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## **THIS SUNDAY - CONFIRMATION**

*Sunday at 10:30 a.m. we welcome Bishop Dorsey Henderson of Upper South Carolina, who visits us on behalf of Bishop Benhase.*

***NO CHAPEL SERVICE AT NOON THIS SUNDAY***

### **CANDIDATES TO BE CONFIRMED (YOUTH):**

*James Stuart McClellan III*

*Margaret Sheppard Mercer*

*Martha Anne Morris*

*Hawkins Lawson Pindar*

*Noah Devan Scott*

*Mark Turner Stevens*

### **CANDIDATES TO BE CONFIRMED (ADULTS):**

*Chad Ryan Brooks*

*Mary Holmes Heilig Chick*

*Darcy Anne Daniell*

*Sarah Catherine Ezelle*

*Angela Mae Fisher*

*John Hazard Forbes*

*Katherine Graham Schubert*

*Garrett Neil Valentine*

*Kenlea Wiechens Wall*

*Ben Burke Wall*

### **CANDIDATES ALREADY CONFIRMED TO BE RECEIVED INTO THIS CHURCH**

*Michael Joseph Schubert*

*Keith Martin Michael Cyr*

### ***Confirmands and Families:***

- Candidates are asked to meet the Bishop at 9:30 in the Chapel.
- At 10:30, candidates and families are asked to sit in reserved pews (candidates in front of the pulpit, families behind them). This will permit families to join those who have been confirmed or received at the altar for communion.
- During the final hymn, those who have been confirmed and received and their families are asked to follow the clergy out of the church, and proceed to the Parish House (in advance of the rest of the congregation) for the Coffee Hour in their honour.

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**STANDING NOTICES**

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

**HOSPITAL VISITATIONS**

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

**ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE** [www.stjohnssav.org](http://www.stjohnssav.org)  
**ON FACEBOOK:** St. John's Church in Savannah

**VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN**

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed  
10:30 Mrs. Stuart C. Clifford

**USHER CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Mark D. Stevens

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Joyce P. Howard by Dr. Albert R. Howard.

Omitted, with our apology, donors for the Brass Quintet at Easter 9:30 a.m. service :

*Dr. and Mrs. Dwight D. Campbell*

**CHANCEL SOCIETY**

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr., Mrs. Philip F. Kirk,  
Ms. Anne H. Mingledorff, Mrs. William E. Osborne  
Mrs. Joseph R. Ross; Ms. Jeanne H. McMillan  
Mrs. Patrick Worsham

**ACOLYTES**

**8:00** Cord Helmken  
**10:30** Lawson Turner  
Kameron Sallee, Chris Dixon  
John Osborne, Charles Perrie  
Louis Palla, Patrick Perrie

**CONFIRMATION RECEPTION**

Hosted by the ECW

**SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASS 9:30 A.M.**

➤ Bishop Henderson will meet with the Confirmands in the Chapel

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS**

**Tuesday** 6:45 a.m. Men's Breakfast & Study—  
(Parish House Dining Room, enter by Kitchen)  
**Thursday** 7 a.m. Bible Study—Reading Room

**WOMEN'S STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS**

*Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.*

**Wednesday:** 10:45 a.m.—Noon Bible Study—Cranmer Hall

**Thursday:** 9:15 a.m.—with Fr. O'Brien—Reading Room.

**THE MEN'S CLUB**

**23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**MAY 4, 2012**

**AT THE CLUB AT SAVANNAH HARBOR**

Contact Charlie Williams  
@234-2340 or

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Registrations will close on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER STATEMENTS**

of Contributions were mailed April 16<sup>th</sup>.  
Call the Church office if yours has not arrived.

**CHOIR TRIP TO DOUGLAS, GA**

*Sunday, April 29, 2012 at 4:00pm.*

The Parish Choir will be singing Evensong at St. Andrew's in Douglas, GA. A caravan will be leaving the parking lot at 12:00 for anyone wishing to join. Please contact the Choir Master, Dr. Brian Taylor for details. (232-1251)

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL**

**TO CONFIRM AND TO BE CONFIRMED**  
Baptism is the first and decisive step in the initiation of Christians. It is the sacrament by which we are made members of Christ and his Church, and are counted the children of God and heirs of everlasting life. In it, moreover, we are pledged to renounce allegiance to the world, the flesh, and the devil (the three foes of God and man), to believe and profess the Christian Faith, and to keep God's holy Will and Commandments.

Yet in the developed tradition of the western Church, admission to Holy Communion normally (if not always) follows the Confirmation of the Baptized, and this normally at "years of discretion" (the age at which one is capable of rational discernment, discrimination, and decision), and after thorough instruction in the Church's catechism. This certainly is the threefold pattern of Christian initiation retained in the historic Prayer Books, although in recent decades there has been variation from the historic norm.

This Confirmation has two elements, to confirm and to be confirmed: a solemn renewal of baptismal vows, which the candidates "ratify and confirm"; and the laying on of hands with prayer for the gifts of the Spirit, by which they are "confirmed" and "strengthened" for the Christian life. The first of these answers to the need for a self-conscious faith promised and required for the baptized (Mark 16:16) – especially when they received baptism as infants. The second answers the need for strength, defense, and increase of grace as the baptized grow to spiritual maturity. As the 16<sup>th</sup> century Prayer Books explained, in terms that go back to late antiquity and to Scripture itself, "forasmuch as confirmation is administered to them that be baptized, that ... they may receive

strength and defense against all temptations to sin, and the assaults of the world, and the devil: it is most meet to be administered when children come to that age, that partly by the frailty of their own flesh, partly by the assaults of the world and the devil, they begin to be in danger to fall into sin".

Not just for adolescents but for adults too, the Christian life is an embattled life. In our baptism we are enrolled as soldiers of Christ, "manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil": in confirmation we are armed for the fight. "Satan will assault us" writes Dean Comber, "the world will allure us, and the flesh will entice us to break this vow [of Baptism], but the holy man prays we may ever be defended by the Spirit of grace, so that we may never fall [away]". If in Baptism we begin the Christian life, it is in Confirmation that we are armed for spiritual strife, that we may come to maturity in Christ.

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### PARISH KALENDAR

#### MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. *Morning or Evening Prayer in the Chapel*

#### WEDNESDAY – 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

#### FEAST OF SAINT MARK THE EVANGELIST

9:45 a.m.—*Litany*

10:00 a.m.—*Sung Eucharist* (Chapel)

5:30 p.m. *Evening Prayer* (in Chapel; No Supper or Class)

#### THURSDAY

Noon Men's Forum – *To be announced*

### GREEN-MELDRIM RESTORATION

Thanks to some very generous gifts to the Restoration Fund, work should begin shortly on the next project, the full restoration of the portico. For safety reasons, access through the front doors will be limited while this work continues.

**8:00 A.M. – HOLY COMMUNION**

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*A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.*

**9:00 A.M.—12 Noon NURSERY** (Cranmer Hall)

**9:30 A.M. —ADULT, YOUTH AND CHILDREN’S CLASSES** (CRANMER HALL)

**10:30 –Pre-school Worship Hour—3 year olds through Kindergarten** (Cranmer Hall)

**10:30 A.M. —CONFIRMATION, SUNG EUCHARIST & ADDRESS**

HYMN: #91 *The Strife O’er*..... Victory

**CONFIRMATION** begins on page 296 of the Prayer Book

HYMN #570 *O Jesus I have Promised*..... Llanfyllin

**ANTE-COMMUNION**

*Bishop. Alleluia! The Lord is risen. Answer. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

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1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade children enrolled in Jr. Choir will exit following the Cross.

ADDRESS..... The Rt. Rev’d Dorsey Henderson

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*Everyone is invited to attend Coffee Hour in honour of the Confirmands in the Parish House immediately after the 10:30 service. If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.*