



The Messenger

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Manhattan Piano Trio performs March 1



The Manhattan Piano Trio will perform once again at CFUMC, Sunday, March 1, 7 p.m., in the Sanctuary.

Hailed by critics as a "Grand Departure from the Usual", the Manhattan Piano Trio is one of the most prominent, exciting and active emerging chamber music groups in America. MPT has given over 250 performances at many prestigious venues spanning 28 U.S. states. The Trio comprises Milana Strezeva (Piano), Dmitry Lukin (Violin) and Dmitry Kouzov (Cello).

Admission is free but an offering will be taken to help provide summer activities for underprivileged kids in Carrollton.

Buck Chavies • Frank Ledbetter • June McCall • Josh Waldrep
Jan Adams • Bob Sharpless • John Trawick
Nell Meadows • Carolyn Mason • Doris O. Kaylor
Kitty Kaylor • Dixie Satterfield • Mildred Lambert • Horace Carden
Audrey Albright
Clara Norton, staff member
Jo Ann Parkman, sister-in-law of David & Beverly Parkman
Bob Waldrop, father of Pat Waldrop
Betty Loftin, mother of Theresa Davis
Mable Patterson, grandmother of Susan Hirvela
Maria Clarisa Cardenas, friend of Don & Helen Martin
David Bush, son of Paul & Carolyn Bush
Abe Hulsey, friend of Mark Barnes • Mother of Sara Parker
James Fletcher, father of Jana Thurman
Annette & Tom Wiley, parents of Lisa Ledbetter
Jonathan Wilbanks, serving in Iraq, grandson of Harris & Connie Johnson
Ashley Turner, family friend of Mark Barnes
Danielle Huff, cousin of John Cook
Gail Settles, friend of Melissa Smith and Sue McBrayer
Frank Satterfield
Shirley Digsby & Allen Payton, friend and son of Eva Haynes
Russ Sharp, friend of Dan Minish and others

Intercessory Prayer

Rev. Eddie Herring, Senior Pastor
Rev. Karla Oroszko, Associate Pastor
Rev. Greg Cochran, Youth Minister
Rev. Mark Barnes, Music Minister
Rev. John Cuenas, Hispanic Minister
Ernesine Maddox, Administrator

Angie Chesser, Financial Secretary
Pat Reynolds, Communications Manager
Diane Albright, Director of Nursery Ministries
Tony and Cheryl Childers, Organist/Pianist
Christopher Thurman, Facilities Manager
Clara Norton, Eva Haynes Custodians
Dr. Dean Milford, Minister to Adults

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Win Pray Give Serve Glorify Three Big Events



Let me share with you three things that will be happening in our church. I don't want you to miss out!

- This Sunday we will honor Tony and Cheryl Childers for their service to God and to Carrollton FUMC for the past 20 years. We are so blessed to have them as a part of our music ministry. Please go by the Gathering Room after the 11:00 services and tell Tony and Cheryl how much you appreciate them.
- Wednesday, Feb. 25, we will have an Ash Wednesday Service in the Sanctuary. We will place the sign of the cross on your forehead, will celebrate Holy Communion, and will worship God as the Season of Lent begins. I hope to see you there for this very meaningful service.
- Each One - Win One is off to a good start. We had people respond at the 9 and 11 a.m. services. If you missed the service but want to be a part of what God is doing through Each One - Win One, it is not too late. Simply let Pastor Eddie know you want to be a part, or come to the 11 a.m. Contemporary Service this Sunday.

2009 will be a great year as we make a difference in peoples' lives as they accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior and as we make a difference in the Kingdom of God and His Church. My prayer is that God will amaze us with all the people who accept Christ and join the church. See you at church Sunday, be in prayer for God to give you someone you can win to Jesus, and have a great week!

Eddie

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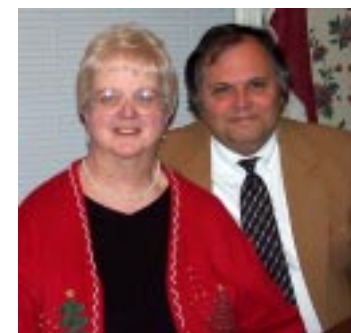
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Reception for Childers honors 20 years of service

A reception will be held to celebrate Tony & Cheryl Childers' 20th anniversary with Carrollton First, Sunday, Feb. 22, in the Gathering Room, following the 11:00 services. Come join us to tell them how much we appreciate them!



Ash Wednesday Services

An Ash Wednesday Service will be held Wednesday, Feb. 25, 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

A Youth Ash Wednesday service will be held at 6:30 p.m. for youth and their families at 6:30 p.m. at the Solid Rock Cafe.

Mark Your Calendars!

- March 1** - Manhattan Piano Trio, 7 p.m., Sanctuary
- March 11** - Ladies' Ecumenical Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
- March 28** - Easter Egg Hunt, Oak Mountain Park
- March 29** - Combined worship services, Sanctuary
- April 25** - Great Day of Service



Announcements

The rosebud at the altar announces the birth of Kathryn Tillman Ayers, daughter of John and Beth Green Ayers, Dec. 24, 2008. Maternal grandparents are Tommy and Betty Green. Congratulations!

NEW CHURCH SECURITY

The Church is getting a new security system in the main building. A training session will be held for everyone who has a key to the Church, Solid Rock Cafe', and InZone. If you have a key, you will be expected to attend. Watch the *Messenger* for date, time, and place.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Jeffrey & Jennier Watts - 339 Edge Rd., Villa Rica, 30180, 770-459-8678

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Ms. Marni's Preschool is registering for the 2009-2010 school year on Monday, Feb. 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. There are classes available two, three, or five days a week for children ages two and three, and five days a week for children ages four. For more information, please call Marni Flinn, 770-834-4370.

OOPS!

The group in the caption for the photo in last week's *Messenger* was mistakenly identified as the 8th grade Sunday school class. It should have read the 9th grade Sunday school class visited area nursing homes.

SPECIAL INVITATION

You are invited to a Welcome Home Reception for Major Maggie, Feb. 28, 3 - 7 p.m., at 2156 Oak Grove Rd.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST

Each Saturday in February the Kiwanis Club, Golden K, in conjunction with Southwire, will be serving its 15th annual "All You Can Eat" breakfast from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Maple Street Mansion Ballroom. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased from club members or the Regional Library, or at the door each Saturday. Proceeds will benefit children of Carroll County and other local organizations.

This Sunday at CFUMC

Feb. 22, 2009

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services Sanctuary

Sermon: "Transfigured and Transformed"

Scripture: Mark 9: 2-9

Rev. Karla Otroszko

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service Fellowship Hall

Sermon: "Each One - Win One - Keep One" part 2

Scripture: Acts 13: 1-3

Rev. Eddie Herring

11:00 a.m. Hispanic Worship Service Chapel

Led by Rev. John Cuentas



Wednesday Night Fellowship
Dinner

Chili Cook-off



March 4 • 6 p.m. • Fellowship Hall

If you would like to enter a crock pot of your best chili in the contest, please e-mail

Mary Montgomery at montgomery1955@bellsouth.net

Menu: Bread, dessert, and baked potatoes will accompany the chili.

Cost; Adults \$5; children 11 and under: \$3

Fellowship Dinner • Wednesday, March 4

Chili Cook-Off

Cost: \$5 adult \$3 child (11 & under)

If you make a reservation, you will be expected to pay even if you are unable to attend.

Deadline to sign up: March 2, 3 p.m.

Name: _____

No. attending: adults _____ children _____

Please drop this in the offering plate or bring by the church office

Special Program Sunday Night

Bishop David Thagana, of Glory Outreach Assembly, along with Rev. Francis Maina, will speak this Sunday, 6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Thagana has started 156 churches in the past ten years, and oversees numerous ministries in Kenya. The two will share about the many ministries in which our church has been involved including Strong Tower, orphanages, training of pastors, medical help, training of children, AIDS testing and education, church planting, and the well drilling project.

Join 5th Sunday Combined Choir

If you would like to join a mass choir to sing during 5th Sunday combined services, see Jack Barr following the contemporary worship services, or contact Mark Barnes at the church office. The next combined service will be March 29.



Our Positive Witness

Feb. 15, 2008

Worship: 447

9 am - 59; 11 am Contemporary Worship - 238;
Traditional Worship - 116; Hispanic - 24;
Nursery - 10;

Sunday School: 384

Weekly Revenue Needed \$ 16,316.00

Weekly Revenue Received \$ 19,218.00

YTD Revenue Needed \$139,362.00

YTD Revenue Received \$139,838.92

Designated Funds:

Adventuring Min. Valentine Party 230.00

Choir Specials 135.00

2008 Pledges: 284 pledges = \$975,251.00

2009 Pledges: 283 pledges = \$942,126.00

March 11: CFUMC hosts Ladies Ecumenical Luncheon

Ecumenical: promoting or fostering Christian unity throughout the world. Our church will host the Women's Ecumenical Luncheon, Wednesday, March 11, from 11:30 - 1 p.m., for ladies in our community. If you can help in any way with this luncheon, please call the church office, 770-832-7069.

Serving This Week

9 am

Ushers: John Ball, Tim Davis, William Traylor

Greeters: Bill Cook & Martha Ann Saunders

11:00 am Contemporary

Ushers: Tim & Dawn Criswell, William Traylor, Rod & Elaine Shivers

Greeters: Barbara Tanner & Jerry Eady

11:00 am Traditional

Ushers: Buddy Williams, Jack Norton, Ken Waid, Chenault Cockrell, David Mecklin, Allen Murrah, David Parkman, Tom Overton, John Hughes, Cecil Duffee, George Hirvela

Greeters: Frank Jones, Jewell Johnson, George & Jackie Ward

Acolytes - Caroline Conerly, Austin Garrett, Anna Schulenburg

Sr. High Youth Snack Supper - Feb. 22 - Wayne & Jeri Garner

Jr. High Youth Snack Supper - Feb. 25 - Scot & Karen Lingrell

Jr. High Chaperones - Ted & Sherri Edgar; John & Barbara Venters

This Week at CFUMC

Sunday, Feb. 22

9 am - Morning Worship, Sanctuary
10 am - Church School
11 am - Contemporary Worship, Fellowship Hall
11am - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
11 am - Hispanic Worship, Chapel
12:14 pm - Reception for Tony & Cheryl Childers, Gathering Room
5 pm - Celebrate
6 pm - Men's Ensemble
6 pm - Speaker for youth activities, Fellowship Hall

Monday, Feb. 23

5:30 pm - Beginning Guitar
6:30 pm - Advanced Guitar

Tuesday, Feb. 24

7 pm - Boy Scouts, InZone
7 pm - Disciple III, rm.206

Wednesday, Feb. 25

9:30 am - Bible Study, rm. 210
9:30 am - Bible Study, rm. 201
10 am - Disciple, rm. 206
5 pm - KidZone
6 pm - Jr. High Activities, Solid Rock Cafe
6 pm - Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
7 pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, Feb. 28

12 noon - 4 pm - Girl Scout Troop 481, InZone