

# The Disciple

A Monthly Publication of St. Jude's Church

"The purpose of St. Jude's Church is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by proclaiming through words, actions and love the Good News of God in Christ; to provide for spiritual growth and to minister, with love, to the needs of this congregation and to all people."

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Pastor Stu Weber writes about Ryan, the youngest of his three sons. "Ryan is the third of three boys. The first two are high-powered; the third is not any less highpowered, but he's the third out of three. By the time vou've had a brother who's All-Conference this and another brother who's All-Conference that, there's not much left for you to do. As a father, I worried about our caboose. He is the most sensitive out of the three. To encourage him, I spent a lot of time with him in the outdoors – camping, fishing, hunting. Anybody who has spent time in the outdoors knows that a pocketknife is essential gear – the person with the best blade gets the job done. So whenever you're setting up camp, you're always looking for the knife. Ryan had a pocketknife that became his identity. His older brothers always had to ask him to use the knife as we were setting up camp. That became his status in the tribe. He was the man with the blade. My birthday came around one year, and my family was planning a party for me. Earlier in the afternoon Ryan walked into my office at home where I was studying. At first I didn't hear him; I felt him - I could sense his presence – and I turned around. He had chosen this moment because he wanted to give me a birthday present but not at the birthday party. He wanted it to be just me and him. He handed me a present, and I opened it – it was his knife."

Ryan expressed his love for his father by giving his father something that was very important to him. In contrast to the story of Pastor Weber and his son Ryan, in the world we live in today, we do a lot of impersonal exchanging of money for services. We drive up to a fast food window and place our order by speaking to a machine not a person. The food in the restaurant was shipped from somewhere else and is prepared by someone we don't know. We don't get the food handed

to us until we give our money to someone who didn't prepare it. It's fast but it's impersonal. The process is repeated for the next person in line and the one after that and after that. Giving a portion of our money back to God is different. It's more like the interaction between Ryan and his Dad. Giving a portion of our money to God to sustain the ministry of the church of which Jesus is the head and through which the Holy Spirit operates in a unique way is a personal thing and a holy thing. It's why we bring what we place in the offering plates up to the altar and I say this prayer every Sunday "Lord, we thank you for these gifts; may we use them to glorify you."

We live in a culture that has absolutely no sense of the holy - probably because holiness can't be manufactured or marketed or manipulated or proven. God alone has the patent and the copyright. Another aspect of the story of Pastor Weber and Ryan is that Ryan's dad didn't need the pocketknife. But the giving of the pocketknife somehow changed and blessed their relationship at some level - Ryan in the giving and his Dad in the receiving. If you currently do not make a financial pledge – pray about it and consider making one. I guarantee it will change you from a consumer, pay as you go mentality, to a more mature relationship with God as your trust grows. If you have been pledging the same amount for years and do not tithe consider working towards the tithe as an expression of your love for God by giving something important. There's just something about giving generously to the Lord that is righteous and holy and good.

> Faithfully, Bob+



Adult Choir Rehearsals in Music Room from 6:40-7:30 on Wedenesdays, October 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> and from 6:00-7:30pm on Wednesdays, October 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. On Sundays, rehearsals are from 9:35-10:15am in Music Room. Take time to rehearse and sing with us as we prepare music for October and November as well as Advent and Christmas. If you are unable to regularly rehearse, contact David Martin, organist-choirmaster, at 843-599-0102 or dmartin@colletonsd.org. Music can be given to you so that you may rehearse privately.

Children's Choir meets on Sunday mornings from 9:15-9:30am.

#### Hymn Story: For All the Saints (Hymn #287)

What is a saint? The Apostle Paul often speaks of *hagioi*—a word that means "holy ones," but is usually translated "saints" in our English-language Bibles. Paul writes "To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints" (Romans 1:7; see also 1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1). It is clear from Paul's usage that he intends *hagioi* — "holy ones"— "saints"— to mean the people of God.

Saints are people who have been "sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ" (Hebrews 10:10). We don't use that word, sanctified, very often, but it comes from the word *hagios*. Sanctified means "made holy." When the author of Hebrews says that we have been "sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ," he simply means that Jesus Christ has made us holy. That doesn't mean that Jesus has made us holy—set us apart to a Godly purpose—called us to live holy lives.

As saints, we are linked to each other by our faith in Christ. The New Testament speaks of Christians as brothers and sisters, so we are one family in Christ. We are blood relatives of Godly people from other races and nations (the blood that connects us is the blood of Christ). We are blood relatives of Godly people who lived long ago—and of those who will come after us.

Bishop William How wrote the hymn, "For All the Saints," in 1864 for All Saints Day, a day meant to honor departed saints, whether known or unknown. This hymn, then, celebrates the saints who went before us—"who from their labors rest." It tells how God sustained them through difficult times—strengthened them to battle evil—brought them light in their darkest days.

And it offers a prayer for the saints of today—for us and for our children. It says, "O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old." And it paints a picture of the saints of all times streaming through the Pearly Gates in countless numbers, "Singing to the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!"

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## SUNDAY BREAKFAST at ST. JUDE'S



Would like to thank everyone in advance for taking time to help out with this ministry. Also remind them to pick up key for building sometime during the week before they need it.

THANKS,

#### Dana

#### **OCTOBER**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe & Ileen Grange Harvey Nichols
- 9<sup>th</sup> Jack & Toni Jackson Peter Martin
- 16<sup>th</sup> Paul & Sue Yin Hinson Colleen Marion
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Bob and Katie Smith Glenn & Patricia Utsey Madison Utsey
- 30<sup>th</sup> HALLOWEEN YOUTH GROUP

#### DIOCESAN CHURCH WOMEN

- Planning Committee will
  meet to draft calendar,
  committees and projects for 2017 year. Plans will
  be presented at November Women's meeting.
- Next meeting of the Women is rescheduled to November 1st. Shoeboxes will be filled for Operation Christmas Child.
- **A Gathering of Women**: *The If Conference 2016* October 21-22, St. Paul's, Summerville

St. Paul's, Summerville, is hosting an inspiring two-day gathering aimed at bringing women together to humbly seek God, be equipped and empowered to better live out God's calling on their lives as they wrestle with essential questions of faith.

The event will feature recorded video teachings from the *IF: Gathering 2016* held this past February in Austin, Tx, with gifted Bible teachers and authors such as Jennie Allen, Jo Saxton, Lauren Chandler, Shelly Giglio and Jen Hatmaker.

Allison Lawrence, co-chair of our Diocesan Women and wife of Bishop Mark Lawrence, will also share about the challenging call we have as Christian women to stand firm on our faith in a world that has seemingly lost it's way.

The Gathering will include live worship, prayer, teaching, small group discussion, fellowship and what promises to be a powerful concluding Communion service on Saturday afternoon.

Friday, October 21, 5:30 to 9 pm and Saturday, October 22, 9 am to 5 pm

The cost is \$20 which will cover materials, snacks and lunch by Parish House Catering on Saturday.

Register at www.dioceseofsc.org



#### DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

- The DOK meets on the first Sunday of each month at 9AM in the Vestry Room in Skardon Hall.
- The only requirement for membership is a commitment to prayer and serving our Lord!
- If you are interested in learning more about DOK, a study/training for new members will start on the second Sunday in October.
- If you have an interest and would like to begin the discernment process please join us at the September meeting which will be on *Sunday*, *October 9*.
- For more information, or contact Ann Walters (843) 560-0710, or Marianne Holmes, (843) 844-8400.



#### PARISH FAMILIES MINISTERED TO...

... Karen and Dennis Hinen, ... Hazel and Mitch Witsell

We try to have an ongoing Food/Flower/Card/Soup Ministry and we feel bad when we do not know or find out late about a need in our church family. Please be certain to contact the church office and let us know of a need in our parish family whether it's a meal or a visit from the Rector.



#### **BIBLE STUDY GROUPS**

(If your group is not listed please call the church office 549-1050)

**Women's Bible Study** - The Monday night Women's Bible Study meets from 6-7:30PM. The group will be discussing the "Sayings of Jesus." Please contact Debbie Jones, 866-7735.

#### **Adult Christian Education -**

Beginning on September 21, then September 28, October 5 and 12, there will be Wednesday night parish dinners with a video/teaching following.

Wednesday Evenings at 5:30-6PM for dinner followed by 6-6:30PM for the video.

"Before Amen: The Power of a Simple Prayer," By Max Lucado

9/21

Food: Italian Food prepared by the Choir Session 1: Father, You Are Good

9/28

Food: Chili, salad, cornbread prepared by the Vestry Session 2: *I Need Help* 

10/5

Food: Soup and Salad prepared by Women's Group Session 3: *They Need Help* 

10/12

Food: Tacos prepared by the Daughters of the King Session 4: *Thank You* 



Those who are contact persons for the various programs and schedules in the parish, please be working on the schedules for the 2017 Parish Handbook. We plan to have the handbook ready for disbursement by the end of December 2016.

Please submit your schedules now, but no later than November 17, 2016. Thank you for all your help in getting this important project completed for the upcoming year.



.... to this past month's Breakfast Volunteers:

...To those who are helping to keep the food pantry stocked, bags made and brought to the closet, and giving out the food for assistance cases.

...Martie and Erwin Hooker and committee for hosting Good Fridays.

#### **OCTOBER**

- 1 Margie Williams
- 4 Mary Elizabeth Lewis
- 4 Bonita Cheney
- 10 Randy Morgan
- 11 Nan Steadman
- 12 Doug Wright
- 13 Heather Tuten
- 14 Beth Smith
- 14 Reeves Schrimpf



- 16 Jim Lewis
- 18 Tracy Johnston
- 21 Cathy Bell
- 24 Vicky Schrimpf
- 29 Deron Smith
- 30 Emily Bridges
- 30 Walter Haynes
- 31 Will Lewis

#### **VESTRY NOTES**

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income

 Open Plate
 1,703.70
 1,750.00
 13,326.65
 14,000.00

 Pledge
 9,600.00
 15,076.67
 106,375.00
 120,613.33

 Other
 0.00
 250.00
 1,010.30
 2,000.00

As far as Income, the Open Plate and Pledges were up for the month of July but down year to date. Expenses, year to date, are under budget as of July 31, 2016. presented and explained information about the possibility and process involved if the Diocese votes to affiliate with the Anglican Church in North America. He will offer several meetings to do the same with the parish and answer people's questions. Kathie Smith reports that she and Martie Hooker had scheduled the first Good Friday to be held on Friday, September 9th at Erwin and Martie Hooker's house. Three other Good Fridays could be scheduled as follows: Winter - Oyster Roast, Spring - Picnic, Summer - Pool Party. Scott Harvin reported that the committee had started planning for the Thanksgiving meal. The Whale of a Sale was planned for September 24th. Proceeds from the sale will go towards paying for the Thanksgiving meal. Julia Waddell reported that the youth, along with Marianne, Charles, Toni and Kathie Smith had helped the Hands of Christ Ministry of Bethel Presbyterian on July 30th distribute school supplies and uniforms to 250+ students in Colleton County.

#### Vestry Notes for July 11, 2016

Our main issue at the present time is the short fall in pledges. On the good side, all our expenses have been paid. Bob Smith mentioned two special related projects that he has been working on an Endowment Fund and a Memorial Garden. Four families attended the GrandCamp week that was sponsored by the Diocese of SC at Camp St. Christopher (June 20-24). It was a great experience for both grandparents and grandchildren. Regarding the landscaping of the back parking lot this project could be funded from the Capital Fund Improvements account. He projected the expense would be in the range of \$5,000.00 to \$8,000.00. Jack Jackson also reported that he is expecting to hear from the painters this week as to when they can get started with the exterior painting of the parish hall. Fr. Bob reported that plans are being made for a short week-night study with a dinner as we have had in the past. The first day of Vacation Bible School went well with about 35 to 40 children in attendance.



#### ST. JUDE'S VETERANS' FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, October 20 6:30PM in Skardon Hall. Please RSVP: 843-217-9248

4th Thursday Female Veterans' Fellowship Thursday, October 27, at 7:30PM



"FEARLESS GENEROSITY" Stewardship 2017

Stewardship season is in full swing. Do you have the courage to exhibit "Fearless Generosity"? Make plans to come to Stewardship Sunday on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Stewardship packets for 2017 will be distributed after the 8:00am and 10:30am services with special refreshments being served on our church grounds following the 10:30am service. Come and pick up your packet so that you can make your commitment and return it at either of our upcoming Gratitude Sundays – October 9<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup>.



St. Jude's Blessing of the Animals, 4pm behind the church Open Plate Offering goes to the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

Stewardship Sunday

Wednesday night parish dinner, 5:30-6PM for dinner followed by 6-6:30PM for the video. "Before Amen: The Power of a Simple Prayer," Session 3: *They Need Help.* Soup and salad prepared by Women's Group

- 9 **Gratitude Sunday**
- 9 **Daughters of the King**, 9AM (*Note: Date Change*)
- 10 Vestry Meeting, 5:30 PM
- Wednesday night parish dinner, 5:30-6PM for dinner followed by 6-6:30PM for the video.

  "Before Amen: The Power of a Simple Prayer," Session 4: Thank you. Amen"

  Tacos prepared by the Daughters of the King
- 16 **Gratitude Sunday**
- 16 **Pantry Sunday**
- 24-26 **Diocesan Clergy Conference** at Camp St. Christopher
- 20 Submissions deadline for Disciple
- Bishop Lawrence visitation. Reception following 10:30AM service (*one service only at 10:30*) coordinated by Women of St. Jude's.
- Fall Carnival & Trunk of Treat, 5-7PM.



#### ST. JUDE'S FALL CARNIVAL October 23rd 5-7PM

Fall Carnival & Trunk or Treat will be on Sunday, October 23rd this year.



#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Sunday, October 2 4:00 PM Behind the church



#### THANKSGIVING FEAST

Luke tells us that Jesus said: "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do they may invite you back and so you will be

repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." We hope this scripture will add the perspective you need to participate in St Jude's Thanksgiving program. We will be telling how you can help in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!



Tuesday, October 25th Hosted by the Men of St. Jude's

The Men of St. Jude's will host an Oktoberfest meal on Tuesday evening, October 25th. Traditional German recipes will be served - perhaps with some traditional German beverages. Bavarian dress is encouraged, but optional. Pre-event reservations are a must, so look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex of the church.

Make plans now to come for a great time!!

#### YOUTH GROUP NEWS





#### **MONDO**

October 28-30, 2016

Mondo is an exciting weekend for middle school students that presents the gospel and helps students grow together in their faith. Youth groups come to Mondo to engage dynamic worship, hear from lively speakers, and enjoy energetic activities.

This year Ken and Julie

Moser will be our speakers and will speak to the theme of "Follow" looking at the call of Jesus in the gospels. The Birdsongs will return to lead worship and provide other music.



#### YOUTH SUPPER VOLUNTEERS

The following parishioners have volunteered to prepare supper for the Youth group on Wednesday nights during the month of October

5	Julia Waddell	549-2770
12	Bethel Presbyterian	
19	Laurens Hall	549-6241
26	Martie & Erwin Hooker	893-2454

If you would like to volunteer to prepare a meal for the Youth group please contact Marianne Holmes @ 844-8400.



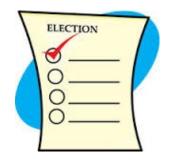
Do you feel your child is ready to receive Holy Communion? Please let Fr. Bob know. He will talk with you about arranging some times to meet with them immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service in the church. He will teach them what we believe about receiving Holy Communion. Also, if your child

has already begun receiving Holy Communion and you would like them to receive instruction from Fr. Bob they are welcome to come to these sessions, too.



Did you know that an audio recording of sermons preached each Sunday can be found on the St. Jude's website? Simply go to www.stjudeswalterboro.com then click and on"Sermons".

### VESTRY ELECTION AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES



It is not too early to be thinking of both future Vestry members as well as delegates to our next Diocesan Convention. Names of prospective nominees need to be given to outgoing Vestry members Paul Pye, Tracy Johnston, Scott Harvin, or Margie Williams, so that the vetting can take place prior to the December 4, 2016 meeting.

#### St. Jude's Church

The Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina

St. Jude's has worship services

#### Sunday at

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

#### Wednesdays at

12 noon Holy Eucharist 5:30 p.m. Youth Group

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#### The Lord Jesus Christ,

Head of the Church
The Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence, Bishop
The Rev. Bob Horowitz, Rector
David Martin, Organist/Choirmaster
Bob Smith, Parish Treasurer
Lisa Marsh, Parish Administrator

#### **Vestry Members**

Margie Williams, Senior Warden '16
Jack Jackson, Junior Warden '18
Paul Pye, Fellowship '16
Tracy Johnston, Pastoral Care '16
Scott Harvin, Outreach '16
Gilda Barnwell, DCW '17
Anthony Herndon, Finance & Stewardship '17
Charlotte Valentine, Christian Education '17
Byron Lee, Evangelism '17
Marvin Jones, Memorial '18
Kathie Smith, Fellowship '18
Julia Waddell, Youth '18

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Return Service Requested

#### A PRAYER FOR ST. JUDE'S

O heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern St. Jude's by your Holy Spirit, that in our goals, our plans and our actions, we might always seek and heed your voice, follow your guidance, and pursue that course of action which will build your Church, and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.