



Celebrating

The Good News of Jesus Christ



Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church

September 16, 2008

The Reverend Greg Jenks, Director of ZOE (Zimbabwe Orphan Endeavor) will be our guest Sunday, September 28, 2008 for all services, including time with the adult Sunday School classes at 10 a.m. ZOE is now just over four years old. Greg and others (Mike Van Scott) have traveled at least 22 times to Africa. ZOE is giving hope for life ... an example follows.

Jean Damascene became the head of his family at the age of 12 when his mother died in 2002. With two younger siblings and an older sister who is severely mentally handicapped, he floundered in this role for two years. During that time he was unable to successfully farm his land. Hungry and with a home that had fallen into serious disrepair, Jean, at the age of 14, left to live on the streets.

As is the case for street children, Jean survived by eating from rubbish. When he was able to find some work and make a little money, he used the money to purchase drugs or alcohol to numb the pain of life.

In October of 2007 he learned of the Giving Hope project being sponsored by ZOE Ministry. Returning home he expressed his desire to reunite his family, repair his home, and utilize his land. With training and a grant of seeds, Jean began to cultivate the family fields that had been fallow for several years. By the end of his first harvest he had already lifted himself out of poverty. With a surplus harvest he had more than enough food for his family. Selling his surplus, he was able to roof his home and purchase new doors so his family now has a secure place to live.

Please plan to join us for a special day in the life of our church.

-Pastor Albert

**This Sunday
September 21st
8:15, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.**

Rev. Albert Shuler
"Measurable Mercy"
or

"Promiscuous Pardon"

Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35

One Day With God Camp will be held Saturday 11/22/08. If you did not participate with this program in 2007 you MISSED OUT on an incredible experience. God is so good and he is providing another great opportunity this year. Please pick up, complete, and return an application (as you do have to clear a background check) to the church office. The camp is not cheap, but for that reason there's an easy fundraiser you can participate in this Sunday 9/21/08.

Tickets for the Shell Auto Spa and Detailing Shop on Firetower Rd. next to Basil's near the Carmike Cinemas are on sale in the TCLC and the Hall of History. For \$10.00 you receive a quality auto cleaning and the best part is \$5.00 of that purchase will be donated to the church for the One Day With God Camp. Please purchase some tickets for yourself, your friends, and your family. Don't forget they also make for a great gift or stocking stuffer for those on your list!

Prayer Families

We ask your prayers this week for these members of our church family: John and Meredith Bonnette, Bobby L. Boone, Jeff and Ann Boswell, Bill and Trudy Bowen, Christina M. Bowen-Mann, and Josie A. Bowman

Please also pray for the Youth Commission.

**LET
US
SING HIS
PRAISES**

Won't you please give serious thought to being a part of music ministry at Jarvis?

- Singers are needed in both of our adult choirs. Chancel Choir, which sings for 11:00 worship and will present Handel's "Messiah" on December 14, rehearses on Wed. evenings at 7. Sanctuary Choir, our 8:15 service choir, meets at 7:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Auditions are not required to sing in any of our choirs. Just come to rehearsal – there's a seat already there "with your name on it"!
- If you have an interest in our praise team ministry, Alison Ponzi would love to talk you. Email her at jarvispraise@earthlink.net.
- Handbell Choir for adults, the Jarvis Ringers, the adult group, meets on Sundays 7:30 p.m. "Young Ringers", for elementary aged children will be resuming rehearsals soon.
- Children's Choirs meet on Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.



**Fellowship Feast
Wednesday,
September 24th
Serving at 5:30 in
The Taft CLC**

Menu: Spaghetti and

meatballs or Italian sausage, salad, 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.

**UMW
NOW**

**"Marion Edwards Recovery Center
Initiatives (MERCi)**, 676 Community Drive,

Goldsboro, NC 27530 is a ministry of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church open to any who would seek to be in ministry through acts of love and compassion. It is a place of multiple ministries and infinite possibilities. It is a place where you might come and meet the Christ who dwells in the "least of these." It is a place where you might transform the world ... it is a place where you might be transformed." (This information was taken from the web site.) You know that **merci** is the French word for 'thank you.' This facility was established because of God's great goodness toward us so that we might thank Him by sharing with those in need. A group of Greenville District UMW members went to the MERCi Center recently. When we arrived, we were asked who could sew. I raised my hand which proved to be a wonderful thing. I sewed little dresses to be sent to Haiti, Kenya, and who knows where. The rest of the group took everything out of Flood Buckets, checked, and repacked them according to instructions. Many contained items that were not the correct size or the specific item requested. One church had packed M&M's in their buckets. We were instructed to remove them and ...! Sometimes persons are asked to do office work or many of the other tasks of running such a huge operation. I hope that a group from Jarvis Memorial will want to go over soon to spend some time helping those who need us. Call or email me if you are interested. Hilda Alford. 756-7842 silver7turtle@yahoo.com

Congratulations

Our congratulations to Henry and Martha Ferrell who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 6, 2008.

WALK FOR HUNGER!

On Sunday, October 5, you can help feed the hungry by walking in The Greater Greenville Crop Walk. Potluck lunch after church and walk begins at 2:00 p.m. The Church and Society Committee is donating \$200 to the Jarvis Memorial UMC team. Won't you join the team as a walker or financial supporter? Donations may be made on-line (www.cwscrop.org/Carolinas/crop) or by printing out a PDF Donation Form and mailing in your donation. Forms will also be available in the Hall of History on Sunday. For more information, you may go online or contact Cindy or Keith Letchworth: 347-6365, 327-7050 or 327-2685.

"We walk because the world's poor walk everywhere for food, for clean water, and for firewood." Thank you for taking steps to end hunger. For more "hunger facts" and more ways to help go to www.churchworldservice.org.

Caribbean Cruise -- Information Meeting: Please join Rev. Christianson and her husband for a Caribbean cruise January 10-17, 2009. The cruise is under the auspices of Educational Opportunities, an agency that has led Christian travelers for 35 years. On this cruise, five United Methodist bishops will travel with us and present teaching sessions during our days at sea. We invite you to join this group of Christian travelers. Before you make your decision, you will want to have more information, review the itinerary, and have an opportunity to ask questions. Please attend the **Information Meeting on Sunday, September 28, at 4:00 PM** in the church Conference Room. Together we will review the highlights of the program and answer your questions. Please join us! More information and registration are available at www.eo.travelwithus.com Click on the 35th Anniversary Cruise.

Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy are with Carrie Oakley upon the death of her sister, Emma Gladys Gray Harrison on September 11, 2008.

Memorial Giving

Capital fund: In memory of Betsy R. Brinson by Silvercare, Inc., Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Baker and Nancy E. Matthews, Gary and Jean Mabe, Duke and Glenda Griggs, Pat and Charles Respass, Ron and Barbara Tomlinson, Barr and Frances Taylor, John and Peggy Boles. In memory of Capt. Robert Black by Margaret G. Johnson, Mable and F.L. Blount Jr., Lawrence Watts Jr., Dr. Edwin and Nancy Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie May, John and Gladys Howell, Col. and Mrs. Walter Fitts, Cliff and Ann Edwards, Keats and Elizabeth Sparrow. In Memory of Tyler McMillan by Jim and Pat Carter. In memory of Robert Sheppard by Ann and Bob Paul. In memory of Dr. Fred Irons by Richard and Janice Rawl. In memory of Robert Black by Virginia and William Greene. In memory of Marjorie Morris by Clara F. Clark.

**Jarvis
Student
Ministries**
www.jarvisism.com

Good day to everyone. I hope this short message from the JSM Crew finds all you and yours experiencing the incredible love of our God, the Three in One.

The past two weeks have been incredible. We, at JSM, are strongly encouraged in regards to the massive amounts of participation from students in Sunday School, The Plunge, and the Current. In this success, we give all credit, glory, and praise to God.

This coming Sunday we will continue the series, "Enchanted", a parody on Disney movies, and the silly illusion that once you meet your "prince-charming" you will enjoy life without a single struggle..." And live happily ever after..." This Sunday is going to be great. Please encourage your students to attend and bring all their friends. They won't be disappointed!

Just a quick reminder to the parents of sixth grade students interested in the coming confirmation journey/process. This coming Friday, September 19 is the genesis meeting. Parents should be receiving a personal call from me, as well as, a letter in the mail confirming the time, place, and date. Peace be with you, Bert Snyder, Jarvis UMC Director of Student Ministries

**Calendar: Sept. 21 - Step 24, 10 a.m.
Plunge, 6:00 p.m.
The Current, 7:30 p.m.**

Genesis: An Eight Week Study - The Douglas Class during September and October, will study the book of Genesis during the Sunday School hour. Meeting in the Taft Christian Life Center, the class will be led by the Rev. Dr. Calvin Malefyt, author of the Community Bible Study, "Genesis: Book of Origins."

JARVIS 101 -If you are considering membership at Jarvis Memorial, or would simply like to learn more about our church, you are invited to a four week class during the 10:00 AM Sunday School hour to be held in the Fellowship Hall throughout the month of September. **Sept. 21** Tour of Jarvis Memorial UMC

Week of September 21st, 2008

Children's Church:

Kingdom Quest Leader - (9:00) Beth Gallop **(11:00)** Teri Mooney and Amy Webb

Acolytes: (8:15) Trey Goodson **(11:00)** Melanie McMillan

Crucifer: (8:15) Will Landry **(11:00)** Duncan Patrick

Music and Worship News -by Dr. Stan McDaniel

About Children's Choirs!



Most of us hate thinking of ourselves as "old-fashioned", "out-of-touch", or "just plain old". But sometimes a simple conversation is all it takes to get us thinking that way. I remember visiting with a mom and encouraging her to enroll her daughter in children's choir. We both agreed that children's choir could be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship, learning about music, and growing in the Christian faith. It was an enthusiastic exchange, and, in my mind, I was already looking forward to welcoming little "Sally" into the children's choir on Wednesday. Then the Mom said, "Choir would be such a good thing for Sally. I'll tell her all about it. Of course, she has swimming, soccer, ballet, and soft ball after school already. I'll let her decide if she wants to give one of those up to be in it."

Parents, let me make a heart-felt plea to you: Get your children involved in children's choir at Jarvis Memorial! This year is critical for our children's music program. With the elimination of the Jarvis Youth Club program a couple years ago, choir participation plummeted. We hope that, by moving choir to Wednesday afternoons, and following it with our "Family Fellowship Feast" we can revive it.

Participation in a children's choir is a gift that can truly change children's lives, and some gifts will only be fully appreciated years later. Even more so than Sunday School, singing in a children's choir provides the roots for committed church membership and a love of worship that will extend into adulthood. Your music ministry staff works very hard to make choir enjoyable for the children and to plan goals which will be exciting and worthwhile. There is no question that participation in community and extracurricular activities enriches our children's lives. It does. But when we teach our children that church activities are "just one more choice" competing for their time, I think it does raise a question about our priorities for Christian living. Well, call me old-fashioned and "out-of-touch", but that's what I think!

REMINDER: Chancel Choir Fall Retreat has been re-scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call the Music Office for more information.

**Men's Fellowship
Breakfast Meeting**
Sat., October 4, 2008
9:00 a.m.
At Sycamore Hill Missionary
Baptist Church
1001 Hooker Rd., Greenville
252-756-4869

Keynote speaker
Chief William J. Anderson
Greenville Chief of Police
Topic:
Youth & Gang Violence
Men of all ages welcome!
FREE of Charge!

Grief Support Group...

will meet on Tuesdays starting September 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. For more information please contact Dan Earnhardt at 752-3101.



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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NEWS

Amazing Journey Sunday School

This Sunday, September 21st, we will continue our study of Esther with our rotational Sunday school program. Remember to bring your **monetary donations** for the *One Day With God* backpacks. We will be collecting donations each Sunday morning at Gathering Time. **The following volunteers are needed for teaching/shepherding for Sept. 21st: Bible Storytelling leader, Art leader, and Science leader, as well as shepherds for 1st grade, 2nd Grade, and 3rd grade.** Please contact **Beth Griffin** at 756-1226 or at Ncgriff2@aol.com if you can help out.

Attention families of Third Grade students: Put October 12th on your calendars because your child will receive his/her Bible on that Sunday. You will be contacted in the next two weeks about this important event.

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 **Melanie Tedder** and 4 year olds in room 214 with Kim Chandler. Please contact **Kim Chandler** at Kchandle@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 **Beth Gallup** and **Kingdom Quest** for the 11:00 am Traditional service meets in room 209 with **Teri Mooney** and **Amy Webb**. 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.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008

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

Monday, Sept. 22, 2008

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

Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008

9:30-11:30 a.m. - Fruit of the Spirit Study - Parlor
 10:00 a.m. - Altar Guild - CR
 12:00 - Tuesday Communion - Chapel - Open to all
 5:30 p.m. - Lay Leadership - Parlor
 7:00 p.m. - Ad. Council - Flex space - TCLC
 7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group - CR

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2008

Hooker Library open 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon
 9:45 a.m. - Intercessory Prayer Group - Rm. 201
 10:30 a.m. - Staff meeting - CR
 4:00 p.m. - Stephen Ministry - Parlor
 5:15 - 6:00 p.m. - Children's Choirs - TCLC
 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Feast -TCLC
 6:00 p.m. - Needlework Group - CR
 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - 5 Love Languages class - Parlor
 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. - Orchestra rehearsal
 6:30 p.m. - Small Group Meetings and Special Classes
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Children's Program - TCLC
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal
 7:00 -8:30 p.m. - Praise Team Band - TCLC
 8:30 - 9:15 p.m. - Praise Team Vocals - TCLC

Thursday, Sept. 25, 2008

12 noon - Clergy Lunch - Gym

Friday, Sept. 26, 2008

4:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Youth Prepare breakfast - TCLC
 7:00 a.m. - Men's Prayer Breakfast - K & W Cafeteria

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008

Choir Retreat - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Sanctuary and Choir Room

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.