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The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 13th, 2015

THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH - *Sunday School Start-Up!*

9:30 a.m. *Registration & Parents' Meeting – Fellowship Room*

10:30 a.m. Confirmation Class and parents are seated in the pews below lectern.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

AT 9:30 A.M.

Infant Nursery - Shyla Cushman

Toddler Nursery- Josely Gonzales

1st Floor, Cranmer Hall 9am - Noon

- Both nurseries are located on the 1st floor of Cranmer Hall
- checklists ensure excellent care for each individual child
- silent buzzers provide instant communication (if needed) with parents at all times

Preschool and Pre Kindergarten -

Tammy Hankinson and Lisa Green

2nd Floor of Cranmer Hall

- Begins with Morning Assembly in the Children's Chapel, 2nd floor
- Fellowship time and activity in classroom to follow

Kindergarten and 1st Grades - Diane

Kulp and Margaret Northup

2nd and 3rd Grades - Julie Lattimore

and Donna Schulze

4th and 5th Grades - Cathy Rodgers

and Candy Pair

All classrooms on the 2nd Floor of Cranmer Hall

- Begins with Morning Assembly in the Children's Chapel, 2nd floor
- This year lessons come from the New Testament for Preschool - 3rd and a study of the Catechism for 4th and 5th.
- Group Teachers - Elaine Barrow, Patti

Victor, and Jack Wray

6th Grade Confirmation

3rd Floor of Cranmer Hall (First classroom on the left)

- preparation for Confirmation
- Regular attendance required
- Taught by Holly McClellan and Carter and Barbara Hubbard

Confirmed Youth

3rd Floor Cranmer Hall (Far left classroom)

- Led by Father O'Brien and Stacy Jennings - *What we know about God and why is the world broken*

Adult Classes

- Father Dunbar – “This our Sacrifice of Praise” – begins September 20th
- Jack Wray – “Creation” (3rd floor, Cranmer Hall –far left classroom)
- David Noble – Malory’s *Morte D’Arthur* (3rd floor Cranmer Hall — begins September 20th)

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

AT 10:30 AM

Infant and Toddler Nurseries

❖ 1st Floor, Cranmer Hall

• **Pre-School - Kindergarten** - Margaret Wyly and Kathy Ross

❖ Music and Lesson - 2nd Floor

10:30 a.m. schedule continues on page 3

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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 Joseph R. Ross, Esq.

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. J. Earl Gilbreath

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God:

and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Herbert Mather, Mr. William P. Thompson, and Mr. Robert M. Thompson by Mrs. William P. Thompson;

and in loving memory of Mr. Andrew Gay Labrot by Mrs. Andrew Gay Labrot and his children;

and in loving memory of Peter J. Smyth by a friend;

In honor of the life of Col. Lindsey P. Henderson, Jr. from his loving family.

In the Chapel on Wednesday:

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Fr. Dunbar's birthday.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr., Mrs. Jayne G. Holland,
Mrs. John G. Bradshaw, Jr., Mrs. Nicholas K. Farley
Mrs. Martin R. Sullivan, Mrs. B. Ray Summerell,
Mrs. Emerson Thomas, Miss Laura Reid,
Mrs. R. Bartley Turner

ACOLYTES

8:00 Mikel Kelly
10:30 Mikel Kelly
Turner Stevens
Henry Osborne
Edwin Shepherd

COFFEE HOUR CHAIRMAN

Ms. Mary Olsen Ragsdale

ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAYS 9:30 A.M.

Jack Wray – “*Creation From Genesis to Revelation*” (3rd floor, Cranmer Hall –far left classroom)

Other Adult Classes begin next Sunday, September 20th.

MEN'S WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION

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

Thursday 7 a.m., 2 Kings, Fr. Dunbar, Reading Room, Cranmer Hall

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

CHILDREN'S CHURCH
AT 10:30 AM (*continued*)

- **Children in Grades 1st - 5th**
- ❖ Attend church with their parents. Midway they may exit after the cross for Psalm Psingers
- ❖ **Psalm Psingers**
1st - 5th Grades
2nd Floor Cranmer Hall
Interactive Musical class with Miss Kristin Pair

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday, September 14th

HOLY CROSS DAY

*Holy Communion with
Morning or Evening Prayer*

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

Tuesday - Thursday

Morning and Evening Prayer

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

In addition, on Ember Wednesday

9:45 a.m. *Litany* 10 a.m. *Eucharist*

Ember Friday, September 18th

*Holy Communion with
Morning or Evening Prayer*

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

Ember Saturday, September 19th

10:30 a.m. *Holy Communion*

**SECOND HARVEST BACKPACK
COLLECTION**

Please join the Women and Sunday School of St. John's in collecting items for the Second Harvest Backpack Program – which provides weekend nutrition for school children. Needed items include: **fruit cups, small cans of Vienna sausage, small jars of peanut butter, individual packages of crackers, and goldfish.** Collection bins at Cranmer Hall September 13-November 8. Items are packed every Wednesday at 3:15 at the Second Harvest Food Bank. To help, call Martha Sullivan for further details: 912-663-6221.

SIGNED WITH THE CROSS

The cross has two aspects for Christians. First, it means the sacrifice by which Christ delivered us from the bondage of sin, and so St. Paul says, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). It is in token of this deliverance that the priest makes the sign of the cross over the people when he absolves or blesses, and they may make it on themselves.

But the cross also means the *response* of the Christian to the grace they have received: "they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh" – the fallen nature "with the [greedy and godless] affections and lusts" (5:24). This second aspect appears at Baptism, when the priest signs the child "with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil". The cross is also made at the beginning of the gospel canticles of thanksgiving – Benedictus, Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis.

The rule for making the sign of the cross and its significance is embodied in this childish rhyme: "Head, Heart, Left, Right, / That's the Sign by which We Fight". When the elements are elevated in the Prayer of Consecration, at the words "grace and heavenly benediction", and before receiving them, a Christian may make the sign of the cross on himself – and then it means both - the grace we receive from Christ's sacrifice for us, and the sacrifice of thanksgiving in which we offer ourselves in him. GGD

8:00 A.M. – HOLY COMMUNION

COLLECTS, EPISTLE, and GOSPEL Prayer Book, p. 210
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30 AM-12:00 (Noon)—Nursery (*Cranmer Hall*)

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

(*Cranmer Hall*)

9:30 A.M. - end of 10:30 service: Pre-School & Pre-Kindergarten
Playtime at 9:30 a.m. and Lesson at 10:30 a.m.

10:30 A.M.—MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

HYMN #158 *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright* Puer Nobis
 Sentences, Confession, Absolution & Lord's Prayer Prayer Book pp. 3-7
 Versicles and Responses 7-8
 VENITE Hymnal #609 9
 Psalms #86 *A prayer for mercy in a time of deep insecurity* 455
 First Lesson: Joshua 24 *Israel renews its covenant with the Lord.*
 TE DEUM Hymnal #615, 619 11
 Second Lesson: Galatians 6:11-18 and Matthew 6:24-34 210, 211
 BENEDICTUS Hymnal #634 14
Children may exit following the cross for PSALM PSINGERS (Gr 1-5).
 Apostles' Creed 15
 Versicles and Responses 16
 Collects of the Day 210
 Other Collects and Prayers, the Grace 17-20
 Announcements & Charge to Confirmation Class The Rector
 HYMN #337 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Rockingham
 SERMON Fr. Dunbar

OFFERING

Sentences
 Anthem: *Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace* G. Young
 Presentation of Alms: Doxology #139, and Hymn #141 (verse 4)
 Prayer and Blessing
 HYMN #279 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Praise to the Lord
 VOLUNTARY: *Allegro (Concerto in D)* S. Wesley, arr. Brown

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

12 Noon — HOLY COMMUNION (Chapel) - as 8 a.m.