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July 12, 2017

SUNDAY, July 16, 2017

8:30 and 11:00 Worship

Sermon: Rev. Karen H. Whitaker

Scripture: Genesis 25: 19-34, Psalm 119: 105-112, Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Hymns "O Spirit of the Living God" "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"
"Hymn of Promise"

9:00 Worship

Sermon: "Listen and Understand" Rev. Dr. Sangwoo Kim

Scripture: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Songs: "Step by Step" "I Will Call Upon the Lord" "Sanctuary" "Thy Word"

Ushers: Johnie Joyce, Jeff Rankin, Alan Payne, Fred Mowry

Liturgists 8:30: Maureen Oakes 11:00 Todd Benware

Offering Counters Beth Armbruster and Steve Smith

Greeters: Bob Hodgins and Elaine Herndon

Altar Guild Meg Bass and Jane Hanson Bus Driver: Todd Benware

Nursery: Marcey Harp, Meredith Seagroves, Anne Posey, Lisa Byrd

Acolyte: Jerryl Christopher Youth Reader: Elise Benware

Crucifer: Jerush Christopher

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of my parents, Robert and Grace Forbes, by Eleanor Forbes.

IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened to report the death of our long-time and faithful member, Charlotte Bonner Dudley, on June 28 in Charlotte, N.C. Her family had a private service for Charlotte and request that condolences be sent to Hall Wynne Funeral Home in Durham. (www.hallwynne.com)

JOURNEYING TOWARD JUSTICE group will meet this Sunday, July 16 from 12:30 to 2:00 PM in Room 2-3. Feel free to bring lunch or a snack. We'll be making plans for our August museum trip and discussion (see the following article) , as well as the Fall 2017 Community Lecture Series. New participants are welcome! Contact Betty at ematteso@gmail.com if you have questions.

YOU ARE INVITED to visit the "Race: Are We So Different?" exhibit at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences. The exhibit is free, but tickets are required. Group reservations have already been made for these two dates: Friday, August 11th at 10 AM (leave Epworth at 9:15 AM) and **Saturday, August 5th** at 1 PM (leave Epworth at 12:15 PM). We will use the church bus if a driver is available. To sign up for either museum trip, call the church office (919-489-6557) or email Betty at ematteso@gmail.com. (Please note that the Saturday trip previously scheduled on the 12th has been moved up a week so as not to conflict with VBSS.)

If you choose to visit the exhibit on your own, go to the museum website (<http://naturalsciences.org>) to reserve a ticket or call the box office at 919-707-9800.

On Sunday, August 13th at 3 PM, those who have attended the exhibit (either as part of an Epworth group, or on their own) are invited to participate in a conversation about what we have learned. This conversation, facilitated by Epworth members and staff, will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Child care will be available on August 13th by request (please contact Betty Matteson at ematteso@gmail.com).

Borrowed from our General Endowment for Sanctuary Ceiling Repair: \$31,200.00
Repayment to Date: \$27,795.68
Remaining Debt: \$ 3,404.32

One of the reasons our General Perpetual Endowment Fund was established, was to build a financial “nest egg” for any capital improvements that might become necessary. Repairs to our building do not qualify as capital improvements. A consensus among our Finance, Endowment and Trustee committees was reached enabling us to borrow funds, interest free, from our “nest egg” with the provision that all funds borrowed would be paid back in full.

We continue to make significant progress in repaying this debt through your generous contributions. If you feel led to donate, please make your checks payable to Epworth UMC and write “Ceiling” in the memo line. Thank you so much for your continued support of this commitment!

PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE...During renovation of Epworth Preschool, the Younger Children’s Sunday School Class will meet in the classroom next to the nursery beneath the Fellowship Hall.

“Pardon Our Progress” - and the mess - while the preschool is being updated!

MUCH NEEDED AT URBAN MINISTRIES

(leave donations in the baskets outside the church office)

- pasta pasta sauce canned fruit canned meats canned pasta
- socks and underwear for men, women, and children - all sizes

VBSS (Vacation Bible Second Saturdays) continues on August 12, 9 a.m. - 12:30. Be sure your children are registered for this last session! Forms are available in the farthex and narthex.



SEWING SISTERS will meet this Saturday, July 15, 9:30 til noon in room 2/3. All are welcome!

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YOUTH NEWS & NOTES



U.M.Y.F.

THIS Saturday, July 15th: Dinner outing to Kanki...meet at the restaurant at 6 p.m.!! So that we have an idea of how many will be in our party, let Joyce know ASAP if you plan to join in the fun!!

Reminder that due to vacations, camps and other travel opportunities over the summer for our youth and their families, AND so our counselors can have a well-deserved break, U.M.Y.F. will not meet every Sunday night.

To stay connected during the summer, we will have some spontaneous luncheon outings following the 11:00 worship service, and looking at the following activities, so stay tuned for dates and more details:



Frankie's Fun Park
Day at the Lake
Summer Lock-In



SUNDAY SCHOOL

July 16th: Chat and Chill Time....Summer Servants—what have you done this summer to serve others and shine God's light and share His love? See you in the Youth Director's Office!

NOTE: Please remember your Sunday School offering!

SAINTS FOR THE WEEK:

Katherine Lantzy, Jerush Christopher and Julia Boltz for serving as acolyte/crucifer/youth reader during the 11:00 worship service! Katherine Lantzy, Julia Boltz, Elise Benware, Ethan Benware and Ian Kim for helping with VBSS!

ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER/READER SCHEDULE:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Acolyte</u> | <u>Crucifer</u> | <u>Reader</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| July 16 th | Jerryl Christopher | Jerush Christopher | Elise Benware |
| July 23 rd | Anna Darr | NEED CRUCIFER | Julia Boltz |
| July 30 th | Henri Nadworny | Virginia Nadworny | Hayes Hunter |
| August 6 th | Michael Mumford | Dalton McCurdy | Peter Walker |
| August 13 th | Caroline Mumford | Virginia Nadworny | Elise Benware |
| August 20 th | Ian Kim | Ben Engel | Caleb Engel |
| August 27 th | Anna Darr | Hannah Morris | Katherine Lantzy |

WE RECOGNIZE THAT SUMMER SCHEDULES CAN CHANGE AND YOU MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE TO SERVE ON AN ASSIGNED DATE, SO PLEASE FIND A SUBSTITUTE AND CONTACT JOYCE AND THE CHURCH OFFICE SO WE WILL KNOW OF THE CHANGE.



Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer! Relax, rejuvenate, and remember how special you are, and to share the gifts that God has given you to help make our world a better and safer place, the gifts of peace, joy, hope and love! Remember---God's love knows no boundaries...let's keep making those boundaries even wider!

JULY/AUGUST 2017

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| 16 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 WORSHIP 9:50 Sunday School 10:15 Summer Choir 12:30 Journeying Toward Justice | 17 7:00 Trustees | 18 10:30 Staff Mtg 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 6:30 Aesthetics | 19 3:30 Prayer Group 7:00 Chancel Choir | 20 7:00 AA | 21 | 22 |
| 23 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 WORSHIP 9:50 Sunday School 10:15 Summer Choir | 24 6:30 Endowment 6:30 Nurture 7:00 Finance Committee | 25 10:30 Staff Mtg 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga | 26 3:30 Prayer Group | 27 7:00 AA | 28 | 29 |
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Epworth United Methodist Church declares itself a Reconciling Congregation, seeking to welcome all persons, regardless of age, race, ethnicities, disabilities, gender or sexual orientation, into the discipleship of Christian living and proclaim our commitment to seek the reconciliation of all persons to God and to each other through Jesus Christ.