



St Margaret's Notebook

February 28, 2008

From the Rector

It was a fascinating sight.

One by one folks were called by name

to sit under the sorting hat:

a real sorting hat

on loan from friends of Charlie, Harper, Martha, Catherine and Steve Minor.

You can even see a face tucked away in its folds.



Surely, it must be one of the most creative and imaginative Lenten program around.

Aptly named "Wizards and Wonders" creator Trudy Ardizzone has

based the series on the life and times of Harry Potter.

Her poem, "The Sorting Hat," captures the excitement:

*You may find me old and pointy and dusty,
but my judgment is true and sharp and trusty.*

If under by hat you will sit,

I'll find you a fit.

If you belong in Gryffendor, I'll put you there.

If you have the heart of a Slytherin, we all better beware.

If Hufflepuff or Ravenclaw be the place for you,

I'll figure it out, I'll tell you true.

Because I'm the Hogwarts Sorting Hat,

and that, my friend, is that!

The sorting hat knows, will figure it out, tell you true and can find you a fit.

It may sound like child's play yet several scriptural connections come to mind.

To be known, to belong and to be guided is our heart's desire

as well as God's desire for us.

Consider the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd (John 10).

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me."

Then there's Isaiah 43

"Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you.

I have called you by name, you are mine.

..you are precious in my sight and honored and I love you."

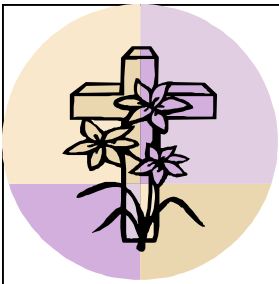
Child's play becomes holy play.

Hope you'll join the fun,



The women of ECW send a very sincere thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the recent Valentine Luncheon! We served about 250 people including take-outs. We want to especially thank ABT Rental for donating dishes and glasses, Gay Maxwell and Meg Popwell for donating the chicken and salad greens as well as cooking all the chicken, Fran and Lacy Robinson for purchasing new linens, Chick-fil-A for donating tea, Flower Cart for the beautiful flower arrangement and to Randy and Elizabeth Coggins for making arrangements to use the Ag Center kitchen. To everyone - women and men - who chopped, mixed, cooked, washed dishes, served food, scraped plates, sold tickets, helped with set-up and clean-up and did a thousand other things, we deeply appreciate and value your time, effort and good humor. The luncheon was a great success and would not be possible without the wonderful help of the people of St. Margaret's. All proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to the good work of SMCO. Thanks again to everyone and mark your calendar for next year! Liz Key and Jeanette Bernhardt, co-chairs





EASTER MEMORIALS / HONORARIUMS

To make a donation for lilies as a memorial or in thanksgiving, to decorate the church at Easter, please contact Julie in the church office, 770-832-3931 or Altar Guild President Susan Lenaeus, at 770-832-7909. Deadline is March 20.



Thrift Shop clean up,
Monday, March 3 at
9:00 am

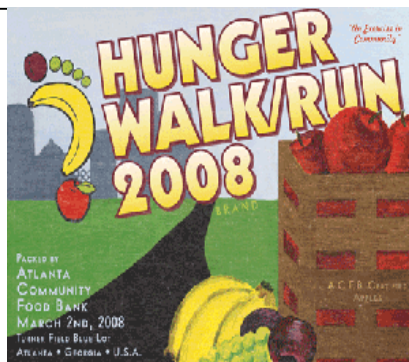
EYC March Calendar

- Mar 2 Hunger Walk Atlanta - We'll caravan to Turner Field from the Gable House at 12 noon. Parents are needed to help drive—please sign up if you can help.
- Mar 9 Lenten Meditation
- Mar 15 Palm Sunday—Stuff Easter Eggs
- Mar 23 Easter Sunday—No EYC

HUNGER WALK on SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd:

Come out for this fun event at Turner Field in Atlanta – stretch your legs and support the work of Episcopal Charities and the Atlanta Community

Food Bank. Adults and youth should sign up on the kitchen bulletin board so that we can plan transportation. We will leave the Gable House parking lot at 12 noon and eat at the event (bring \$ to buy lunch).



HOMWORK HELPER STUDENTS LEARN FROM LOCAL VIPs . . .

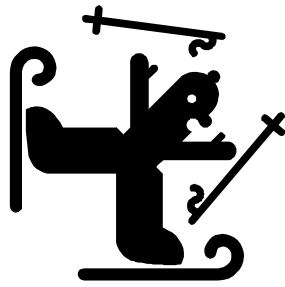


In observance of Black History Month, City Councilman, Artist, CJHS After-school Coordinator Gerald Byrd shared some of his personal artwork and delivered an excerpt from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech.



In celebration of Presidents' Day, St. Margaret's own Joe Cumming, Writer, Historian, Reporter and Actor Extraordinaire, portrayed President George Washington, sharing truths about his life. Joe later appeared as Honest Abe to the 4th and 5th grade students with a moving rendition of the Gettysburg Address.

EYC SKI 2008



The EYC ski trip was almost too amazing to describe. I have gone on this trip for the past five years, and I have never felt a stronger connection with everyone and everything around me than I did this year. From the time we left on Thursday morning until the time we arrived back at St. Margaret's at around midnight, we did not stop having fun. There was always a game calling your name or a relaxed conversation on the sectional sofa to join in on. I finally came to realize something very important while on this trip. I don't go just to see how many black slopes I can conquer or card games I can win against Chris. I go on this trip because I love and cherish the time we all spend together as a group. On Sunday night, everyone from St. Margaret's, Holy Innocents, and St. Peter St. Paul came together in the church. We were all given a chance to say how we personally found God that weekend. I heard many great stories, yet I did not contribute one of my own. Well I will say where I found God this weekend, and it was within every single person that went on this trip. We are not so much of a group anymore, but more like a family.

Rob Cooper

If there is one downside to our Ski Trip, it is the time afterward, because it means the beginning of another year of waiting for Presidents Day weekend, and waiting for another chance to journey together to the mountains and bond for four more days.

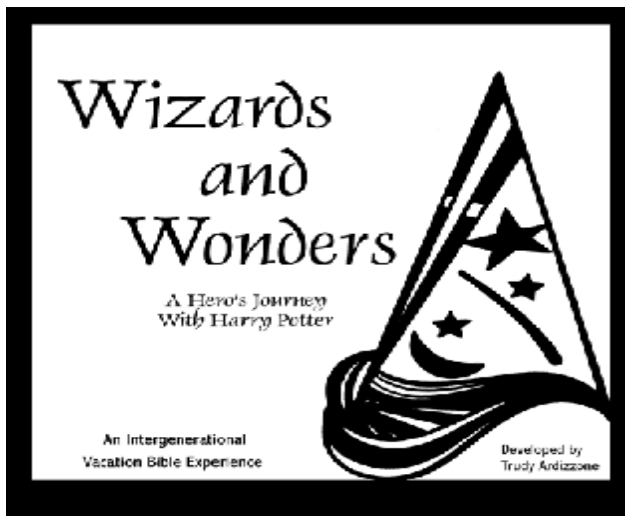
For five years we've been making this trip, and every year, no matter how close our group may be before hand, we come out more together than ever before. We go in as a youth group and come out as a family. We cannot help but be closer after a weekend in a place where God's presence is everywhere. Whether you see him in the beauty of the mountain, or in the love that keeps all of us together, he's there. He's in the love that keeps us coming year after year, and the love that gets us past broken skis and broken busses, and any thing else that might come our way. It was his love that put us all together in the first place, and it is his love that will keep us that way.

Sam Goodson

This past weekend, for the last time as a youth, I made the trek to Boone, North Carolina for the annual EYC Ski Trip. To say the least, this one was very bittersweet. Everything was wonderful, as it always is, but I could not help thinking this was my last ski trip. I did manage to put this thought in the back of my mind while on the slopes; I do love skiing!

On Sunday night we had church with the group from St. Peter St. Paul, where Tom Ader, Laura's father, is the group leader. There, in the little mountain church, emotions flowed freely. They flowed because we all missed Laura being there with us. They flowed because of the unbelievable strength of Jack and Luke. They flowed because we seniors knew this was our last ski trip. Amongst all the emotion though, I found myself feeling so thankful. I was thankful for all these wonderful trips, this incredible journey, and the life-long bonds this EYC group has made. All I could do, even with the sadness, was thank God.

Andrew Gordon



*Your presence is requested
at
Hogwarts School for Wizard and Witches
By way of the Coleman Street 9 3/4 platform
Wednesday evenings during the season of Lent
March 5th, 12th
6:00 – 7:00 pm
Simple Supper, Movie Clips and program for ages
4 and up.
Nursery care will be provided for toddlers and infants.*

Dear Friends

Swede, Chael, Ramsey and I are participating this year in the Atlanta Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis for Team Ramsey. As many of you know our son Ramsey was diagnosed at 9 months with cystic fibrosis. Cystic fibrosis (CF) is a devastating, genetic, fatal disease that affects tens of thousands of children and young adults in the United States. On average, the lifespan on an individual with CF is 37 years old. Ramsey has had a wonderful year, he seems the picture of health, but unfortunately we are reminded daily that pictures aren't always as they seem. While the potential for a cure from this research is extremely promising and exciting, the funding is limited. Swede and I will form Team Ramsey this year for the Great Strides walk to fight CF. Our goal is to raise \$7500 or more for team Ramsey. We would love any support that you feel led to give. We know that there are so many worthy causes to donate towards and we would feel very honored if you chose to help us in our fight. Please feel free to forward this along to friends and family. We want to say thank you to everyone who will consider donating, and to those of you who have been so encouraging in our efforts. It is our daily prayer that Ramsey's health will continue to thrive and that many years from now he will be living proof that all of our efforts have been a success. With your help, one day CF will stand for Cure Found.

With Love,
Swede, Meghan, Chael and Ramsey Sullivan



For more information visit Ramsey's home page for the Great Strides walk

http://www.cff.org/Great_Strides/dsp_DonationPage.cfm?walkid=5267&idUser=220732



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 20-Feb Susan Gerber, Ellis Godard, Chris Lindahl, Heather Nicole
- 22-Feb Cyndy Crow, Elaine McKinnon, Diane Fulkerson
- 26-Feb Joe Cumming, Charlie Fortner
- 27-Feb Valerie Erwin, Tony Hall
- 28-Feb William Keene, Lillian Powers

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 14-Feb Lee & Tammy Griffin
- 18-Feb Randy & Elisabeth Coggins
- 26-Feb Jim & Angela Cunningham

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 02-Mar Garrison Markwalter
- 04-Mar Robert Graf
- 05-Mar Alison Shook
- 06-Mar Laura Hoffman
- 09-Mar Mandy Maierhofer, Allie Poindexter, Clay Robinson, John Bohannon, Norah Bohannon
- 10-Mar Stephanie Yates, Shane Markwalter
- 11-Mar Ian Cunningham, Tony Garmon
- 13-Mar Susan Souigny
- 14-Mar Sierra Coggins, Jo Hunsicker
- 15-Mar Karen Adams, Bob Sullivan, Robert John Swanson, Daphane Dobbins, Joshua Howell
- 16-Mar Jeanette Bernhardt
- 18-Mar Courtney Austin, Jackie Cain
- 19-Mar Edward Keene, Hart Campbell
- 20-Mar Linda Ramsey
- 22-Mar Dave Reynolds, Rose DuFour, Laura Lenaeus
- 23-Mar Jim Rash, Lindsay Timms
- 24-Mar James Dobbins
- 27-Mar Eric Baret
- 28-Mar John Reed, Liz Bischoft, Zooley Bush
- 29-Mar Ben DeGaris, Patrick Erwin, Thomas Fitzgerald, Reese Lanier, Tom Saunders
- 30-Mar Fran Robinson
- 31-Mar Robert Swanson

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- 18-Mar Tony & Angie Hall
- 19-Mar Eric & Jeanne Baret
- Richard & Beverly Colditz
- Lacey & Fran Robinson
- 22-Mar Peter & Many Maierhofer
- 24-Mar Sam & Ann Price

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar 3 Hunger Walk in Atlanta
- Mar 5 Intergenerational Lenten Supper Series: Harry Potter
- Mar 12 Intergenerational Lenten Supper Series: Harry Potter
- Mar 16 Palm Sunday
- Mar 20 Maundy Thursday Liturgy - 7:00 pm
- Mar 21 Good Friday
Stations of the Cross - 12:00 noon
Good Friday Liturgy - 7:00 pm
- Mar 23 Easter Sunday
9:00 am Eucharist - flowering of the Cross
10:10 am Easter Egg Hunt
11:00 am Eucharist
- Mar 24 OFFICE CLOSED

March 2, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Anna Rash	Christopher Keene
Book Bearer	Kelsey Cain	Alice Sawyer
Taper	Jackie Cain	Lucy Hughes Parrish

Altar Guild Georgia Keene, Nancy Disinger, Diana Rash, Carolyn Stone

Children's Church Julie Parrish

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Suzi Blosser	Pauline Rodwell
	Debbie Pyles	Richard Smith

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Dan Cain	David Basil
	Jim Rash	Bob Graf

Thrift Shop

Feb 29

10:00 - 1:00 pm	Bob and Karen Swanson
1:00 - 4:00 pm	John Muffley, Ann Price

Mar 1

10:00 - 1:00 pm Fred and Jeanette Bernhardt

MARCH HOSTESSES

Meredith Austin, Patricia Carter, Elisabeth Coggins, Emily Cumming, Bunny Godard, Beth Graf, Alice Long, Catherine Minor, Fran Robinson

PAPER PANTRY Jo Hunsicker, Teresa Perdue

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH Cindy Hull

March 9, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Jay Sullivan	William Keene
Book Bearer	Elizabeth Crafton	Tom Fitzpatrick
Taper	James Cochran	Will Cochran

Altar Guild Susan Souigny, Lisa Crafton, Andra McGill, Gloria Johnston

Children's Church Cyle Bohannon

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Jim Cunningham	Jim Uglum
	Bill Shook	Stephanie Turner

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Micheal Crafton	Richard Colditz
	Lisa Crafton	George Lenaeus

Thrift Shop

Mar 7

10:00 - 1:00 pm	Brenda Grubb, Liz Mathews
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Carmenlydia Morgan, Emily Cumming

Mar 8

10:00 - 1:00 pm Pat Brunson, Margaret Hickson

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PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Sumner, Luke and Jack, Larry, Joann, Jan, Don, Alice, Ron, Mary Jane, Adam, McKenzie, Meg, Pam, Dereck

Family and friends: Ethan, Annalee, Jackie, Lainey, Eddie, Jon, Betty, Angela, Steve, Jamie, Virginia, Hubert, Bryan, Randy, Nicky, Georgina, Caitlin, Stan, Larry, Brenda, Tina, Hope, Philip, Andrew, Eileen, Esther, Anne, Theresa, Tina, Lee, Billie, Mary Anne, Murphy, Jeff, Lois, Clem, Lisa, Cy, Steve, Mike, Charlotte, Brian, Henry, Lisa, Newbern, Ashley, Carlton, Janie, Drew

Military: Walker, Steven, Drew, Lyle, Doug, Jessie, Matthew, Sarah, Robert, Elizabeth, Marshall, Will, Jordan, Stacey

Deaths: Stan Livermont, Callene Elwell

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

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

Bruce Bobick - Sr. Warden
Randy Coggins - Jr. Warden
Guyton Cochran
Cindy Hull
Tony McGaughey
Catherine Minor
Andra Morris
John Muffley
Hugh Mitchell
Judy Reed
Lin Reed
Susan Souigny



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