

The Messenger

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FUN!



Anna Grace Smith (top) and Lily Turner are having a ball during a Vacation Bible School Relay on the opening day of VBS. The relay culminated in the spelling out of the daily challenge: GET IT! Some 200 children and helpers participated in the Bible-themed “SonQuest Rainforest”, and kids had daily challenges to GET IT, GET FOUND, GET GOD’S LOVE, GET PRAYING, and GET GOING. The week was based on five key Bible verses, including John 3:16, that will change a child’s life, and the church’s environment was transformed into a rainforest where participants could “dig” into the Bible and meet Jesus in every day’s story.



Sign up for Church Pictorial Directory

Do you ever see people and wonder what their names are? Have you ever heard an announcement regarding a member and wished you could put a face with the name? Help is on the way! We are producing a pictorial family album and want to include everyone at CFUMC! There is no cost to have your photographs taken, and you will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and directory for participating.



Photos will be taken July 13 - 17; 20 - 24, from 2 - 9 p.m. on Tuesdays - Fridays, and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sign up sheets are located on tables outside the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. Stop by and sign up and take a reminder card with you so you remember your photo session appointment. You will also receive a reminder call about your appointment.

HELP WITH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

If you would like to help serve as CFUMC host/hostess on photography days, we could use you! For more information contact Pat Reynolds at the church office 770-832-7069, or email her at pat@cfumc.com.

*Join us for a reception honoring
**Revs. Eddie Herring and
Karla Otroszko**
as we celebrate their ministries at
Carrollton First
and wish them well in their new appointments
**Sunday, June 20
Fellowship Hall**
immediately following the 11:00 services*

Intercessory Prayer List

Peggy Hughes
Frank Satterfield
Mary Erickson
Syble Gilley
Buck Chavies
Frank Lebetter
Harvey Copeland
Carolyn Mason
Dixie Satterfield
Peggy Crawford, mother of Diane Smith
Mary Jane Skinner, friend of Angela and Bob Reeves
Melanie Lambert
Bert Vant, father of Diane Wise
Klaus Dost
Lynne Johnson, friend of John & Anne Ball
Cherri Wilkerson, mother of Mandy Runyan
Don Hayes, father of Cindy Minish
Cheryl Boyd
Debra Elarbee Wahl, friend of Jan Hembree
Kathy Hulsey, friend of Michael and Kristin Poss
Tanya Ferguson, friend of the Shaun family
Charlotte Addison, friend of Brooke Mobley
Marla Shettles, friend of Tom & Idys Overton



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The Bonds of Love

It is hard to believe how quickly we are approaching the time to say our goodbyes. These years we’ve spent together have enriched my life immeasurably. I draw such joy and hope from the love you’ve shared with me. Thank you for loving me so well and teaching me so much. I am truly humbled and inspired by your Christian witness—I hope you know what a wonderful community you are a part of.

In some ways, these years have flown by. And yet (and I suppose it is because you are my first church) I just cannot imagine church life, or *my* life, without you. As I served you communion last Sunday, the prayer over the bread and cup resonated a little more deeply for me: “By the Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world . . .” I take such great comfort and peace in our shared faith in Jesus Christ: in Christ, we are never truly absent from each other. In Christ we are made one, and the ties that bind us are eternal.

There is a line from a poem that always pops into my head during times of transition. In *Four Quartets*, T. S. Eliot writes, “We shall not cease from exploration, and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time.” It is my prayer for you that you will continue to passionately explore the Christian life—that you will look deeply into yourself, into the world, and into your relationships with each other so that ‘at the end of all our exploring’ you will find yourselves back in the loving arms of your Creator and truly know that you are joined to your God and your neighbor in the deepest bonds of love.

Karla

Your Staff

Rev. Eddie Herring, Senior Pastor
Rev. Karla Otroszko, Associate Pastor
Rev. Greg Cochran, Youth Minister
Rev. Mark Barnes, Music Minister
Rev. John Cuencas, Hispanic Minister
Pat Reynolds, Church Administrator
Kelly Glanton, Amy Harris, Coordinators of Christian Education
Ange Chesser, Financial Secretary
Diane Albright, Director of Nursery Ministries
Tony and Cheryl Childers, Organist/Pianist
Clara Norton, Eva Haynes Custodians
Dr. Dean Milford, Minister to Adults

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Win Pray Attend Give

Announcements

The flowers in the Fellowship Hall are to celebrate the marriage of Erin Barr and Jim Porter, June 12, 2010.

LOVE OFFERING

A love offering is being taken to celebrate the ministries of Revs. Eddie Herring and Karla Otroszko as they move to other churches in the North Georgia Conference. If you would like to contribute, make your checks payable to CFUMC, marked for either Eddie or Karla. Please make your contributions separate for the two of them. You may drop your donations in the offering plates on Sundays, bring them by or mail them to the church office.

HAITI MISSION TRIP INFO

If you would like more information about the Haiti Mission trip, go to www.haitibethlehemproject.org.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Adventuring Ministries is sponsoring an ice cream social, Thursday, June 24, 5:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a freezer of ice cream to share.

GRADUATION PHOTOS

If you submitted a photo for the graduation publication and would like it returned, you may pick it up in the church office.

THANK YOU

Dear Church family:

We wanted you all to know how much we appreciated all the wonderful food you prepared for our family at the church. It means so much to have such a loving, caring group of ladies (bereavement committee) that take the time out of their day to do such a kind act. The food was delicious and everyone there enjoyed it. We thank you again for all you did to help us out during the death of our mother.

Love to all of you,
Judy Schulenburg & Gwen Wilson
daughters of Mildred Lambert

Sunday at CFUMC

June 13, 2010

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

Sermon: "The Butterfly Effect"

Scripture: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Rev. Karla Otroszko

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

Sermon: "Following Jesus on a Life-changing Adventure"

Scripture: Matthew 4: 18 - 20; John 3:16

Rev. Eddie Herring

Praise and Worship music by Crosswalk

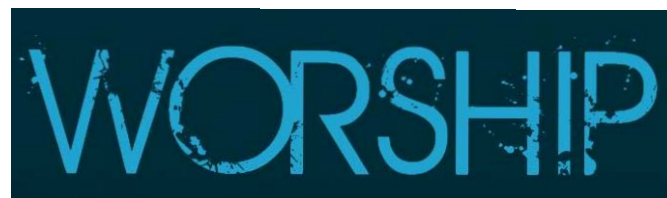
11:15 a.m. Hispanic Worship Service

John Cuentas preaching

Solid Rock Cafe

TRIP TO GRAND CANYON/LAS VEGAS

Adventuring Ministries is sponsoring a trip to the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas, Sept. 23 - Oct. 4. The trip is filling up fast so if you would like to participate, please send a \$75 deposit to the church to secure your reservation. For more information, contact Dean Milford, 404-372-2169.



Combined Worship Services

June 27 and July 4

9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Sanctuary

CFUMC Missions Night

Sue McBrayer (far left), member of the Henderson Settlement Mission Team, addresses an audience of almost 100 people Sunday night during CFUMC's Missions Night.

Team members from the Nicaragua Youth and Adult teams, Haiti Team, and Waveland Team,

along with the Henderson Settlement group, had the chance to tell of their experiences in spreading God's love in everyday practical ways. Also shown above with McBrayer are other Henderson team members Linda Camp, Deborah Nantz, Jim Dye, and James Sorrells.



Our Positive Witness Our Positive Witness

June 6, 2010

Worship: 440

9 am Traditional- 76; 11 am Contemporary- 149; 11 am Traditional- 113; Nursery - 18; Hispanic - 84; Sunday School: 285

270 Pledges = \$984,565.00

June 2 - 7, 2010

Weekly Revenue Needed	21,421.63
Weekly Revenue Received	25,574.70
YTD Revenue Needed	492,697.49
YTD Revenue Received	508,480.53

Designated Funds:

Memorials: Mildred Lambert	150.00
Wesley Foundation	150.00
UMCOR	100.00
Hispanic Ministry	120.00
Nicaragua Medical Mission	150.00
Good Samaritan Fund	841.35
VBS Haiti Orphanage Offering	22.10

Serving this Week

9:00 am Traditional

Ushers: Jim Carr, Harlan Carroll, Zonna Lanier, Nancy Tunnell

Greeters: Merrell & Sandra Law, Dan & Sue McBrayer

11:00 am Contemporary

Ushers: Dan Minish, George Ward, Ben Garrett, Tom Glanton, Jim Reynolds, Bruce Sener

Greeters: William Traylor, Charlotte Shackelford

11:00 am Traditional

Ushers: Paul Simpson, James Crews, David Miceli, Chuck Conerly, Gerald Pilgrim, John Trawick, Jay Trawick

Greeters: Glenda Banks, Betty Garrett, Lori Harris

This Week at CFUMC

Sunday, June 13

9 am - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10 am - Church School

11 am - Contemporary Worship, Fellowship Hall

11 am - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

11:15 am - Hispanic Service, Solid Rock Cafe

Monday, June 14

7 pm - Boy Scouts

Tuesday, June 15

5 am - Hispanic Prayers, Chapel
12:30 - Red Cross Blood Drive, InZone

Annual Conference, Athens, GA

Wednesday, June 16

10 am - Youth leave for RAP mission trip, Rabun County, GA

6 pm - Jr./Sr. Youth Activities, Solid Rock Cafe

7 pm - Chancel Choir

Annual Conference, Athens

Thursday, June 17

5 am - Hispanic Prayers, Chapel

7 pm - Hispanic Bible Study, Chapel

Annual Conference, Athens

RAP Mission

Friday, June 18

6 pm - Logan/Cox Wedding Rehearsal

RAP Mission

Annual Conference, Athens

Saturday, June 19

6 pm - Logan/Cox Wedding, Sanctuary