



Celebrating

The Good News of Jesus Christ



Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church

January 8, 2008

Sermons This Sunday

8:30 & 11:00

Rev. Albert Shuler
"Baptism Renewal"

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

10:50

Rev. Diane Christianson
Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

Attendance

January 6, 2008

Sunday School - 254

8:30 Worship - 75

10:50 Worship - 175

11:00 Worship - 312

Tues. Communion (1/8) - 9

Total - 571

Prayer Families

We ask your prayers this week for these members of our church family: Tommy and Torrey Stroud, Jensina Sturz, Kelly Suiter, Argen Sumrell, J.B. and Nila Surlles, Lee and Brooks Sutton, and Mel and Frances Swanson.

Please also pray for the Parlor Renovation Committee.

Preschool Registration

Wed., January 30

8:30am - 1:30pm

Taft CLC

Consecration Sunday Is Coming

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. New Consecration Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?" During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and Administrative Board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Steve Stephenson

Chair of Administrative Council

HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

Handicap accessibility for the main floor of the educational building shall come to pass. The Trustees agreed to pay for the materials for this project with church members furnishing the labor. This will be accomplished by a ramp behind the children's swings on the playground which is already underway as well as a ramp to eliminate the steps by the library.

The Shepherd's Helpers have agreed to design, supervise and construct this large project but the size of the project will stretch the physical resources of our helpers. You can help! If you can carry lumber, use a shovel, use a drill or many other tools, **you** can be a part of making the main floor of Jarvis Memorial accessible to all our members. The Trustees committed the funds so now we need the labor to follow through on this project.

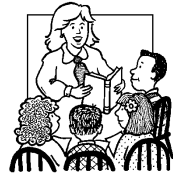
Please e-mail shepherdshelpers@suddenlink.net to indicate your willingness and interest to join in this fantastic project by signing up to work on January 11, 12, 18 or 19. We need only six church members each day to supplement The Shepherd's Helpers. That is only 24 full days. Please show our physically challenged members that Jarvis really does care.

NICARAGUA MISSION TRIP

There will be a mission trip to Nicaragua February 21-29. Although this will be medically based, non-medical volunteers are the key to the success of these trips. Sandy Carter, a missionary who has visited Jarvis several times, operates the orphanages where we will stay. Call Duncan Fagundus 756-7031 for a chance to serve the Lord and escape the February doldrums.

Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy are with Linda Mann and Ray Spears, Jr. and their families upon the death of their mother, Attelia Spears, on January 4, 2008, and with Judy Bright, Kerri and Michael Flinchbaugh and their family upon the death of their daughter and sister, Emily Dupree Bright, on January 8, 2008.



Vacation Bible School

VBS planning committee will meet Monday, January 28th at 6:30p.m in the conference room. If you are interested in serving, please contact Patty Marr at 757-1883.

Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy are with the family of Frank White (who was Jarvis Sexton for 33 years, retired 2001) upon his death on January 7. His service will be 12:00 Sat., Jan. 12th at Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church, 411 Watauga St., Greenville.

Fellowship Feast Wed., Jan. 16



Serving at 5:30 in Taft CLC.

Menu: a variety of soups and sandwiches and dessert

Cost: adults - \$6.00 & children - \$2

Please make reservation by email:

jarvisumc@earthlink.net; calling the church office, 752-3101, or card in pew pad on Sundays.

The Fellowship Feast Committee is offering a meal plan at significant savings. A 10 meal plan can be purchased at \$4.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child. Price at the door will remain \$6.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child. Maximum cost for a family remains \$20.00. Call Patty Marr at 757-1883 to purchase a meal plan.

Small Group: Financial Peace University, Sundays at 4:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Questions, please contact Phil Trull at 321-3900.

Start the Year Right... With a Promise to God

United Methodist Women Joint Pledge Service

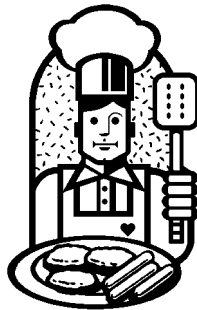
Monday, January 14th, 2008 in the Jarvis Chapel
Daytime @ 10:00am or Evening @ 7:00pm
If you're new to Jarvis or UMW, it's a great time to learn more and fellowship with other women. Refreshments afterwards in the Parlor.

Circle Schedule - January

Circle 1 - Sun., Jan. 13 @ 5p.m, Parlor
Circles 2 & 3 - Mon., Jan. 14 @ 10a.m, Chapel
Circles 4, 5 & 8 - Mon., Jan. 14 @ 7p.m, Chapel
Circle 6, Mon., Jan. 14 @ 10a.m, Cypress Glen

Shrove / Fat Tuesday Celebration Tues., February 5, 2008 Pancake and Sausage Supper

Serving: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Taft Christian Life Center
Cost is by donation
Please make reservation on cards in pew pads (use cards for Fellowship Supper) or call church office (752-3101) or email: jarvisumc@earthlink.net.



Copies of Dr. Sid Huggins' recent book, **MORNING WILL COME: Living with Hope in Uncertain Times**, are available from the Church Office. The cost is \$17 (make checks payable to The John S. Huggins Foundation).

MORNING WILL COME is a celebration of the Christian hope which the Risen Christ imparts.

UMW NC Conference "39 and Under" Event

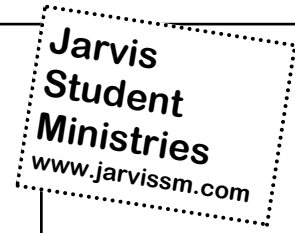
Women of all ages are invited to attend the 2008 "39 and Under" Event
Feb. 22-23, 2008 at First UMC of Graham, Graham NC (near Burlington)

This years theme is "Come to the Potter: For Love." This event offers worship and workshops that will bring a loving spirit to every aspect of you life. For more info, call Patty Marr at 757-1883. Registration Deadline: January 31.

LONGING for...Laughter, Community, Joy, Unity - This is a new series at Step 24.
Join us from 9:40 – 10:40 at the Youth Room.

JSM Ski Retreat — Dates: January 19-21, Ski Location: Wintergreen,VA, Grades: 8-12

Mark Your Calendars! January 13 - PLUNGE 6-8PM January 19th -21st - Ski Retreat
 January 27- The Current



Week of January 13, 2008
Children's Church - (11:00) 4's & 5's – Beth Johnson;
 6's & 7's - Barbara Dominick; (10:50) 4's-2nd grade - Lynn Bailey
Acolytes: (8:30) David Paylor, (11:00) Henry Piner
11:00 Greeters: Walker Betsy Allen

Altar Flowers
 If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please contact Jo Anna Lee, 752-6586, to reserve the date.

Contributions to the Ministries at Jarvis Memorial for:

<u>Operating</u>	<u>Revenue</u> -	<u>Budget</u> =	<u>**Difference</u>
Sun., Jan. 6, 2008	\$ 23,583	\$ 28,846	\$ -5,263
Month to Date	\$ 23,583	\$ 28,846	\$ -5,263
YTD - Operating	\$ 23,583	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,476,417
<u>Capital</u>	<u>Revenue</u> -	<u>Budget</u> =	<u>Difference</u>
Sun., Jan. 6, 2008	\$ 1,535	\$ 2,507	\$ -972
Year to Date	\$ 1,535	\$ 2,507	\$ -972
Remaining TCLC Debt = \$383,115		Revenue - Budget = Difference	
Remaining Bus Debt = \$18,483			

In the Hospital
 Robert (Bob) S. Griffin

Contributions Totals by FUND for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 2007 are as follows: Preliminary Totals
 Operating Fund = \$ 1,330,487 (includes operations, missions, & apportionment)
 Misc./Missions Fund = \$ 56,910 (Local & NC Conf. Special needs; misc. mission trips)
 Youth Missions = \$ 400 (Mission Trip, etc.)
 Organ/Preservation = \$ 135 (Preservation of Church Property)
 Capital (Debt Red. TCLC) = \$ 35,536 (Reduction of Debt on TCLC)
 Capital (Taft Property) = \$ 130,230 (Taft Furniture Property Purchase)
 Relief (Cookie Jar) = \$ 20,775 (Relief to local community)
 Pastor's Benevolence = \$ 8,685 (Benevolence in local community)
 Special Funds/Scholarships = \$ 1,000 (Scholarships, etc.)
 Temporary Restricted Gifts = \$ 42,270 (Library, Music, JAS, Youth, Bus, etc.)
 Total 2007 Contributions = \$ 1,626,428 All Funds

Tuesday Night Men
7:00 p.m., Taft CLC
 We are a discussion and prayer group for men who love the Lord. And, yes, there will be football, basketball, hockey, and soccer. (Okay, there won't actually be any soccer discussions.)
 For more information, call Jarvis Memorial UMC or email Timm Hackett at jarvisace@earthlink.net.

Relay for Life - Funding for Cancer Needs and Research
 Jarvis Memorial UMC is forming a team to support Relay for Life. You can join our team for \$5 per person prior to February 10th or \$10 per person after. Each team member will receive a complimentary *Relay for Life* t-shirt. No pledges or walking will be required. Call Darlene Howard at 756-4409 or Patty Marr at 757-1883 with questions or to join our team.

Music and Worship News by Dr. Stan McDaniel



Be a Part of Music Ministry At Jarvis!

Children's Choirs begin rehearsing
 Sunday, January 20, at 6:30 pm! Just come to the Music Suite! **Jarvis Ringers**, January 20 at 7:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir, Wednesdays, beginning January 2 at 7 pm
Sanctuary Choir, every Sunday at 7:50 am
Instrumentalists and Bell Ringers, call Stan at 752-3101, ext 120, to find out about playing and ringing opportunities!



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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NEWS:

Amazing Journey Sunday School

Here are the current openings for teachers and shepherds for the **Parables of Jesus** rotation. If you can volunteer for any of these positions, please contact Beth Griffin at Ncgriff2@aol.com or 756-1226.

Shepherd openings:

Kindergarten - Jan. 27th
 2nd Grade - Feb. 3rd
 4th & 5th Grades - Jan. 27th and Feb. 3rd

Teacher openings:

Storytelling - Jan. 20th (2nd Grade)
 Music & Movement - Jan 20th (1st Grade) and Feb. 3rd (3rd Grade)
 Computer Lab - Feb. 3rd (Kindergarten)

New Beginnings Preschool Sunday School

We still have Sundays open for January and February. Please contact Patty Marr or Beth Griffin if you would like to teach one (or more) Sundays. The New Beginnings curriculum will be used starting this Sunday.

Teachers for this Sunday:

3 Year Olds: George Webb; 4 Year Olds: Patty Marr

Memorial Giving

Capital Fund: In Memory of Gail Williams from Walker and Betsy Allen. In Memory of Skip Bright from Camilla and Joe Taft. In Memory of Charles and Alice Hudson from Jim and Pat Carter, Frank and Louise Hill, Virginia Scales, Mrs. Frank Longino, Mary and Richard Gaylord, Mike and Heidi Tucker, Bob and Jane Black, Edith B. Johnston, James and Marty Mills, Sue Riff, Clifton Dixon, Jenny Moye, Katie Hudson, Bill and Peggy Pryor, Lois Fleming, Kathryn Whichard, Betty Lou Howard, Mary H. Medlock, Marguerite Brewer, Rachel Edwards. In Memory of Rev. Virgil P. Scoville and Gladys Scoville from Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Scoville. In Memory of Charles Kavanaugh from Louise Duncan. In Memory of Jan Makua from Chatham Book Club. In Memory of Minya Creech, Lucy Finch Gaddy, and Charles Kavanaugh from Tommy and Carla Edwards.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 13, 2008

7:50 a.m. - Sanctuary Choir Warm-up
 8:30 a.m. - Morning Worship
 9:15 a.m. - noon - Hooker Library open
 9:40-10:40 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:50 a.m. - Praise & Worship
 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
 Prayer Comm. meets weekly to Pray after worship - Chapel
 4:30 p.m. - Financial Peace University Small Group - Parlor
 5:00 p.m. - UMM Evening Group - FH
 6:00-8:00 p.m. - Plunge - TCLC
 6:30 p.m. - Centering Prayer Group - Chapel

Monday, January 14, 2008

10:00 a.m. - UMW Joint Pledge Service - Chapel
 7:00 p.m. - UMW Joint Pledge Service - Chapel
 7:15 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FH
 7:15 p.m. - Prayer Commission - CR

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

9:30 a.m. - Beth Moore Bible Study - Parlor
 12 noon Tuesday Communion - "Open to all" - Chapel
 7:00 p.m. - Tuesday Night Men - TCLC

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

9:30-12 noon - Hooker Library open
 9:45 a.m. - Intercessory Prayer Group - Rm. 201
 5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Feast - TCLC
 6:00 p.m. - Needlework for Missions Group - CR
 7:00 p.m. - Praise Team practice - TCLC
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, January 17, 2008

9:30 a.m. - Disciple II - CR
 12:30-1:30 p.m. - Lunch Bunch - Parlor
 5:30-6:30 p.m. - Praise Team practice - TCLC
 7 p.m. - Men's Basketball - TCLC - Gym

Friday, January 18, 2008

7:00 a.m. - Men's Prayer Breakfast - K & W Cafeteria

Fellowship First
 every Sunday morning - coffee, doughnuts, hot chocolate, etc. available from 9:15-11:15 by the Parlor and in the TCLC.

11:00 service is broadcast live over WAGO-FM, 88.7 & 91.1.



Check out our Jarvis Memorial Website, www.jarvismethodist.org.