

Revelations at Concord

The Small Church With a Big Heart

Enter To Worship

October 2011
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Depart to Serve

In Good Company

We use several names when we reference it: Holy Communion, Communion, The Lord's Supper, The Last Supper, the Eucharist. It's been at the center of our worship for all of our nearly 2,000 years of history. And yet there are times when we go through the motions as if it were some meaningless ritual we have to tolerate.

But then there are those times when we encounter in it the risen Christ himself and find our hearts strangely warmed, our guilt removed, at one with God and with those around us. Words alone cannot express what it means to us and the life of the church at such times. And yet we know we must try. So here it goes.

In The Book of Discipline, there is a section containing the beliefs of our former denominations. There we read about it being a sign of our love for one another, a sacrament of our redemption by Christ's death. There is also a strong statement about our rejection of transubstantiation – the idea that the bread and juice turn into the actual body and blood of Jesus. Then there is a reference to our understanding of Christ's presence being real, but of a spiritual presence. That is followed by a note about Christ not worshiping the elements of the meal by carrying them around. And finally is a comment about the appropriateness of everyone receiving both the bread and cup.

It's referred to as a memorial – a token of the love we have with one another and with Christ. United Methodists believe that Christ himself is mysteriously present in this meal of remembrance – not in the physical sense of transubstantiation, but really present. And because of that, because of Christ being present, what happens when we commune is different for each person who shares this wondrous meal because our needs are different each time we come and thus what this meal means is different each time and for each person.

Yes, this is a memorial meal – this is a meal whereby we remember the saving acts of Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection. Yes, it is a sacred drama through which we are drawn close to God and to one another. Yes, it is a symbol – something physical, tangible that represents something spiritual and intangible – “an outward sign of an inward grace.” When we partake of this meal with our brothers and sisters in Christ we become aware that the past is part of the present – that the Jesus who lived 2,000 years ago is with us now.

When we partake of this meal with our brothers and sisters in Christ we experience the wonders of God's amazing grace. Communion is a reminder that God is with us – now – and in all of the circumstances that make up our lives –individually and corporately. Communion is what happens when we get together in Christ's name and share the bread and cup and we hear it said: “This is my body, broken for you take, eat. This is my blood, shed for you; drink of it, all of you.”

Larry

Hear my voice, O God... Psalm 64

Prayer Requests

EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES:

Lucille Hill (Bermuda Commons)
Lewana Huffman (Bermuda Commons)

Alma Lee Doub (Mallard Ridge)
June Pirolo (Brighton Gardens)

MILITARY:

Christopher Ford
Savanna Green
Jonathan Kiger
John Friend
Carl Craft

Jonathan Hinshaw
Scott Kyser
Dieter Sickerott
Sam McDuffee

CHURCH FAMILY:

Dollie Hunt
Larry Jones
John Breier
Jim Messick
Ann Hunt

Norma Willard
Jean Suddarth
Robert Ingram
Jim Friend
Sue Krites

CHURCH FRIENDS:

Olivia Swinton (Billie)
Don Sloan (Phyllis)
Nick Schambach (Maggie)
Albert Doub

Ron Worthington (Theresa)
Carol Jackson (Wilma)
Marjorie Dawson (Wilma)
Carlos Patino (Elaine)

Note: In order to keep our prayer list up to date, church family names will be listed for up to six months and church friend names may listed for up to three months. After that time, they will be removed unless requested to be continued.



The Concord United Methodist Women held its first fall meeting September 6 and enjoyed a covered dish meal together. Following the meal, Sandra Letchworth, a district officer who served as coordinator for the UMW Annual Conference in September, gave the program. Sandra emphasized how important our individual and unit missions are. Through our local and global missions, the love of Christ is shown to others.

Considering the shortening of daylight hours, the unit decided to change the meeting time to 6:00 PM for the coming months. All women and teen girls are invited to attend and be a part of our fellowship. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 4, at 6:00 PM. If you work, or find it difficult to attend by 6:00, come as you can. If you are interested in attending but do not have transportation or prefer not to drive at night, please contact Elaine Binkley as a ride can be arranged for you. We welcome you.



**CHICKEN STEW
AND HOT DOG
SUPPER**

Invite your family and friends to attend our **Chicken Stew and Hot Dog Supper** on October 22 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.! Cost is \$6 per person to eat in. Take out is available for \$7 per quart. Hot dogs are \$2 each.



**YOUTH AND CHILDREN
PICNIC**



The congregation is invited to join the Youth and Children for a fall picnic at Fort Hamby ("Ann" shelter) at Kerr Scott Dam in Wilkesboro on Sunday, 10/2 from 3-7 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish and we will eat at 5:00. Cost is \$1/adults and children over 12 to enter the park – max per car is \$4. Directions are at http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/wkscott/project_map.pdf or follow the link on our website.



**WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
IMPACT COMMUNITY DAY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011**

Three volunteers are needed to help the Lewisville fire department install smoke detectors in low income housing. Please let Pastor Thompson know if you can help with this important service.

CHICKEN PIES FOR SALE

UMW continue to sell chicken pies to benefit our building fund – only \$10! Thank you to the UMW and all the helpers who help with this ongoing project!

No Family Nite Out in October

**FULLY LOADED LUNCH
Sunday, 10/9/11, 12:30 p.m.**



Enjoy half of a twice baked potato – fully loaded, salad, dessert, and drink for the low price of only \$6!

COMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

1	6:00	UMW
2	6:00	Family Nite Out
15	7:00	Outreach
16	7:00	Administrative Board
22	7:00	Evangelism
24		Thanksgiving
25		Office closed
30	7:00	Combined charge conference at Lewisville UMC

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

1	Kate Marshall	17	Denise Hickman
2	James E. Messick, Jr.	20	Mandy Johnson
3	Jeni Huffman	20	Hannah Saseen
	Brian Marshall	27	Jim Cook
9	Steve Teague	29	April Whitehurst
10	Peggy Southard	31	Nadia Reich

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO ...

- all who helped with Family Nite Out in September.
- everyone who worked so hard to make the Chicken Pie Supper a success and to all who attended.

Deadline for submissions for the November newsletter is October 25.
Email submissions to
cumcsecretary@windstream.net.

LCAP item for October is BBQ sauce.

Shirts available: Two Concord UMC golf style shirts (2 tan XL) are available at no charge. Stop by the church office if you would like to have one.

If you need to initiate the prayer chain or are interested in having flowers put in the church for worship, please contact Mandy Johnson (671-0283).

UNION CHICKEN BBQ FUNDRAISER

The Outreach Committee of Union UMC is sponsoring a Port-A-Pit Chicken BBQ with the proceeds going to missions. It is pick-up only on October 8 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the church. Tickets are \$8.50 per plate. Contact the pastor or Wanda Needham (924-1094) for tickets.

MEMORIAL AND HONOR GIFTS

Gifts have been given to the glory of God and the Family Life Center in honor of Larry and Nancy Cook's 60th wedding anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Barefoot, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Faircloth, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boggs, and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Krites.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND GIFTS – SEPTEMBER

Amount Needed per Week for General Budget: \$3,000

9/4/11	Attendance: 68	General Budget	\$6,420.00
		Building Fund	310.00
9/11/11	Attendance: 61	General Budget	\$ 920.00
		Building Fund	20.00
9/18/11	Attendance: 54	General Budget	\$1,290.00
		Building Fund	140.00
9/25/11	Attendance: 53	General Budget	2,170.00
		Building Fund	600.00

Those serving in our worship service in October

Sunday School 3-6 yr olds

Elaine Binkley

Substitute – April Whitehurst

Sunday School 7 & up

Mandy Johnson

Substitute – Sam Whitehurst

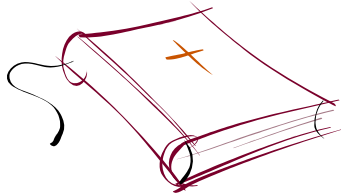
No Sunday School nursery

Church Nursery

2	Denise Hickman and Kimberly Cook
9	April Whitehurst and Patty Dull
16	Shannon Williams and Maggie Sparks
23	Charlene Teague and Shannun Breier
30	Patty Dull and Elaine Binkley

See Nursery room for a list of Substitutes

Children ages 4-6 may go to nursery after Children's Message.



Laity Sunday
October 16, 2011

“For the Father seeks such as these to worship him.”

John 4:23

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>USHER</u>	<u>ACOLYTE</u>	<u>GUEST HOME VISITORS</u>
October	Matthew Bennett and Harrison Krites	Isaac Hickman	Wilma Jones & Betty Lou Hutchinson
November	Shelton Barefoot	Quay Whitehurst	Steve and Charlene Teague
December	George and Terry Doub	Duncan Hickman	Jim Friend

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Impact Community Day
2 9:45/11:00 SS/Worship World Comm. 6:00 Bible Study 3-7 Kids Picnic	3	4 6:00 UMW	5	6 7:00 Choir	7	8
9 9:45/11:00 SS/Worship 12:30 "Fully Loaded" Lunch 6:00 Bible Study	10	11 7:00 Witness	12 7:00 Finance	13 7:00 Choir	14	15
16 8:30 Men's Breakfast 9:45/11:00 SS/Worship "Laity Sunday" 6:00 Bible Study	17	18	19 7:00 Admin Board	20 7:00 Choir	21	22 Chicken Stew & Hot Dog Supper 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
23 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 6:00 Bible Study	24	25 November newsletter deadline 7:00 PPRC at Union	26	27 7:00 Choir	28	29 Bake/Yard Sale 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
30 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 6:00 Bible Study	31 Deadline to have charge conf. info turned in to pastor					



BAKE/YARD SALE
OCTOBER 29, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Please contribute your gently used or new items to help raise proceeds for our General Fund. Donations of baked goods are also needed. Be sure to come out and shop, too! Sausage biscuits will be available for breakfast and hot dogs for lunch. Chicken pies will also be available for purchase. Contact Phyllis Jones, Nancy Cook, Margaret Boggs, or Lib Barefoot to let them know how you can help!



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