



St Margaret's Notebook

September 28, 2006

From the rector

A few years ago as we drove by the Marietta Home Depot on the way to a youth event and one of the young women in my car said

“Home Depot – There’s my dad’s church.”

We all laughed. However, her comment does beg the question:

Why do people go to church?

The answers are varied and unlimited:

As a reminder of God’s active presence in our lives; to set the tone for our lives Monday through Saturday; to practice our faith by listening to the scriptures, praying and partaking in the bread and wine; to rest in the years of prayers at St Margaret’s; to soak up God’s Grace; to experience the steadfastness of the liturgy even when life is chaotic; to hear the faith stories of others (like C.S. Lewis); to tell our faith stories; to reach out to others; to come home to God; to search for meaning and purpose; to make a difference; to follow in the compassionate footsteps of St Margaret in reaching out to the poor and disenfranchised; to belong to a community of grace in which we might wear kilts on St Margaret’s day, have our animals blessed in honor of St. Francis, or play in the pumpkin patch as we celebrate life’s joys and losses with friends...

Ultimately, the Church is about relationships.

The community forms companions for the journey, friends along the way who help us see Christ in our midst.

You may have met Penny Nash last Sunday.

She is a Middler at Candler School of Theology and will be at St Margaret’s for two years as part of her seminary experience.

The relationship will provide Penny opportunities to participate in the many aspects of congregational life.

Her time here will provide a mutual learning experience for all.

This term Penny is taking a course entitled “Understanding the Congregation” which sounds intriguing. One of the requirements of the course is to conduct a history taking session with the congregation.

Maybe we’ll discover more of who we have been in the past as we envision our future parish mission and ministry.

In thanksgiving for the great mystery of community,



THRIFT SHOP CLEAN UP
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2
9:00 a.m.

NO
NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 5, 2006

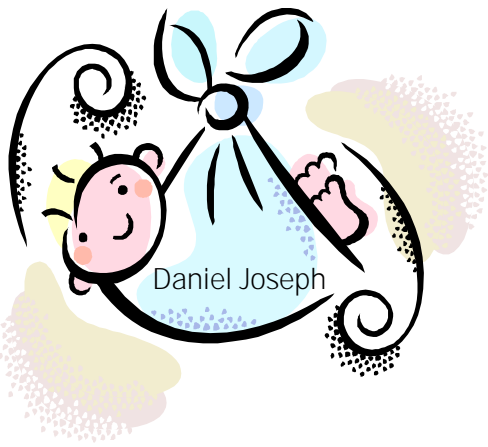


Check out
our
website.

www.stmargaretsga.org

Wilton Key has been working on our web page. There are pictures, a lay minister calendar, links to Episcopal sites, and much more.

The site is a work in progress so visit often.



We celebrate the births of
Daniel Joseph
and
James Benjamin
on Friday,
September 15, 2006.
The twins
are the sons of
Michael and Elizabeth Williams
and
grandsons of Susan Souligny.



St. Francis Day Celebration

Sunday, October 8th
at 4 pm in the Memorial Garden

Blessing of the Animals

Live Music

Storytelling

Crafts for Children

Collection of used clean towels for shelter animals

Free treats for dogs and cats!

Bring the whole family for a lovely afternoon outside.
Animals of all kinds are welcome!

The only requirement we have is that all pets be
securely leashed or
caged at all times for their own health and safety,
and that of others.

If you have an animal that doesn't travel well,
feel free to bring a picture or some other symbolic
object to be blessed.

Our J2A pilgrims will take an active role in the offerings,
and will also be collecting clean used towels to be donated to
local animal shelters for use as bedding for dogs and cats
awaiting adoption.



Pictured is a statue of St. Francis at the entrance of the Franciscan Monastery at La Verna, Italy.

The **PUMPKINS** are coming!

**Are you signed up to work in the patch?
It's not too late. Spaces are still available.
We need everyone to volunteer for a shift.**

This year a special patch sponsor will make a matching donation for every dollar we make in profit. This means every penny we earn will count – double.

We'll harvest twice the benefits to our children's and youth programs.

What more motivation do we need?

Help us take advantage of this wonderful sales incentive – spread the news to neighbors, co-workers and friends!

Together we will make this year our best ever for sales and fun.

To sign up for a shift see the patch calendar on the kitchen bulletin board or call the church office.



ACOLYTE CROSSES

Acolyte crosses were presented to Wrenn Parrish, Daniel Reed, Joe Shook, Will Crafton, and Delaney Paul on Sunday, September 24.



On Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, beginning September 27, we will begin an 8 week series of **“Via Media.”** Following a light dinner we will view the CD discussion of Episcopal Theology - followed by small group discussions. It is a class for anyone – newcomers or long-time Episcopalians who desire to know more about “our peculiar way of life” as John Westerhoff has described us. The topics are intriguing; however, the class is ultimately about relationships. Please email Julie at Stmargarets@charterinternet.com or call the church office 770/832-3931 to reserve your place.



The **Education for Ministry** program of the School of Theology, Sewanee, is based in a seminar group of 6 to 12 participants and a trained mentor who meet weekly during the academic year. During

the 2 to 2 ½ hour meetings the group intensely studies Scripture, Church History and Theology grounded in prayer and theological reflection. EFM will begin on Monday, September 25th. If you are interested in EFM, please contact Judith King or the Church office.

ST MARGARET'S SEMINARIAN

Penny Nash is a second-year seminarian at Emory University's Candler School of Theology and a postulant in the Diocese of Atlanta. She holds a



Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Creative Writing from Florida State University and is a graduate of Education for Ministry (EFM). Penny has a passionate interest in Biblical studies, particularly the Old Testament, as well as history and theology. During Penny's first year at Candler, she served as seminarian at Emmaus House Chapel during the academic year and spent the summer as a chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital. Her home church for the past thirteen years has been All Saints' Episcopal Church in midtown Atlanta. She is married to Tom Cox, an attorney specializing in education law, and they have two sons, Brad (16) and Jeffrey (11). When she gets a little time away from school and work, Penny either has her nose in a book, is listening to or making music, or is messing around in her garden which features, in roughly equal proportions, antique roses and flowering weeds.

SOS - Survivors of Suicide Support Group is for anyone who has lost a relative, friend, or loved one to suicide. SOS meets the second Monday of each month 7:00-8:30 P.M. in the Community Activities Center, 118 S. White Street, Carrollton. For information call 770-846-8115 or 404-788-5311. BEGINS MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2006

EYC Fall Calendar

October



1st Nature Hike at Cheaha State Park (Alabama) 12:15 – 6:30 pm

Meet in the Gable House parking lot at 12:15 to caravan to Cheaha where the YAC class will talk about St. Francis and their hikes in Italy.

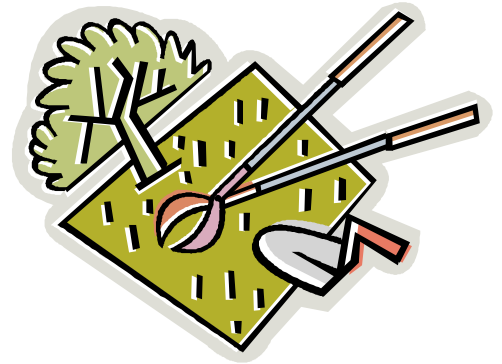
Bring a water bottle, sack lunch and wear comfortable lace up shoes. We will have food for a heavy afternoon snack at 4 pm and then load up by 5 pm to head back to Carrollton.

Our estimated time of return is 6:30 pm.

Please sign up on the adjacent sheet if you plan to attend so that we can plan transportation accordingly. Parents are needed to help with transportation and snacks.

8th Fall Service Project, 5 – 7 pm

Caring *for* the church grounds:
We will install our bench at the Coleman Street entrance, plant fall annuals and lay pine straw in the beds surrounding the church.



15th Work in the Pumpkin Patch, 5 – 7 pm

Put them to bed, neaten rows, decorate a “Mr. or Mrs. Pumpkin Head”, or just run and play in the sea of orange that our churchyard becomes.





OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01-Oct Matt Hall, Randy Denmon,
Zachary Gordon,
Beth Graf, Don Denney,
- 02-Oct Fred Bernhardt, Julie Parrish
- 03-Oct Peter Weimer
- 04-Oct Kevin Bernhardt
- 05-Oct Julie Lindahl, Ruthie Souigny,
- 06-Oct Toby Saunders, Patrick Norrell
- 07-Oct Lily Parmer, Tom Fitzpatrick
- 08-Oct Jennifer Colditz, Misty Doxey
- 10-Oct Talley Bass
- 12-Oct Brad Wilks, Artie Richards
- 13-Oct Tobin Hart
- 14-Oct Marshall Yates
- 15-Oct Mary Godard
- 16-Oct Rupert Dobbins
- 17-Oct Stephanie Turner, Rebecca DeGaris,
John Dean Uglum, Mark Edwards-Opperman
- 18-Oct Andra McGill, Tom Richards, Georgia Keene,
Willie Dobbins
- 19-Oct Allison Gordon, Irene Berard, Susie Ostrowski
- 20-Oct Bridget Bobick
- 22-Oct Leverett Butts
- 24-Oct Stacey Brown, Beverly Colditz
- 25-Oct Kelsey Cain, Bruce Bobick, Ward Pafford
- 26-Oct Meghan Sullivan, Rob Cooper
- 27-Oct Lauren Deems, Jaime Rash, Katy Greene
Amy Rash, Bill Cox
- 28-Oct Barbara Paul
- 29-Oct Monica Adams, Steve Adams

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 01-Oct Joe & Emily Cumming
- 06-Oct Jim & Diana Rash
- 10-Oct Robert & Christine Swanson
- 15-Oct Tom & Cornelia Richards
- 19-Oct Chris & Julie Lindahl
- 23-Oct Michael & Elizabeth Williams

**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

- Oct 1-8 Julie away
- Oct 2 Thrift Shop Clean up - 9:00 am
- Oct 4 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Oct 5 NO NEWSLETTER
- Oct 8 Blessing of the Animals - 4:00 pm
- Oct 9 Finance Committee Meeting - 5:30 pm
- Oct 10 ECW Meeting - 12:00 noon - Parish Hall
Pumpkins Arrive - 4:00 pm
Vestry Meeting - 7:00 pm - Gable House
- Oct 11 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Oct 18 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Oct 25 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Nov 1 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Nov 5 All Saints Sunday
- Nov 8 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm
- Nov 12 St Margaret's Day
- Nov 13 Finance Committee Meeting 5:30 pm
- Nov 14 ECW - 12:00 noon
Vestry Meeting - 7:00 pm
- Nov 15 Wednesday night program 6-7:00 pm
Adult Choir practice - 7:00 pm

SERVERS FOR OCTOBER 1, 2006

ACOLYTES

9:00 am

Crucifer Michelle, Foreman
Book Bearer Elizabeth Crafton
Taper Taylor Foreman
Will Crafton

11:00 am

Crucifer Christopher Keene
Book Bearer William Keene

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

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Bonnie Cooper

LAYREADERS

9:00 David Lovvorn, Bob Sullivan
11:00 Hugh Mitchell, Stephanie Turner

USHERS

9:00 Micheal Crafton, Tom Parmer
11:00 Philip Saunders, T.B.A.

GREETERS

9:00 Jo Fortner, Lisa Crafton
11:00 Anne Norrell

PAPER PANTRY Elaine Holmes, Dottie Hamrick

THRIFT SHOP

Sept 29 10-1:00 Alice Long, Nancy Disinger
1-4:00 Liz Key, Liz Mathews
Sept 30 10-1:00 Mary Aderhold, Roseanne Godsey

OCTOBER HOSTESSES: Gail Manley, Angela Cunningham, Charlotte Dufour, Alizon Garmon, Mary Hooper, Sally Jones, Gail Palladino, Susan Souligny, Elizabeth Williams.

VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH

Catherine Minor

SERVERS FOR OCTOBER 8, 2006

ACOLYTES

9:00 am

Crucifer Anna Rash
Book Bearer Julia Reed
Taper Daniel Reed
Joe Shook

11:00 am

Crucifer Catherine Lindahl
Book Bearer Sam Goodson

ALTAR GUILD: Susan Souligny, Lisa Crafton, Diane Fulkerson, Andra McGill

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Cyndy Crow, Jo Fortner

LAYREADERS

9:00 Rose and Mike Coker
11:00 Bunny Godard, Jim Mathews

USHERS

9:00 David Lovvorn, David Reynolds
11:00 Tom Foreman, George Lenaeus

GREETERS

9:00 Angie Hall, Tony Hall

PAPER PANTRY Elaine Holmes, Dottie Hamrick

THRIFT SHOP

Oct 6 10-1:00 Carolyn Cary, Beverly Colditz
1-4:00 Susan Lenaeus, Andra McGill
Oct 7 10-1:00 Neal and Jan Uhlich

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PRAYER LIST

Ethan	Buzz	Annalee	Patsy	Jackie
Edie	Jim	Susan	Ruth	Nicole
Gloria	Katherine	Eddie	Amy	James
Dottie	Jon	Alice	Fran	Canton
Scott	Clem	Turner	Betty	Cliette
Don	Bud	Dustin	Jennifer	Beth
Angela	Betty S.	Chester	Summerville	

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

Deaths: Curtis Bagby

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



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