



**Church Offices will be closed:** *Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>* to observe the Memorial Day holiday! We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

**Laymen's League:** Will be at noon in the Parish Hall on *Thursday, May 25*; all Saint John's men are cordially invited to attend.

**Last Vino League Gathering,** *Friday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m.* in the Skinner Building.  
Theme: Summer wines with a food pairing.

**Saint's Alive:** *Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm* at the home of Karen Rouse, 6917 Milan Way, Fort Smith. Main course will be brisket. Bring a side dish, salad or dessert and your favorite beverage.

**Buck-A-Book:** Have you seen our new symbol of another outreach for our book ministry? Thanks to Steve Irby, we now have a "book cupboard" on the grassy area of the church parking lot. All books are free and will be faithfully replenished.

### **ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC!**

St. John's parish picnic will be held following the 10:30 service on **SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>**, in the Skinner Building and on the Victorian House Lawn (your choice). Games and food will be part of this event. Please bring an item or a dish to share from the list below. Dress is casual. We will picnic rain or shine!

A-B - 1 pkg. each hamburger and hot dog buns  
C-D - Baked beans (serving for 12)  
E-J - 1 dozen deviled eggs  
K-N - 1 bag chips  
O-T - coleslaw or potato salad for 12  
U-Z - cookies, brownies, bars

Any questions, call Robin Flippin at 479-883-0780 or 479-484-7269

**Kairos Donations: Prison ministry to McPherson Women's Unit - June 8-11.** Store bought packages of cookies (no nuts, fruit, or powdered sugar). Money donations toward meals for the "women in white" on the weekend (\$10 each) or cookies, checks payable to St. John's, Memo: Kairos. Sign up to pray for the weekend, on the table in Parish Hall. Donations submitted by Sunday, June 4. Thank you, Jeannie McCabe, Team Member.

### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **WOMEN'S INSTITUTE: SUMMER QUEST - JUNE 2-4, 2017** Forms at

[arkansasecw.org](http://arkansasecw.org) This is an annual 3-day retreat held the first full weekend of June at Camp Mitchell atop Petit Jean Mountain located near Morrilton, AR. Women of all ages come together bringing diverse experiences and representing different parishes and missions in AR.

The retreat begins on Friday with a personal spiritual growth day know as Quiet Day. The weekend features a noteworthy speaker, workshops, time to rest, and lots of love and laughter.

- **Education for Ministry** Registration Open. Weekly Seminars will begin Sept. 5... every Tuesday evening, 5:30-8:00, in Skinner Bldg. Youth space. Registration deadline is July - with \$100 deposit. Partial Scholarships available. Contact Jeannie McCabe, co-mentor for information. Check out website: [efm.sewanee.edu](http://efm.sewanee.edu). See display in Parish Hall parlor or [stjohnfs.org](http://stjohnfs.org) for registration packet.

**CONNECTIONS GROUPS:** *For Service, Social, or Study opportunities:* Online Sign Up- [www.stjohnfs.org](http://www.stjohnfs.org) Home Page. Or Forms are on the Hallway Bulletin Board. See a complete list in the *Holy Babble* that is being mailed out today.

- **Last Vino League Gathering**, *Friday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m.* in the Skinner Building. Theme: Summer wines with a food paring.
- **Casserole of Life**: *9:00am Friday, May 26* to prepare a hot lunch for the Sack Lunch Program. If you'd like to help cook and/or serve, please come to the Parish Hall Kitchen. Mariko will be there to meet you.

### Youth:

- **NEW:** Girl Scout BROWNIE Troop formed! Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays through May, *5:00-7:00pm in classroom 3/church side. Next meeting will be May 24.* 1st-3rd grade girls. Group will meet once a month over the summer, new meeting time will be announced.
- **July 24-27:** (Mon.-Thurs.) 5:30-8:00pm **SAVE the DATE: VBS program** At St. John's "Weaving the web of Life," a Heifer International curriculum. Register here:
- **Creative Writing and Arts Camp:** *Incoming 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grades, June 5-9, 1:00—5:00pm. Incoming 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades, June 19-23, 1:00—5:00pm.* Classes held in the Skinner Building. Special rates for St. John's members \$75. Registration materials due at 12:30 pm on first day of each camp. Presented by River City Scribes. Contact Heather Dobbins @ [www.heatherdobbins.net](http://www.heatherdobbins.net) or mail registration to St. John's Episcopal Church, 214 N 6<sup>th</sup> St., Fort Smith, AR 72901 c/o Jeannie McCabe.
- **Creative Wednesdays:** June 14, June 28, July 5, 1:00—4:00pm in the Youth Room at the Skinner Building. Cost is \$10.00

1. June 14 – sewing
2. June 28 – painting
3. July 5 – cooking (in the Parish Hall Kitchen)

**2017 Summer Camp Schedule: ALL REGISTRATION ONLINE.**

See link below. Contact Jeannie McCabe for scholarship needs (479) 221-4032 or [jmmcabe@stjohnfs.org](mailto:jmmcabe@stjohnfs.org)

<b>June 10</b>	CIT Training
<b>June 11–16</b>	Senior High (completed 9th–12th grade)
<b>June 18–23</b>	Junior High (completed 6th–8th grade)
<b>June 25–30</b>	Middler (completed 4th–5th grade)
<b>July 2–6</b>	Robert R. Brown I Specialty Camp
<b>July 16–21</b>	Primary (completed 1st–3rd grade)
<b>July 23–28</b>	Dick Johnston Children’s Camp
<b>July 30–Aug. 4</b>	Farm Camp
<b>July 30–Aug. 4</b>	Creative Arts Camp
<b>Aug. 6–10</b>	Robert R. Brown II Specialty Camp

[Learn more and register at Camp Mitchell.org website tab: summer camp.](http://CampMitchell.org)

**REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS:**

**Rector’s Class Resumes:** *Wednesday nights through May, at 5:00 p.m.* in the Skinner Building.

**EfM (Education for Ministry)** *Thursday nights, at 5:30pm* in the Skinner Building. *Last meeting May 25.*

**WORSHIP MINISTERS – Sunday, May 28, 2017**

**8:00 service:**

**Usher:** John Cross.

**Lay Ministers:** *1st Lesson, Mack Skeen; Psalm & 2nd Lesson, Helen Harper; Prayers, Muggy Murray; Chalice, Becky Ibison & Helen Harper.*

**Altar Guild:** Muggy Murray.

**Hospitality:** Jo Ann Flocks.

**Announcements:** Tony Flippin.

**10:30 service:**

**Ushers:** Travis Walling and Jose Mendez

**Lay Ministers:** *1<sup>st</sup> Lesson*, Kody Goad; *2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson*, Sara Kincannon; *Prayers (Form IV)* Steve Kilpatrick; *Chalice*, Pettus Kincannon & Steve Irby.

**Acolytes:** *Server*, Keo Ward; *Asst. Server*, Gregory Allen; *Crucifer*, Olivia Poirier; *Torches*, Rose Ward & Lana Contreras. *Parent helper*, Ward.

**Children's Chapel:** Lori Burton.

**Altar Guild:** Eleanor Foltz & Susan Horton.

**Hospitality:** Becky Dunn.

**Announcements:** Ron Lawson.