

# GOOD NEWS!!

Let us give thanks to God for the hope we have in him through Christ!

## Beyond Sandwiches Symposium



## Walking the Labyrinth



## Sunday with St. Benedicts



## Ecclesias Conference



# CHURCH of the COMMON GROUND NEWS

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## Welcome New Interns

Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Romans 12:13



My name is Emily Badgett, and I am originally from Concord, North Carolina. I am a rising Senior at the University of the South studying American Studies and Religious Studies with a Certificate in Civic and Global Leadership. I am currently in the discernment process to the Priesthood in the Diocese of North Carolina. Last summer, I worked as a Historical Research and Archive Management Intern for the East African Slave Trade Exhibit Centre in Stone Town, Zanzibar, Tanzania.



My name is Yajenlemla and I am from Nagaland, India. I am currently doing my Master of Arts in Theological Studies (New Testament) in Columbia Theological Seminary. It has always been my desire to serve in the ministry and to contribute to the community in whatever way I can. And I believe that what I am doing right now is a step closer to where God wants me to be and what God wants me to do. Music is a big part of my life and I like to sing and play the guitar.



My name is Astria L. Wilson. I am from Ruston, LA and a student at Emory University Candler School of Theology. I am currently developing a pastoral care curriculum for victims of sexual assault and trauma in the prison system. I also work as a research assistant, seeking information on how the church is responding to issues of human and sex trafficking. I desire to see a world where we only see humanity and not the condition of the person.



I'm Indie, and I am interning as a chaplain with Church of the Common Ground. I grew up in California and I lived on a ranch. We lived off the grid—we didn't have electricity for about eight years when I was a kid—so I got used to being in the dark a lot and I still like to leave the lights off most of the time. I am now a student at Vanderbilt Divinity School in Nashville. I am married and have three children. I am excited to be in Atlanta this summer working with Church of the Common Ground.



My name is Matt Schramm and I'm excited to be working with church of the Common Ground this summer. I'm a native of Winder, GA, and I graduated from UGA in 2017 with a bachelors in philosophy and religion. Since then, I've been doing itinerant youth ministry with the Catholic Diocese of Charleston. In August, I will be beginning a Masters of Theological studies at Candler School of Theology.

**SUNDAYS:** 1pm—Worship at Woodruff Park  
**MONDAYS:** 10:30am—Morning Prayer Central Outreach  
**TUESDAYS:** 9:30-11:30am—Common Soles / Pastoral Care (In St. Luke's park)  
**WEDNESDAYS:** 10:30am—Morning Prayer at Central Outreach  
 2:30pm—Bible Study at Woodruff Park  
**THURSDAYS:** 9:30am-1pm—Pastoral Care / Theology From the Margins - at Central Outreach every other Thursday

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# Let's Celebrate Birthdays!

Alex Hall - June 5



Patricia - June 26th



Kenya Thompson - June 29



Charmeka – June 27th



Lorraine Mills – June 16th



**"O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the day of this life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."**

If you would like your birthday listed in the CCG newsletter, please make sure to let one of the priests know what date it is.

## THEOLOGY FROM THE MARGINS

May 2: Who is God in Genesis?

May 9: Who are God's people?

May 23: Why is God so angry in the prophets?

June 6: Where is God When the World Falls Apart?

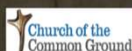
June 20: Where Can Wisdom Be Found?

## Questions about the Old Testament

Classes are Thursdays from 9:30-1:00pm at Central Outreach and Advocacy Center

A course offered by the Theology from the Margins Certificate Program.

About the Professor: Dr. David G. Garber, Jr. is the Associate Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at McAfee. He teaches courses in Old Testament, Hebrew Exegesis, Social Justice in the Old Testament, The Theology of Ezekiel, The Bible and Popular Culture, and The Book of the Twelve.



## Upcoming Dates

June 11

**Leadership Cohort Dinner at St. Luke's Episcopal Church**

June 26

**Common Stories Dinner Celebration at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. (Hamilton Room) Enter thru the Courtland/Currier lot and the lower entrance to the church.**

June 27

**Spirituality Thursdays with Lee Peyton. 10:30-1:30. Meet at 55 Park Place.**

July 11

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July 30-Aug 1

**Koinonia Farms Tuesday-Thursday. See Pastor Monica for information, registration, and covenant**

Aug 8

**Spirituality Thursdays with Lee Peyton. 10:30-1:30. Meet at 55 Park Place.**

## Launching into Pentecost



We officially begin the Day of Pentecost on June 9, 2019 with Whitsunday. Pentecost comes from the Greek pentekoste-"the fiftieth day"-as it is 50 days after Easter. Pentecost is often known as the following: the birthday of the Christian church, the beginning of the church's mission to the world, and the gift of the Spirit. The Day of Pentecost is one of the seven principle feasts of the church year in the Episcopal Church - many believe Pentecost to be the origin and sending out of the church into the world.

Therefore, I would challenge all of us at the Church of the Common Ground to think about our mission at Common Ground. I would like for you to think about the following theme for Pentecost: as defined as the four (4) L's-Look, Listen, Love, and Launch. Look around you and see what you could get involved with; Listen to others-take the time to be engaged; Love your neighbor and reach out to friends and strangers; and then Launch-get involved in your community.



Peace and Blessings,  
Rev. Deacon Devadas Lynton