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AND NOW . . .

Before the days of voice amplification systems, goes the ancient legend, a king wished to hear the sound of the voice of every person in his kingdom raised in acclaim of the king. He sent out a royal edict to gather the entire population on a wide plain. At the given moment, every one was to shout as loudly as possible, "All praise to our great king!"

The day and moment came; every one was there. The king sat on an elevated throne, eager for the satisfaction both of his ego and his desire to hear the sound. He lifted his hand in signal for the shout; the signal was relayed over the great expanse of waiting people - and utter silence prevailed!

Full of wrath, the king called his counselors to ascertain what had caused the failure of his great plan. Humbly and fearfully, they explained to him that all the people of the kingdom did indeed love him; they wished, every one of them, to serve him. But just as he, they wished to hear the shout - and each one knew that if he kept silence, no one would miss him and he could thereby more perfectly hear the great sound - which never came because all the people were listening instead of shouting.

Sunday, 19 October, all Duke Memorial members are invited to join together, not in a great shout of "Praise the Lord" - though that might be a delight to our souls! - but in expressing together our intentions in giving for 1981, giving which is indeed one way of praising God. If any of us decide that what we individually can do is insignificant, will not make any difference, will not be missed, can come later - and so we are not represented in our pledges of giving - by that much do we weaken the entire structure. By that much do we remove the foundation under what 1981 can, in God's providence, be. By that much do we draw back from our announced intention to serve God through the Methodist Church with our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.

But set aside the negatives! We are a people who respond to God's call. Pledge Sunday is one of the great days in our church life, a time for response from every one of us. I am thinking in terms both of what God invites and calls us to do and of how He has already answered our needs by what He has given to us for our use as wise stewards. Our privilege next Sunday is to be a vital link in the line of serving God. We take what He has entrusted to us and decide, each one for himself or herself, how we will answer to the needs He shows us. That decision that we make sets 1981 before us. God is leading us to great things - and I pray we are all prepared to follow.

-- Ed Smith

MEMORIALS RECEIVED WITH APPRECIATION:

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In memory of Word C. Clark by:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyon

RESCHEDULED MEETINGS:

The Finance Committee meeting, originally set for Monday, 3 November, 7:30 in the library is rescheduled to Monday, 10 November, same time and place.

The Administrative Board meeting, originally set for Tuesday, 4 November, 7:30 in the Bradshaw Room, is moved to Tuesday, 11 November, 7:00, in the Lillie Duke Classroom.

The Charge Conference remains scheduled for Tuesday, 11 November, but will be held at 8:00 in the Lillie Duke Classroom rather than 7:45 in the Bradshaw Room.

United Methodist Men will meet on Tuesday, 11 November, at 6:00 with announcement of the meeting place to be made later.

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SUNDAY, 19 October 1980

Eighth Sunday in Kingdomtide
Pledge Sunday

The Gospel: Luke 21:1-4 and Mk 14:3-9
The Sermon: The Cards of Life
Acolytes: John Lancaster and David Younts
Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Upchurch
Junior Church Leaders: Tom Adkinson
Don Sellers
Virginia Ballagh

SUNDAY, 26 October, our preacher will be our Associate Pastor, Rev. William A. Haddock, Jr.

OCTOBER is National Employ the Handicapped month. If you are in a position to hire a handicapped person, or are a handicapped person needing employment, please contact the State Employment Security Commission, 516 North Mangum Street, 683-6880.

LOVING CONCERN AND SYMPATHY of the congregation and the pastors is expressed to Susan and Roy Teer and their family because of the death of Susan's mother, Mrs. Lucy Hauser, Monday, 6 October at Virginia Beach.

JUNALUSKA SINGERS will be presented in concert at Trinity UMC, Durham, Saturday evening, 25 October at 8:00 o'clock. The Methodist churches in the Durham area are presenting this concert both for making folks aware of what Junaluska is and also to provide some firstrate musical entertainment. The program will be a mix of religious and secular music. You are invited.

A SERVICE OF WELCOME to Bishop William R. Cannon is scheduled at Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, Sunday afternoon, October 19, at 4:00. A reception will follow the service. Bishop Cannon presided over the Raleigh area, 1968-1972. He returns after eight years in the Atlanta area. All Methodists are invited to this occasion.

BOOKS FOR SALE AT BAZAAR: We would like gifts of children's books, paperbacks, mysteries, current fiction, comics, and "How to do it" books. We would greatly appreciate your help with this project.

'Berta Lane

CHURCH BASKETBALL YMCA LEAGUE: There will be a meeting of all interested players and coaches on Sunday, October 26, at 12:15 p. m. in the Bradshaw Room. Boys and girls, ages seven through High School, are eligible. If you are interested, please call Bob Cox, 489-5971, or the Church Office.

DID YOU KNOW that the Soup Kitchen at St. Philips served 84 people daily throughout the summer? 130 individuals volunteered their help. Of the \$13,500 this program costs, \$6000 was paid by the host church. Duke Memorial helps support this program through its DCIA contribution. As the weather gets colder the need doubles. "Sister (Brother), can you spare the time?" Call 688-7317. Mention your church affiliation.

ACOLYTE TRAINING CLASS will be held Sunday, October 19, at 4:00 p. m. in the sanctuary. Anyone between the ages of 10 and 13 is eligible. This will be our last training session of the year.

LAITY DAY was a great success, thanks to the leadership of Lay Leader Eunice Mattox; the participation of Lewis Shipp, Bill Coram, Betty Brunson and Don Sellers and the excellent address by Dr. J. Ed LeGates of N. C. State University.

HOSPITALIZED: Duke North: Jonathan Drew 5110

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ends Sunday, 26 October 1980 at 2:00 a. m.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 12 October 1980
Church School.....232
Morning Worship.....276

CHURCH CALENDAR OCTOBER 19 - 25, 1980

Sunday	9:45 a. m.	Church School
	10:55 a. m.	Morning Worship
	4:00 p. m.	Acolyte Training Class, Sanctuary
	5:00 p. m.	Junior and Carol Choirs
	5:15 p. m.	UMYF
Monday	10:30 a. m.	Circle 5 with Mrs. J. N. Truesdale, 105 Pinecrest Road
Wednesday	10:00 a. m.	Bazaar Fellowship Workshop, Whitford Hall
Thursday	7:30 p. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday	7:00 p. m.	Singles Again

ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Come to the 200th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION in Whitford Hall on Sunday, Oct. 26, 10:00 a.m.