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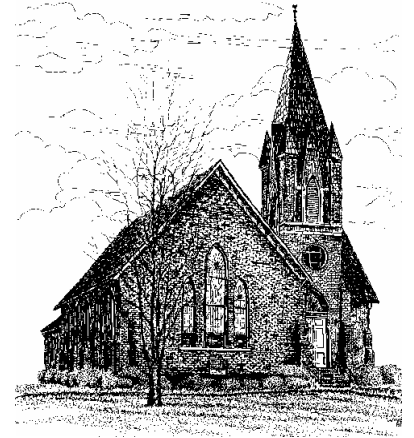
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

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

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



November 17, 2009

From the Pastor

Hurricane Ida has finally left our area. Our UMWIM team to D'lberville has made a safe return, and we understand that we had almost as much rain and wind through the Carolinas as they had down there. We all are aware of the number of prayers that were lifted up for the folks facing the storm and for our folks who were travelling through some of the horrible weather.

What we didn't hear about was some of Ida's kin, who touch our lives in similar ways to the hurricane. Some of these folks can be helpful and some of them can be even more destructive than Ida was.

First there's the dangerous "Ida Know." Ida Know seems to permeate every aspect of our society. "Who can we trust to do the right thing for people in need?" we ask. The answer is "Ida Know." "Who's going to step up and take the important positions that the Lay Leadership and Nominating Committee hasn't been able to fill for next year?" "Ida Know." "Who keeps leaving the lights on in the restrooms after the building is closed?" "Ida Know."

Let's not forget "Ida Care." Actually Ida Know and Ida Care are as closely related as ignorance and apathy. Ida Care tends to leave work undone, visitors unwelcomed, and responsibilities unmet. Ida Care is often slovenly and unkempt. Ida Care is often tardy and behind in everything undertaken. Ida Care can spread an unhealthy attitude among other people, leaving lethargy and discouragement in its wake.

Then there's the equally threatening "Ida One." In the days before we became so inclusive we called this Ida "Ida Man." You know the sort, always thinking about themselves before any others and thinking that the world revolves around them. "Hey everybody, look at me," they shout, "Ida One." The temptation to think that Ida One can create all sorts of problems in our lives.

Of course there's Ida Olatry. Ida Olatry (say it quickly!) leads us to forget about God and to look at things that are not really of ultimate importance and to see them as being worthy our worship. Ida Olatry is fond of things, people who will eventually let us down, the accumulation of more and more of more and more stuff, and Ida Olatry seems to worship so many little gods that there is little room for God.

Ida L. Hands has been said to be "the Devil's Workshop." Ida L. Hands seems to spend a lot of time just sitting around and waiting and worrying. Ida L. Hands seems to major in looking for trouble and finding it. Whenever there is work to be done Ida L. Hands seems to disappear.

Ida Manned keeps telling other people how to live their lives. Ida Manned is aggressive and forthright, always seeking rights without accepting responsibilities. Ida Manned always wants to have things done her way, since she knows what is best and it is all owed to her, anyhow. "Ida Manned that you do things my way," she says.

Of course, there is one more Ida, the Ida Eel one. The Ideal One is the one who says, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life." The Ideal One is the one who says, "Come to me all you who labor and are heavy-laden and I will give you rest." The Ideal One says that he came to serve rather than to be served, and to lay down his life for those who have lost the way to God.

So, who am I? **Ida Blessed.** Ida one who has been blessed by the love and grace of God as shown through Jesus Christ. And, so are you! Youda ones, weda ones. God's the one whose love changes us all.

Gene Feagin, Pastor

Sunday, November 22, 2009
Scriptures: Joel 2: 21-27; Matthew 6: 25-33
Sermon: “The God Who Knows Our Needs”

Passionate Spirituality

Please rate yourself again on the 1-5 scale, with 1 being never and 5 being always as you respond to this statement: “Peace, contentment and joy characterize my life rather than worry and anxiety.” The question is one of trust, isn't it? How much do we trust God to take care of us? How much time do we spend in worry and anxiety rather than in turning our concerns over to God knowing that God already has matters in hand? Last Sunday we sang a hymn that told us to “leave it there” when we took our burdens to the Lord. How can we do otherwise?

SUNDAY, November 22

Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.
 Children’s Choir Practice 9:40 a.m.
 Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
 Children’s Christmas Play Practice..... 3:00 p.m.
 Novice Dulcimers..... 4:00 p.m.
 Beginner Dulcimers 4:30 p.m.
 Community Thanksgiving Service @ First Presbyterian.....
 6:30 p.m.

Flower Ministry: FRIENDS Class
 Lay Reader: Dick Sweigart
 Nursery Infants: Terri Versen & Sandy Pursley
 Toddler Church: Marsha & Kevin Smiley
 Children’s Church: Terry & Lee Keller
 Acolyte: Will McSwain

MONDAY 23

Craft Work Day..... 9:30 a.m.

TUESDAY 24

Continuing Dulcimer Class 7:00 p.m.
 Adult Basketball..... 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 25

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

THURSDAY 26 – Thanksgiving Day

SUNDAY, November 29

Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER: *Donnie Shuler, David Burroughs, Jimmie Pridmore, Bill Wilkins, Jim Barrett, Chris Jones, Dicky Whitesides.

TRUSTEES/NOVEMBER: Buzz Johnsey & Frances Howe

ALTAR GUILD/NOVEMBER: Ellen Jones & April Smith

WELCOME VISITORS/NOVEMBER: Bible Study Class

VISITOR CARDS/NOVEMBER: Grace Ulbricht

PATH FOOD FOR NOVEMBER: Soup - any kind, any size

Sunday School Attendance Nov.8: 97	Nov.15: 87
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) Nov.8: 54	Nov.15: 43
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) Nov.8: 141	Nov.15: 135
Contemporary Worship Service Nov.15: 32	
Operating Fund received on November 8	\$6,265.50
November 15	\$6,322.86
Operating Fund received up to November 15	\$258,557.53
Budget goal up to November 15 (\$6,500 x 46)...	\$299,000.00

MEMORIALS in memory of Acoree Bostic

To the Operating Fund by Ray & Mary Sue Burns; Eddie & Susan Jones.

To the Mississippi/Katrina Fund by Kenny & Ellen Jones.

VISITORS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Judy Price, Garden City, SC.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our prayers are with Weston Sandifer, Louise Smith, John Smith, Geneva Warren, Havern & Helen Brindle, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Bob Johnsey, Bebe Benfield, and Jimmie Pridmore.

Also, we remember Landon Pertuset, friend of Edgar Hardin; Lynn Mahoney, daughter of John & Margaret Bailey; Mary Emma Dickson, aunt of Carrie Hodges; Harold Wilson, father of Alicia Breakfield; Melba Jones, sister of Ellen Jones; Henry Wright, brother of Ernie Wright; Jewel Stackley, mother of Johanna Sipe; Betty Beck, sister of Bunny Whitesides; Virginia Baker, sister of Jo Hammond; Grayson Carroll, niece of Ken Cushman; Dot Caldwell, sister of Anne Hipp; Kinsley James, and Mackenzie Decuir.

Our sympathy is with George Bostic and family following the death of his mother, Acoree Bostic, on Friday, November 13.



Any Committee who has not turned in their budget request is urged to submit it as quickly as possible.

WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

This Thanksgiving, Acts of Hope, a group of people from several area churches are attempting to feeding 25 families in the community. They cannot do this without the help of many people willing to give of their time and contributions. Let's do our part again by supplying the 25 cakes or pies for these families. If you can get them to our church kitchen by Wednesday morning on November.25, I can take them to the group to be delivered. If you can help bake, please call Denise Mitchell at 803 684-7311, or email at oradenise@bellsouth.net. Thank you in advance.



TIP FROM THE GREEN TEAM: Caulk and weatherstrip doors and windows to save on energy usage.

ALICE’S CORNER

- The Trinity Travelers will sponsor their Christmas Luncheon at Springlake County Club on Wednesday, December 16 at noon. Cost is \$12.00 per person. Reservations and money are due in the church office by Wednesday, December 2.
- The Jr. Hi. & Sr. Hi. UMYF will attend the Community Thanksgiving Service this Sunday evening November 22. Meet at Trinity at 5:30 pm and we will walk together as a group.
- The TUMC Children’s Christmas play is underway. Practice is being held each Sunday afternoon. The play will be on Sunday, December 13 at 6:00 pm. Please mark it on your calendar now and support our children.
- Church basketball teams are being formed. Check the list in the Trinity Center and watch for practice times for your team. Games will begin in January.