

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

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ISSUE 2

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

The responsibility of sharing our faith with others is one which is incumbent upon all of us who are a part of the body of Christ. It is part of the ministry of the church. For some of us it means working in different outreach ministries which seek to engage the larger community in tangible ways. For others, it also means participating in covenant groups that include specific commitments to pray for and support one another for nurture and growth in discipleship. But an important aspect of outreach ministry is evangelical -- bringing people to faithful participation in the church.

More and more churches are rediscovering lay person visitation as a vital, integral part of evangelical ministry. A simple but meaningful approach is to inform people about the life of faith that is evident in our church, on a person to person basis. You may share with someone how you became a part of Duke Memorial. You could discuss with a visitor what programs or Sunday School classes you participate in, and what it has meant to your journey of faith. Most importantly, talking with a visitor means listening to his or her narrative, identifying with another human being who has similar joys and longings, and who is looking for a place to integrate faithfully within a church home.

Although many of us participate in this aspect of ministry at Duke Memorial in an informal way, there is still the need to renew our visitor visitation program. This would involve visiting visitors one Sunday a month. If you would be interested in this visitation ministry. please contact John Legge, Chairperson of Evangelism, at 220-4403, or Robert Edwards at the church office (683-3467).

SUNDAY IANUARY 15, 1995 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Early Worship - Bradshaw 8:45 - 9:25 a.m. Celebration Singers - Sanctuary 9:05 a.m. Fellowship - Whitford Hall 9:15 a.m. Logos Class - Bradshaw 9:30 a.m. Parenting for Life - Whitford Hall 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages Sanctuary Choir - Sanctuary 10:15 a.m. Ringing of the Tower Bells 10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary 10:55 a.m. "INSIGHTS" information due 12:15 p.m. (January 22 - 28) IHN Dinner & Mtg. - Whitford Hall 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. JOYBells - Handbell Room 4:30 p.m. DMYF - Youth Lounge 5:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 12 Step Al-Anon and A.A.

9:00 p.m.

SERMON:

Mark W. Wethington

Community Life Center

Covenant Discipleship

SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11

ANTHEMS:

"Gift of Love" - Hopson (Celebration Singers) "Joy in the Morning" - Sleeth (Sanctuary Choir)

USHERS: Wil Drake, Jeff Bailey, Randy Bollinger, Bill Bowles, Bill Coman, Judy Coman, Richard Grogan, Leland Phelps, Bill Stone

CROSS:

GREETERS: Jessica Allen S.S. GREETERS: Open Door Class

Matthew Bailey Megan Carr

Michael Kellum

ACOLYTES: Crystal Hoover

Ashley Kernodle NURSERY:

Caroline Wethington ALTAR GUILD:

Rita MacMillan Susan Grubbs

Mary Lee Bailey Marcia Grogan

CHURCH CALENDAR JANUARY 16 - JANUARY 21

MONDAY, JANUARY 16 - Church Office Closed (MLK Day) 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries

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

Community Life Center

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

10:00 - noon Circle 8 - Parlor

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - A. Stalling's

8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A. Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Parent Support Group - Rm. 241 Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford Hall 10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Fold "Insights" - Whitford Hall 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. C.D. Group - Parlor Wednesday Meal - Whitford Hall 5:30 - 6:10 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Parlor 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. Carol Choir - Aldersgate Room 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Wesley Singers - Handbell Room Youth Choir - Choir Room 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Open Door 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Disciple I - Katie Johnson Class 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. MS Workshop - Comm. Life Center 7:15 - 8:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance - Bradshaw Room Staff-Parish Meeting - Parlor 7:30 p.m. 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bethany Bells - Handbell Room

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

7:15 - 8:15 a.m. Men's Coffee - Parlor
9:00 - noon Candles of Hope - Whitford Hall
9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Disciple I - Parlor
4:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting - Library
6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting - Library
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parent's Morning Out - Nurseries 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. Community Life Center

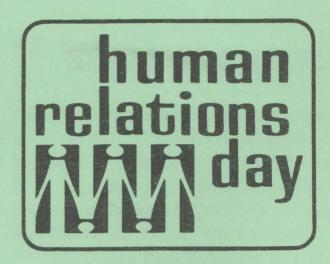
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 a.m. Confirmation Class Meeting



PARENTING SERIES

The Wesley Sunday School Class will continue the series "PARENTING FOR LIFE" on Sunday mornings through April in Whitford Hall. They welcome all interested persons to join them beginning this Sunday.



HUMAN RELATIONS DAY January 15, 1995

The special HUMAN RELATIONS DAY offering funds the Community Developers Program, which helps racialethnic minority churches create—innovative ministries to restore hope and dignity to neglected communities. The offering also funds United Methodist Voluntary Services, which supports multi-racial community organizations that unite residents in the quest for justice and a better quality of life. The Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program helps churches reach out to juvenile offenders through trained volunteer mentors, who counsel and encourage them to turn their lives around.

NEW WEDNESDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Three new opportunities are now available to all church members for the first quarter of 1995. New study/support groups will be offered 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Classes will include: "The Theology of Creation" (will focus on a Christian understanding of creation); "Working in Faith" (exploring how one's faith intersects with one's vocation); and "Educators Anonymous" (attractive for those who are teaching Sunday School).

CHRISTMAS THANKS

Thanks to Robin & Tim Langford who donated a cake for baby Jesus' birthday celebrated by our children's Sunday School on Christmas morning.

George Davis (Stone Brothers and Byrd) always gives us a special price on the poinsettias we take to our homebound folks. We really appreciate that!

WORSHIP EDUCATION CORNER

There's a saying around sporting events that you can't tell the players without a scorecard. In a similar sense, we have come to rely on our worship bulletin in the same way. We may know the players, but we would be lost if we did not have the order of worship in our hands each Sunday. Have you ever come in late and not found a bulletin?

Because we rely so much on what is printed in the bulletin, it is important for children to learn to use it as a valuable worship aid. If you are seated near a child, please help them follow along with it so they may learn what to do and when to do it.

VISITATION DAYS

FRIDAY, JAN. 27 and THURSDAY, FEB. 9, at 9:45 a.m. Meet in the kitchen, visit, and then go out to eat afterwards. The day will change in February because of Friday Stephen Ministry Trainings.

Stephen Ministry



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Sue Clifton is in Orlando, FL, training to be a Stephen Minister Leader. She and Ann Stallings will begin training Stephen Ministers on Fri., Feb. 3, at 9:15 a.m. Training will be once a week until the middle of June. Our Stephen Ministers will be ready to help people through a crisis beginning the middle of June.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The community Shelter for H.O.P.E. depends on local churches to feed its guests on Thursday - Sunday evenings. Your group can reserve an evening to prepare and serve a meal by calling Ann Williams at 682-2409.

YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a brief Youth Council meeting in the parlor on Jan. 15 immediately following the worship service. All youth Sunday School teachers, DMYF leaders, and youth officers should attend.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY MENU

Join us at 5:30 p.m. Wed. in Whitford Hall for a delicious Spaghetti Casserole with Spinach Salad, Garlic Bread, and Brownies. If you are not on the "regular list" please call the office (683-3467) before noon on Monday. If you have questions or suggestions, please call Laura or Tony Lombardo (493-2234). We hope to see you there!

INSIGHT'S FOLDING TIME CHANGED

The regular time for folding Insights has been changed to 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays, same time as the Craft/Lunch Bunch. Folders are encouraged to bring a covered dish and join the Craft/Lunch Bunch for a meal.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

We have completed one year of the Interfaith Hospitality Network in Durham. The Network provides temporary housing for homeless families, using existing church facilities. Approximately 30 families were guests of the Network during 1994. The Network Director works with each family to secure permanent housing, and follows up with each family for 6 months after they leave the Network. The typical stay is 3-4 weeks, although some stays are shorter, and a few are longer. The Director admits families that meet several criteria and who she thinks would work well in and benefit from the Network.

There are now 10 host churches in Durham, which means that we host at Duke Memorial every 10 weeks. Many members have been involved in this ministry, and there is room for many more to be involved!

Our next week at Duke Memorial is Jan. 29 - Feb. 5. Here are the jobs:

Prepare dinner - have dinner for about 12 people at the church by 6:30

Evening host - 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Overnight host - 8:30 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

Prepare breakfast - 6:00 - 7:00 a.m.

Van driver, morning - 7:00 - 7:30 a.m. drive guests from Duke Memorial to downtown shelter

Van driver, evening - 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. drive guests from downtown shelter to Duke Memorial

Unload truck and prepare rooms - Sunday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Load truck and clean up rooms - Sunday, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Wash linens at end of week

Our greatest needs are usually overnight hosts and van drivers, but we can use people in every job. Here are some of our material needs: sheets (preferably twin), towels, blankets, high chairs, and supplies for babies.

To help, sign up outside the church office by Jan. 22, or call Tim Turkington (H286-3613, or W660-2711 x4306) for more information.

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JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

If any of you who went on the Journey to Bethlehem as a mission project this past Advent have not turned in your money from your bank, we would like to close out this program, and forward our church's contribution to the Society of St. Andrew. The program was designed so that each participating family unit would have saved \$50.00 by Christmas Day, and that would provide enough potatoes for 5,000 servings to feed the hungry. Simply make your check payable to Duke Memorial, and mark it "Bethlehem - SOSA" so that it will be credited to the correct account.

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JANUARY WORKSHOPS

Duke Memorial will be hosting the Durham District's annual January Workshops on Sunday, January 22, 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. Workshops will be offered in the following areas:

Administrative Board Council on Ministries Stewardship Education

Worship

Administrative Council

Evangelism

Missions

Singles Ministry

Connectional Ministries

Nominations and Personnel

We hope you will plan to attend. The afternoon will begin with a short introductory session in the Sanctuary at 3:00 p.m.



