



Insights

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Minister's Message

During the past two weeks, members of our congregation have been visiting in the homes of other members in order to share the good news of Christ's ministry through Duke Memorial. My impression, however, is that some people understand this every-member visitation as a "money-raising" venture. Some consider that it is now just a few months away from 1994 and we need to raise support for a new budget. I wish somehow we could all share a right understanding of why we are visiting.

Visitation is an extremely significant ministry, as we visit among both those who are active church-goers and those who, for whatever reason, are inactive. We visit, first of all, because we represent the body of Christ scattered, sent forth as messengers of the good news of God's love. As we enter into another's home we share God's love through our presence, our words and our action. We bring Christ's living presence into that home and invite those who live there to enter into the variety of ways in which our congregation is faithfully engaged in ministry and mission. Some are physically unable to participate bodily in the church's ministry, so we share with them the importance of their prayers and their gifts. As we have made these visits we have uncovered some whose sufferings were unknown to us, others who have become estranged from the church for various reasons, others about whom the church had forgotten, and others who expressed a desire to enter back into the church's ministry.

I wish that all would be willing to visit and to receive a visit. "I'll just mail my pledge in," some say. But more importantly is the time Christians need to spend together in dialogue about the ways in which our congregation is sharing faithfully in Christ's ministry and how each of us can make known what are the gifts which we have to offer in support of this ministry.

This Sunday is "Commitment Sunday." You will be invited to come forward and commit yourself once again to Christ's ministry through this congregation of the United Methodist Church through your prayers, presence, gifts, and service. Don't forget to bring your "commitment" with you. Grace and peace.

Mark

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1993

Twenty-Second Sunday in Pentecost

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.	Men's Coffee - Parlor
9:15 a.m.	Carol Choir - Sanctuary
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Methodism Class - Whitford Hall
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 - COMMITMENT SUNDAY
12:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Confirmation/ Mentors - Pizza and visit MRH
12:15 p.m.	"INSIGHTS" information due (Nov. 7 - Nov. 13) NO Ring For Joy NO JOYBells NO DMYF
8:00 p.m.	12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. Community Life Center

SERMON:

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SCRIPTURE:

Psalms 107: 1-7, 33-37

Matthew 23: 1-12

Joshua 3: 7-17

1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13

ANTHEMS:

"We Come With Joy"
Carol Choir
"Precious Lord"
Sanctuary Choir

USHERS: Connie Chandler (Captain), Tom Adkinson, Tom Chandler, Julie Sharing, Debbie Fedyshyn, Jim Fedyshyn, Mary Helen Ferrell, Charles Medlin, Polly Mixon, Tim Nifong, Jay Peters

GREETERS:

S.S. GREETERS:

Tom Adkinson
Linda Adkinson

TBA

ACOLYTES:

CROSS:

Jennifer Boring
Becky Ballard

Allen Browning

ALTAR GUILD:

MESENTERS:

Mary Lee Bailey
Marcia Grogan

Kevin Baker
Denise Baker

NURSERY:

JR. CHURCH:

Kay Maunder
Julie Chandler
Johnna Forrester
Beth Robbins

TBA

CHURCH CALENDAR
NOVEMBER 1 - NOVEMBER 6



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

HELP FOR THE CHURCH NURSERY

Do you have crib sheets, porta-crib sheets, receiving blankets, a crib, or good washable toys that you would be willing to donate to our church nursery? Bring them to the office, the nursery on Sunday, or call Doris Forman (477-5261) to let her know.

OTHER HELP NEEDED IN CHILDREN'S DIVISION

We need someone to hang the curtains in Mary Canada's room, someone to make curtains for the first grade room or the third grade room, and someone to decorate a scrapbook for us. Please call Doris at above number or Ann at 683-3467 if you can do either.

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YOUTH DAY AT DUKE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 9:15 a.m. Depart from church, \$8.00 plus lunch money
- 10:00 a.m. Hear Tom Landry, former coach of Dallas Cowboys
- 12:00 p.m. Duke vs. Georgia Tech
- 3:30 p.m. Pick up at church

YOUTH CALENDAR

- Oct. 30 Youth Day at Duke
- Oct. 31 Confirmands, Pizza, 12:00 p.m.
MRH visit, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
- Oct. 31 NO DMYF, NO Bells
- Nov. 7 Bells, 5:00 p.m.
DMYF, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 14 Bells, 5:00 p.m.
DMYF, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 21 Bells, 5:00 p.m.
DMYF, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 28 NO DMYF, NO Bells
- Dec. 5 Bells 5:00 p.m.
DMYF 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 12 Confirmation, 8:30 a.m.
NO DMYF, NO Bells
White Christmas, 4:00 p.m.
- Dec. 19 NO DMYF, NO Bells
Church luncheon and caroling
- Dec. 26 NO DMYF, NO Bells
- Jan. 2 NO DMYF, NO Bells

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - JOY Class
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Circle 3-1 - Parlor
- 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Circle 4 - Katie Johnson Class
- 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. UMW - Bradshaw/Whitford Hall
- 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. DISCIPLE Bible Study - Bradshaw
- 7:30 p.m. Finance Meeting - Library
- 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Preteen and A.A.
Community Life Center

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- 12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - Jr. JOY
- 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. Administrative Board - Bradshaw
- 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. Wesley Women - Parlor
- 8:00 p.m. Central Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A.
Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
- 10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford Hall
- 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - JOY
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Fold "Insights" - Whitford Hall
- 5:30 - 6:10 p.m. Wednesday Meal - Whitford Hall
- 6:00 - 6:10 p.m. Sing and Share - Whitford Hall
- 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. Carol Choir - Aldersgate Room
- 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Wesley Singers - Handbell Room
- 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Girl's Youth Share - JOY Class
- 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. DISCIPLE Bible Study - Bradshaw
- 6:20 - 7:30 p.m. First Wednesday Forum - NAFTA
- 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bethany Bells - Handbell Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. Men's Coffee, Biscuits, OJ - Parlor
- 9:45 - 12:30 p.m. Visitation - Kings' Daughters Home
- 10:00 a.m. Music/Worship Meeting -
Prayer Room
- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday Study Group
Prayer Room
- 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Parents' Workshop - Whitford Hall
- 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A.
Community Life Center

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- Gleaning Soc. of St. Andrew (683-3011)



VISITATION

QUESTION FOR THIS WEEK: Do you know the new member of our church who visits four shut-ins in North Durham?

Upcoming visitation date is Thursday, November 4 - Meet at 9:45 a.m. in the church kitchen and visit at the Kings' Daughters Home, and eat there. Second date is Thursday, November 18, at 9:45 p.m. visit homes and then eat at Bread and Board on Ninth Street at 12:30 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

November will be money month for United Methodist Women. The monthly meeting will be held on Monday, November 1, and will consist of a planning session as to how the group's funds should be allocated. We will consider a list of local, national and international charities which have asked for financial aid from U.M.W. Each charity will be described in brief, and there will be time for discussion of each one. We will then vote on which charities should be funded, and in what amounts. This is an important meeting, as it represents the culmination of the efforts of U.M.W. for this year. Please plan to attend. A covered dish luncheon will be served after the meeting. Please bring a dish to share with 6-8 people. United Methodist Women is open to all the women of the church. Please join us!

WESLEY WOMEN UNPLUG THE CHRISTMAS MACHINE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 7:30 P.M.

Are you often disappointed with the way you spend the Christmas Season? On Tuesday, November 2, at 7:30 p.m., in the Bradshaw Room, Wesley Women will take a look at Christmases past. We will also take a crack at defining our values, create a fantasy Christmas and then combine all our insights into a workable plan for the coming holiday season. A sitter will be provided.

Everyone is invited. Amy Sears is hosting and Group 2 will provide refreshments.

Call Amy Kellum at 544-4094 for more information.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7

Sunday, November 7th, will be celebrating All Saints Sunday. At our morning worship we will share in Holy Communion and call to remembrance all those of our community of faith who have died since last All Saints Day. Come and worship as we give thanks for all communion of the saints.

COVENANT DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND NOVEMBER 12 - 14

November 12-14 will be an exciting weekend in the life of our congregation as the Rev. Dr. David Lowes Watson will be here to lead us into a fuller understanding of the "class meeting" in early Methodism and its "retraditioning" in United Methodism today. All families of our congregation are invited to participate in a family night dinner on Friday evening, November 12th. A seminar on "covenant discipleship" will be held on Saturday morning for all interested persons. On Sunday, November 14th, Dr. Watson will preach during our morning worship and persons will be given the opportunity to commit themselves to "covenant discipleship" as a way of forming their lives in faithful Christian living. Dr. Watson is Professor of Congregational Mission and Life at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington D.C. An exact schedule of the events of this weekend will be forthcoming.



"UMBRELLAS OF LAVENDER"

People continue to comment on the wonderful children's message, "The Umbrellas of Lavender," which was written and directed by Marge Clark. The producer, Elizabeth Bookhout, serves as chairperson of our Council on Ministries' workarea on Stewardship. The narrator, Holly Eggleston, a member of the Open Door Sunday School Class, works so well with children since she teaches pre-school handicapped children in the P.I.P.E. Plus program at Lakeview Center.

The stars of the production, of course, were the children who brought their enthusiasm and expression to Marge Clark's delightful tale about God's grace and our responsibility to be bearers of God's grace to others. We thank these children for God's grace which they brought to us on a dreary and rainy Sunday morning. May God bless all of you.

Children who participated: Kathryn Fleming, Kathryn Howlett, Susanna Ochoia, Mary Coffman, Caroline Wethington, Brooke Gray, Matthew Spence, Rebecca Nifong, Emily McCracken, Corey Coffman, Daria Drake.

CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR IN NEW YORK CITY NOV 30 - DEC 3 4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

Enjoy the Neapolitan Christmas Tree in the Metropolitan Museum, Radio City Christmas Show, visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Broadway musical, "Crazy for You," which won 3 Tony Awards, including best musical for 1992 -- and, as always, time for shopping in Lord & Taylor, Macy's, Saks, Bloomingdale's and more.

There are a few seats available on our motor coach. For details, contact the church office or Omar or Helen Fink at 477-6209.



POINSETTIA TIME AGAIN!

Orders for poinsettias must be placed in the church office by November 19th. They may be placed in honor or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$12.00 each payable to Duke Memorial U.M.C.

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**MULTI-CULTURAL
THANKSGIVING DAY BANQUET
NOVEMBER 25
2:00 P.M.
WHITFORD HALL
(Transportation Available)**

If you're pondering what to do for Thanksgiving, or if you just want a break from cooking a huge meal and washing the dishes, then come to a Thanksgiving fellowship dinner with our friends for St. Mark AME Zion. Families, singles, seniors, and students from both churches are invited to attend. We're planning a turkey dinner, singing children's activities, and, yes, even football.

We'll gather at 2 P.M. on Thanksgiving Day in Duke Memorial's parlor for singing, visiting, and a prayer. Then, we'll move to Whitford Hall for our Thanksgiving banquet. Afterwards children may go play games, football fans can catch the action on a big-screen TV and everyone else can kick back, listen to music and chat with friends, both new and old.

All you'll need to bring is one covered dish (bread, vegetable, stuffing, potato, salad, or dessert) with enough to serve your family plus two people. Turkey, tea, coffee, and table service will be provided. We will pass a basket to cover the cost of the turkey. Any food remaining will be delivered to the local Community Shelter for H.O.P.E. This is also a good time to bring canned foods to help fill the food pantry.

Transportation will be arranged for those who would like a ride. If you have questions or would like to help with the planning, call JoLee Fishback at 419-1319. Please sing up by November 14. We look forward to seeing you there.

**THANKSGIVING SERVICE
NOVEMBER 21ST
7:30 P.M.
DUKE MEMORIAL U.M.C.**

**BISHOP'S PLEA FOR
SHALOM MINISTRIES OFFERING
OCTOBER 31**

Our bishop, C.P. Minnick, Jr. has requested we receive a special offering on October 31 for Shalom Ministries. 100% of this will go to create a Shalom Zone in Los Angeles where peace and goodwill may prevail, where healing of riot-torn areas may be restored, and where racial strife may give way to Christian love. If you would like to contribute to this Advance Special, please mark your check for Shalom Ministries.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY FORUM
NOVEMBER 3
6:20 - 7:30 P.M.
WHITFORD HALL**

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), proposes to create one large market including Canada, The United States and Mexico. Congress is expected to vote on the treaty November 17th, and the vote should be close. Proponents of the treaty (including multinational cooperations, banks and the Mexican government) claim that the treaty will create new U.S. jobs as the Mexican market opens up. Opponents of the treaty (including labor, environmental, consumer and some religious groups) argue that the treaty will lead to U.S. job loss to Mexico; heavy environmental damage; lowering of consumer, worker safety and environmental standards; and new limitations on our Democratically elected government.

Come learn more about NAFTA at the next First Wednesday Forum, November 3, 6:20 - 7:30 p.m. in Whitford.