

I want to take a moment to celebrate what God is doing at St John's Anglican.

In the past month, we have completed another round of our new member class. We had nine adults complete the class, and all nine felt called to join the church. I'm glad that we can extend a Christian welcome to Christian Abercrombie, Lijah Hobgood, Hunter and Leigh Peak, Brandon Ray, Stan and Angie Trollinger, and Hunter and Casey Trollinger.

On Pentecost Sunday, we also had the joyful privilege of baptizing Hunter and Casey's two boys, Bennett and Cooper. As part of the liturgy, we all vowed to support them as they grow in their faith, and it will be a pleasure for us to contribute to their Christian education together.

We had a wonderful evening of congregational fellowship on Ascension Eve, when we gathered together to watch *His Only Son*, a movie about Abraham and Isaac, and we are preparing for another time of fellowship Sunday June 4 when we will stay after church to eat lunch, an event we call Holy Chow.

As we enter these summer months, let us not quench the flow of the Spirit-let us stay faithful and refreshed in the midst of all that the Lord has been doing for us and through us. Though we will be dialing back some of the programming here and there for summer, let us not also dial back the zeal that the Lord has put in our hearts.

God has shown that he cares about St John's--that he dearly loves each soul in his great flock. Let us rejoice in responding to his love in a spirit of steadfast gratitude.

In Christ, Jim



Jim Barton





# Hands of Hope Pregnancy & Resources Center

Hands of Hope is a pro-life center that we partner with and support. They have been serving southwest Georgia for over 30 years.

## **Contact Us For More Information**

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### **Donate**

We are currently participating in a diaper drive. Our congregation is providing size 4 diapers. Drop off your diapers in the North Narthex by June 11.





#### Volunteer

We are always looking for volunteers to join our team! We have many opportunities for volunteers including Data Entry/Reception, Client Advocacy, media/technology, and so many more.

# Pray

Prayers are always welcome for our center, our clients, our directors, and our volunteers. Please pray that the Lord would bring people here to receive help, as well as bring people to aid in giving help.



#### **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

A good group of some 40 men got together for a fish fry, and what a culinary treat it was! In addition to the catfish there was a huge serving of boiled crayfish, and Reggie brought cream pie, just to make sure we all left full and happy. To make the evening complete, we were serenaded by Fr. Jim, Caleb Cripe, and Brent Cobb. As always, we closed the evening with Compline, so it was a feast for the body and soul.







#### BAPTISMS ON PENTECOST SUNDAY

Two of our younger members were baptized on Pentecost Sunday—Bennett Scott Trollinger and Cooper James Trollinger, the sons of new members Hunter and Casey Trollinger, were baptized by immersion, well almost. Older son, Bennett got right into it, but his brother, Cooper decided he'd prefer sprinkling. But the job got done and both brothers were joyfully welcomed into the community of faith.





# **Holy Chow**

June 4, 2023
Ham provided!
Bring a side dish to share.



The Vestry encourages everyone to keep up with your tithes and pledges this summer!

Ascribe unto the Lord the honor due unto his Name: bring offerings and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8



Our first Family Movie night was on May 17, with a showing of *His Only Son*, the compelling story of God's command to Abraham that he offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice. We had a good crowd and the Vestry agreed to cover the ticket costs for all. Thanks to the hospitality team we had popcorn, drinks, donuts and enough candy to last us until Halloween! It was a wonderful time of fellowship and something we'll do again.



There will be no Vestry Meeting in June





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June 4, 2023
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Sign up in Narthex



# Men's Christian Fellowship

June 13, 2023
6:00 PM
Parish Hall
Bring a steak and a friend!



# **Vestry Meeting**

No meeting in June



#### June

17-Jeff & Terri Joiner 21-George & Anne Peagler 25-Stan & Angie Trollinger



#### June

2-Anne Jean Broun
9-Stan Trollinger
11-Tom Peagler
16-Eva Joyce Barton
16-Pam Perry
26-Kelsey Barton

# JUNE ROTA

DATE	SERVICE	LEM	LECTOR	USHER	CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
6/4	Holy Communion	Beth Cameron	Courtney Wingfield	Sid Cameron	
6/7	Evening Prayer & Healing		Everett Byrd		
6/11	Holy Communion	Lou Chase	Jeff Joiner	Jeff Joiner	
6/14	Evening Prayer & Healing		Susan Curtis		
6/18	Holy Communion	David Snell	France Pierce	Brady Fowler	
6/21	Evening Prayer & Healing		Jeff Joiner		
6/25	Holy Communion	George Peagler	Susan Curtis	Sid Cameron	
6/28	Evening Prayer & Healing		Beth Cameron		