



The Chapel Chatter

Plank Chapel United Methodist Church

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From the Pastor's Heart...



"Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me." – *Revelation 3:20, NRSV*

The United Methodist Church has given us (and the world) a challenge to "Rethink Church." Christ has called his disciples in Matthew 28:19-20: **19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'**

If we keep doing what we have been doing, we will keep getting what we have been getting. There are people dying without Jesus Christ and we are called to offer them his salvation.

From www.umcom.org: "Open hearts" challenges us to show kindness, acceptance, and hospitality to everyone - guests and members alike. But, what if

"open" moves from an adjective to a verb and together we open hearts, open minds, and open doors? How can we rethink church as more of an out-of-building 365-days-a-year experience, where anyone seeking may find a spiritual journey they can call their own? And, what if we invited the world to come?

Key to this concept is that there isn't just one door into the church, but thousands of doors through which a person can become engaged -- many of them non-traditional."

Ask yourself, Is "church" a noun or a verb? Is "church" a location or a ministry? Did Christ call us to "come" to church or to "go" to the world? It's time to "Rethink Church." May we open our hearts to His leading.

Blessings & Prayers

Pastor Carol

Continue to
Remember in Prayer:

Your 10

MOST wanted!

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Worship Committee

Invite others to join us!



The choir will meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Join the choir!



Bell practice sessions will be held as announced. Anyone interested in playing bells, feel free to come!

Donald Rose McGhee



...Now known as... **CHAOS!** which stands for “*Christ Has All Our Solutions.*” Great job on the Youth Sunday Worship Service!

On July 19, we will have hot dogs & outdoor recreation at noon, and on August 2, everyone is invited to bring your picnic lunch to Shelter 2 at Satterwhite Point for lake fun (Park entry fee \$5.00 per car.).

Our meetings for the fall will be 1st & 3rd Sundays - Sept 6 & 20, Oct 4 & 18, Nov. 1, & Dec. 6 & 20. Pilgrimage and a fundraiser are also coming!

Youth in 6th-12th grades are invited to join. Stay tuned - Come and bring a friend! **Share some Christ-centered CHAOS!**



Historical Trivia

No Report

Hilma Smith



Thank You!

For all the dedication and hard work with recent events, misc. repairs, Song Service, Vacation Bible School, Steak Dinner, etc....and MORE!!!

We Thank You!!!



Remember others in prayer...



Kerr Lake Ministries, Inc.

Plans are being made for next year camp with Super Heroes! The dates are July 13-17. Plan now to attend! Forms will be in the vestibule.



The UMMen will meet on Sunday, July 19 at 8:00am. All men are invited!



Seniors' Circle

The Seniors' Circle enjoyed a great June meeting. The next meeting of the Seniors' Circle will be on Wednesday, on July 15th, at 10:00 am. Invite a friend!



**Vacation Bible School - Camp
EDGE was enjoyed by everyone!
Thank you for your help!**

ACTS



ACTS continues to minister to the needs of our community. ACTS is in need of financial donations due to increased needs in our area. Please consider making a special gift to help this vital ministry. Support ACTS!

??? Did You Know???

**Thanks for the stamps!
I carried the stamps we had collected to Florida when I went in Oct. Shirley said they were working on the second Habit house to be built with stamps. They have certain ladies in the church who collect, cut and remove the stamps to be sent off for cash. Let's continue to help build their second house. Save your used first class stamps. Non-profit and second class stamps cannot be used. As you have heard, one man's trash is another man's treasure (or house). Thanks for your contribution. Donald Rose McGhee. (We have a collection basket in the vestibule for these. Thanks!)**

*******Safe Sanctuaries*****

SAFE SANCTUARIES – Please pick up your family copy of our Safe Sanctuaries Policy soon. We need you to sign the back copy and turn it in. Thank you!



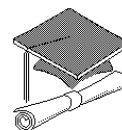
The UMW will have ongoing support for Zeb Vance Elementary for school supplies -even during the summer. When school returns, they will especially need Kleenex and paper towels. Place items in the box in the fellowship hall. Also, watch for those "Back to School" sales this summer!

The next regular meeting will be September 20th at 3:00 pm. The UMW gives their pledges directly to Missions and decided to ask members to contribute at least \$20.00 to support our local group needs. Come join in mission and ministry with sisters in Christ!

CONGRATULATIONS

*Alyssa Sears
2009 Marshall for Southern
Vance High School*

*Amy Smith
2nd Place
Senior Sheep Showmanship*



**Congratulations
Graduates!**

*Katherine Kemp
Masters Degree
UNC - Chapel Hill
School of Library Science*



The Administrative Council has given approval and urges everyone to embrace our Missions Statement. Notice that it spells “DISCIPLES,” as we are called to “make disciples of Jesus Christ” in Matthew 28:16-20.

**Discipling
In
Serving
Christ -
Inspiring
People to
Live by the
Example of the
Savior.**

The Missions Team will be reviewing our missions statement - Stay tuned for coming info....



TRUSTEES

The Trustees are seeking input on our handicap accessibility. See Scott Ritchey for your input. Thanks!



Age-Level Ministries:

Stay tuned for coming exciting Christian fellowship!



July Opportunities:

- 1 – 7:00 pm Choir
- 2 - 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 3 -
- 4 - Happy Independence Day!
- 5 - Sunday School & Worship
- 6 - 5:30 pm Aerobics
7:00 pm Missions Team Meeting
- 7 -
- 8 - 10:00 am Seniors' Circle
7:00 pm Choir
- 9 – 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 10 –
- 11 –
- 12 - Sunday School & Worship
- 13 – KLM Daycamp
5:30 pm Aerobics
- 14 – KLM Daycamp
- 15 – KLM Daycamp
7:00 pm Choir
- 16 – KLM Daycamp
5:30 pm Aerobics
- 17 – KLM Daycamp
- 18 –
- 19 – 8:00 am UM Men
Sunday School & Worship
noon CHAOS Lunch & Activities
- 20 – 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 21 –
- 22 –7:00 pm Choir
- 23 – 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 24 –
- 25 –
- 26 – Sunday School & Worship
- 27 – 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 28 –
- 29 - 7:00 pm Choir
- 30 - 5:30 pm Aerobics
- 31 -



In His Service this Month:

Flowers:

July 5 - Joyce Edwards

July 12 - Lisa Cottrell

July 19 - Donald Rose McGhee

July 26 - Robin Bumpass

Acolytes:

TBA

Greeters:

July 5 - Mac & Judy Wilson

July 12 - Morgan & Dade Oettinger

July 19 - Pat Edwards

& Frances Roberts

July 26 - Thomas & Jodi Beckham

Outreach:

July 5 - Joe & Susan Sears

July 12 - John & Jeanette Rogers

July 19 - Pat Edwards

& Donald Rose McGhee

July 26 - Judy Wilson & Faye Woodlief

Lay Readers:

July 5 - Kay Deans

July 12 - Donald Rose McGhee

July 19 - Pat Edwards

July 26 - Patricia Fuller

July Ushers

Ben Brown, Bryant Bobbitt

Bill Brown, Henry Finch

July Altar Guild

Joyce Edwards, Kris Edwards