## DUKE MEMORIAL MESSENGER

## THE CIRCUIT RIDER IS COMTNG

Our United Methodist heritage has always held that learning God's Word and passing it on to others is vital. From this concept has arisen the Circuit Rider Program. Due to its tremendous success last year, we have adopted it again this year as our process to gain a financial response from the members of this church.

Between now and October 17 th, you will hear a great deal about the Circuit Rider Program and the need for your complete involvement in it. As you contemplate the many gifts God has bestowed upon you begin to consider the portion you will return cheerfully back to Him. The challenge of the old Circuit Rider goes to the roots of our faith. Consider this! There is so much to share, to tell, to do!

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- Jim Long, Chairman Every Member Canvass
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BELLS FOR BETHANY: A JOYOUS CELEBRATION
The bells began ringing at $10: 15 \mathrm{a}$ 。 m . throughout the entire education building. A "circuit rider" led enthusiastic teachers and children to Sunday School classrooms for a time of sharing and fellowship. Long dresses, bonnets, aprons, and bow ties were the attire for the day; and an aroma of a home-cooked meal filled the hallways.

Worshiping and fellowshiping together, revitalizing our educational ministry at Duke Memorial, remembering days gone by and dreaming of days to come; this was truly a joyous celebration of Christian education! We all rejoice in the 330 who attended Sunday School, but let us continue to strengthen our Sunday School department so that the same spiritual enthusiasm of Bethany will remain with us.

For all who joined together to make Bells for Bethany possible, the Commission on Education extends their warmest thanks. It was a great day for us all.

- Laura Early

A GIFT has been given to the Capital Improvement Fund of Duke Memorial Church in memory of A. L. Cox by Mrs.A. P. Dollar.

ESPECIALLY FOR YOU: Duke Memorial will host the Durham District Christian Workers' School September 26 and 27. This event will bring together outstanding leaders in all areas of church ministry. It is also an opportunity for us to gather and share our own talents and gifts with members of other Durham congregations. There are classes to meet the needs and interests of us all and I encourage you to participate in this learning experience. It will be a time of growth and rediscovery, enabling us as Christians to interact and respond in a positive learning atmosphere. Join us; it is especially for you!

- Laura Early

RETREAT: Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18, the Council on Ministries will hold its annual retreat to plan the program direction for the coming year. This is an exciting opportunity to shape and build the life of Duke Memorial. If you are not on the Council but have suggestions for programming, please turn these suggestions into the church office by $4: 30$ Friday. We hope that the spirit of Bells for Bethany will carry through our retreat to create programming full of love, joy and energy.

[^0]TRANSFER: Gary Louis Smith has transferred his membership to First United Methodist Church, Mocksville, N. C.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1982
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Preacher: Dr. Thomas A. Langford
Acolytes: Preston Barnes and Dodd Browning
Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Mortland
Altar Guild Workers:
Lillian Anderson - 471-2124
Eugenia Dixon - 477-1440
Nursery Workers:
Crib and Toddlers: Mrs. Mary Vickers David McCotter
Pre-School: Mrs. Bessie Ware Mrs. Sandra Biddle

WHY BELLS OF BETHANY? What is the value of working so hard to get a group of people together for one big day? There are several reasons: (1) It enables new leaders to ascertain the basic strength of a congregation. (2) It helps us to know that the membership will respond to programs. (3) All of us become aware that lay people can plan, and execute plans exclusive of clergy supervision. (4) Most of the time your new minister has discovered that Rally Day gives us an indication what attendance will be during the strong section of the church year running from October through May. We can have as many people in church each Sunday as we had on Bells for Bethany Sunday, IF, we will work at it.

## Wedding Invitation

The members of Duke Memorial Church are cordially invited to attend the marriage of Lorraine L. Desrosiers and John Herbert Chappell on Sunday, September 19, 1982 at 12:15 p. m. in the sanctuary of Duke Memorial Church.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, September 12, 1982
Church School 321
Morning Worship
403
OUR KNOWN HOSPITAL SICK to be remembered in your prayers:
DCGH: George Lindsay 5109
DUKE NORTH:
Edna Whitaker
7124
Julian Marshall
7207

Mrs. J. D. (Ruby) Young is now at the Methodist Retirement Home Health Center.

SUNDAY'S WORSHIP: Duke Memorial welcomes back to its congregation Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Langford. They have been at Lake Junaluska for over a year. We rejoice that they are home. Sunday morning Dr. Langford will bring the morning message. We invite you to join us for worship. Let's have another 400 in worship Sunday.

CHURCH CALENDAR SEPTEMBER $19-25,1982$



[^0]:    - Rick Haverly

