

Long Memorial UMC

October 2010

REMEMBER: Deadline for our November newsletter is Friday, October 29th at 9:00 A.M. You may bring any articles to the church office or e-mail your articles to: pwade@esinc.net – Thank you!

PRAYER CHAIN: Members of the prayer chain are offering daily prayers for those on our prayer list. If you, or someone you love, would like daily prayers for a special need, please either Tania Edwards (599-3863) or Martha Butler (597-3946). Please consider joining the Long Memorial UMC Prayer Chain yourself. Knowing you have accepted this obligation will gently urge you to focus each day on Him, in whose hands all our prayers rest.

Worship With Us Every Sunday

8:45 AM - Early Service - Chapel

9:45 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship - Sanctuary

OUR INFORMATION

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

At the writing of this note Long Memorial has suffered the loss of three church members in the last week. As the services are being prepared, as members of the church step up to show compassion and to be the hands and feet of Christ, I am reminded of Jesus' words as He readied to ascend back to heaven. He looked at His disciples and said, "Lo, I am with you always, even to the ends of the age." (Matthew 28:20) What a comforting thought, to know that God is with us, even in the midst of our pain. But, even if we know that God is with us, how exactly does God bring us comfort? Simply put, God wraps us in His love.

I Corinthians 13 is known as the "love chapter". Nestled between I Corinthians 12 and 14, the thoughts in this chapter are on love, a self sacrificial love that begins with God, is shared to us, and then we are challenged to share that love with others. That word, (ἀγαπάω agape) is a verb, an action word. That sense of action is hinted at with the verses 4-7 which states "***Love is patient, love is kind, and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly, it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things.***" (I Corinthians 13:4-7) Yet these words have a deeper meaning. The Greek word "bears" can be translated as "covers, as with a coat or cloak." Have you experienced that kind of love? When you were sick, and your mother or father wrapped you with a blanket and kissed your fevered brow? When you stood outside in the cold, and someone took their jacket off and placed it on your shoulders? This same love, this cloak of love, has been shared in this church through people who have received that same cloak of love from God. Therefore we can hold our heads high even in the midst of the shadow of death, for we are not alone. We are surrounded with saints who have received the cloak of love from God, and are free to share it with others. Thanks be to God, for the knowledge that He is with us always.

Bruce

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Beginning on October 10 Rev. Bruce Allen will begin a new Sunday School class which will target the 20-40 year olds primarily, but not exclusively. The material is created by Max Lucado, and it is a discussion class teaching the books of the New Testament. This material is put together in such a way that a person who knows next to nothing about the Bible can enjoy learning and discussing, while someone more comfortable with the Bible can also learn and enjoy. The study will begin with the book of Matthew.

Note: the 9:00 service will begin fifteen minutes earlier beginning October 3 so that people may smoothly transition into Sunday school following the early service, without having to rush.

OCTOBER ACOLYTES:

October 3 – Wyatt Kimbrough
October 10 – Katie Pleasant
October 17 – Ashley Stewart
October 24 Caroline Strickland

OCTOBER NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR 11:00 A.M.

October 3 – Tonya Gentry
October 10 – Martha Allen
October 17 – Stephanie Hodgkin
October 24 – Diana Stovall
October 31 – Tracy Rogers

OCTOBER LAY READERS:

October 3 – 9 A.M. – *Alan Hicks*
 11 A.M. – *Donna Hoover*
October 10 – 9 A.M. – *Ellen Harris*
 11 A.M. – *Jean Andrews*
October 17 – 9 A.M. – *Earl Brooks*
 11 A.M. – *Charles Owens*
October 24 – 9 A.M. – *Joe Weinberger*
 11 A.M. – *Ralph Lewis*
October 31 – 9 A.M. – *Gene Alston*
 11 A.M. – *Jan Kerr*

CIRCLE MEETINGS – 10/25/10

1 & 2 – Jackie Johnson – 10:00 A.M.
3 – Dot Wood – 10:30 P.M.
4 – Ginny Brown – 7:30 P.M.
5 – Patti Morgan – 7:30 P.M.

OCTOBER FLOWER CALENDAR

October 3 – Lou Lockhart
October 10 – Tonya & George Gentry
October 17 – Janet Clayton
October 24 – Martha & Terry Allen
October 31 – Tommy & Sally Humphries

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

October 01 – Glenn Stovall
October 02 – Bob Stovall
October 03 – Mary Lockhart, Fred Bacnik
October 04 – Otha Day, Janet Lewis, Tom Holtsclaw
October 05 – Jackie Boone
October 06 – Laurie Wrenn
October 07 – Hester Claire Linville
October 08 – Kathryn Keith, Michael Coleman
October 10 – John Garrard, Jeanne Gentry
October 14 – Jeffrey Johnson
October 16 – Samantha Stewart
October 17 – Gene Kuykendall
October 18 – Gaye Currier
October 19 – Kathryn Garrett, Pam Day
October 20 – Chase Craig, Rob Fitzgerald
October 21 – Helen Starr
October 22 – Bea Crowder, Lynn Dean
October 25 – Maxine Galloway
October 26 – Loudell Long, Mac Blanks
October 29 – David Kimbrough
October 30 – Bill Mitchiner
October 31 – John Westmoreland

UNITED METHODIST MEN - NEW SEASON KICK-OFF

The Methodist Men's Breakfast / Meeting
will be,
Sunday, October 17, 2010, at 8 AM in the Harris Hall.
Hope to see there!

CHRISTIAN HELP CENTER NEEDS : canned meats, dry milk, boxes of juice. A basket is in the Narthex for you to place your donations in. Thank you!

UMCOR OFFERING:

A special offering will be collected for UMCOR this Sunday, October 3rd. Please mark your check UMCOR. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is the not-for-profit global humanitarian aid organization of the United Methodist Church. UMCOR is working in more than 80 countries worldwide, including the United States. Its mission, grounded in the teachings of Jesus, is to alleviate human suffering-whether caused by war, conflict, or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters that are interruptions of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own.

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Godly Play – Children K-5th Grade are invited to come check out Godly Play any Sunday morning at 9:45 in the old bell choir room just off the Lewis Room. You are welcome to bring a friend!

The lessons presented are either “sacred stories” (from the Old and New Testaments), lessons about worship liturgy, or parables. After every presentation, the storyteller and the children take the time to wonder about the story they have heard together. Then the children are asked to respond to the presentation by creating art or using other lesson materials in the classroom. The children reconvene in the circle for a “feast” and prayers before leaving. This year we have more exciting stories to tell.

Are **YOU** a good story teller? God may be calling you to serve HIM working with our children’s Sunday School program. Training is simple and will be provided. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to help serve together for our children. Just a small amount of time is required. Please contact Mrs. Amy Bayliff or Mrs. Jessie Saunders

CHILDREN'S FALL FESTIVAL

ARE YOU FAMOUS FOR YOUR CHILI? OR MAYBE TRYING TO BE DISCOVERED THAT YOUR CHILI MIGHT BE THE BEST..... WELL COME TO OUR CHILI COOK-OFF ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST. 6:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited – young and young at heart – as we celebrate the Fall and thank God for plentiful crops and for His many blessings, with Chilli and Baked Potatoes! Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m! Please sign-up to bring a POT of chilli, fixins’ for the potatoes and/or a dessert. Come join the FUN and especially the FELLOWSHIP!

Children are invited to “show-off” their costumes! (please no scary costumes). We will have a Costume Parade around the Harris Hall and finish the night with our ANNUAL TRUNK-OR –TREAT. Please bring “treats” for our little ones! Remember you can decorate your trunks, if you like. Sign-up sheet will be located out in the hall. LET’S ALL JOIN TOGETHER FOR “A CHURCH FAMILY FALL CELEBRATION.”

Children’s Church for the month of:

October 3 –

October 10 – Tracy Rogers

October 17- Felicia Allen

October 24 –

October 31 -

UMYF NEWS:

Mark your calendar:

October 3 – 5:00 – 6:30

October 10 – NO EVENING YOUTH – LUNCH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 11:00 A.M. CHURCH SERVICE

October 17 – 5:00 – 6:30

October 24 – 5:00-6:30

October 31 – Fall Festival – 6:00 p.m. (Youth come at 5:00 to help set up some games)

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US:

The Youth will be providing lunch for everyone immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on Sunday, October 10. Please come and support our youth as we begin our 2010-2011 year. Donations will be accepted. As many of you know, all our lunches are hot and yummy. Make plans to stay and eat with us. ☺

PILGRIMAGE 2010

For UMYF groups ... where faith and discipleship can be fun!

Pilgrimage is a weekend event for UMYF and local church youth groups in which youth and adult advisors are challenged to a new or deeper faith in Jesus Christ. The content of the weekend will focus on evangelism, faith sharing and discipleship for youth and adult advisors to youth ministry in local churches. Pilgrimage is a time and place where faith and discipleship CAN BE FUN!

**NOVEMBER 12-14! CROWN COLISEUM! FAYETTEVILLE, NC!
6TH – 12TH GRADE! \$20.00 DEPOSIT IS DUE NOW.**

PLEASE MAIL A CHECK TO THE CHURCH OFFICE:

LMUMC – PILGRIMAGE P.O. BOX 310 ROXBORO, NC 27573

OR BRING TO OUR NEXT YOUTH MEETING or CHURCH

PRESCHOOL NEWS:

Our Monthly Bible Verse: YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

MATTHEW 5:14

Our preschoolers are continuing to adjust to preschool. We still have a few tears but each day is getting better and better. This month will be a busy one in the life of our preschoolers. We will be heading off to the Pumpkin Patch on October 19th and 20th. Listen for the sirens – The Fire Truck will be visiting us on the 11th. We are loving Chapel Time each week with Mr. Bruce. Many exciting activities are coming as we discover more of God's beautiful world.....

Please continue to pray for our church, our preschool, and the families we serve.

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS/BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

As far back as I can recall, the Nichols-Webb Circle #4 has facilitated the collection of Campbell Soup Labels and Box Tops for Education for The Crossnore School, an orphanage located in the Blue Ridge Mountains in North Carolina near Boone. Thank you to all of you who faithfully turn in your labels and box tops. Crossnore School is extremely appreciative of these. Attached in another section of the newsletter is a copy of a letter of appreciation from The Crossnore School. Please continue to turn in your labels and box tops. A container is located in the Church Office. We encourage everyone's participation in this mission project to help struggling families. Also, please encourage your friends and neighbors to provide you with their Campbell Soup Labels and Box Tops for Education. Nancy Cole is very familiar with Crossnore School if you are interested in more information. Thank you all.

Jean Andrews
Dolly Denton, Chairman

Capital Campaign Status As of September 27, 2010

Pledged:	\$294,621
Receipts	\$177,810

We need for you to continue to pay your pledge on a timely basis. Thank you!

MEETINGS IN SEPTEMBER:

Hand In Hand – Monday, October 11 – 7:00 P.M. – Library
Staff Parish Committee – Thursday, October 21 – 5:30 P.M. - Library

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to:

- ...Ginny Brown and family in the death of Thomas James "Tom" Brown;
- ...Rosalie Gates and family in the death of Jack Elbert Gates;
- ...Gregg Wright and family in the death of Frances Critcher Wright.



THE CROSSNORE SCHOOL

September 10, 2010

Ms. Jean Andrews
60 Banbury Court
Roxboro, NC 27573

Dear Ms. Andrews:

We want to thank you for collecting and sending Campbell's Soup Labels/Box Tops for our Academy, we use these to help purchase educational materials for our children. We are so grateful that you chose to support us in our mission and ministry of being both home and school for children from families in crisis.

I must share with you that thanks to the loving support of friends of the school, many of our students experienced a week of Christian camping this summer. I had the most precious notes from several of our middle schoolers who returned a few days ago. I must share some excerpts with you. "Dear Dr. Crain, Thank you for allowing us to go to Teen Valley Ranch (TVR) Christian Camp. It was amazing. It helped me grow so much closer to God and I learned so much. I memorized 9 Bible verses in one night and got to say them. It was something I will never forget. Thanks, Ashtiar". Another wrote, "Dr. Crain, Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to go to TVR. I had such a good time. The best part was session where we got to sing and praise God. So thanks again! Love, Brittany". And still another student wrote "...We went on hikes, horse back riding, tubing and the zipline. I went on a hike up the plow. The view was so beautiful. Our theme scripture was Matthew 7:13-14 - Enter by the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction and many will enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow is the road that leads to LIFE and only few will find it. Once again, thank you so much. Love, Makayla". All of the students notes indicated that had a life-changing experience. Making a way for as many of our students as possible to experience summer camp is just another way we give children back their childhood and help them grow spiritually.

The school year has officially begun. I had the honor of being the convocation speaker on the first day. Looking out at our students dressed so neatly in their school uniforms, I thought of so many of our friends who make it possible for us teach students to dress for success. Interestingly, I asked for every student to raise their hand who believes they can go to college. Almost all of the students did. For those that did not, I simply assured them that they will soon!

We have 33 students in college this fall including Devon and Casey who moved in at Lees McRae College last Saturday and Nicole who is moving in at ASU this week. All the rest of our graduating seniors are attending community colleges. Knowing where these children have come from and the hopelessness of their situations when they first arrived at Crossnore School, believe me when I tell you this is no small miracle!

God and God alone turns hopeless situations into hope.
Thank you for being part of the miracle that is Crossnore.

Blessings,


Phyllis H. Crain
Executive Director



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CROSSNORE FINE ARTS GALLERY
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