



St Margaret's Notebook

March 5, 2009

From the Rector

“How old is this church?” Visitors often ask.

“It was built in the 1950s” I tell them.

“It looks much older.”

They are right.

The slate roof and white frame structure do emit a timeless quality.

Last Sunday morning as it snowed

we looked like a picture postcard New England parish.

There was an eternal feel inside the church as well.

As I stood in the pulpit at the late service

we were all mesmerized by the sight of huge snow flakes.

I could not see the choir, lay readers or the acolytes at the altar

but everyone in the pews was looking left or right

at the falling snow.

It was holy and peaceful moment until a huge clap of thunder broke the spell.

Thunder and snow just don't go together in my mind and I said so

from the pulpit. The laughter that followed was truly sacred.

Unseasonable snow and irrational weather

are perfect for the season of Lent.

In this season of self-reflection, prayer and fasting

they can serve as reminders of God's loving presence.

For the one who sent angels to Jesus in the wilderness

also sends “angels” to us.

May this Lenten season continue to be holy and surprising,

Lenten Series 2009: **Seek ye first the kingdom of God**

“Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ Or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:31-33)

These are very hard economic times. Unemployment abounds, our pensions are shaky, food costs are high. Even Queen Elizabeth is \$50 million poorer. The stress has hit everyone. During Lent we will focus on ways to remember God’s presence with us through it all.

March 11 Exploring the Lord’s Prayer led by Dr. Micheal Crafton
6:00 pm

March 18 Financial Peace: Exploring our relationships with money led by The Rev. Hazel Glover
6:00 pm

March 25 Helping Others led by Catherine Gordon
6:00 pm

April 1 Pilgrimage as a way to God led by the Youth of St. Margaret’s.
6:00 pm

“Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious to be worried about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.” (BCP, Collect for Proper 20)

**Episcopal Diocese
of Atlanta
Youth News**

The Office of Admission at Sewanee: The University of the South invites you and your parents to an information reception for prospective students

Thursday March 26, 2009

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Holy Innocents Episcopal School
Inglett Room next to the Sanctuary
805 Mount Vernon Highway NW
Atlanta GA 30327

For directions click on this link

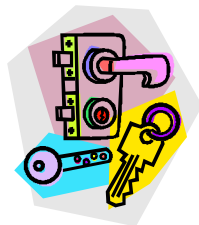
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This event is hosted by: Stephen Burnett, Trustee, The University of the South John L. Ford, Ph.D, Trustee, The University of the South. We hope you’ll join us for an introduction to the Sewanee experience, an overview of the admission and scholarship process and an opportunity to meet campus representatives and alumni. Please RSVP by Monday, March 23, (800) 522-2234 or staylor@sewanee.edu



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS. Hard to believe it's that time of the year again: We go back to Daylight Savings Time this weekend. Move your clocks

forward one hour Saturday night so you're not late for church!



PAPER PANTRY KEY The key used to access the paper pantry closet is missing. Please check your pockets or purses to see if you may have

taken it by mistake, if so please return it to where it is normally kept.



ATLANTA HUNGER WALK
Although the Atlanta Hunger Walk

was canceled this year St. Margaret's will send a check to the Atlanta Food Bank for \$400.00. This money was collected from parishioners on Sunday, March 1.



Annual Sunday School

Lenten Giving Drive for Paper Pantry



Each year during the season of Lent, all children and youth of St. Margaret's are invited to collect and donate items for St. Margaret's Community Outreach Paper Pantry. Paper Pantry is a ministry that serves new mothers and babies born at Tanner Hospital who need a little help starting off their lives together on the right foot.

SMCO "storks" drop off bags of supplies for the families to take home with them full of items they are sure to need, but can not purchase with government assistance like food stamps. These items include: diapers - newborn size, rash ointment, baby wipes, sleeper top - newborn size, woman's deodorant, baby rattle, toilet paper - four pack, sanitary napkins, soap - Dove, toothpaste & toothbrush, baby shampoo, dish detergent - antibacterial, facial tissue, paper towels, baby bottles - 8 ounce, Q-tips, and a Golden Book.

Each week when they come to class, Sunday school students are asked to bring in an item for the paper pantry. Classes have chosen the following items to collect:

Pre K Godly Play - 3's - K: baby shampoo and diaper ointment

Primary Godly Play - 1st & 2nd Grade: paper towels, antibacterial dish soap, newborn size diapers

Intermediate - 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade: Q-tips & 8 ounce baby bottles

Rite 13 - 6th & 7th Grade: Toothpaste & toothbrushes, baby rattles, Golden Books

J2A - 8th & 9th Grade: Dove soap, facial tissues

YAC 1 - 10th & 11th Grade: Baby wipes and women's deodorant

YAC 2 - 12th Grade: Newborn sized diapers and sleepers

The last day of the giving drive will be Easter Sunday and all items collected during Lent will be on display in the parish hall. Students are encouraged to take ownership of the project themselves, and remember all who are in need in their prayers during Lent, especially the new babies and mothers of our community.

Shrove Tuesday



Laissez Les Bon Temps Roulez





Shawl Ministry will meet on Thursday, March 19 at 10:00 am

ECW will meet on Tuesday, March 10 at 12noon in the parish hall. Please bring a sack lunch.



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 Carmon
- 13-Mar Susan Souligny
- 14-Mar Sierra Coggins, Jo Hunsicker, Bonnie McMillian
- 15-Mar Karen Adams, Bob Sullivan, Robert John Swanson, Joshua Howell
- 16-Mar Jeanette Bernhardt
- 18-Mar Courtney Austin, Jackie Cain
- 19-Mar Edward Keene, Hart Campbell, Patrick Castleberry
- 20-Mar Linda Ramsey
- 22-Mar Dave Reynolds, Rose Dufour, Laura Lenaeus
- 23-Mar Jim Rash
- 27-Mar Eric Baret
- 28-Mar John Reed, Liz Bischoft, Zoey Bush
- 29-Mar Ben DeGaris, Patrick Erwin, Thomas Fitzgerald, Reese Lanier, Tom Saunders
- 30-Mar Fran Robinson
- 31-Mar Robert Swanson

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 18-Mar Tony & Angie Hall
- 19-Mar Richard & Beverly Colditz
Lacey & Fran Robinson
- 22-Mar Peter & Many 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

- Mar 11 Lenten Supper - 6:00 pm
 - Mar 13-15 Vestry Retreat - Camp Mikell
 - Mar 18 Lenten Supper - 6:00 pm
 - Mar 19 Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10:00 am
 - Mar 25 Lenten Supper - 6:00 pm
 - Apr 1 Lenten Supper - 6:00 pm
 - Apr 5 Palm Sunday - Bishop Keith Whitmore
 - Apr 7 Thrift Shop Clean Up
- Upcoming EYC Events:**
- March 9 Lenten Program “Praying in Color” Part II, Skier of the Year Award Night, 5-7 pm
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 - March 20th Diocesan “Episcopalooza” lock-in at St. Peter & St. Paul, Marietta. Registration Forms on the kitchen bulletin board. Meet at the Gable House at 5:30 pm Friday to caravan to the event.
 - March 29th Stuff Easter Eggs, 5 – 7 pm
 - April 5th NO EYC Spring Break
 - April 12th NO EYC Easter Day
 - 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

March 8, 2009

	9:00	11:00
Crucifer	Elizabeth Crafton	William Keene
Bookbearer	Delaney Paul	Joshua Howell
Taperer	Will Crafton	
	Cate Paul	

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

Children's Church Cyle Bohannon

Lay Readers	9:00	11:00
	Taylor Gordon	Stephanie Turner
	Suzi Blosser	John Muffley

Ushers	9:00	11:00
	Micheal Crafton	Bruce Bobick
	Lisa Crafton	Peter Weimer

Thrift Shop

March 6

10:00 - 1:00	Brenda Grubb,, Diana Rash
1:00 - 4:00	Andra McGill, Carmenlydia Morgan

March 7

10:00 - 1:00 Rose Dufour, Margaret Hickson

Paper Pantry Stephanie Turner

March Hostesses Karen Adams, Cindi Fitzpatrick, Carole Malloy, Meredith Austin, Catherine Minor, Fran Robinson, Emily Cumming

March Vestry Person of the Month Cindy Hull

March 15, 2009

	9:00	11:00
Crucifer	Anna Rash	Randy Hooper
Bookbearer	Zachary Gordon	Megan Hooper
Taperer	Ella Daniel	
	Gareth Hoffman	

Altar Guild Diane Fulkerson, Lisa Crafton, Gloria Johnston, Marcy Alexander

Children's Church Linda Parmer

Lay Readers	9:00	11:00
	Jo Fortner	Patrick Malloy
	Taylor Gordon	Bunny Godard

Ushers	9:00	11:00
	Laura Hoffman	David Basil
	David Hoffman	Chris Lindahl

Thrift Shop

March 13

10:00 - 1:00	Liz Mathews, Amanda Reynolds
1:00 - 4:00	Emily Cumming, Susan Lenaeus

March 14

10:00 - 1:00 Roseanne Godsey, Teresa Perdue

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PRAYER LIST

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

Family and friends: Jackie, Lainey, Nicky, Brenda, Tina, Barbara, Murphy, Lois, Lisa, Jeanette, Maya Ruby, Gladys, Clara, Brenda, Laura, Elizabeth, Cynthia, Dorothy, Hazel, Carmen, Kathy, Kim, Jackson, Bruce, Jane, Gene, Sylvia, Paula, Betty and Scott, Mark, Mary, Jim, Steven, Larry, David, Alexis, Bede, David, Steven, Steven, Mitchell, Jennifer, Mary, Bertha Ann, Tim, Orrin, Darren

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

Death: Steve Crabbs, Yvonne Dangle, Bill Gaugler

“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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Bruce Bobick - Sr. Warden

Guyton Cochran

Cher Hendricks

Cindy Hull

Tony McGaughey

Andra Morris

John Muffley

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