

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



October 2009

Sundays

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



THE HOUSE THE APOSTLES WILL BUILD

On Sunday October the 11th at 3:00 Habitat for Humanity of Anderson will dedicate their newest house at 1117 Kennedy Street. Immediately following there will be a ground-breaking. The ground breaking will be for the first **Apostles Build** in Anderson. An Apostles build is when twelve (round abouts) Churches build a Habitat House together.

In November Grace Church will be joining with other Anderson Churches in this first Apostles House in Anderson.

There are four ways to be involved: 1) Pray 2) help with food to feed volunteers 3) financial gifts, donate one square foot for \$60 and 4) volunteer to help build, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays are the usual build days.

Be an apostle and sign up. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the parish hall, or let me, Jim Boyer, or Powell Hickman know.

Let's build a house!

Stay tuned for further information.

ALSO...

-The BBQ is this month, don't miss it.

-The 2010 Stewardship Ministry begins: pledge cards are on the way!

-The Celebration of Bishop Henderson's Ministry is October 16 at 6:30 in Greenville: sign up!

-Music of The Night October 29th.

-The Annual All Saints Celebration at the Rector's home, Sunday November 1st, 4-8 pm, bring something to share.

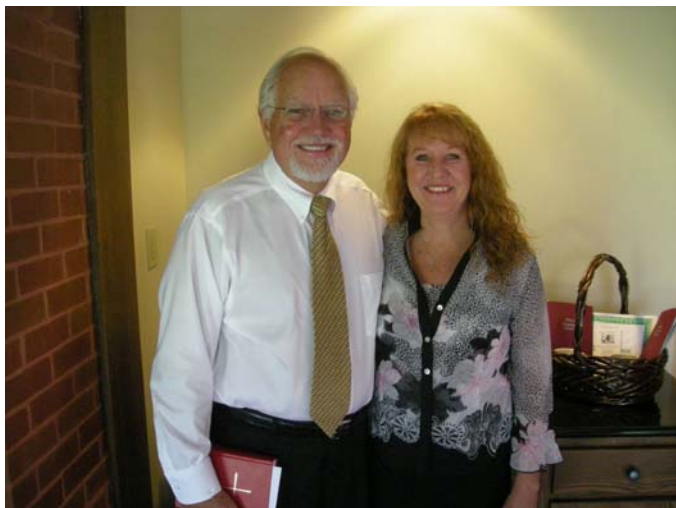
-Did I mention the BBQ?

Pax,

Father Jack

The Rev. John B. Hardaway, IV

NEWCOMERS



Please say hello to Steve and Terry Hines. They have lived in Anderson for about three and one half years and have been coming to Grace Church for about a year. Steve and Terry live near Centerville on Lake Hartwell and are in the process of renovating their home by adding more rooms. Steve grew up in Greenville and Terry was born in Jamaica. They have six children and four grandchildren with another one on the way. Two of their children live in Denver, CO and one in North Carolina. The rest are local. They are planning a trip to Colorado for Thanksgiving. Steve is retired after thirty three years of trucking. Terry has several degrees in Natural Health and owns her own business in Greenville called "Creative Health". She has been on national and local TV talking about natural health. The Hines enjoy golf, fishing, kayaking, swimming, and walking.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

September 30, 2009

Menu: Pizza, Bread Sticks, Salad, Dessert

\$6.00 per person

\$3.00 for children under 7

NAME: _____

PERSON (S) : _____

CHILDREN UNDER 7 : _____

Tip of the Verge !

Barbara Scott, Verger

The Ushers of Grace

We have lost several of our ushers to scheduling conflicts, moves, or job demands. If you would like to serve as an usher at the 10:30 a.m. service, please plan to come to one of the Training & Review sessions – either October 18 or October 25 – immediately following the 10:30 service in the nave of the church. We'll review our procedures, discuss ways to improve or maintain what we do, and give you the information to participate in this ministry to the Glory of God.

Life Line Screening

Where: Grace Episcopal Church

When: Monday, October 5, 2009

Pre-registration is required. Call: 1-800-679-5192

Source Code: HSC6481

Life Line Screening is the leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings in the US. Currently, in neighborhoods like ours, Life Line is screening approximately 1 million people each year, adding to the 6 million previously screened since their beginning in 1993. Cardiovascular disease is the #1 killer in the United States of both men and women– and a leading cause of permanent disability.

Learning opportunity!

TIME TO WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY ? A class will be offered at Anderson University's Lifelong Learning programs. Dick Cockrell (former interim rector here at Grace in 1989-90) will teach it again for the fifth straight year. The course is a valuable part of our growing up and needing to set down on paper or some form who you are and what your life story is all about.

The course can be registered for by calling Claudia Boles at 231.2058 for the course is limited in size. The classes meet for seven Mondays from 4:15-5:45 p.m. at AU, starting September 28. through Nov. 9th.

HONORARIUMS

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In Honor of *Jeff & Michelle Ricketson* to the
Operating Budget by: Lily Roland Hall

Christian Formation— More Than Just Sunday School

Grace Word of the Month

Diocesan Convention- Annual meeting of lay and clerical representatives from the parishes and missions of a diocese to elect members of committees and deputies to General Convention, make decisions about diocesan policy, conduct other diocesan business and, as needed time to time, elect a bishop for the diocese.

This year at diocesan convention (**October 16-17th in Greenville, see additional info in newsletter**) we will celebrate our time with Bishop Henderson and receive the names of the nominees for our next bishop. The election will take place on December 12th. Delegates representing Grace Church are Father Jack, clergy representative, Al Sloan, Barbara Scott, Don Colman and Lyn Merchant, lay delegates and Samantha Colman, youth delegate.

Adult Formation Options **Sunday Morning 9:15 am**

The Gospel of Mark meets in the Parish Hall. Discussions lead by Jim Boyer and John Woodson.

Reel to Real (through October 18th) will be discussing a different movie each week-Sept 20th The Mission and Sept 27th Lars and the Real Girl. Future selections will be made by the class. They meet in the Parlor.

Episcopal Christianity (through October 18th) with Father Jack leading discussions on the basics of Christianity and the Episcopal Church. Meets in Father Jack's office.

Beginning October 25th **Spiritual Fitness-Habits of Everyday Christianity** will be meeting in the parlor.

Wednesday Evening

Episcopal Christianity (September 23-October 28th) with Father Jack leading discussions on the basics of Christianity and the Episcopal Church. Meets in Father Jack's office.

Children and Youth Options

Under age 4 the nursery opens at 9:00 am

Age 4 through Grade 5 is using Workshop Cycles to learn about the Twelve who Changed the World and then beginning October 11th 101 Ways to Pray.

Middle School meets in the classroom beyond the Parlor and is using the "Attitudes" part of the Living the Good News curriculum.

High School class meets in the library classroom and using Movies and TV that Teach.

EYC will meet Sept 20, October 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, and hosting Wednesday night dinner October 28th.

Host for EYC meals are Sept 20th-**Hancock**, Oct 4th **Hickman**, Oct 11th **Colman**, October 18th **Baker**, and October 25th **Cooper**

Grace Notes

Wow! What a September we are having with music at Grace. I have 5 talented new members (three of which are men!), 18 total singers and lots of enthusiasm. We are so blessed to have such a dedicated group making beautiful music each week. It is a real commitment and I thank them for this. Please let them know how much YOU appreciate them!

We are hard at work on the resurrected 'Music of the Night' concert. The choir and I are pulling out all the stops (literally) for this beloved Halloween community event. Jane Gray Sullivan will be returning along with other gifted readers. Our special guests will be The Dixielanders New Orleans Jazz Quartet, sharing the best of their Basin Street blues with us. This will be on October 29th at 8:15 in the evening. Watch for our posters and tell your friends!

Soli Deo Gloria

Bill

EVERYONE INVITED!!!

Dinner for Bishop Henderson and Leadership Training Day

October 16 and 17

Carolina First Center, Greenville, SC

Dinner for Dorsey

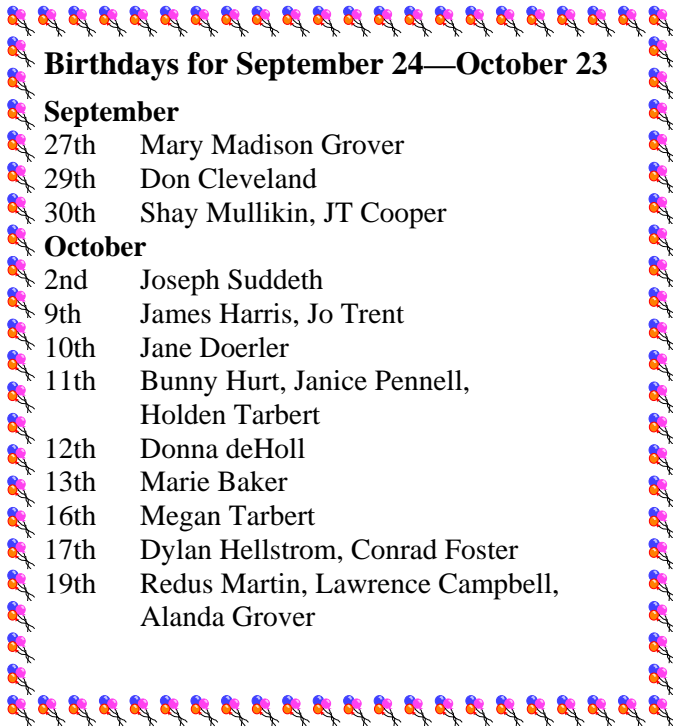
Friday, October 16—A gala dinner, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and topped off by an Episcopal "roast" full of surprises.

Leadership Training

Saturday, October 17—A full day of inspiring worship and hands-on workshops and programs for all ages.

Register by Friday, September 25, and be eligible to win an original painting by award-winning Upper SC artist Roger Hutchison. Register online www.edusc.org/Celebration

MILESTONES & MEMORIALS



Birthdays for September 24—October 23

September

- 27th Mary Madison Grover
- 29th Don Cleveland
- 30th Shay Mullikin, JT Cooper

October

- 2nd Joseph Suddeth
- 9th James Harris, Jo Trent
- 10th Jane Doerler
- 11th Bunny Hurt, Janice Pennell, Holden Tarbert
- 12th Donna deHoll
- 13th Marie Baker
- 16th Megan Tarbert
- 17th Dylan Hellstrom, Conrad Foster
- 19th Redus Martin, Lawrence Campbell, Alanda Grover

“Our Prayers are asked for:

Healing: Doni Rhinehart, Julie Kent, Stuart M. Barnes, Caroline Goodkind, John Bostater, Karlann Bostater, Dotti D’ambrosio, Clarence and Martha Smith, Bob Thomas, David Getsinger, Scott Shuey, Margie Osburn, Jill Austin, Horace B. Bladon, Bill Cheshire.

Expectant Families: Luke & Rives Lucas, Matthias & Karen Kloeck, Matthew & Lauren Cheek.

MISSION STATEMENT

Grace Episcopal Church proclaims and celebrates the word and sacrament that God in Christ embraces the world.

Wanted...

Are you
A writer?
A graphic artist?
A creative person?
A person with good ideas?
A person with marketing or sales skills?
If so, we need your help!
If you care about helping us “**Grow**” **Grace Episcopal Church...**
Then please volunteer to help the Grow Grace Episcopal Church Ministry call (864) 225-8011.

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Monthly Stewardship Report for August

Budget for 2009	\$ 303,409
Needed Monthly	\$ 25,284
Received August	\$ 23,451
Received through August (including prepaids)	\$ 202,869
Needed through August	\$ 202,272
Diocese Assessment for 2009	\$ 51,698
Assessment Paid through August	\$ 30,728

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