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THIS SUNDAY - CONFIRMATION

Today at 10:30 a.m., we welcome Bishop Suffragan Paul Lambert of Dallas, who visits us on behalf of Bishop Benhase of Georgia.

Notes for Candidates for Confirmation or Reception, and their Families:

- Candidates meet the Bishop at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- At 10:30 a.m., candidates and families are asked to sit in reserved pews (candidates in front of the pulpit, families in front of the lectern).
- 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 for photographs and presentations at Coffee Hour.

CANDIDATES TO BE CONFIRMED

(MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH):

taught by *Mr. and Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard,*
and *Mrs. James S. McClellan, Jr.*

*Katherine Speer Ezelle
Olin Anne Hayes
Charlton Lavinia Strong
William Isaac Taylor*

(UPPER SCHOOL YOUTH & ADULTS):

taught by *Father Gavin G. Dunbar*

*Madison Anne Alva
Shannon Davis Alva
David Robert Eggleston
Sarah Marina Gilbert
Kimberly Anne Rice
Taylor Grace Rice
Joshua Stephen Roper*

CANDIDATES TO BE RECEIVED:

taught by *Father Gavin G. Dunbar*

*Bartlette Barnes DeWitt
Kirk Distefano DeWitt
Thomas Charlie McCay
Constance Rollosson McCay
Frederick Lawrence Muller*

CONFIRMATION

The Holy Spirit gives himself according to our need and capacity; and so in Baptism he gives himself for the beginning of spiritual life, for regeneration and remission of sin; but in Confirmation he gives himself to “confirm”- defend and strengthen- those reborn in him, for growth to spiritual maturity. “In Baptism we are *reborn to life*; in Confirmation we are *armed for the strife*.” This historic understanding of Confirmation is reflected in the Bishop’s prayer as he lays hands on each person, a prayer for the *defense* of the child of God (that is, from the assaults of the world, the flesh, and the devil); and for his daily *increase* in the Holy Spirit (for growing up into Christ in virtue and good works- Ephesians 4:11-16.)

In the Anglican tradition, Confirmation is administered by a Bishop in historic succession, by prayer for the sevenfold gifts of the Spirit and the laying on of hands, after the ratification of Baptismal vows. (Those already *confirmed* by a Bishop in historic succession but in another communion are not Confirmed again but are formally *received* into ecclesial fellowship.)

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

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 a.m. Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 a.m. Mrs. Henry F. Inglesby

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. B. Ray Summerell

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at the altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God and in memory of Joyce P. Howard by Dr. Albert R. Howard;
And in thanksgiving for and on the occasion of the birthday of Vincent Graham Cooper by Ms. Patti Cooper.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. John G. Bradshaw, Jr., Mrs. Jayne G. Holland,
Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Mrs. Edward J. Derst III,
Mrs. T. Herbert Guerry III, Mrs. B. Ray Summerell,
Mrs. H. Emerson Thomas, Jr., Mrs. John R. Reiter,
Mrs. W. Lee Belford, Sr., Mrs. Jonathan C. Glen

ACOLYTES

8:00 a.m. Henry Osborne
10:30 a.m. Phillip Inglesby Patrick Perrie
Jamie McClellan Hawkins Pindar
Jackson McClellan Edwin Shepherd

COFFEE HOUR CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Nicholas K. Farley

9:30 A.M. SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

Fr. Dunbar- *Adult Catechism*, CH Reading Room

MEN'S WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION

Tuesday- Breakfast & discussion-Fr. O'Brien
Is Faith Reasonable?
6:45 a.m., Parish House
Thursday- *Romans* with Father Dunbar
7:00 a.m., CH Reading Room
Thursday- Men's Small Group Faith Fellowship
Noon on Thursdays, CH 1st floor

WOMEN'S WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION

Wednesday-C. S. Lewis Women's Fellowship
Bring a bag lunch- stay for fellowship!
2nd & 4th Wednesdays (April 27)
11:00 a.m., CH, Reading Room
Thursday- Michael O'Brien's novel,
Sophia House with Father O'Brien
9:15 a.m., CH Reading Room

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday to Friday

8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Morning and Evening Prayer

In addition, on Wednesday

9:45 a.m. *The Litany*
10:00 a.m. *Holy Eucharist*

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

THIS TUESDAY, APRIL 19 AT NOON
LYRA IN CONCERT
at St. John's

The Russian Vocal Ensemble of St.
Petersburg will perform
Music of the Russian Orthodox Tradition.
Admission is Free.

NEXT SUNDAY

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC
SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Join us after the 10:30 a.m. service
Cranmer Hall and Charlton Street
Bring your favorite covered dish to share!
Games • Live Music • Ice Cream Sundae Bar

ANNUAL MEN'S GOLF
TOURNAMENT
FRIDAY, MAY 13

The Landings' Marshwood Course
Shotgun Start: 1:30 p.m.
Contact: Jim McClellan
mcclellzoot@gmail.com

If you know your team, please call Jim
(912-201-3895) with the players' names.
More details to come soon.

SAVANNAH BAROQUE IN CONCERT
FRIDAY, MAY 13 AT 7:30 P.M.

*A debut concert of instrumental and
vocal works by Purcell, Bach, Handel,
Blavet, Telemann and Monteverdi.*

Tickets begin at \$20 each and are
available during Coffee Hour TODAY,
May 1, and May 8. Tickets are also
available in St. John's Church Office, on
www.savannahbaroque.yapsody.com, or
at the door the night of the event.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

Join us after Evening Prayer in Cranmer
Hall. For more information, please contact
Karen Wray at 912-398-8006. All welcome!

GENTLE YOGA CLASS
TUESDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.

Join us in Cranmer Hall (3rd floor) each
week for fitness, fun and fellowship! All are
welcome! Call Cathy Baxter at 704-5111.

ANTHEM TEXTS
BY G. F. HANDEL

(Ashley Adams Roper, Soprano &
Melinda Rubin, Violin)

SING, MY SOUL, IN PRAISE OF GOD
(Singe Seel, Gott zum Preise)

*Sing, my soul in praise of God
Who in so wise a fashion
Adorns the world in such splendor,
He who delights in our hearing,
He who charms us through sight,
When He covers tree and meadow
With flowers, may He be glorified,
May He be praised!*

SWEET QUIET, GENTLE SOURCE
(Süsse, Stille, sanfte Quell)

*Sweet stillness, gentle source
Of quiet serenity,
My very soul is gladdened
When after this time of busy vanity
I see before me that peace
Ever ready to receive us in eternity.*

EYCS SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE
APPLICATION DEADLINE - MAY 31

College scholarships are available
through the Episcopal Youth and
Children's Services. Awards are based
on financial need and are for
undergraduate education only. Apply at
eycs.georgiaepiscopal.org. A letter of
recommendation from the Rector is
required.

LIVING VINE COLLECTION

Donations are needed for *The Living Vine*
(a Christian ministry providing support for
women in crisis pregnancies). Paper
towels, napkins, bath tissue, and Kleenex.
New or gently-used car seats, strollers and
bassinets are greatly needed.

DOCENTS NEEDED

We are in the middle of tourist season in
Savannah, and the Green-Meldrim House
needs smiling faces to serve as docents!
No experience needed. Please call Jane
Pressly (233-6551) or Martie Thomas
(598-4299) for information.

8:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION

COLLECTS, EPISTLE, and GOSPEL..... Prayer Book, page 173
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Noon) - **Nursery** (*Cranmer Hall*)

9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. - CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES (*Cranmer Hall*)

10:30 A.M. - JOYFUL NOISE, JOYFUL HEARTS (*Cranmer Hall*)

Music, Teaching, and Active Fun for Pre-School through Kindergarten.

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

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

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Everyone is invited to attend Coffee Hour in the Parish House immediately after the 10:30 a.m. service.

If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.

12:00 p.m. (Noon) HOLY COMMUNION in the Chapel (Collect, Epistle, Gospel as at 8:00 a.m.)