

Alpha Invitation Dinner We invite everyone to join us for the Alpha Invitation Dinner in Kerr Hall on Monday, January 31 at 6:00 pm. Alpha is a 10-week course that gives you the opportunity to explore the important questions that so many people ask, such as, ‘What is the meaning of life?’ ‘What relevance does Jesus have for our lives today?’ and ‘Who is the Holy Spirit?’ The Alpha Spring course will be held every Monday from January 31 – April 11 from 6:00 - 8:45 pm. Meals and child-care are provided. For more information and to register for Alpha please visit: <http://www.esumc.org/learning-growing/alpha>

TOUR THE HOLY LANDS – Join us and TOUR THE HOLY LANDS where scripture is taken back to its original locations to illuminate the rich context and truth of God’s work. Meet at 10:45 am in room 164 beginning today and continuing for 5 weeks. All are invited, walk-ins welcome!

Vacation Bible School, Shake It Up Cafe — Where Kids Carry Out God’s Recipe, will be here before you know it! Save the date for July 18-22, from 9:00 am - 12:15 pm and is open to all children ages 3 (by August 31st, 2010) to rising fifth graders. Priority registration will be given to church members and their families. Registration will begin in early March and the deadline will be April 30, 2011. We will need lots of volunteers! Please save the date and consider how you can help.

The Food Pantry is Bare! The Urban Ministries Food Pantry is in great need of food - their shelves are bare. Please consider picking up some nonperishable food items the next time you’re at the store. Items can be placed in the Food Drive collection bins around the church. Thank you!

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 30th

8:40 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 am The Gathering Contemporary Worship Service (Kerr)
9:45 am Sunday School, New Member Class (Parlor)
10:45 am Tour the Holy Lands (164)
10:55 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
11:11 am The Gathering Contemporary Worship Service (Kerr)
12:00 pm Alpha Leader Training (Chp Annex)
4:00 pm Children’s Dance Reh. (357), Youth Handbells Reh. (351), Joyful Ringers Reh. (Ch Annex), Women’s Bible Study (168)
4:30 pm When Christians Get It Wrong (161), Christian Believer Study (162), Confirmation Class (163)
5:00 pm Youth Choir, Youth Praise Band Reh. (Kerr), Cherub Choir (306), Celtic Choir (317), Youth and Adult Dance (357), Crusader Choir (169)
5:45 pm Sunday Dinner (Kerr)
6:00 pm Youth Leader Mtg (Bulla), Wesley Handbell Choir
6:30 pm Youth Group (Bulla)
7:30 pm Youth Group After Party

Monday, January 31st

9:45 am Physical Fitness Class (357)
5:30 pm Girl Scouts/Brownies (Bulla)
6:00 pm Alpha Invitation Dinner (Kerr), Understanding of Faith (163)
6:30 pm Financial Peace Univ. (166), Heart of Revival (251), Andy Stanley Bible Study (167)
7:00 pm Disciple I (165), Cub Scouts (Bulla)

Tuesday, February 1st

7:00 am Design for Discipleship (251)
9:15 am Bible Study (167)
12:00 pm Friends of the MHFC (Parlor)
2:00 pm Disciple III (167)
5:30 pm Men’s Bible Study Leaders (357)
6:30 pm Disciple II (162)
7:00 pm Men’s Bible Study (Kerr), Young Adult BB (Bulla)

Wednesday, February 2nd

8:00 am Walking Club (offsite)
9:45 am Physical Fitness (357)
10:30 am Wed. Morning Bible Study (Chp Annex)
11:15 am Intercessory Prayer Group (Prayer)
6:30 pm Marriage Course (Kerr), Media Team (Chp Annex), Prayer Committee (162)
7:00 pm Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Library), Boy Scouts (Bulla)

Thursday, February 3rd

7:30 am Church Steering Committee (251)
9:00 am Cast of Characters (168)
6:00 pm The Gathering Worship Team Rehearsal (Kerr)
6:30 pm Alpha Training Team (165) 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, February 4th

7:00 am HS Youth Breakfast (offsite)
10:00 am EStreeters Friday Favorites Symphony Trip (offsite)
3:15 pm HS Youth Lunch (offsite)
5:00 pm Ford/White Rehearsal (Sanct.)

Saturday, February 5th

8:00 am Encouraging Place (Kerr)
8:30 am HS Love Wins Breakfast (offsite)
9:00 am Haiti Sewing (163)
5:00 pm Ford/White Wedding (Sanct.)

Edward F. “Ned” Hill, II, Senior Pastor
Matthew R. Ashburn, Pastor of Caring Ministries
Lisa N. Yebuah, Pastor of Inviting Ministries
William J. Weisser, Minister of Music
Leigh Holloway, Director of Preparing Ministries
Carlin Johnson, Director of Equipping and Sending Ministries
Josh Dumbleton, Associate Director of Music • Joy Owen, Welcoming Ministries
Susan C. McGuire, Older Adult Ministries
Stefan Youngblood, Contemporary Worship • Ruthie Jones, Children’s Ministries
Justin Morgan, Youth Ministries • Renae Newmiller, Missions
Ray Beale, Young Adult and College Age
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

January 30, 2011

As the community gathers, we respectfully request that you enter into a time of silent preparation for worship. May the music of the prelude draw your hearts and minds to God. The chancel area is open for prayer before the service and during the last hymn.

The Prelude *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* arr. Mickelson/Atwood
Dr. William J. Weisser, piano, Mr. Josh Dumbleton, organ

The Greeting Rev. Yebuah

The Announcements for the Morning

The Introit *The Word Became Flesh (John 1:14)* Weisser

+The Call to Worship Rev. Yebuah

Minister: Paul said, “If I proclaim the Message, it is not to get something out of it for myself.”

People: Paul said, “I’m compelled to do it, and doomed if I don’t.”

Minister: Paul said, “I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all, to reach a wide range of people:

People: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized – whomever.”

Minister: O God, through our worship this morning may we hear your call upon our lives to proclaim the Message.

People: May all that we say and do this morning be an offering of worship to the God who has called us to invite all people to encounter Jesus.

(The Message, Peterson)

+The Presentation of the Cross and the Light of Christ

+The Processional

Hymn *Go To the World* Dunstan

Tune: Engelberg

Go to the world! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life’s worth, baptizing as a sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the word of God’s redeeming grace. Go seek God’s presence in each time and space. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray; the nights of tears give way to joyous day. As servant church, you follow Christ’s own way. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry, “Amen.” Alleluia!

The Collect - Prayer of Ignatius of Loyola

Rev. Yebuah

Teach us, good Lord,

To serve you as you deserve;

To give and not to count the cost;

To fight and not to heed the wounds;

To toil and not to seek for rest;

To labor and not to ask for any reward,

Except that of knowing that we do your will;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Anthem *Sit Down Servant* Spiritual/arr. Twine

** Chancel Choir Ensemble * Chancel Choir

Sit down, servant! I can’t sit down! Sit down, servant! I cant sit! Sit down, servant! I can’t sit down! My soul’s so happy, Lord, I can’t sit! Sit down, sit, you better sit down. Sit! Sit down! Sit yourself right on down. No! I can’t sit. No I can’t quit. I’ve got to sing Halleluiah Glory Hallelu. No! I can’t rush. No! I can’t hush. I’ve got to sing Hallelujah Amen. No, no, no! I can’t eat. No! I can’t sleep. I’ve got to sing Hallelujah Glory Hallelu. No! I can’t grouch. No! I can’t slouch. I’ve got to sing Hallelujah Amen.

* The Sacrament of Holy Baptism Rev. Hill, Rev. Ashburn, Pg. 39, Hymnal

Millie Malone Pedraza, daughter of Mike and Wendy Pedraza

The Invitation to Prayer

Hymn 349 *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* Lemmel

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Ashburn

The Lord’s Prayer

The Offering of Our Gifts to God

The Offertory *Ye Servants of God* arr. Young

** Chancel Choir Ensemble * Chancel Choir

Ye servants of God your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name all victorious of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all. God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh, his presence we have: the great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. Salvation to God, who sits on the throne! And all cry aloud, and honor the Son: come let us adore him, with angels above. With thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

+The Doxology 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+The Hymn 408 *The Gift of Love* Hopson

Tune: Gift of Love Trad English Melody

The children may gather at the chancel rail during the singing of the hymn for the Children’s Lesson. Afterward, they may leave for Wiggler Worship in room 206.

The Lesson for the Children Mrs. Holloway

The Scripture Lesson I Corinthians 9: 15-23 Pg. 162 NT, Pew Bible

The Sermon WHEN IN ROME.... Rev. Hill

+The Hymn 581 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* Bayly
Tune: Beach Spring attr. White

+The Affirmation of Faith 881 Rev. Ashburn

+ The Gloria Patri 71

+The Benediction Rev. Hill

+The Choral Response *Almighty God* Elmore

The Sending Forth of the Cross and the Light of Christ into the World

The Chimes - In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

+The Postlude *Chorale Prelude: Ye Servants of God* Parry

+ Please stand, if able. ** 8:40 * 10:55

Participating in the service today:

Acolytes: **Eliza Krause * Carson Clay, Warren Grady, Benjamin Lockhart

Liturgists: Lisa N. Yebuah, Matthew R. Ashburn

Preacher: Edward F. Hill, II

Minister of Music: William J. Weisser

Director of Preparing Ministries: Leigh Holloway

Organist: Josh Dumbleton Pianists: ** Carol L. Smith * Michael Clinkscales

Welcome to all guests worshipping with us this morning! We are honored that you chose to worship at Edenton Street. Let us know who you are by signing our Fellowship Pad found in the pew. Please receive your gift on the Information Table in the belltower after the service. For information concerning membership or ministries, please contact Joy Owen, Director of Welcoming Ministries, at 832-7535 ext. 350 or jowen@esumc.org.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lillian and Robert Creedle, Mary Jane and Gaither Jarrett, Ruth and Pink Deyton by Doug and Iris Jarrett.

The rosebuds and cradle crosses on the altar are in honor of the births of:

Caroline Smith Barlow, daughter of Alison Weaver and Adam Barlow, and granddaughter of Al and Sarah Weaver Jonathan Scott Phillips, Jr., son of Jonathan and Mary Paige Phillips Riley Elizabeth Reed, daughter of Corey and Caroline Reed and granddaughter of David and Carolyn Womble

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