

Insights

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

It is with great excitement, anticipation, and relief that I welcome Jan Irvine as part of our church staff! We have managed the best we could since the end of last year when Wanda Currin resigned as our church secretary and assumed a fulltime position in Chapel Hill. Jan Irvine, who all of you know is married to our Diaconal Minister and Minister of Music, Bob Irvine, has joined our church staff this week as Program Director. Mary Anne Holmes, our present Receptionist, will be serving as Receptionist/Church Secretary.

While part of Jan's weekly hours will be spent fulfilling particular secretarial responsibilities, such as our weekly newsletter and worship bulletin, she will be primarily responsible for assisting me in managing the church office and in organizing and coordinating the many facets of our church's ministry. It has been obvious to me for some time that it was this kind of position which would enhance the overall ministry of our congregation. And in the past month it became very obvious to me that we had someone in our midst who had the gifts and grace to effectively fulfill this role. I am delighted that the Staff-Parish Committee worked in a faithful and timely manner in offering this position to Jan; and I am further delighted that Jan was willing to accept this staff relationship.

I know that all of you will accept Jan with enthusiasm and with great appreciation for her honest eagerness to share in our common ministry in this way. As with all the lay staff we hire, Jan's position will be reviewed after 30 and 60 days so that we are certain that expectations, desires and responsibilities on both sides are mutually met.

Jan is a native of Somerset, Massachusetts and was educated at the United Methodist University of Evansville in Indiana. Before coming here to Duke Memorial Jan was employed as part of the staff of Madison Street United Methodist Church in Clarksville, Tennessee, where Bob was Director of Music Ministries. Jan has written numerous articles for United Methodist Publications including Circuit Rider, Quarter Notes, Church Music for Children and Assembly Time.

We are excited to have Jan on board and look forward to the gifts and creativity which she has to offer.

Grace and peace to you all,
Mark

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1995

Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30 a.m.	Jr. High Youth Pancake breakfast
8:45 - 9:25 a.m.	Early Worship - Bradshaw
9:00 a.m.	Bethany Bells - Sanctuary
9:15 a.m.	Fellowship - Whitford Hall
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir - Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Logos Class - Bradshaw
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Parenting for Life - Whitford Hall
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
10:15 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir - Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Ring of the Tower Bells
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	"INSIGHTS" information due (March 5 - 11)
4:30 p.m.	JOYbells
5:30 p.m.	DMYF
8:00 p.m.	12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. - Community Life Center

SERMON: "Reflected Glory" Mark W. Wethington

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 99; Exodus 34:29 - 35
2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2; Luke 9:28 - 36

ANTHEMS: "Let All the People Praise Thee" - Natalie Sleeth
(Youth Choir)
"Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies" - Candlyn
(Sanctuary Choir)

USHERS: Connie Chandler, Tom Adkinson, Tom Chandler,
Julie Ellis, Debbie Fedyshyn, Jim Fedyshyn, Charles Medlin,
Polly Mixon, Tim Nifong, Jay Peters, Gayle Young

GREETERS:
Confirmation Class

S.S. GREETERS:
Wesley Class

ACOLYTES:
Brooke Gray
Rebecca Nifong

CROSS:
Maureen Oakes

NURSERY:
Susan Grubbs
Sharon Allen
Louise Rollins

ALTAR GUILD:
Lucille Mortland
Edith Johnson
Hazel Pittman

CHURCH CALENDAR
FEBRUARY 27- MARCH 4, 1995

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27 -

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - JOY Class
 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Preteen and A.A. -
 Community Life Center

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Staff Retreat
 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - JOY Class
 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A. -
 Community Life Center

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
 9:15 - 10:30 a.m. Parents' Support Group - Room 241
 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Fold "Insights" - Whitford Hall
 10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford Hall
 5:30 - 6:10 p.m. Wednesday Meal - Whitford Hall
 6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room
 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary
 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Disciple I - Katie Johnson Class

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

9:00 - 12:00 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
 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. SHARE Training - Bradshaw Room
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. MS group meeting - CLC

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

7:30 a.m. World Day of Prayer Breakfast -
 Whitford Hall
 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parent's Morning Out - Nurseries
 9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry training - Parlor
 6:00 pm. Wedding rehearsal - Sanctuary
 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -
 Community Life Center

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

9:30 a.m. UMW Executive Comm. - Bradshaw
 Circle 3
 10:00 a.m. Circle 4 - Katie Johnson
 10:15 a.m. UMW - general meeting
 11:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lindsey/Hall wedding and reception
 1:00 p.m. Sanctuary and Parlor

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The rosebud on the altar on February 19 is in honor of the birth on February 12 of Michael David, son of Wendy and David Tillotson.

The rosebud on the altar this Sunday, February 26, will be in honor of the birth on February 4 of Jessica Ann, daughter of John and Jackie Lancaster and granddaughter of Charles and Emily Lancaster.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Church Women United of Durham extends an invitation to you to attend their World Day of Prayer Breakfast at our church on Friday morning, March 3 at 7:30 a.m. Guest speaker for the event will be North Carolina Senator, Jeanne Lucas. Reservations are requested and may be made by calling 682-6408. Donations will be accepted.

YOUTH

Bulletin Board

This new feature of Insights will be located in this same corner each week. It is hoped that Duke Memorial's youth and their families will find it a helpful way to keep track of all of our youth activities for those youth in grades 6 - 12. Those working with youth in Sunday School and DMYF are invited to submit articles for this corner by the Sunday noon deadline.

Duke Memorial's senior high youth will hit the ski slopes of Wintergreen during the weekend of March 3 - 5. They should return to the church on Sunday afternoon around 4:00 p.m.

Attention DMYF! Welcome home from a fun filled weekend of skiing. Do you still feel like you are headed down hill? This Sunday, February 26, we meet at the church at 7:30 a.m. to prepare for our pancake breakfast. Hope you are ready to flip some pancakes. At 5:30 p.m., we will have a program on abortion and the recent media coverage abortion has received. Shelli will lead this. Hope to see you all then.

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD

The Confirmation Class has taken over the promotion of First Sunday Food as a special project. These creative youth will greet you in worship this Sunday, February 26, and are prepared to provide you with a reminder that on Sunday, March 5, you need to bring food donations for the Durham Mission Society's Food Pantry.

Food donations needed the most this month are canned green or yellow vegetables and canned tomatoes. Please bring these canned goods to the altar rail before the service or during the final hymn. Money donations may be made by writing "Food Pantry" on your offering envelope.

If you should forget to pick up extra food at the grocery, you will be able to purchase food here at church that Sunday. This is being sponsored by one of our Covenant Disciple Groups.

COMMUNION WORKSHOP

We will soon embark on an exciting new program here at Duke Memorial for those children in second grade and their families. On four Sunday evenings, March 12, 19, and 26 and April 2, we will hold a "Communion Workshop" series from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. in Whitford Hall. Entitled **God's Family at the Table**, the purpose of these sessions is to help parents prepare themselves and their children for participation in the Lord's Supper.

If you did not receive a registration form in the mail, they may be picked up at the church office. Contact Jan Irvine at 683-3467 for further information.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY MENU

The wonderful Wednesday menu for March 1 is salad, spaghetti, garlic bread, and chocolate chip cookies.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

The following prayer was offered at the first Stephen Ministry training session:

Dear Lord, we thank you for our Rev. Mark who brought the Stephen Ministries and our learning group together in this grand old church. Let the blessings that he is bringing to us fall back as well on his own head. Give your inspiration and vigor to Ann Stallings and Sue Clifton. Do not let any impediments block their way. Do not let us as students discourage them, but make us faithful to this routine of study. As a group we present ourselves bravely before you to ask a second blessing. Skill we need to learn, but the spirit of ministry cannot be learned, but must be endowed by your Holy Spirit. So while we do pray for knowledge and competence that we may have wisdom and confidence, we ask especially that you will fling open the windows of our beings that your healing and empowering Spirit can flow freely through us and through our church and out to wherever you will to send it. We bless thee, most loving Father -- make us a blessing in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please call Sue Clifton at 596-0497 or Ann Stallings at 683-3467 if you would be willing to pray for a specific person in Stephen Ministry.

HABITAT UPDATE

Duke Memorial will begin building on Gerard Street on March 4. Temple Baptist will supply the volunteers on that Saturday. On March 11, we will be responsible for the Habitat volunteers. Hopefully by the third week in March there will be volunteers from the three churches.

We celebrated the spring launching of the Gerard Street development on February 21, with a dinner meeting for crew leaders. The Duke Memorial Habitat committee met on February 8, and made final plans for a spring fundraiser which will help raise the \$4,400 still needed for Duke Memorial's share of the project. On April 8, we will be selling take-out barbeque chicken dinners at the church. The price of the dinner is \$5.00 and will include chicken, cole slaw or potato salad, baked beans, and a roll. We will start cooking the chicken on Saturday morning and will sell dinners from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tickets will go on sale this month. If anyone has a gas grill please contact Jim Allen at 479-6763 or Tom Adkinson at 383-1167.

SINGLE ADULTS

Single adults interested in planning activities for the single adults group should plan to stay after worship on Sunday, February 26. Meet at the front of the sanctuary with your ideas and lunch money and we'll join together for a "brainstorming session" over a hot lunch.

For information about the spring fling for singles, "Celebrating God's Gifts," contact Alisa Cobb at 220-5475.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Plans are already underway for a full summer of activities for children at Duke Memorial. Please mark the following dates on your family calendars now:

ALL-SUMMER DAY CAMP - JUNE 12-AUGUST 11

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JUNE 26-JUNE 29

CAMP CHESTNUT RIDGE - JULY 10-JULY 14

MUSIC AND DRAMA CAMP - JULY 31-AUGUST 4

WORSHIP EDUCATION CORNER

Music has been a part of our worship of God since early time. It is a natural worship response. As adults, we are usually so familiar with the use of the hymnal that we forget how foreign it can be to children. If you are near a young child who is having difficulty locating a page, or reading, please help them. If you simply follow the lines with your finger, they will be able to keep up with the congregation. Children of all ages do realize that the hymnal is an important book to have during worship because everyone has one. Notice how they hold the book with pride. They realize that use of the book is a part of being in the church family. Through the singing of hymns you are responding to God's call. As you sing them, note the statements of belief that are written into them.

VISITATION DAY, MARCH 9

Visitation days have moved to Thursdays. The next one will be held on March 9, beginning at 9:45 a.m. Please call Ann Stallings at 683-3467 if you can attend.

FROM THE ALTAR GUILD

We give God thanks and praise for the addition of new acolytes and a crucifer who were trained by the Altar Guild on Saturday. Matthew Bailey, Kelsey Moore, William Drake, Emily McCracken, Andrea Moore, and E.R. Haire, Jr. have joined the fellowship of worship leaders.

In other business, recommended by the Altar Guild and approved by the Worship Committee, new plans were made for worship. The changes come to us because of a desire to make use of available recent scholarship and theology of worship. As long time Altar Guild member Helen Howard says, "We will have a living worship!" The changes, therefore, are understood as a witness to a dynamic, living faith and a desire to express it in our worship.

Beginning in March, the procession will change slightly. Though not recognized by many people as such, worship begins with the coming together of the congregation. After the announce-ments, we will have the words of greeting, welcoming those present in the name of the Lord. This will be followed by the opening voluntary. During this portion of the service, the crucifer and the acolytes will process to place the cross and to light the candles in the sanctuary. The choir and the ministers will remain in the back of the Sanctuary during this time of quiet meditation until the processional hymn when they will take their places.

The other changes in the chancel area will take some time to complete. The pulpit Bible, a King James' version, is never used, so it will be replaced with a New Revised Standard version which the ministers and readers will use each Sunday. The altar paraments will also be changed to ones which will reach the floor so that we may be more aware of the change of seasons and days of the liturgical year: purple, green, white, and red.

We are thankful for the faithful work of the acolytes, and the crucifers, as well as the Altar Guild and Worship Committee members.

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**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR
INSIGHT ARTICLES IS NOON ON SUNDAY.**

EVANGELISM MEETING

There will be an evangelism committee meeting on Sunday, March 5, right after worship. If you are interested in telephoning, baking bread, or visiting, please join us. We will meet in the parlor.

SHARE

SHARE training will be Thursday, March 2, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Bradshaw room. All those who will be working with, participating in, or curious about the SHARE program are invited to attend.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW FOR THE NEXT
WEDNESDAY FORUM ON MARCH 15!**

TOPIC: WORLD HUNGER

*You are cordially invited to the
Service for the Breaking of Ground
at Croasdaile Village
United Methodist Retirement Community
Sunday, March 19, 1995 at 3 p.m.
Croasdaile Farm Parkway, Durham, N. C.
Reception to follow on site*

Lenten & Easter Opportunities

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 1, 1995 - 6:30 p.m.

Worship in Sanctuary

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL STUDY

Wednesdays, 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.

March 8 - Introductory Session

March 15 - The Contemplative Tradition

March 22 - The Holiness Tradition

March 29 - The Charismatic Tradition

April 5 - The Social Justice Tradition

April 12 - The Evangelical Tradition

Leader: Mark W. Wethington

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Passion Sunday, April 9, 10:55 a.m.

"On the Passion of Christ" - David Williams

Sanctuary Choir, Solists, Strings

Holy Thursday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.

Service of Word and Table

Good Friday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.

Tenebrae Service

Scripture Readings and Organ Meditations

Holy Saturday, April 15, 5:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil Service

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16, 10:55 a.m.

Celebration of the Resurrection

prepare for Ash Wednesday at our

Pancake Breakfast

Date: Next Sunday, Feb. 26

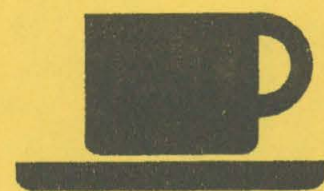
Time: 8:20 - 9:30 a.m.

Where: Sr. Pastor's Office

(no, just kidding)



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and*



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coffee, milk, and fellowship[®]*

Suggested Donation: \$2.00