



Fab Friday, August 18, 2023

EVERYTHING HAPPENING AT ST. JOHN'S THIS WEEK (AND MORE)



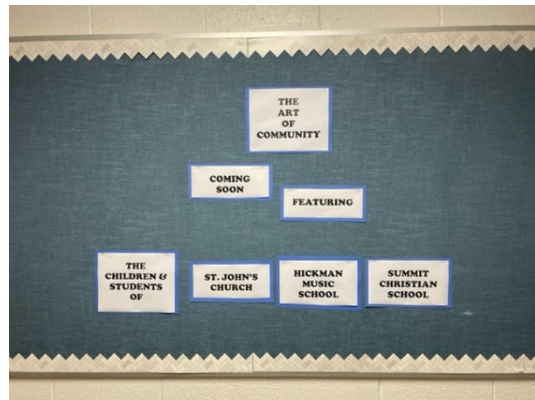
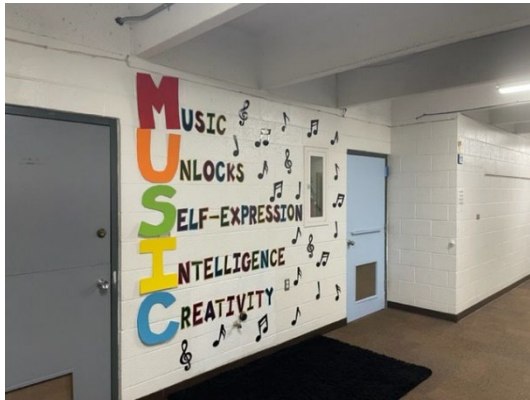
Do you remember the scene in the Grinch that Stole Christmas where the Grinch's heart grew and grew from the love of the people in Whoville? That is how I feel today. My heart has grown exponentially with gratitude that God sent us such a wonderful gift in Summit Christian School.

It's been an extraordinary week, getting acquainted with the teachers and many of their children who were here to help wherever they were needed. Sweet loving children, so well-mannered and considerate of others. The last two days in particular were incredible. After only three weeks of painting and new or refurbished flooring, solving AC problems, changing locks, replacing a window, and moving everything into their individual classrooms, it was like a garden growing and blooming in fast forward! It is the beginning of a new community here at St. John's with two schools and a church coming together to "teach the children well".

Today, families came in to meet their teachers, find their way around and just enjoy the new energy that is in the air. Someday soon, we will arrange a tour of both Summit and Hickman so you can see for yourselves how our school has been restored to its original intention. I have taken so many pictures that I cannot put in this newsletter. I have included some below - try to figure out which room you are looking at. It is a total transformation! You will just have to come and see it for yourself.

So, here is your [Sunday bulletin](#). Have a splendid weekend. Stay cool!!!

Peace be with you!
Nancy



What's coming up at St. John's

Please note important dates coming up this August:

Monday, August 21 – Summit Community School classes begin.

Wednesday, August 23, 5:30 – Evening Prayer

Thursday, August 24, 5:30 – Feast of St. Bartholomew Eucharist

Sunday, August 27, 8:30-10:00 and after church –

Photos taken for membership directory

Sunday, August 27, 4:30-6:30 pm – Families Back-to-School

Swim Party at the Newberry's home

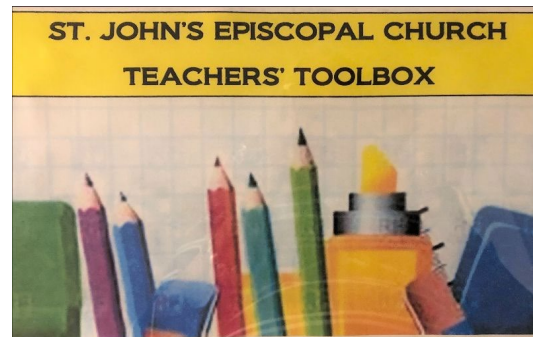
Wednesday, August 30, 5:30 – Evening Prayer

Instant Church Directory™

Put on your Sunday best and be ready for individual and family photos to be taken on Sunday, August 27. Professional photographer, **Jason Pierce of *Grand Life Originals*** has stepped up and will be taking photos for the upcoming online membership directory. Jason's gift of time and talent to St. John's will become the centerpiece of the directory and literally bring it to life.

The beauty of the directory is that it can also be printed for people who want a paper copy. So, **Mark Your Calendars and plan to come early for your photo session, or stay late after the service, so we can get everyone's photo in one day.** Your cooperation and patience with this process on that day will be greatly appreciated!

Schools are back in session and teachers need supplies once again. August needs for Teacher's Toolbox include Play-Doh, Kleenex, Crayola crayons, highlighters, and colored pencils.





And along comes September

Dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, September 3 – Labor Day Weekend

Wednesday, September 6, 5:30 pm – First Wednesday Eucharist

Wednesday, September 6, 7:00 pm – Choir practice begins

Sunday, September 10 – Commissioning for Daughters of the King during service

Sunday, September 10, following service –

Back to School and Ministry Fair

Sunday, September 17 – Sunday School starts



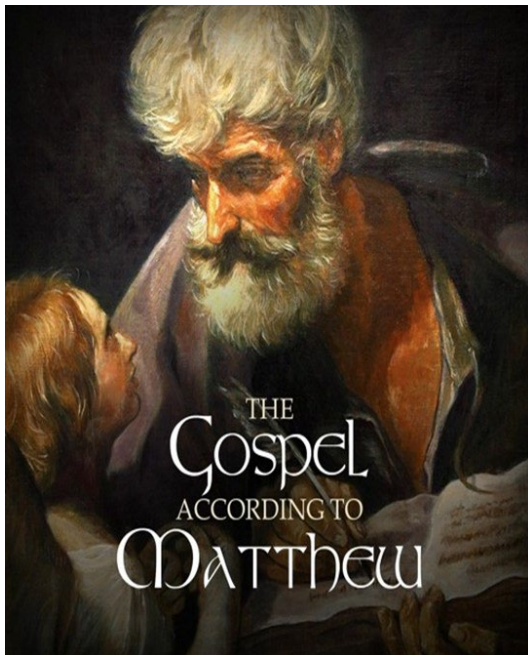
Sunday, September 17, 9:15 am - Sunday School Begins

Storymakers for Children - with Sarah Carr in the Parish Hall

Youth in Library - with Babette Patton

New Episcopalians and Confirmation Class -
with Fr. Nate in WD Hall

Adult Formation - Year A Lectionary Study,
with Fr. Willie and Steve Orwig in the Parlor



Sunday School: Adult Formation
Fall Study in the Parlor

Lectionary Study: Year A
Fr. Willie Font and Dr. Steve Orwig

BC Clark Gives and Gives

Did you know that BC Clark gives back a 3% of sales to women's ministries. We recently received a nice quarterly gift. All you have to do is **ask for, and complete, a Church Coupon next time you make a purchase at BC Clark.** And you don't have to wait for the Anniversary Sale.

New St. John's Security Measures:

In light of recent events, the Bishops Committee has been reviewing our safety and security guidelines. **As a safety precaution, a member of Bishop's Committee (BC) will lock the front door of the church after the Sunday service begins.** The BC member will remain near the door, for the duration of the service, to provide access for anyone arriving late for the service. Safety precautions are under review for other services. More to come.

