

MarketPlace



The Newsletter of West Market Street United Methodist Church, Inc.

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Greensboro, NC

Yes, this means YOU!



CALLING VOLUNTEERS for the Leadership Summit, August 7-8. We would like your help in:

- Registration, Volunteer Central, Resource Center
- Food Service, Conference Information Center
- Badge Assembly and Set up (Wednesday, August 6)
- Take Down (Friday afternoon)
- Parking /Shuttle
- Facilities
- Ushers and Greeters

Sign up today in the Gathering Space and Fellowship Hall coffee area. Share this wonderful time of fellowship!

Register for Leadership Summit August 7 and 8

WMSUMC rate \$105.00.

To register go to www.wmsumc.org
and click on the Leadership Summit link.

Enter the password *lwya2008*
and complete the registration process.

Or contact Cheryl Moore in the church office
(275-4587, vm 23)

Vacation Bible School

Beach Party

NEXT WEEK, July 14-18

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Summer Music Camp

Rescue in the Night:

Story of Daniel and the Lions' Den

July 28 - August 1

Performance August 3, 8:30 and 10:55 a.m.

\$50.00 by July 1, \$60.00 after July 1

For a brochure on VBS or Music Camp
contact Nancy Hamilton
275-4587, vm 12
or nhamilton@wmsumc.org.

New Members

Welcome to the following who joined WMSUMC on Sunday, June 29, 2008:

Mike & Roseanne Bumpass, 4203 Westmount Drive 27410 (545-0987), transferred from Guilford College UMC, Greensboro.

Pat & Betty Lee, 2917 Crossfield Drive 27408 (854-9775), transferred from Christ UMC, Greensboro.



Churchwide Summer Ice Cream Social July 20 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

If you can contribute ice cream (either homemade or store-bought) or a dessert for the event, please contact Nancy Hamilton (275-4587, vm 12 or nhamilton@wmsumc.org).

Our Mission: *The mission of WMSUMC is to glorify God as we make, nurture and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ.*

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR . .



I'm writing this article on the morning of July the 4th. Hardly a day goes by when I'm not aware of two things: that I am privileged to live in the most wonderful country the world has ever known, and that I am grateful for those who have given their time, their energy and their lives to protect it.

I'm also thankful for a church that has taken its responsibility for caring for others so very seriously. At the meeting of our Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska in early June, our Outreach co-chair Elizabeth Montgomery received the Harry Denman Laity Award for Evangelism. The award is given to the one person in the annual conference each year who has done the most to bring people to Jesus Christ. This year's presentation represented the fact that West Market has become our annual conference's (and I would say the southeast's) leading outreach congregation.

Just look at the facts. Last night my wife Lynne and I were at West Market at 2:30 a.m. to greet our daughter Mary Katherine and the 17 other West Marketers (14 youth and four counselors) who were returning from their mission experience in Costa Rica. And though everyone in our downtown parking lot was tired (and many, including me, bleary eyed) there was an incredible electric excitement related to what had just happened. The fact is that lives were changed and relationships built among the body of Christ.

Later this month I will accompany 17 other West Marketers to Bulgaria, where the Christian community is begging for aid. New reports over the past years have detailed the fact that Bulgaria presently has no religious heart, and that countries in the Middle East (including Saudi Arabia) are pumping billions of dollars into the country seeking to establish radical Islam as the predominate religion.

At the World Methodist Conference meeting in Seoul, Korea, two years ago, Lynne and I heard passionate appeals from Bulgarian Methodists for aid and assistance. That led to our adoption of

three Bulgarian Methodist churches last year. The hope is that we might play a small role in giving Christians in that country a fighting chance to share the message of Christ and fend off a hostile takeover from religious fanatics seeking to spread oppressive forms of religion.

Early next year a couple of us will make a trip to Kenya seeking to build relationships with Africans who are presently struggling with an HIV/AIDS epidemic that has left millions of homes and communities broken and children parentless. I believe God will call us to adopt/partner with a village (and local Methodist church) there in order to provide educational assistance, clean water, medical care, and construction and housing expertise. I believe God will also call us to provide Christian fellowship and inspiration to those of His children who are experiencing unimaginable pain and suffering there.

Not that West Market has forgotten our own citizens... Our members have just returned from even another mission trip to Mississippi where they participated in the continuing rebuilding effort necessitated by the ravages inflicted by Hurricane Katrina three years ago.

And on July 20 (at 5 p.m.) we will dedicate the Habitat House we have built (with assistance from another local congregation) that will provide a home for a deserving Greensboro family.

Oh my, how God is working through us! I must tell you it makes me proud — to be an American, a follower of Christ, a United Methodist and a leader at West Market, which I believe just happens to be the finest community of faith in the world.

Your gifts of time, energy and finances to God through our church are saving lives, spreading the Gospel and encouraging the lost. If you're not involved, now is the time to help change the world! May God lead us to renewed passion for it all.

God bless you.

Dave Melton

WORSHIP

Sundays, July 13 & 20

8:30 and 10:55 a.m.

Sanctuary

9:40 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Sermon: Dave Melton

The 11:00 A.M. Sunday Worship Service is broadcast over

WPET 950 AM

Adult Sunday School Forum

9:45 a.m.

Room 415

July 13

Susanna Wesley:

First Theologian of the Methodists

July 20

What Do UM Believe About the Sacraments?

Hike

Mt. LeConte

September 23 & 24

The Mt. LeConte Hike will be on Tuesday, September 23, and Wednesday, September 24. Cost is \$110.00 per person including lodging and two meals with the WMSUMC group at LeConte Lodge, Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Send payment to Nancy S. Hamilton, WMSUMC, PO Box 870, Greensboro, NC 27402, marked "Mt. LeConte Hike.".

For more information contact Nancy Hamilton, 275-4587, vm 12.



A Gathering of the Laity, August 15-17

A Gathering of the Laity will be held at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center on August 15-17. This will be the 43rd annual gathering of the laity of the Western North Carolina Conference. The theme this year is "Laity Transforming the World". Keynote speakers include Dr. John Ed Mathison, Dr. Maxie D. Dunnam and Rev. Angela A. Pleasants. All are invited to attend. For the brochure with registration and housing information, go to www.wncumc.org (under the sub-heading of Ministries).

Sunday Evening in the Park Concert, July 27

If you weren't at the S.E.N.I.O.R.S "Sunday Evening in the Park Concert" get-together at Foust Park on June 15, you missed some great music. Make your plans to attend the next S.E.N.I.O.R.S "Sunday Evening in the Park Concert" get-together at the Guilford College campus on July 27. The music will be provided by the Eastern Music Festival Student Orchestra starting at 6:30 p.m. Bring your blanket, chairs and a picnic supper or just come to listen to the music. No reservation necessary; everybody is welcome. Just look for the balloons. Our August date is August 10 at Greensboro College.

Music for Sunday Evening, August 10

Music for Sunday Evening in the Park, August 10, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., featuring Bruce Piephoff and Songs of Water, is on the front lawn of Greensboro College Campus.

The Greensboro College Alumni and Friends Association invites you to join them for a picnic buffet dinner in Lea Center, Main Building, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For \$10.00 you can feast on fried chicken, baked beans, green beans, rolls, potato chips, brownies, cookies, tea, and lemonade. Make your dinner reservations (either by check or credit card payment) by August 1 to Greensboro College, attention Julie Longmire Hayes, Director of Alumni Relations, 815 West Market Street, Greensboro, NC 27401.

The music event on the lawn is free.

Our Presence

| | June 29 | July 6 |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| Sunday School | 194 | 159 |
| 8:30 a.m. | 133 | 129 |
| 9:40 a.m. | 76 | 80 |
| 10:55 a.m. | 277 | 193 |

Memorial Gifts

We gratefully acknowledge the following Memorial Gifts:

Art Fund

Paul Bradley by Mr. & Mrs. James Betts

Children's Ministry

Paul Bradley by Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Cates, Mr. & Mrs. David Michaels, Ben & Sue Coston

Congregational Care

Connie and Kevin Childers Birthdays by Susan, Eddie & Nathan Huff

Early Childhood Center

Paul Bradley by Elizabeth Scott Holder
James Gundy by Jane Brannock

Library Fund

Dr. Jim Hull by Jerry & Patricia Troxler, Greensboro Civitan Foundation Inc., William Black, Betty Gale & Edgar Sikes, A. C. & Margaret Jones, First Couples Class, Libby & Bob Haynes, Nancy & Tom Beard, David Clark, Daniel Cregar, Jr., Morris Sunday School Class
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Minister's Discretionary Fund

Claudia Lea Davis by Jim & Martha Weikel, Jr.

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Paul Bradley by Daniel Cregar, Jr., Maxine Bradley, Bill & Rose Marie Jordan

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Katie Lee Jessup by Charles & Mary Belle Gilbert
Steve Millikin by Bill & Rose Marie Jordan

Robert E. Proctor by Elva & Thorpe Jones

Older Adult Fund

Paul Bradley by Bill & Faye Ellison
Dr. Jim Hull by Bill & Faye Ellison, Mr. & Mrs. David Michaels

Radio Ministry

Paul Bradley by Marjorie Goforth
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Regular Fund

Martha Martin Bierwiler by Struys & Betty Martin Lackey

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Claudia Lea Davis by Cornelia Ivey

Rod Harris by Elizabeth & Edgar Fisher, Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Snipes, III

Mrs. Clyde M. Hunt by Robert Lloyd, Jr., Clyde Hunt, Jr.

Allen Jones by Cornelia Ivey

Steve Millikin by Judy & Jay Milligan

Our Church Family

As of July 6, 2008

In Memoriam

Marguerite Hankins Ivey
June 23, 2008

Sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to **Connie Lineberry** on the death of her mother, Mattie Cox of Macon, GA, on June 25, 2008; and to **Fran Lassister** on the death of her mother, Mary Williams, of Gatesville, NC, on June 22, 2008.

New Babies

Welcome to the following new babies:

Riley Benjamin Hall, son of Stuart and **Lisa Hall**, of Cary, NC, born May 2, 2008. Maternal grandparents are **Sue and Ben Coston**.

Audrey Reagan Durham, daughter of Jenny and **Tony Durham, Jr.**, of Griffin, GA, born June 15, 2008. Paternal grandparents are **Nonnye and Tony Durham**.

Baptisms

Lilly Messer and *Rosemary Messer*, daughters of Shane and **Wendy Messer**, were baptized

Welcome to Our Local Visitors, July 6, 2008

Kent, Janis & Will Barnard
Deborah Bisbee
Ashley Boaeuf
Justin Burns

Suzanne Caffey
Ross Cameron
Linda & Giles Carter
Debbie Cathey

Hannah Gilmore
Heather Quinn
Lucy Rose

Opportunities for July 13—26

Leak Chapel open daily 11a.m.-2 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 13

8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:40 am Worship Service, FH
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:00 noon VBS Setup
12:00 noon Exploring West Market, 405
5:00 pm Mississippi Mission Team Reunion, GS

MONDAY, JULY 14

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery Step Program 302A

TUESDAY, JULY 15

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
9:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry, 302D
5:30 pm Administrative Board, FH

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
4:30 pm Board of Trustees, CR
8:00 pm AA, 415

THURSDAY, JULY 17

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
3:30 pm Visitation Team, 302D
6:00 pm VBS Dinner, FH
6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH
7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery, 405

FRIDAY, JULY 18

9:00 am Vacation Bible School

SUNDAY, JULY 20

8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:40 am Worship Service, FH
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:00 noon Bulgarian Mission Trip Meeting and Communion, CR, Chapel
6:30 pm Ice Cream Social, FH

MONDAY, JULY 21

Mission Team Departs for Bulgaria
7:00 pm Partners in Prayer, Library

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
11:45 am ECC Board, CR
4:00 pm Art Committee, Library
8:00 pm AA, 415

THURSDAY, JULY 24

6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH
7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery, 405

Needed: Names of Third Graders

If you have a child in the third grade for the 2008-2009 school year, please contact Nancy Hamilton, with this information, by August 1. (275-4587, vm 12 or nhamilton@wmsumc.org.)

We do not want to miss ordering a Bible for a third grader.

Pictorial Directories are now here.
Pick up your copy in the Gathering Space.

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CAN You Feed Your Neighbor This Summer?

Each summer as many of us head to the beach, lake or out of town to other destinations, there are many people staying in Greensboro through the summer who need help feeding their families. Greensboro Urban Ministries, an ecumenical outreach agency which provides crisis intervention and emergency services through the basics of food, shelter, and clothing to Guilford County residents, reports a big drop in food donations to their food pantry each summer. As one of the 200 congregations who support this service we need to help ease another potential shortage this year. Our Feed Your Neighbor – SOS (Stock Our Shelves) program to help local families in need was launched June 9.

Each time you visit the grocery store this summer remember to pick up an extra jar of peanut butter or canned fruit. There are collection barrels located in the Gathering Space, near Super Summer Sunday school classes, youth suite, and the fellowship hall. You may also leave your food donations on the designated tables in the 2nd floor stairwell or 4th floor near the elevators. Thanks for doing all you CAN to help others this summer!

Mark Your Calendars and Plan to Attend The Habitat for Humanity House Dedication

for the Ksor Family
*Sponsored By WMSUMC and
Westover Church*

Sunday, July 20, at 5:00 p.m.
5704 Byers Road.

Finger foods and beverages will be served. We hope you will join us as we celebrate a new beginning for the Ksor family!

Grasshopper Baseball Parking Volunteers *Still Needed!*

Sign Up TODAY at the Outreach Table in the Gathering Space

Fun for the Whole Family!
All Proceeds Benefit Missions!
Questions?

Call Savannah Meeks (834-2235)