

THE BANNER

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✠ **EYC MISSION TRIP** ✧ St. George's EYC is again partnering with All Saints' EYC to go on a mission trip to New Orleans to help renovate St. Anna's Episcopal Church, a mission church in the Ninth Ward. Luke Stevens, Ellen Scarborough, and Adam and Gabriel Moreau, along with chaperone Martha Paul will be joining about 15 other teenagers and chaperones, led by Matt Puckett. They will be painting fences, gardening, cooking and helping run the church's summer vacation Bible school for area children. They will be gone from **July 11 to July 16**. Please keep them in your prayers during this time.

✠ **OUTREACH UPDATE** ✧ Outreach will meet Sunday, **July 11**, at noon in the library. We welcome new members anytime. If you would like to sit in on a meeting or participate in one of our ministries, please contact Gayle Wall at gwall9407@austin.rr.com or 837-0644.

The Back-to-School fundraiser will begin **July 11**. Roberta Tisdale will lead this drive again this year. The State of Texas provides backpacks and school supplies for the foster girls but there is no money for clothes. Our goal is to provide each girl with a gift card to purchase items they need that can be purchased during the tax-free weekend August 20-22. Look for specially marked envelopes in the pew sheets in July to make your tax-deductible donation. Checks should be made out to St. George's Church with "Back-to-School" noted on the memo line. Thank you for your help.

Trinity Center Streets served our downtown homeless community a hot meal on June 13. Thanks to Terry O'Donnell for heading this effort and to Ralph Houser, Evan O'Donnell, Belinda McGee, Spencer and Hollie Gordon, and Mary Stewart Miller for their participation. We also appreciate Kevin Schubert who stopped by and offered his encouragement as he familiarizes himself firsthand with our outreach endeavors. The next opportunity to serve will be **August 8**.

A Swim Party for the foster girls on June 27 was a huge success. We thank Herb and Sandra Villalaz Dickson for opening their lovely home for Nicole, Brooke and Taylor to celebrate their birthdays with cakes and their favorite foods.

Worshiping God together, sharing the gospel and serving God's children

✠ **CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS** to proud parents Amanda and Andy Garner and grandparents, Louann O'Bannion and Tom Sethre on the birth of Ruthie Hope Garner born on June 3, 2010.

Confirm their joy by a lively sense of your presence among them, O God, and give calm strength and patient wisdom as they seek to bring this child to love all that is true and noble, just and pure, loveable and gracious, excellent and admirable, following the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

✠ **NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY ✘ Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

A new opportunity for people to serve our great family here at St. George's has emerged. There are a number of individuals that are not able to attend Sunday services, either because they are home bound or they may find themselves hospitalized on a Sunday during the services. Because of these various circumstances, St. George's will begin a new ministry to provide those persons an opportunity to share in communion with the rest of the community. If you are interested in serving as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor please contact The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert at the church office by phone, 512-454-2523, or by e-mail, kevinljschubert@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity for you to serve our community!

✠ **2010 BISHOP'S CONFERENCE ON STEWARDSHIP ✘ August 6-7 at Camp Allen**

This August you are invited to attend a spectacular conference provided by the Diocese of Texas regarding Stewardship. Grounded in scripture, primarily from Genesis 1:26, stewardship is the responsibility given to humans in creation for managing the resources of the earth. It encompasses much more than just our financial responsibilities, including all facets of our Christian life together. If you are interested in the conference please contact The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert at the church office by phone, 512-454-2523, or by e-mail, kevinljschubert@gmail.com. Kevin will provide you with the brochure and more information regarding the conference.

✘ **YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL STATEMENT** ✘

Below is a statement of St. George's actual income and expenses compared with the budgeted income and expenses for January through May 2010. If you have any questions about this report, please contact Stephen Linam, Treasurer.

Description	Actual	Budget
Plate and Pledge	\$69,501.10	\$65,650.00
Other Budgeted Income	\$16,843.58	\$19,722.00
Total Budgeted Income	86,344.68	85,372.00
Budgeted Expenses	\$92,051.72	\$93,122.00
Difference between income expenses	5,707.04	7,750.00

"Other Budgeted Income" includes donations for altar flows, building use, reimbursements from the day school and St. Hildegard's, receivables from legal settlements and Randall's card income. This does not include donations to outreach committee projects, other special fundraisers or any other non-budgeted gift to the church.

Income is running slightly ahead of budget and expenses slightly lower than budget that is both good news. Expenses still exceed income because we adopted a deficit budget this year.

† Nursery Attendant Needed

St. George's has recently accepted the resignation of our long time nursery attendant Rosemary Salazar. Rosemary will be deeply missed. Our prayers and thanks are offered to her for the care she has given to the children of the church. Rosemary's last Sunday with us is June 27th. If you know of anyone willing to serve as a nursery care attendant please let The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert know as soon as possible, either by calling the church office, 512-454-2523, or via e-mail, kevinljschubert@gmail.com. We have recently employed Maria Tellos, nursery attendant for St. Hildegard's, to provide her services on Sunday mornings in the nursery. Because of Diocese of Texas Safe Guarding God's Children policies, we are required to have two safe guarded adults in the nursery. During this transition we ask for your assistance. Any Safe Guarding certified church members that are willing to volunteer their time in the nursery on Sunday's are encouraged to inform Kevin. While we search for a second nursery attendant, we hope that these persons will provide the appropriate adult supervision in the nursery.

† NEWS FROM ST. GEORGES'S DAY SCHOOL - Laura Colangelo

Summer Construction

The school board has been in negotiations with a contractor to begin construction very soon on the new outdoor bathroom and storage space to replace the old shed. During construction, a fence will be erected around the site and every measure will be taken to ensure that our children are kept safe, yet thoroughly entertained by the construction process! Some toys will have to be kept outside on the playground during this time. Please excuse the messier appearance and help us keep the toys safe and secure while we make these improvements.

† **The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection hosts *The Cash Band*, July 25, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (with a half-time break).** "To sing the songs of, and to honor, the legendary Johnny Cash:" this is the near-sacred goal of Paul Podraza and *The Cash Band*. From the moment Paul belts out the first lines of "Folsom Prison Blues, you hear an uncanny resemblance to the voice and presence of Johnny Cash. Come hear The Cash Band. This exciting group performs hits like *Folsom*, *Ring of Fire*, *Walk the Line* and others. They also sing new ones like *Personal Jesus*, *Goin' by the Book*, and more. The first part of the two-part show will be the more "secular" songs and the second half will be more Gospel. Special guest Bobby Johnson, who looks like Michael Jordan and sings like Charlie Pride--who he performed with--will sing gospel. You'll love him--and you'll love The Cash Band. ECR is located at 2200 Justin Lane; phone 512-459-0027 or visit www.ecraustin.org. This concert is presented free of charge. Donations will be accepted gratefully.

† **ART FROM THE STREETS** ✱ June 2010, Trinity Center began hosting Art from the Streets, which has previously been housed at the ARCH. They hold their studio and art classes two afternoons a week at Trinity Center. Art from the Streets is "a volunteer-run program providing a safe and encouraging environment where the positive spirit and creativity of homeless people is nurtured through artistic expression. Volunteers facilitate twice-weekly open studio art classes which culminate in an annual art show where the homeless participants exhibit and sell their art to the general public - breaking down barriers of prejudice and fear with feats of beauty and creativity, while at the same time bringing in some badly needed cash" (www.artfromthestreets.org).

Hildegard's Illumination: Our Celtic Roots

"I will kindle my fire in the morn of the day, in the presence of holy angels. Without malice or jealousy, envy or fear, without terror of anyone under the sun, but the Holy Beloved to shield me..."
from *Carmina Gadelica*

In the circle under the green canopy in Kleberg the gathered community stands to sing these words of the Opening Song that were sung for centuries each morning in the farmhouse kitchens in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland. As the mother knelt at the hearth to stir the fire to life again, she welcomed the day with her intention as well: "O Holy One, kindle Thou here in my heart, a flame of pure love..." As each of us takes a lighted candle and brings it to the table-altar in the center, we are also being intentional in deepening the love in our own hearts, joining with others to bring light and warmth into the world in daily, ordinary ways.

For many years now we have been celebrating a Celtic Season during some portion of Ordinary Time. Hadiya (Diane) Arendt designed the liturgy, Susan LeVieux the sacred space, and Mary Erme composed the music. I was delighted to see "I will kindle my fire" included in the worship for the last two General Conventions! It was published in *Voices Found*, a collection of songs by, for, and about women (Church Publishing, Inc., 2003), and has been sung at Washington Cathedral and was also recorded by Elizabeth von Trapp.

At the Offertory we circle the table in procession and then gather close to sing "Mass in a Celtic Manner", also composed by Mary. All of our Eucharists are created using a framework and text approved by General Convention – informally referred to as Rite 3 – that allow more creativity. The season offers an opportunity to learn more of the Celtic teachings that revere matter as well as spirit. Celtic monks founded the monastery in the Rhine Valley where Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) was taken as a child, so her writings also come out of this Celtic strand of the Christian tradition.

Kevin has invited St. Hildegard's to have a monthly article in the Banner so that the parish can know more about our community. I chose the name 'Illumination' because Hildegard of Bingen and the Benedictine nuns of her community created paintings called *Illuminations* to portray her visions. I am hoping that you will get to know us better through some of the word pictures here. Please come visit anytime!

Blessings, Judith

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 11-18	EYC mission trip to New Orleans
July 11	Foster girls back-to-school fundraiser begins
Aug 08	Trinity Center meal for the downtown neighbors at 2 p.m.
Sept 5	Labor Day Service, 10:30 a.m. Celebration of Vocation & Avocation
Sept 12	Rally Day, 10:30 a.m. Parish Wide Ministry Celebration
Nov 12-14	Parish retreat at Wessendorf Ranch
Feb 27	Confirmation Service w/ Bishop Doyle, 6:30 p.m., reception following

✘ BIRTHDAYS IN THE MONTH OF JULY ✘

Eddie Terrazes - 02 Barbara Linam-Church - 03 Stewart Ford - 03 Athena Navarro - 09
Nancy Ricketts - 11 Betty Tobutt-Nelson - 12 Melody Rickard - 13 Evan O'Donnell - 16
John Terry "JT" Sparks - 18 Walter Moreau - 20 Vinyl Manohar - 22 Rev. David Hoster - 22
Charles Webb - 23 Heather Schubert - 24 Hal Stevens - 24
Kevin Schubert - 26 Philip Doty - 30

✘ CHRISTOPHER HOUSE BASKET DELIVERIES FOR JULY ✘

Ada Pewitt - 04-10 Ramon Trevino & Terry O'Donnell - 11-17
Roberta Tisdale - 18-24 Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Stevens - 25-31



✚ NEW COFFEE HOUR HOST LINE UP ✘ Anyone wishing to help and who is not directly involved with one of these organizations is more than welcome to bring snacks at any time.

1st Sunday - **Outreach Committee - Contact: Gayle Wall - June 6, Aug 1, Sept 5, Nov 7**

Lay Eucharistic Ministers - Contact: Jan Phillips - July 4, Oct 3, Dec 5

2nd Sunday - **Altar Guild - Contact: Gayle Wall - June 13, Aug 8, Oct 10**

Choir - Contact: Paul Pew - July 11, Sept 12, Nov 14

3rd Sunday - **Women's Book Club - Contact: Carolyn Moreau - June 20, Aug 15, Oct 17, Dec 19**

Lectors and Intercessors - Contact: Suzie Keith - July 18, Sept 19, Nov 21

4th Sunday - **Vestry - Contact: Martha Paull - June 27, Sept 26, Dec 26**

Ushers - Contact: Herb Dickson - Aug 22, Nov 28

Kids Word & EYC - Contact: Martha Paull - July 25, Oct. 24, Dec 12*

*** Pink Candle Party**

5th Sunday - **Parish Wide Potluck - May 30, Aug 29, Oct 31**

Links to:

<http://www.sgchurch.org/worship4.asp> Lay ministry schedule

<http://www.sgchurch.org/events3.asp> The Banner including past electronic issues

www.stgeorges-austin.org St. George's Day School

<http://www.io.com/~kellywp/> The Lectionary - a calendar of current scripture readings

<http://www.episcopalchurch.org/index.htm> Episcopal Life Online

<http://www.epicenter.org/edot/Calendar24.asp?SnID=309494341> EDOT calendar year

<http://www.foundcom.org/> Foundation Communities

www.campallen.org/html/summer.htm Camp Allen registration for multiple programs

www.earth911.org Recycling and other earth friendly information

www.elbuen.org El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission

The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert
Acting Rector

Paul Pew *Music Minister*
 James Thomas *Parish Secretary*
 Laura Colangelo
Day School Director

Vestry

Rob Blech *Senior Warden*
 Hollie Gordon *Junior Warden*
 Andrea Sparks *Clerk*
 Ralph Hausser *Martha Paull*
 Jan Phillips *Frances Rickard*
 Hal Stevens *Ramon Trevino*

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
 (with Morning Prayer on
 first Sundays)

8:00a.m. Contemplative prayer
 9:45a.m. Choir rehearsal
 10:30a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
 with Kids Word
 (Nursery available)

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As the deer longs for the water-brooks,
 so longs my soul for you, O God.

Psalm 42:1

The next issue of *The Banner* will go
 out on **August 1**. Deadline for news is
Sunday, July 18.
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