

The Means of Grace

The Newsletter of Grace Episcopal Church

"Your very lives are a letter that anyone can read by just looking at you. Christ himself wrote it—not with ink, but with God's living Spirit; not chisled into stone, but carved into human lives—and we publish it."

2 Corinthians 3:2-3



November 2010

Sundays

8:00 am HE Rite I
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am HE Rite II
11:30 am Coffee Time



Hey all,

Wow, as you can tell by the big newsletter this month a great deal is going on!

A few notes:

Pledge Cards: thanks for turning these in, and please remember to do so, it is even more important this year than usual.

Peaceable Kingdom: we are dreaming of God's kingdom this year for the Season of Advent! Please have your art work ready to display and in the Parish office before Nov. 19th. We set up on the 19th for the opening on Sunday morning the 21st.

The Rev. Barbra Brown Taylor: a well known and very gifted preacher and theologian will be speaking at Grace Church on Tuesday Nov. 9th at 7pm. This is a tremendous event to have at Grace. Back when I studied preaching in seminary we studied her sermons as examples of what a good sermon can be. She inspired me then and still does today.

Pilgrimage: I'll be speaking about the pilgrimage my son and I made this summer, two separate times—November 5th at 6:45 PM at Oconee State Park at the annual Foothills Trails Conference and Sunday November 7th at 9:15 AM at Grace Church in the parish hall.

There will be some picture slides or whatever it is we call them these days.

Cursillo: Thom Neal will be at Grace Church on Sunday November 14th to talk about a faith renewal retreat called Cursillo that has been active in our diocese for over 30 years. Grace Church was once very involved in this ministry. It's time we get involved again!

Missionaries to Ecuador? Did you know that our diocese has missionaries to Ecuador? Cameron and Roberto Vivanco will be joining us Wednesday night December 1st for dinner, music and a presentation about their ministry. Many parishes in our diocese send small work groups down south to join in their ministry. I think we might be doing this as well. My children are already set on going!

BBQ...there is something in the air...see you there! (Oct. 30th)

Pax,

Father Jack

The Rev. John B. Hardaway IV
Rector, Grace Church Anderson SC

NEWCOMERS



Please welcome Jim and Donna E. Fillingham. Jim grew up in New Jersey and returned to that state after his venture in the service. He moved to the Anderson area in 1974 and worked for Michelin Tire Co. for seventeen years. Jim was good friends with Fathers Carter and Batkin of Grace Church and was in a motorcycle club with them. Jim has two daughters and two grandchildren from his first marriage. Donna E. is a Non-Denominational Ordained Minister from San Mateo, California and has two children and one grandchild from her first marriage. The Fillingham's have been married for twelve years and live in West Pelzer. Jim is the brother of Barbara Davis. Jim and Donna E. have been coming to Grace Church for about four months.

**National Donor Sabbath
will be celebrated
this year Nov. 12-14
for all religious faiths.**



The Episcopal Church recognizes the life-giving benefits of organ, blood, and tissue donation. All Christians are encouraged to become organ, blood, and tissue donors "as part of their ministry to others in the name of Christ, who gave His life that we may have life in its fullness."

Almost two years ago South Carolina implemented its new organ and tissue Donor Registry. The Registry will provide clear confirmation of a donor's final wishes. It is very important to register online at Every11Minutes.org or with a Registry mail-in form that will be available. Only if you received a new driver's license within the last two years with the little red heart circled are you also registered to be an organ and tissue donor. If you have the older little red heart and "Y" it only signifies your desire but is not binding and may not be honored.

Beau Langer will have further information **Sunday the 14th in the Cloister.**

Pilgrimage Presentation

**Friday night, November 5, Oconee State Park
The Annual Foothills Trails Conference and
Sunday Morning, November 7th –9:15 a.m.
Grace Episcopal Church**



**Long Walk: Pilgrimage, Blisters and Blessings -
Reflections on Faith, Walking, The Foothills Trails
and The Camino de Santiago de Compostela"**

The Reverend Jack Hardaway is the priest at Grace Episcopal Church in Anderson SC. He grew up walking the Foothills Trail both with friends and solo hiking and continues to enjoy its beauty and challenge. This summer he walked the ancient pilgrimage route across Spain, almost 500 miles, with his fifteen year old son. He will be offering reflections about his experiences of walking and pilgrimage told through the perspective of faith.

**Practicing Truth
November 9, 2010
7:00 P.M.**

**Presenter-Barbara Brown Taylor
Location-Grace Episcopal Church**

Truth inevitably leads beyond the mental realm to interaction with the world. It cannot be contained but must be exercised. It cannot be stagnant, but must be constantly revised and renewed in the light of experience with nature and our fellow human beings.



CHRISTIAN FORMATION

EYC News

EYC will be selling Christmas trees and greenery. See the insert in the newsletter. We will take orders until November 14th. You can choose to have your items delivered to the church on November 28th or December 5th.

October 24th Hickman's

EYC coordinating Bake Sale at the BBQ—sign up to help

November 7th Campbell's

November 14th Whiffen's

November 21st Pizza after Delivering Thanksgiving baskets

Happening **Dec 3rd-5th** Happening is a weekend event for youth in grades 10-12 which is focused on encountering Christ within community and learning how to strengthen our relationship with Christ and each other. The weekend is structured on a program which is governed by the National Happening Committee. Please see Lyn Merchant or Jim Boyer if you are interested in attending. Forms are [available online](#) and in the high school classroom.

Christian Formation News

Christmas Pageant planning under way. If you can serve on the organization team, please see Lyn Merchant. Sign up sheets for children wanting to participate will be in classrooms after mid November.

We will have Family Advent activities in the parish hall each Sunday in Advent. November 28th will be the Wreath making and opening of the Peaceable Kingdom exhibit. Enjoy family, food and festivities.



Has your faith lost its get up and go? Do you feel like there should be more to following Jesus but you're not sure what it is? Are you ready for a change and would like to know God in a new way? Cursillo is a faith renewal weekend and community here in our diocese that may be just what you are looking for. Thom Neal, the President of the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee, will be visiting with us at Grace Church on Sunday November 19th, for a 9:15 forum, for a message at the 10:30 liturgy and for questions and answers at coffee hour. Years ago Grace Church was very active in this ministry. Let's get started again!

Peaceable Kingdom Exhibit

The exhibit will open **November 21st with a reception at 9:15**. All artwork for the exhibit must be brought to the church by **November 19th**. Artwork must be ready to display. Please send information regarding your art work, listing title, medium, artist and sale price if you desire to sell the piece(s) of art, to [Lyn Merchant](#). Artwork will be displayed throughout Advent and should be picked up by **January 5th**.



Isaiah 11:9 *They will neither harm nor destroy on my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.*

HONORARIUM

In honor and thanksgiving of Jim and Bess Boyer, a \$160 donation has been made in their names to The Anderson Free Clinic by the Grace Church Confirmation Class of 2010.

In honor and thanksgiving of Lyn Merchant, a \$160 donation has been made in her name to the Bois Joli project by the Grace Church Confirmation Class of 2010.

St. Catherine's Guild

The Ladies of St. Catherine's Guild will meet on Monday, November 1, 2010. The meeting will be held in the parlor at 2:00 p.m. The hostesses this month are Libby Christeson and Nancy Lewis. A guest speaker will be featured. All ladies are welcome.

The ladies of St. Catherine's Annual Christmas Luncheon will take place on **Monday, December 6, 2010** at Noon. The luncheon will be held at Dena Cullen's home, 211 Canebrake Drive, Anderson. Please bring a dish to share and stocking stuffers for our homebound. The meat and drinks will be provided by hostess. More information, please call (864) 222-9425. All ladies are welcome.



COME JOIN

US IN MAKING YOUR
ADVENT WREATH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28 @ 9:15 AM

BRING YOUR OWN GREENERY, FLOWERS,
PINE CONES, RIBBONS, CLIPPERS.

We supply the wreaths, candles, & pins.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

SPONSORED BY **PARISH LIFE**



The Parish Office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 24th and be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25th and 26th for Thanksgiving.

SAVE THE DATE!!!
SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2011
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND
BREAKFAST



FALL BACKWARDS

Don't forget to set your clock back when you go to bed on Saturday, November 6th!!!!



Christmas Flowers and Greens

Please complete and return to the parish office no later than **December 5th**. The

minimum suggested donation is \$20. If you would like to give one of the door wreaths, the suggested donation is \$25.00

Given to the Glory of God and in:

Memory of _____

Honor of _____

Given by _____

Amount enclosed _____



Grace Notes...

I'm very happy that this fall season has been full of shining happy children. We have a record number of little cherubs singing in the choir. It's the first time performing in front of an audience for several, so make sure you praise their efforts next time they sing. They are doing extremely well and Miss Alicia and I are so proud of them. They will perform next on November 7, All Saints Day at the 10:30 service.

We have started our rehearsal for the upcoming "Christmas with Grace" concert on Sunday, December 19th at 3:00. This will be similar to the concert we did 2 years ago with Mary Minott Burgess. This year will be a lighter version of the traditional Lessons and Carols service with wonderful holiday music and seasonal readings. Mark your calendar and tell your friends!

I wanted to thank Leah and Justin Durham, Kathryn Greene Heeney and Chris Arnold for the extraordinary music they blessed us with at the visitation of Bishop Waldo. We are truly blessed with some remarkable talent at Grace Church. Thank You!

Soli Deo Gloria,

Bill



Wednesday Night Dinners

November 3rd—Parish Life

Covered Dish— Parish Life will provide the Turkey and Ham. Bring your favorite dish along with your recipe to share with others.

November 10 –Barbara Scott

Roast beef *au jus*
Baked potato
Buttered carrots
Barbara's homemade French bread
Strawberry shortcake trifle

November 17-Barbara Scott

Baked ham
Black-eyed peas
Squash casserole
Biscuits
Banana pudding

November 24 –NO DINNER due to Thanksgiving

Please call the church office by Tuesday morning with your reservations.



The 88th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina

It was a weekend of "firsts" for our diocese. This 88th diocesan convention, held on Friday and Saturday, October 15-16, was the first for our new bishop, The Right Reverend William Andrew Waldo, and is the first event held in the newly renovated Trinity Cathedral in Columbia. Trinity's congregation is still worshipping in the gym and has not even held its first worship service in the cathedral yet, but it was very fitting that the ceremony of the *Welcoming and Seating of William Andrew Waldo* be held there.

Fr. Jack, who has served as Dean of the Foothills Convocation this past year, and delegates Melissa Langford, Lyn Merchant, Barbara Scott, and Al Sloan, splendidly represented Grace Church, Anderson. We helped conduct the business of the diocese by adopting a balanced Statement of Mission (*aka* budget) and adopted and/or received reports, resolutions, and changes to the church canons. We also participated in various elections. Three members of Grace Church's delegation were elected to important positions in the diocese: Fr. Jack was elected a General Convention Deputy, Clergy order; Melissa was elected to the Diocesan Executive Council, Lay Order; and Barbara was elected first alternate General Convention Deputy, Lay Order. Each of these positions is for a 3-year term.

Along with all the work, we enjoyed really good food and exquisite fellowship. We stood shoulder to shoulder with our bishop and fellow delegates (all wearing very ugly hair-nets) and poured, weighed, packaged, sealed, and boxed 24,048 nutritious meal packets to be shipped to Haiti. Each meal was rice pilaf with dehydrated vegetables and a flavor packet enriched with vitamins and minerals, enough to feed a family of four. They only need to add water to cook the rice and rehydrate the vegetables. *Stop Hunger Now*, an international hunger relief organization that coordinates and distributes food and other life-saving aid around the world, organized this amazing event. This feat of charity was accomplished in 2 short hours! Amazing! Grace!

I encourage you to watch the diocesan web site (edusc.org) for the bishop's addresses to the convention. Each of his presentations was thought provoking, inspiring, and challenging.

Barbara Scott, reporting for the Delegation

Missionaries to Ecuador



Roberto and Cameron Graham Vivanco

Wednesday, December 1st at 6:00 P.M. for dinner, music and a presentation on their ministry.

Roberto and Cameron Graham Vivanco serve with the *South American Missionary Society* (www.sams-usa.org) in Quito, Ecuador. They are seconded (loaned to) an *International Team* (www.iteams.org) team in Quito, known as *Youth World* (www.youthworld.org.ec). *Youth World* exists to identify, train, and equip leaders to impact young people and their families to be disciples of Christ Jesus.

Cameron, a native of Durham, North Carolina, arrived in Ecuador in early 2002. After graduating from The University of the South, Sewanee, she served as the coordinator of Youth Ministries at the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Spartanburg, South Carolina from 1995-2000 in the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. In 1998, she began discerning a call to full-time missionary service in the area of youth ministry. She has been serving in Ecuador since April 2002.

Roberto is a native of Quito, Ecuador. He studied classical guitar at the National Conservatory of Ecuador and is currently studying at SemiSud, a protestant seminary. The two met in the Episcopal Church where Roberto was a volunteer youth leader and Cameron had been invited to participate in leadership training. They were married in August of 2006.

Together Cameron and Roberto work out of Youth World, serving in a variety of capacities, including but not limited to, directing the Short Term Missions department (QuitoQuest), training and equipping Latin youth leaders, starting a scholarship program for underprivileged children and adults, leading a worship band ministry, serving as part of the Leadership Team for Youth World and as a music/worship leader at a partner church. They also pioneered the Diocesan Youth Program in Central Ecuador, developing and discipling youth and youth leaders. They have a blog at www.crvministries.blogspot.com.

All Saints' Sunday

November 7, 2010

ALL SAINTS' DROP IN!

at The Hardaway's

4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

404 North Street

Bring something to share.

Welcome Newly Baptized, Confirmed and Received Members

Caitlin Sarah Baker

Heidi Long Boulware

Leigh Ellen Burns

Carly Spell Campbell

James Thompson Cooper

Magdalene Grace Ferguson Cox

Billy Wayne Croy

Robert John Cullen

Janice Bouchillon Dixon

Ying Donaldson

Leah Keyes Durham

Justin Wade Durham

Jimmy Lee Eady

Wilma Lee Eady

Anna Elizabeth George

Julian Thomas George

John Benjamin Hardaway V

Steve Larry Hines

Grace Calhoun Kerley

William Andrew Langford

Kevin Albany Legere

Norma Elizabeth Legere

Connie K. Ormes

Joseph Ormes

Margaret Alston Ricketson

Garrett Robert Whiffen

John William Woodson III

OUTREACH

13th Annual Grace Church Barbeque
A Benefit for Westside Child Development Center

Saturday, October 30, 2010

5:00—8:00 P.M.

American Legion Hut—East Greenville street

The Que needs you!

\$15.00 a Person

Eat in or Carry Out

Children 12 and un-

der \$8.00

Eat in Only

\$50 Weekend Pass

Includes:

Friday Night's

Steak Dinner

and

Saturday's Barbeque

Looking for tickets or volunteer sign up?

Joe Maxwell 226-1127 or

Melissa Langford 617-4912



Westside Preschool

This year the BBQ recipient is The Westside Preschool. The Westside Preschool is a caring, nurturing environment where infants, toddlers, and preschool age children can come to grow. Our goal is to help each child develop physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. We also want to help build each child's character through the YMCA's core values: Caring, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility, and Faith. Our daily routine consists of a variety of age-appropriate activities: Devotion, Finger Plays, Music, Art, Inside/Outside Play, Circle Time, Learning/Play Centers, and Story Time. About 75% of the children receive scholarship assistance. Proceeds from the BBQ will go directly to scholarships. That are located at 1100 W. Franklin Street, Anderson, SC 29624.

Episcopal Relief & Development (ER&D)

The 2010-11 Episcopal Relief & Development (ER&D) Gifts for Life catalogs have arrived and are in folders on the bulletin board across from Father Jack's office. ER&D is the Episcopal Church's international philanthropic arm that delivers relief funds all around the world. If you are interested in making a donation, purchasing malaria nets, etc., for needy families worldwide, please pick up a catalog or see Brett Turner for more information.

Haiti

Our mission work in Haiti is making a major difference in the poorest country in the western hemisphere, however we are still in need of funds through the Gifts of Bread and Water campaign. Three years ago the Episcopal Diocese of Upper SC set a goal to raise \$1.6 million to replace the 30 year old, inadequate, water system, to install a water treatment system, to design and implement a sanitation system, as well as to build an agricultural and vocational center in Cange. The Gifts of Bread and Water campaign ends at the end of Lent and has currently raised \$1.3 million. If you are interested in making a donation, please make a check payable to the Episcopal Diocese of Upper SC, designate funds for the Gifts of Bread and Water and send to: Episcopal Diocese of Upper SC

Attn: Julie Price

1115 Marion Street

Columbia, Sc 29201

Bois Joli

Grace Church is one of four churches that has adopted the Haitian village of Bois Joli. This remote village consists of a school and church and is a rugged 7.5 mile, one-way hike for children and teachers to make every day just to worship and/or get an education. The next project for Bois Joli is the construction of a small dormitory so teachers won't have to hike 15 miles each day to and from school. If you are interested in donating to this project, please make a check payable to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, designate funds for Bois Joli and send to:

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

Attn: Lynne Farmer

193 Old Greenville Highway

Clemson, SC 29631

MILESTONES & MEMORIALS

Deaths: John George Rozakos, father of Jennifer Burgess



Birthdays for October 25—November 25

October

- 25th Carol Avinger, Timmy Eady
- 28th Don Colman
- 29th Michael Hellstrom
- 30th Larry Larsen, Mary Winiarski, Billy Croy
- 31st Sophie Payne

November

- 1st Mary Beth Knobel
- 2nd Hall Knobel
- 3rd Carroll Bowie
- 4th Lucille Peebles
- 6th Denise Oxford, Bill Scott, Sullivan Payne
- 7th Mandy Erlenkeuser
- 8th Anna Kloeck
- 10th Kristina Young
- 11th Lib Christeson
- 12th John Heeney, Jerry Powell, John Woodson
- 13th Connie Ciarcia
- 14th Jane McMillan
- 16th Helen Kerley, Lola Mize
- 18th John Taylor, Sally Morris
- 20th Jerry Welch
- 21st Julie Bates
- 24th Tim Skripps

Prayers

Pray for healing and comfort

- Doni Rhinehart
- Julie Kent
- Stuart M. Barnes-cancer
- John Bostater
- Karlann Bostater –chronic leukemia ,cancer
- Tippy Anderson-cancer
- John Josey
- Leif Jacobsen-bone marrow cancer
- Anna May Jacobsen –cancer
- Barb Flagel
- Rebecca Veeck-health issues
- Jennifer Gaffney-health issues
- David Rutledge
- Betty Ward-cancer
- Wesa Lund
- Sabra Nickas
- Josh Faller-coma
- Wilma Eady –health issues
- Camilla Dick-widow
- Danny Jennings-health issues
- Pam Nichols Whitfield-health issues
- Al Osteen-cancer

Requested by

- Hugh Osburn
- Kathy Bostater
- Kathy Bostater
- Melissa Langford
- Greta Jacobsen
- Greta Jacobsen
- Ellie Cooper
- Ellie Cooper
- Anne Radnor
- Al Sloan
- Ellie Cooper
- Billy Croy
- Baillie Brown
- Ellie Cooper
- Linda Hoffman
- Lawrence Campbell

Expectant Families: Kelly & Jared Mize

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Monthly Stewardship Report for September

Budget for 2010	\$ 315,516
Needed Monthly	\$ 26,293
Received September	\$ 19,883
Received through September (including prepaids)	\$ 217,292
Needed through September	\$ 236,637
Diocese Assessment for 2010	\$ 48,501
Assessment Paid through September	\$ 36,376

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