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The Fifth Sunday after Easter (Rogation Sunday)

May 5, 2013

THIS SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M. –

CHURCH SCHOOL AWARDS & PARISH PICNIC

Bring a covered dish, vegetable, salad, or dessert. Fried chicken, ham, lasagna, macaroni & cheese, along with iced tea, will be provided.

THURSDAY, MAY 9TH ASCENSION DAY

8:15 a.m. *Morning Prayer & Holy Communion* (Chapel)

12:15 p.m. *Holy Communion* (Chapel)

5:30 p.m. *Sung Eucharist* (Church)

Though often overlooked, the Feast of the Ascension is one of the major feasts of the Christian Year, and ranks just after Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday. Parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend one of the services on this day.

CHURCH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2013

Wesley Worsham

Malcolm Worsham

Mary-Porcher Warner

William Victor

William Taylor

Charlton Strong

Sarah Jane Schulze

Louise Mercer

Jackson McClellan

Phoebe Mayo

Olin Anne Hayes

Ashlynn Forkner

Banks Fana

Katherine Ezelle

Anna Evans

Amelia Evans

Brooklyn Crabb

Frankie Brunson

Emiline Baxter

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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

Parish Paper essays may be read on our web site: www.stjohnssav.org

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mr. W. Howard Helmken, Jr.

USHER CHAIRMAN

Dr. Michael E. Donahue

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Peter Louis Hugo by Nicola, Neville, Peter and Mary Stein.

And on the occasion of the marriage of Chase Anne Hayes and John Thompson Ambler Finley.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr., Mrs. Leroy N. Suddath
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ACOLYTES

8:00 Clayton Compton
10:30 Cord Helmken
Lawson Turner, John Osborne
Charles Perrie, Patrick Perrie
Hawkins Pindar, Turner Stevens

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY

ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.

The History of St. John's Church (Dr. Bergstrom & Fr Dunbar) – Reading Room
Sin and Judgment in Shakespeare's History Plays—Conference Room. (David Noble).
"From Roaring Lions to Resurrection Life": a study of Daniel and the Son of Man, led by Jack Wray. 3rd Flr S. classroom, Cranmer Hall.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/CONFIRMATION CLASS

CHURCH TOUR led by Fr. O' Brien

MEN'S STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. *Men's Breakfast & Study*—Fr O'Brien (Parish House, enter by Kitchen)
Thursday 7 a.m. *Acts of the Apostles*, Reading Room (Fr Dunbar)

WOMEN'S STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.
Monday: Noon -1p.m. *1st Corinthians* (Dr. Bergstrom)
Thursday: 9:15 a.m.—with Fr. O' Brien

FR. PAUL PRITCHARTT WEBSITE

Fr. Pritchartt, who died this past summer, was Rector at St. John's from 1970-1974. A website has been established in his memory www.fatherpritchartt.com with recordings of sermons, photos and remembrances.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

ROGATION & ASCENSION

"Rogation" means "asking", and it is the name given to the three days before Ascension Day. By ancient custom these were days of prayer for fruitful seasons, observed by the recitation of litanies in procession around the fields of each parish, and the celebration of the eucharist whose gospel is Luke 11:5-13: "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you". Though there will be no procession, on Wednesday the Litany will be read and the Eucharist for a Rogation day (pp. 261-263) celebrated, with prayer for fruitful seasons (p. 39 - 40) on all three days.

Prayer is the lifting up of the heart and mind to God (Psalm 25:1), and so rogation is a natural prelude to the feast of Christ's Ascension into heaven on the fortieth day after his Resurrection, when Christ in his humanity was taken up into heaven, whole and unimpaired, and at the Father's side was clothed in the power of divine Spirit. From there he promised to send forth this same Spirit, to clothe and empower his Body upon earth, the church founded on the apostolic preaching of the gospel. So from the nine days after Ascension until Whitsunday, the Church's prayer seeks the spiritually fructifying gift of the Holy Ghost - using some form of the hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus* (two forms on pages 543-545). "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" (Luke 11:13).
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PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

MONDAY– FRIDAY:

8:15AM - *Morning Prayer*

5:30PM - *Evening Prayer*

IN ADDITION, ON ROGATION

WEDNESDAY

9:45 – *Litany*

10:00 AM *Sung Eucharist*

THURSDAY MAY 9TH:

ASCENSION DAY: *see page 1*

MAY 10, 2013 MEN'S CLUB

23RD ANNUAL GOLF

TOURNAMENT

At The Club at Savannah Harbor

Contact Jason Victor

@ 247-7282 or

Victor.Jules@gmail.com

Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour

\$100 per person in groups of four.

SIXTH ANNUAL SCULPTURE SHOW

Monday, May 20, 2013

5—8 p.m. Green Meldrim House

Appetizers, wine and
fabulous sculptures

*A portion of the proceeds will go to the
Green Meldrim Restoration Fund.*

E. Y. C. S. – COLLEGE

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2013-2014

To obtain the application forms, please visit the web site of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia <http://eycs.georgiaepiscopal.org/> (Forms are also available from the Church office.) Please provide recommending priest with brief written update on applicant's status and history (in school and church especially). Mail completed applications to The Diocese of Georgia, 611 E. Bay Street, Savannah, GA 31401. They must be **received no later than May 15th.**

SAVE THE DATE: TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Wednesday, May 22nd, 6:30 p.m.

8:00 A.M. — HOLY COMMUNION

Collect, Epistle, and Gospel 175
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30 — 12 Noon NURSERY (Cranmer Hall)

9:30 A.M. ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(Church, Conference Room, and Cranmer Hall)

10:30 A.M. Pre-school—3 year olds through Kindergarten (Cranmer Hall)
Jr. Choir—1st through 4th Grades (Cranmer Hall)

**10:30 A.M.— MORNING PRAYER & SERMON,
AND CHURCH SCHOOL AWARDS**

HYMN #88 <i>Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now</i>	St. Albinus
Sentences, Confession, Absolution, and Lord’s Prayer	Prayer Book, pages 6-7
Versicles and Responses	7-8
VENITE (with Easter Antiphon) #606.....	9
Psalms #66, 67	416-417
First Lesson: St. James 1:22	174
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Second Lesson: St. John 16:5	176

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Apostles' Creed.....	15
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Other Collects, Prayers and the Grace	17-20
HYMN #101 <i>O Jesus, Crowned with All Renown</i>	Kingsfold
<i>1st through 4th grade children enrolled in Jr. Choir will exit following the Cross.</i>	
THE SERMON	Fr. Dunbar

OFFERING

Sentences	
Anthem: <i>I Know that My Redeemer Liveth, fr. MESSIAH</i>	George Frederic Handel
<i>Lucy Sheils, Mezzo-soprano</i>	
Presentation of Alms: Doxology #139, and Hymn #141 (verse 4)	
Prayer and Blessing	
HYMN (insert) <i>All My Hope in God is Founded</i>	Michael
ORGAN: <i>Praise to the Lord, Almighty</i>	Johann Walther

*Everyone is invited to attend the **PARISH PICNIC** immediately after the 10:30 service.
If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.
ALL guests are welcome to join us!*
