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Mead Hall Episcopal School



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AN INVITATION TO A HOLY LENT

This week we began journeying through the season of Lent, when we observe the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness before beginning his earthly ministry. Lent is a time where the Church remembers the need of all of the faithful to enter into a time of self-examination, repentance, and renewal of the spiritual life. Each year, before we begin our Lenten journey, we go with Jesus and the disciples Peter, James, and John onto the mountaintop and witness his Transfiguration—the time when, ever briefly, Jesus is revealed as the Son of God and as God. We witness with the disciples the dazzling brilliance of this revelation of God’s holiness, and we are invited, as they were, to ponder what this means.

We are invited to contemplate what it means to understand Jesus as the embodied presence of the Living God, the fulfillment of all of the hopes of the People of God throughout history (a fulfillment that is signified by the presence of Moses and the prophet Elijah on the mountain with Jesus). Most significantly for us, we are invited to see ourselves in relation to this event—to understand ourselves as sharing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus through our baptism. We are also invited to understand ourselves as called to participate in

God’s holiness. We are called to see and understand ourselves as bearers of the Image of God; to learn, as C.S. Lewis remarked towards the end of his life, to see in the people we encounter each day the glorious immortal beings God has created and to whom he was pleased to give a share of his spirit.

This can be challenging to accomplish. Holy Scripture records that Peter, James, and John were knocked off their feet by this revelation.

When Moses journeyed to the mountaintop to receive the Ten Commandments, the people asked him to veil his face when he returned because the shine of the reflection of God’s holiness proved too much in the moment. It is for this reason that the season of Lent immediately follows the account of Jesus’s Transfiguration. It is our time to reflect and integrate this truth into our lives, and to do the work we need to do, through repentance, prayer, study, and self-examination and self-denial, to learn to see others and ourselves as bearers of the Divine Image, and to reflect God’s light in the world. I wish you a holy and blessed Lent!

Father Joseph+

GIVING DAY
THERE IS STILL TIME TO GIVE!



February 23, 2023

Bridge the Gap. Together we make a difference





LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

“FEELIN’ THE LOVE!”

PS - 4th grade students celebrated Valentine’s Day with a dress down day and classroom parties!



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

Our February Birthday Book Club members include Caroline Fallaw, Carson Moreno, Win Hartnett, Ansley Whitten Stewart, and Blaire Ballantyne. Blaire had a September birthday.

These students enjoyed picking out a title from our new book selection in the library. After reading the book they donated the book to our library for other students to enjoy! We are thankful to these students for their generous donations.



DR SEUSS WEEK

Dr. Seuss Spirit Week

February 27 - March 3

In celebration of Read Across America Week and Dr. Seuss' Birthday



Monday

Fox in Socks

Sock Day: Wear some crazy socks with your school uniform.



Tuesday

One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish

School Spirit Day: Wear all things red and blue. (Dress Down Day)



Wednesday

Cat in the Hat

Hat Day: Wear a favorite or crazy hat with your school uniform.



Thursday

Oh! The Places You Will Go!

Career Day: Show us what you want to be when you grow up.



Friday

Teacher In-Service Workday



DENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION MONTH

Thank you Kit Fox dental for sharing proper dental health care steps with our students!!



LOWER SCHOOL UPCOMING DATES

FEBRUARY

27 - MAR 3 FACULTY APPRECIATION WEEK AND DR. SEUSS WEEK STC

MARCH

2 FIELD TRIP - 1ST GRADE TO BRIDGESTONE SCIENCE PROGRAM
3 FACULTY IN-SERVICE (NO SCHOOL)
6 FIELD TRIP - KIDZ BOP @ USCA 10:00AM 3RD AND 4TH GRADES
7 STC DECLAMATION SHOWCASE (PK- 4TH 5:30)
8-10 FIELD TRIP - 4TH GRADE TO BARRIER ISLAND
10 END OF 3RD QUARTER
16 Q3 REPORT CARDS AVAILABLE ON FACTS FAMILY PORTAL
17 DRESS DOWN FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY WEAR GREEN



MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL NEWS



MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL UPCOMING DATES

February

- 27 Rising 5th Grade Parent Night 6:00 at APC
- 27-Mar 3 Faculty Appreciation Week

March

- 1 School Day SAT Exam
- 2 US Karaoke night
- 3 Aiken All-County Band Clinic
- 3 Faculty In-Service (No School)
- 6 Kidz Bop @ USCA 10:00 am (3rd, 4th, 5th grades)
- 6-7 SCISSA Student Council Spring Convention
- 9 Young People's Concert @ USCA 10:00 am (6th, 7th, 8th grades)
- 10-12 All-State Band Clinic
- 10 End of 3rd Quarter
- 10 US Lock-in w/ 8th grade



QUESTIONS REGARDING UPCOMING EVENTS, PLEASE CONTACT MRS. LINDSAY TUCKER, ACADEMIC DEAN GRADES 5-12.



SCHOOL STORE

School Store Hours for Feb 27 - March 3
Open Monday - Thursday at 8:00 a.m.
Closed Friday, March 3rd for Faculty In Service

Afternoons by Appointment -
MHStore@meadhallschool.org



PTO NEWS AND EVENTS



Faculty and Staff Appreciation

Faculty and Staff Appreciation Week

will take place next week, February 27th - March 2nd on both our Lower and Upper school campuses. The PTO requests the help of parent volunteers to provide breakfast items and mailbox treats Monday - Thursday. Please [Click Here](#) to view the [SUG link](#) and assist where you are able!

Chick-fil-A Lunch Day



at STC and APC will take place on Friday, March 24th. Pre-Orders will begin the week of March 13th.



39th Annual Strawberry Festival

on the Aiken Prep Campus will take place on Saturday, April 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Planning Meeting - The PTO will host our next festival planning meeting on Thursday, March 9th at 8:45 a.m. in the APC Cafeteria. Please join us and learn more about how you can help!

Biggest Needs - Numerous volunteers are needed on event day. We also need donations of frozen casseroles/pies, individual baked goods, pound cakes and silent auction items.

This festival is the PTO's largest fundraiser of the school year and its success is only made possible by the help and generosity of our Mead Hall families. Your support is greatly appreciated!



PANTHER CLUB ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



THE PANTHER CLUB
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH, 2023
AIKEN GOLF CLUB
9:00 AM SHOTGUN START

ONLINE
REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN



DOWNLOAD &
PRINT
REGISTRATION
FORMS



UP TO 4 PLAYERS / CAPTAINS CHOICE
\$500 / TEAM OR \$125 /PLAYER
BREAKFAST & LUNCH PROVIDED
PRIZES & RAFFLES

REGISTER ONLINE OR,
FORMS & CHECKS MAIL TO

PANTHER CLUB | 619 BARNWELL AVE. NW. | AIKEN, SC 29801

ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE IMPROVEMENT OF MEAD
HALL ATHLETIC FACILITIES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR A NIGHT OF THE ARTS -
FIRST ANNUAL ART
PERFORMANCES
AND EXHIBITION

"Night Of The Arts"

Mead Hall Episcopal School cordially invites you to attend the opening of the

First Annual Art Performances and Exhibition

Saturday, March 18, 2023 • 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Banksia - The Aiken County Historical Museum

Theatrical Performance by Drama Students

Competition judged by the esteemed artist

Musical Performance by

Ms. Leslie Alexander

The Mead Hall Band

Art Available for Purchase

Meet the Visual Artists

Champagne and Hors-d'oeuvres

—A suggested donation of \$20 per family is appreciated -
All funds raised directly benefit the Mead Hall Arts Programs —



SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY 7:45 A.M. - RITE I (NO MUSIC) 9:00 A.M. - CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
11:15 A.M. - TRADITIONAL SERVICE WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.
BIBLE STUDY 11:00 A.M. - SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL PLEASE
JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SERVICES. YOU MAY ALSO ATTEND VIRTUALLY AT THE
[VIMEO LINK](#). FOR THOSE WATCHING AT HOME, THE BULLETIN CAN BE FOUND
AT THE SERVICE BULLETIN LINK ABOVE, AND ON THE [ST. THADDEUS
WEBSITE](#).



UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS AT ST. THADDEUS

LENT MONDAY - FRIDAY: - FEB. 23-MAR. 6, 8:00AM
PRAYER SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS IN LENT: - 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29
SERVICE - 5:00PM IN CHAPEL, DINNER AT 5:45PM, PROGRAM 6:15-6:45PM,
CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED.

DINNER: SOUP, SALAD, AND BREAD \$5/PERSON \$15/FAMILY
(NO NEED TO SIGN UP AHEAD OF TIME)

PROGRAM BY WEEK:

1. INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT WITH CANON RENEGAR
2. INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT WITH FR. JOSEPH
3. CHURCH HISTORY WITH CANON RENEGAR
4. SACRAMENTAL THEOLOGY WITH FR. JOSEPH
5. ECCLESIOLOGY: WHO WE ARE AS ANGLICANS AND THE WORDS WE USE TO
DEFINE OURSELVES WITH CANON RENEGAR

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT AT 5:30PM IN THE SANCTUARY

PALM SUNDAY: - APRIL 2, 7:45AM, 9:00AM - TEA GARDEN, 11:15AM - TEA GARDEN

HOLY WEEK: 4/3, 4/4, 4/5 - 11:00AM EUCHARIST IN THE CHAPEL

MAUNDY THURSDAY: - APRIL 6, 7:00PM IN SANCTUARY - FOOT WASHING AND
STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

GOOD FRIDAY: - APRIL 7, 8:00AM, 12:00PM, 7:00PM IN SANCTUARY

EASTER VIGIL: - APRIL 8, 8:00PM INCENSE AND CHANTING

EASTER SUNDAY: -APRIL 9, REGULAR SERVICES, EASTER EGG HUNT AT 10:15 AM.

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