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CONSECRATION SUNDAY

This Sunday is a day of worship not to be missed as we share in a moment of making important faith decisions about our life together next year. This past year has been such a good year. It heightens our expectations for what is to come. Our average attendance at worship this year is 397 which is up from 380 last year and 367 in 2004. Our new service, 8:56 REJOICE, is providing a new worship option for our congregation and community. Certainly, it is a place where we anticipate growth. We continue to see God bringing new families into our church to share with us in ministry, thereby, enlarging the ministry we are able to offer to the community. Our giving to God for ministry has been stronger this year than in year's past. The renovation work continues in the Curry Building and the Building Committee is making good progress in being able to present plans for new physical space.

There is a sense that God is at work in our midst, doing new things, and drawing us into the future He has for us. This Sunday we will respond with gratitude in two ways. At each of the worship services there will be an opportunity for us to make an estimate of giving for the next year. What do we plan to give to God through our church next year? Also, there will be a way for us to answer the question, "Lord, what do you want me to do?" by indicating where we believe God is calling us to serve in the immediate future. What are we willing to do for God?

Be here Sunday. Your presence and response is important as we go forward into the future God has planned for us.

Bill

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
October 29, 2006
21TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:56 REJOICE
SERMON: "In Who's Name?"
SCRIPTURE: Mark 10:17-31
Rev. Hank Perry

9:00 & 11:00 AM WORSHIP
SERMON: " Two Rules "
SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 13:16
Rev. Bill Strickland

A Guide to Prayer **As you pray think about Jesus being in the room. How would you be before Him?**

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Lectionary Readings For This Week

Psalm 34:1-8..... Job 42:1-6,10-17
Hebrews 7:23-28.....Mark 10:46-52

SUNDAY EVENING…..6:00 PM

In the Sanctuary….*An Unstoppable Force.*

Time Change Reminder

Fall Back On Sat.

RHUMYF UPDATE

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What's Going On?

Here is what is going on in the next couple of weeks! Don't miss out!

THIS Sunday Night, October 29th

Is our 5th Sunday Service Project Night at Magnolia Manor. Meet us from 3:30-7:30pm (you might not want to wear your best clothes) for a night of service, fellowship, worship and fun with those who live in our own backyard!

Parent's Night Out

Our next Parent's Night Out is on November 4th! Youth, be sure to sign up, Adults, please help us get the word out and enjoy a night out!

Sunday, November 5th

Youth on Sunday night, November 5th will be meeting out at the Odom's Home in Heron Point. Be sure to meet us there for a great night out in God's beautiful creation! We will meet during normal time of 5:30-7:30pm. (Youth Choir will still meet at 4:45 at RHUMC and Todd will bring choir members down to Heron Point. Parent's will still need to pick up their youth at the Odom's home).

Spaghetti Dinner…postponed

Our Spaghetti Dinner originally planned for November 5th has been postponed until a later date! Be looking for when this time of fellowship will be rescheduled!

21 days of Prayer…

This Sunday, October 29th is Consecration Sunday and it also marks 21 days before our church BBQ. Be looking for a 21 day prayer guide to be in this Sunday's bulletin. We will not only be praying for the BBQ, but we will be spending time consecrating ourselves before the Lord. We are to be exalting Him and getting our hearts ready before the Lord. True intercession flows out of intimacy with the Lord. Prayer is what unifies us as a body and I am looking forward to this time of praying in agreement with you!

Welcome New Members

Please join us in welcoming Margaret Hendrix of 26 Richmond Way who transferred her membership from Midway UMC after being there 30 years. 756-4787.

Barbara Sebay joined her husband , Philip with membership on Oct. 22nd. They reside at 231 Kelly Davis Rd. R.H. 756-2349.

Music Ministry Notes

Community Thanksgiving Service

An opportunity for Ecumenical Worship is coming soon to Richmond Hill. A Community Thanksgiving service is being sponsored by the South Bryan Christian Ministers Association and will be hosted by Ste. Anne's Catholic Church Sunday, November 19 at 7 PM. A dessert reception will follow in their new parish hall. At the end of a crazy BBQ weekend what could be better refreshment than time to gather, Worship and reflect on what all the work means to this congregation and our community. Come and join our Christian neighbors for this community event.

Calendar Reminders

Only 5 Wednesday rehearsals remain before the Children's Choir Christmas Musical, December 10th. If your children are involved please have them available for practice. Ensemble work is only that if the ensemble is all together.

October 29th – **No Youth Choir Rehearsal**

Pax,
Todd

756-6157 office, toddw@coastalnow.net

All Saints Sunday

November 5, 2006, is All Saints Sunday. At the 11:00 AM Worship Service we will observe this very special moment of worship. We will be calling the name of family members who have passed away since the last All Saints Day Worship last November. It is always a meaningful moment as we hear their names and remember how they have been a part of our lives and our community of faith.

As a family member of one of those we will be remembering, we want to invite you to be present and have your loved ones name called. Please call the church office at 756-2190 to have their name put on the list.

On All Saints Day we will gather around the Table of the Lord. Those who have completed the earthly journey feast in the heavenly place with our Lord. We hope you can be present.

Hero's Unmasked is for the whole family, not just for the children. We will have hot dogs from 6:00 to 6:30 then start our games. We are asking for a $2.00 donation for the hot dogs. There will be popcorn, fruit, and great games for the whole family. We will have a nursery for smaller children. Plus candy, lots and lots of candy!!! Be there Friday , Oct. 27th from 6:00-8:00PM.

Our Special Helpers
for October 29, 2006

Children's Moments

11:00 Service ..... Linda Messinger

Children's Church Leaders

9:00 a.m. ..... Heather Hammond
3 –K ..... Renee Morton
1st-2nd grade ..... Linda Thomas

Acolytes And Bible Bearers

9:00am..... Adrian Warren & Savannah Smith
Bible Bearer..... Leanna Laycock
11:00am ..... Ashley Harkness& Emily Pearson
Bible Bearer..... Brittaney Simonson

Attendance & Stewardship
for October 22, 2006

Sunday School .....
Youth Fellowship..... 40
8:56 Rejoice……..…..52
9:00 a.m. Worship 107
11:00 a.m. Worship 211
Worship Total 370

Weekly Budget Needs $12,715.23
Received 10/22/2006..... 9,659.00
Year to date contributions 526,458.75
Year to date budget needs 546,754.89
Year to date disbursements 500,726.35

Need for Renovation..... $100,000.00
Year to date contributions 85,898.45
Balance still needed..... 14,101.55
Year to date disbursements 10,566.55

We have a **Building Fund** and a **Renovation Fund.** Please make sure that you make a clear distinction on your check. **Building** or **Renovation.**

It's A Boy!

Congratulations to Rev. Tommy and Anna Fussell who gave birth to Seth David on Oct. 10th. He was 6 lbs,12 oz, and 20" long. Mom and baby are well.

Soup Kitchen Needs

The pantry needs pasta, spaghetti sauce and green beans. Thank you to John Bennett of Notch 8 BBQ for his faithful support.

A Hero is Born

On Friday, October 27th, the children's ministry will be leading "Heroes Unmasked." This celebration is different from our past fall festivals in that the theme of the night is not simply dressing up and getting candy in an alternative Halloween party, but rather to learn about many of the heroes of the Bible as they have fun (and get candy, of course). We are encouraging the children to dress up as their favorite heroes as well (that could be anything from a soldier to Spider-man). We hope that they see what it means to be a hero of the faith as they enjoy this time.

I would be remiss without giving special thanks to all that are participating in this venture, especially our children's coordinator, Jane Walden, who has taken leadership in making this night all come together.

We all hope that you will come out, bring as many kids as you can, and enjoy this opportunity to combine the fun of Halloween with the joy of learning about our faith. Let us all see what it means to really be a hero in the eyes of God!

- Hank

CHAIRS FOR THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

We have ordered new chairs for the Fellowship Hall. Hopefully they will be in before the BBQ. We have funds set aside for this project from donations people made a few years ago. However, we still need approximately $1,000 to finish the project. Each chair costs approximately $25.00 (tax included). If you would like to be a part of this project and donate one or more chairs, you may do so by either placing a check in the offering plate with "Chairs" on the memo line or by giving the donation to Sammie or Mary Ann at the Wednesday Night Live Meal. We think you will like the new look this will give our social hall. Thanks ahead for any contributions.

Please help make this year's **Silent Auction** our best ever! The clever and artistic donations in the past have made this part of our annual barbeque a lot of fun. We're calling on individuals, Sunday school classes, circles, youth and any other organized groups within our church to join us in a spirit of giving and creativity. Please call Mary Odom (727-4059) or Jana Perry (727-3091) with any questions. The donated items can be brought to the church or arrangements can be made to have them picked up. Thank you.

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This Week At RHUMC

Sunday, October 29, 2006
8:56 a.m.-8:56 Rejoice Worship Service, Fellowship Hall
9:00 a.m.—Early-Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:15p.m.—Bar-B-Q Chair Meeting, Fellowship Hall
4:00 p.m.—Youth Meet to go to Manor
6:00p.m.—Bible Study, Sanctuary

Monday, October 30, 2006

Tuesday, October 31, 2006
9:00 a.m.— Ladies Bible Study , Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m.—Disciple III, Library
3:30-5:30p.m.—H. S. Girls Small Group, 6th Grade

Wednesday, November 1, 2006
10:00-12:30am—Scrapbookers, Fellowship Hall
4:30-5:30p.m.—Worship Team,10th Grade Room
5:00 p.m.—Youth Bell Choir , Fisherman's .SS.
5:45 p.m.—Wed. Night Live, Fellowship Hall
6:30-7:15 p.m.—Youth Program, 10th Grade SS Room
6:15-6:45 p.m. — Children's Choir, Sanctuary
6:45-7:15p.m. — Children's Program
7:15 p.m. —Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
7:30-8:30 p.m.—9th Grade Girls Small Group
7:30-8:30 p.m.—Middle School Girls Small Group
7:30-8:30 p.m.—All Youth Boys Small Group

Thursday, November 2, 2006
5:00p.m. —Adult Bell Choir, Fisherman SS Room
6:30 p.m.—Disciple III, Library

Friday, November 3, 2006

Saturday, November 4, 2006
6:00-11:00p.m.—Parents Night Out, Fellowship Hall

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Skylar Swanson
Marie Kerrigan
Karen Quinlan
Betty Hansel
Crystal Ray
Joann Wendler
Arte & Geneva Davis
Evelyn Leach
Wanda Rice
Abigail Ogden
Laurel Biata
Herbert Calloway
Annie McInnis
Else Branham
John Balio
Richard Bodaford Sr.
Doris Helvey
Chan Sieg
Jean Barnett
James Berry
Thelma Doyle
Merle Fournier
Beth Norris
Shea Floyd
Dave Beard
Bashlor Family
Red Yarbough
Penny Lanett
Yves Halliburton
Alyson Magnum
James Pate
Sandra Pledger
John Bishop
Denise Hackney
Mary Lee Hodges
Betty Purvis Thomas
Wayne Atlman
Susan Altman
Anna North

FAMILY NIGHT LIVE!

Wednesday, November 1, 2006

MENU :

Covered dish. The church will furnish the chicken. No charge that night but you to make reservations so that we know how much chicken to purchase. Call Sammie at **756-6158** for reservations by Tuesday at noon.

PROGRAM:

CHOOSE: ***SECRETS OF THE VINE*** or ***GO FISH.*** Led by our Pastors

YOUR CHURCH STAFF

Bill Strickland.....Senior Pastor
Hank Perry.....Associate Pastor
Kristin Smith.....Youth Minister
Todd Wilson.....Music Minister
Sammie Williams.....Program Coordinator
Holland Morgan.....Organist
Susan Zipp.....Administrative Assistant
Beth Haight.....Secretary
Jerome Ruffin.....Custodian