

# THE PARISH POST

Dear Friends,

During the year I lived in Paris in the late eighties working at the American Cathedral, I discovered two important facts about French people. First they loved to go on strike. At any moment on any given day, the country would come to an absolute standstill as workers left their jobs and marched through the streets of the city.

The second fact was that they did not understand American holidays. Take for example Thanksgiving, with its Pilgrims, Native Americans, turkeys, stuffing and pumpkin pie. Somehow I was put in charge of a Thanksgiving dinner for Americans living in Paris that had nowhere to go. (There was only one grocery store in Paris that stocked American food.) I remember rushing over to the store with about five friends to buy supplies for our church Thanksgiving dinner.

As we navigated the nightmare of French traffic (I was clutching the upholstery of my seat quietly, saying prayers to myself), one of the French husbands asked me, "What is Thanksgiving?" His question took me by surprise and reminded me how many times we take things for granted. My typically American arrogance assumed that everyone knew about our cultural observances. Thanksgiving, Halloween, July 4th; doesn't everyone observe these days?

As I stammered out an awkward explanation about how Thanksgiving was a day that families gathered together to enjoy traditional American foods and to thank God for their many blessings, I was reminded how difficult it can be to communicate to someone that which you think is a self-evident truth. Starting from scratch is always hard, but as Christians we should live life with the radical belief that our message to the world is something that always needs to be explained again.

We can never assume that what St. Martin's offers to people is understood or self-evident. Doesn't everyone know about Christianity? No, I'm afraid not, and we are entering into a period of the year where, as a church, we have a remarkable chance for sharing the good news of Christ with others.

We live in a world where people hunger for community. They hunger for a life that is different from the one they are leading. This is the perfect time of year to invite a friend to come and share in our Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas services. Don't make any assumptions about what they may or may not know. Look on these coming weeks as a chance for you to be

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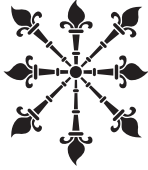
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### Upcoming Deadlines

January Issue ..... Nov. 16  
February Issue ..... Dec. 21

someone else's John the Baptist. You can be the one who announces that the kingdom is indeed coming and Jesus is waiting to welcome folks back home.

Blessings,

Fr. John McCard  
Rector

PS. In case you were wondering, my French friends loved the turkey but they were not big fans of the pumpkin pie. *Incroyable!*

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## Remembrance Day

The annual Remembrance Sunday memorial service at Saint Martin's will be **November 8 at 11:15 a.m.** For the thirty-fifth year, our church will welcome members of the British-American-Canadian community in Metropolitan Atlanta to help us remember those who have given their lives in defense of our respective nations. Readers, bagpipers, and prayer leaders at the service hail from Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and sometimes France and Belgium. It is a memorial to lives lost in the cause of freedom, but it is also a celebration of those lives befitting our Easter beliefs in the resurrection. All are welcome to celebrate with us and then gather for a reception in Gable Hall after the service.



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## ITALIAN DINNER

Hoping someone else will do the cooking this Thanksgiving? We can help with that! On **Wednesday, November 25th**, we will have the annual Thanksgiving eve Italian feast. An awesome assortment of favorites will be offered after the **5:30 p.m.** service. The cost is a bargain at \$5 per person or a \$15 family maximum. This is a great opportunity to reduce holiday meal stress and enjoy a meal with your St. Martin's family.

We look forward to seeing you there!

# Advent Festival with Candlelight Lessons & Carols service.



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 4-6:30 P.M.**

November 29th may be on the Sunday following Thanksgiving, but it is also the beginning of Advent, a season where we are called as Christians to slow down and prepare our hearts and minds to relive the event that changed the world forever.

Our purpose is not to add to your busy schedule but to encourage you to stop, take a deep breath, and begin this sacred season truly prepared to lead your family and yourself toward the light of Christmas.

The party begins at **4 p.m.**

- Cider, hot chocolate and donuts.
- Advent candles and wreaths to make here or kits to take home.
- Complimentary Advent calendars and devotionals.
- The Cathedral Bookstore will be here to make your Christmas shopping even easier.
- Children's story time and Advent lesson in the Music and Movement Room at 4:30.
- Advent Lessons and Carols service at **5:30**, complete with candles and singing (no sermon just readings and beautiful music).

For more information contact either  
Mother Erickson at 404-228-0790 or  
Melinda Mischik at 404-228-0754

**“Let There be Light”**  
**Genesis 1: 1-5**

# CHRISTCARE LENDS A HAND: PROJECT OPEN HAND MISSION DAY



By Caroline Duffy

The tagline for the ChristCare ministry is "Circles of care with Christ at the center." Our group expanded our circle in late August to join with other volunteers at Project Open Hand, a non-profit that provides nutritionally sound meals for the chronically ill. It was a great experience on many levels. You learn a lot about yourself when your primary focus is to continuously add a dollop of grated cheese- in equal proportions- to more than 2,000 meals! (Project Open Hands produces 5,000 meals per day- our shift assembled about 2,500 meals.)



*Peg and Dave Allen at Project Open Hand*

One of the pillars of the ChristCare experience is mission work. Once small groups bond as a unit they are encouraged to reach out to others outside their group to demonstrate Christ's love. Nancy Runion has volunteered with Project Open Hand for years, so she was the catalyst for our first outreach effort.



**ChristCare**  
*St. Martin's Small  
Group Ministry*

After a brief orientation, we each were assigned to a job on the food assembly line with other volunteers. Some of us packaged rolls, while others ladled marinara sauce over chicken or put the food trays into position for shrink-wrapping. Three hours went quickly as we took pride in our individual responsibilities while getting to know our fellow workers.

I found myself thinking about where every meal was going that day - maybe to a young person suffering from HIV, or somebody's elderly mother who no longer had the energy or resources to make her own dinner. It was easy to say a little prayer for shut-ins and the sick everywhere as the black, plastic trays were passed down the line.

I was reminded for the umpteenth time how important it is to abandon preconceived notions. My cohorts on the line were members of "Rare Jewels," a motorcycle club composed of African American women. I don't know what I expected, but they turned out to be a lot like me- working Moms with an overabundance of classic Motown in their CD collection. Another co-worker was John, a middle-aged man who explained that he is a regular there because he once received meals from the organization. John had sort of a fatherly presence and he saved me more than once from accidentally knocking meals off the line and onto the floor.

My son, Chaz, was there as part of his community service for Marist School. He and a friend drove groceries to care-receivers in Peachtree Corners. Young Neve Smith was there, too, learning with the rest of us that our own problems fall quickly into perspective when we reach out to help those who can't help themselves. You can be there, too! Learn more at [www.projectopenhand.org](http://www.projectopenhand.org).



*Stacey and Neve Smith*



*Nancy Runion*

# STEPHEN MINISTRY: ONE ON ONE CHRISTIAN CARE

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Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They come alongside a hurting person . . .  
. . . *after* a loved one has died,  
. . . *after* the divorce papers have been served,  
. . . *after* the layoff or forced retirement,  
. . . *after* the cancer diagnosis is given.

Stephen Ministers provide people with one-to-one, Christ-centered care and support for as long *after* as they are needed.

Throughout the past year, Stephen Ministry pastors and lay leaders have been telling us that their Stephen Ministers are in greater demand than ever before. People are experiencing so many more *afters* in their lives because of the difficult times we live in.

Stephen Ministers have been rising to the challenge, providing the emotional and spiritual care that hurting people so desperately need.

A strong leadership team is the key to a healthy, effective, lasting Stephen Ministry. That's why I encourage you to plan now to expand your Stephen Leader team by sending one or more people to a Stephen Series Leader's Training Course in 2010<sup>1</sup> (Please see the URL on the next page).

Your new **Stephen Leaders** will return from the LTC fully equipped, ready to strengthen and energize your Stephen Leader Team and your congregation's Stephen Ministry.

2010 Leader's Training Course Registration Materials are now available online<sup>2</sup>. (Please see the URL on the next page). You can also call us at (314) 428-2600 (Monday-Friday, 8 A.M.-5 P.M. Central Time) to request them by mail.

Stephen Ministry is one of the best investments your congregation can make - particularly during tough times - since your Stephen Leaders can equip volunteer lay Stephen Ministers to deepen and expand the amount of

caring ministry your congregation can provide to hurting people both inside and outside your congregation.



A pastor in Nebraska told us that his congregation's Stephen Ministers deliver more than 800 hours of high-quality care each year--care that the congregation wouldn't have been able to provide without hiring additional staff at a much higher cost.

Please call us if you have questions. We'd be delighted to talk with you.

May God bless you and your ministry, as you look ahead to the coming year.

Cordially in Christ,

Rev. David A. Paap, Litt.D.

P.S. Here are additional links you may find helpful. The numbers refer to URLs listed on the next page.

Stephen Leader Pages<sup>3</sup>. (Please see the URL on the next page). A special-access section of our Web site with lots of stories, ideas, suggestions, and downloads just for Stephen Leaders. (Call us if you need help logging in.)

Journeying through Grief<sup>4</sup>. (Please see the URL on the next page). Information on a set of four short books to give or send to people at four crucial times during the first year of grief. Use this powerful resource in conjunction with your Stephen Ministry, or you as an individual can send them to friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives who are grieving.

If you've changed congregations and are no longer at a church with Stephen Ministry, check out "An Introduction to Stephen Ministry."<sup>5</sup> (Please see the URL on the next page). These Web pages will show you how to begin Stephen Ministry in your new church. Call us, and we'll send you an information packet and other resources you can share with your new pastor or congregation leaders.

## 2010 Stephen Series Leader's Training Courses

January 10-16	Orlando, Florida
February 7-13	Portland, Oregon
April 11-17	St. Louis, Missouri
June 13-19	Orlando, Florida
July 11-17	Dallas, Texas
August 1-7	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

## Stephen Minister Resources for the article on page 6.

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.stephenministries.org/stephenministry/default.cfm/939>

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.stephenministries.org/stephenministry/LTC\\_registration.cfm](http://www.stephenministries.org/stephenministry/LTC_registration.cfm)

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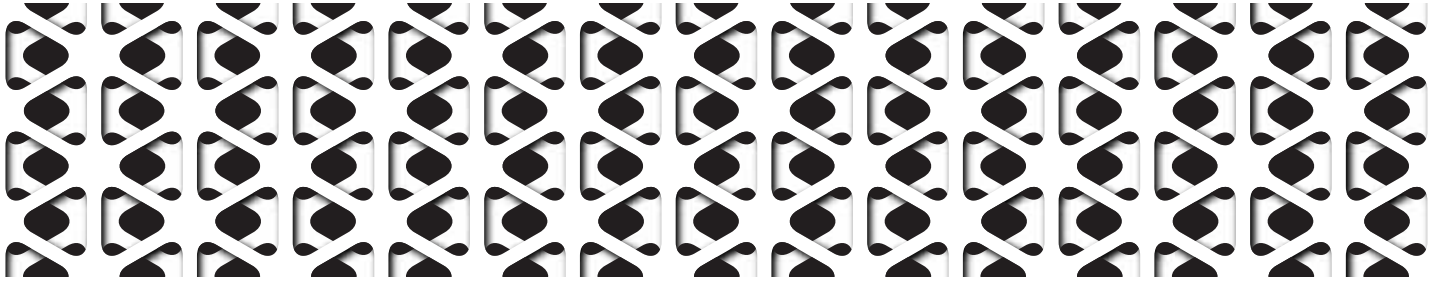
<sup>4</sup> <http://www.stephenministries.org/griefresources/default.cfm/775>

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.stephenministries.org/stephenministry/default.cfm/928>

## **BAPTISMS, Nov. 1 AT 9:00 SERVICE**



To schedule a baptism, contact Michele Deriso, our Parish Administrative Associate at 404.228.0752.



## **BEHIND THE SCREEN**

What do our children learn through participation in a children's choir? We can ask the same question about singing in an adult choir. As I pondered the question, I ran across some thoughts in a recent newsletter for choir directors, written by Carol McClure.

- They learn that they are important members of the worshipping community, with particular gifts to contribute.
- They learn to know and love the music of our Christian faith and tradition - hymns, service music and anthems.
- Children's choir is a team where every member is important and every team member has an equal opportunity to contribute - no matter what his or her skill level is.
- A child's habits develop through regular participation in activities where he or she feels both needed and wanted, and where the child's spiritual growth is fostered as he learns.
- Through participation in children's choir, a child will be inspired to learn and challenged to contribute to the life of the Church, motivated by loving leadership and friendships forged with other singing Christians.

Carol's son, Parker Ramsay, age 17, is now studying the organ at King's college, Cambridge University. He has this to say about singing in a choir as a child: "In choir, I learned to become a responsible musician. I learned the importance of being part of a team. I learned to cooperate. I learned that other people were depending on me. Basically, I learned life skills as well as music skill - and I really appreciate the directors who taught me these skills. I learned that through this discipline comes a joy in being able to serve God and the Church and my community more effectively."

To learn more about joining a choir at St. Martin in the Fields Church, contact me at 404-228-0753 or [isiegert@stmartins.org](mailto:isiegert@stmartins.org).

# THE TURKEYS ARE COMING!

The fourth annual Deep Fry Turkey program sponsored by The Knights of St. Martin is coming! Sign ups for purchasing one of these Thanksgiving holiday delicacies begins on Sunday, November 8 at the Grand Finale for the 40 Days Outreach Celebration in Gable Hall. We will continue sign ups between services on November 15th and November 22nd to reach our goal of at least 100 turkeys sold and devoured this year.



Bringing home one of these holiday treats is only part of the bargain. Not only do you eliminate the muss and the fuss of baking a bird for your family, you are also contributing to St. Martin's outreach program and the Emmaus House Thanksgiving Basket program. The Emmaus House sponsors a Thanksgiving basket program for at least 250 families which includes a turkey, side items and greens. They are extremely grateful every year for these funds to help those in need on Thanksgiving.

## Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the After People.

Stephen Ministers are there:

- ... after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- ... after the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.
- ... after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.
- ... after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- ... after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."
- ... after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.
- ... after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- ... after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- ... after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ... after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They are ready to come alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long after as needed.

[www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org)

Over the last three years the turkeys this parish has purchased has contributed over \$2,700 to our outreach program and almost \$1,700 to the Emmaus House Thanksgiving Basket program. This is a great way to generously "share the cloak" for your Thanksgiving holidays. There will be a limited amount available so sign up early (and often!). This year's cost for a deep fried turkey is \$35 and for an extra \$20 (or whatever you can afford!) you can donate to the Emmaus House to help support their outreach program.

The birds will be available for pick up on Wednesday, November 25th. Time slots for pick up will begin at 9 a.m.

For those hearty volunteers, we are still in need of turkey fryers and able bodies to assist on Wednesday. If you have a deep fryer that you would be willing to donate for the day and/or would be willing to help out, please contact Tim Peek at (404) 252-2372 or email him at [timhelnat@bellsouth.net](mailto:timhelnat@bellsouth.net).

Gobble, gobble!



# 40 Days OUTREACH CELEBRATION

This year, St. Martin's annual Outreach Celebration is a little different. Rather than a one or two day celebration, we are going full tilt for 40 days of celebration. It rained forty days during the great Flood, and we endure Lent for 40 days. So, celebrating our parish outreach for 40 days has got to be a good idea. We conclude the Celebration this month with two events.

**Saturday, November 7 - Gala Celebration, Dessert Auction and Silent Auction.** Dinner dance from 6-10 pm held in St. Martin's School gym. We'll have a silent auction and Chastain-style seating. Tickets go on sale 9/27 for \$50 per person.

**Sunday, November 8 - Grand Finale Brunch and Raffle.** Potluck hosted by St. Monica's. You should have already received

your \$1 raffle tickets in the mail, so enter to win a computer, a TV or a Wii!

## During these 40 days we have four distinct themes/goals

1. Be inclusive. There are 4 main events in the Celebration. Three of them are inexpensive and family centered.
  2. Raise \$20,000 over forty days.
  3. Collect 4,000 cans of food for the Emmaus House Food Pantry.
  4. Have a great time doing all this as we focus on the mission of our church. We have two concrete measurable goals of \$20,000 and 4,000 cans. Please bring items for this canathon according to your St. Martin's groups.
- Bring canned food to stock to the Emmaus House food pantry.
  - Have you bought your tickets to the 40 days Outreach Celebration Gala Dinner Dance and auction?

**Be sure to continue to bring cans each time you come to church. We have a church-wide goal of 4,000 cans, and we need your help to make this goal a reality.**

## PROGRESS ON CUTTING PAPER CONSUMPTION

Good news! We have had **30 families** opt out of the paper version of *The Parish Post*. They have switched to viewing it on our website. As a result, we are well on our way to meeting our goal of cutting paper production of *The Post* by one-third. We still have a long way to go though, so please consider switching if you haven't already.

If you have e-mail access, you can easily switch to the online version. Simply call Jason Clay at 404.228.0777, email him at [jclay@stmartins.org](mailto:jclay@stmartins.org), or fill out the form at [www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html](http://www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html). Make sure we have your e-mail address so we can notify you when the latest edition is available online.

### Three Convenient Ways to Opt Out of the Paper Version of the Parish Post

1. E-mail a request to Jason Clay at [jclay@stmartins.org](mailto:jclay@stmartins.org)
2. Call your request in at 404.228.0777
3. Fill out the online form at [www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html](http://www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html)

**The Parish Post Online - Receive Notification by E-mail.**

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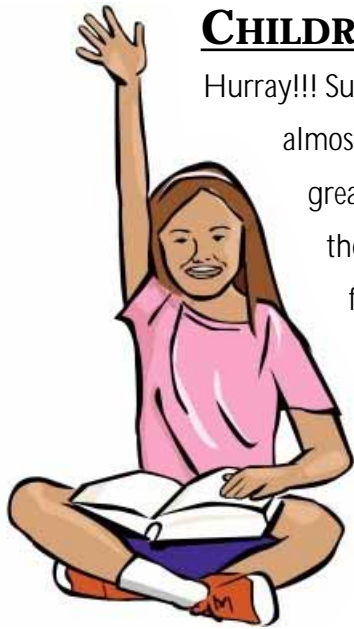
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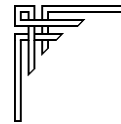
The easy-to-use "opt out" form (above) only requires your name and e-mail address. You can find it online at [www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html](http://www.stmartins.org/newsletter.html)



## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Hurray!!! Sunday school is off to a great start with almost 100 kids on the first day and lots of great teachers. There is a lovely feeling in the air here. Thank you so very much for bringing your children to Sunday school and church.

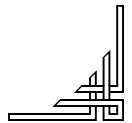
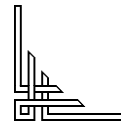
*Melinda*



## **PAIRS AND SPARES**

There will be no Pairs and Spares during November.

The Christmas Banquet will be Dec. 5. More information to follow.



## **ST. MARTIN'S BLOOD DRIVE**

SUNDAY, NOV. 8, 8:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. IN MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Please e-mail [b\\_boatright@mindspring.com](mailto:b_boatright@mindspring.com) with your name, phone number, and requested time. Please remember to eat iron rich foods and drink plenty of non-caffeinated fluids before donating! Unfortunately we had to turn away six donations at our last drive due to low hemoglobin.

For more information, call (888) 795-2707 or visit [lifesouth.org](http://lifesouth.org)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The next Life South Blood Drive at St. Martin's will be Nov. 8, 2009.

## **SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC DRAFTS TO PAY YOUR PLEDGE!**

If you would like to have your pledge payments automatically drafted from your checking account each month, complete the downloadable form on the Stewardship page of our website. If you have any questions, contact Susan Breunig at 404.228.0756.

## **MICHELE DERISO, OUR NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE**

Last month we announced our new Parish Administrative Associate. This month we are providing a little more information about Michele. If you come by the church office during the week, be sure to welcome her to our community.

Michele is a native of Georgia having moved from South Georgia to the Atlanta area at the age of two. Michele attended Valdosta State College and earned a degree in Business Administration in 1985 and is also a graduate of McAfee School of Theology with a degree in Theology. Her prior work experience included human resources, event planning, and church administration. In her spare time Michele enjoys tennis, gardening, hiking and spending time with family and friends.

Michele may be reached by e-mail at [mderiso@stmartins.org](mailto:mderiso@stmartins.org) or by phone at 404.228.0752.





*Beginning this month, we are reviving an old St. Martin's custom of occasionally highlighting members and what they're up to around the church. We will highlight long-time members and new members alike. This month Melinda Mischik interviewed Elizabeth Beck and Judi Oakley, the two masterminds behind our 40 Days Outreach Celebration.*



Elizabeth Beck is currently a real live artist and mother of three children. Judi Oakley is a stay at home, full-time volunteer at the moment. Both have worn many, many hats at St. Martin's.

Judi has served on the Vestry, been President of St. Martha's Guild, President of the ECW and of Daughters of the King, runs the Emmaus House 7th Heaven camp every year, has taught children's Sunday school and is involved in all aspects of outreach including serving on the Board of the Episcopal Charities Foundation and helped co-found the Junior Daughters of the King chapter at St. Martin's.

Elizabeth has also served on the Vestry, is a past president of St. Monica's Guild, taught Sunday school to children and adults, taught at 7th Heaven Camp, served as VBS Director, been a Children's Chapel leader and is currently St. Martin's representative for Episcopal Charities Foundation.

And I know I have left things off but if I write too much more they will both kill me. Yes, they are both volunteer junkies, but they have stopped just long enough to answer a few questions today.

**Melinda Mischik: Elizabeth and Judi, with your schedules already full, why did you take on something as big as the Outreach Celebration?**

**Judi:** Because the money goes 100% to Outreach and that is where my heart will always be.

**Elizabeth:** Well, I had not done anything big for a while and was ready to step up once again. I also had some ideas, especially about the canathon, and I knew it would be easier to implement them if I was in charge. I really wanted to fill the stomachs of the kids that I have been teaching each summer at the [Emmaus House] 7th Heaven camp. It is very personal for me.

**MM: What was your family's reaction to you accepting such a volunteer position?**

**E:** They know I have to volunteer at church and school. This makes me happy and they know it. And they are involved too. Julia is working with Ripley Fricano heading up the Penny Social. They were, in fact, ecstatic to be asked.

**J:** Sid expects it. He knows that if something needs to be done and I can help, then I do.

**MM: Of all the different things that you have done for the church what has been the most rewarding for you?**

**J:** Being involved with the Junior Daughters of the King (DOK). These young girls are our future and they are lovely. It is a joy to watch their spirituality deepen.

**E:** Name one? That's very hard! Early in my St. Martin's years I became a storyteller. Literally and figuratively I found my voice. My heart was in the children's ministries; telling stories, leading chapel, teaching Sunday school, working at VBS ... then Emmaus House Camp came along and now that feels the best to me.

**MM: Where would you like to see this church in five years?**

**J:** I would like our church to be defined largely by our huge commitment to outreach.

**E:** Really the same as Judi. I would like to see an even higher percentage of our time, talents and treasure going to outreach.

**MM: I am sure that everyone reading this joins me in saying Thank You Elizabeth and Judi. You are two of the reasons that St. Martin's is a great place to be.**



**Brown Bag Theology meets the  
Second Thursday of Each Month**

*Join us for our next discussion on Thursday, November 12.*

November	<i>The Contemporary Music Debate</i> by Steve Miller
December	<i>Cannery Row</i> by John Steinbeck
January	<i>On this Side of Heaven</i> by Pamela Jackson
February	<i>Gaudy Night</i> by Dorothy Sayers
March	<i>How to Know God</i> by Deepak Chopra
April	<i>The King Must Die</i> by Mary Renault
May	<i>Messy Spirituality</i> by Michael Yaconelli

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEN**

**Men's Breakfast**

Early (7:00 a.m.) breakfasts on first Tuesdays at the Dunwoody location of Old Hickory House. For questions, contact Steve Short at 770.396.3667.



**Men's Bible Study**

Thursdays in the Parlor at 7:30 a.m. Contact Father McCard with questions at 404 228-0750.

**THE CHAPTERS OF  
ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH**

St. Mary Magdalene's next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 10 a.m.**  
St. Martha's next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m.**  
St. Elizabeth's next meeting will be on **Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 9:30 a.m.**  
St. Margaret's next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 9:30 a.m.**  
St. Monica's next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Parlor. Please join us!!!!

**THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING**

The next meeting of The Daughters of the King will be on **Saturday, Nov. 14** with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

The next meeting of The Jr. DOK will be on **Sunday, Nov. 8** from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Burgreen Room.



**Theology on Tap** will be on November 19 at 5:00 p.m. Join us at **Elwood's Pizza** for discussion and fellowship.

**Elwood's Pizza**  
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# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



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*Whitney Burton*  
*William Douglass*  
*Suzanne Gordon*

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*Caitlin Hohenstein*  
*Sarah Street*  
*Morgan Trzecienski*

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*Dan Thompson*  
*Amanda Thrasher*  
*Bobby Usher*

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*John Akins*  
*Andrew Ferrer*  
*Savanna Ford*  
*Chris Rose*

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*Cathy Addison*  
*Matt Floyd*  
*John Harrison, Jr*  
*Grant Perez*

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*Christina Catchpole*  
*Kathy Evenson*  
*Sadie Fitzgerald*  
*Martha Fowler*  
*Cecie Ingraham*  
*Nancy Kegel*  
*Thor Orndahl*

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**7**  
*John Croft, IV*  
*Julie Weimer*

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*Louisa Affleck*  
*Delaine Aubrey*  
*Susan Goss*  
*Helen Page*  
*Ava Sentell*  
*Carrie Whitney*

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**9**  
*Anne Palmer*  
*Debbie Putnam*

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*Ken Carr*  
*John Embleton*

**11**  
*Alex Brooks*  
*David Caldwell*

**12**  
*Ceci Conrad*  
*Louise Greene*  
*Mary Walker Mixon*  
*Alexa Ponder*

**14**  
*Addison Butler*  
*Fred Costabile*  
*Beth Miller*

**15**  
*Lee Floyd, III*  
*Jim McKechnie*  
*Nancy Perk*  
*Ramon Suarez*  
*Angela Williamson*

**16**  
*Brad Glahn*  
*Sydney Glahn*  
*Bill Henning, Jr.*  
*Cindy Hicks*

**17**  
*Carson Beasley*  
*Elizabeth Lee*  
*Charles Mixon, Jr*  
*Linda Wilson*

**18**  
*Lyna Anderson*  
*Martha Dean*  
*Susanna Elliott*  
*Goecke*  
*Ronald Lane*  
*Susan Lindley*  
*Jeff Mack*

**19**  
*Josh Bailey*  
*John Bailey*  
*Dexter Putnam, II*  
*Amanda Schab*  
*Patrick Skutch*

**20**  
*Susan Boone*  
*Matthew Delorme*  
*Chuck Hall*

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*Sam Alexander*  
*Jack Pickard*

**22**  
*Marian Hitchcock*  
*Kesler Madden*  
*Doris Speros*  
*Liles Wilson*

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*Irma Martin*

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*Christopher Hillyer*  
*Lindsay Recknagel*  
*Travis Story, Jr.*  
*Bill Stovall, III*

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*Ken Barre*  
*Rebecca Brooks*  
*Jack Fry, Jr.*  
*Colin Harrison*  
*Krista Hillyer*  
*Zoe Keysor*

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*Winnie Plunkett*  
*Mark Ray*

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*John Gaffney*  
*Haun Henry, III*  
*Jane Rexinger*  
*Lane Roberts*  
*Caroline Sanderson-*  
*Morris*

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*Kris Cannata*  
*Bob Comegys*  
*Mary Ann Nama*  
*Susan Ponder*  
*Helen Rogge*  
*Sally Roy*

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*Ray Fortin*  
*Holly Hay*  
*Jason Lee*

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*Ted Cannon*  
*Jack Lafiandra*  
*Reid MacArthur*  
*John Recknagel*

# November 2009

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL HE Rite I, 7:45a HE Rite II, 9a Baptism with Reception, 9a HE Rite II, 11:15a SMES Basketball Clinic 12:30p HE Rite I, 5:30p	2 ES/MIS Chapel, 8:25a EC/Chapel, 9:30a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Boy Scouts 7p	3 Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a Explorers, 2p	4 Healing Service w/ HE, 10a St. Mary Magdalene's, 10a Explorers, 2p St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Handbell Choir, 7p St. Martha's, 7p AA, 7p	5 Men's Bible Study, 7:30p Clergy Group, 10:30a Adult Choir, 6p EFM 6:30p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	6 DIOCESAN COUNCIL Moms in Touch, 8:30a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	7 DIOCESAN COUNCIL HE Rite I, 5:30p Outreach Gala Celebration, 6p
8 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL HE Rite I, 7:45a Blood Drive, 8a HE Rite II, 9a Celebration Finale Brunch and Raffle, 10:10a Jr. DOK, 11a Remembrance Sunday, 11:15a DOK Reception, 12:30p SMES Basketball Clinic, 12:30p HE Rite I, 5:30p	9 ES/MIS Chapel, 8:25a EC/Chapel, 9:30a SMES Drama Group, 11:30a Girl Scouts 3:30p Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Boy Scouts 7p	10 St. Elizabeth's Guild, 9:30a Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a Explorers, 2p Stephen Ministry, 7p	11 St. Margaret's, 9:30a Healing Service w/ HE, 10a Explorers, 2p St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Handbell Choir, 7p AA, 7p	12 Men's Bible Study, 7:30p Clergy Group, 10:30a Women's Bible Study, 10:30a Brown Bag Theology, 12p Adult Choir, 6p EFM 6:30p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	13 Moms in Touch, 8:30a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	14 Daughters of the British Empire, 8:30a DOK 9:30a Elite Mobil Rectal, 3p HE Rite I, 5:30p
15 HE Rite I, 7:45a HE Rite II, 9a Baptism with Reception, 9a Christian Formation, 10:10a HE Rite II, 11:15a SMES Basketball Clinic 12:30p HE Rite I, 5:30p	16 ES/MIS Chapel, 8:25a EC/Chapel, 9:30a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Vestry Meeting, 6:30p Boy Scouts 7p	17 SMES Potlatch Plays (All day) Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a	18 SMES Potlatch Plays (All day) St. Monica's Guild, 9:30a Healing Service w/ HE, 10a St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Handbell Choir, 7p AA, 7p	19 Men's Bible Study, 7:30a Eleven-Fifteen Taskforce Meeting, 8:30a St. Monica's Guild, 9:30a Clergy Group, 10:30a Theology on Tap, 5p Adult Choir, 6p EFM 6:30p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	20 Moms in Touch, 8:30a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	21 Collition, 3p HE Rite I, 5:30p
22 HE Rite I, 7:45a HE Rite II, 9a Christian Formation, 10:10a HE Rite II, 11:15a SMES Basketball Clinic 12:30p HE Rite I, 5:30p	23 ES/MIS Chapel, 8:25a EC/Chapel, 9:30a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Boy Scouts 7p	24 Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a Explorers, 2p Stephen Ministry, 7p	25 NO SCHOOL NO CHILDREN'S CHOIRS Healing Service w/ HE, 10a Thanksgiving Eve Service and Dinner, 5:30p Handbell Choir, 7p AA, 7p	26 THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL	27 NO SCHOOL Moms in Touch, 8:30a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	28 Wedding, 3:30p HE Rite I, 5:30p
29 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL HE Rite I, 7:45a HE Rite II, 9a HE Rite II, 11:15a SMES Basketball Clinic, 12:30p Advent Festival, 4p Advent Lessons and Carols & HE Rite I, 5:30p	30 ES/MIS Chapel, 8:25a EC/Chapel, 9:30a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Boy Scouts 7p					

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