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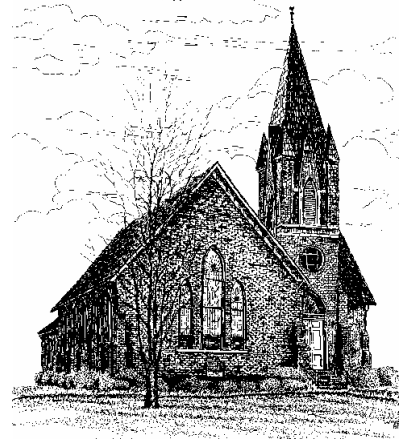
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Morning Worship: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

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January 19, 2010

From the Pastor

I've been reading an interesting book by Fred Kaplan, titled 1959: The Year Everything Changed. He points out that in 1959 the world entered the Space Age when the Soviets launched the first satellite to leave Earth's orbit, Civil Rights entered a new age when Atlanta was ordered to integrate buses and trolleys, Berry Gordy borrowed \$800 from family and friends to start Motown Records, the first two US soldiers were killed in Viet Nam, a major pharmaceutical company began work on the first oral contraceptive, the first practical business computer went on sale by IBM, and JFK began preparations to run for president.

I only listed a few of the events that he describes as happening in 1959. The significance of these events in shaping the world we live in 51 years later is immense. I don't remember the Lunik 1 or Pioneer IV spacecraft which both were sent into space in 1959, but I remember the powerful effect a few years later when Sputnik was launched. I remember the power of the "Space Race" as it shaped education and our fears of world war. I remember some of the changes as the Civil Rights movement began to grow. Each of the changes he lists has profoundly impacted the way we live today. How different would our society be without the personal computer? How different would life be if we hadn't seen the unrest and uproar caused by the Viet Nam conflict and all of the internal dissent that it set off? (My sister would say that the most important thing that happened in 1959 was that she was born, and who am I to argue?)

As I have read in the book, I have started to wonder about our lives. What year would *you* describe as "the year everything changed"? Maybe we need to think more of the *years* everything changed. For example, I might list 1969 as the year everything changed because that was the year I noticed Anna sitting across the room in French 102 at USC. I might list 1972 when we got married or 1979 when I left my teaching job and began seminary and full-time ministry. Some folks might think of the year they graduated, or the year they began their favorite job, or the year they retired. Each of us has some years that are of great significance for us.

One of the moments in the history of the world that changed everything can be seen in Luke 4:14-21. Of course, the course of world history had been changed about 30 years earlier at his birth, but the events in Luke 4:14ff tell of the public beginnings of his ministry. It was in Nazareth that he stood up in the synagogue, read the words of Isaiah, and announced that the scripture was being fulfilled in the hearing of those present there. From that moment everything in our world has been different. Looking back at the events of 1959 in the light of Jesus' advent we see some signs of the movement of God, and we also find ourselves wondering if someone didn't miss a call from God in a few places. Looking at our own lives in the light of the sermon in Nazareth, we see God working and guiding and changing (and we often see ourselves missing the message and going our own ways). The moment that changes each of us is the moment in which we realize that Jesus came for us and for our world, and that his presence will change us, and the whole world. Maybe we need to remember again how he's changed us—and let the moment we remember become another moment in which the everything changes—for the glory of God.

God bless each one, Gene Feagin, Pastor

Passionate Spirituality

Read the following three statements to see what they have in common. "I replace impure or inappropriate thoughts with God's truth." "I demonstrate honesty in my actions and conversation." "When the Bible exposes an area of my life needing change, I respond to make things right." These statements deal with inner qualities that demonstrate how we live as God's people. The real question is how much our lives are influenced by our understanding of the Word and our understanding of what God expects from us. How do you rate yourself on the 1-5 scale?

SUNDAY, January 24

Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time.....	9:30 a.m.
Children's Choir Practice	9:40 a.m.
Sunday School.....	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Biddy (5-9) Basketball Practice.....	3:00 p.m.
Acolyte Meeting	4-4:30 p.m.
Novice Dulcimers.....	4:00 p.m.
Beginner Dulcimers.....	4:30 p.m.
Biddy (5-7)Basketball Practice	4:30 p.m.
Council on Ministries	6:00 p.m.
Flower Ministry: Circle #4	
Lay Reader:	
Nursery Infants: Robbie Miller & Liz Brown	
Toddler Church: Janet & Marcus Broome	
Children's Church: Vicki & Chris Wood	
Acolyte: Rush Johnston	

MONDAY 25

Mite Girls Basketball Practice.....	6:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY 26

Mite Boys Basketball Practice	4:00-5:30 p.m.
Dulcimer Class	7:00 p.m.
Adult Basketball.....	7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 27

Mite Girls Basketball Practice.....	6:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir.....	7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 28

UMCOR Sewing Group	9:30 a.m.
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SUNDAY, January 31

Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
5 th Sunday, Sunday School Program & Breakfast	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Biddy (5-9) Basketball Practice.....	3:00 p.m.
Biddy (5-7)Basketball Practice	4:30 p.m.
Sr.Hi.UMYF.....	6:00 p.m.

USHERS FOR JANUARY: *Johnny McCoy, Melvin KcKeown, Julian Dickerson, Ronnie Cowart, Tommy Dickson, John Bailey.

TRUSTEES/JANUARY: Steve Boyd & Jamie Patterson

ALTAR GUILD/JANUARY: Judy Hanners

WELCOME VISITORS/JANUARY: Senior High Class

VISITOR CARDS/JANUARY: Susan Jones

PATH FOOD OF THE MONTH: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels (can't be purchased with food stamps)

Sunday School Attendance Jan 17:	116
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) Jan 17:	50
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) Jan 17:	113
Contemporary Worship Service Jan 17:	40

Due to the banks being closed for Martin Luther King's Birthday there is no financial report included in this week's newsletter.

VISITOR ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

Kathleen Messer, 755 Mitchell Road, York.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our prayers are with Isem Pennington, Louise Smith, John Smith, Geneva Warren, Havern & Helen Brindle, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, and Bebe Benfield.

Also, we remember Millie Byars, mother of Mary Jane Shuler recuperating from surgery; Doug Sexton, friend of Johnny McCoy; Marilyn Young, friend of Patsy Freeman; Jean Rena Walden, former Trinity member; Jean Whittington, friend of Renee Barker; Landon Pertuset, friend of Edgar Hardin; Harold Wilson, father of Alicia Breakfield; Jewel Stackley, mother of Johanna Sipe; Betty Beck, sister of Bunny Whitesides; Virginia Baker, sister of Jo Hammond; Dot Caldwell, sister of Anne Hipp; Kinsley James, and Mackenzie Decuir.

Mark your calendars for January 31. Our 5th Sunday School time will be a very special one. We will offer breakfast from 9:30-10:15 or so. Those who attend the early service can come after worship and enjoy breakfast. Those who come to the 11:00 service can come at their usual time, enjoy breakfast and then worship. We also are planning a special program from 10:10 to 10:30 as usual. Join us for this special 5th Sunday. Breakfast will be eggs, bacon, grits, hashbrowns, assorted muffins, juice, coffee and milk. Something for everyone! Come, eat and share in fellowship. Spread the word!

Acolyte Training: Alice will be holding a training session for all current and new acolytes this Sunday from 4:00 – 4:30. The purpose of this training is to show the new acolytes what to do and to teach all of the acolytes the religious meaning associated to what they do as an acolyte. Any child 2nd grade or older who is interested in becoming an acolyte along with anyone who is currently an acolyte should plan to attend.

Help for Haiti and UMCOR

The first call from UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief) is for prayer, next is for money, and then for health kits for Haiti. School kits will follow this call. If you or your group wishes to help with health kits, a list of what is in them can be obtained by going to www.umcor.org or by checking with Gene or Jill. You may turn completed kits into the church office. If you wish to make a donation, make your check to TUMC and mark it Haiti and the church will send in one check. 100% of what is given will go to the relief effort. NO administrative cost will be deducted.

Trinity members will begin sewing school bags on Thursday, January 28th. We will meet in the conference room at 9:30 A.M. People are needed who will cut the bags, pin them and folks who can sew. There will be several machines available. **However if you have a machine we can use, please bring it or let Jill know if you need someone to get it.** If you want to cut, bring your good scissors. We have not done this "operation" before, so be patient with us as we get a "good routine" going.

Thanks, Trinity!! You are a wonderful church family who loves their brothers and sisters around the world.

Spring at UMCOR/Sager Brown - Would you like to go to Sager Brown in April? They have spaces available for 12 folks the week of April 4 through 9. Travel dates would be April 3 through 10. Currently, this is the only time they have open for the year. If you are interested, let Bud Jones know as soon as you can.

ALICE'S CORNER

- The Church Basketball season is underway. What a thrill to see our children and youth playing and having fun together. Join them on a Friday night or Saturday.
- Salkehatchie Summer Service 2010 application forms are available in the office. This program is for youth age 14 years old by the starting date of their chosen camp. There are 48 camps to choose from this summer.
- SOUPER BOWL will be held February 7. The youth will be collecting soup cans and money in Soup pots to help fight hunger here in York School District #1. Our gifts will support PATH. Plan now to help and give.
- A Trinity Church Family and friends snowtubing trip is planned for Sunday, February 21. We will leave after Sunday School and go to Moonshine Mountain outside of Hendersonville, NC. We will take the church bus and carpool. The group rate is \$20.00 per person for 2 hours of tubing. Let Alice know if you are going.
- Many of our youth and their advisors will be attending Revolution, a Methodist retreat in Columbia this weekend. They will be worshipping with some 2300 other youth from around the state. The speaker is Rev. Lowell McNaney from Concord, NC and the featured band is the Robbie Seay Band from Houston, Texas.

BASKETBALL GAMES FOR THE COMING WEEKEND (JAN 22 & 23)

Team	Date & Time	Opponent		Location
Biddy (5-7)	Jan. 22 – 6:15 pm	Woodhaven Baptist	@	Ebenezer
Biddy A	Jan. 22 – 7:00 pm	St. Johns	@	OAPC
Biddy B	Jan. 22 – 7:45 pm	Bethesda	@	OAPC
Mite Girls	Jan. 23 – 11:00 am	Woodhaven Baptist	@	OAPC
Mite Boys	Jan. 23 – 9:00 am	OAPC-A	@	Tirzah ARP
Senior Boys	Jan. 23 – 1:00 Pm	First ARP	@	Ebenezer ARP