

Insights

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

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FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR

We are enjoying a growing relationship with St. Mark AME Zion Church. Last Saturday our singles young adult group joined with theirs for an evening swim party -- the 28 who gathered found much in common and enjoyed the new possibilities of relationship. Plans are underway for a joint church family retreat in the Spring.

I have invited the pastor of St. Mark, the Rev. William Loyd Burton, to be our guest preacher on Sunday morning, September 12th. I know that you will warmly welcome Rev. Burton and others of St. Mark who will be worshiping with us.

You and I are inheritors of a Methodist Church which has been divided by race for much of our history. In the late 1800's the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) came into formation in Philadelphia because Black Methodists were separated and forced out of the Methodist Church. In 1821 the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church (AMEZ) was formed in New York. In 1840 our church split further apart over the issue of slavery. We have remained separated by race over these many years. It is in worship, bible study and in fellowship with one another that our unity in Christ is affirmed and that we move closer to holiness of heart and life.

The Apostle Paul speaks of God's "mystery" which was hidden for ages but now revealed in Jesus Christ; namely, that all things should be reconciled. The ministry which Christ has given us is a ministry of reconciliation.

Surely the covenant which we are forming with St. Mark is pleasing in God's sight as we seek to be reconciling agents both within the church and our community. Grace and peace to you all.

Mark

Fourteenth Sunday in Pentecost Holy Communion

Food Pantry: Oatmeal, Cereal, or Grits

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

"Will Our Children Have

Durham, NC 27701

Faith?" - Men's Coffee -

Parlor

9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages

10:15 a.m.

Sanctuary Choir

10:30 a.m.

Ringing of the Tower Bells

10:55 a.m.

Worship Service

12:15 p.m.

"INSIGHTS" information

due for, Sept. 12 - Sept. 18,

RETURN TO

8:00 p.m.

WEEKLY FORMAT 12 Step Al-Anon and A.A.

Community Life Center

SERMON:

Mark W. Wethington

SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 149 (148)

Matthew 18: 15-20

Exodus 12: 1-4

Romans 13: 8-14

ANTHEM:

Sanctuary Choir

"Draw us in the Spirit's Tether" FRIEDELL USHERS: Wil Drake (Captain), Jeff Bailey, Randy Bollinger, Bill Bowles, J.H. Chappell, Bill Coman, Judy Coman, R.L. Forrester, Richard Grogan, Leland

Phelps, Bill Stone.

GREETERS: Maurice Richie S.S. GREETERS:

Logos Class

Dottie Richie

ACOLYTES:

CROSS:

Caroline Wethington

Allen Browning

Jennifer Boring

ALTAR GUILD:

MESSENGERS:

Doris Bridges

Kevin Baker

Dorothy MacMillan

Denise Baker
NO JR. CHURCH:

NURSERY:

Amy Johnson

Julie Chandler Mary Greenway

Sharon Allen

A special Charge Conference will be held immediately following church on Sunday, September 12th. The purpose of this meeting will be to act on the sale of the Cedar Street parsonage. This should be a very brief meeting.

CHURCH CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 6 - SEPTEMBER 11

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - Jr. JOY
7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Wesley Women - Bradshaw Room

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Parent Orientation -

Weekday School - Whitford Hall

8:00 p.m. Central Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A.

Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - JOY
5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Children's Choir and Small group
Registration - Whitford Hall

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Meal - Whitford Hall 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bethany Bells - Handbell Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:45 - 12:00 p.m. Visitation
10:00 - 11:00 p.m. Worship Committee - Prayer Room

10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford Hall

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday Study Group

Prayer Room

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Fold "Insights" - Whitford Hall 4:30 - 7:45 p.m. National Council of Churches -

Aldersgate Room

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A.

Community Life Center

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 - 4:00 p.m. COSROW - Fayetteville



WESLEY WOMEN Tuesday, September 7 7:30 p.m. Bradshaw Room

Wesley Women will meet on Tuesday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bradshaw Room. The small group that met in August decided that the summer book was too good for so many of us to miss the discussion. So -- we will discuss Emmanuel at the September meeting. Kay Maunder is hostess and Group 3 will provide delicious food for our consumption.

Our next shelter meal will be on September 12. Pam Spence and Bobbi Wethington are in charge.

Wesley Women is a circle that originally grew out of the Wesley Class. We meet the 1st Tuesday of each month with a program of a spiritual nature or of general interest. We have several projects each year including bi-monthly service of a meal at the Community Shelter for H.O.P.E., soup sales to raise money to give away and various other services to our church and community. We welcome you to come join us!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

PARENTS' MORNING OUT CELEBRATION

Parents' Morning Out has expanded again to meet the number of parents who have heard about our program. We will have 52 children this fall, beginning September 1. There will be one baby room, ages 5 months to 16 months, on Monday and Wednesday and two older rooms, ages 16 months to three years old, on both days. Teachers for the baby rooms are Kumud Desai, Cindy Legge, and Rose Gregory, and for the older rooms, Deborah Moore, Kay Maunder, and Jana Alexander. As the name PMO indicates, parents also help in the program.

Another change this fall is that we are offering two pickup times: 11:45 a.m. or 1 p.m. The cost is \$7 per day for the 11:45 pickup and \$10 per day for the 1 p.m. pickup. Members of this church go to the top of the waiting list if you are interested. We are very pleased to offer this ministry to parents of young children.



VISITATION DAYS Thursday, September 9 Thursday, September 23 9:45 - 12:00 P.M.

Visit and then go out to eat. The weather is cooler: why don't you come and go with us to cheer up some folks?!

We need:

Someone to take an older man out for ice cream once or twice a month. Someone to visit a sad lady who really needs more visits. Call Ann Stallings if you can help, 683-3467.

Question for the week:

Do you know the special person who takes roses every week to all the residents of Hillcrest?



DMYF and **JOYBells** are BACK! Sunday, September 12

5 pm - JOYBells and 6-7:30 p.m. DMYF - This includes Snack Supper for \$2. Wear shorts for volleyball and games. All 6th - 12th graders are invited - and friends are always welcome.

HUMAN SEXUALITY WEEKEND

Camp Rockfish September 24-26.

All youth are urged to register immediately with the Conference Office, then notify Laurie or Rich for a place on the van. "Any Questions?" is designed to be an open-ended format addressing issues of self-esteem, relationships, decision-making, and Christian morality. There will be separate groups for younger and older youth. If you need a registration form, call the church today.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sunday, September 19 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Mentors and parents are included in these monthly morning sessions. The topic will be "The Bible." A light breakfast will be provided, 8:30 - 9:00 am, \$1 donation. Bring your Bible and Confirmation Book.



TIME IS RUNNING OUT

In order to get good seats for the Broadway show, we must make early reservations. If you are at all interested in going with the Duke Memorial group to New York, November 30 - December 3, please let me know. Omar Fink, Coordinator for Senior Travel (477-6209), or leave a message at the chruch office (683-3467).

PERU COVENANT MISSION TRIP October 18 - October 28

"Breakfast of Love"

The Peru mission thanks all who attended the "Breakfast of Love" for their support of the Covenant Mission Trip. It was a wonderful morning for everyone present! Approximately \$300 was raised.

Peru Offering - September 19

Special offering envelopes will be provided on Sunday morning, September 19, for persons to give support to the upcoming mission trip to Peru (October 18 - 28). About 6 of our church members will be going as part of the NC Covenant with Peru. If you are able, please be prepared to support the mission trip through this special offering.



Fall Cleaning for Peru!

Clean your attic, basement and closets to support the Peru Mission trip!

The Peru Mission team will collect your "treasures" for a yard sale to be held Saturday, October 2. You may bring donations to Whitford Hall stage before September 28. The donations will be sorted and sold with all proceeds to benefit this important trip to support the N.C. Conference covenant with Peru.

If you have furniture or appliances or other large items to donate and wish the item(s) to be picked up, please call the church office and leave a message with your phone number for Kevin Baker, Tim Turkington, Mark Wethington, Courtney Smith or Para Drake.

Your support for the mission is greatly appreciated. Approximately \$6,000.00 is needed for six from Duke Memorial to participate.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR SIGN-UP Wednesday, September 8 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Has it occurred to anyone that a possible reason dinosaurs became extinct is that they never sang in our children's choir? Just in case, why don't you sign up for either Carol Choir

(K through 1st grade) or Wesley Singers (2nd through 6th grades)? Our sixth graders will help the Wesley Singers begin the year until after Christmas when we will start a new youth choir for sixth through twelfth graders. Parents may register their children at tables located near Whitford Hall on Wednesday, September 8, from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. and also outside the church library on Sunday, September 12, before and after Sunday School. Don't be extinct, join a children's choir this year!



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HUNGER AWARENESS MEAL



Wonderful Wednesday
September 8
6 - 7:30 p.m.
Whitford Hall

Wonderful Wednesday begins
September 8 with an all-church Hunger
Awareness Meal sponsored by the
Missions Committee and Society of St.
Andrew. Cost: \$2.50 for adults, \$2.00 for
children, 3-12 years old. Make
reservations by calling the church office
(683-3467) by noon on Tuesday,
September 7. Due to the nature of the
program, please be prompt.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY SIGN-UP

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Registration

* Children's choirs: Carol Choir

Wesley Singers

* Youth sharing/study groups:
Youth Girls' Sharing Group
Youth Boys' Sharing Group

* Adult classes and groups:

ult classes and groups:
DISCIPLE Bible Study
Christian Social Justice Issues
Workbook of Living Prayer