

Insights

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Minister's Message

My column this week is devoted to three brief emphases:

First, it is not too late to be a part of our Covenant Discipleship Weekend. While reservations have been taken for the Friday night supper you can still be a part of the sharing which will take place after supper, as well as the Saturday morning seminar. Both these times will be very informative and will allow you to better understand how this small group involvement assists in forming Christian disciples.

Secondly, I continue to be encouraged by an increasing number of members who are becoming an important part of the numerous areas of ministry and mission in which this congregation is involved. On this Wednesday evening, November 17th, beginning at 7:30 in Whitford Hall, we will hold our annual Charge Conference. This is a time when our District Superintendent is present to review our ministry and for us together with him to celebrate the ministry of Christ in this place. Although members of the Charge Conference are expected to be present, anyone and everyone is encouraged to come. I look forward to seeing you there.

My third comment is tied to my second point and has to do with the obvious increase in those who have committed themselves to the ministry of visitation. While there will always be those who may never feel visited unless the senior minister visits, it is my hope that we as a congregation will continue to grow in our understanding of the ministry of all believers. While there are essential times for the clergy to be present, it is important that we remember that "where two or three are gathered in my name" Christ is present (and that can mean the visitor and the one being visited!). Thanks be to God for those who bring Christ's presence to all who are lonely and in need of Christ's compassion.

Grace and peace to you all.

Mark

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1993

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Pentecost

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| 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. | Men's Coffee - Parlor |
| 9:15 a.m. | Celebration Singers - 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 - Sanctuary |
| 10:30 a.m. | Ringling of the Tower Bells |
| 10:55 a.m. | Worship Service - Sanctuary |
| 12:15 p.m. | 'INSIGHTS' information due *(Nov. 21 - Dec. 4) |
| 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. | Ring For Joy - Choir Room |
| 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. | JOYBells - Handbell Room |
| 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. | DMYF - Youth Lounge |
| 8:00 p.m. | 12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. Community Life Center * Two weeks covered. |

SERMON:

David Lowes Watson

SCRIPTURE:

Psalms 76

Matthew 25: 14-30

Judges 4: 1-7

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

ANTHEM:

"The First Song of Isaiah"
Celebration Singers

"Surely the Lord Is in This Place"
Sanctuary Choir

USHERS: Tim Langford (Captain), Clarence Bailey,
Robin Langford, Arthur McDonald, Dick McFall,
A.D. Turrentine

GREETERS:

S.S. GREETERS:

Todd Pope

Logos Class

Dana Pope

ACOLYTES:

CROSS:

TBA

TBA

ALTAR GUILD:

MESSENGRERS:

Gloria Johnson

Kevin Baker

Ann Marie Langford

Denise Baker

NURSERY:

JR. CHURCH:

Julie Ellis

TBA

Kay Peters

Susan McFall

Kim Robertson

CHURCH CALENDAR
NOVEMBER 15 - NOVEMBER 20

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
 9:15 a.m. Parents' Coffee - Parlor
 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. NO Staff Meeting - JOY Class
 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. DISCIPLE Bible Study - Bradshaw
 2:00 p.m. Circle 9 - Mrs. Ruth Kale's
 801 S. LaSalle St., Villa 3
 7:30 p.m. Finance Meeting - Library
 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. New U.M.W. Group - Parlor
 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Preteen and A.A.
 Community Life Center

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

10:00 - Noon Circle 8 - Parlor/Kitchen
 12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - Jr. JOY
 8:00 p.m. Central Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A.
 Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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 - 7:15 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Mid. JOY
 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Open Door
 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. DISCIPLE Bible Study - Bradshaw
 7:00 p.m. Administrative Board - Whitford
 7:30 p.m. Charge Conference - Whitford
 7:30 p.m. Cerebral Palsy Foundation - Library
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bethany Bells - Handbell Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:15 - 8:15 a.m. Men's Coffee, Biscuits, OJ - Parlor
 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nursery
 9:45 a.m. Visitation
 12:00 p.m. Minnie P. Gates Class
 Luncheon - Holiday Inn
 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday Study Group
 Prayer Room
 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Leaders Meeting
 Aldersgate Room
 7:30 p.m. Staff-Parish - Parlor
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:15 a.m. Weekday School Board - Parlor
 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A.
 Community Life Center

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

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

FALL LUNCHEON
MINNIE P. GATES CLASS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18
HOLIDAY INN

The Minnie P. Gates Sunday School Class is having a Fall Luncheon Thursday, November 18th at 12:00 p.m. at Holiday Inn West, Hillsborough Road. Please make your reservation before November 15 by calling Edith Johnson (489-3673).



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

PARENTS' MORNING OUT NEWS

Coffee for Monday morning parents is Monday, November 15, 9:15 - 10:00. Wednesday morning parents had their coffee November 10th.

We are beginning a new PMO for babies 5 months to 16 months on Thursday, November 11. Kumud Desai and Patsy Wiggins are the teachers and will have 8 babies to love. We open the new class because there were 29 babies on the waiting list, some of whom haven't even been born yet. Please pray for the teachers and the new babies, and for our other six classes on Mondays and Wednesdays.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP

If you can make curtains for a classroom, the first and third grade classrooms are in desperate need of curtains. Please call Doris Forman (477-5261) if you can help. Also, we still need crib sheets, portacrib sheets, receiving blankets, and good washable toys for the nursery. Please bring to nursery or call Doris Forman (477-5261).



VISITATION

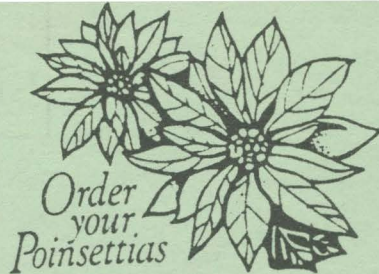
Visitation Day - Thursday, November 18 - Visit other places and eat lunch with Bessie Sue Harris and Judelle Northcut at Kings' Daughters Home at 12 noon. Please call Ann if you plan to attend so Mrs. Harris can make arrangements for us.

Answer to last week's question: Cathy Shepherd, a brand new member of our church, and Becky Carver-McLain, a not-so-new member, both asked if they could visit people. Cathy is visiting Margaret and Astor Fowler, and Becky takes communion to Harold and Edna Lugwigen.

Needs: Harriet Lyon, in Carver Living Center, Room 104, would love for someone to visit her on Sundays, as she can't get to church and the day gets long. Her family lives out of state.

Another very special lady who is caring for a family member needs visits on Saturday and Sunday, as she cannot leave her home all weekend. Her family members are far away, too.

Please call Ann quickly at 683-3467 if you can meet either of these needs!



**POINSETTIA TIME AGAIN!
Order by November 19th**

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.



**Between
The Book-Ends**



Books given by the Spence-Kale Bible Class:

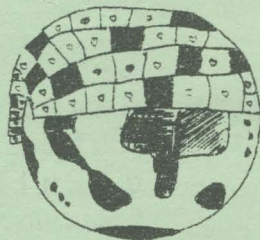
Cartwright, M., For the children: How we can save our public schools, given in memory of Sidney Gunn

Butash, A., Bless This Food, given in memory of Ken Howard

Glazener, M., Cup of Wrath: The story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's resistance to Hitler, given in memory of Alfred Williams

United Methodist Book of Worship given in memory of William Henry Ellis

Many thanks to all those who contribute books and periodicals to the library. The collection is richer for your help. - Judy Walling



**BLANKET THE WORLD
WITH CHURCH WORLD SERVICE**

Everybody needs a blanket. November's Mission project is called Blanket the World with Love. For \$5, you can provide a warm blanket to someone in the Mississippi flood zone, in Somalia or Armenia, in Peru or Palestine. Church World Service, under the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), sends these blankets to all areas of the world for refugees, victims of disaster, and homeless adults and children.

You may show your love by giving blankets in honor of someone else (give names of honorees to Leland Phelps). Mark your check for "Blankets" payable to Duke Memorial.

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

Mark your calendars now for the Service of Thanksgiving which will be held with our neighbor churches. This will be the 12th annual Service of Thanksgiving held together with Temple Baptist and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. This year we have invited our sister church, St. Mark AME Zion, to join with us in this service of celebration on Sunday evening, November 21st, at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Donald Staib, priest at Immaculate Conception, will bring the message. The Revs. Crate Jones, William Loyd Burton, and Mark W. Wethington will serve as liturgists. Music will be offered by the combined members of the choirs of all four churches. A reception will be hosted in Whitford Hall immediately following the service. Bring all your family and friends.

**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 from 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 turkeys. 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 sign up by November 14. We look forward to seeing you there.

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COVENANT DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND

FRIDAY, November 12

6:30 p.m.
Spaghetti Dinner Whitford Hall
(J.O.Y. Class fundraiser
for Christmas charity projects)

7:30 p.m.
Introduction to David Lowes Watson
Covenant Discipleship

Sharing of CD Pilot Group Members
experiences

Question & Answers Audience & Panel

8:30 p.m. DISMISS

SATURDAY, November 13

8:30 a.m.
Continental Breakfast Whitford Hall

9:00 a.m.
Background & Rationale David Lowes Watson
of Covenant Discipleship

Role Playing Pilot Group Members
of "typical" CD meeting

11:00 a.m. DISMISS

SUNDAY, November 14

11:00 a.m.
Sermon & Invitation David Lowes Watson
to join a CD group

12:00 p.m.
Organize new Aldersgate Room
CD groups

1:00 p.m. DISMISS

THIS WEEKEND IS TOO IMPORTANT FOR ANYONE TO MISS!!!

Children: A nursery will be provided for all events of the weekend.

Youth: A youth version of Covenant Discipleship called "Branches" will also be discussed.

Young Adults: A CD group meets just one (1) hour per week to fit your busy schedules.

Middle Adults: A CD group helps you focus on matters of ultimate importance.

Senior Adults: A CD group provides spiritual companions to encourage you.

(Call the church office if you need transportation or an escort to any of the weekend events.)