

Participants in today's service:

- The Reverend Doctor Ivan H. M. Peden
- The Reverend Peggy A. Finch, Associate Minister
- The Reverend Rodney W. Denton, Associate Minister
- The Reverend Lynda C. Hepler, Minister of Children & Families
- Mr. Brian Vannoy, Organist
- Dr. Danny Frye, Music Director
- Mr. Neal Faircloth, Acolyte

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available in the Narthex. Just ask an usher if you need one. **Chief Usher:** Gerry Crowder **Leaders:** Don Clinard, Carey Eanes, Zeb Hanner, J. H. Williams, Charles Wade **Today's Ushers:** Norman Crews, Rob Williams, Woody Huneycutt, Bick Craig, Mike & Janice Lanning, Randall Tysinger. **Today's Greeters:** Jamie Hiatt, Don Clinard, Priscilla Joyce, Elaine Rabon, Dorann Edwards. **HEARING DEVICES** are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Nursery Care is available for children ages, infant to 5 years, in the main building from 8:30 am to 12 noon. Directions to the Nursery from the Sanctuary: Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the nursery located on the ground floor in the south wing. Our caring nursery staff will be there to meet you!

Children's Worship is held in the Chapel following the Children's Sermon. Directions to the Chapel from the Sanctuary: Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the Chapel located on the ground floor in the north wing. Children ages 4 and up are invited to come for their own style of worship including: music, storytime, video, role play and other activities. Parents are asked to pick up their child after the worship service is in the chapel.

PRAYER LIST

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Lorna McCullough at 475-6026. If you put a name on the list, please keep in touch and let us know how he/she is doing as names will be removed after 3 weeks. During the week, please pray for:

Military personnel stateside and overseas	Tracy Brinkley
Becci Cagle	Sharon Van Vechten
Wayne Leonard	Andrea Cain
Jane Dorton	Ralph Link
Elaine Branson	Jay Lucas
Martha Johnson	Rick Schartiger

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jabez, Helen and Blake Williams and family on the death of their grandson/nephew, Tyler Williams, on Sunday, September 4, 2011.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Angie Turner on the death of her brother, Glenn Barnard, who died Monday, August 29, 2011.

The Flowers Are Placed On The Altar To The Glory Of God and in honor of Frances and Ed Craddock on their 30th wedding anniversary.

7th Annual Gifts Galore

Saturday, November 5, 2011

8am - 2 pm inside the CEC

Come find gifts of all kinds and for all occasions!

Extra Ties in Your Closet???

We are collecting men's ties (not bow ties) for a project that will benefit the church. If you are able to find some that you do not wear any more, would you please place them in the box on the first floor hall of the main building or in the box near Jarrett Hall in the CEC.

Let's try to have them turned in by the end of October.

Opportunities Through The Week

SUNDAY, September 11

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 4:10-15,20-27
- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Allen Brown
- 11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
- 12:00-6:00 UMYF
- 6:30 Created By God

MONDAY, September 12

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 10:1-5
- 6:15 Praise Team Rehearsal-Jarrett Hall
- 6:30 UMW General Meeting-CEC
- 7:00 Scouts

TUESDAY, September 13

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 10:18-22
- 5:30 Chicks-JR. High Room
- 6:00 Stewardship Committee meeting-library
- 6:30 Mission Committee meeting-Jr. High
- 7:00 SPRC meeting-parlor

WEDNESDAY, September 14

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 10:23-28
- 5:30 Fellowship Meal
- 6:00 Kids Club
- 6:15 Program
- 6:00 Disciple IV Bible Study
- 6:30 H.S. & M.S. Small Group
- 7:15 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, September 15

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 12:12-16
- 9:15 Disciple IV Bible Study
- 10:30 Chicks-Library
- 1:30 BLOOD DRIVE-CEC
- 6:00 Yoga

FRIDAY, September 16

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 14:27-34
- 5:00 Scrapbooking-CEC

SATURDAY, September 17

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 15:15-19

SUNDAY, September 18

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 15:21-33
- HOMECOMING
- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Ralph Eanes
- 11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
- 5:00-7:00 UMYF
- 5:00-7:00 Mission Possible Kids

ALTAR AND ARTS

As you are Spring cleaning, please remember to save your handbags for the Altar and Arts Committee's Handbag Sale in November. We are hoping to purchase four altar cloths for the chapel.

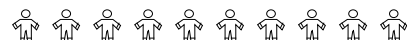
DIAL-A-PRAYER 475-1114

Sponsored by the R. L. Pope Bible Class

FOOD MINISTRY 475-9696 472-7718

R.L. Pope Bible Study Class is broadcast on **WGOS-AM 1070**

Open Flower Dates:
September 25 October 2, 16, 23, 30
November 6, 13
Call Beverly Myers 476-7621 to reserve a date



CCM FOOD FOR THE MONTH:

RICE



Congregation's Ministry and Staff

- Larry M. Goodpaster Resident Bishop
- Sylvia D. Wilhelm District Superintendent
- Ivan H. M. Peden..... Senior Minister
- Peggy A. Finch Associate Minister
- Rodney W. Denton Associate Minister
- Lynda C. Hepler..... Minister of Children and Families
- Danny Frye..... Director of Music
- Brian Vannoy..... Organist
- Debbie Averett..... Director of Contemporary Worship
- Priscilla Oldaker..... Director of Children's Choir
- Peggy May Financial Secretary/ Treasurer
- Christine Lamacchia Executive Secretary
- Steve Myers Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds
- Dennis Corbett..... Sexton
- Margaret Ivey Food Services Director
- Charles Wade..... Church Properties Administrator
- Leslie Gibbs & Gayle Murdock..... Receptionist Coordinators

**MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THOMASVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Ministers

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Minister of Children & Families

**September Eleventh, Two Thousand Eleven
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



HOMECOMING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Mark Your Calendar!

Come and Welcome

The Reverend Doctor Hugh Claude Young, Jr.

You are invited to spend the day with MUMC's church family on Homecoming Sunday. What a great opportunity!

Here are some exciting things to do:

Delicious Homemade Buffet Breakfast in Jarrett Hall – 8:00 – 8:45am

Contemporary Worship – 8:50am – With Praise Team

Sunday School Classes – 9:45am

Traditional Worship – 11:00am – Guest bagpiper and Chancel Choir

Homecoming Covered Dish Luncheon following 11am service – CEC

Visit with Claude and Betty Jean Young and other church friends

STAY THE DAY!

Celebrate our unity in diversity

ORDER OF WORSHIP
MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 11, 2011 **11:00 A.M.**
Morning Worship Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

GATHERING AND GREETING

Prelude Fantasy on ‘*O God Our Help in Ages Past*’ Mr. Brian Vannoy
Bish

Lighting of the Altar Candles Mr. Neal Faircloth

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship *Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether* Friedell
“Draw us in the Spirit’s tether, for when humbly in thy name, two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them. Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment’s hem.”

Responsive Greeting The Reverend Doctor Ivan H. M. Peden
Minister: I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
May Christ’s Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: We were glad when they said to us, “Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

People: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Holy City!

We pray for the peace of all God’s beloved cities.

“May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.”

*Lighting of the Candle of Remembrance and Eternal Light Mr. Faircloth
A candle is lit with a flame from the altar in remembrance of all who died in the tragic events of September 11, 2001 and in celebration of the perpetual light of Christ that shines upon them for eternity.

*Silence

The congregation is invited to reflect and pray in silence as the experience of September 11, 2001 is remembered. A question for reflection: How have my feelings about the 9/11 attack changed in the past ten years?

*Prayer of Invocation [UNISON]

O God, tender and just, we come together today to commemorate the events of September 11, 2001. We come to mourn and be comforted, to reflect and to be challenged; to look toward the future and to offer our labor to your reign of peace. We come to know your will, O Holy One, revealed through your faithful people and through our beloved Jesus, the Christ. Come, Holy One, Maker of Peace, in this hour. Amen.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

*Hymn of Praise: UMH No. 110 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
M. Luther/EIN’ FESTE BURG

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed – UMH No. 881
The Reverend Peggy A. Finch

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri UMH, No. 70
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

+Welcome and Parish Notes Dr. Peden

Children are dismissed for Children’s Church

The Offering
Offertory *Andante* Mendelssohn
*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication The Reverend Rodney W. Denton

THE WORD AND PROCLAMATION

Song of Preparation: *Just A Closer Walk with Thee* (refrain only) Please remain seated
Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, daily walking close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 23 [UNISON READING] Reverend Denton
The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *My Faith Looks up to Thee* arr. Purifoy
“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. By faith we understand that the world was created by the Word of God. Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith and encourage one another to love. Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord, Jesus Christ. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire! As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm and changeless be a living fire! My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day, O from this day be wholly thine, be thine!”

Homily “On The Tenth Anniversary of 9/11” Dr. Peden

PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Litany of Renewal: Mercy, Justice, Peace [Please be seated] Clergy
All Sing: *There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work’s in vain, But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul.*

Minister: Let us pray ... On all who continue to grieve and all who died in the events of September 11th and its aftermath,

People: Jesus, pour mercy.

Minister: On those whose homes, livelihood, and psychological well-being were destroyed or compromised,

People: Jesus, pour mercy.

Minister: On those displaced,

All: Jesus, pour mercy.

Minister: On the devastation of city and countryside both in this country and throughout the world,

People: Jesus, pour mercy.

All sing: *There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul.*

Minister: And so we pray ... When we give a self-centered interpretation to your word of grace,

People: Jesus, awaken justice.

Minister: When we bind up our own wounds, and forget the suffering of strangers,

People: Jesus, awaken justice.

Minister: When in our fear we retreat and isolate,

People: Jesus, awaken justice.

Minister: When we seek security only to the neglect of right relationships among nations and peoples,

People: Jesus, awaken justice.

All sing: *There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul.*

Minister: And so we pray ... That all who continue to suffer may heal and the nations of the world will find peace,

People: Jesus, bring peace.

Minister: That growing understanding among faithful peoples will lead to a shared vision of peace,

People: Jesus, bring peace.

Minister: That profound cooperation among nations, which share God’s earth, may lead to structures of peace,

People: Jesus, bring peace.

Minister: That oppression may cease and transformed structures emerge that will grow and lead to peace,

People: Jesus, bring peace.

ALL: O God, hear our hopes and make us faithful in your way of love and justice. In your name, Jesus, the Maker of Peace, Amen.

All sing: *There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul. Don’t ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend, who, if you ask for knowledge, will never fail to lend. There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin sick soul.*

The Lord’s Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn of Response, UMH No. 431 *Let There Be Peace On Earth*
S. Miller & J. Jackson/WORLD PEACE

*Benediction Dr. Peden

*Benediction Response *God Be in My Head* Waters

*Chimes of the Holy Trinity

*Postlude *Cortege* Mueller