



The Chapel Chatter

Plank Chapel United Methodist Church

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From the Pastor's Heart...

I recently read this clip that reminds us of how quickly time flies:

"Parish ministers will tell you that people come to them speaking with regrets like these:

When I was young, my mother was going to read me a story, but she had to wax the bathroom floor and there wasn't time.

When I was young, my grandparents were going to come for Christmas, but they couldn't get someone to feed the dogs and my grandfather did not like the cold weather and besides they didn't have time.

When I was young, my father was going to listen to me read my essay on "What I Want To Be When I Grow Up," but there was Monday Night Football and there wasn't time.

When I was young, my father and I were going to go hiking in the Sierras, but at the last minute he had to fertilize the lawn and there wasn't time.

When I grew up and left home to be married, I was going to sit down with Mom and Dad and tell them I love them and would miss them, but my best man was honking the horn in front of my house so there wasn't time.

Into our hectic world, Jesus comes, and still invites us to exercise the spirit as well as the mind and the body. The best way we exercise the spirit is by giving attention to things of eternal significance, such as listening, loving, and learning from the least expected places." (Richard A. Wing, *Deep Joy For a Shallow World*, CSS Publishing Company)

As the new year begins, may we make wise choices about what REALLY matters. Take time for the important things in life. May you grow in your relationship with Christ in 2010!

New Years' Blessings,

Pastor Carol & Mickey

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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.”*

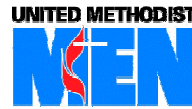
We will have a planning session January 17 for youth and parents, so bring your calendars!

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



Historical Trivia

We are seeking someone who is dedicated to preserving our history to train. Please contact Hilma Smith if God is leading you to serve.



The UMMen will meet Sunday, January 17, at 8:00 am. All men are invited!



Seniors' Circle

The Seniors' Circle always enjoys a great meeting. The next meeting of the Seniors' Circle will be on Wednesday, on January 20th, at 10:00 am. Invite a friend!



Kerr Lake Ministries, Inc.

Make plans now for Kerr Lake Ministries PANCAKE supper! FRIDAY, January 22 from 4:30 - 7:00 pm, for only \$5.00 per person! Thank you for all your help and support of this ministry!



Education Committee Meeting

Stay tuned for coming events! Invite a friend to Sunday School and the Beginnings Sessions!

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!



The UMW will have ongoing support for Zeb Vance Elementary for school. They will especially need Kleenex and paper towels, and COPY PAPER.

We will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of our United Methodist Women on Sunday, January 10 in our worship service. Everyone is invited to share a Soup & Sandwich Lunch after the service. Be there and bring a friend!

The next regular meeting will be January 17th 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!



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.

**Disciplining
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....



Age-Level Ministries:

Thank you to everyone for your help with the Children & Youth Christmas Program! Stay tuned for coming activities!



prayer

...For Our Shut-ins:

*******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!



TRUSTEES

The Trustees need a committee of 4-10 volunteers to review (and revise if needed) our Safe Sanctuaries policy. This group should include parents or grandparents of minor children. This will probably require two meetings, probably in January or February. Volunteers should see, call or email me.

{The Trustees continue to be good stewards and take great care of our facilities. Thanks for all you do!}

Scott Ritchey



January Opportunities:

- 1 – Happy New Year!
- 2 -
- 3 - 9:30 am Beginnings
11:00 am Worship
- 4 - 5:30 Aerobics
- 5 -
- 6 - 7:00 Choir
- 7 - 5:30 Aerobics
- 8 -
- 9 -
- 10 – 9:30 am Beginnings
11:00 am Worship - 100th UMW!
Noon - Soup & Sandwich Lunch w/UMW
3:00 pm District Leadership Workshop
at Mt Sylvan UMC - Durham
- 11 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 12 -
- 13 – 7:00 Choir
- 14 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 15 -
- 16 -
- 17 – 8:00 am UMMen
9:30 am Beginnings
11:00 am Worship
Noon - CHAOS - Youth & Parent
Planning Meeting
3:00 UM Women
6:00 pm SPRC meeting
- 18 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 19 -
- 20 – 10:00 am Seniors' Circle
7:00 Choir
- 21 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 22 – 4:30- 7:00 pm PANCAKES - KLM \$5
- 23 -
- 24 – 9:30 am Beginnings
11:00 am Worship
- 25 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 26 -
- 27 – 7:00 Choir
- 28 – 5:30 Aerobics
- 29 -
- 30 -
- 31 - 9:30 am Beginnings
11:00 am 5th Sunday Song Service
- Feb 1- 5:30 Aerobics

† In His Service this Month:

Flowers:

- Jan 3-Darlene Ranes
- Jan 10-Patricia Fuller
- Jan 17-Gwen Ritchey
- Jan 24-Kathy Rowland
- Jan 31-Judy Wilson

Acolytes:

TBA

Greeters:

- Jan 3 - Mac & Judy Wilson
- Jan 10 - Mike & Darlene Ranes
- Jan 17 - Bill & Frances Brown
- Jan 24 - Bob & Olivia Kemp
- Jan 31 - Joe & Susan Sears

Outreach:

- Jan 3-Donald Rose McGhee
& Pat Edwards
- Jan 10-Judy Wilson & Faye Woodlief
- Jan 17-Marilove Spencer & Jane Owen
- Jan 24-Joyce Edwards & B. W. Brown
- Jan 31-Joe & Susan Sears

Lay Readers:

- Jan 3-Janet Bobbitt
- Jan 10-UMW
- Jan 17-Kay Deans
- Jan 24-Donald Rose McGhee
- Jan 31-Pat Edwards

January Ushers

- Ben Brown, Freddie McGhee
- Joe Sears, Taylor Abbott

January Altar Guild

- Darlene Ranes, Kay Deans



Friday, January 22 - 4:30 - 7:00 pm
Kerr Lake Ministries, Inc. Fundraiser
\$5.00 per person



Thank You!

For all the dedication and hard work with recent events, Misc. repairs, Barbeque , clean ups, Outreach, Children & Youth program, greeters, Poinsettias, Hanging of the Greens, 5th Sunday, Children & Youth program, Pancake Breakfast, Bereavement meals, etc....and MORE!!!

We Thank You!!!



Remember others in prayer...

The Family of Stella Allgood

*Save the Environment
and
Help our Schools & Others!!!*



Save Bottle caps
Save Campbell Soup Labels
Save Used Postage Stamps

See the containers in the vestibule - Thank you!

*Coming January 10th ...
Durham District
Leadership Workshops
3:00-5:30 pm
Mount Sylvan UMC
5731 N. Roxboro Rd
Durham*

All Church Leaders are encouraged to attend!