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NINETY-ONE AND GOING STRONG!

The first Sunday in May brings us to the ninety-first anniversary of our beginnings as a congregation. Last year we looked back with appreciation to see from where we had come as part of the bicentennial celebration of our nation. Backward looks include the perspective of destination also. Now a year has passed since that celebration date.

And, in God's providence, a new anniversary is before us. The first Sunday in May will find us celebrating our beginnings and our calling as Christians. It will be a Home-coming, an Anniversary, and a time of spiritual renewal — if we allow God to use us to those ends. The leader in our activities of public worship will be the Reverend A.Purnell Bailey of Washington, D. C.. Mr. Bailey is well known here by reason of his leadership in 1968 and 1969 at Duke Memorial as well as by his position as executive head of the branch of the Methodist Church that works with chaplaincy services.

Each newsletter of recent weeks has given you some indications of what is in store for us. The calendar for the period is now established. Please keep this before you in your favourite place of reminder of what each day can hold.

Sunday, 1 May 9:45 a. m. Church School

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship, followed by "dinner on the grounds"

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship

Monday, 2 May 12:10 p. m. Noon devotions, Bradshaw Room, and soup-sandwich in Fellowship Hall

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship

Tuesday, 3 May 12:10 p. m. Noon devotions, Bradshaw Room, and soup-sandwich

3:00 p. m. Service of Worship, Methodist Retirement Home

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship

Wednesday, 4 May 12:10 p. m. Noon Devotions, Bradshaw Room, and soup-sandwich

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship

You are the key in all this activity! God's arm is not shortened nor His strength lessened. Were we as receptive to His mercy as He is ready to manifest it, what a change in us and in the world! Are you ready for such a change in you? Am I ready? That is what this is all about.

-- Ed Smith

TOM CLARK, our organist, is playing his senior recital on the Flentrop organ in Duke Chapel this afternoon, 17 April, at 4:00 p. m. All of us appreciate both his gifts and his faithfulness in our life at Duke Memorial. Your presence and support this afternoon will be a good reflection of that gratitude which all of us have for him. The congregation is invited to the reception following in the Divinity Alumni Lounge.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to Christy N. Hibberd and Louise M. Beard who were united in Holy Matrimony at the Dalzell United Methodist Church in Dalzell, South Carolina Saturday at Noon, April 9, 1977. Reverend Robert L. Wallace, Associate Pastor, officiated at the ceremony.

DUO-HARP CONCERT April 24

Sunday, 4 p. m. 24 April Olive Jenkins and Katherine Holm will play a duo-harp program in the Sanctuary. Olive Jenkins is Visiting Artist, Sandhills Community College, Carthage, N. C. and Katherine Holm is Visiting Artist, Craven Community College, New Bern, N. C. A reception in the Bradshaw Room will follow. Works by Rameau, Dandrieu, Bach, Mendelssohn, Granados and Salzedo are programmed.

DON'T FORGET
Stew Beef Dinner, Sunday, April 17

The Senior High UMYF is serving the dinner to raise money for the Van Fund. Tickets are on sale for \$2.25 for adults and \$1.75 for children. Reservations may be made by calling the Church Office by Friday, April 15.

HOST CHURCH: Duke Memorial is host to a Seminar for area Pastors on "Clergy and Cancer Care" Monday, April 18, from 9:00 until 3:30 p. m. This seminar is sponsored jointly by the Duke Cancer Control Center and the American Cancer Society.

CHOIR DINNER: The sanctuary choir, the music committee, their spouses and guests will be entertained at a gala dinner party Saturday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

APRIL 18-20 The pastors will be attending a Seminar on Preaching at St. Marks UMC in Raleigh.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
The Epistle: I John 5:4-12

The Sermon: "Victory, Faith, Receiving"
Acolytes: Gray Harris and Roy Forrester
Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Houston Blair
Junior Church Leaders: Carol and Gary Lawrence
Barbara Penick, Music

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GRATEFUL APPRECIATION is expressed to all who have by their faithfulness made the Wednesday noon Lenten services a blessing and delight to us all. First, to the average of seventy-six folks who made it part of their Lenten discipline. Secondly to the leaders: Delaina Buehler, Ruth Holsinger, Arthur Kale, Janet Smith, Diane Blosser, and Jim Hewitt. For musical leadership, we thank Melba Bartholomew who coordinated this part of our services. Diane Blosser(who was Martha most days and Mary one time!) with the help of her able corps of aides had lunch ready, always delightful and on time. Most of all, we thank our Father in heaven Whose guidance got the whole thing going and Whose blessing sustained it and made it a continuing joy for us all.

Thanks go also to the Junior High UMYF and their counselors, Rev. and Mrs. James Hewitt, for their devout and imaginative illustration of the meaning of the Passion of our Lord as it was dramatized on Maundy Thursday evening. If it be true (and I think it is) that one of the best ways to learn what is being taught or said is to act it out, our children and youth have had a wonderful time of learning and growing. The evidence is that this is exactly what has happened.

The young people who participated were:
Beth Buehler Gail Simmons
Louise Few Bones Shoaf
Tad DeBerry Karen Connery
Dottie Reade Ginger Clark
Tripp Reade Mike Hammond
Robbie Young Jimmy Lancaster
John McConahey

ATTENDANCE Easter Sunday
Church School......299
Morning Worship......541

IMPORTANT CHANGE! The children's ticket price for the luncheon Sunday will be \$1.25 rather than \$1.75.

HOSPITALIZED: DCGH
Imogene Ausbon 4107
Bessie Whitley 6322

A "NEW GROUP" for single again parents will meet Friday evening, 22 April 1977 at 6:30 p. m. at the church. This group is open to all those who have and are experiencing a change in their lives due to being single again as well as a parent. A buffet dinner, followed by a program using a film focusing on the changes in life styles will open this first get together.

SHOWER THE PEOPLE!

Attention, all youth! Rally Day is coming.. and it will be a great day for all of the youth of our Conference. It will be on Saturday, April 16, at N. C. Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount..from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The theme this year is "Shower the People". There will be singing, square dancing, previews of summer opportunities, worship, and a visit from Bishop Blackburn.

Bring a blanket for sitting, an offering for Youth Service Fund, and either \$1.50 for lunch in the cafeteria or a bag lunch.

Margaret Anne's car will be leaving from the church parking lot at 7:45 on the dot! Call immediately to reserve a space. (You'll be missing a great day if you don't plan to go. I wouldn't miss Rally Day for anything!...M.A.)

THE JUNIOR HIGH UMYF will sponsor a car wash on Saturday, April 16, from 1 - 5 P.M. in the Church Parking Lot. Two Dollars (\$2.00) for a wash job - Three Dollars (\$3.00) for a wash and vacuum. Proceeds will go to the Junior High UMYF trip to King's Dominion (April 22-23).

STEREO WANTED

Do you have a small stereo set that you are not using? If it works, or would work with minor repairs, would you donate such equipment to the Junior High UMYF? If so, call Margaret Anne Biddle in the Church Office or Jim and Lynda Hewitt (489-5001) and let us know. Thank you!

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF APRIL 17 - 23, 1977

Church School Sun. 9:45 a. m. 10:55 a. m. Morning Worship and Junior Church 12:30 p. m. Luncheon in Fellowship Hall 9:00 a. m. Mon. Cancer Workshop 10:30 a. m. Circle 5 meets with Mrs. Ruth Mixon, B-8 Leon Apts. Circle 9 meets with Mrs. Arthur Kale, 500 Markham Ave. 3:00 p. m. Wed. 9:30 a. m. Craft Workshop Thurs. 7:30 p. m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Fri. 6:30 p. m. Supper for "A New Group" for Singles again parents Sat. 6:00 p. m. Choir Dinner