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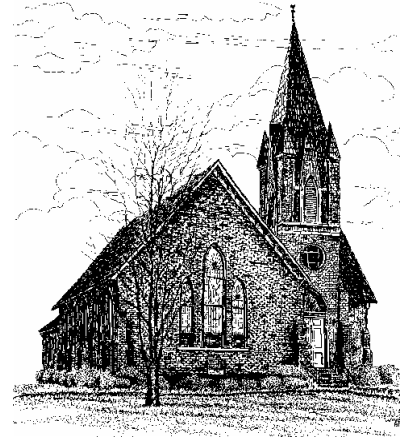
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am – 1:30pm (Closed Fridays)



June 9, 2009

From the Pastor

On Tuesday evening of last week at the Annual Conference in Florence Civic Center, the Spirit Singers (including our own Christopher Suggs) shared in a beautiful worship service. They were just as good at Conference as they were when they sang here at Trinity. Several of them remembered us and were complimentary about the welcome they had received when they were with us. It was a reminder of what we mean when we talk as United Methodists about “connectionalism.” There they were, young people from all across South Carolina, who had travelled across the state singing and leading worship and representing us in many places. There we were, United Methodists from all across South Carolina, gathering to worship. The ties that bind us together were bound very tightly that night. Anna and Travis and I had spent a few minutes before the service began speaking with Judy Suggs, a few minutes speaking with Jim Correll, a few minutes speaking with a retired minister and his wife from Spartanburg, a few minutes speaking with Dr. Carl Evans, who had been a part of the church we served in Columbia, before sitting with Rick Wall, one of the lay members from that same church. On the row behind us was Doris Thomas, who had been one of our members when we were at the old Sharon Circuit (from 1985-91).

What I am trying to say is that we are really a part of something that is much bigger than we are. The United Methodist Church in South Carolina is more than the individual congregations, even more than the 12 districts. The UMC in South Carolina is people who all love Christ, who all worship and pray and sing and praise. We are bound tightly together by bonds of love and grace and friendship. When the Spirit Singers come together from across the Conference and sing and worship, they are signs of the way that we are bound together. When they go to Europe as they did not too long ago, or to other places, they represent us, but they also remind us that we are all bound together in fellowship. When the United Methodist Women attend the Spiritual Life Retreat at Lake Junaluska, when the UMYF attend “Breeze” (formerly Youth Annual Conference), when the Trinity Travelers visit St. Simon’s Island or other places for a retreat, when the Katrina Team or the Sager Brown Team or the Sudan Team goes out in our name to places where lives are touched and hope is shared, we are reminded that we are bound together not just in this church, not even just in this state, but throughout the world as those who have been touched by the living Lord and who live to praise and serve him.

We are connected as believers. We are connected as those who have been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. We are connected. This is a blessing that we can thank God for. It is also a responsibility. If all we do is think about ourselves and how we are connected to each other, and how great it is that United Methodists from South Carolina can get together and worship—then we are missing something. If all we do is think about how good it is that we have a part in the ministries around the world, then we are missing something.

We are connected for a purpose. We are connected so that we can praise God in all of the places where we go. We are connected so that none of us has to try to do everything on our own, but rather we can reach out and work together. We are connected so that we can help those who are not yet aware of the good news of God’s love through Jesus Christ to come to know God’s love and grace. We are connected so that we can make disciples for Jesus Christ, sharing the love of God in all of the places that there is need.

When we receive our special offerings for Epworth Children’s Home in May and September, I often remark that while we couldn’t help troubled children and families in large numbers on our own, our gifts to Epworth give us a share in helping. While not all of us have been able to go to Sudan, our participation in the trip of those who went has given us a part in the ministries there. Here at home in York you and I are as much the hands and feet of people in Charleston or New York as the folks at Epworth are our hands and feet in the lives of needy children. What we do in our own places is as much a part of building the kingdom as what happens there.

Our “network” is bigger than Verizon, and we’ve “got people” all around. But we are as much a part of the team as they are. Let’s all be faithful in our ministries of love and hope. In Jesus’ name. Gene Feagin, Pastor

Sunday, June 14th, 2009
Scriptures: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Mark 4:26-34
Sermon: "Some Things are Not as They Seem"

SUNDAY – June 14

NO UMMen	
Worship Service.....	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time	9:30 a.m.
Cherub Choir	9:40 a.m.
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Flower Ministry:	Circle #2
Lay Reader:	Linda Goss
Nursery Infants:	Terri Alford & Robin Johnston
Toddler Church:	Marsha & Kevin Smiley
Children's Church:	Julie & Scott Taylor
Acolyte:	Amanda Breakfield

TUESDAY 16

Children ages 4-9-Arts in Worship 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 17

Chancel Choir..... 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 18

Adults-Open Kitchen Restaurant Meet at the church 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 19

Families-Charlotte Knights..... Meet at the church 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY – June 21

Worship Service.....	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Service in the Trinity Center	6:00 p.m.

USHERS FOR JUNE: *Kenny Cloniger, Kevin Smiley, Lee Alford, Basil Childers, Johnny Eite, Kelly Pursley, Bud Jones.

TRUSTEES/JUNE: Steve Boyd & Keith McSwain

ALTAR GUILD/JUNE: Ellen Jones & April Smith

WELCOME VISITORS/JUNE: FRIENDS Class

VISITOR CARDS/JUNE: Eric Johnston

PATH FOOD FOR SUMMER: Healthy snacks suitable for children

Sunday School Attendance June 7:	102
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) June 7:	46
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) June 7:	134
Operating Fund received on June 7.....	\$7,131.95
Operating Fund received up to June 7.....	\$132,465.85
Budget goal up to June 7 (\$6,500 x 23)	\$149,500.00

MEMORIALS in memory of Voight Hipp

To the Operating Fund by Dick & Jan Sweigart; Bill Huffstetler; William & Denise Mitchell; Joe & Terri Versen; Sam & Gay Feemster; Smokey & Harriette Childers; Debbie Black; Johnny; & Diane Wine; Lee & Terri Alford; Bill & Nina King; Linda & Wayne Koon; Fitz & Doris Hardin; Robert & Valeria Blair; Asbury Coward Literary Club; Mr. & Mrs. James Dickerson; David & Martha Drafts & Family; Mr. & Mrs. George Ratchford; Gaines & Elinor Smith; Max Mahaffe & Shani Diggs; Mrs. Lynda Ferguson; Thomas & Vicki Smith; Jimmy & Joan Clark; Lenior City Council; Officers, Directors & Employees of Bank of York; Mrs. Juanita McCrorey; Mrs. Patricia Hensley; Don & Pam Hill; Gloria & Dan Odum.

To the Choir Fund by Renee Barker.

VISITORS ON SUNDAY, JUNE 7

MicKenzie & Raelynn Hamilton, 691 Connolly Road, York.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our prayers are with Lydia Smiley, Nancy Ligon, Havern & Helen Brindle, John Smith, John Deyton, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Louise Smith, Bob Johnsey, Clark Warren, Bebe Benfield; and Marion Fischer recovering following surgery.

Also, we remember Harold Dellinger, father of Susan Jordan; Howard Steele, father of Sandy Pursley; Emily Brown, mother of Kathy Brown; Angie Moss, daughter of Helen Pridmore; Abigail Pierce, granddaughter of Donna Shugart; Gene Farris, father of Bubba Farris; Rick Glenn, friend of John Eite; Agnes Love, mother-in-law of Matt Feemster; Dot Caldwell, Anne Hipp's sister; Karen Duncan, one of the members of our Mississippi/Katrina Team; Kinsley James, daughter of Skip James, a friend of Evelyn Johnsey; Essie Thompson, grandmother of April Smith; Roy Wilkerson, father of Denise Mitchell; DeAnna Greiner, granddaughter of Bill Huffstetler; Lacey Robinson, friend of Ann Bailes; Harold Dickson; and Mackenzie Decuir.

The United Methodist Men will **NOT meet June 14** but would like to invite EVERYONE to join them on Sunday, June 28 at 7:30am for breakfast with "The Bibletones". Come out & enjoy some good food and great music.

THANKS to Cathy Lowman, we have a **HUGE donation of yarn** for the UMCOR baby sweaters. The yarn is located in and near the bins in the Sunday School hall. Some of the yarn is lighter weight, but it will work just the same. You can use double strands or single strands for knitting and crocheting. THANKS also to all who are working on the baby sweater project. The UMCOR Team.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR NETTIE MAE!
The Bolin family would like to invite the TUMC congregation to join them in celebrating the 90th birthday of Nettie Mae Bolin on Sunday, June 14 from 3-5 pm in the Trinity Center. Join the celebration – light refreshments served.
NO GIFTS PLEASE.

Shukran – Asante Sana – Merci – THANK YOU!

These are the expressions of gratitude sent last week by Diane Birungi of the NESEI School in Yei, Sudan to Trinity and all the people who sent supplies to the school in April. They have recently completed their "holiday school" session during which the girls were able to sign up for computer classes on their new laptops. Diane said that when they announced the computer classes, "The girls signed up immediately and said they were going to demand that their parents buy a computer." Now where to plug it in is another matter!!! The girls also had sewing class on the machine that was purchased with money taken by our team. To date, they have not had to buy ANY supplies for their projects because of the sewing kits and extra fabric that were delivered. The girls made sanitary pads and were so successful that other area schools have asked them to come teach them. During this session, the girls also enjoyed many games that had been provided. Diane said, "We are grateful every day for the gift of hope that you brought from your church to our students. Each day when they work on these projectsthey know there are some people out there far, far away who care about their education. We couldn't ask for more! God bless you abundantly!"

MARK your calendars now!! - The weekend of July 10, 11, and 12, Diane Birungi of Yei, Sudan and Anita Henderlight of Knoxville, Tennessee will visit Trinity and speak at our services on Sunday. Complete plans are "in the works" for the weekend and will be announced as soon as possible. We're sure you remember Anita from her visit last year. You WILL NOT want to miss this service if you are in town.

ALICE'S CORNER

- WOW, the Summer Activities Booklet has only been out a week and the two Flat Rock Theatre events are SOLD OUT! Also the original order of 20 tickets for the children's play at CPCC have been sold plus all seats on the bus are taken. I would like to order more tickets if people notify me for CPCC. Please do not delay in filling out your registration form. For many of the events the bus is almost full. It is a first come basis. I want us to share in fellowship and see God in our activities.
- Next Thursday, June 18 is the adult trip to the Open Kitchen restaurant in Charlotte for supper. There is 1 seat on the bus then we will take cars. Meet at the church at 5:30 pm. Casual dress is OK.
- All children ages 4-9 will learn a Bible story and retell it with percussion instruments on Tuesday, June 16 from 3:30-5:00 pm. On Sunday, June 21 we will offer to God in worship the song we learn.
- Next Friday, June 19, everyone at Trinity and friends are invited to see the Charlotte Knights play Buffalo. Game time is 7:15. It's Family Fun Night. For just \$10.00 you get two general admission tickets, two hot dogs, and two Blue Bunny cones. Just print your coupon at www.charlotteknights.com/friday. Check out the activities booklet for more details.
- "Under Construction – Habitat for Humanity" Vacation Bible School will be held July 13-17. A fun week for ages 2-6th grade. Please get your registration form in as soon as possible plus those of friends who will be attending.



FATHER'S DAY CARNATIONS

On Sunday, June 21st we will be honoring our Fathers with carnations. If you wish to purchase one, please drop the enclosed form in the offering plate, or leave in the church office. The cost per carnation is \$1.50, and we need your order, with cash or check, by **MONDAY, JUNE 15th**.

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

By: _____

Number ordered: _____ Money/Check Enclosed: \$ _____

(Please make your check payable to Trinity UMC)