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### **MINISTER'S MESSAGE**

#### Dear Friends.

Sunday I felt perhaps I was " preaching to the choir." That phrase is ecclesiastical jargon for "preaching to the regular faithful members." My sermon was on "Tipping and Tithing." It was my intention for Campaign Sunday to encourage everyone to examine how much more faithfully we tip than we tithe. For example, we tip 15% with the tax included, and we give off the top often before we pay our bill. It appears as though we care more for the one who serves us than we do for the one whom we serve.

Jesus said about the Lord's Supper "do this as often as you eat or drink." I hope you will think about your practices of tipping and tithing "as often as you eat or drink" out.

In Malachi 3:8 God says, "You are robbing me!" The question is asked "How are we robbing And God responds, "In your tithes and vou?" offerings." Then God seems to place a dare before the people. "Bring the full tithe into the storehouses. Put me to the test ... see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing."

I dare you (I double dare you). Try tithing, and put God to the test. I know none of you are going to tip God, but it would be wonderful if you would just tithe.

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DUKE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# **OCTOBER 18, 1998 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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.	Ringing of the Tower Bells		
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service - Sanctuary		
12:00 noon	UMW Soup / Bake / Craft Sale - WH		
12:00 noon	INSIGHTS Information Due		
	(10/25-10/31) Church Secretary's Box		
2:30 p.m.	Youth District Lay Rally		
5:00 p.m.	Hispanic Ministry Worship Service - BR		
8:00 p.m.	12 Step Al-Anon and A.A		
	Community Life Center		
SERMON:	Lisa Brown Cole		
ANTHEM:	Sanctuary Choir		

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 119:97-104 or Psalm 19, Luke 18:1-8 Jeremiah 31:27-34, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

USHERS: Connie Chandler, Captain; Tom Adkinson, Sandra and John Biddle, Tom Chandler, Julie Ellis, Debbie and Jim Fedyshyn, Charles Medlin, Polly Mixon, Tim Nifong, Gayle Young.

**GREETERS:** Tim Langford Robin Langford NURSERY: Marlene & Chris Allen Ann Stallings Carolyn & Wayne Parrish **VAN DRIVER: Tim Nifong** 

**ACOLYTES:** Luke Allen Kenton Summers **CROSS: Craige Summers ALTAR GUILD:** Martha Hawley Maryellen Stone

**REMEMBER THE EUCHARIST SERVICE** HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 8:45 A.M. **IN THE BRADSHAW ROOM OCTOBER 18, 1998** LISA BROWN COLE, PREACHING

**CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED** 

#### **CHURCH CALENDAR OCTOBER 19 - OCTOBER 23, 1998**

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 19**

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries NO Staff Meeting - Joy Class 10:00 a.m. Circle #9 at Nina Carroll's 2:00 p.m. 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Reconciling Congregations - BR 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. NO Stephen Ministry Training Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A. -8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Community Life Center

# **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20**

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries 10:00 a.m. Circle #8 - Parlor 6:30 p.m. UMM - Whitford Hall 7:30 p.m. Administrative Board - Bradshaw 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -Community Life Center

WEDNESDAY, OC.	IOBER 21
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
6:15 p.m.	Step Forward - KJR
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study - Bradshaw
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry - M.P. Gates
7:30 p.m.	Bethany Bells
THURSDAY, OCTO	DBER 22
9:15 - 1:00 p.m.	Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Step Forward - KJR
11:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Thursday Study Group - Parlor
7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room
FRIDAY, OCTOBE	R 23
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Cov. Discipleship - Parlor
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 continue their discussion of When the Heart Waits by Sue Monk Kidd. Listed below are the readings for the following Sundays:

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October 18	pp. 45-54
October 25	pp. 55-64

#### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all of our van drivers. We really appreciate all that you do! Our van drivers are: 1st Sunday - Tim Turkington 2nd Sunday - Warren Johnson 3rd Sunday - Tim Nifong 4th Sunday - Steve Guerrant 5th Sunday - Harry Rodenhizer

#### WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS 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. Menu: October 21 - Pizza, Salad, Drinks, and Dessert.

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

October 21	Dr. Gail Felton from the Duke Divinity School will lead a Bible Study entitled
	"Is God Still Speaking to Us?"
October 28	Hymn Sing with some of your favorites based on the Psalms
Leader	- Sarah McCracken, Pianist - Ruth Phelps

Alternative Program - Adult Craft group led by Angie Hutto

# **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

#### WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY **OPPORTUNITIES**

Bring your children to Wonderful Wednesday - there are choirs for children K-8th grade. There are also four babysitters so that your children will be happy while you benefit from the programs offered or a Covenant Discipleship Group. As soon as children finish eating, they can be taken to the playground and supervised by the sitters - Diane Parker and Prabha Tambe. Upstairs are Linda Supernaw and Kumud Desai to keep children infant through four.

#### **BABY FOOD JARS NEEDED**

Betty Craig needs baby food jars (large only) for making jellies. Please bring any you have to the church kitchen.

#### VISITS TO FAMILIES WITH NEW BABIES

If you would like to help Mary Lee Bailey visit families with new babies and take them a baby blanket, please call Mary Lee at 477-0778.

#### **CIRCLE #8**

Circle #8 will meet on Tuesday, October 20 in the church parlor at 10:00 a.m. Lorraine Chappell will be the hostess. The devotional will be given by Ginny Clark. The Rev. Ruth Harper Stevens will be the speaker. All members are urged to attend and to bring a friend who may not be a circle member at Duke Memorial. All are welcome to join Circle #8 of the United Methodist Women.

#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS Birthdays:

#### Oct. 18 Olivia Lynch

- Oct. 19 Christopher Bradsher Emily Lancaster Oct. 20 Ansel Bailey
- Oct. 20 Ansel Balley Oct. 21 Zachary Baker Glenn Bookhout Marshall Mason, IV Oliver Upchurch
- Oct. 22 Ace Kaspar Zackary Kaspar Jagger Kaspar Beth Pleasant Oct. 23 Lia Angell
- Donna Carper Grace Cooke Oct. 24 Blanche Fisher
- Sally Stenland

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:

Charlotte Allen Paula Allen Mary Lee Bailey Helen Bowles Melanie Gray & Family Tim Harrell David Van Vleet Alice Walker

**Congratulations** to Boyd Broadwell and Amber Batts who were married in Duke Memorial sanctuary on September 19. Boyd is the son of Debbie Guyer Broadwell and grandson of Grace Guyer and the late William B. Guyer. Amber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Batts of Raleigh.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Volunteer Center of Greater Durham needs volunteers for the following positions: Reader, Food Pantry Stocker, Data Entry Clerk, Collections Assistant, NC Certified Substance Abuse Counselor. For more information, see the flyer posted on the bulletin board. To volunteer call the Volunteer Center at 688-8977.

### THURSDAY STUDY AND SERVICE GROUP

The TSSG is meeting Thursdays from 11 to 12:15 p.m. to study the book <u>Workbook on the Christian Walk</u> by Maxie Dunnam. The first Thursday of each month we will do our service, which is visiting homebound people from our church (and then going out to eat.) <u>November 5th</u> is our first visiting day; we will meet early at 10:45 that day. Please let Ann Stallings know if you are going that day.

#### **HAVE YOU SEEN IT?**

We have made tremendous progress on our Methodist coalition Habitat house. It is hard to believe that it was just a foundation 4 weeks ago. Many thanks to those of you who volunteered over the last weeks. Obviously the house couldn't be built without folks like you who are willing to give of their time, not to mention the sweat! If you haven't seen our house yet you should! It is two blocks west of the intersection of E Main and Alston Ave. The houses (there are six being built at once) are on a cul-de-sac that backs up to E. Main. Coming on E Main (from Alston) you make a left onto Elm St. Left on Dale. Left on Edgemont. We are building lot #14.

Youth day is coming up on Saturday, October 17th. The youth from the six churches involved will be building the house on this day. But parents are welcome too. You only need to be 14 years or older. So how about it?

We are closing in on the half way point. If you are able to volunteer your time to build the house, please don't wait! You are needed. Really. Here is the latest on volunteers needed.

Date	Time	# of people
Sat. 10/17 "Youth Day"	8-12	6
Sat. 10/24	1-5 p.m.	6
Sat. 10/31	8-12 p.m.	5
Sat. 11/7	8-12 p.m.	10
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Please call Tracey Whitehouse at 471-3413 to volunteer to build or bring refreshments.

#### **SOUP / BAKE / CRAFT SALE**

UMW will be having its Fall Sale on Sunday, October 18 after the 11:00 a.m. service. We will have soup for \$5.00 a quart or \$2.50 a pint. We will limit it two quarts/pints per family. There will also be a variety of Bake goods and Craft goods. Please plan to stop by Whitford Hall after the service.

Anyone wishing to help make soup or donate soup ingredients, please contact Ginny Clark. The money raised from our Soup Sale goes out to local missions.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Duke Divinity School received a \$100,000 challenge gift to establish a scholarship in honor of William K. Quick, retired pastor of Metropolitan UMC in Detroit and former pastor of Trinity UMC, Durham.

#### UNITED METHODIST MEN MEETING

Tuesday, October 20 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Whitford Hall Covered Dish

Topics:

- Sun Room at Methodist Retirement, Finishing Touches
- Bring your suggestions for future programs.

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# SINGLES EVENTS

Friday, October 16 - 6:30 p.m. - miniature golf on Roxboro Road. (See article below) Contact People: Tom McCauley 688-3698 Glenn Bookout 286-9738

October 16 - 18 - Singles Fall Fling at Camp Don Lee Retreat Center sponsored by the Singles Council of NC Conference Commission on Education. Call Ann Stallings for details.

# SINGLES GROUP OF DUKE MEMORIAL

You will have read in a recent issue of INSIGHTS that I have been designated as one of the contact persons for the monthly outing scheduled for Friday, October 16. The contact persons for this event, Glen Bookhout and I, have decided that the Putt-putt Golf Course on the Roxboro Road would offer an exciting change of scenery.

Members of our Singles Group may come alone, in pairs, or in bunches to 5261 North Roxboro Road. Look for Putt-putt Golf & Games on the left after you pass the Eno River bridge on Roxboro Road while driving north.

No mealtime together is on schedule for this event. We should all arrive at 6:30 p.m. (Please note time change). At 6:35 we will all shout "Fore!" even if only three are present.

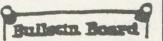
> See you there! Tom McCauley (688 - 3698)

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1998 Attendance.

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	Sunday School	165
	Worship 11:00 a.m.	259
	Worship 8:45 a.m.	9
Recor	d of Stewardship:	
	Received 10/11/98	\$ 27,903.
	Received Y-T-D	\$ 321,294.
	Needed Y-T-D	\$ 395,800.

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# **YOUTH NEWS**



October 18 District Youth Rally Meet at church at 2:30 p.m. - return 6:15 p.m.

October 25 - 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Whitford Plan and prepare for Fall Festival

November 1 - 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Fall Festival for West End Community Children

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PART OF A C.D. GROUP?

A Covenant Discipleship Group (C.D. Group) that meets on Wednesday night from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. is looking for 3 or 4 people to join them. The Group members so far are: Tim and Jennifer Nifong, Cindy Legge and Billy Cole. If you have been in a C.D. Group before, or want to try one out for the first time, let us know. We meet in the church's parlor while children are in choirs. Come on Wednesday night or give Bill a call at 620-9254.

#### STEPHEN MINISTRY CLASS

The new Stephen Ministry class is meeting every Monday for our training program. Topics we are studying at the Retreat on Saturday, October 17 is The Art of Listening and Relationship Exercises.

Please pray for our new group of Stephen Ministers -Tom Adkinson, Jean Anlyan, Sharon Dorman, Lynn Guerrant, and Deanie Jorgensen, and leaders, Blaine Butterworth and Ann Stallings.