



St Margaret's Notebook

March 1, 2007

From the rector

The Rev. Barbara Crafton has titled her reflection on last Sunday's gospel,
the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness (Luke 4:9-10),
"The Devil Quotes Scripture."

Her hard words of Lenten warning grab at me:

The devil quotes scripture. Probably goes to church, too. Probably never misses - probably pretty proud of that. Probably finds plenty of work in the precincts of the holy: there are so many opportunities for pride and malice in the Church, it's not funny.

*Oh, do be careful. Remember the sin of pride, how easy it can be to mistake your loyalty to your group for your ethics. How habit-forming it can be to look down on people, how perversely good it can feel, how easy it becomes to define yourself almost totally by the people and things you oppose.. And how good we are at finding reasons not to do the things that we know will cost us dearly.
(The Geranium Farm, 2/22/07)*

Barbara's words sting me...convict me.

They remind me of how very hard it is to live a life in Christ:

to respect the dignity of every human being..

to seek and serve Christ in all persons,

loving your neighbor as yourself...

to strive for justice and peace...

especially in those we oppose... and those who oppose us.

How can we live as a community of faith?

How do we hold ourselves accountable to live in love, not malice?

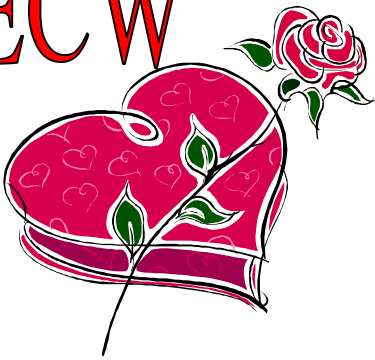
With God's help.

With the help of one another and the Spirit.

In gratitude for God's presence on the journey,

Hand +

ECW



For twenty years now, give or take one, I have watched the women of this church come together for a beautiful event called “The Valentine Luncheon”. I don’t remember who came up with the idea, but I have seen it come together each year, and this event has become my passion at this church. The details are so numerous that it takes many people to pull it off. It is truly an “ensemble piece”, an effort that involves the entire ECW. All the proceeds go to our own Community Outreach, which needs our constant support.

This year’s luncheon was made even more of a task because we had been holding it at the Mansion under the wonderful, helpful hand of Bob Uglum. Give up, and don’t have it? Unimaginable to me. We learned just how much help Bob had been giving us. We had to order our own food items, find table linens, purchase tableware, rent more plates and glasses, purchase pans to cook the casseroles, find a place to refrigerate the casseroles, find a place to cook, and come up with additional card tables. All this was in addition to the usual decisions on decorations, gathering cream and sugars and assigning tasks. I was a nervous wreck. “Had we bit off more than we could chew?” I worried.

Wednesday, when I saw the room filled with red and white and pink, heard the chatter of smiling friends enjoying the event, and smelled the beautiful flowers from Flower Cart, I knew all was well with our world. So many people did so much to make it happen. From the person who checked the cleanliness of the restrooms, transported casseroles from First Methodist Church’s kitchen, brought ice from their ice makers, to seeing that the last dish was washed and returned, it was a huge effort. Wow.

I couldn’t possibly name all who made the day happen, but I must thank Fred and Jeanette Bernhardt for seeking far and wide to purchase more tableware, Stephanie Turner for finding the pans for the casseroles, First Methodist Church for storing and cooking the casseroles, our special guys who helped again this year, Beverly Colditz’s and Pauline Rodwell’s team for the serving, Liz Key’s team for waiting tables, the many who came to set up, Sandy Stephens and her group who saw to the drinks, George Lenaeus and company for scraping plates, Catherine Gordon for arranging the singers, A B & T Rentals for donating the plates and glasses, Flower Cart for the wonderful arrangement of flowers, Nancy Disinger for donating the roses for the tables, Sally Bobick, Karen Adams, and Emily Cumming for cooking and donating the muffins, Chick-Fil-A for donating the tea, and Gay Maxwell for cooking the chicken and donating the salad greens. I know I didn’t name all of you or all that you did, but please know how much I thank you for your part in making this year’s event the special day it was. You are awesome

Rose Dufour

**ATTEN LAY READERS, USHERS, ACOLYTES, CHILDREN
CHURCH SHEPHERDS, AND THRIFT SHOP WORKERS -**

The schedules for **April 1 - May 26, 2007** are being prepared. Please call Julie Foreman, 770-832-3931 or email stmargarets@charterinternet.com of any dates you are unable to serve.



St Margaret's Maulers are recruiting players aged 18 and older for church league softball.

For more information call team manager Dave Reynolds, (770)

Upcoming EYC Events....



Province IV Youth Event (PYE): July 17-22 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. This event is for High School students from throughout the Province who will be entering 10th – 12th grade and rising college freshmen in the fall of 2007. PYE is a triennial youth event sponsored by Province IV and by a grant from the Episcopal Church Center in New York. Come be a part of an amazing week with youth from all over the South at Christ Church, Bay St. Louis in the Diocese of Mississippi. The program includes mission work in hurricane ravaged areas of the Gulf Coast.

PYE is an experience full of laughter, prayer, friends, worship, singing, giving, memories, sharing and so much more! The cost for the trip is \$375 and includes transportation, lodging, food, while at the event. The deadline for youth to apply to be on the Diocese of Atlanta team is **March 1st**, so don't wait to apply. Go to:

<http://www.episcopalatlantayouth.org/PYE-Atlanta2007.pdf> to for more information and to download the application.

SKI TRIP FOLLOW UP on March 4th from 5 – 7 pm: Our program for this week will be the Ski Trip Slide Show (many thanks to Wilton and Liz Key for their efforts to make this possible) and the presentation of our all new “Skier of the Year” award. Also, if you missed the first Lenten Prayer Partner night, you can get sign up to participate.

HUNGER WALK on March 11th: 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. Sign up on the kitchen bulletin board so that we can plan transportation. Parents – we need drivers for this event, please call Laura if you can help.

We will leave the Gable House parking lot at 12 noon and eat at the event (bring \$ to buy lunch).



MID LENT PRAYER PARTNER REFUELING on March 18th 5-7 pm: Come in for a Lenten check up and re-focus your mind and actions on the disciplines you began on Ash Wednesday for the second half of the Lenten season.

NO EYC ON MARCH 25th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES COLLECTING PAPER PANTRY ITEMS THROUGHOUT THE LENTEN SEASON: On Sunday February 25th all children's and youth classes heard about the all ages collection drive to support St. Margaret Community Outreach's Paper Pantry program. Each class will collect specific items through Easter to stock SMCO's closet as full as possible with items needed by new parents and their babies. Please send your child with something each time they come to Sunday School if you can. Items being collected by each class are:

Godly Play (3 yr old – 2nd Graders) - baby wipes and books

Intermediate (3rd – 5th Graders) -toilet paper, q-tips, toothbrush and toothpaste

Rite 13 (6th & 7th Graders) - baby bottles, baby wipes, shampoo, soap & deodorant

J2A (8th & 9th Graders) - diapers and diaper rash ointment, sanitary napkins

YAC (10th – 12th Graders) - sleepers and rattles



SHROVE TUESDAY FOLLOW UP:

All who attended the Shrove Tuesday Low Country Boil had a wonderful time. Many thanks to those of you who helped the 8th and 9th grade J2A Sunday school class in raise nearly \$2900 for their Summer 2008 Pilgrimage to Canterbury and Southern England. Congratulations and thank you to the J2A class members, their parents and leaders on hosting such a successful event!



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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
 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
 24-Mar James Dobbins
 27-Mar Eric Baret
 28-Mar John Reed
 29-Mar Ben DeGaris, Patrick Erwin, Thomas Fitzgerald,
 Reese Lanier, Tom Saunders
 30-Mar Fran Robinson
 31-Mar Robert Swanson

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

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

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

- Feb 28 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 Mar 6 Thrift Shop Clean up - 9:00 am
 Mar 7 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 Mar 11 Atlanta Hunger Walk
 Mar 13 ECW Meeting - 12:00 noon
 Mar 14 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 Mar 21 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 Mar 23-25 Vestry Retreat
 Mar 28 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 April 2-8 City and County Schools Spring break
 April 1 Palm Sunday
 April 4 Lenten Program - 6-7:00 pm
 April 5 Maundy Thursday - Foot washing and Stripping of the Altar - 7:00 pm
 April 6 Good Friday Services
 Stations of the Cross - 12:15
 Service - 7:00 pm
 April 8 Easter Sunday
 9:00 am Holy Eucharist and flowering of the Cross
 10:10 am Easter egg hunt
 11:00 am Holy Eucharist
 April 9 Church Office closed
 Apr 9-18 Julie Foreman on vacation
 May 13 Last day of Sunday School
 10:10 Annual slideshow
 June 3 10:00 am Summer worship schedule begins
 June 18-22 Vacation Bible School
 June 22-24 Urban Adventure

MARCH 4, 2007

	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Crucifer	Haley Hart	Anna Rash
Book Bearer	Zachary Gordon	Randy Hooper
Taper	Jack Bernhardt	
	Julia Bernhardt	

ALTAR GUILD: Judy Reed, Debbie Pyles, Missy Sullivan

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Karen Adams, Cyle Bohannon

LAY READERS

9:00 am	Amanda Reynolds, Bob Sullivan
11:00 am	Stephanie Turner, Lacey Robinson

USHERS

9:00 am	Kevin Bernhardt, Mary Hart
11:00 am	Richard Colditz, George Lenaeus

THRIFT SHOP

Mar 2

10am - 1:00 pm	Liz Key, Diana Rash
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Nancy Disinger, Alice Long

Mar 3

10 am - 1:00 pm Roseanne Godsey, Margaret Hickson

PAPER PANTRY Elaine Holmes, Martha Setter

MARCH HOSTESSES

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

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH Cindy Hull

MARCH 11, 2007

	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Crucifer	T.B.A.	Rob Cooper
Book Bearer	Ariel Reynolds	Michelle Foreman
Taper	Aaron Reynolds	
	Joe Shook	

ALTAR GUILD: Georgia Keene, Nancy Disinger, Diana Rash, Pauline Rodwell

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Glen and Jil Jarrell

LAY READERS

9:00 am	Debbie Pyles, David Loworn
11:00 am	Jim Uglum, Judith King

USHERS

9:00 am	Bruce Bobick, David Reynolds
11:00 am	Tom Foreman, Philip Saunders

THRIFT SHOP

Mar 9

10am - 1:00 pm	T.B.A., Gail Manley
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Emily Cumming, Elaine Holmes

Mar 10

10 am - 1:00 pm Mary Aderhold, Chris Brown

PAPER PANTRY Elaine Holmes, Martha Setter

MARCH HOSTESSES

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

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PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Alice, Fran, Mark, Diana, Olive

Family and friends: Annalee, Beth, Edie, Steve, Jamie, Virginia, Betty, Angela, Ethan, Jackie, Amy, Dottie, Lainey, Gloria, Eddie, Jon, Scott, Patsy, Richard and Ann, Summerville, Hubert, Mary, Valerie, Bryan, Amelia, Corey, Pat, Marissa, Ann, Randy, Cliette, Bernice, Brad, Nicky, Georgina, Edward, Sarah, Cy, Caitlin

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

Deaths: Angelus Fulcher

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

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

Julie Cain - Sr. Warden

T.B.A. - Jr. Warden

Ron Adams

Jeanette Bernhardt

Bruce Bobick

Randy Coggins

Cindy Hull

Catherine Minor

Hugh Mitchell

Bill Parrish

Judy Reed

Lin Reed

Susan Souligny



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