

MarketPlace



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Greensboro, NC

Our Giving (As of Sept. 30th)		
Operating Budget for 2009:		<u>\$ 1,848,566</u>
	Operating Budget Need	Operating Receipts
Year to date	\$ 1,386,425	\$ 1,156,862
<i>Difference</i>		<i>(174,787)</i>
Month to Date	\$ 142,197	\$ 101,026
<i>Difference</i>		<i>(41,171)</i>
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Outstanding Debt - 1/1/2009		\$ 2,335,000
Year to date payments		<u>660,000</u>
Outstanding Debt - 9/30/2009		\$ 1,675,000

CROP Walk **Sunday, October 18** **2:30 p.m.** **First Horizon** **Ball Park**

Preceding the event, WMSUMC walkers are invited to attend a Potluck Tailgate Party at 1:00 in the church parking lot.

Sign up to walk or sponsor a walker at the Outreach table in the Gathering Space or Fellowship Hall.



David Arcus **Organ Recital** **Sunday, October 18** **4:00 p.m.**

Looking Towards Christmas: Our Children's Music

Here at WMSUMC we have two lively children's choirs and four talented directors to lead them. Our Cherub Choir (ages 4 - 1st grade) and Joyful Noise Choir (grades 2-5) meet on Wednesday afternoons at 5:30 p.m. following Mission Possible Kids. These choirs are a great way for children to become involved in the life of the church as they make new friends, learn new music and serve God as leaders in worship.

The Cherub Choir (Room 316) is led by Susan Bates and Lee Willard; Joyful Noise Choir (Room 317) is directed by Amberly Foulkrod and Caroline Miller. All four of these leaders bring enthusiasm for music and spiritual leadership to their rehearsals.

Our Children's Choirs will be presenting music for the 10:55 a.m. worship services on November 22 and December 6. They will also sing for the Advent Candlelight Dessert on Wednesday, December 2, at 6:30 p.m.

All children are invited to participate in the WMSUMC music ministry. It is not too late to join. Please contact Alice Ann Johnson for additional information (275-4587, vm 18 or ajohnson@wmsumc.org).

20/30 W. Market St. Ministry Begins October 17

Did you know that John Wesley brewed his own beer? He also wrote a letter to the King of England complaining about the heavy use of hops in his good ol' English pint; he wasn't into bitter brew. What Wesley was into, of course, was much more important than the brewing process; he was interested in doing ministry in the places where people gathered, whether the square, the fields, or the pub.

This Fall marks the launch of our new 20s and 30s ministry called "20/30 W. Market St." The ministry begins with a **cookout on the roof** of the church on October 17 and quickly follows in November with the launch of **The Gospel on Tap**, a new ministry at The Loft at **Natty Greene's Brewing Company** on Elm Street. The Gospel on Tap will be held each Tuesday of November beginning at 6:30 p.m. The theme of the first series is "The Gospel and Pop Music". On Tuesday, November 3 Robert Brewer of Greensboro College will lead us in "The Gospel According to U2"; on November 10 we have Alex Barrett with the Hagan Davis Law Firm giving "The Gospel According to Johnny Cash"; on November 17, Scott Nowlan of West Market will discuss "The Gospel According to the Beatles"; our final presentation will be announced shortly.

If you're in your 20s or 30s and are looking for good times and good conversation, The Gospel on Tap series is for you. We hope to see you at all of the upcoming 20/30 W. Market St. events.



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

▲ WORD FROM THE PASTOR . .



One of the most beautiful of all Scripture passages is the moment in Matthew 11:28 where Jesus says: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Perhaps the reason it is so beautiful is because it is so relevant. Who is not carrying a heavy burden these days? It may be the burden of illness or loss. It may be the burden of a broken relationship. It may be the burden of guilt or shame, or of financial concern. It may be the burden of worry about a loved one who has not made good decisions, or of a dream in your life that has not been realized.

Jesus reaches out to persons who are in all of those situations (and more) and says: "Here I am. I know you are tired, and I want to give you rest."

How gratifying it is to realize that there is someone who is able to break through our discouragement and provide rest for our hearts and souls.

But if such a thing is possible, why isn't it happening in our lives?

Well, it isn't automatic. Jesus says: "While I have the authority and desire to give you rest, there is something required of you. You have to 'come' to me."

Because of our predisposition to think of self, it is humiliating to be told that we must come to anyone, even Jesus. And when dealing with God, many of us want to be told to do something big, something that would make us proud.

But all Jesus says is: "Come."

Have you ever given up on pretense and come to Jesus? Have you ever gotten down on the knees of your heart and said: "It's not working for me. I'm done. I'm coming to You because I can't really handle this anymore myself"? Have you ever been able to say: "I need help. I'm not really independent after all. Bum, bum, bum... Jesus... Here I come"?

If you haven't ever said any of those, you've not really been able to experience the rest, joy or security Jesus promises.

So what will it be: discouragement, exhaustion, pain and independence; or the security and rest of dependence? The ball is in your court...

Dave Melton

WORSHIP Sundays, October 18 & 25

Sermon: Dave Melton
8:30 and 10:55 a.m.
Sanctuary
9:40 a.m.

Fellowship Hall
The 10:55 a.m.

*Sunday Worship Service is
broadcast over
WPET 950 AM*

WCN Menus

October 21

Barbecue chicken
Mixed vegetables
Potato salad
Dessert

Scott Nowlan will
continue a study of Adam
Hamilton's book *Enough*.

October 28

Fall Festival

Hamburger/hot dogs
Fries
Baked beans
Corn on the cob
Dessert

Fall Activities

Hayride and Pumpkin Carving

Camp Guilrock

Saturday, October 24

3:30 until Dusk

Hayride starts at 4:00 p.m.

with pumpkin carving
and hot dog supper to follow.

Hot dogs, fixings and beverages provided.

Participants are asked to bring
pumpkins, markers and knives for carving
as well as a side dish or a dessert to share.

Call 275-4587, by October 19. to make
your reservation.



Wednesday, October 28

6:30 p.m.

Youth Suite

Children wear your costumes!

If planning on having dinner at the
church

(hot dogs/hamburgers,
garnish bar

Baked beans

Corn on the cob

french fries)

contact the church (275-4587) by
noon on Monday, October 26).



**The Chancel Choir
is on retreat**

October 23 - 25

at Smith Mountain Lake.
These dedicated volunteers
will spend the weekend
preparing music for the
Advent/Christmas season.



Join us on
a hayride!

Mid High Youth Retreat

October 23 - 25

Mt. Shepherd

Retreat Center

\$130.00 (due by October 18)

Art News

Gift of Art from Bulgaria Church

Picture a smiling, enthusiastic group of men, women, and children, standing in a courtyard in front of a house of worship – a welcome sight to a busload of 11 West Market Street travelers! We are in Mizija, ready to fellowship and worship together with old friends and new acquaintances.

We are welcomed into the church with smiles and hugs and freshly baked bread and local honey; and, as we enter into the worship experience, we engage with the children with arts/crafts and the story of The Good Samaritan and in a service of music and God's message.

What a surprise when the congregation presents us with the beautiful, framed picture of a female icon, representative of their rich and varied Bulgarian history. It is a thoughtful gift and truly reinforces the ties that bind our congregations together! The seeds that were planted two years ago when we first visited Mizija have surely begun to take root and grow. We are so appreciative of their thoughts of us, not only when we have the opportunity to be in their presence, but also when we are separated by the many miles between us.

Please stop by the Gathering Space and take a moment to appreciate this beautiful gift. It is displayed by the entrance to the Sanctuary and is a reminder to us all of our friends in Bulgaria.

Bell Pull

Once again we are fortunate to have a beautiful bell pull given to WMSUMC by the Herbert family – William Sr., Jeannie, Lyon and Charles. The needlepoint bell pull is floral with a black background. The initials JWH (Jeannie did all the needlepointing) and the date 2009 are stitched into the bottom of the bell pull. It is attached to brass hardware at top and bottom and a bell is also included for hanging. You will see this addition on the left side of the fireplace in the Gathering Space. It completes the pair.

This gift is made in memory of William Strayhorn Lyon and Eula Doak Lyon and William Strayhorn Lyon, Jr and Anna Taylor Lyon Hooker. William and Eula Lyon are grandparents of William Herbert and great grandparents of Lyon and Charles Herbert. William Strayhorn Lyon, Jr and Anna T. Lyon Hooker are uncle and aunt of William Herbert

Our deep appreciation is extended to William, Jeannie, Lyon and Charles for this meaningful addition to our Gathering Space.

Our Church Family

As of October 9, 2009

In Memoriam

James Broner Tollison

September 24, 2009

Sympathy is extended to his wife, **Lib**, family and friends.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to **Anne Marie Hoyle** on the death of her father, John J. Kenney, of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, on September 2, 2009.

Wedding

Congratulations to **Holly Isley and Gabe Neeriemer**, who were married in the Sanctuary on Saturday, October 10, 2009, with Dr. Dave Melton officiating.

Join the WMS Habitat Home Repair Project!

Saturday, October 24, 31, & November 7

Volunteers Needed!

***Construction Volunteers**

***Food Volunteers**

***Devotional**

West Market plans to repair and restore a home for a disabled elderly couple. Volunteers will make a bathroom wheelchair accessible, replace a rotted kitchen floor, and replace a roof. Volunteers will also be needed to provide food for lunch and to give a morning devotional.

Visit the Outreach Table in the Gathering Space or in Fellowship Hall TODAY!



Care4Creation Tip of the Week

Plastic bottles are taking up monumental space in landfills. Purchase a stainless steel or aluminum reusable bottle and put your own tap water or filtered water in it. It will pay for itself and save the environment. As of October 1, plastic water bottles were banned from landfills in North Carolina. Recycle any plastic bottles you may use, but try to use less!! Other plastic at this point is still considered trash.

Furniture Needed for Refugee Families

Donate your used furniture to help refugees build their first home in safety in America. Church World Service (CWS) is an ecumenical organization working with partners around the world to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice. Here in Greensboro, CWS helps welcome newly arrived refugees who have been forced to flee their home countries and have been offered the opportunity to start a new life of peace and dignity here in the United States. As part of this program, CWS sets up refugees' first homes in America with the essential furnishings and household supplies that they need.

Please join CWS on Saturday, October 24 for the first Annual Refugee Fall Furniture Drive and donate your good condition used furniture and household supplies to support Church World Service.

CWS will be parked in Fisher Park and Glenwood collecting items. Please visit the web at www.churchworldservice.org to learn more about our work here in Greensboro and around the world.

When: Saturday, October 24

Where: St. Benedict's Catholic Church, 109 W. Smith Street, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Glenwood United Methodist Church, 1417 Glenwood Avenue; 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Accepted Items: mattresses and linens, dressers or shelves, kitchenware, living room and kitchen furniture, toiletries, cleaning supplies.

Items Not Accepted: clothes, decorative items or knick-knacks, toys.

*****Also volunteer drivers are needed** – if you have a truck or van and would be willing to give up three hours of your Saturday for a good cause, please help your neighbors get their items to our truck! Contact Meredith at mnewmark@churchworldservice.org or 919-559-9016 for more information.

Opportunities for October 18—31

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

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 Coffee Hour Plus, GS
1:00 pm CROP Walk Tailgate, Parking Lot
2:30 pm CROP Walk, Ballpark
4:00 pm Organ Recital, Sanctuary
5:30 pm UMYF, Muir's Chapel

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

6:00 pm MarketBell Ringers, 316
7:00 pm Partners in Prayer, Library

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:00 am Train Trip to State Fair
9:30 am Prayer Shawl Knitters, 302D

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 am Sewing Group, 109
10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 410
4:45 pm Membership Care Team, 302B
5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
5:30 pm Children's Choirs, 316 & 317
6:30 pm WCN Program, 105
6:45 pm Chancel Choir, 317
8:00 pm AA, 415

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

6:00 pm Christmas Store Meeting, Offsite
6:30 pm 9:40 Service Band Rehearsal, FH

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

4:00 pm Chancel Choir Retreat,
Smith Mountain Lake
4:00 pm Mid High Retreat, Mt. Shepherd

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

4:00 pm Hayride, Camp Guilrock

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

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 Coffee Hour Plus, GS
5:30 pm UMYF, 405

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

2:00 pm S.E.N.I.O.R.S. Spirituality Team,
302B
4:30 pm Board of Trustees, CR
6:00 pm MarketBell Ringers, 316

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:00 am Sewing Group, 109
10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 410
4:00 pm Art Team, Library
5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
5:30 pm Children's Choirs, 316, 317
6:30 pm Fall Festival, YS
7:00 pm Chancel Choir, 317
8:00 pm AA, 415

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

10:40 am S.E.N.I.O.R.S. Trip,
Shelton Vineyards
6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH

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Gobble Up Volunteer Opportunities for the 5th Annual "Turkey & Fixin's" Thanksgiving Food Drive & Day of Sharing

WMSUMC will host its 5th Annual "Turkey & Fixin's" Thanksgiving Food Drive, where congregation members donate food and money to purchase turkeys to provide local families in need with all the ingredients necessary to make a Thanksgiving meal for themselves. This year we hope to help 350 families! The food is distributed at our church on our Day of Sharing, on Saturday, November 21.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Turkey Team:

Help unload turkeys upon delivery on November 20.

Food Prep Team:

- Help Sort the collected food. (November 17 & 18; 5:30 – 7:30)
- Shop for any "fill-in" food needed to complete the bags (flexible times on Nov. 19-20).

*** Participate in the "Turkey & Fixin's" Phone Bank (Wednesday, November 18, at 6:00 p.m. & Thursday, November 20, at 6:30 p.m.)**

Volunteers are needed to call the food drive recipients to remind them about the Day of Sharing, provide any information they might need, and answer any questions. This will take place at the church.

Day of Sharing Team: (Saturday, November 21, from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

* Greet* Check-In * Distribute Food or Turkeys

- Drive vans to transport Food Drive family recipients to and from Washington Elementary School.

* Make Home Deliveries to the Elderly and Infirm.

Opportunities are available for the whole family! Flexible volunteer shift times!

