



St Margaret's Notebook

April 16, 2008

From the rector

When speaking of an awakening to the Holy Spirit
people often say things like
“My life had been a series of individual dots
now suddenly I can see the dots are connected.”

At Sunday's baptism of Luke and Jack
I would say that the dots definitely were connected.

Just by chance, Rev. Margaret Rose was in the area.
Her roots to the community are deep.
baptized as a child at St Margaret's
officiated at Laura and Eric's wedding
once Laura's boss at another parish
once a youth in St Margaret's under the leadership
of the twins' grandparents.

Just by “chance” Andrew and Lynn Frearson were in the country
all the way from the UK. They will be hosts for our J2A
pilgrimage in May.

The dots connected in the presence of many at the celebration:
who have prayed and hoped for Luke and Jack
in their months of their vulnerable and fragile lives,
who stood up as godparents, who set up the reception,
who sang in the choir, and ate petit fours, as well as all
who took up the slack during Laura's maternity leave.

We were connected in the Spirit with those who were not present:
the moms and dads of all preterm infants, known and unknown,
those from our parish who have died, were out of town,
went to the later service, were in the hospital or homebound.

In the luminous web of the Holy Spirit, dots and souls connect.
If we could stand far enough away to see the shape made by those dots
I wonder what image we might see... perhaps, a heart.

“There is one Body and one Spirit;. There is one hope in God's Call to us;.
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;. One God and Father of all.” (BCP, 299)



*We receive you into the
household of God*

*John Edmund and Luke Eric Lenaeus
on Sunday, April 13, 2008.*

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Dear Members of St. Margaret's:

The vestry minutes are being sent to everyone in an effort to keep all informed of the activities of the church. As you can tell from the minutes, as well as by actually looking, some sections of the gutters need to be adjusted. The cost estimate is \$1800. Last year's vestry budgeted money for the repairs, but at this time we are experiencing a cash flow problem. We do not have enough actual cash in our accounts to pay for the repairs yet. That's why I suggested we earmark the rental from our parking lot to be used for the gutters. Eventually, when all the pledges come in, we should be OK.

However, the vestry has asked Julie to send out statements on a regular basis relating to everyone's pledges. This is not to dun anyone, and please do not take it as such, but rather they are an effort to keep everyone informed as to their current giving. The cash flow problem historically gets worse in the summer months when families are gone on vacation. If you can remember this and try to help with your pledges over the summer months, I'm sure it would relieve some stress from those responsible for paying the bills.

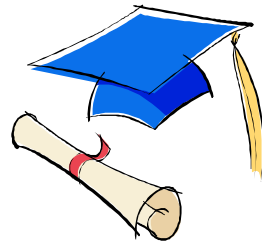
The vestry is well aware that the current economic conditions may be affecting families in different ways. Therefore, if your pledge needs to be adjusted, please let Julie know, so that the vestry will be able to make the necessary adjustments in the current budget. All pledge adjustments will be kept in strict confidence by Julie. Of course, if anyone wishes to help with special projects such as the gutters or the youth pilgrimage to England, we certainly will be happy to accept the extra aid.

Thank you for your financial support and also for volunteering your time to St. Margaret's.

Bruce Bobick,
Sr. Warden

“Our prayer unites us”

An Intercessory prayer group is forming at St. Margaret’s. Meeting on Wednesdays, immediately following the 12:15 Eucharist, participants will offer prayers for those on the parish prayer list. Hope you will join us. Additions and deletions to the list should be given to Julie Foreman in the parish office.



Is someone you know or love graduating from High School, College, Graduate or Post-Graduate studies? Each year we recognize the accomplishments of members and their immediate families in our bulletin and newsletter.

If you know someone graduating we ask that you please call the church office with the name, the institution they are received a degree from, what degree they have earned and any information about their plans.

J2A Pilgrim / Parent Meeting

Sunday, April 20 at 10:00 am in the den of the Gable House



The month of April is a wonderful time to think about God’s creation and celebrate the earth. April 22, in particular is Earth Day. You might be wondering—why I am writing about celebrating the earth in a church newsletter? The obvious connection, of course, is that God created the world and we should give praise and thanks to its Maker.

After all, both of our creeds start with the recognition of God as Creator. But did you know that taking care of the earth is one of our duties as Christians? It falls under the category of stewardship. Now many of you might be thinking of stewardship only as pledges or giving your time and talents...and those things are part of stewardship. Stewardship means responsibility for taking care of another’s property. Historically this term was used for servants whose duties were household management and later expanded to include things such as passengers’ domestic needs when traveling. In the church as Christians we are called to be stewards of the earth and respect what God has created. While we live on earth and call it our home, it is not ours—we take care of it (or are supposed to) for God. The same is true of our bodies (see 1 Cor 6:19). Christian stewardship includes:

- ✓ Taking care of the earth
 - Recycling
 - Reusing what we already have
 - Reducing our consumption
 - Sustainable living
 - Awareness of our carbon footprint

- ✓ Taking care of ourselves
 - § Eating well
 - § Exercising
 - § Resting/Sleeping
 - § Relaxation
 - § Meditation
 - § Prayer
 - § Nurturing relationships with friends and family
 - § Enjoying life
- ✓ Taking care of our financial resources
 - How and where we allocate our money
 - Church tithe
 - Giving to charity
- ✓ Taking care of our time
 - Balancing between family, work, play & other obligations
 - Prioritizing what is really important to us

Local Resources

- § Georgia Interfaith Power & Light www.gipl.org
- § Carroll County Convenience Center (recycling) (770)836-0023
- § General Website for recycling - www.earth911.org



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

02-Apr Susan McMillin, Mikell Wells
 03-Apr Lynda Gerber, Gareth Hoffman,
 04-Apr Aaron Reynolds
 05-Apr Debbie Pyles

06-Apr Lauren Nassetta
 07-Apr Mary Sarner
 09-Apr Kip Carter, Leslie Hunsicker, Bill Jacobus,
 Catherine Lindahl
 10-Apr Steven Minor, Audrey Perdue, B.W. Chase
 11-Apr P.J. Hovey
 12-Apr Jason Robinson, Paul Campbell
 13-Apr John Hull
 15-Apr Betty Gaddis, Ben Kennedy, Beth Smith,
 Lisa Gezon
 16-Apr Glenn Folds, Shell Bush
 17-Apr Jo Fortner
 18-Apr Jill Jarrell, Tom Miller
 20-Apr Lee Griffin, Will Cochran
 23-Apr Ron Adams, Julia Richards, Peg Callahan
 24-Apr Reba DeGaris, Alice Sawyer
 25-Apr Michelle Shook
 26-Apr Irving DeGaris, Megan Hooper
 27-Apr Nelson Gerber, Peter Maierhofer, Suzi Blosser
 28-Apr Joe Shook
 29-Apr Carol Chapman, Mac McCoy
 30-Apr Karen Swanson, Debbie Bernhardt, Ella Daniel

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

05-Apr Tom & Sherry Foreman
 06-Apr Dan & Julie Cain
 11-Apr Tom & Brenda Fitzgerald
 19-Apr Vaughn & Betty Gaddis
 29-Apr Frank & Heather Sciolis

**DID WE LEAVE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR
 ANNIVERSARY OFF OUR LIST? CALL JULIE IN
 THE CHURCH OFFICE, 770-832-3931 OR EMAIL:
STMARGARETS@CHARTERINTERNET.COM
 WITH THE DATES.**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 20 Baptism of Shelby Hitchcock - 11am
 Apr 21-28 Hazel at CREDO
 April 21-28 **NO NEWSLETTER**
 May 4 Senior Night
 May 9 EYC Pool Party
 May 11 9:00 am Sunday School graduation
 10:10 am Annual Slideshow
 May 12-26 Julie vacation
 May 27 / June 4 J2A Pilgrimage to Canterbury
**JUNE 1 10:00 AM SUMMER WORSHIP
 SCHEDULE BEGINS**
 July 14-18 Vacation Bible School at Carrollton
 Presbyterian



26th Annual Ecumenical Quiche Luncheon

The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Altar Society, cordially invites the church ladies of Carroll and Haralson Counties to the Twenty Sixth Annual Ecumenical Quiche Luncheon in the parish center on Wednesday, April 23 at Twelve Noon. No reservations are needed. A nursery will be provided and a light lunch will be served to the youngsters.

April 20, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Allison Gordon	Randy Hooper
Book Bearer	Kelsey Cain	Megan Hooper
Taper	Jackie Cain	
	Will Cochran	

Altar Guild Susan Lenaeus, Jeanne Condrey, Marcy Alexander

Children's Church Mary Alice Cochran, Karen Adams

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Jo Fortner	Stephanie Turner
	Marcy Alexander	Jim Cunningham

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Dan Cain	Tom Foreman
	Taylor Gordon	Bob Graf

Thrift Shop

April 18

10-1:00 pm	Jo Hunsicker, Gail Manley
1-4:00 pm	Nancy Disinger, Pam Saunders

April 19

10-1:00 pm	Chris Brown, Teresa Perdue
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APRIL HOSTESSES

Rose Dufour, Shirely Hewitt, Alice Jakubiak, Julie Lindahl, Andra Morris, Diana Rash, Heather Sciolis, Carolyn Stone, Ann Ward

APRIL PAPER PANTRY Gloria Johnston, Stephanie Turner

APRIL VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH

Lin Reed

April 27, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Michelle Foreman	Rob Cooper
Book Bearer	Elizabeth Crafton	Tom Fitzpatrick
Taper	Will Crafton	
	Taylor Foreman	

Altar Guild Julie Lindahl, Andra Morris, Alice Jakubiak

Children's Church Nichole Bush, Julie Parrish

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Jim Cunningham	Van Wilks
	Diane Fulkerson	Jim Uglum

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Micheal Crafton	David Basil
	Lisa Crafton	Richard Colditz

Thrift Shop

April 25

10-1:00 pm	Beverly Colditz, T.B.A.
1-4:00 pm	Emily Cumming, Carmenlydia Morgna

April 26

10-1:00 pm	Jan and Neal Uhlich
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PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Sumner, Luke and Jack, Larry, Joann, Jan, Alice, Derek, Jim, Judy, Liz, Judy

Family and friends: Ethan, Annalee, Jackie, Lainey, Eddie, Jon, Betty, Jamie, Hubert, Bryan, Randy, Nicky, Georgina, Caitlin, Stan, Larry, Brenda, Tina, Hope, Philip, Andrew, Eileen, Esther, Anne, Theresa, Tina, Lee, Billie, Mary Anne, Murphy, Jeff, Lois, Lisa, Cy, Steve, Mike, Charlotte, Brian, Henry, Lisa, Newbern, Carlton, Janie, Drew, Jeanette, Sarah, Catherine, Elvira, Bo, Jochen, Cliff, Renee, Ashley

Military: Walker, Steven, Drew, Lyle, Doug, Jessie, Matthew, Sarah, Robert, Elizabeth, Marshall, Will, Jordan, Stacey

PRAYER REQUESTS may be submitted by emailing Julie at Stmargarets@charterinternet.com or by phone 770-832-3931.

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

Bruce Bobick - Sr. Warden
Randy Coggins - Jr. Warden
Guyton Cochran
Cindy Hull
Tony McGaughey
Catherine Minor
Andra Morris
John Muffley
Hugh Mitchell
Judy Reed
Lin Reed
Susan Souigny



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