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Our Vision: A growing body of Christ glorifying God and serving others.

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The Lake Junaluska Singers Dr. Melodie G. Galloway, Director In Concert Providence UMC Monday, July 26, Sanctuary



The Lake Junaluska Singers serve as musical ambassadors for the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church and travel nationally and internationally. This 16-voice ensemble presents concerts throughout the year at the Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center, along with performance tours. Concerts include classical, choral music, spirituals, comedy, and musical theatre. Bringing hope to the world through inspiring music is the primary focus of the Singers' ministry. The Lake Junaluska Singers will also perform at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center August 6, October 8 & 9, December 10 & 11. For more information visit www.lakejunaluska.com/singers.

Please plan now to come and attend this concert and bring friends for this event. Monday, July 26 at 7:00 in the evening in our sanctuary. The Junaluska Singers is a professional choir led by their new director, Dr. Melodie Galloway. You will not want to miss this wonderful evening of music! If you would be interested in hosting two of the sixteen singers for the night, please contact the music office at 704.366.7442.



We Welcome Dr. David Mosser Preaching Sunday August 1

David Mosser is currently the senior minister of First United Methodist Church, Arlington, Texas (Central Texas Conference) a congregation of 5000 members. He also teaches preaching at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, and his PhD. from the University of Texas was on "Rhetoric of the Books of Acts." Mosser's active ministry includes writing Bible curriculum for adults, and articles and book reviews for theological journals, and he serves as Editor of the Abingdon Preaching Annual

David will lead the Acts Bible Study Monday, August 2 in the Charter Annex. All are welcome.

In the Life of the Church

Every day many of the members of Providence offer themselves in ministry in a variety of settings in our community and beyond. The following is the account of one such outreach by a church member who had a different idea of how to engage students at one of our school sites. It is written by one of the students in the after school group. This letter was shared at a recent 8:30am worship service. The tie was presented to Mr. Jack Entwistle.

The Tale of the Traveling Necktie

The students in the After School Enrichment Program at Cotswold Elementary School were asked by their ASEP Director Ms. Edwards, if anyone would be interested in participating in a special project. Well, we all wanted to know "what kind of project". She said "A Lego Project." (cont'd page 3)

A Way of Life



A Summer Prayer

O God of every time and season
 we give thanks for rhythms of work and rest
 for places apart that mark our years
 for the eternal return of ocean waves
 for the defiant posture of mountains
 for the hiddenness of favorite coves
 for pilgrimages made and then homecomings.

O God, in this season we are grateful
 for sanity regained
 for blessings discovered
 for those who return to us
 and for those who leave.

Teach us, God of wonder and creation
 that your presence is woven into
 the comings and goings of our lives
 and having fled to our own lonely places
 let us return, with Jesus
 to live and work
 to heal and pray
 to worship and love.
 Amen.

Ken Carter
 (published in *Alive Now*, July/August, 2000)

A Note from Ken . . .

Ken Carter is preaching during the middle two Sundays in July at Boston University's Marsh Chapel. Boston University is a United Methodist-related institution, and the worship service each Sunday is broadcast on WBUR throughout New England. If you are near a computer and away from Charlotte, you can access the Sunday service (11:00 am) at www.wbur.org. You can also access a podcast of the sermons at <http://marshsermons.blogspot.com/>. An interesting connection: the benediction that Ken Carter shares each Christmas Eve ("The Work of Christmas") was written by Dr. Howard Thurman, former Dean of the Marsh Chapel of Boston University. Dr. Thurman, the grandson of slaves, was also a mentor to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who received his Ph.D. at Boston University.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS			
July 14	Psalm 15	July 23	Psalm 84
July 15	Amos 8.1-12	July 24	Colossians 2.6-15 (16-19)
July 16	Psalm 52	July 25	Luke 11.1-13
July 17	Colossians 1.15-28	July 26	Psalm 66.16-20
July 18	Luke 10.38-42	July 27	Ecclesiastes 1.2,12-14;2.18-23
July 19	Mark 11.17-25	July 28	Psalm 49.1-12
July 20	Genesis 18.20-32	July 29	Hosea 11.1-11
July 21	Psalm 10.12-18	July 30	Psalm 107.1-9, 43
July 22	Hosea 1.2-10	July 31	Colossians 3.1-11

Summer Bible Studies The Book of Acts
 Mondays, 7:00am and 11:00am 11:00am child care available
 Lunch follows. Sign up at the Welcome Center June - August 23.

WORSHIP at PROVIDENCE

Sunday, July 18

Preacher Rev. Tara Bain
Sermon "Paul's Story and Our Story"
Text Acts 9.1-9
Hymns No. 132 "Al My Hope Is Firmly Grounded"
 No. 468 "Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See"
 No. 451 "Be Thou My Vision"
Anthems "Draw Near to Me" by Johann Sebastian Bach
 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" arr. by Edward Boatner
 Soloist, Brad Crossley
 "All the Day Long" by K. Lee Scott
 Chancel Choir, 11:00

Sunday, July 25

Preacher Dr. Ken Carter
Sermon "Inclusiveness and a Missionary Church"
Text Acts 15
Hymns No. 529 "How Firm a Foundation"
 No. 377 "It Is Well with My Soul"
 No. 534 "Be Still, My Soul"
Anthems "*Benedictus*" from *Requiem* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
 Soloist, Sylvia Goodyear, 8:30
 "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"
 Chancel Choir, 11:00

*Submit VOICE articles Friday, July 23, 2010 for
 July 28 VOICE to cgrinham@providenceumc.org*

Local Missions **McCreesh Place** www.stpetershomeinc.org
 McCreesh Place is Charlotte's first supportive housing apartment community designed with sixty-four single room occupancy (SRO) units that are rented to formerly homeless, disabled men.
 In July we will support these men with **FRESH PRODUCE**. Donate home grown vegetables and fruits or buy extra at the Farmers Market! Please bring donations to the workroom, B132, behind the Welcome Desk. Donations delivered every Sunday afternoon in July. Contact Carol Shinn with questions at cshinn@providenceumc.org.

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 Right away, a large group of boys that love to build things using Lego Bricks, all rushed to talk to Ms. Edwards. I kinda sat back but where I could hear what Ms. Edwards was saying to the group.
 Ms. Edwards said that there was this man that wanted to come to our After School Program and teach children Robotics. I knew I wanted to be a part of the project, but there were no girls that seem to be interested. I later talked to my two friends, Zack and Abram, who are boys. We had all been in After School at Cotswold since Kindergarten, they were very interested in hearing more about what we would learn from this guy. Ms. Edwards was also excited (she love to play with Lego Systems also).
 We started to ask Ms. Edwards everyday when is he coming. She always told us that she had to work it out with him. Then in January, right after winter vacation, she told us that he would be coming on Wednesdays. She also told us that we had to really be good and respectful at all times, because this man was giving up his time to come to teach us. She also said that he was volunteering his time, and if we did not be on our best behavior, she would not allow us to continue to participate.
 The first Wednesday came, Ms. Edwards introduced Mr. Jack to the group. She called him "Mr. Entwisel," but none of us remembered what she had called him, we only heard Mr. Jack.
MR. JACK Mr. Jack is this really cool older guy that always came to our school wearing a suit and necktie. We knew that he must be someone really special because we just did not see people in After School dressed that way. Well, we found out over the next five months just how special he really is. He came every Wednesday at 4:00, he was never late and always had on a Necktie. I just want everyone to know that we all learned much more than "Robotics" from Mr. Jack. We learned how to work as a team, how to keep up with all of the materials we used, the importance of finishing a job before leaving it, and most of all to believe in ourselves.
 There were some real behavior problems that came up during our project, but Mr. Jack talked to the students who were acting out and they would always calm down. We never had to put anyone out of the group. He also had some more of his friends to come over to help him out from time to time. (They were from his church I think.)
 In May, we had to say good-bye to Mr. Jack. We planned a surprise party for him. We asked Ms. Edwards find a Lego Necktie for his present. She found and ordered it, when it came, it was a string of ribbon tied in a bow with the word Lego written over and over on it. We told her that that was not the kind of tie that Mr. Jack wear. Well she said we would have to find another one. Ms. Edwards kept putting off giving the tie to Mr. Jack, while she looked for another one. (three weeks) Then one day she told us that we had to make a tie. She bought all this material, and other stuff and started to make a necktie like the one that Mr. Jack wears. We all did a part and came up with this tie that may not be one that Mr. Jack will wear, but maybe he can look at it and remember all of us. Ms. Edwards had me to do the last part. We Love You Mr. Jack!
Cameryn Hines, 5th Grade

Children's Ministry

Assisting parents July 18
 8:30 Alice & Jeff Howard
 9:45

Infants Carrie & Tom Withrow
 1 yr olds Karen & Chad Kelley
 2 yr olds Jeanette & Ben Proffitt
 3 yr olds Susan & Lee Groves
 4 yr olds Robin & Tim Berkey
 K/TK A & B Tracy & Owen Smith

Assisting parents July 25
 8:30 Donna & John Hart
 9:45

Infants Kimberly & Britt Crane
 1 yr olds Kristi & Wesley Roark
 2 yr olds Miki & Andy Osherow
 3 yr olds Katy & Jason Wilder
 4 yr olds Phyllis & Kenny Lautenschlager
 K/TK A & B Julie & Andy Peach

Visitation Ministry

<p>July 18 First Time Visitor Nancy & Chuck Jamison Chris & Jordan Pierpont Bread Bakers Robin Ellis</p>	<p>July 25 First Time Visitor Sally & Ed Wells Ann & Gayle Wylie Bread Bakers Stacie Mobley</p>
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Youth News The youth will be leading a mission trip presentation on Sunday, August 8 during the Sunday school hour in the Chapel. All are invited. The youth will be sharing stories and pictures from both mission trips in June, Youth HOPE and Youth Choir and Mission Trip.

Youth Choir Music In Mission Tour Hollywood, SC

After a wonderful, hot, hard-working and fun-filled week, youth and adults have returned from Hollywood, SC with fond memories. Members of our youth and music ministries worked together to provide a music camp for the Pineland Community residents in Hollywood. Members of our youth choir also sang concerts for the members of the community as well as for the Ashley River Baptist Church. Many MANY thanks go to all those who prayed for us, who provided tents for shade, and especially for those adults who provided leadership for the week: Charlotte Judge, Teresa Dunn, Debby Reger, Sue Hungate, Laura Flowe, Emily Lupsor, Hal Shinn and Alex Kilka.

ATTENDANCE

June 27	8:30 am—110	11:00 am—404	Sunday School—579
July 4	8:30 am—190	11:00 am—257	Sunday School—N/A
July 11	8:30 am—132	11:00 am—398	Sunday School—469
	Youth Choir Music in Mission Trip—36		

CONTRIBUTIONS

June 27—	\$26,108	July 4—	\$25,941	July 11-	\$41,207
ANNUAL BUDGET 2010					\$ 1,860,685
Budgeted/Needed Through Week #28					\$ 1,001,907
Contributions Received Through Week # 28					\$ 963,715
Over/(Under) Current Budget Needs					\$ (38,192)

Crisis Assistance Thanks Providence

Crisis Assistance celebrated their 35th anniversary as the community's ministry to those in extreme poverty. The number of families in crisis started growing in late 2007. With the recession was the fear of not being able to keep up with the explosion in need. But Providence did not let that happen. Your support literally kept our lights on. Your love and support for our neighbors keeps us strong and keeps families in their homes. People like Providence give me faith. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Carol Hardison, Executive Director

Ties and Tees

Thanks to your generosity, Providence UMC donated 287 men's dress ties and 52 white T-shirts to Charlotte Rescue Mission in June! We appreciate your ongoing support of this local mission.

Providence Men's Softball Championship

The softball season came to an end with Providence standing atop the podium without a post season blemish to its record. In the title game, Providence team beat Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian 18-15 for the church league championship Sunday, June 27.

Pictured are: Jason Brown, Kenny Fuqua, Nathan Rantala (coach), Dan Owens, Jason Henry, Jason Wilder, Chris Bauer, Tim Fitz, Lee Jackson, Steve Bilon, David Dunn and Jeff Volpp. Others on the team not pictured are: Matt Cox, Jeff Duncan, James Easley, TJ Hooper, Grant Jeffries, Brett Logan, Wes Harkins, Jason Wishnefsky and Jim Wright.

Support the 2010 Providence Auction & Attic Sale Help Raise Money for Haiti Missions

Clean your closets now and mark your calendar for the August 27 Silent/Live Auction and the August 28 Attic Sale. "We are very excited to be working with our church on such a fun event that will delight shoppers, create meaningful opportunities for volunteers and raise money to support our Haiti Missions," says this year's chairs Ginger Marr and Cathy Smith. Each division of the Attic Sale, like sporting goods, holiday, boutique and accessories, furniture, and kitchen has a chairperson who is working with a team of volunteers to arrange, stage and price thousands of treasures. Donated items are filling the Elizabeth Lee Center. The Silent/Live Auction is sure to be a memorable occasion with Wanda Musgrave and her experienced team of auction volunteers. To arrange to have your items picked up, ask questions or volunteer, contact ythe church 704.355.2823 or visit the PUMC Welcome center. We also need clothes racks for the sale. Please call if you have one we can borrow.

Donations may be brought to the church during work hours, now until Thursday, August 26. There is drop-off assistance at the church lower level on Sundays, July 25 and August 1. On August 8 the drop-off assistance area will be moved to the front entrance by the Welcome desk.

GS Junior Troop #1463 Says Thank You


Thank you for supporting our troop in our recent Bake Sale to raise funds for the Humane Society. The bake sale allowed us to donate \$75 to help homeless animals in our area, the focus of our Take Action community project. Your ongoing support of our troop and our efforts to make the world a better place are greatly appreciated.

Attention Vacation-Goers

We want your hotel toiletries! When traveling consider donating your hotel shampoo, conditioner, lotion, and soap to Room in the Inn and Family Promise programs. Place your donations in the breezeway armoire. Thank you! Contact Carol Shinn at cshinn@providenceumc.org.

Prayers for Peace and Safety

We pray for all persons serving in the military, for their safety and protection, and for their families, that they would be encouraged, **Dan Adair, Sean Barrow, Greg Fisher, George Gouge, Jonathan Hendrick, Tom Jewell, Bill Keever, Troy Ledford and John Wesley Montgomery, IV.** *If aware of PUMC members serving in the military, please call 704.714.9368.*

 <p>A Stephen Ministry Congregation</p>	<p>BUSINESS OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER 704.714.9366</p>
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