

**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 & Family Ministries
- Mr. Brian Vannoy, Organist
- Dr. Danny Frye, Music Director
- Ms. Abby Williams, Acolyte
- Mrs. Ginger Cranford, Finch Preaching Mission Speaker

**CHURCH FINANCES**

In order to keep everyone up to date on our church finances, we will be printing the year to date expenses and income in the bulletin and Messenger.

Year to Date Expenses as of August 31, 2011	\$521,961.43
Year to Date Income as of August 31, 2011	\$487,574.77
Net Deficit as of August 31, 2011	\$(34,386.66)

Copies of the 2011 budget are available upon request. Contact either Jerry Smith 475-6597 or Peggy May 472-7718-ext22.

**CHILDREN'S SABBATH**

On Sunday, October 16th at the 8:50 and 11:00 am worship services, our Church will celebrate the annual multi-faith National Observance of Children's Sabbath. Our theme this year is JUSTICE, JUSTICE SHALL YOU PURSUE; ANSWERING GOD'S CALL TO PROTECT CHILDREN with a focus on closing the achievement gap in education. We are fortunate to have our own Reverend Lynda Hepler as our preacher for this event. Reverend Hepler is our Minister of Children and Families. Following the 11:00am worship service, United Methodist Women will serve a luncheon in the CEC to support the Children's Sabbath day. Everyone is invited.

**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.

**Fall Fest**

**"Slime Time" Oct. 21st @ 6:30pm**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** bring a bag of candy, volunteer to work a game station, greet people, set-up / clean-up. Contact Lynda Hepler to help 472-7718.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAMS**

5:30 PM supper and 6:15 PM program.

- October 5 Feeding Children in Thomasville. Brenda Watford, Director of Child Nutrition Thomasville City School.
- October 12 - No Dinner (FPM)
- October 19 - "MATCH" (Mothers and their Children) Speaker - TBA
- October 26 - "Disciple Bible Outreach" Speaker - Dr. Mark Hicks  
*Dinner will cost \$6.50 per adult and \$4.00 per child children (preschool eat free); maximum for family is \$15.00. The deadline for reservations each week is Tuesday at 12 noon. Please call the church office: 336-472-7718. ALSO NOTE: EVERY-ONE needs to call into the church office to make reservations or to cancel standing reservations.*

**Opportunities Through The Week**

**SUNDAY, October 2**

- Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 29:16-27
- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Dr. Jim McGhee
- 11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
- 3:00-7:00 UMYF

**MONDAY, October 3**

- Daily Bible Reading-Psalm 33:13-22
- 6:15 Praise Team Rehearsal-Jarrett Hall
- 6:30 Trustees Committee meeting-parlor
- 7:00 Scouts

**TUESDAY, October 4**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 4:4-12
- 5:30 Chicks-JR. High Room
- 6:30 Stewardship Committee meeting-CEC

**WEDNESDAY, October 5**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 5:1-7
- 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, October 6**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 7:1-14
- 9:15 Disciple IV Bible Study
- 10:30 Chicks-Library
- NO Yoga

**FRIDAY, October 7**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 10:5-11
- 10:00-12:00 5th Quarter

**SATURDAY, October 8**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 10:12-20

**SUNDAY, October 9**

- Daily Bible Reading-Ecclesiastes 9:13-18
- Finch Preaching Mission Begins
- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Reverend Hudson
- 11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
- 3:00 Glow Kids
- 5:00-6:30 UMYF
- 7:00 Finch Preaching Mission

**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.

**Open Flower Dates:**

October 16, 23, 30 November 6, 13  
Call Beverly Myers 476-7621 to reserve a date



**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**

**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN KICKS OFF EARLY THIS YEAR!**

To assist the Finance Committee with more time to prepare the 2012 budget, the Stewardship Campaign will start and end earlier this year. It will be very briefly and gently introduced on the all-important Finch Preaching Mission Sunday, October 9. Since stewardship is an all-year round calling and we will be thinking with Reverend Trevor Hudson about the "Invitations of Jesus," we are praying that there will be added spiritual renewal and energy from the Finch Preaching Mission to invite us to a deeper commitment of our prayers, presence, gifts and service to the Lord. **Please note that this year for the first time you are being encouraged to pick up your Estimate-of-Giving card at the church on Sunday, October 16, 2011.** A Stewardship station staffed by members of the Stewardship Committee will be located in the foyer of Jarrett Hall before and after the 8:50am service, and in the Narthex of the sanctuary before and after the 11am service. Please go by the station to pick up your card. If you are unable to be with us on Oct 16, your card will be delivered by a canvasser to your home that following week. We hope that you will attend one of the two services on **COMMITMENT SUNDAY, October 30, 2011**, and bring your Estimate-of-Giving card to be dedicated at the altar. Cards can also be mailed to the church during that week. A church-sponsored **luncheon** will follow the 11am service. Please **RSVP no later than October 25** to be added to the lunch reservations list (call 472-7718).

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

**Ministers**

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| <b>IVAN H. M. PEDEN</b><br>Senior Minister    | <b>PEGGY A. FINCH</b><br>Associate Minister               |
| <b>RODNEY W. DENTON</b><br>Associate Minister | <b>LYNDA C. HEPLER</b><br>Minister of Children & Families |

**October Second, Two Thousand Eleven  
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**



Welcome to the family of God known as Memorial United Methodist Church. Here we believe all people are God's children and related to us through Jesus Christ. Please take time to fill out a registration form this morning. As it is passed back toward the center aisle prior to the Offering, use it to get to know persons seated near you. If you wish to become a member of this church, please indicate that. If you need to talk with a minister, write a notation on the bottom of the sheet and include your home and work phone numbers, or email address. We trust that you will experience the love and power of the risen Christ with us this morning.

Our Mission is to follow Jesus Christ as a caring community of believers who- enabled by God's Grace- seek to grow spiritually, share the Gospel, love and serve all people, and live the Christian faith in our daily lives.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**October 2, 2011** **11:00 A.M.**

**Morning Worship Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070**  
**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**GATHERING AND GREETING**

Prelude Mr. Brian Vannoy-Organist  
*All Creatures of our God and King*  
arr. Elery-Rogers

Lighting of the Altar Candles Ms. Abby Williams

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship Messick  
*Sing, My Soul*

+Greeting and Parish Notes 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 are all one family, made in the image of God.

**People: We are all one family, all over the world.**

Minister: We are all one family, each unique, each special.

**People: We are all one family, given gifts and talents to share.**

**All: We are all one family, united in love, united in peace, united in Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE**

\*Hymn of Invitation: UMH No. 547 *O Church of God, United*  
F. B. Morley/ELLACOMBE

Invitation to the Lord's Table: UMH page 12 The Reverend Peggy A. Finch

Confession and Pardon

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Finch Preaching Mission Moment Mrs. Ginger Cranford

The Offering

Offertory Anthem Pote  
*Come to the Table*

Doxology UMH, No. 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**

\*Prayer of Dedication The Reverend Rodney W. Denton

**THE WORD AND PROCLAMATION**

Children's Sermon The Reverend Lynda C. Hepler  
(Please join the Chancel Choir in singing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children move to the Chancel area for the Children's Sermon)

Scripture Lessons: Romans 8:22-25; Philippians 3:10-14 Reverend Denton

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Homily Dr. Peden  
"A Moving World"

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE**

\*Communion Hymn No. 618 *Let Us Break Bread Together*  
Afro-American spiritual/LET US BREAK BREAD

The Great Thanksgiving for World Communion Sunday Dr. Peden

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,

Always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Lord God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

You created for yourself a world filled with diversity

and blessed by your breath of life.

Rainbow colors bloom in spring,

summer breezes bring garden delight,

and now as Autumn comes our way

we see the work of your paintbrush upon every face and tree.

In mercy, while we still held to the chains of our winter,

of pride, self-righteousness, and historic egos

you loved us steadfastly and delivered us as babes

to reflect the beauty and diversity of your grace,

to bring us into a community of love, hope, and peace.

And so, with all your people on earth

in every place where two or more are gathered in your name

and all the company of heaven who have gone before us

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**  
**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

Your Spirit anointed him

to preach good news to the poor,

to proclaim release to the captives,

and recovering of sight to the blind,

to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

and to announce that the time had come

when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection

you gave birth to your church,

delivered us from slavery to sin and death,

and made with us a new covenant

by water and the Spirit.

He prayed that we might be one as he is one with you, Father

and he asked that we might be known

by the love we have for one another.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,

he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,

gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup,

gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant,

poured out for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,

in remembrance of me."

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,

and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ

that we, together as a new creation and a new community around the globe may be

for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit help the body of Christ be one.

Help the left hand and the right hand work as one in ministry to all the world.

Help the eyes and the ears sense your present and coming kingdom.

Bring the blessing of the diversity of the body to bear fruit

until Christ comes in final victory

and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,

all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the**

**power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Giving the Bread and Cup

**SENDING FORTH**

Prayer of Thanksgiving Reverend Finch

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response Welsh folk tune  
*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

\*Chimes of the Holy Trinity " in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

\*Postlude Martin  
*Postlude on the 'Dies irae'*

\*Please stand, as you are able.

+Please pass the attendance pads at this time.

**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	Debbie Hill
Wayne Leonard	Andrea Cain	Mike Schartiger
Jane Dorton	Ralph Link	Jody Ballard
Elaine Branson	Jay Lucas	Darby Crowder
Martha Johnson	Ann Pickett Shrishord	Evelyn Harris