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Next Sunday, October 26th:

ST. JOHN'S FEAST OF DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY.

Services at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each followed by Brunch. (No service at noon.)

All members are urged to reserve a place.

ARDF AND PFM

The congregation offered \$1876.00 for the Anglican Relief and Development Fund. This Sunday's Communion Alms (the second envelope in the offering box) will be given to Planting Faith Ministries, whose president, Fr. Horace Tipton, preached for us last Sunday.

THE ANCIENT COLLECT

FOR SAINT LUKE (1662)

Almighty God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

WOLVES OF WOUNDED PRIDE

PART II

The grievances of contemporary Islam lie not so much in the power of the Christian and post-Christian west, as in the long history of Muslim decline and weakness which the

western rise exposed. The grievance and resentment expressed in Islamic terrorism is the wounded pride of a fallen imperial power.

I see two western reactions to the threat of nihilistic Islam. One is to lump all Muslims together as potential terrorists. True, there are precedents for the resort to violence in the name of Islam - beginning with Mohammed's unification of the Arab



STEWARDSHIP

being built together in the Lord
for an habitation of God
through the Spirit

Ephesians 2:21, 22

tribes by war. Though Christianity has its own traditions of holy war, they do not have the same prominence in the tradition - the high point of their influence was the Middle Ages, not in its primal formation. Thus those whom Christians call martyrs are those

who die as victims of persecution, not as warriors engaged in conquest. Affirmations that Islam is a religion of peace may be necessary, but they should not be taken too literally. It's more complicated than that.

Yet Islam is hardly one-dimensional; there are many other strands in its DNA, many other expressions besides the Salafi militance on the rise at this time. Simple

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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. R. Scott Howard

USHER CHAIRMEN

Mr. James S. McClellan and
Dr. James S. McClellan, Jr.

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jane Hass Philbrick by Mr. and Mrs. Brian D. Harlander and family.

and in celebration of the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Merritt, Jr. who were married here at St. John's by the Rev. William Ralston.

The flowers in the Chapel are given to the glory of God on the occasion of the Marriage of Martha Elwell Campbell and H. Emerson Thomas.

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8:00 John Osborne
10:30 Jamie McClellan
Hawkins Pindar, Edwin Shephard
Philip Inglesby, Jackson McClellan

COFFEE HOUR

Ms. Mary F. Olsen-Ragsdale

ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAYS 9:30 A.M.

Men's Discussion Group *Third Floor, Cranmer Hall.* Led by Rick Wright, Walter Strong, and Charles Ezelle.

Women's Discussion Group *Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.* Led by Carol Hewson, Susan Donahue, Linda Sheahan, and Laura Wimbish
Harlotry, Compassion, Shepherding, and Jesus - 3rd Floor East. Led by Jack Wray.

Sin and Judgment in Shakespeare's History Plays *3rd Floor East.* Led by David Noble.

Middle and High School Youth. *Third Floor.* Led by Mrs. Skip Jennings and Fr Bergstrom.

St. John's Gospel Chapel. Led by Fr. Dunbar.

MEN'S WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Breakfast and Discussion on *the Holy Spirit*, with Fr O'Brien, Parish House.

Thursday 7 a.m., *Samuel*, Fr. Dunbar, Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.

WOMEN'S WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION

Monday Noon, led by Fr Bergstrom, on John Jewell's *Apology and Defence*.

Thursday 9:15 a.m., led by Fr O'Brien. on *Plato's Euthyphrd - What is Piety?*

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Nominations for four five-year terms should be submitted in writing to the Nominating Committee or in a sealed envelope to the Church Office. Nominations will close Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2014.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is on Sunday, November 16, 2014.

Nominees must:

1. Be members of St. John's for at least 5 years;
2. Support St. John's financially; and
3. Worship regularly at St. John's.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

prudence, therefore, argues against lumping all Muslims together. There will be no victory in the war against terror by driving potential allies or neutrals into the enemy's camp.

The other reaction to the threat of nihilistic Islam is to blame the west for provoking it - although it was the *withdrawal* of American forces from Iraq and the refusal to intervene in Syria's (self-generated) civil war that left the opening which Daesh (the "Islamic State") has filled. War-weary isolationism (and the wishful thinking it generates) does not stop war from coming. Indeed, it merely incites the Fenris wolf of wounded pride to seek revenge. The likelihood is that the containment and overcoming of this hydra-headed threat will require resolution and perseverance over many years, as NATO and its allies learn from long experience how best to address this threat.

There are grave dangers facing the world, grave dangers facing *us*, but none so dangerous as the refusal to face them squarely. In the face of these threats, God grant us right judgment, prudence, courage, and perseverance. GGD

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday to Friday

8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Morning or Evening Prayer

In addition, on Wednesday

9:45 a.m. *Litany*

10 a.m. *Sung Eucharist*

"ELEVENSES"

party honoring our *Guides and Door Keepers* on Wednesday, 22nd of October in the Green Meldrim House at 11:00 a.m.

RSVP by October 17th to Martie Campbell 598-4299 or martiecampbell@bellsouth.net

3RD QUARTER STATEMENTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS

were mailed last week. Please call the church office for a reprint if you did not receive yours.

HOLLY DAYS BAZAAR (11/12 & 13)

Want a fun job? **Waitresses!** are needed, please sign up with Grace Merritt 658-3010.

Soup or Chili—freeze in ziploc bags, store in Cranmer Hall. Christiana Turner 308-0102 or Sherry Holtzclaw 897-3889.

Decadent and delicious **Homemade Desserts** are needed for both days. Kathy Johnston 303-9483.

Candlelight Dinner raffle tickets will be sold at coffee hour Oct. 26th & Nov. 2nd

Don't forget to clean out and donate to the **White Elephant Sale!** **Books, Treasures** are needed too! Nita Ann Klein 927-4270 or Jettie Johnston 598-7488.

Join us for **Silent Auction** Champagne Kick-Off on Sunday, November 9th during Coffee Hour.

Holly Days Kids Camp

If you are **volunteering** for the Bazaar you can sign up your children for Wednesday, November 12th and Thursday, November 13th. The hours will be from 9:30 until 2:30. The teachers from the Children's School at St. John's will have fun activities planned. Please contact Caroline Hayes - chayes@stjohnssav.org to reserve your spot. The deadline to sign up will be Nov. 7th.

MEN'S FORUM

THURSDAY OCTOBER 23RD

TO BE ANNOUNCED

Good food for Body and Soul
Guests Welcome. Donations requested.
Food served 11:50, Talk runs 12:10-12:50.

8:00 A.M. –HOLY COMMUNION

Collects, Epistle, and Gospel Prayer Book, page 214, *Parish Paper*, 214
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30-12:00 Noon: NURSERY (*Cranmer Hall*)

9:30—10:15 A.M.: ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Cranmer Hall and Chapel.

9:30 a.m. – Noon: *Preschool-PreKindergarten*

(Cranmer Hall –activities for children during the 9:30 education and/or 10:30 service times)

10:30 A.M. —SUNG EUCHARIST & SERMON

HYMN #134 *Come, Pure Hearts* Cobb

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 SERMON Fr. Bergstrom

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Everyone is invited to attend Coffee Hour in the Green Meldrim House immediately following the 10:30 service.If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.

12 Noon HOLY COMMUNION in the Chapel. (Collect, Epistle, Gospel as 8 a.m.)