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INSIGHTS

INTO DISCIPLESHIP

DUKE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

ISSUE 31

What a wonderful sense of energy I feel these fall days as members return from vacations, summer homes, sojourns in the wilderness, illness, surgery and hospitalization. Sunday I was even told we ran out of bulletins! It was good to see the people of God streaming in from entrances in all directions.

It's also a joyful experience to hear the patter of little feet as over 250 children return to The Weekday School and Parent's Morning Out. I am developing such a sense of pride in what Duke Memorial is doing both for our members and for the larger community that I have to watch myself. I am reminded of Jesus' words of warning: "God has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts." Luke 1:51

If you are reading this and haven't been back to church lately, bring the enclosed home free pass with you next Sunday. I am certain you will be blessed. Come and see the majesty of our restored stained glass windows. Come and see the sanctuary filling up with people. Come and see new members joining the church. Come and meet our new Minister to youth. Just Come! The Body of Christ feels incomplete without you.

Now don't forget to clip and save your home free pass.

HOME FREE PASS

This pass entitles you to return to Duke Memorial-UMC free from guilt, explanation, apology, embarrassment, and self-consciousness. With this pass all rights, privileges, and responsibilities are restored to you. It will be good for six months and can be renewed indefinitely. Any debts you may owe to the church that cannot be repaid have already been paid by Jesus Christ.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1998

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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| 8:45 - 9:25 a.m. | Early Worship - Bradshaw Room |
| 9:30 a.m. | Logos Class - Bradshaw Room |
| 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 |
| 12:00 noon | INSIGHTS Information Due (9/27-10/3) Church Secretary's Box |
| 12:00 noon | Reception for Ruth Harper Stevens |
| 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Parsonage Open House |
| 5:30 p.m. | DMYF - Parlor |
| 6:00 p.m. | Baby Shower for Tim & Shelley Turkington - Parlor |
| 8:00 p.m. | 12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. - Community Life Center |

SERMON:

Ruth Harper Stevens

ANTHEM: "Choral Rhapsody on Psalm 23" Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 4; Jeremiah 8:18-9:1;
1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

USHERS: Bill and Judy Coman, Captains; Jeff Bailey, Joel and Dawn Battiste, Don Bilski, Eilene Bisgrove, Randy Bollinger, Donna Elium, Richard Grogan, Elisabeth Luck, Leland Phelps, Sissie Shore, Bill Stone, David Tillotson.

GREETERS:

George Davis
Tamela Davis

NURSERY:

Rick Wilkins & Cathy Sorgi
Todd & Dana Pope
Midge Bowers

ACOLYTES:

Daniel Gelinne
Mary Gelinne

CROSS:

Adult

ALTAR GUILD:

Doris Bridges
Dottie MacMillan

REMEMBER THE EUCHARIST SERVICE
HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 8:45 A.M.
IN THE BRADSHAW ROOM
SEPTEMBER 20, 1998
EDGARDO COLON-EMERIC, PREACHING

CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED

CHURCH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 21 - SEPTEMBER 25, 1998

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m. IHN - Kitchen, Whitford Hall,
Sunday School Rooms (Sept. 20-27)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Joy Class
2:00 p.m. Circle #9 - Parlor
8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A. -
Community Life Center

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -
Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Fold "INSIGHTS" - Whitford
10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford
5:30 p.m. **Wonderful Wednesday**
6:15 p.m. Carol Choir & Wesley Singers
7:30 p.m. Bethany Bells

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:45 - 8:45 a.m. Cov. Discipleship - Parlor
9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
11:00 - 12:00 p.m. Thursday Study Group - Joy Class
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -
Community Life Center

MARY AND MARTHA CLASS

The Mary and Martha class will distribute their new book, *When the Heart Waits*, by Sue Monk Kidd on Sunday, September 13. Listed below are the readings for the following Sundays:

September 20 pp. ix-11
September 27 pp. 12-20

PET AND FLOWER MINISTRY

"Pet Companion"

Do you seek companionship and would you like a companion who will give unconditional love? A pet will give you love and companionship. A pet wants to be a part of your family. A pet wants love and belonging as you do. They have feelings, too. They need love, too. They need you!! They are "lost" and need to be "found" and loved. Call Sharon Dorman. She will find you a pet suitable for you at the animal shelter. She will also give you any assistance you need to care for the pet. If for any reason, at anytime, you cannot keep your pet, Sharon will take it and find it a new home. Call Sharon Dorman at 479-5732.

"Spot of Color to Brighten Your Days"

If you are a senior and would like help buying and planting fall flowers, call Sharon Dorman at 479-5732. (Only charge will be materials and flowers.)

CIRCLE #9

Circle 9 will meet on Monday, September 21 at 2:00 p.m. in the church parlor. Thelma Ray will be hostess and Bob Irvine will be our speaker.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Menus:

September 23 - Pizza, Salad, Drinks, Dessert
September 30 - Subway Sandwiches, Drinks, Dessert

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS

Please call the office (683-3467) to make reservations for Wonderful Wednesday meals. Cost will be \$4.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Please make reservations by noon on the Monday before the Wednesday meal.

Programs (6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Bradshaw Room):

September 23 Dr. and Mrs. Alan Whanger - Shroud of Turin
September 30 Book of Revelation - Ruth Harper Stevens

OLDER CHILDREN - WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Do you have children ages 10 and up who do not belong to choir? Would you be interested in alternative programming for your child from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings? Some possible opportunities may include sharing groups or Bible study. Please let us know what your child's interest might be. Please contact Lisa Cole or Ann Stallings at church - 683-3467, with your interest, ideas or suggestions.

DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY A POSSIBILITY

We are looking at the possibility of offering a class of Disciple Bible Study (INTO THE WORD, INTO THE WORLD) for those people who have completed the foundational course (BECOMING DISCIPLES). This 32-week class would be an in-depth study of Genesis, Exodus, Luke, and Acts, designed to equip people for ministry in the world. It continues in the format and philosophy of the foundational study. If you would be interested in joining us on Tuesday mornings for this Bible Study, please call Bob at 683-3467 as soon as possible.

ROOM REQUESTS

Please note that there are Room Request Forms located at the receptionist desk area in the church office. Please remember to fill these out when you need to reserve a room. A formal request for a room enables us to make sure the room is properly heated or cooled for your meeting. In an emergency, you may telephone the secretary or receptionist to reserve a room, but we prefer that you fill the form out yourself so we will be sure to have all the equipment and room arrangements to your specifications. It is sometimes difficult for us to take this information over the phone, especially if other lines are ringing. We appreciate your consideration.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A BABY SHOWER

for

Tim and Shelley Turkington

on Sunday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m.

In the church parlor

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Birthdays:

Sept. 20 Ashleigh Bowers
Lorraine Chappell
Sept. 21 Jean Anlyan
Tom Hargitt
Sept. 22 Polly Mixon
Sept. 23 Ken Kernodle
Sept. 24 Genevieve Means
Sept. 25 Ann Bowen
Emily Few
Sept. 26 Marlene Allen

Rev. Ronda Lee
Mary Zigbuo
Alexander McCracken
Julianna McCracken
Nancy Newark
Christopher Newnam
Barbara Self
Metta Metcalf
Scott Sander
Bill Coble

At the time INSIGHTS was put to press no one from Duke Memorial was hospitalized. Please remember in your prayers the following people who are at home:

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| Charlotte Allen | Tim Harrell |
| Helen Bowles | Zack Lyon |
| Sophie Cole | Virginia Massey |
| Agnes Exodus | Andrew Price |
| Melanie Gray & Family | Carolyn Shipp |
| Helen Harrell | David Van Vleet |

Our congratulations are extended to Oliver and Helen Upchurch who celebrate 60 years of marriage on September 24.

Our congratulations are expressed to Matt Coble and Amy Quisenberry who were married on September 12. Matt is the grandson of Hilda Coble.

Our congratulations are expressed to Joey Browning and Julia Pearson who were married on September 12. Joey is the son of Donald and Carolyn Browning.

Our sympathy is expressed to Tom and Linda Adkinson on the death of Linda's brother, Harold Johnson.

MISSIONARIES

Please note that we are adding our Missionaries to the birthday list (this week we have two missionaries with birthdays). You may want to send them birthday greetings, or simply drop them a note at some other time, their addresses and birthdays are printed below:

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| Herbert & Mary Zigbuo (Jan. 28) & (Sept. 20) 4708-A Republican Road Fayetteville, NC 28311 | Rev. Ronda Lee (Sept. 20) Colegio America Callao Casilla Postal 240 Callao 1, Peru |
| Lynn & Sharon Fogleman (Oct. 11) & (Jun. 18) 11 Queendale Center Beverly, KY 40913 email: kashman@kih.net | Hazel & Robert Terhune (Jun. 18) & (Aug. 14) 5-4-22-1 B Minami Aoyama Minato-KU, Tokyo 107 JAPAN |

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Volunteer Center of Greater Durham needs volunteers for the following positions: Tour Guide, Big Brother, Tutor, Special Outings Escort. More information about these volunteer positions is posted on the bulletin board. You may call the Volunteer Center at 688-8977 to volunteer.

STEP FORWARD!

Stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, pressure, criticism, crisis, an unfamiliar event, excitement over anything (even losing weight) -- all familiar triggers to overeating. But there is hope. The brand new STEP FORWARD! program can teach us how to cast our cares on God rather than on the refrigerator. Through Bible study, prayer, sound nutritional information and a Christian 12-Step program to help you change one day at a time, you will have the opportunity to *shrink on the outside and grow -- spiritually and emotionally -- on the inside.*

We will be starting two classes of STEP FORWARD! this fall -- Wednesday evenings (led by Elisabeth Luck) and Thursday mornings (led by Bob Irvine). The classes are arranged in 12-week sessions and the total cost is \$12.00 per person (which includes a workbook). If you have ever struggled to lose weight and keep it off... or if you are interested in a small, confidential group where you can pray, do Bible study, and find support for your efforts to keep your waistline from bulging... call today to register or get more information. Call Bob at 683-3467.

STEPHEN MINISTRY - CARING, COMMITTED PEOPLE NEEDED

We need one more person to join our new Stephen Ministry class this fall. We begin Monday, September 21. If you feel called to this ministry, please call Blaine Butterworth (683-3285) or Ann Stallings (683-3467).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

NEW BABY MINISTRY

Mary Lee Bailey visits each of our families with new babies and takes them a baby blanket from our church. The beautiful blankets or quilts are made by the United Methodist Women - Hilda Coble, Priscilla Shepherd, Charlotte Corbin, Carolyn Thomas, and others. If you would like to help make blankets, call Hilda Coble at 286-2697; if you'd like to help Mary Lee with the visits, call her at 477-0778.

SHE WAS AN INSPIRATION

Toni Markham, a Habitat home owner, spoke to our congregation on Sunday. She was an inspiring witness to what Habitat (and those who support it) can do. Thanks to the congregation for your warm embrace of Toni. Here is the latest on volunteers needed:

| Date | Time | # of people |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Sat. 9/19 | 1-5 p.m. | 4 |
| Sat. 9/26 | 8-12 & 1-5 p.m. | 10 & 10 |

There will be other dates to follow. Keep it here for the latest. If you would like to work or bring refreshments call Tracey Whitehouse at 471-3413.

VISITATION DAY

Anyone interested in visiting older folks from our church please call Ann Stallings at 683-3467, and we'll go visit Friday, September 25, at 10:45 a.m. Meet in the church kitchen, go out to visit, and then eat lunch together at Nikos. It will be fun; come join us!

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SINGLES EVENTS - September 1998

Thursday, September 24 - Pot Luck Dinner
at Becky Carver's, 1612 Ward Street
Contact People: Becky Carver 403-0411 and
Maxine Blair 489-5679

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1998

Attendance:

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| Sunday School | 203 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 288 |
| Worship 8:45 a.m. | 16 |

Record of Stewardship:

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| Received 9/13/98 | 9,826 |
| Received Y-T-D | 274,056 |
| Needed Y-T-D | 357,200 |

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. THURSDAY STUDY GROUP

This year we will meet on Thursdays from 11 to 12 noon in the parlor. Ann Stallings will be leading a Bible Study of Philippians on September 24 - please read Philippians before the study group. All interested people please call Ann Stallings at 683-3467 for more details. Let her know if you need child care.

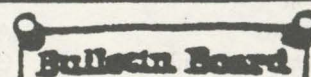
2. CHURCH-WIDE RETREAT

Saturday, October 10, from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Camp Chestnut Ridge. Ruth Harper Stevens will lead a retreat on "Finding Balance in Your Life." The van will take people from the church at 9:00 a.m. More details to follow, but mark your calendars.

DID YOU KNOW?

A group of UMs were traveling recently through Rwanda when the fan belt on their rented van broke. While waiting for the driver to try some make-shift repairs, crowds of curious children came to see who was traveling through their area. Soon the UMs were leading singing. Then the adults came and the church leaders began to preach. Today, plans are underway to establish a new congregation at this unscheduled stop-over.

YOUTH NEWS



Mark your calendars for these important dates:

September 20 - 5:30 p.m. - DMYF meeting - Parlor
6:00 p.m. "Name the Baby Contest" Baby Shower for
Tim & Shelley Turkington -
Come bring a gift! Refreshments provided.

September 26 - 27 Canoe and Camping Trip

September 27 - NO DMYF

Tuesday, September 29 - 6:00 p.m. Sr. High Dinner
at Lisa Cole's Home - 8 Pedestal Rock Lane

The Staff-Parish Committee
of Duke Memorial United Methodist Church
cordially invites you to a Reception honoring
The Reverend Ruth Harper Stevens and her family
Sunday, the twentieth of September
immediately following the Worship Service
Whitford Hall

The Parsonage Committee
of Duke Memorial United Methodist Church
invites you to an Open House at the new Parsonage
Sunday, the twentieth of September
one o'clock to five o'clock
3917 Springstop Lane, Garrett Farms

Directions to the Parsonage from the Church
South on Gregson Street/Vickers Avenue to University Drive
University Drive to Chapel Hill Boulevard
Chapel Hill Boulevard to Garrett Road - turn right
Then left into Garrett Farms on Cottonwood Drive
Past the tennis courts/swimming pool complex
take a left on Hulon Drive
Then a right on Springstop Lane
The Parsonage is on the left almost to the end of the block