



The Mustard Seed

Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church, Clarkesville, Georgia
August 2010

Greetings from Rector

Beloved of Grace-Calvary,

The sign of a really bad journey or a wonderfully complete one is that you are glad to be home. My three months away on sabbatical were rich and varied – quiet retreat time, joyful marriage and honeymoon, trips to reconnect with loved ones – all of which we will look forward to sharing with you soon.

I remember an episode of *The Andy Griffith Show* in which Aunt Bea is away on a trip. Anticipating her return, Andy and Opie work hard to clean up the house before she gets home. Then they worry that she'll not feel needed if everything is tidy, so they mess it up again!



I was curious about what would happen during my absence from Grace-Calvary. What would keep running like clockwork? Where would new energy emerge? What might cease? What might change?

One thing I found when I returned was that my office, which I had tidied up before I left, stayed neat and void of piles for three months! I'd love to see that continue! Kidding aside, what I came home to was evidence of our parish community life going on with love, devotion, and vision.

You worshipped and celebrated. You embraced Jim Clarke who served as your priest. You took good care of one another. You kept the church running smoothly – from planting new flowers to handling the finances. Deep gratitude goes to John

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Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church is open to all people for communion with God and each other in Christ. Within and beyond this historic Church, we strive to do God's work: nurturing our spirits, reaching out to those in need, and valuing and caring for the diversity of God's creation.

Cantwell in his leadership as senior warden, Walton Smith as junior warden, our vestry, Todd Blandin our parish administrator, and all the faithful who make up this body of Christ.

God's blessings abound,

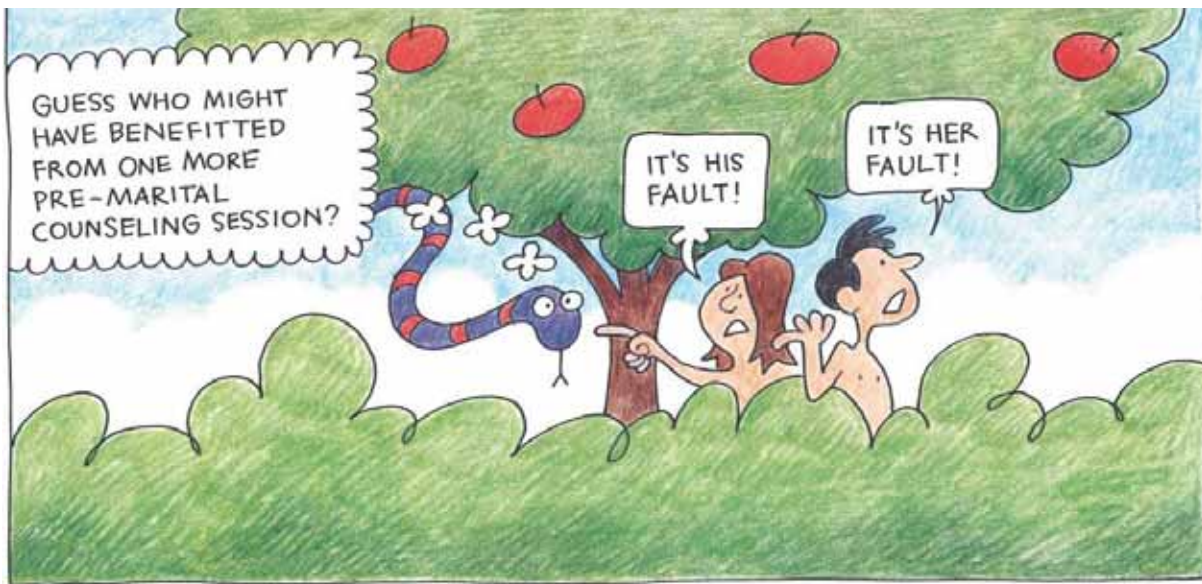
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“Dearly beloved,”

The wedding reception arranged for us was a wonderful welcome home. You have blessed us in many ways. We thank you for a lovely celebration and your generous love offering as we begin our new life together.

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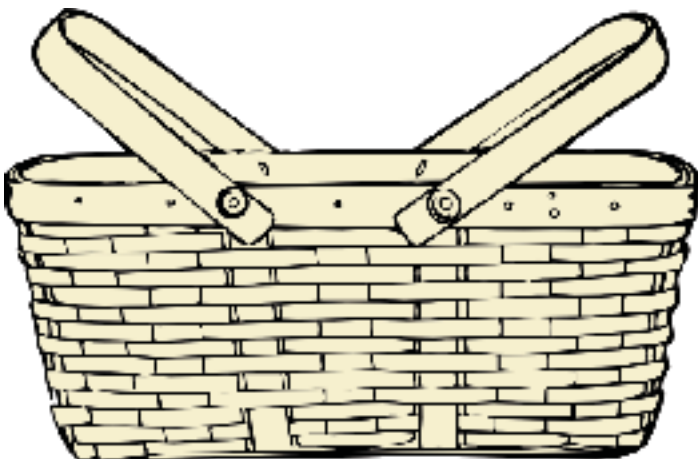
Deadline to submit an article for the Mustard Seed is the 15th of each month.

Prayers of the People

Please keep these people in your prayers.

They are prayed for by name at each Wednesday morning Healing Service. If you wish to add someone to this prayer list, please call the church office at 706-754-2451. Most people are kept on this list for four weeks. If after four weeks the person is still in need of prayer, please call the office and give us an up- date.

Abarmescu, Christina; family member of Sandy Robson	Lewis-Owens, Laura; friend of Nancy Kollock	Smith, Caleb; friend of Jenna Graham
Adams, Nancy	Jones, Barbara	Smith, Mark; friend of John Cantwell
Aldis, Bob; friend of Graham Dellinger	McKinnon family; friends of Barrie Aycock	Smith, Rae; daughter of Gene & Marty Smith
Beech, Miles	Memel, Harriet; mother of Anne Short	Spears, Michael; friend of Sandy Bunce
Gallucci, Vincent, grandson of Jean Chance	Murray, Nancy Butts; family member of Michelle Wetherbee	Tanner, Betsy & family; friends of John Andrews
Hamberger, Carl; step-father of Michelle Wetherbee	Perrow, Barbara; friend of Marge Felder	Taylor, Barbara
Hatfield, Austin; friend of Candy Davis	Rose, Pam; friend of Jim & Kathy Shields	Trafton, Donna; friend of Sandy Robson
Kachinsky, Hank; son-in-law of Dorothy Perry	Smessaert, Sharon	Waters, Mary; friend of Linda Jordan
Kahle, John Sr.; father of John Kahle		Woronowski, Tony



Parish Mid-Year Picnic

Sunday, August 8th – on the Parish House Grounds following the mid-year parish meeting, which is after the 10:00 service. Details will come later, plan to bring a dish to share and a chair!

August 2010

Weekly Events

Sundays: (August 1, 8)
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
8:00 p.m. AA (SJH)

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8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
10:15 a.m. Sunday School (August 22, 29)
11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II w/choir
8:00 p.m. AA (SJH)

Mondays:
10:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Mondays- Joyful Hands (SJH)
5:00 p.m. B-Fit (SJH)
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (SJH)

Tuesdays:
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting (SJHC)

Wednesdays:
10:30 a.m. Healing Service
11:30 a.m. DOK (SJH)
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (POCR)
(beginning Aug. 18)
7:30 p.m. AA (SJH)

Thursdays:
5:00 p.m. B-Fit Fitness (SJH)

Fridays:
8:00 p.m. AA (SJH)

Saturdays:
10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (POFR)
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (SJH)

Legend

POCR – Parish Office Choir Room
POFR – Parish Office Family Room
SJH – Saint Julian Hall
SJHC – Saint Julian Hall Classroom
SJHU – Saint Julian Hall Undercroft

Other Events

Aug. 1 11:00 a.m. Adult Acolyte training

Aug. 2 6:00 p.m. Outreach (POFR)

Aug. 5 5:00 p.m. Foothills Board Meeting (POFR)
GC Youth
Fundraiser at Friday Night Flicks

Aug. 6

Aug. 7 10:00 a.m. Youth Acolyte training, followed by Acolyte Fun day at the Greshams

Aug. 8 10:00 a.m. Service in SJH
Blessing of backpacks, teachers, Youth trip mission

11:00 a.m. Mid-year Parish meeting

11:45 a.m. Parish picnic

2:00 p.m. Catecumanate

Aug. 10 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (SJH)

Aug. 13 7:30 p.m. Grace Notes Concert

Aug. 15 10:15 a.m. Sundae Sunday (SJH)

12:30 p.m. Catecumanate

Resume 3 Services

Aug. 16 6:00 p.m. Vestry meeting (POFR)

Aug. 19 6:00 p.m. Mythological Roundtable (POFR)

Aug. 20 11:30 a.m. Daytime Foyers (SJH)

Aug. 22 9:15 a.m. Stephen Ministry (SJH)

Aug. 22 10:00 a.m. Resume Adult Sunday School

12:30 p.m. Catecumanate

Aug. 26 1:00 p.m. Foothills Cancer Support (POCR)

Aug. 29 12:30 p.m. Catecumanate

Let Us Celebrate

August Birthdays

- 1 Don Harrison
- 2 Jim Loring
Jami Pederson
- 4 Barbara Schick, Clair Langmaid
- 6 Kathy Lovell
- 7 Jane Brice
- 8 Tina Smith
- 10 Mike Hunter, Avery Kendall
- 11 Karen Calloway, Ansley Dundore
- 12 Walker Whited
- 13 Bob Parker
- 14 Katherine Tench, Billy Shireves
- 16 Heather Garrett, Johnnie Garrett,
Erik Sheker
- 17 Linda Keen
- 19 Jennifer Tench

- 20 David James Todd
- 21 Cooper Donnelly
- 24 Richard Webb, Tom Gunter
- 25 Pamela Rand, Ann Singer
- 27 Lyndsey Perry, Matthew Mixon
- 29 Susan Johnston

August Anniversaries

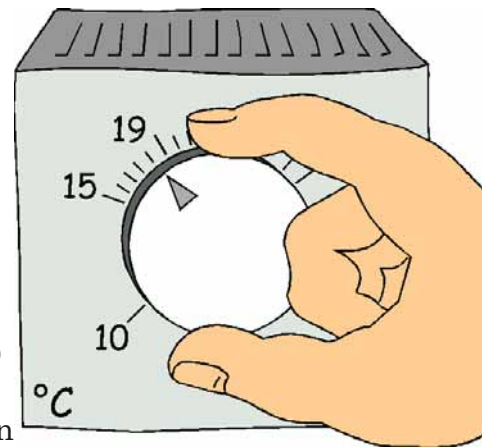
- 2 Holly & Sam White
- 4 Denis & Kay Gauthier
- 8 Tommy & Kathy Walker
- 13 Michael & Kathleen McDuffie
- 15 Mike & Martha Hunter
- 17 John Cantwell & Rosann Kent
- 18 Leslie & Margaret Parsons
James & Elsie Sumner

Creation Keepers

Now that you have paid your monthly bills, go back and look at your electrical bill. HEMC does not generate electricity; it purchases it from other generating companies. Georgia Power generates its own electricity with water (less than 5%), coal, natural gas and nuclear. Your electricity is considered non-renewable. Therefore it is a pollutant unless you have solar panels or a windmill, .

Let us not get side tracked into the environment, we are concerned with MONEY. April and May had mild temperatures and should give us a good idea about how much electricity (kWh) was used before A/C. We were able to take advantage of the cool nights by opening our windows, thus lowering the temperature in the house from our 78 degrees to the low 70's. You were probably able to get the temperature to the 60's if you have an attic fan. After closing up the house in the morning, you should be able to enjoy a cool house without A/C until supper.

Look at your electric bills. How much was it, and how many kWh did you use? The summer rates started on June first. They jumped about .04 cents per kWh. This increase is to encourage you to use less electricity at a time when you will want to use more. So keep that thermostat set at 78 degrees when you get home from work, don't try to cool the house like you did the office or the car. If you or the kids think 78 is hot then go outside and work or play in the yard for a while. You will be surprised how nice 78 feels.





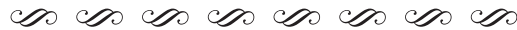
July Daytime Foyer Meal

Our next daytime foyer meal will be on August 20 at 11:30 a.m. in St. Julian Hall.



Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church

Heritage Festival



October 15-16, 2010

The success of the 2010 Heritage Festival this October is imperative. The Festival generates more awareness of the church in the community than any other activity, and the revenue it generates supports our mission.

We need your help as the date for the Festival coming fast. Our primary needs are listed below. Please take a look at them, and contact the appropriate person if you can help with anything on the lists.

Auction Contributions Needed:

- ∞ Time at a vacation home or time-share--these are BIG money items.
- ∞ Certificates from local restaurants, businesses, services--the more the better.
- ∞ Home-cooked 'Theme Meals' for 4 - 6 people or maybe offer to host a children's birthday party--this is excellent fellowship time too!
- ∞ Art work such as original paintings, prints, pottery, needle and fiber crafts--we have so many talented artists at Grace-Calvary.
- ∞ Certificates such as lawn care, baby sitting, cleaning, tutoring younger students, etc. to be performed by your daughter or son.

If you can provide any of these items please contact
Valerie Fenlon 706-754-4795 or Russ McCann 706-878-1365.

Please Help Us Find:

- ∞ Chili cook-off participants. We need contestants for our Chili Cook-off. Festival attendees will pay a fee to taste and vote for the best chili. Is your chili the best? Contact Ray Rowell 706-754-5404.
- ∞ 1920's era cars. Do you know anyone who has a '20s era car? We would love to display it! Please contact Walton Smith 706-754-8036.
- ∞ Tents: Do you know a business or organization that owns a large tent we could borrow? Keep us in the shade and dry. Contact Russ McCann 706-878-1365.
- ∞ Art vendors. There will be no fee or percentage charged for a 10x10 space! Contact Linda Perry 706-219-1434.
- ∞ Golf cart to help with set up and coordination. Contact Russ McCann 706-878-1365.

Volunteers Needed For:

Children's activities, parking attendants, set-up/break-down, clean grounds, general volunteers during the live auction. Contact Russ McCann 706-878-1365.

Speaker's Bureau in Diocese of Atlanta

The Commission on Education and the Institute for Ministry and Theological Education (IMTE) are working together on a Speakers Bureau in the Diocese of Atlanta.

The purpose of this bureau is to locate people in the diocese who have the particular passion and skill for presenting material on specific topics to parishes, commissions or other interested groups. We have calls for a wide variety of topics, and we would like to have people to whom we could direct others for speaking engagements, retreat leaders, conference keynoters, educational programs, etc.

Areas of topics might include (but are not limited to):

Anglican polity, Anti-Racism, Arts, Bible study, Children's Ministries, Christian Education, Church history, Church administration, Environment, Families, Global issues, Liturgy & Music, Prayer, Parenting, Sexual orientation issues, Social issues/advocacy, Stewardship, Spirituality, Substance abuse, Teen issues, Theology, World religions

If you would like to submit your name as a member of the Speakers Bureau, please download the Speakers Bureau application from the diocesan website and either mail to or fax to Linda Scott at 404-601-5330. A subcommittee, made up of Commission and IMTE members will go through the submissions and begin developing our Speakers Bureau with offerings posted online.

GRACE NOTES CONCERT August 13, 2010

Grace Calvary's own vocal ensemble, The Grace Notes, will present what is hoped to be the beginning of a concert series at the church. Scheduled for Friday, August 13, at 7:30 p.m., the program features a variety of vocal solos and women's, men's and mixed ensembles.

There will be a group of sixteenth century Italian, French, German and English madrigals. Other groups will include Sacred Harp, Stephen Foster, and Negro Spirituals. Rounding out the program will be musical comedy solos and duets.

The Grace Notes began a few years ago with Mark Gardner, Peter Moncure, Sandy Calloway and Bob Smith in a quartet program for the county fair. This was followed by a sold out benefit concert for Habersham Community Theatre in which the quartet was complemented by a woman's trio of Karen Calloway, Lynda Averack and Lynda Smith. This group continued with a concert at the Grace-Calvary Fall Festival in 2008.

Donna Bunn James, well-known local pianist, vocalist and choral conductor, will assist in the concert both as accompanist and vocalist on a cappella selections. Ms James is also director of music at Clarkesville Presbyterian Church.

Church leaders have expressed an interest in a concert series featuring local musicians in a variety of types of music with season tickets available. There is no charge for this concert; however, an offering will be taken to cover expenses. The concert will be held in the sanctuary.





God and Violence: The Normalcy of Empire and the Ambiguity of the Bible

A Lecture Series by John Dominic Crossan

Friday, September 10

Saturday, September 11

Piedmont College Chapel, 165 Central Avenue, Demorest, GA

On this the ninth anniversary of the attacks of 9/11/2001, Dr. Crossan will explore God and Violence: The Normalcy of Empire and the Ambiguity of the Bible in four talks. The first lecture, "Civilization and Empire," will be given on Friday, September 10 at 7 p.m. preceded by a reception and book signing at 6 p.m. The other three lectures, "Bible and Power," "Jesus and God" and "Apocalypse and Violence," will be given on Saturday, September 11 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Lunch on Saturday is included and will be on the Piedmont Campus. The fee for all lectures and lunch on Saturday is \$75.

For more information and to register, go to the EfM Seminar webpage at www.tinyurl.com/efmseminar. For more information contact: EfM Seminar at efmseminar@gmail.com or call 706.754.8036. You may register on line using a credit card or PayPal or by check payable to EfM Seminar and noting Crossan Seminar sent to EfM

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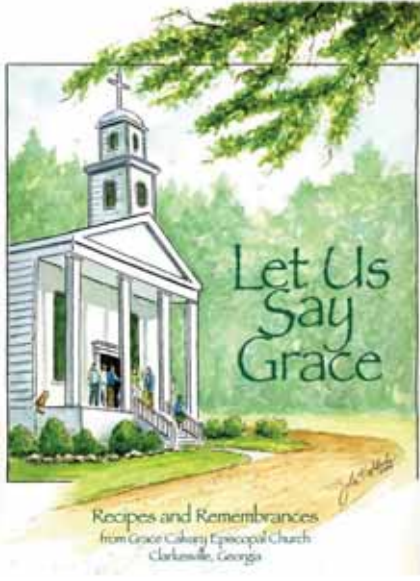
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Let Us Say Grace



Online sales of Let Us Say Grace are now possible through the church web site at <http://www.grace-calvary.org/cookbook.html>, or look under Events and Happenings on our website. We are now on Facebook also! Please become one of our Facebook Friends, and write a comment about one of your favorite recipes.

Cookbook sales are going very well. We have had tremendous response to the quality of the book from cookbook enthusiasts and good cooks everywhere. Every day we hear the comment "Wow, this is not your ordinary church cookbook, is it?"

On July 4th, I took the Crispy Coleslaw and Potato Salad with Gorgonzola and Bacon to a friend's house on Lake Rabun. I had told my friend about our book, but she didn't think she needed another church cookbook. After all her family and friends raved about my slaw and potato salad, she changed her mind and bought 4 books! This is happening every day! Some of you have been selling books like crazy – even some who have moved away. Martha

Hunter, Cathy Clark, and Don Harrison have all sold several cases.

We have sold about 800 books and have paid 1/3 of the printing costs. When we sell another 1,500 or so books, we can pay off the debt to the bank. After that, all money from book sales – \$25,000 - \$30,000 will be profit for the church. I hope we'll set aside some of this profit to re-print the book, that will depend on someone taking responsibility for future marketing and sales. In any case, a significant amount of profit from cookbook sales will be available for the church to use for outreach or other projects.

Please help us sell these books! It's the perfect gift for any occasion. Take a box with you when you go to visit relatives and friends this summer. Whether at home or away, if you prepare one or two of the recipes and have copies of the book available – they will sell. You can check out a box from a committee member and pay for it when you return, or return any books that you don't sell. Remember that you can purchase 6 books for \$100, that's one book free. *Let Us Say Grace* is also available for wholesale purchase at \$12 per book for shops that would like to re-sell them.

Thanks,
Barrie Aycock

Some helpful ways to love your neighbor as yourself:

Lay Pastoral Care has need for volunteers to: drive people to appointments, cook meals and deliver flowers. We want to have a list of people we can call when needed. If you want to be a part of this ministry, please call Billye Runion or Kathy Lovell.

Billye Runion
706-754-1241 (home)
706-968-4957 (cell)

Kathy Lovell
706-754-4944 (home)
706-499-7813 (cell)

News and Events

Parish Meeting

The Mid-year parish meeting will be held on August 8, following the service in SJH and before the Homecoming picnic. The vestry will review highlights from the year to date and provide an update on the parish's finances.



Thank You

“Thank you for your generous hospitality towards me and Carolyn and more specifically for the Kollock print of “Christmas Eve” at Grace-Calvary.”

Sincerely,
Jim Clarke



EfM mentor training scheduled Aug. 26-28

A second opportunity for those interested in discerning a call to the ministry of Education for Ministry (EfM) mentor and for existing mentors to renew their accreditation has been scheduled Aug. 26-28 at the Cathedral of St. Philip's Lanier House. (A training also is scheduled Aug. 5-7.)

Cost is \$150, which includes

training materials and meals. Lodging is the responsibility of each participant. Contact RuthElizabeth Conine, EfM coordinator for the Diocese of Atlanta, at reconine@gmail.com for additional information and to register.

To My Grace-Calvary Family:

I have retired as organist of our historic church. This change will allow me to spend more time with our children, grandchildren and to deal with a health issue.

My profound gratitude to the Rev. Dena Bearl for her support and encouragement of my music ministry. It has been my honor and joy to serve Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church through the years.

Many thanks also to our dedicated choir and choir director, Dr. Sandy Calloway. It has been fun making a “joyful noise unto the Lord.”

Peace,

Anthony V. Woronowski

Support Group for Women with Cancer

Foothills Counseling Center is now providing individual and group support to women dealing with or surviving all forms of cancer. The group meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. in St. Julian Hall.

Cynthia Johnston leads the group. For individual support or more information please call: Foothills Counseling 706-754-5155.

Bishop
The Rt. Rev. J. Neil Alexander
Rector
The Rev. Dena S. Bearl
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Mr. Anthony Woronowski
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Vestry

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Cantwell '11
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Mrs. Barrie Aycock '11
Ms. Becky Jackson '13
Mr. Russell Johnson '11
Mrs. Cynthia Johnston '13
Mr. Jim Loring '12
Mr. Matt McClurg '13
Mrs. Anne Short '12

Sunday Lections

August 1 Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21
August 8 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
August 15 Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56
August 22 Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17
August 29 Sirach 10:12-18; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

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