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PASTOR'S WORD:

This is a time of change! Change in the life of the Faggart Family, and also a time of change in the life of a great church -- Duke Memorial.

Duke Memorial is a great church. We are honored and privileged to have this opportunity to serve you. The next few weeks will be a time of transition. During this period a great deal of stress will be experienced by us. Presently, you are a sea of unknown faces. Little by little we shall learn your names and come to know you as a person. This will take time.

Even though, I came from a United Methodist Church, and Duke Memorial is United Methodist there are differences in the organizational structure of the two churches, and the functions of the same. Please bear with us as we learn to operate within the structure that exists here.

We hear most everyone we meet say, "We hope we can reverse our membership trend. Once we were the second largest church in the conference." Most of you look at me with questioning eyes and I interpret the meaning ... Do you really think we can grow again? My answer to that question is -- YES! However, the determining factor exists as much with the congregation as the minister. If, you will welcome your neighbors with a sincere smile on Sunday Mornings ... We will grow! Another important factor in church growth is a program that will meet the needs of the people we wish to attract. To create such programs will necessitate a very active, and vigorous Council on Ministries. Each Work Area will have to function with the same level of importance as that given the Trustees, or Finance Committee. Ministry is as important as raising the budget, the caring for the buildings. Plus, your ministers will need about 20 persons who will give one evening a month to make two visits on behalf of the church. WE CAN GROW!

MINISTERS AVAILABLE: If you need your ministers please call the church office. The secretary will have access to our calendars and will schedule you at the earliest possible time. If, an emergency should arise everything else will take second place to your need. Groups interested in inviting us to meet with them should call the secretary and be sure that the time, place, and how to get there is on the minister's calendar. A personal invitation will work but over the years your minister has come to depend on the church secretary to schedule such meetings. Your new minister works out of his office. My calendar is in the office. Seldom do I miss meetings so scheduled. Please do not hold me responsible for meetings scheduled otherwise. Thank you!

-- T. M. Faggart

VBS NOTES - If you are aged 2 - 18 and have put Vacation Bible School 1982 in your summer plans, you will need to begin brushing up on VBS lingo. Words like snack-yacker should become part of your vocabulary - What is a snack-yacker? Look for the hidden definition in this Messenger and for more VBS lingo in later issues.



What is this symbol?
What could it mean?
Keep watching your newsletter
For gems rarely seen

ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to put flowers in our sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one please call the church office, 688-1901 or 688-2170.

A GIFT has been given to the Choir Fund by Mr. and Mrs. Norwood A. Thomas in loving memory of Dr. A. Sedmak Vesic.

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 1982
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

Acolytes: Shannon Faggart and Amy Layne Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sasser, Jr. Altar Guild Worker: Kathy Langford THE JULY MEETING OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN will be in the form of a Bazaar Workshop on Wednesday morning, July 7, at 10:00 a.m. in Whitford Hall. Hilda Coble will give the devotional. The Church Hostess will serve lunch for \$1.00. Please bring your own scissors, thimble, needles, et cetera. New ideas and projects will be welcome.

UMYF will be meeting Tuesdays from 5:00 p. m. to 7:30 p. m. for the rest of the summer.

THE URBAN MINISTRIES COMMITTEE, sponsored by DCIA, provides emergency relief for those whose electricity or water has been temporarily cut off, for those who have been evicted, and for those who need food or clothes to tide them over. Recipients are screened by Women in Action or the Social Services.

OAR (Offenders Aid and Restoration) gives assistance to prisoners who have worked release permits and who wish to make restitution to society by earning money for charities or by helping with projects like winterization of homes for the needy. Many members of local churches meet with individual prisoners during evening visiting hours at Guess Road prison to help them develop healthy attitudes toward society. Many prisoners have never known anyone who cared all their lives! Call 682-5773 if you can help.

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St. Swithin, St. Swithin, We look and we listen To discover the date of our next summertime fete

CORRECTION to the June 27 Messenger: Duke Memorial's award at Annual Conference was for paying 107% of its fair share figure in the Pension Fund Crusade.

NEWS FROM MISSIONS

"How Do You Spell Joy? Two copies of the complete text of this message which Julia Williams brought to us on Sunday morning, April 18, have been placed in the Church Library in response to requests from several of you. Come by the Library and read it. It will take only a few minutes, and you'll be glad you did.

<u>SPECIAL THANKS</u> - to Betty and Chick Craig for donating the lovely gladiolas from their yard for the Altar Sunday, June 27.

SUMMER WORK TEAM TO ANGUILLA. Donna Elium will be one of about 14 people from the North Carolina Conference who will be in Anguilla, British West Indies, July 23 - August 1, for the double purpose of beginning construction of a church building sorely needed by the people of the island and of Christian interaction with their Anguillan hosts. The Anguilla project is a United Methodist Committee on Relief Advance Special, and the North Carolina team will be the first of several teams scheduled to work there. The team is sponsored by the North Carolina Conference United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (NC UMVIM) Committee, but each team member is responsible for his/her own travel and a small portion of other expenses. In this instance, the amount per person is \$600. United Methodist Women allocated \$200 from Fall Festival Funds for this purpose. Let's all support Donna with our prayers and our enthusiasm.

-- Mary Whanger

SNACK-YACKER - A fun-loving, enthusiastic junior-hi student who plans, prepares and serves refreshments to VBSers while singing, telling tales or clowning around.

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CHURCH CALENDAR JULY 4 - 10, 1982

Sunday 9:45 a. m. Church School

10:55 a. m. HOLY COMM UNION, SANCTUARY

Monday Holiday, Office Closed

Tuesday 5:00 p. m. UMYF

7:45 p. m. Administrative Board, Bradshaw Room

Wednesday 10:00 a. m. UMW and Fall Festival Workshop, Whitford Hall

7:30 p. m. VBS Teachers meet, third floor Education Bldg.

JULY 18 is the date you should mark; invite another family, and write a short rhyme. Now here's a hint so you won't be in the dark: Read next week's Messenger and you'll be on time.