



St Margaret's Notebook

June 28, 2007

From the Rector

The weather was beautiful
as the Journey to Adulthood class ventured
through the city of Washington, DC
via elevators, escalators, buses, trains,
airplanes and our own two feet.

The sites were soul-stirring.
In the presence of gargoyles
and under the light of stained glass
we participated in the Holy Eucharist at the National Cathedral.
A tour of the Holocaust Museum
brought to light a "hermeneutic" of past injustices
and the potential of present-day injustices.
"Think About What You Saw"
the sign outside the museum proclaimed -
reminding us to choose love, not fear.
Then there heavenly view from the top of the Washington Monument.

The questions have been asked several times now of leaders and youth:
"What was the most powerful moment on the Urban Adventure?"
"When did you feel closest to Christ?"
"What is your most memorable moment?"

For me, the thin place -
the place where the veil between this world and the next lifted -
happened on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.
Tears filled my eyes... time stood still
passersby paused to listen as the day's leaders,
Allison, Tom, William and Julia,
read the words of Martin Luther King, Jr.
"I have a dream."

It was a powerful trip. It was a wonderful adventure.
Want to know more?
Ask Allison, Ariel, Brianna, Catherine, Julia, Michelle,
Peter, Randy, Roger, Tom or William.

In gratitude for the youth of St. Margaret's,

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Urban Adventure



JOIN US FOR A
4th OF JULY
CELEBRATION



Bring your lawn chairs
and watch the
People's Parade
in front of the church
and then stay for lunch

in the parish hall.

Hotdogs, hamburgers,
and beverages provided.

Please bring a side
item to share.



Ice Cream Social



VBS

Community Vacation Bible School was once again a great success. Thank you to the following members of the parish who volunteered at VBS last week: Mary Alice Cochran, Amanda Reynolds, Laurie Fleck, Billy Lindahl, Ariel Reynolds, Aaron Reynolds, Catherine Lindahl, Michelle Foreman, William Keene, Meghan Hooper, Kelsey Cain, James Cochran and Avery Carpenter Thanks to all the parishioners who supported the program through participation, prayer and by donating snacks for the week. Save the date for next summer – June 16 – 20, 2008!



Sunday School Planning for Fall:

We are already working on plans for our 2007-2008 Sunday School! Classes will begin the first Sunday after Labor Day, September 7th. Classes will be organized in the following manner:

- Godly Play: 3's – K
- Primary Godly Play: 1 – 3 grades
- Intermediate: 4 – 6 grades
- Rite 13: 7 – 8 grades
- J2A: 9 – 10 grades
- YAC: 11 – 12 grades



If you are interested in learning more about a particular class and the curriculum it utilizes, please contact Superintendent Amanda Reynolds, Vestry Representative Catherine Minor or church staff member Laura Lenaeus. Teachers are actively being recruited throughout the summer – all classes are taught by teams and provided with well great curriculums, organized and equipped rooms and plenty of hands on training and support from fellow teachers and church staff.



glimpses of hope

... a peek inside St. Margaret's Community Outreach ...

Giving help. Sharing hope.

Summer 2007

Most every day, I'm likely to be asked when I get home, "How was your day?" Usually, the first question is followed by the second, "Did you get to help people today?" What an amazing measure of how my day was! The best day is a day spent helping. The collection days are great too – when the message we're sending is heard and understood by another individual or group or church or business or foundation and we receive an offer to help or a donation or a grant. Those days are the best days. Quite frequently, members call or come by with various offerings to SMCO. They may have time or talent or goods or money which they want to share with others. They want to participate in this Outreach of ours. Those days are the best days.

Whenever I am invited to speak to groups or organizations, to tell about our St. Margaret's Community Outreach, I feel and see the disbelief from those with whom we are not yet acquainted. "You do what? And that's a job?! Your church does that? Huh?" Yes, we do. It is indeed a job. Our church is committed to helping those in need. We invite the community to join us in our mission. These days are the best days.

-catherine

VOLUNTEERS BRING GIFTS, TALENT & ENERGY



Volunteers make our SMCO machine work. Shown left above, Sue Medeiros shares goodies and information about adult literacy; middle, Richard Smith, Andra Morris and John Muffley cross paths in SMCO office; right, Chloe Saunders helps organize Homework Helper during her summer break from Brenau College. Each SMCO volunteer has a different task, according to his/her availability and interests.



Under construction

Community Family Mentoring Program

Under the guiding hand of the Community Foundation of West Georgia, SMCO is joining forces with other churches and help organizations to develop a Family Mentoring Program to assist families (esp. single mother households) to establish goals and better their lives over an extended time. Program is extension into community of SMCO's Families-In-Crisis program philosophy. Mentor families will be needed. Watch for more information.



\$\$\$ Money Matters \$\$\$

-Carroll County Sertoma Club presented donation to SMCO; award announced 4th qtr. 2006.

-Carrollton Golden K Kiwanis Club presented grant proceeds to SMCO from Pancake Breakfasts and proceeds from ticket sales (all to be used for 2007-08 Homework Helper program.)

-Grace Lutheran Church presented donation to SMCO.

-Carrollton Presbyterian Church presented donation to SMCO, first two of 4 equal payments for 2007.

-Episcopal Charities Foundation presented grant award to SMCO, as announced April 2007.

-Carroll EMC Foundation presented donation to SMCO to be used for food.

-SMCO submitted grant request for National Jubilee Ministry Grant to Diocesan Jubilee Officer for approval before submission to National level. Limited number of requests allowed per diocese.

-SMCO intends to submit grant request to Community Foundation of West Georgia in August 2007.

-St. Margaret's Members (and Community Members) continue to make generous donations to our SMCO.

-SMCO acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind and generous donations offered in memory of Alice Richards.



Thanks

... to our friends from **Grace Lutheran Church** who have donated general baby supplies, numerous emergency personal care packs, baby food and hand-knit stocking caps/booties for distribution through SMCO's Paper Pantry Program.

... to the many of you (**both inside and outside our church walls**) who donate your time, energy and money to keep our Pantry stocked with necessities and distributed to those in need.

...to **Community Vacation Bible School** who chose SMCO's Paper Pantry as the **Mission Project** for this year's Bible School. Many thanks to all who brought and sent supplies for the Pantry.

Outreach "nursery"

...serves as a drop-off & distribution point for used "baby stuff" for babies up to 12 months. **No clothes, please, just the equipment, especially car seats, high chairs, etc., clean and in working order.** If our stock becomes unmanageable, we will move some inventory to Thrift Shop. Thanks again to Volunteer Alice Jakubiak for putting the finishing touches on the "nursery."

Extra Mile Award

...goes to new Paper Pantry Hospital Volunteer **Fran Robinson**, who went the extra mile to be certain that a newborn in need had a safe car seat for his first ride home. Many thanks, Fran.



HOMEWORK HELPER CELEBRATES YEAR-END WITH RECESS



Homework Helper students were treated to “Recess,” in celebration of the end of school. Students got to eat watermelon and krispie treats, jump in the largest blow-up playground available, play games and get tattooed. Each student was sent home with a grab bag including his own personal school box/supplies, fun summer activities, a treat bag and a brand new book (compliments of a generous donor.)

St. Margaret's Community Outreach is pleased to announce the induction of the following
volunteers into the
Homework Helper Volunteer Hall of Fame:

Sally Bobick
Emily Cumming
Mary Hart
Mary Hooper
Hugh Sawyer

For their tireless efforts on behalf of our Homework Helper friends
for the 2006-2007 school year, may these volunteers be forever remembered.

Also contributing to a successful Homework Helper year were the following:

Bernhardt Family
Carroll County Farm Bureau Women
Carroll County 4-H
Carrollton Golden K Kiwanis Club
CPRCAD - Peter Maierhofer

Elisabeth Coggins

Pam Cooper

Will Crafton

Joe Cumming

Michelle Clawson

Martha Glover

Gordon Family

Pam Gordon

Maia Hart

Janet Holbrook

Homework Helper Participants

Home Depot

Keep Carroll Beautiful - Jacqueline Dost

Lakeview-Paradise Apartment Management

George Lenaeus

Laura Lenaeus

Sue Medeiros

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

St. Margaret's EYC

Tanner Health System - Wendy Bonner

Jan Uhlich

University of West Georgia



Households Served: 270 Individuals Served: 795 Children Served: 420
Services Provided: 1428
Individuals Served by Paper Pantry: 558



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The first of June re-introduced hurricane season to a gulf coast still raw and wounded from Katrina and Rita. The morning of June second, I heard the television weatherman talking about it, and I couldn't help but remember the family of single mom and 6 kids who were blown into our arms for help - "our" family whose first Carrollton address was Roberts Hall, UWG; "our" family whose mom moved her gang out of public housing and into a rental home as soon as she could; "our" family whose mom has only missed work when her children have been sick; "our" family whose mom I see minding her business around town. Lunchtime on the second of June found Allison, Zachary and me at our favorite fast food restaurant. It was "our" family's mom who prepared our lunch. She only looked my way when I "psssssssst" her across the counter. "Our" family's mom smiled and waved at me. Before turning back to her work, she said in a whisper, "I made Manager." I gave her a huge thumbs-up. I am so glad to know this woman. I am so proud of this woman's strength and determination. The winds of Katrina caused our paths to intersect. Grace wove the intersection into friendship. SMCO continues to stand at many intersections of need and grace. I watch the weave in awe.

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It was late afternoon. The persistent knock on the front door of the Gable House wouldn't stop. Maybe the person knocking couldn't read the sign inviting them to call for an appointment. Maybe the person knocking did not realize it was

after office hours. Maybe the person knocking couldn't read. A thousand maybe's. Answering the knock meant opening the door to a world of desperate possibilities. SMCO was closed for the day.

I answered the door. The woman stood there with tears streaming down her face as she said, "I know y'all already helped me, but I ain't got no where else to go." Inside, she was even less composed as she told me of her current plight. Her story was sad; she was broken.

Without family, without friend, this woman felt that she was living a nightmare. She cried openly as she updated me on her medical situation, her housing situation, her financial situation and her emotional situation. While her story was indeed sad, it was not her situation itself that moved me. What affected me more than what she said was the sea of hopelessness she splashed on me. She really had no where else to turn for support. We talked.

She left that day with a couple of gas vouchers and bag meals. Not fixed, but a little less broken. Not fearless, but a little less afraid. My hand almost ached from where she had held onto me. SMCO was, again, a refuge from the storm of life for this woman. We will, I'm sure, see her again soon. And we will, I'm sure, do what we can to help.



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*Giving help. Sharing hope.
St. Margaret's Community Outreach*



June Birthdays

- 28-Jun Meg Perkins, Joe Robinson
- 29-Jun Mary Wiggins, Lisa Lumpkin,
Trey Bernhardt
- 30-Jun Jerry Robinson, Carolyn Shook

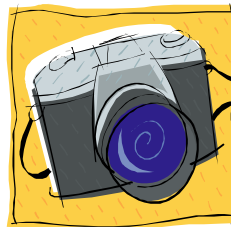
July Birthdays

- 01-Jul Pam Cooper, Jean Sands
- 04-Jul Shirley Hewitt,
- 06-Jul Richard Colditz, Chael Sullivan
- 07-Jul Jack Greene
- 08-Jul Elizabeth Basil
- 09-Jul Avery Carpenter
- 10-Jul Elisabeth Coggins, Oscar Roberts
- 11-Jul Ramsey Sullivan
- 12-Jul Chad Lumpkin, Brenda Fitzgerald,
Parker Duffie
- 13-Jul Lisanne Denmon, Jay Engel
- 14-Jul Jason Hall
- 15-Jul Carmenlydia Morgan, Judith Miller
- 16-Jul James Cochran
- 18-Jul Bob Claxton, Kitty Wilks, Evan Block,
Cyle Bohannon
- 20-Jul Eric Swanson, David Hovey,
Anna Schoerner, Linda Parmer
- 21-Jul Don Yates, Eric Swanson
- 24-Jul Martha Glover
- 25-Jul Carolyn Crews, Casey Adams
- 26-Jul Erika Uglum
- 27-Jul Adam Block
- 28-Jul Tammy Griffin
- 29-Jul Maggie Denmon
- 30-Jul Ariel Reynolds, Cindy Hull
- 31-Jul Ann Carter, Carson Richards

July Anniversaries

- 02-Jul Thom & Cindi Fitzpatrick
- 03-Jul Mac & Betty McCoy
- 06-Jul Wilton & Liz Key
- 12-Jul Gordon & Meredith Austin
- 18-Jul Kevin & Debbie Bernhardt
- 22-Jul Frank & Katie Deems
- 26-Jul Don & Stephanie Yates

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
July 2-6	Church office Closed
July 4	10:00 am parade 2nd Annual 4th of July picnic - following parade
July 4	NO NOON EUCHARIST
July 9	Finance Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm
July 10	Vestry Meeting at the Cains' home - 7:00pm
July 12	Investment Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm
August 5	Return to two services at 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Sept 9	Back to Business Sunday School begins Back to business picnic
Oct 7	Blessing of the Animals, 4:00 pm
Nov 18	St Margaret's Day



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

It's time for a new picture directory. This directory will be produced in-house and we need your help. Please submit a family photo (one per family) to be used in this directory. We would prefer the photo be submitted on a disk or electronically by email. If you don't have a photo, look for Liz Key or Julie Foreman after the service and have your picture taken.

101st Diocesan Annual Council:

Have you ever wondered what goes on at the annual diocesan council meeting? Four delegates are needed to attend this annual event in Atlanta from November 8-10. If you would like to volunteer please call the church Office, 770-832-3931.

JULY 1, 2007

10:00 am
Crucifer Ariel Reynolds
Book Bearer Ellen McGaughey

Altar Guild Judy Reed, Debbie Pyles, Missy Sullivan,
Karen Adams

Children's Church Karen Adams, Bonnie Cooper

Lay Readers

10:00 am Jim Mathews, Bill Brewer

Ushers

10:00 am Tony McGaughey, Tom Parmer

Thrift Shop

June 28 - 29 CLOSED

Paper Pantry Fran Robinson, Amanda Reynolds

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH Susan Souligny

July 8, 2007

10:00 am
Crucifer William Keene
Book Bearer Kelsey Cain
Taper Jackie Cain
James Cochran

Altar Guild Georgia Keene, Nancy Disinger, Diana Rash,
Pauline Rodwell

Children's Church T.B.A.

Lay Readers

10:00 am Chris and Julie Lindahl

Ushers

10:00 am Dan Cain, Guyton Cochran

Thrift Shop

July 6

10-1:00 Sherry Foreman, Jo Hunsicker

1-4:00 Alice Long, John Muffley

July 7

10-1:00 Teresa Perdue, Pamela Saunders

Paper Pantry Fran Robinson, Amanda Reynolds

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CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED JULY 2 - 6, 2007

In case of emergency email Hazel at

hazeglover@charterinternet.com

Or

Call Julie Foreman at home 770-834-9042.

PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Jan, Richard, Sumner, Ian

Family and friends: Ethan, Annalee, Jackie, Amy, Dottie, Betty, Edie, Gloria, Lainey, Eddie, Jon, Scott, Patsy, Betty, Angela, Summerville, Scott, Steve, Jamey, Virginia, Hubert, Bryan, Randy, Bernice, Nicky, Georgina, Edward, Sarah, Cy, Caitlin, Stan, Larry, Mary, Brenda, Kathy, Vicki, Carlton, Tina, Mike, Carolyn, Susan, Cynthia, Canton, Brad, Vance

Military: Walker, Steven, Drew, Lyle, Doug, Jessie, David, Neil, Matthew, Sarah and Robert

If you would like to add or remove a name from the parish prayer list, please email the parish administrator at stmargarets@charterinternet.com

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

Julie Cain - Sr. Warden
Randy Coggins - Jr. Warden
Ron Adams
Jeanette Bernhardt
Bruce Bobick
Cindy Hull
Catherine Minor
Hugh Mitchell
Bill Parrish
Judy Reed
Lin Reed
Susan Souligny

VESTRY COMMISSIONS

- Parish Life** - Judy Reed, Randy Coggins
- Pastoral Care** - Susan Souligny, Jeanette Bernhardt
- Worship** - Cindy Hull, Jeanette Bernhardt, Ron Adams, Judy Reed
- Grounds & Operations (Acquisitions / Strategic planning)** - Lin Reed, Randy Coggins, Julie Cain, Bill Parrish, Bruce Bobick
- Christian Formation** - Catherine Minor (Youth), Bruce Bobick (Adult)
- Finance** - Bill Parrish, Randy Coggins, Lin Reed, Susan Souligny, Cindy Hull
- Outreach** - Hugh Mitchell, Bruce Bobick



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