ST. JOHN'S CONNECTS

Summer Camps Bring Fun to Campus!

For the past two weeks, our campus has been filled to the brim with young campers! More than two dozen elementary and middle schoolers enjoyed St. John's 8th annual Summer Choir Camp, presented by the Music Ministry. Every day, the education and fun was led by nearly two dozen musicians, ministry leaders, and youth helpers. Then we did it all again this past week, as Vacation Bible School returned to St. John's after a three-year hiatus. Each evening, our group of 60 individuals (campers and volunteers combined) sang, danced, praised, created, and learned about the fruit of the Spirit. Thanks to everyone who made these weeks possible!

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Series: Christian Hospitality

Our summer faith formation series continues every Sunday morning following 10 AM worship. Please join us in Killeen Hall for clergy-led teachings and facilitated group discussion about Christian hospitality and about Christine Pohl's book, *Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition.* We'll discuss hospitality through the ages, including the types of challenges we face and the gifts we receive when welcoming the stranger among us. All are welcome!

Book Study: Discover Spiritual Classics

Looking for a new faith formation opportunity that keeps you out of the summer heat? Now's a great time to jump online for our Friday Book Study, held at noon via Zoom. This summer, we're diving into *Spiritual Classics*, a compilation of excerpts by writers on Christianity. Get the book, or just enjoy conversation about selected readings on the Twelve Spiritual Disciplines.

SAVE THE DATE

THURS Contemplative Lunch
12:30 PM | RUTLEDGE ROOM

SUN Mission Team Commissioning
 7/9 10 AM SERVICE | CHURCH
 Pray over our team heading to Quito. Ecuador!

WED Family Game Night
7/26 5:30 PM | ALFRIEND HALL

SUN "Bach to School" Sunday8/6 10 AM SERVICE | CHURCHBackpack blessings and string music!

SUN Jazz Music Sunday
8/13 10 AM SERVICE | CHURCH

CAMPUS NEWS

Please note that the entire church campus will be closed on Tuesday, July 4. However, when we reopen on Wednesday, the Lively Café will reopen too. Thank you for your patience during the Café's summer break. See you for lunch on Wednesday, July 5.



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Highlights

GET INVOLVED

Lively Café

ROTATING SCHEDULE

Volunteers are needed to take orders, clean trays, assist with to-go orders, etc. If you love people, this ministry is for you! Once trained, volunteers can be scheduled weekly, bi-weekly, or even as a sub! Fran Doxsee (frandoxsee@gmail.com)

Altar Guild

ROTATING SCHEDULE

Serve one weekend a month to prepare the church and altar, chancel, and worship space for services. Additional teams are responsible for the care of our altar linens, maintenance of and polishing of brass and wood, and maintenance of candles. Angie Wylie (awylo68@gmail.com)

St. John's Market

VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES

Help plan our annual parish fundraiser. We'd love to have you co-chair a booth! Holly Sinco (hollygsinco@gmail.com)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Ministry Service Opportunity

Jesus says to us, "Serve one another as I have served you." This summer, our middle and high schoolers have been working with their peers to serve our community. They've cleaned headstones at St. John's Historic Cemetery and helped out at our summer camps. There are a few spots available in our last youth service opportunity of the summer! Sign up to join us at The Kearney 回数面 Center on Thursday, July 27 (5:30 to 7 PM), when we will relieve our parishioners who typically volunteer on the 4th Thursday. We'll serve meals, fill beverage cups, distribute cutlery, bus tables, and get to know the guests.

LEARN MORE & SIGN UP ONLINE:

saint-john.org/youth-summer2023/

Copies of "God Willing" Now Available

Want to learn about our parish's storied past? We're excited to announce that "God Willing," the history of St. John's Episcopal Church, is back in stock! With so many new members in our pews, and multiple requests for additional copies, we were able to coordinate a third printing of the book. And with St. John's bicentennial just a few years away, now is a great time to learn all about our parish's early days. Copies of "God Willing" are \$25 each and are available for purchase from Claire Dodd in the office (Monday through Friday). Cash and checks only please.

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