

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH:

- 9th, 16th & 23rd—Evening Prayer, 7:00 pm (Tuesdays during Lent)
- 10th, 17th & 24th—Taizé Healing Service/Holy Eucharist, 5:30 pm (Wednesdays during Lent, followed by a Simple Soup Supper, then a teaching on “Prayer”)
- 27th—Making Palm Crosses, 10:00 am—Noon
- 28th—Palm Sunday Service & Dramatic Reading of the Passion (All that are able should assemble in the courtyard before the 9:30 am service)
- 31st—Tenebrae Service, 7:00 pm

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION: Please send announcements for publication in the newsletter to stchris@stchrisonline.org, by **Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. the week before the Sunday it needs to appear.** If your birthday, baptism, or anniversary does not appear in the bulletin or was printed incorrectly, please let us know! Every attempt is made to make sure no one is excluded. The newsletter can also be accessed by going to www.stchrisonline.org; click on the newsletter/calendar link on the left side; the newsletter icon should come up; click twice and the newsletter will appear.

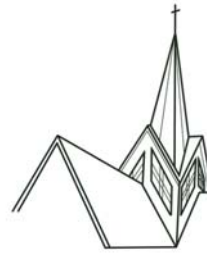
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St. Christopher’s Episcopal Church

Additional **CHURCHMOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

March 7, 2010

The Third Sunday in Lent

SUNDAY’S SERVERS: *Acolyte:* Nicole Cobb; *Chalice Bearers:* Lathrop Mosley & Jane Johnson; *Lector:* Lathrop Mosley; *Ushers:* Bob Royale & Mitch Slade; *Verger:* Lathrop Mosley; *Altar Guild:* Jane Johnson, Jennifer Evans & Agnes Hamilton; *Flower Guild:* Joyce Briggs; *Nursery:* Ruth Anne Hickerson; *Coffee Setup:* Don & Vickie Hansen; *Greeters:* Peggy Graham; *Follow-Up:* Peggy Graham; *Tellers:* Harold Holland & Agnes Hamilton; *Sound Technician:* Bill Canny; *EYC Snacks & Supper:* Ruth Anne Hickerson.

OUR VERY OWN MARGARET HOPPER and fellow organist Brennan Szafron will be holding an organ recital entitled “Advent Past Meets Advent Present” at the Church of the Advent on Wednesday, March 10th, at noon. Lunch is available afterwards for \$5.

SEPARATED-DIVORCED-WIDOWED: An organization called “Beginning Experience” offers a weekend away for a lifetime of change for widowed, divorced, and separated people. The weekend program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning, and move into the future with renewed hope. The program helps deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity, through God, for turning the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. Founded by a Catholic nun in 1974 and rooted in the Christian tradition, the ministry’s open, ecumenical spirit serves those of all faiths. The weekend will be held on Mar. 19-21 at Rock Hill, S.C. The total cost is \$175 which includes the program, meals, and lodging. You may apply online at www.pietty.com/beginningexperience. A brochure and application are also available at the front desk.

(Announcements cont.)

MAKING PALM CROSSES: Come to church Sat., March 27th, and help make palm crosses from 10:00 am—Noon, followed by a simple lunch. Even if you don't know how to make them, it's very easy to learn and fun to do.

SPRING WORK DAY: Come one, come all and help work on the new garden, Sat., April 17th, starting at 9:00 am. Other projects will be tackled as personnel and time allow.

DONATIONS TO HAITI TO BE MATCHED: A member of our diocese has generously agreed to match dollar for dollar contributions made to the diocesan Gifts of Bread & Water Fund, established to ensure the viability of the water supply and expand our ministries in Cange, Haiti.

The crisis in Haiti has not passed. The need immediately to complete our work to replace the worn-out water system at Cange has become even more critical as those in need of emergency health care due to the earthquake, children left orphaned, and other refugees from Port au Prince have flooded into Cange, putting a tremendous strain on an already inadequate and contaminated water system.

Additionally the need for the vocational school to begin classes has been accentuated by the population growth and the lack of employment. The demand for the increased production of our nutritional products to fight malnutrition has also grown dramatically.

You now have a chance to make a tremendous difference in the lives of our friends in Haiti, thanks to the generosity of one Upper South Carolinian who has offered to match your contributions to the Bread and Water Fund, up to \$200,000. You now have the opportunity to double the effect of your gift by **contributing now**.

Donations can be made online at www.edusc.org or by snail-mail (to EDUSC, 1115 Marion Street, Columbia, 29201). Please designate checks to the Gifts of Bread and Water and make them to the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. God has given us this unique opportunity to "act in the world as the body of Christ" and to change lives.

For more information, please contact Bread & Water Fund chair, Earl Burch, eburch@innova.net.

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CELEBRATING

<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Anniversaries</u>	
Johnsie Canny	03/03	Harold Holland	03/01
Samuel Rochester	03/03	Mary Ann Palmer	03/13
Keith Jones	03/08	Mary Halphen	03/18
Martha Harris	03/09	Peggy Wilson	03/22
Ginny Scott	03/09	John Woodward	03/26
Cheryl Parker	03/14	Shelby Boyce	04/01
Brigette Canny	03/20	John Burchfield	04/01
Chester Brown, Jr	03/29	Peggy Graham	04/01
Marion Craven	04/03	Luther Lippert	04/02
Christine Evans	04/05	P.J. Halphen	04/07
<u>Baptized</u>			
Robin Gilman	03/01	Bill & Peggy Wilson	03/07

EMERGENCY PRAYER TREE

We offer a confidential 24-hour Emergency Prayer Tree for members of St. Christopher's and their families who are in crisis. Call the church office at 585-2858 or email: epray@stchrisonline.org.

PASTORAL CARE CONTACT FOR MARCH:

Mary Halphen—579-0870

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Phyllis Bemelmans	Monique Harrison	Emilio Larrier
Holly Broadwell	Norwood Harrison	Ginny Scott
Mary Brown	Betty Holland	Archie Taylor
Dennis Bruce	Fergie Horvath	Sue Teele
Les Cavin	Jim Johnson	Betty Ruth Walker
Jack Graham	Keith Jones	Bill Wilson
Pauline Harbison	Lydia Kaplan	John Woodward

TOTAL MINISTRIES, Sun., Mar.. 21st—Canned Meat

"And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my people, you did it to me.'"

Matthew 25:40