



# Celebrating

The Good News of Jesus Christ



Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church

June 10, 2008

## Your "Church" Is Too Small!

For many of us, when the subject of "church" comes up, we envision our church home, Jarvis Memorial, right here at 510 South Washington St. I know, for example, that I immediately think of our uniquely shaped steeple and the sight of it appearing as I drive east on Dickinson Avenue each morning. But the word 'church' has a much broader meaning and potentially life-changing connotations. With Pentecost just behind us, the day we celebrate the birth of the church, and Kingdomtide, with its focus on the "kingdom of God", it seemed like a good time to explore more deeply this commonly used term ("church").

It's no surprise that Jesus, when he declared Peter the rock on which he would build his church, wasn't speaking of the institutional church as we know it. As far as the Gospels are concerned, the word only appears in the Book of Matthew, chapters 16 and 18. The original Greek, *ekklesia*, meant "to call out". Jesus was thinking globally when he used the word church. He envisioned a Kingdom of God where all were citizens, where all the children of the Covenant – that is, all of humanity – was reunited. It was to this kingdom he sought to "call out" believers in the Sermon on the Mount. And when Jesus' earthly ministry came to an end, it was to the disciples he entrusted the task of calling out, that the Kingdom might be realized.

John Wesley's view of 'church' is worth noting also. We know that Wesley himself remained an Anglican for his entire life. He loved the Church of England, but he felt something was missing. Methodist Societies were formed to pursue a more organized, disciplined approach to Christian living where prayer, reading of Scripture, communion, and random acts of kindness were essential aspects of every day living. He also sought to recapture the breadth of Jesus' vision by intentionally reaching out. The church or "ekklesia" of his time, he believed passionately, was meaningless unless it "called out" to society's forgotten and disenfranchised.

Jesus has entrusted us here at Jarvis Memorial with the same assignment, to find creative and engaging ways to reach out to the community around us. This building we call our church home has served mightily over the years as a place where thousands were brought to Christ, but if our vision of 'church' is only this beloved building, our vision is too small. The work of the Kingdom in downtown Greenville is just begun. How can we, through our evangelism, our worship, our music – through every aspect of our church life – call out to the un-churched, the un-seen and forgotten all around us? Those are questions we all need to ponder...

Stan McDaniel

### This Sunday June 15th

#### 8:30 & 11:00:

Rev. Diane Christianson  
Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19  
"An Acts 2 Church:  
Passionate Worship"

#### 10:50

Chad Oyer  
Matthew 1:18  
"Pursuing a Great Father"

### Attendance

#### Week of June 8th, 2008

Sunday School - 139

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8:30 Worship - 63

10:50 Praise and Worship - 91

11:00 Worship - 144

Tues. Communion (6/10) - 5

Total- 303

### Prayer Families

*We ask your prayers this week for these members of our church family: Tracy M. Wilkerson, Clara Williams, Doris Williams, Doris M. Williams, Frances Williams, Landrum and Kellie Williams, and Lolly J. Williams.*

*Please also pray for the Receptions Committee.*

## A Reception honoring Chad and Angie Oyer... will be held, following the end of the 11:00 worship service, on Sunday, June 22 in the Taft Christian Life Center.

### New! -- Summer Worship and Sunday School Schedule

The Administrative Council, at its May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, voted to try a new worship schedule for the summer. The change emerged from a composite report on the Neighborhood Meetings, where worship was a common topic of conversation. Some kind of change seems to be needed; finding the right change is more challenging. After the Council considered several options and heard much discussion from the floor, a summer schedule was proposed. This new schedule will begin on July 6 and continue through August 31.

8:15 AM Worship in the sanctuary  
9:00 AM Sunday School for adults  
who attend 8 AM worship  
9:00 AM Praise & Worship - Taft CLC  
10:00 AM Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Let's give it a try and see what happens.  
We just may like it!

Rev. Albert Shuler  
Rev. Diane Christianson

## Divorce Care Group...

Begins on Wednesday, June 18, 7 p.m. Please call Dan Earnhardt at 752-3101 (ext. 109) to register.

## TOGETHER BANQUET

A Jarvis Student Missions Fundraiser

The Together Banquet will feature student talent, a silent auction featuring works by local artists, a student work center where attendees can register work projects, and a great meal cooked by Janet Holley and Lenny Foster.

Make your reservation by calling Chad Oyer at 752-3101, or emailing [jarvisyouth@earthlink.net](mailto:jarvisyouth@earthlink.net).

All donations by check can be made out to Jarvis Memorial with Together on the memo line.



## Sunday in The Park - July 15th 7:00 p.m.

at the the Greenville Town Commons on 1st St. Bring a picnic and a blanket and join us for our own Michael Stephenson and his Emerald City Big Band. For details, call Patty Marr (757-1883).



## Tea at Two...

(for persons with impaired vision) Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month (except for July and August). We need volunteer drivers to assist with the pick up of those who would like to attend. Please contact the church office if you would like to volunteer (752-3101).

## Children's Summer Missions Program...

Don't let your kids miss this opportunity to learn their place as servants to a needy world. On June 18th there will be a visit by Phyllis Flye of the Ronald McDonald House. Gus Benson from Meals on Wheels will be our guest on June 25th. Any Questions, or if you want to help out, please call Patty Marr (757-1883).

## The Ulster Project ...

The Ulster Project teens are coming to Greenville this summer for the 17th time on June 26. For those of you unfamiliar with the Project a few words might be helpful. For over 20 years, Ulster Project USA has been bringing Catholic and Protestant teenagers from Northern Ireland to the U.S. for a month during the summer to give them a new understanding of each other. While here, teens with names like Eamonn and Claire, Tanza and Trevor, Deidre and Leona can experience living together without conflict. The seeds of peace that are planted when the teens return home are already taking root in Northern Ireland. Our teen guests do more than stay with their Host Family. They spend the month participating in daily group activities alongside the other Ulster teens and their American Host Teens. Activities include service projects, "times of discovery", worship together at various local churches, and trips to Raleigh, Washington, DC and Camp Trinity. **We are still in need of two host families for boys.** Monetary contributions are needed for these various trips as well as food/water/gas. Join us for the **2008 Ulster Peace Concert at Tippy Teapot**, Saturday, June 28, 7:00, tickets can be purchased in advance for \$20 or at the door for \$25. If you would like more information on how you can support this project, please contact Jean Merenda, 353-5657.

## UMW'S HUGE YARDSALE

September 13th.

We are accepting all items except: women's clothing, encyclopedias, monitors without computer and large appliances. Storage and /or pick up available if needed. For more information, please call Mary Bishop @ 321-4801.



**United Methodist Women**

**LIVING SACRED** is the theme of the **School of Christian Mission at Methodist University in Fayetteville**. The study on **Thursday**, July 24 will be 'Israel and Palestine' and will help participants learn about the history and complexities of relationships between the two. Because of the importance of this topic, this is a repeat of the 2007 study. On **Friday**, July 25, 'Giving Our Hearts Away: Native American Survival' will teach us about the interrelatedness between indigenous people and their land. We will identify selected key issues affecting the Native Americans in the US, examine the root causes of these issues, and understand and appreciate the 'Give Away' culture of the Native American. On **Saturday**, July 26, the study is 'I Believe in Jesus.' Four key components of faith will be discussed (1) The gift of faith in Jesus Christ, (2) The meaning of faith in Jesus Christ, (3) Whose faith counts, and (4) Faith in Jesus in a post modern world. This information was taken, mostly verbatim, from handouts provided. The deadline for registration is July 10. One may choose to attend one, two, or three days. Child care and CEU credit is available. For additional information and registration forms, you may contact Mary Bishop or Charity Holland.

## 25 Cents

To quench your thirst on a blistering hot summer day, you just gotta drop by Ellen & Claire's for Greenville's best lemonade. These two young entrepreneurs are serving lemonade with a mission: To help purchase and build a playground for 180 children at Hopkins Park. Throughout the summer Ellen & Claire's lemonade will be in the Bedford neighborhood at the corner of Chesapeake and Rolston.

All checks for Together should be made out to Jarvis Memorial with Together on the Memo Line.

### Week of June 15th, 2008

Children's Church: (11:00) 4's & 5's - Christy Twiddy, 6's & 7's - Anne Whitehurst (10:50) 4 Year olds - 2nd Grade - Betsy McDonald

Acolyte: (8:30) Rebecca Poole (11:00) Layne Smith

Ushers: (8:30) Becky Cassell (11:00) no information

Greeters: Jim and Pat Carter and Leigh Bullock

### June Calendar

15<sup>th</sup> Plunge 6:00 - 7:30, The Current 7:30-8:45  
 21<sup>st</sup> Together Banquet 7:00PM  
 22<sup>nd</sup> ONE [all grades] 7:00 - 8:30PM  
 28<sup>th</sup> Together Carwash  
 29<sup>th</sup> No Plunge & The Current

STEP 24 is every Sunday from 9:40am - 10:40am in the TCLC Youth Room

For a listing of all JSM events go to [www.jarvissm.com](http://www.jarvissm.com) calendar.

Jarvis Student Ministries

In the Hospital

Fred Worth

### Altar Flowers



A word of gratitude to the anonymous donor for providing the flowers on the altar June 8, 2008.

### Contributions to the Ministries at Jarvis Memorial for:

<u>Operating</u>	<u>Revenue</u> -	<u>Budget</u> =	<u>**Difference</u>
Sun., June 8, 2008	\$ 24,318	\$ 28,846	\$ -4,528
Month to Date	\$ 58,877	\$ 57,692	\$ -1,185
YTD - Operating	\$ 532,924	\$ 663,462	\$ -130,538
<u>Capital</u>	<u>Revenue</u> -	<u>Budget</u> =	<u>Difference</u>
Sun., June 8, 2008	\$ 50	\$ 2,507	\$ -2,457
Year to Date	\$ 10,492	\$ 57,666	\$ -47,174
Remaining TCLC Debt = \$ 332,508		Revenue - Budget = Difference	
Remaining Bus Debt = \$15,306			

"You make a living by what you get, you make a life by what you give." --Billy Graham

Lake Junaluska Offering - \$850.25

Peace with Justice Sunday - \$135.00

Mother's Day Offering - \$2,765.00

\*Now Available\* Automatic debit for your weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly gifts. Call the finance office for more details!

## Music and Worship News -by Dr. Stan McDaniel



Were you in church for Timm Hackett's children's message last Sunday morning? When it comes to electronics, Timm is about the most high tech guy I've ever known. Palm Pilot, I Pods, or Pocket PC's - Timm knows all about them! So many devices, all of them conceived to help busy people keep organized, multi-task, and stay entertained: isn't it amazing how fast technology develops and changes!

Conversely, there is a lot that is *timeless* about worship and worship music. Our order of worship - the simple order in which we do things - ties us to Old Testament times. When we sing a Doxology or Gloria Patri, and, in doing so, praise the Trinity - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - we participate in a tradition that goes back to the very earliest Christians. Having worship that is rooted in historic practices of the Christian faith, I think, helps us to embrace the un-changing Rock of our Salvation. But balance is important. If worship is to be vital and engaging, we must not ignore the wonders of God's creation right here in our own time.

When it comes to worship, there were two things that Charles and John Wesley espoused pretty much throughout their ministry:

- On the one hand, they loved the music and worship of the established church of their time
- But they saw a need to broaden the church's ministry in order to reach thousands for whom the church seemed out-of-touch or elitist. To do this they needed music that was more accessible, more personal...

It was not their objective ever to replace traditional worship, but to add to it, *to find a balance*. The Wesleys hoped to enrich traditional worship, expand on it, and thus build a more effective ministry. Clearly, their efforts succeeded, for wherever early Methodists gathered, lives were changed and the Holy Spirit, lifted up.

I believe we can take a cue from the Wesleys. We need to be rooted in the Scripture and traditions of our Christian faith. But we also need to reach out. Our music needs to witness with integrity and zeal to all generations, all classes. At Jarvis we try to do that with a broad variety of music at each of our services. Our 10:50 (soon to be 9 a.m.) Contemporary Service is part of our commitment to this, as is our use of "The Faith We Sing" in our sanctuary services. Pray with me that these efforts might expand the horizons of our faith, open our hearts to new revelations of God's truth, and strengthen our rootedness in the ways of Jesus!

## Looking for a change?

The Bill Brown Sunday School Class is looking for new members. This class meets in the archives during the regular Sunday School hour. If you are interested, just drop by on Sunday.



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**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NEWS**

**Amazing Journey Sunday School**

This Sunday we will follow our new **Summer Sunday School** routine. The children will report directly to their assigned rooms, as follows:

**Kindergarten - 2nd Grade** will meet in **room 210**  
**3rd - 5th Grades** will meet in **room 205**  
 This Sunday, June 15th, **Jeff Boswell & Betsy McDonald** will teach in the K-2nd grade class and **Jackie Horton & Beth Griffin** will teach in the 3rd -5th grade class.

Next Sunday, June 22nd, our teachers will be **Jackie Horton & Robin Landry** for the K-2nd grade class and **Landrum & Kellie Williams** for the 3rd-5th grade class. There are still many volunteer positions open for this summer. Please contact **Beth Griffin** at 756-1226 or at [Ncgriff2@aol.com](mailto:Ncgriff2@aol.com) if you can help out or if you have any questions.

**New Beginnings Preschool Sunday School**

Our Three and Four Year Old Sunday School classes **have combined for the summer and meet in room 109** during the Sunday School hour. Kim Chandler will teach the combined class this Sunday, June 15th. **Meredith Bonnette** will teach next Sunday, June 22nd. Please contact **Kim Chandler** at [kchandle@pcmh.com](mailto:kchandle@pcmh.com) or at 321-2007 if you can help out or have any questions. Thanks!

**Calendar of Events**

Sunday, June 15, 2008

7:50 a.m. - Sanctuary Choir Warm-up, "Coffee's On!"

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 - TCLC

11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

Prayer Comm. meets weekly to Pray after worship-Chapel

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. - PLUNGE - TCLC

7:30 - 8:45 p.m. - The Current - TCLC

Monday, June 16, 2008

7:00 p.m. - Evangelism - Parlor

7:15 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FH

Tuesday, June 17, 2008

9:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon - Summer Mother's Day Out

12:00 - Tuesday Communion - Chapel - Open to all

5:30 p.m. - Finance - CR

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

Hooker Library closed on Wednesdays during the summer

9:00 a.m. - Staff meeting - CR

9:45 a.m. - Intercessory Prayer Group - Rm. 201

10:00 a.m. - Children's Summer Missions Program

5:30 p.m. - Trustees - CR

6:00 p.m. - Orchestra Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. - Divorce Care - Parlor

7:00 p.m. - Needlework -CR

**No Chancel Choir Rehearsal This Evening**

(Choir WILL be singing on Sunday, June 22)

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Praise Team practice - TCLC

8:30 - 9:15 p.m. - Praise Team vocals - TCLC

Thursday, June 19, 2008

9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon - Summer Mother's Day Out

Friday, June 20, 2008

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

Saturday, June 21, 2008

7:00 p.m. - Together Banquet -TCLC

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

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