec 12 upstairs at Pearl's Cafe. As usual we ask that you bring a paper pantry gift of clothes for newborns. Please call the church office, 770-832-3931, if you plan to attend.

CANNED FOOD DEADLINE

The deadline for donating cans of meat for the Soup Kitchen is Sunday, December 10. Boxes are located in the Narthex and in the parish hall kitchen.

HOMEWORK HELPER STOCKINGS ARE DUE NOW!

If you picked up a stocking and have not yet returned, please do so now so that we can prepare for the students party on December 12th. Thank you to everyone who donated gifts to help make the holidays a little brighter for our Homework Helper students.

SCHEDULING: Julie is making out schedules for Lay Readers, Acolytes, Ushers, Children's Church, and Thrift Shop from December 31, 2006 through April 1, 2007. Please let her know of any dates that you are not available to serve.



SRDYC RETREAT: All 9th – 12th Graders are invited and encouraged to attend this annual Diocesan retreat at Camp Mikell. Dates are January 5th – 7th. Registration is available online at: <http://youth.episcopalatlanta.org/registration/index.html> We will caravan from the Gable House parking lot Friday afternoon. The theme for the retreat is: “Image is everything. . . and God created us in God’s image” – come explore appearance, insecurity, and fitting in with today’s world as well as how it coincides with our being children of God.

EYCSKI TRIP: Save the dates for the annual EYC ski trip, February 16th – 19th, 2007. We will again be staying at Valle Crucis Episcopal Conference Center and spending one day each at Ski Beech and Sugar Mountain. Registration forms will be out soon.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS To make a donation for poinsettias as a memorial or in thanksgiving, to decorate the church at Christmas, please contact Julie in the church office, 770-832-3931 or Altar Guild President Susan Lenaeus, at 770-832-7909. Deadline is Dec



WASSAIL: Members of St Margaret’s Altar Guild are invited to drop by the home of Susan Lenaeus for wassail on Sunday, December 17 from 3-5:00 pm.

COMMUNITY CALDENDARS

Now is the time of year when we all are purchasing 2007 calendars, and the Community Foundation has produced a beautiful four-color calendar featuring wonderful stories of what local nonprofit organizations have done using Foundation grants this year. Our own SMCO is featured in the calendar. You may purchase your copy of the calendar for \$10 from the church office. Checks should be made payable to St Margaret’s Episcopal Church (memo: calendar). Outreach gets all proceeds of sale.

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

The Vestry Nominating Committee is accepting names of parishioners willing to serve a three-year term on the Vestry. Perhaps you or someone you know would like to be of service to St. Margaret’s in this capacity. A nominee must give permission to have her/his name submitted as a candidate.

The Vestry is composed of twelve members, each serving a three-year rotating term. The Vestry meets once a month, on the second Tuesday evening, and is responsible for the “business” of running the church.

Those qualified to hold the office of Vestry Member shall be as follows:

Any confirmed communicant in good standing of the Parish who is not less than eighteen years of age, a regular attendant upon the services in the year preceding election, and known by the Treasurer to have made and maintained a stated financial commitment for church support in the year preceding election.

Please give this matter prayerful thought and consideration. The future of St. Margaret’s depends on it!

_____ Please enter my name for consideration for the Vestry.

_____ Please enter the name below for consideration.

I have personally secured this person’s permission to place his/her name in nomination for the Vestry.

Name _____

DEADLINE: Please submit this **applications and a short biography of nominee** by Sunday, January 14, 2007. Please return application and biography to: St. Margaret’s Episcopal Church, Vestry Nominations Committee, 606 Newnan Street, Carrollton, Georgia 30117. For more information please contact a Vestry Nomination Committee member Jim Rash, (770) 836-1816, Liz Key (770)-834-6102, Anne Norrell (770) 834-2110 or Marcy Brewer (770) 838-9827.

Get
together
for
a
moment
of
peace



Cosmic Walk

Our
first
step
towards
peace



St Nicholas Day



Celebrating at the Brewers



Three of our youth, Aaron Reynolds, Zachary Gordon, and Jack Bernhardt, participated in Jr DYC at Camp Mikel from December 1-3.





DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01-Dec Bob Aderhold, Alison Berard
- 02-Dec Amy Markwalter,
Edward Bohannon
- 03-Dec Sally Howell
- 04-Dec Pat Brunson, Noah Brewer, Ginny Little,
Devin Dehon-Luckenbill
- 05-Dec James Wiggins, Natalie Richards
- 06-Dec Josh Erwin, David Griffin
- 08-Dec Tommy Griffin, Cody Kemp
- 09-Dec Helen Morgan, Bob Owen
- 10-Dec Justin Maierhofer, Richard Brown,
Stephen Colditz, Mary McManus,
Sherry Foreman, Mary Beth Hardin
- 14-Dec Eric Lenaesus, Ann Ward
- 17-Dec Jincey Lumpkin, Kathleen Wells,
Charlotte DuFour
- 18-Dec Diana Rash, Mary Alice Cochran
- 19-Dec Gregory Cary, Roy Richards, Betty Jo McCoy
- 21-Dec Jim Cunningham, Christy Hitchcock
- 22-Dec Rose Coker
- 23-Dec James Morgan, Gerald Gristick
- 24-Dec David Lovvorn, Sidney Powers
- 25-Dec Meredith Austin, Turner Markwalter
- 26-Dec Hollis Miller, Bob Uglum
- 28-Dec Anna Rash, Lynne Mengel
- 29-Dec Christie Austin, Joe Lee Palladino
- 30-Dec Chris Brown, Harris Holmes
- 31-Dec Jim Richards, Amberly Brown

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 08-Dec Glenn & Melissa Folds
- 21-Dec Harris & Elaine Holmes
- 22-Dec Jim & Bonnie Cooper
Gregory & Carolyn Cary
Lorene Flanders & Paul Campbell
- 28-Dec James & Marlene Uglum
Eric & Laura Lenaesus

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec 9 Christmas Pageant practice - 10:00 am
 - Dec 10 Confirmation at the Cathedral of St Phillip
4:00 pm
 - Dec 16 Christmas Pageant practice - 10:00 am
 - Dec 17 Lessons and Carols - 9:00 and 11:00 am
 - Dec 23 Christmas Pageant practice - 10:00 am
 - Dec 24 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
6:00 pm Family Holy Eucharist and
Christmas pageant
10:30 pm Carol singing
11:00 pm Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist
 - Dec 25-29 Church office closed
 - Dec 31 10:00 am Morning Prayer
(one service only)
- 2007
- Jan 5 Epiphany Party at Hazel's
 - Jan 21 Annual meeting

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

- Anne Norrell - Sr. Warden
- Liz Key - Jr. Warden
- Ron Adams
- Jeanette Bernhardt
- Marcy Brewer
- Julie Cain
- Randy Coggins
- Catherine Minor
- Hugh Mitchell
- Bill Parrish
- Jim Rash
- Susan Souigny

SERVERS FOR DECEMBER 10, 2006

ACOLYTES

9:00 am

Crucifer Brianna Sullivan
Book Bearer Elizabeth Crafton
Taper Will Crafton
Joe Shook

11:00 am

Crucifer Michelle Foreman
Book Bearer Sam Goodson

ALTAR GUILD: Liz Key, Jeanette Bernhardt, Fred
Bernhardt, Rose Dufour, Cindy Hull

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Mary Alice Cochran,
Catherine Minor

LAYREADERS

9:00 Bob Sullivan, Bill Shook
11:00 Lacey Robinson, Stephanie Turner

USHERS

9:00 Guyton Cochran, Peter Maierhofer
11:00 Richard Colditz, Tom Foreman

PAPER PANTRY: Jan Uhlich, Amanda Reynolds, Teresa
Perdue

THRIFT SHOP

Dec 8
10-1:00 pm Marion Foreman, Gail Manley
1-4:00 pm Ann Price, Cornelia Richards
Dec 2
10-1:00 pm Margaret Hickson, Elaine McKinnon

DECEMBER HOSTESSES: Nancy Disinger, Cyle
Bohannon, Martha Goodson, Catherine Gordon, Mimsie
Lanier, Missy Sullivan, Jan Uhlich

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH
Ron Adams

SERVERS FOR DECEMBER 17, 2006
(Lessons & Carols)

ACOLYTES

9:00 AM

Crucifer Jay Sullivan
Book Bearer Kelsey Cain

11:00 am

Crucifer Rob Cooper
Book Bearer William Keene

ALTAR GUILD: Judy Reed, Debbie Pyles, Missy Sullivan

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Lynda Gerber, Susan Gerber

LAYREADERS

9:00 Mike & Rose Coker
11:00 Jim Uglum, Patrick Malloy

USHERS

9:00 Dan Cain, Tom Parmer
11:00 George Lenaeus, Philip Saunders

PAPER PANTRY: Jan Uhlich, Amanda Reynolds, Teresa
Perdue

THRIFT SHOP

Dec 15
10-1:00 pm Debbie Pyles, Diana Rash
1-4:00 pm Liz Mathews, Max Stephens
Dec 16
10-1:00 pm Bob & Deloris Covel

DECEMBER HOSTESSES: Nancy Disinger, Cyle
Bohannon, Martha Goodson, Catherine Gordon, Mimsie
Lanier, Missy Sullivan, Jan Uhlich

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH
Ron Adams

PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Alice, Ann, Fran, Chester, Ruth C., Ronnie

Family and friends: Annalee, Susan, Beth, Edie, Steve, Jamie, Virginia, Betty, Julie, Angela, Ethan, Jackie, Amy, Dottie, Canton, Betty, Buzz, Lainey, Ruth, Gloria, Eddie, Jon, Scott, Patsy, Richard and Ann, Summerville, Hubert, Mary, Valerie, Phyllis, Bryan, Amelia, Elmira and Lindsay, Corey, Pat, Marissa.

Military: Ed, Walker, Steven, Drew, Lyle, John, Doug, Jessie, David, Jon, Neil

Deaths: Richard Knapp

PRAYER REQUESTS may be submitted by emailing Julie at Stmargarets@charterinternet.com or by phone 770-832-3931.

Your prayers are needed for the Shunn Family. Marissa Shunn, daughter of Kevin and Jennifer Shunn, is having open heart surgery on December 1st. Marissa is 15 years old and attends Carrollton High School. Many of you know the Shunn family and want to help. The Shunn Heart Fund Account has been set up at the Bank Of America, 600 Maple Street, Carrollton, GA 30117. Donations will be used to help with insurance co-pays, travel expenses, and any expense associated with being away from home for an extended period of time.



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