

UPCOMING EVENTS

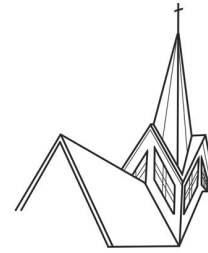
FEBRUARY:

- **1st, 8th, 15th & 29th**—*Wednesday Nights at St. Christopher's*: 5:30 pm-Taizé Service, 6:15 pm-catered supper, 7:00 pm-Teaching
- **5th, 12th, & 19th**—Breakfast, 8:15 am—9:00 am, \$3/person, in the Connector
- **6th, 13th, 20th & 27th**—Vicar's Brown Bag Bible Study, noon in the Chapel
- **11th**—Pastoral Care Meeting & Lunch, 9:00am—12:00pm
- **18th**—Soul Survivors, 10:00am—12:00pm, in the Connector
- **18th**—Pre-Lenten Quiet Day at Church of the Epiphany, 10:00am—2:00pm
- **21st**—Annual Oyster/Shrimp Roast, tickets \$25/person
- **22nd**—Ash Wednesday Service, 6:00 pm (*no dinner or teaching*)
- **27th**—Intergenerational Lenten Series starts, Mondays, 5:30-7:30 pm, at Carver Middle School Cafeteria for the first session

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION: Please send announcements for publication in the newsletter to stchris@stchrisonline.org, by **Wednesday 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.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Additional

CHURCHMOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 5, 2012

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

SUNDAY'S SERVERS: *Acolyte:* Connor Smith; *Chalice Bearers:* Lathrop Mosley & Jennifer Evans; *Lector:* Lathrop Mosley; *Verger:* Lathrop Mosley; *Ushers:* George Hairston, Connor Smith & Patrick Smith; *Altar Guild:* Agnes Hamilton, Jennifer Evans & Martha Clark; *Flower Guild:* Joyce Briggs; *Greeter:* Peggy Graham; *Nursery:* Ruth Anne Hickerson; *Tellers:* Grant Cobb & Jane Johnson; *Coffee Setup:* George & Patty Hairston; *Sound Technician:* Paul Halphen.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers are given today to the memory of their grandparents by Brad & Bliss Harley.

SAVE THE DATE: The Annual Oyster/Shrimp Roast is coming up on Shrove Tuesday, February 21st! Tickets are available on Sundays at the same price as last year: \$25/person.

OYSTER ROAST HELP: There is a need for Kitchen Help, Greeters and Set up Crew (Set up is Sunday Feb 19th). Anyone willing to help can contact Karen Barnes at pkbarnes1@att.net. Thank you!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: More than 20 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat." Since that day nearly \$81 million has been raised for local charities around the nation through the Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl Weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Support our efforts this year by donating a few dollars to those who are hungry this Super Bowl Weekend. Our donations will help the St. Matthew's Food Pantry provide food and essentials to Spartanburg families.

BREAKFAST BEFORE CHURCH: We will be serving breakfast on Sundays, starting Jan. 29th—Feb. 19th, in the Connector, from 8:15—9:00 am, at \$3/per person. Kitchen helpers will be needed. Please contact Kevin Bolin at 864-208-5681 or kbolin1@charter.net.

(Announcements cont.)

HELP THE YOUTH GROUP: Old cell phones? Broken cell phones? The Youth want them! We will be collecting used cell phones until March 4th, so please bring your old and used cell phones to church. A drop box will be located in the Connector to place them in.

PRE-LENTEN QUIET DAY: Saturday, February 18th, the Church of the Epiphany will be holding a day of prayer and meditation based on a book by Archbishop Anthony Bloom, entitled, "Learning to Pray." Some might ask the question, "Why this topic? I know how to pray. I just ask God to do what I want him to do and he either does it or not." But when we see prayer this way, we reduce God to some kind of spigot in the sky that we just turn on and off as we need it. As we read scripture, though, we find that prayer should be a way of deepening our relationship with God. This doesn't mean that we can't ask God to help us in need, but the main purpose of prayer is continuing to know God in new and deeper ways just as we continue to know those that we love in the same way.

1st Meditation: What does it mean to knock at the door when God seems to be absent?

2nd Meditation: Where do I find the time to pray as I move toward God?

3rd Meditation: As we move toward God, how do we address him?

Schedule: 10 AM Morning Prayer and meditation with free time
12 PM Noon Day Prayers and meditation with free time
1:30 PM Holy Eucharist and meditation.

You can come for all 4 hours or 30 minutes. Please respect the quiet of everyone else as you come and go.

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Thanks to James Davies 08-15-2006
I HEAR THAT JESUS CAN HEAL THE LAME, WHICH IS PRECISELY THE CONDITION THAT I'M TOLD PREVENTS ME FROM CHARMING WOMEN

CELEBRATING

<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Baptisms</u>	
Joyce Briggs	1/29	Sandy Ferguson	2/01
Elsie Yates	1/30	Marion Craven	2/22
Peter Barnes	2/02	Robin Gilman	3/01
Brad Harley	2/02	Harold Holland	3/01
Ann Fain	2/03	<u>Anniversaries</u>	
John Woodward	2/03	Bruce & Vickie Witteveen	2/27
Anita Bruhnke	2/05		
Betty Holland	2/09		
Nicole Cobb	2/13		
Monique Harrison	2/25		
Stephen Stinson	2/27		
Johnsie Canny	3/03		
Samuel Rochester	3/03		

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: epay@stchrisonline.org.

TOTAL MINISTRIES: Sun., February 19th—Grits/Oatmeal

PASTORAL CARE CONTACT FOR FEBRUARY: Cheryl Parker—583-0471

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Beasley	Christopher Dowell	Betty Holland
Phyllis Bemelmans	Jack Graham	Ginny Scott
Mary Brown	Pauline Harbison	Gus Shoolbred
Jack Bruhnke	Katie Harris	Archie Taylor
Les Cavin	Martha Harris	Betty Ruth Walker
Lorie Cook	Monique Harrison	Bill Wilson
Marion Craven	Norwood Harrison	

"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