

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016

FIRST FRUITS OFFERING Following the example of the Israelites (Leviticus 2:9-12, 14) who brought the first fruit of the harvest to the Temple as an expression of gratitude to God, we are each invited to offer our first gift towards the fulfillment of our pledges to the Cornerstone Campaign in a special First Fruits Offering which will be received this morning during the regular offering. Envelopes are provided in the bulletin.

ST. PAUL ON TAP All are welcome at this informal Bible Study meeting at Vickery's (933 Garrett St.) as follows:

March 28 @ 6:15pm

April 14 @ 6pm

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Email ashleywaiteriddle@gmail.com for more info!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

- Maundy Thursday, Marcy 24th 7 pm Service of Holy Communion and optional foot washing.
- Good Friday, March 25th 7 pm Seven meditations on the last words of Jesus, special music.
- Easter Sunday, March 27th 7 am Easter Sunrise Service, Oakland Cemetery
11 am Easter Morning Worship

NO WORSHIP FIRST ON EASTER SUNDAY

CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT, Easter Sunday, March 27th 10 am, location TBA

Needed:

- Candy and small gifts to stuff eggs with
- Cookies, chips and other snacks for refreshments during egg hunt
- Lemonade or other drinks for egg hunt
- Cups, napkins

Also, Volunteers needed:

- To stuff eggs on Sunday, March 20, after church
- To hide eggs on Sunday, March 27, at 9:00 am, prior to hunt

SISTERS IN SPIRITUALITY CLOTHING DRIVE St. Paul's Women's Group is holding a clothing drive for one of our neighboring schools, Benteen Elementary, located at the south end of Boulevard. We need boy's pants sizes 6-10 in khaki or navy blue; child size shirts in yellow, white, light blue, or dark blue; and individually wrapped nonperishable snacks. Our goal is to collect 30 pairs of pants, 10 shirts, and 100 individual snacks by Easter Sunday. Please bring donations to the church office, and thank you for your help!

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS SOUGHT Branan Towers is a local retirement high-rise in East Atlanta which is run by Wesley Woods, a Methodist ministry. Most of the residents at Branan Towers are low income individuals, and might not otherwise have a safe, clean, and healthy place to live. The Branan Towers Advisory Board is a volunteer board which meets quarterly and provides community oversight and assistance to the management and residents of Branan Towers. Jeff McCord currently serves as chair of the advisory board, and is looking to recruit other volunteers from St. Paul to be in service to Branan Towers. This is a great opportunity for someone who loves the elderly, who has a heart for aging issues, and/or wants to get more involved in community missions. If you might be interested in helping, please contact Jeff at church or at 404-226-4782 for more information. Time commitment is small, but the rewards are great!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is June 6 – 10. Volunteers will be needed in a number of areas. If you will be able to help for part or all of any days that week, please email elen@stpaulgrantpark.org or office@stpaulgrantpark.org. Henrietta Mitchell and Fred Curtis will be in charge. Contact hmittell25@yahoo.com or fcurtis2@gmail.com for more information.

SIGN-UP FOR YOUTH GROUP CHOW DOWN SUPPER CLUB. The youth group is looking for some sponsors of their monthly supper club. The location is always at St. Paul, but prepared diners are requested. Providers can partner with one or more families. Please see the following link for more information and to sign up: <http://bit.ly/1ZEv04J>

CAMP SPARC! REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! Click on the big red **REGISTER NOW** button at www.stpaulrec.com.

Camp Schedule:

Camp Hours 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Free Extended Care from 8:00 AM–9:00 AM & 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Age Groups:

Camp SPARC! is for children who are age 6-12. Youngest children must turn 6 by June 1, 2016. Oldest children must not exceed age 12 as of June 1, 2016.

Themes:

There will be one sports and one arts theme assigned to each week of the 2016 summer. The themes are as follows:

Week One (June 6) – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (Mornings only); Flag Football & Handcrafts (basketweaving, ceramics, sketching) (afternoons)

Week Two (June 13) -- Kickball/Frisbee & Music

Week Three (June 20) -- Field Games & Visual Arts (Photography, Videography, Comics)

Week Four (June 27) -- Tennis and Creative Writing

Week Five (No CAMP, July 4th holiday)

Week Six (July 11) -- Basketball & Cooking

Week Seven (July 18) -- Soccer & Performing Arts

Week Eight (July 25) -- Softball & Painting