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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

Having just returned from the session of our Annual Conference, I realize anew that some issues come up every session. There seems no way to deal definitively with some matters. So it is in our state legislature right now as the liquor by the drink forces are at it again. Whatever else may be said, let us pay tribute to their persistence!

The issue with respect to distilled liquor is not whether citizens may legally drink. Agree with it or not, North Carolina law covers that. The issue is simply one of who is to make the major financial gain from it. Our state association of restaurant owners and some of the travel associations harp continually on the threat to our tourist income if we do not authorize liquor by the drink. Our tourist industry has slumped to some small extent; my understanding is that the reason is our failure in adequate promotional effort.

State law now allows: (1) purchase of distilled liquor up to one gallon; (2) transportation of an original container which has been opened provided it is not accessible to persons in the automobile (i.e., locked in a trunk); (3) drinking this wretched stuff in public places through purchase of "set ups" (priced so that the operator of the facility can make the profit he would make if he added the liquor to the mixture). The real issue is that if liquor by the drink came to our state, the retail value of a bottle of whiskey would jump by about 700%. This would be the "take" for the operator of the facility serving the drinks.

On grounds of bodily health as well as Christian conviction, I wish that no one drank. On the simple base of price inflation, I can see no reason why one would seek for his own convenience such a device as liquor by the drink. As a believer in free enterprise, I would not want to be a part of making a profit from the potential misery sold to customers. Our laws now enable those wishing to drink to do so within well established lines. Any profit involved in the sale of distilled liquor is retained by the state and presumed to be used for the benefit of all citizens. Let's keep it that way!

-- Ed Smith

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SUNDAY, 19 JUNE 1977

Third Sunday after Pentecost
The Sermon: "It Works - And So What?"
The Epistle: 1 John 3:13-18
Acolytes: Lee VanVleet & Jim Lancaster
Greeters: Dr. and Mrs. Owen McConnell
Junior Church Leaders:
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Forrester
Mrs. W. L. Shipp, music

THE YOUTH MUSIC WORKSHOP AND CONCERT TOUR, June 20 - 26, will include four youth from Duke Memorial. They are Carol Christmas, Paul Lancaster, David McConnell and Marty Pifer. After three days of rehearsal at Methodist College, Fayetteville, the participants will go by chartered bus on a four day singing tour to Western North Carolina. The choir will be directed by Paul Yoder, Chairman of the Music Department, Campbell College. The concluding concert will be on Sunday, June 26, 7:30 p. m. at Duke Memorial United Methodist Church.

MEMORIAL GIFTS RECEIVED WITH APPRECIATION

Van Fund

In Honor of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hall by Mrs. Roy B. Harris

Good Samaritan Fund

In memory of Jasper N. Highsmith by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Highsmith of Greensboro, N. C.

FALL FESTIVAL WORKSHOP NEWS

Fall Festival Workshops meet every Wednesday from 10:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a sandwich if you can stay for lunch. Special talents are needed. We need volunteers who can quilt, decoupage, frame pictures, crewel or crochet. If you care to help, call Kay Herman, 544-2676 or Carol Lawrence, 471-1061. A number of items are needed. If you can supply any of them please bring them to the Church Office. They are as follows: 1. jars for jellies, pickles, and preserves (half pint or pint sizes). 2. Any color Persian wool or partial skeins of needlepoint yarn. 3. Lace trims and ricrac. 4. Knitting yarn. 5. Items to be sold in the Children's Room.

CONGRATULATIONS to Hugh C. Crenshaw, son of Dr. and Mrs. M.C. Crenshaw of Roxboro Road, who has been awarded Samuel H. Bell Honor Scholarship to attend Davidson College.

SYMPATHY: The pastors and congregation of Duke Memorial Church express their love and sympathy to James B. (Bill) Fleming, 103 W. Lavender Street, because of the death of his mother, Mrs. Lillian A. Fleming, on June 3.



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Dear Friends,

Greetings from your new Diaconal Minister! I entered into this new relationship within the church during Annual Conference this past week, and I wanted to share my feelings about it with you, my church family.

Actually, I'm the same person and I do the same work, but I feel really great about the recognition and affirmation that I have received from the church that what I am about is Christian ministry.

In the Discipline are these words: "All members of the Church are commissioned through Baptism and confirmation to ministries of love, justice, and service within local congregations and the larger communities in which they live and work.....Within the total Church community there are persons called of God and set apart through consecration for specialized ministries of service in the Church's life and mission. These are consecrated diaconal ministers."

I am eligible to be a Diaconal Minister because I am a full-time employee involved in a professional career in The United Methodist Church. (A Director of Music, or a Church Business Administrator, etc. could also be a Diaconal Minister.)

In order to become a Diaconal Minister I had to:

- 1) Make the decision to commit my life to a professional ministry within the church;
- 2) Be examined as to my character, competence, and integrity;
- 3) Complete educational requirements and receive certification as a Director of Christian Education;
- 4) Be examined and approved by the Annual Conference Board of Diaconal Ministry for this relationship in the Annual Conference;
- 5) Be voted on favorably by the Annual Conference itself;
- 6) And be consecrated by the Bishop in a session of the Annual Conference.

Because of this relationship, I am seated in the Annual Conference and I am granted all Annual Conference benefits and privileges - except the right to vote. Hopefully, by next year, I will have this right, also.

One of the real pluses of this relationship is the opportunity for annual review and evaluation of my work and commitment, for I count myself a person growing in faith and response to God's call. (I also count myself lucky to be part of God's people at Duke Memorial Church during this part of my growing!).

Margaret Anne

NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISM: Last Sunday, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Amick (Kaye) and their three children became part of our church family. Kaye's membership comes from Rankin Memorial UMC, High Point and Larry's from St. Paul UMC, Burlington. Seton (6) and Elizabeth Scott (Scottie), (4), and Thomas Carter (2) are preparatory members. Carter was baptized by Pastor Wallace. The Amicks live at 608 Old Orchard, 27740 and their telephone number is 477-3090. Visit them or call them to make them welcome at Duke Memorial.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sherri Young who graduated from Jordan High School this past week. We regret that her name was omitted in the newsletter listing high school graduates. If there are others please notify the church office.

OUR KNOWN HOSPITAL SICK to be remembered in your prayers:

DCGH: Lucille Coburn, 7204

TRANSFERRED: Mrs. Margaret L. Cheek who now lives at 1707 Third Avenue, South, Apt. 2105, Minneapolis, Mn. 55403 has transferred her membership to Wesley UMW and Counseling Center in Minneapolis.

ATTENDANCE Sunday, 5 June 1977

Church School.....277

Morning Worship.....363

Sunday, 12 June 1977

Church School..... 246

Morning Worship.....331

FINANCIAL REPORT

Due each week \$ 3,802.41

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CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JUNE 19 - 25, 1977

Sun.	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	10:55 a.m.	Morning Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Junior and Senior UMYF
Mon.	10:30 a.m.	Circle 5 with Mrs. F.R. Darkis, 3010 Surrey Rd.
	12:00 Noon	Circle 9, Covered Dish Luncheon in Fellowship Hall
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Craft Workshop
Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	District Council on Ministries in Bradshaw Room
Fri.	6:30 p.m.	New Group Covered Dish Supper, Fellowship Hall, Speaker: Mary Ann Black from Child Guidance Clinic