

St. Michael Lutheran Church

News & Events

May 25, 2018

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: May 28, Dona Scott-Hober; May 29, Catherine Finley, Elizabeth Freeman, Greg Koch; May 31, Elaine Finley, Stephanie Henikman, Anna Montjoy, Emily Reid, Kaley Webster; June 1, Brandy Bocchino, Andy Celinskis, Emery Foreman, Cynthia Trout; June 2, Irvalee Fisher, Peter Strub. We rejoice that you are living and serving among us in faith and discipleship!

IT IS OUR JOY AND PRIVILEGE AS THE CHURCH IN THIS PLACE to administer the Sacrament of Holy Baptism to ***Margaret Williams Forrester*** infant daughter of Jeff & Sarah Forrester, sister to Dewey and Henson, granddaughter to Keith & Cynthia Trout, and great grand-daughter to Dewey Williams. Serving as Baptismal Sponsors are Matt and Jessica Wofford, while The Schultz family are serving as Congregational Representatives and will present the Faith Chest. As God today names and claims "**RETT,**" we remember God has likewise named and claimed us, and we renew our commitment to "walk wet" each day in the covenant of our Baptism!

CHARLIE NEEDS THE SUMMER OFF! Since September, Charlie has played and directed over 80 anthems/offertories. His well has run dry! His muse needs recharging! There is nothing that would better help this situation than to have all our talented members pick up the baton and provide our congregation with great summer music. Please, contact him, Mary Lee Mowry or any other member of Worship and Music to schedule a Sunday during the offertory. Just to let you know, this does not mean that Charlie will be unable to accompany any of you. Collaboration is a wonderful way for him to recharge!

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION GOLF TOURNAMENT: Sunday, June 24 at 1:00 PM at Legacy Pines. Cost is \$65.00. If you would like to play, please contact Dorsey Finn with any questions. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex or respond to this email.

OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS TODAY!!! We will have **one Sunday service at 10:00 am**, through Labor Day weekend. **OUR SUMMER LEARNING MINISTRY "GIFT"**– will begin *Sunday, June 3 at 9:00 AM* in the Fellowship Hall. We will not meet 6/10 or 6/17.

WE SHARE IN THE JOY OF HOPE AND CRAIG FOSTER at the birth of their daughter, ***Reagan Leigh Foster*** born on Monday, May 21. Proud grandparents are Luci and Linwood Floyd. We thank God for His gracious gift of new life!

ARE YOU OR A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR GRADUATE SCHOOL THIS SPRING/SUMMER?

Your church family would like to know! Please email Stacey Anders as soon as possible with the details, sanders@stmichaelca.org. We would like to honor all of our graduates during worship sometime in June!

2018 SC WELCA CONVENTION PROJECT to benefit Love One Another Campaign through Lutheran Services Carolinas three programs: Refugee Services, Host Homes-Individuals with Developmental and/or Intellectual Disabilities, and Transitioning Out of Foster Care. There is a box in the Gathering Area along with lists of the items we are collecting. Our 2018 Global Project is to raise \$10,000 to replace furnishings for the Tanzania Girl's Dormitories that were damaged by fire. Please make checks payable to SC WELCA. June 3rd is the last day for donations. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Fulmer at 864-855-3212.

THE DAY OF BLESSING AND THANKSGIVING FOR PASTOR ELISE and her family and their ministry among us is scheduled for June 10. Information has been printed and emailed, and details are still being developed. Emily Bugay is coordinating this effort on behalf of our congregation. Please be attentive to how you need to participate to invite God into this challenging time of many emotions.

SUMMER WORSHIP IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE MUSICAL GIFTS from others in our congregation as our choirs take a sabbatical. Please contact our Music Director, Charlie Jones, or the W&M Team to coordinate. Thanks!

BUILDING COMMUNITY AT ST. MICHAEL'S IS ONE WAY we embody the transformative potential promised in Pentecost's outpouring of God's Holy Spirit. How can YOU build community here in our congregation? How do you **NEED** to be built into community here? How can we work together to accomplish this prayerful desire of Jesus for us? There is no secret. Ministry is always done by people who want to do ministry, and who invite Jesus to work alongside them.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS: Shipwrecked Rescue by Jesus, June 18-22 from 9am-12pm. Contact Karen Street karenkstreet@charter.net for any questions. LCY will be attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX the end of June, so VBS has been scheduled ***a week earlier than usual.***

ITS JUST 26 DAYS UNTIL THE HOUSTON YOUTH GATHERING! OUR GROUP WILL FLY OUT OF GSP on Wednesday, June 27, to gather with 30,000 Lutheran high school students under the theme **“This Changes Everything,”** based on a text from Ephesians 2. Funding is nearing its goal; these young adults and their leaders continue working very hard to provide this opportunity, and to leave a “nest egg” for the group attending the 2021 Gathering (location yet to be announced). ***In the SC Synod, there are 650 people registered. For the Gathering as a whole, there are just over 30,200 people registered.*** Please begin lifting in prayer the 15 LCY members who will be participating: Adam Monn, Allyn Hickey, Anna Rush Schultz, Emma Street, Gabrielle LeBel, Isaac Fisher, John Wallace Schultz, Kaileigh Wallace, Kaley Webster, Kirsten Lanning, Lauren Simpson, Maren Hester, Reid Schultz, Savannah Varney, and Zach Monteith.

FROM OUR CHURCH COUNCIL: We have decided to discontinue the use of VANCO as an online payment solution for St Michael. The link to online giving which would direct you to VANCO has also been disabled from our St Michael web site. The reason is twofold: One is there was not a lot of users for this on line giving solution. Second: The cost to the Church and the accounting necessary to account for the fees associated with VANCO usage was not cost effective or a good use of our Church’s human resources. So, the availability of on line giving using a credit card or draft from your checking or savings account using VANCO has been discontinued as of May 15th. An alternate solution is to set up a bill pay account with your local bank and have checks for your giving sent to St Michael. We have found that a number of congregational members already use this cost free alternative. If you choose to set up an on line bill pay account then please use the following address for our church and remember to place your member number and what fund other than regular giving you wish the funds to be applied. Address for your bill pay account: St Michael Lutheran Church, 2619 Augusta St, Greenville, SC 29605. Please contact Ronney Dixon if you have further questions about setting up your bill pay account on line with your local bank.

WE LIFT IN PRAYER OUR ANNUAL SC SYNOD ASSEMBLY as it convenes this Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Columbia. Reports of Assembly actions will be available online at scsynod.com.

TODAY’S FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY CELEBRATES the community of relationships within God’s Own Self, and the many and various ways God enters relationship with us. To have God’s Name upon us is to live in community!

PLEASE SPEAK TO SOMEONE YOU DO NOT KNOW BEFORE YOU SPEAK to someone you already know. Thus, you embody Christ’s mission to make “outsiders” insiders, and you express the living community God is always working to create among God’s Own People!

YOUTH MINISTRY

CRAWL Youth Group (Birth - 3 YEARS & Parents)

No Meeting

Young Youth (K4 – 5th Grade)

No Meeting Sunday

LCY (6th – 12th Grade)

No Meeting Sunday

LCY Fundraiser at American Burger Co.

THIS Wednesday, May 30th

5:00 – 8:00 PM

301 East McBee Avenue

Greenville, SC 29301

RENT A YOUTH: Ongoing till June

*Spring Cleaning *Babysitting

*Yard work *House cleaning

*Pet Sitting/Walking *Party Preparation

*Pick up your mail & water plants

Youth will have an adult assisting them. Any donations will be welcome.

Please contact Karen Street (864-630-5426).

Y'ALL: Young Adults Living Lutheran

Join us again on May 30th.

Dinner and Childcare provided weekly!!!

See Heather Hester for details and check out our **FACEBOOK** page.

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Thirsty Thursdays

COME. FELLOWSHIP. BE FED.

Do you consider yourself a “Young Adult”?

Are you looking for an intentional faith group & good friends?

Do you need a break from your regular weekly routine?

Do you want a place where you can stay connected to Jesus, have a support network within the church, & have meaningful conversation about faith & life in a casual social setting?

Then **JOIN US** for *Thirsty Thursdays*

We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

Join us again Thursday, June 14th, Location TBA

See Emily Bugay or check out our page on **FACEBOOK** for info.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

A "FAITH 5" VERSE

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

John 3:16

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day

THE CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

12- Step Group 7:30 pm

Tuesday, May 29

AA 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 30

Bible Study 10:30 am

Y'ALL 6:00 pm

New Creation Worship Service 6:00 pm

Chancel Choir 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 31

Breakfast Together 8:30 am

Nursing Mothers' Support Group 12:00 pm

AA 7:00 pm

Al-Anon 8:00 pm

Friday, June 1

Saturday, June 2

Sunday, June 3

CRAWL 9:00am

GIFT Faith Formation 9:00 am

ONE Worship Service 10:00 am

YY & LCY No Meeting

Lessons for June 3, 2018

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Psalm 81:1-10

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Mark 2:23--3:6