

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

HOSPITALITY Please contact Becky Boyette at becky.boyette@turner.com or call her at 404-931-8004 if you can help with Coffee, Cookies and Conversation after the 10:55 am service on Sundays

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CHANGES Beginning September 13th, children's Sunday School will be moving! Instead of sitting in the same classroom each week, classes will rotate through different 'workshops.' Classes will study the same Bible story for four to six weeks, and each workshop will focus on a different learning style – art, music, drama, even cooking! For more information about the workshop rotation model, see the handout in your bulletin. Interested in helping? Visit our sign-up table after the service this morning. Interested in registering your children? Visit our registration open houses on Sunday, September 6th or Wednesday, September 9th.

ST. PAUL GAC holding its first annual **Community Cook-off and entertainment showcase** Saturday October 17th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Sydney Street (in the St. Paul courtyard and on the street). The GAC is looking for good cooks willing to enter their favorite dishes and musicians, actors, comedians or anyone interested in donating time and talent to the event. A mini set of 2-3 songs or 15 minutes is acceptable. All ages and levels of talent are welcome. Anyone interested in participating as a contestant or entertainer can contact us on our Facebook page: Golden Age Center- St. Paul UMC in Grant Park ATL, GA or email vanessajackson21@comcast.net.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS during August will be served as part of the August VBS session. **Menu for August 19: cucumber, tomato and onion salad, roasted honey mustard turkey breast, cinnamon sweet potatoes, Texas chocolate sheet cake.** Regular Wednesday night suppers will begin Wednesday, September 9th. The church is accepting proposals from cooks willing to prepare Wednesday night suppers on a break even basis (for the church) beginning in the fall. Using last year's average attendance of 20 adult and 10 children per week would mean the cost of food, preparation and clean-up could not exceed \$125.00 per week. In the event that attendance and receipts increased, the amount of profit to the cook could increase proportionately. If you are interested in preparing meals on this basis, please contact the church office.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN! We want you to join one of our fabulous Children's Choirs: The Little Angels Preschool Choir (ages 2-5) or The Little Saints Elementary School Choir (K-5th). This year both choirs will rehearse at the same time from 6-6:30pm to make it easier for families to participate. Patres Hillis will lead the Little Angels and Laura Wells will lead the Little Saints. You don't want your child to miss out on all the fun. Rehearsals start after Labor Day on Wednesday, September 9th. Dinner will be served from 6:30 to 7pm and various adult classes and the adult choir will meet after dinner. If you haven't tried out Wednesday nights at St. Paul, come enjoy the fellowship and fun. We hope to see you there. If you have questions, contact Laura Wells.

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A MISSION ROAD TRIP Wednesday, September 2nd – Monday, September 7th (Labor Day)
You can join Jonathan Kidwell in New Orleans working at the direction of the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana Office of Disaster Response (the organization for whom Jonathan worked previously).

Some basic information:

Workday -- 8 until 3 (or so), Thursday--Saturday.

Expected jobs -- Hanging drywall, finishing drywall, installing flooring, painting, finish carpentry (trim, doors, cabinets).

Skills needed – None. If you don't know which end of the hammer to use, someone will teach you.

Cost -- \$10/night per person for housing + food and transportation. Accommodations have bath/shower facilities and a kitchen stocked with necessary utensils.

Travel -- Seven hours drive from Atlanta. Jonathan and Jen will leave around noon on Wednesday by car. Current airfare is around \$240 roundtrip per person.

Fun – Lots. Jonathan knows the best ice cream place in town, not to mention some great restaurants.

Contact jonathan@toolbank.org to let him know you would be interested in coming. As of last weekend, the only volunteers scheduled for the 2nd-7th are Jen and Jonathan. The Diocese wants a "final" count on Monday, August 24th. Please forward this email to anyone not on our distribution list who might be interested.

NORTH GEORGIA YOUNG ADULTS can participate in an interactive UM seminar in New York City August 10-13. Receive training on how to work at home on issues of social justice, including global health initiatives and human trafficking. Participation is on a first come, first served basis and costs \$350 per person plus meals (\$40/day) and metro card (\$25). To register contact Margaret Freeman at mfreeman@ngumc.org. Questions about the trip? – contact Susan Allen-Grady at susan@stpaulgrantpark.org. For more information on the seminar program, go to www.umc-gbcs.org/site.

BEYOND PILLS AND PROCEDURES: SPIRITUALITY AND HEALING RETREAT will be presented at the Center for Spiritual Renewal at Simpsonwood August 21-23. Visit the conference website for more information and a brochure.