



The Weekly Grail

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March 9, 2008

Sunday, March 9

Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m.

NO Rector's Forum, 9:15 a.m.

NO Adult Study , (*Library*), 9:15 a.m. Class has been canceled until March 30.

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Children's Easter Concert Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.

Godly Play (Room 3), 10:15 a.m.

Catechesis (Room 4), 10:15 a.m.

NO Adult & Youth Confirmation Class, 4:00 p.m.

EYC — worship, supper, program

Monday, March 10

Holy Eucharist & Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

EFM, 8:45 a.m.

St. Anne's Guild, 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11

Holy Eucharist & Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

NO Centering Prayer, 2:00 p.m.

Bible Study, 5:15 p.m.

Christian Ed Commission Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12

**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL AND
THANKSGIVING FORMS ARE DUE TODAY**

Holy Eucharist & Healing, 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

Staff meeting, 4:00 p.m.

Daughters of the King , 5:30 p.m.

Micro-Industry Mission Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Supper, 5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist, 6:00 p.m.

An Inconvenient Truth, 6:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m.

Micro-industry Mission Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 13

Holy Eucharist & Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

St. Francis Guild, 11:45 a.m.

Friday, March 14

Holy Eucharist & Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

Tidings **DEADLINE**, 10:00 a.m.

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Thanks to everyone that signed up to provide a meal for our Sunday night EYC program.

Camp Bratton Green Applications for Summer 2008 are available in the church office. Scholarship money is available upon request.

Future Events/Announcements

Easter Activities are planned for the children between the 8 and 10:30 services on Easter Sunday.

Our church children are busy at work preparing for an Easter concert to be performed during the 10:30am Easter service on March 23rd. Our practices will continue on Sundays throughout the Lenten Season. If you have a child that would like to participate, then please bring him or her to Atrium Room 3 on Sundays at 9:15am. We look forward to seeing you there! For any information regarding this event please contact Lauren Wainwright at the church office or email:

lauren.wainwright@hotmail.com

Second Education for Ministry Group to Begin Fall 2008. Ms. Jane Lee, a certified EFM mentor will facilitate an evening EFM group beginning in the Fall of 2008. The EFM program runs the entire academic year (34 weeks). Materials cost about \$340. *If you are interested in this program - which incidentally is about the best course of study in Bible, Theology, and Ministry outside of seminary - please contact the church office at 601-544-5551. Only 10 seats are available.* You can learn more about EFM at <http://www.sewanee.edu/EFM/index.htm>.

Open dates for 2008 Altar Flower memorials are:

June 29	October 5 & 19
July 13	November 2
September 14 & 21	

Easter Trivia

Easter is very early this year (March 23)! As you know, Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20). Therefore the earliest Easter can be is March 22, but that is pretty rare.

This year is the earliest Easter any of us will see during our lives! And only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early (only those 95 years old or more!). And none of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier!

The next time Easter will be this early (March 23) will be the year 2228 (220 years from now). The last time it was this early was 1913.

The next time it will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was

on March 22 was 1818. So, no one alive today has or will ever see it any earlier than this year!

Sacred Stitches: Knitting & Needles in Holy Week

by Debo Dykes

The Center for Formation & Mission of The Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi, will offer a three-day conference, "Sacred Stitches: Knitting & Needles in Holy Week" on March 17th, 18th, and 19th, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week. **The Rev. Jennifer Deaton**, Chaplain for St. Andrew's Episcopal School and Priest Associate for St. Andrew's Cathedral, and **The Rev. Debo Dykes**, Director of Programming for The Center for Formation & Mission, will lead participants through an inner journey of their spiritual life, and share how prayer and meditation when knitting and needling stir opportunities for spiritual growth. Registration will begin at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:00 pm, and our first session will begin at 7:00 pm. The cost for the conference is \$220.00, which includes, lodging, meals, and facilitator's fee. For registration information please contact Debo Dykes at debo@dioms.org, or call 601-948-5954. You may also register online at www.dioms.org, News & Events, EVENTS. Prior to the conference, participants are encouraged to visit the new knitting shop in Jackson, MS, **The Knit Studio**, located in the space previously known as Knit Wits. Judy McNeil is the new owner and can be reached at 601-991-3092.

HOLY LEISURE a silent retreat with special guidance from licensed Spiritual Directors

**March 28 -30, May 2-4, August 8-10, &
November 7-9**

Maybe it's a reaction to our hectic, media-driven new century, or perhaps it's just the logical progression for those who seek a life in Christ. Whatever the reason, our HOLY LEISURE silent retreats are attracting seekers of all ages. *Be still, and know that I am God* (Psalm 46:10) reminds us of the importance of quieting our minds and calming our spirits in order to hear God's presence in our lives. Under the guidance of licensed trained Spiritual Directors, participants will be given spiritual tools that will allow the "ambient noise" of our lives to diminish and be fully present with God. For registration information please contact The Rev. Debo Dykes, debo@dioms.org, or 601-948-5954.