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A SPECIAL DAY AROUND THE WORLD

World Communion Sunday has long been a very special day for Janet and me. The remembrance of places far away and unusual situations in which we have shared this day becomes refreshed for us. We left Africa on the day following World Communion Sunday in 1961. The church building in which we met, the sparse attendance, the way people moved as we went to the church and returned home, all attested to the situation in which we were living. Before that day and in the years since, the memories have accumulated.

To say that the service of Holy Communion is the central act of worship of Christians is only to say the obvious. The exceedingly wide spectrum of ways of observance of the day is simply a further witness to its centrality. From the splendour and magnificence of great cathedrals through the list to small chapels of stick, mud and grass construction, the celebration goes on. The services used vary from the stately to the most simple. The appointments and equipment are as wide-ranging as the architecture.

But central in it all is the witness of Christians responding to Jesus' word, "do this in remembrance of Me". Some of these words are carved in the wood of communion tables around the world, in more languages than most of us can count. Much more important than the witness in carved wood is the witness of the consecrated life. That is what it is all about. Many popular songs bewail the fact that "we are all alone", "I did it my way", and like sentiments. World Communion Sunday is a fact that none of us are every alone. Only God counts those who participate and that is as it should be. What is important for us is that we see to our part in it and leave with Him the total who share.

Whoever remembers that Jesus Christ died for him, that the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ, however physically represented in the service, are given for that person, can not fail thereby to be a better person. Whether we receive these consecrated elements from bishop, priest, elder, deacon or pastor, we receive them as from God Himself, for it is God Who sent Jesus to do for us what no one can do for himself.

Our Communion offering, usually going to the Good Samaritan Fund, this time goes to help support the work of chaplains and to scholarships divided between students from the United States and students from other countries. Come, worship, receive, give, and rejoice for a sufficient place in God's grace for every one of us. Truly, this is a day for Christians everywhere to respond to God's love in joint celebration. You all come!

-- Ed Smith

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN will meet on October 6 at 11:00 o'clock in the Bradshaw Room. Louise Ervin will preside over an important business meeting and Thomas Langford will speak on "Methodism As a World Church".

Circle # 9, Lucille Cranford, chairman, will prepare and serve our lunch.

All newcomers to Duke Memorial are invited to come and be with us. The same invitation is extended to all our women, newly free to come, inactive, or those with renewed interest. We feel we are a vital group and would welcome your presence with us.

IN SEPTEMBER, our friends from the Methodist Retirement Home were here at Duke Memorial to present the United Methodist Women's program.

Dottie Dicks designed an excellent format to give us a wide view of the people who live and work there. They are involved in many activities and programs and we are richer because they are a vital part of the Durham community. Thank you.

Dottie Dicks
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LAST CALL! URGENT!! THE TIME IS NOW!!!

As you read this copy of the Messenger, time is running out. The last days of photography for our pictorial directory are Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 1-2-3-4 October. At least two serious efforts have been made to reach each resident member of our congregation by telephone. If you have not been contacted, please telephone the church office today - right now - and your appointment will be made. There will be no "make up" days on photographing members of the church. Please call today, 688-1901 or 688-2170. Thank you.

SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER 1980
Sixth Sunday in Kingdomtide
World Communion Sunday
Dr. Arthur Kale will be co-celebrant with our pastors.
Acolytes: Brett Henry and Marti Tyor

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Danny Goodwin

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ALTAR GUILD

In loving memory of Mrs. Blanche Rutherford by Circle 5 of Duke Memorial Church

In loving memory of Mrs. Nathalie B. Harris by Circle 5 of Duke Memorial Church

JUST AHEAD! World Communion Sunday is one of three special Sundays that come in a row. The second is Laity Day, 12 October, when Lay Leader Eunice Mattox, several members of Duke Memorial and our guest speaker. Dr. J. Ed LeGates, dean of the College of Life Sciences at N. C. State University, lead us in worship. The third "special" Sunday is our Loyalty Day, 19 October, when we offer to God our intention in giving in support of the work of Duke Memorial in 1981. You are now receiving letters explaining our situation and our opportunities. Your prayerful response in all this will bless you and it will bless all of us. Be part of it!

THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CLASS will meet at 8:30 a. m. on Sunday, October 5, in Whitford Hall for a prayer breakfast celebration of World Communion Sunday.

ACOLYTE TRAINING will begin October 12, 1980 at 4:00 p. m. in the sanctuary. Children or parents of interested children are invited to call the church office for information.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 28 September 1980

Church School......239
Morning Worship.....352

HOSPITALIZED: Durham County General

Bennie Cooke 5130 Ethel Cheek 6104 Helen Reams 4133 Kim Porter 5206

WELCOME to our newest members: Mr. and Mrs. Barry (Pat) Sickles, 11 Perth Place, Durham 27712 united with Duke Memorial last Sunday by transfer from Westminster Presbyterian Church, Charlottesville, Va. Their children, Koren and Matthew, became preparatory members. We joyfully welcome them into our church family. Let them know of your welcome - their telephone number is 383-6993.

CHURCH CALENDAR OCTOBER 5 - 11, 1980

Sunday	8:30 a. m.	Christian Fellowship Class Breakfast, Whitford Hall
	9:45 a. m.	Church School
	10:55 a. m.	Holy Communion
	5:15 p. m.	UMYF go to Duke Gardens for supper, vespers, and
		recreation
Monday	11:00 a. m.	United Methodist Women, Bradshaw Room
Tuesday	6:00 p. m.	United Methodist Men, Whitford Hall
	7:45 p. m.	Administrative Board, Bradshaw Room
Wednesday	7:00 a. m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Whitford Hall
	10:00 a. m.	Bazaar Fellowship Workshop, Whitford Hall
Thursday	7:30 p. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal