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INSIGHTS

INTO DISCIPLESHIP

DUKE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Christ the King Sunday

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

In the devotional book COME BEFORE WINTER AND . . . , we are reminded of the journey Abraham and Sarah made when they were both in their seventies. There they were, loading up a camel caravan with their family bound for ---somewhere. Hebrews 11:8 states it bluntly: "By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out . . . not knowing where he was going."

"Abraham, what are you doing?" asked a neighbor.

"I'm packing."

"Packing?"

"That's right; we're moving."

"Why" Why in the world would you want to leave
Ur?"

"God has made it clear that I should go."

"God, huh? You've been talking to God again?"

"Right. God told me to leave. I must go."

"Well, where are you going?"

"I don't know. God didn't tell me that."

"Wait a minute. Let me get this straight. You know
you oughta go, but you don't know much beyond that, huh?"

"That says it pretty well."

That does say pretty well how, so often, we embark on new journeys in life not knowing what that journey will bring, but we move forward anyway, by faith. It may be the journey of a new school year, a different job, a new relationship, taking on a position of leadership in the church, or living with the loss of someone very dear.

We know very well of the unexpected events which alter our life journeys, and of the decisions we make in responding to God's call which set us on new journeys. And even though we may not know much beyond that, we are able to go on in faith, because what we do know is that we go . . . not alone.

The gifts of God's presence and of one another are with us on our journeys. Let's give thanks for the community of faith. I certainly do.

God's peace,

Lisa

8:45 - 9:25 a.m.
9:45 - 10:30 a.m.
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.
10:15 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
10:55 a.m.
12:00 noon

12:00 noon
4:00 p.m.
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m.

Early Worship - Bradshaw Room
Exploring Church - History Room
Sunday School for All Ages
Sanctuary Choir - Sanctuary
Ringing of the Tower Bells
Worship Service - Sanctuary
INSIGHTS Information Due
(11/28-12/4) Church Secretary's Box
Chili Bake-Off and Bake Sale
Youth Choir Rehearsal
DMYF
Hispanic Ministry - Bradshaw Room
THANKSGIVING SERVICE
12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. -
Community Life Center

SERMON:

Ruth Harper Stevens

ANTHEMS:

Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24;
Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

USHERS:Dick McFall, Captain; Chris Allen, Clarence Bailey, Charles Browning, Blaine Butterworth, Phyllis Butterworth, Ken Kernodle, Robin Langford, Tim Langford, Stuart McCracken, Barry Moore, Cathy Shepherd, A. D. Turrentine

GREETERS:

Susan Grubbs

Neal Grubbs

NURSERY:

Louise & Steed Rollins

Dana & Todd Pope

Paula & John Allen

VAN DRIVER

Tim Nifong

ACOLYTES:

Kyle Shepherd

Lauren Umstead

CROSS:

Tim Nifong

ALTAR GUILD:

Ann Marie Langford

Polly Farned

REMEMBER THE EUCHARIST SERVICE

HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 8:45 A.M.

IN THE BRADSHAW ROOM

November 21, 1999

ROGER LOYD

CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED

DATES AND PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 22 - NOVEMBER 27 , 1999

MONDAY, NOV. 22

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

TUESDAY, NOV. 23

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out
 9:30 a.m. PMO Board - a PMO room
 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -
 Community Life Center.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 24

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. NO Parents' Morning Out
 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Fold "INSIGHTS" - Bradshaw
 10:00 a.m. Weekday School Play - Whitford
 11:00 am. Weekday School Play - Whitford
 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. **NO Wonderful Wednesday**

THURSDAY, NOV. 25

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. NO Parents' Morning Out
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

FRIDAY, NOV. 26

9:15 - 1:00 p.m. NO Parents' Morning Out
 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A. -
 Community Life Center

SUNDAY, November 14, 1999

Attendance:		Record of Stewardship:	
Sunday School	187	Received	\$ 14,080
Worship 11:00 a.m.	302	Received YTD	\$415,728
Worship 8:45 a.m.	11	Budget YTD	\$465,800

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

The office will close at 1:00 pm,
 Wednesday, November 24, and will reopen at
 9:00 am, Monday, November 29.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Nov. 21 Natanael Colon-Emeric, Rachel Croughwell, James
 Yarborough
 Nov. 22 Lani Adkinson, Dodd Browning, Harold Speight
 Nov. 23 Laura Cleeves, Dottie MacMillan, Jeremy Sander
 Nov. 24 John Hudson, Chase McCosham
 Nov. 26 Delaina Buehler
 Nov. 27 Vivi Emodi, Norwood Thomas, Kevin Witte

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Hospital

Louis Robinson - Duke

At home

Matthew Bailey	Marion Montgomery
Ethel Beckman	Rita Needham
Eilene Bisgrove	Thelma Ray
Lindsey Bradsher	Sally Stenland
Tommy Cash	Eleanor Stuck
Jim Crawford	Helen Upchurch
Indye Cunningham	David Van Vleet
Gene DeBoer	Bill Webb
Tim Harrell	Lisa Westerfeldt

!!! YOUTH CHOIR BEGINS !!!

Come join Greig Ashurst at 4 PM every
 Sunday DMYF is scheduled. An hour of music
 and fun and plans for performance productions!
ALL YOUTH WELCOME!

MEETING NOTICES:

- ✓ **YOUTH CHILI BAKE-OFF AND BAKE SALE**,
 November 21, in Whitford Hall, immediately following
 worship.
- ✓ **SINGLES OUT TO LUNCH**, November 21, at the
 Chili Bake-Off
- ✓ **COLLEGE & CAREER** Thanksgiving at the Wilson's
 November 26.

CHURCH OFFERS NEW POSITION

Duke Memorial is seeking a part-time person to
 perform computer based clerical duties. Experience is desired
 with Adobe Pagemaker Plus, ACS (A Church System),
 Internet e-mail, and Web-based publishing. Responsibilities
 will include:

- * publishing church newsletters and bulletins
- * input visitor and member information into database
- * query database for information
- * create, maintain, and distribute mail lists (postal
 and e-mail) for groups within the church
- * create and distribute faxes to distribution groups
- * publish on Web (newsletter, bulletin, minutes of
 committee meetings, etc.
- * resolve minor computer, printing, and networking
 problems for staff

Please call the church office (683-3467) for more
 information or to schedule an interview.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

WRITING SCRIPTURE CARDS: Ann Stallings needs folks to write out scriptures on index cards and then decorate the cards. They are wonderful to take to those in hospitals and care facilities. Cards and suggested scriptures will be provided. Call Ann at the church (683-3467) to volunteer.

NATIONAL FAMILY VOLUNTEER DAY IS NOVEMBER 20:

The Volunteer Center of Greater Durham says: Families can learn to appreciate each other while helping the community in the following ways:

- ♥ Bake and decorate holiday cookies with families who don't have a home of their own
- ♥ Pick up a playground or a road way just for the fun of it.
- ♥ Visit "grandparents-for-a-day" at a local nursing home or retirement center.
- ♥ Sponsor an individual or a family for Thanksgiving dinner.
- ♥ Sponsor an individual or a family for Share Your Christmas and do the shopping this Saturday.
- ♥ Sort food to benefit local food pantries

To find out about additional opportunities and to register your family, call the Volunteer Center of Greater Durham at 688-8977.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS GIVING: Look alternative ways to celebrate Christmas. Duke Memorial will again offer Alternative Christmas giving opportunities (see insert). In addition Society of St. Andrew (offices housed here at Duke Memorial), and Durham County Habitat for Humanity offer opportunities to give to those in need. Duke Memorial's Alternative Christmas Gift Market will be held three Sundays in December: 5, 12, and 19.

CELEBRATE A FAMILY ADVENT WITH CANDLES OF HOPE

The Agape Circle will be selling advent candles made by "Candles of Hope." All profits will be used to sponsor ACR individuals at Christmas. Sales will be on Nov. 14, 21, and 28. Tables will be in the Library area and in the narthex before and after the 10:55 AM service.

By supporting this mission you will help both Candles of Hope and ARC, and have the joy of a home advent celebration.



TIME TO ORDER POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias are \$8.00 each and may be placed in honor or in memory of whomever you choose. Look for an order form in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office (683-3467) to place your order.

A WORD OF THANKS . . .

. . . to Randy and Julie Ellis for the donation of a VCR to the church.

. . . to Howard Pleasant for a donation of Oreo Cookies for use by the church. You have seen them at Wonderful Wednesday, the youth have enjoyed them on Sunday evenings, and they have been shared with the Hispanic Ministry and with the folks in the Community Life Center. YUM! YUM!

"GREENING OF THE TREE" UPDATE

We have now received 276 pledges in the amount of \$473,234 toward our goal of \$568,390. Our proposed budget is actually \$651,890. The difference of \$83,500 between what we need in pledges and our actual budget will come in through sources other than pledges (i.e., loose plate offering, endowment income, and other unbudgeted income).

Just thought you would like to know where we stand. Please get your pledge card in if you have not yet done so. The work of the church depends on each of us.

Ruth

YOUTH NEWS

**NO MISSION TRIP TO CAMP DON LEE
NOV. 20**

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Nov. 21, 5-7 Special Speaker

HIGH SCHOOL

Nov. 21, noon Chili Bake-Off
and Bake Sale

Come and prepare during Sunday School hour; help serve at 12:00; stay to clean up. THIS IS OUR FUNDRAISER FOR OUR MISSION TRIP!

Nov. 21, 5-7 Special Speaker

Nov. 28 NO MEETINGS

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Advent Calendar of Activities at DMUMC

- Dec. 1 7:00 pm **Hanging of the Greens**
We will have our Wonderful Wednesday meal at 5:30 and the children will attend the 6:00 - 6:45 activities.
- Dec. 4 Parents-Go-Shopping Babysitting by Youth (times to be announced)
- Dec. 5 First Sunday for bringing Shoe Boxes (see insert)
12:00 noon Alternative Christmas Gift Market in the History Room
3:00 pm **UMW Christmas Program**
- Dec. 12 Second Sunday for bringing Shoe Boxes
12:00 noon Alternative Christmas Gift Market in the History Room
4:00 pm **White Christmas Program**
Children's impromptu Christmas Story performance. Bring a gift wrapped in white tissue paper for an underprivileged child, marked with appropriate age and gender.
- Dec. 19 Third Sunday for bringing Shoe Boxes
Alternative Christmas Gift Market in the Bradshaw Room
12:00 noon **All-Church Christmas Dinner and Caroling to Shut-Ins**
A covered dish dinner in Whitford with caroling afterward
- Dec. 24 5:30 pm **Christmas Eve Service with Communion**