



Celebrating

The Good News of Jesus Christ



Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church

October 28, 2008

Notes from the Administrative Council Meeting, September 23, 2008

**This Sunday
November 2nd
8:15, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.**

**Communion and
All Saints Day
All Services**

Rev. Diane Christianson
"Alleluia!"

Scripture:
Revelation 7:9-17

Staff-Parish Relations Committee: Dick Douglas, Chair, reported that Search Committees are in place and searching for a Director of Children's Ministry and Director of Youth Ministry.

Finance Committee: John West has stepped up to chair the committee. New staff members are in place – Chuck Beckett, Business Manager, and Abby Kenerly, Finance Assistant.

Trustees: Phil Flowers, Chair, reported that the city parking lot is to be finished in October (has been completed!) and the new church parking lot will be completed after the first of the year.

Building Committee: Jim Carter, Chair, along with architect, Richard Johnson, presented a Site Plan approved by the Building Committee. The site plan is a phased project, and includes a plaza in front of the sanctuary, a two-story building for Children's Ministry (in the current parking area across from the double glass doors), and moving the playground next to the new building and the plaza. The Administrative Council approved the Site Plan, which is a concept, not a building plan. Detailed architectural plans come later.

Worship Committee: Jo Anna Lee, Chair, had two issues on which to report.
1. Flower Chair, Lib Sheppard, asked for either a budget item or a memorial account out of which to purchase flowers for the sanctuary. Memorial designations would not change.
2. A recommendation came from the committee to leave the worship times at 8:15, 9:00, and 11:00 AM. This was approved.

Stewardship Committee: Andy Piner, Chair, announced that the stewardship campaign will begin on November 16 and culminate on December 7.

Evangelism Committee: Ann Davis, Chair, reported that the committee is compiling Visitors Packets to give our visitors on Sunday morning.

Church and Society: Darlene Howard, Chair, announced several upcoming events, including the CROP Walk on October 5, One Day With God Camp, November 21-22, and the Angel Tree Party on December 13.

Pastor's Report: Rev. Shuler reported (1) plans are in process for a revival in February or March, (2) a new church directory will be made, with pictures being taken during the first week in December, (3) Charge Conference is November 11 at 7:30 PM.

Prayer Families

*We ask your prayers
this week for these mem-
bers of our church family:
Debbie G. Bunn, Bo and
Ann Blair Bunting,
Marvin and Melva Burke,
Faith A. Burt, Nancy R.
Burt, Bill and Kay Byrd,
and Terry and Loraine
Cagle.*

*Please also pray
for The Stewardship Com-
mittee*



**Daylight
Savings
Time Ends**
Remember to
"fall back" one
hour, this Sun-
day (Nov. 2)

The First Annual Little Willie Center 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run

Sunday November 2nd, 2008, 2:00 p.m., Greenville. Elizabeth Stephenson, the events organizer, has informed us that both events will start at 2:00 p.m. in the Town Commons behind the Willis Building at 1st and Reade Streets.

All proceeds from the race will benefit The Little Willie Center, an after-school program for latchkey children in Greenville. To register or for more information please visit ecrun.org.

This Saturday, Greenville Choral Society

will present a concert of anthems and choruses by Moravian composers. You will remember that the Moravians were an inspiration to John Wesley and their settlement at Old Salem is an important part of North Carolina history. Don't miss this beautiful concert, this Saturday, November 1, 3 p.m., at Peace Presbyterian Church. *(The public is also invited to a lecture on Moravian music one hour prior to the Concert.)*

Congratulations

Our congratulations to J.B. and Marion Smith as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, November 2, 2008.

Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy are with Dale and Vicky Jacobs and family upon the death of his brother, Chris Jacobs on October 25, 2008 (Swansboro, NC).



Fellowship Feast
Wednesday, November 5th
Serving at 5:30
In The Taft CLC

Menu: Baked ziti pasta with marinara meat sauce, salad, garlic bread 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.

JOY Club

Monday, November 3rd
12:15 p.m. (\$5)
Taft Christian Life Center
Program by Chris Taylor
"Financial Options
for Seniors"

17th Annual Jarvis Lecture on Christianity and Culture.

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 18, 2008,

Wright Auditorium, East Carolina University Tickets are free for everyone and can be obtained by visiting the box office in the lobby of Wright Auditorium just before the lecture.

Noted Jesus scholar Marcus Borg (Ph. D., Oxford University) will deliver this year's lecture. The work of Borg, distinguished professor of religion and culture at Oregon State University, is controversial and thought-provoking. Dr. Borg has authored ten books, two of which have become best-sellers. One of his recent publications is *The Heart of Christianity: How We Can Be Passionate Believers Today* (2003).



Be a part of our New Church Directory.

Sign up Today! **Free** 8x10 portrait and **free** Church Directory for participating families.

Sign up sheet available in the Hall of History and Taft CLC. Photography dates are Monday, Dec. 1 through Saturday, Dec. 6. Many thanks to those who have already signed up!

Green Tip of the Month-

Cooler weather is here! Consider donating those winter clothes you no longer wear to My Sister's Closet or Hope of Glories Ministry so that they will get to people who truly need them. And, rather than buying new clothes, consider purchasing some "pre-loved" clothing for yourself! Reduce, RE-USE, Recycle!



United Methodist Women

"The UMW **Action Network** is a tool to assist members of the organization of UMW in being informed and prepared to act on public policy issues affecting women, children, and youth. The responsibility for many of the issues UMW are most concerned about are being passed from the federal level to the states. The Action Network will help UMW respond to state-based initiatives more effectively. The Action Network is made up of interested and motivated women committed to acting for social change. Any member of the organization of UMW may join." When joining, one will indicate areas of interest. Then, information will be sent to the member requesting that she write or call members of Congress and/or state officials. Work may include joining campaigns and public witness activities such as prayer vigils and protests. "Our PURPOSE, the scriptures, the *Social Principles*, *Social Creed*, and Book of Resolutions of the UMC, and Women's Division policy statements lay the foundation from which issues are reviewed and analyzed. No one can tell you what to believe. If you don't agree with some of the information you receive, refer to these documents, study, and pray." This material was taken from a hand-out.

Hilda Alford

Parking is Back!!!!

The long awaited city parking lot between the church and Evans St. is finally complete. Together with a new stone walkway connecting that lot to the church side walk, things are beginning to look a lot better out our front door.

Poinsettias

The Worship Committee feels it would be appropriate to determine an optimal number of poinsettias with which to decorate around the chancel during Advent. That number would be representative of the memorials and honoraria that are intended. The Committee recommends we designate all money received beyond the necessary number of plants to the Pastor's Benevolent Fund to assist persons in need. The poinsettias will be in the church December 14th and 21st and every honoree and donor will be named in the bulletin. Complete & return the form below w/your check (\$8 each) to the church.



Name of Donor: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Jarvis United Methodist Men

FALL FEAST

2008 BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

Plus Casserole & Bake Sale
United Methodist Women

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

11:00 to 2:00

At Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church

TICKETS \$6.00

All proceeds benefit ministry and outreach.

YOUTH MINISTRY SURVEY

Jarvis Memorial needs your input. We are currently soliciting opinion concerning our search for a youth pastor.

The search committee has put together a brief survey that we would like for you to complete. Please type in the following URL in your browser on your computer. By taking the survey online, you will assist the committee to compile the data quicker and more accurately. <http://tinyurl.com/5962of>

Once again, we appreciate your support of all Jarvis Memorial ministries.

Calendar: November 2nd
6:00 - 7:30 p.m. - Plunge
7:30 - 8:45 p.m. - The Current

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Christmas Stories Bible Study

Scheduled to begin this Sunday (Nov. 2nd) during the Sunday School hour, has been postponed. Watch for new start date in our church newsletter.

Pray For The Persecuted Church

Remember our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. Join together for the international day of prayer for the persecuted church on Sunday, November 9th.

On Nov 24th we will begin...

decorating the Sanctuary for the holidays. Please plan to come help out. Look for more information in the coming weeks.

Week of November 2nd, 2008

Children's Church:

Kingdom Quest Leader - (9:00) Tammy Ward **(11:00)** Teri Mooney and Patty Marr

Acolytes: (8:15) Philip Perdue **(11:00)** Josh Ahearn

Crucifer: (8:15) Annalise Bath **(11:00)** Madison Bergstedt

Music and Worship News -by Dr. Stan McDaniel

Saints Past and Present



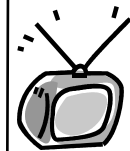
This Sunday, November 2, is All Saints Sunday, a time when Jarvis pauses to remember recently-deceased saints in our own community. The ceremony of candle lighting, new this year, will be a touching way to remember those who are departed, but still very much in our hearts. Sunday is also just two days before what is generally acknowledged to be one of most important elections in American history. That juxtaposition of election and All Saints started me thinking about "leadership". After all, where would we be without those many saints of Jarvis Memorial, beginning with Governor Jarvis himself – people who had a vision for a great witness in downtown Greenville and led us forward, others who fought the good fight in the 1940s and '50s for a new sanctuary and education building, and, more recently, those saints who made our beautiful Taft Christian Life Center possible. Of course, the impact of saints in our midst goes far beyond building programs. Think of the profound and courageous exposition of God's Word heard from our pulpits each week, the longtime faithful commitment of Sunday School teachers like Dick Douglas, even the humble, patient, always faithful servanthood of our building manager, Woody Barrow. And this barely scratches the surface. A list of Jarvis saints would be long indeed!

With our vote in this election, you and I will be making a statement about the qualities we feel are important in our national leaders – vision, trustworthiness, commitment to ideals – qualities lived out by so many among the roll of Jarvis saints. What does the Bible say about leadership? A favorite passage of mine is 2 Samuel 23, where King David, now near the end of his life, reflects on the qualities God requires of those who would lead His chosen people:

The God of Israel has spoken. The Rock of Israel has said to me: "One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of the morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land."

Commitment to justice, humility before God, and LIGHT, the symbol used throughout scripture for hope, wisdom, and truth – these are qualities we all can agree are fundamental to great leadership. We know; we've experienced that kind of leadership right here at Jarvis Memorial.

[Note: The Chancel Choir will sing Randall Thompson's masterful setting of this great text from 2 Samuel, "The Last Words of David", this Sunday at 11 a.m. worship.



The Hooker Library has tapes and CDs suitable for children and young families, available for pick up on Wednesdays and Sundays.



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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NEWS

Amazing Journey Sunday School

This Sunday, November 2nd, we will continue our study of Moses, entitled **Out of Egypt**. Teachers are needed for Art, Bible Storytelling, Cooking, and Music & Movement next Sunday, Nov. 9th, as well as Shepherds for the 1st, 3rd, and 4th grades. Please contact **Beth Griffin** at **756-1226** or at Ncgriff2@aol.com if you can help out.

Christmas Pageant Planning Committee: If you would like to help with our Christmas Pageant this year, please contact **Patty Marr** at **752-3101** or Jarvisdem@earthlink.com or **Beth Griffin** at **756-1226** or Ncgriff2@aol.com. The plan is to have the pageant during the Sunday school hour on December 21st.

New Beginnings Preschool Sunday School

We will continue our new Sunday School curriculum entitled **Rock Solid**. Two and 3 year olds will meet in room 110 with **Kim Chandler** and 4 year olds in room 214 with **Patty Marr**. Please contact **Kim Chandler** at Kchandler@pcmh.com or at **321-2007** if you can help out or have any questions.

Children's Church

Kingdom Quest continues this Sunday for children ages 4 year old preschoolers through 2nd grade. **Kingdom Quest** for the Praise & Worship service meets in room 111 with **Tammy Ward**. **Kingdom Quest** for the 11:00 am Traditional service meets in room 209 with **Teri Mooney & Patty Marr**. Volunteers are needed to continue this fun and exciting program. Please contact **Bonnie Glass** at Bbglass@aol.com or 413-0310 or **Beth Griffin** at Ncgriff2@aol.com or 756-1226 if you can help out.

Movie Night November 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the TCLC Gym. Pizza provided, movie yet to be determined. Please contact Patty Marr with any suggestions and/or questions.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 2, 2008

7:00 a.m. - United Methodist Men meeting - TCLC
 7:45 a.m. - Sanctuary Choir - rehearsal
 8:15 a.m. - Morning Worship (Communion)
 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School for adults - Bill Brown Classroom - 114
 9:00 a.m. - Praise & Worship - TCLC (Communion)
 9:15 a.m. - noon - Hooker Library open
 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship (Communion)
 Prayer Comm. meets weekly to Pray after worship-Chapel
 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - District Training Event- Chapel
 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Plunge - TCLC
 7:30 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. - The Current - TCLC
 7:30 p.m. - Jarvis Ringers - Music Lab

Monday, November 3, 2008

12:15 p.m. - JOY Club - TCLC Flex
 7:00 p.m. - UMW Executive Board Meeting - CR
 7:15 p.m. - Boy Scouts - FH

Tuesday, November 4, 2008 "Election Day"

9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - Prayer Shawl Group - CR
 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Fruit of Spirit - Parlor
 12:00 p.m. - Tuesday Communion - Chapel - Open to all
 5:15 p.m. - SPRC- Parlor
 5:30 p.m. - Church and Society - CR

Wednesday, November 5, 2008

9:45 a.m. - Intercessory Prayer Group - Rm. 201
 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Hooker Library Open
 10:30 a.m. - Staff meeting - CR
 5:15 - 6:00 p.m. - Children's Choirs (Preschool age children) - Rm. 01
 (Elementary age Children) - Music Suite

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Feast -TCLC

6:00 p.m. - Needlework CR
 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. - Orchestra rehearsal
 6:15 p.m. - Lectionary Study - College Class
 6:30 p.m. - 5 Love Languages class - Parlor
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Children's Program - TCLC
 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Praise Team Band - TCLC
 8:30 - 9:15 p.m. - Praise Team Vocals - TCLC

Thursday, November 6, 2008

Friday, November 7, 2008

7:00 a.m. - Men's Prayer Breakfast - (NEW LOCATION !) Cypress Glen
 (was previously held at K&W Cafeteria)
 6:00- 8:30 p.m. - Movie Night - TCLC Gym

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.

