

THE VOICE

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

JULY 26, 2011

THE GUILD OF SAINT MARGARET MAKES THE GRADE!

*"Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world."*

St. Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)



The Guild of St. Margaret is the living embodiment of this beautiful prayer from St. Teresa, being the hands and feet of Christ on earth. Back in May a highly successful book drive gave them the opportunity to serve the children from A Child's Place who attend Billingsville Elementary School. The children were read to, loved on and left with armfuls of books to treasure over the summer.



This coming month the Guild is having our annual school supply and backpack drive for these homeless children at Billingsville. There will be bins set up at both rear entrances to the church from 7/31-8/21. Please make sure that everything is new and mechanical pencils are a favorite. Please contact Stephanie Green at green@carolina.rr.com for more details.



The Guild, the children of Billingsville and the teachers remain ever thankful for the service and generosity of the parish.



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PREPARE FOR SUNDAY



THIS MONTH

- School Supply Drive
- Cancer Care Meeting
- Diocesan Convention Delegates Needed
- Acolyte Training Scheduled
- *NetsForLife*® Campaign going strong

Sunday, August 07, 2011 - Year A
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 14
Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b
1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday, August 21, 2011 - Year A
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 16
Exodus 1:8-2:10
Psalm 124
Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20

Sunday, August 14, 2011 - Year A
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 15
Genesis 45:1-15
Psalm 133
Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

Sunday, August 28, 2011 - Year A
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 17
Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
or Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm 26:1-8
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

**Deadline for next *Voice*
Tuesday, August 16, 2011**
If you have articles for the newsletter,
please contact Kate Hindin
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CLERGY AND PARISH STAFF

Rector
The Rev'd Fr. P.S. Winton

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*For a pastoral emergency after hours  
call  
704-604-2674*

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Sunday:**  
7:30am Holy Eucharist (Nave)  
8:45am Holy Eucharist Contemporary  
(Parish Hall)  
10:00 Holy Eucharist (Nave)  
*(Nursery & Childcare provided  
Sundays, 8:30am-11:15am)*

**Monday:**  
7am Morning Prayer  
(Chapel)

**Tuesday:**  
Noon Holy Eucharist with Anointing  
(Chapel)

**Wednesday:**  
9am Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

**Thursday:**  
9am Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

**Friday:**  
7am Morning Prayer  
(Children's Chapel)

**Saturday:**  
9am Holy Eucharist  
(Chapel)

# PARISH LIFE

## CANCER CARE MINISTRY

The Cancer Care Meeting will meet on August 17 - 6:30 PM - room 201. Our speaker will be our Rector, Fr. Paul. He will speak about how a priest would talk with a cancer patient quite a few years ago and how they now relate and follow parishioners going through treatment with follow-up conversations.

## DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES ELECTION

The 196th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina will be held in Winston-Salem on Friday, January 20 and Saturday, January 21, 2012. St. John's will elect delegates and alternates for the Convention at the September 19 Vestry meeting. Our parish sends six lay Convention delegates, and by Vestry decision, one slot is filled by a youth representative. Current delegates are Cathy Harrison (through 2012), Philip Asby (through 2012) and Sandy Fussell (through 2013). Open positions include two adult three-year terms, one youth one-year term, five adult alternates, and one youth alternate.

Delegates and alternates are responsible for:  
Reading and understanding the resolutions coming before Convention

Attending two to three brief Convocation meetings in preparation for Convention

Attending one St. John's delegation meeting prior to Convention and one delegation meeting following Convention

Alternates may be asked to take the place of a delegate who cannot attend Convention, but otherwise will not be expected to attend. Delegates and alternates must be voting members of St. John's, i.e., sixteen years of age or older and Communicants in good standing (a member who has been confirmed by the Bishop, is faithful in corporate worship, financially supports the parish and has received Holy Communion at least three times during the preceding year).

If you would like to nominate yourself or another adult parishioner as a delegate/alternate for Convention, please contact the church office or Mary Jane Gommel by Sunday, September 11 at (704) 541-7704 or [mjgommel@carolina.rr.com](mailto:mjgommel@carolina.rr.com). For youth nominations, please contact Matt Williams at (704) 366-3034 or [matt@saintjohns-charlotte.org](mailto:matt@saintjohns-charlotte.org). If you have any questions please contact Fr. Paul or the current delegates.

## STEWARDSHIP

### NETSFORLIFE®

Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) has a full plate. It is responding to the severe storms and flooding that have battered many sections of the country. The massive tornado that struck Joplin, Missouri killed more than 120 people; very fortunately no members of St. Philip's (the town's sole Episcopal church) lost their lives. Several parishioners lost homes and others have family members with injuries, but nothing life-threatening. The killer tornado damaged over 2,000 buildings and filled streets with debris. ERD is responding by assisting survivors with support such as food, gas cards and emergency

shelter. The diocese and ERD are continuing to assess needs as the situation evolves.

As important as this particular relief effort is, consider that ERD has a wide range of responses taking place all over the globe. Some initiatives are major in scale and reflect the impact of massive natural disasters. In other places, the work does not capture the front page and yet is no less significant. In Nicaragua, for example, ERD and its partner (El Porvenir) are working together to help break the cycle of water-borne disease. Together they have repaired wells and built latrines to contain waste so that it does not contaminate the environment or the water supply.

And of course there is ERD's "NetsforLife®." Thank you for your ongoing support of this life-saving initiative. To date the St. John's family has generously purchased about 1,223 nets. We are making good progress towards our goal of raising funds sufficient to buy one net for every communicant in good standing (1,685). Each \$12 contribution makes possible the purchase of one insecticide-treated net. When you consider that it has been shown that each net potentially saves three lives, is there any doubt that your donation is directly helping "the least of these." Please make your checks payable to St. John's and put "NetsforLife" in the comments section.

### JUNE 2011, TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by Janet Brown, Treasurer

#### General:

Total expenses exceeded income by \$14,761 for June. Year to date income exceeded expenses by \$82,710. The Operating cash balance at June 30 was \$82,002. Thank you for remembering to keep your pledge payments current over the summer.

#### Income:

June pledge income was \$3,145 above budget. Non-pledge income was \$868 above budget for June.

#### Expenses:

For the month of June, compensation, staff expense, debt service, office support, parish support, worship, and activities were under budget; building and grounds and education were over budget.

#### Liabilities:

The remaining liability is the loan payable to the Permanent Designated Fund, with a balance of \$198,085.

Please see the full Treasurer's report on the website.

### ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

#### OPERATING FUND

June 2011

|                  | CURRENT         | YEAR          |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
|                  | MONTH           | TO DATE       | ANNUAL          |
|                  | ACTUAL          | ACTUAL        | BUDGET          |
| TOTAL INCOME     | 80,000          | 705,412       | 1,282,474       |
| TOTAL EXPENSES   | 94,761          | 622,702       | 1,360,881       |
| EXCESS/(DEFICIT) | <u>(14,761)</u> | <u>82,710</u> | <u>(78,407)</u> |



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### ACOLYTE GUILD OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST TRAINING (2011-2012)

As the end of summer approaches, it is again time to gather all new and veteran acolytes for a training session before the start of the academic year. One training session is MANDATORY and will include registration.

Any child entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall is eligible to become an acolyte in the Acolyte Guild of St. John the Evangelist. These new acolytes will be assigned to a team and will serve approximately once every 4-6 weeks in the Nave during the traditional services at 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM.

Any child entering 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall may become an acolyte in the Acolyte Guild of St. John the Evangelist and serve at the contemporary service at 11:15 in the Parish Hall. You will serve no more than once a month at this service. I am also looking for additional acolytes from the contemporary service families. Anyone from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to adulthood is welcome to become an acolyte at this service. Training is provided.

If you are interested in becoming a new acolyte at the traditional services in the Nave, please plan on attending one of the following registration and practice dates along with a parent:

*Saturday August 27 at 10:00 AM in the Nave*  
*Wednesday August 31 at 5:00 PM in the Nave*  
*Saturday September 3 at 10:00 AM in the Nave*  
*Saturday September 10 at 9:00 AM in the Nave*

If you are interested in becoming a new acolyte at the contemporary service in the Parish Hall or are a current acolyte at this

service, please plan on attending one of the following registration and practice dates along with a parent:

*Saturday August 27 at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall*  
*Saturday September 3 at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall*

If you are a returning acolyte at the traditional services in the Nave and served as a torchbearer and/or crucifer, please plan on attending one of the following registration and practice dates along with a parent:

*Saturday September 3 at 11:00 AM in the Nave*  
*Wednesday September 7 at 5:00 PM in the Nave*  
*Saturday September 10 at 11:00 AM in the Nave*

If you are a returning acolyte at the traditional services in the Nave and served as a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Server, please plan on attending one of the following registration and practice dates along with a parent:

*Saturday August 27 at 11:00 AM in the Nave*  
*Saturday September 10 at 10:00 AM in the Nave*

I will have a copy of the Acolyte Guild Manual for all new and veteran acolytes. This manual will encompass all current duties and any changes made so that everyone will be on the same page as we serve the Lord at His Table.

Please contact me via email at [rick4994@gmail.com](mailto:rick4994@gmail.com) or call my cell, 704-996-8469, or my home, 704-544-9382 with questions or comments. I look forward to seeing all of you at the training sessions.

Rick Johnson  
Acolyte Master