



FPC News

First Presbyterian
Church

October 15, 2008

CUOC Offering October 19th!

We Need the Following:

canned tuna or salmon
saltines
peanut butter
packets of grits or oatmeal
other cereal
any vegetables, especially:
 corn
 potatoes
 green beans
macaroni and cheese
canned pasta
spaghetti
tomato sauce

The painting of "The Renaissance Lady" is given to First Presbyterian in loving memory of Mrs. Ethel Spaugh Heins by her daughter Isabel Heins Lawrence and her husband, William W. Lawrence. "Miss Ethel" was choir director for many years in the 1940's and 50's and served as moderator of the Women of the Church as well. She loved this church and all the folks in it, and especially her Youth Choir to whom she served ice cream, Milky Ways and encouragement as well as music.

This painting is a copy of a renaissance masterpiece from the 13th-14th centuries. It was copied by "Miss Ethel's" great-grandson, William Thaddeus Lawrence, when he was an art student at Wingate University. He is now an art teacher at Hillside High School in Durham, NC.

My own experience in growing up in this church has been a life time of blessings from giving my life to Christ at 12 years old under "Mr. Gib" to catechism memories that still come forth automatically.

May this gift be a blessing and joy for all who pass by.

20 Things You Can Do For Peace In Your World

4. *Make a home-safety plan free from guns; explain gun danger to your kids.*

Halloween Carnival

The Christian Education Committee will host the annual Halloween Carnival on Sunday, October 26th from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. in the Harper Center for all kids through 5th grade. We will have a hot dog supper beginning at 4:30 p.m., lots of games and prizes! Wear you're your Halloween costume and bring a friend!

Treasurer's Report

September 2008

	<u>Jan-Sept 08</u>	<u>Jan-Sept 07</u>
Income		
Operating Income	<u>336,102</u>	<u>342,122</u>
Total Income	336,102	342,122
Expense		
Witness	23,460	20,310
Administration	176,523	182,361
Property	152,191	102,588
Worship	4,959	4,728
Christian Education	11,708	13,387
Congregational Care	2,339	1,186
New Membership	0	86
Stewardship	645	1,212
Building Loan Payment	<u>21,277</u>	<u>62,677</u>
Total Expenses	393,103	388,535
Net Income	(57,001)	(46,413)

Financial Update

"It's Time to Be Mortgage Free" Status (through 9-30-08)

Pledged:	\$270,413.56
Collected:	\$372,829.84
Match Received:	\$348,064.68
Paid Against Loan Principal:	\$769,825.20
Mortgage Balance:	\$469,107.73

Please note that our efforts to pay off the debt on the Harper Center have been generally successful. However, the two year Mortgage Reduction Campaign does run through February. Let's renew our resolve to complete the giving of our outstanding pledges which are about \$55,000.

As usual, giving for Operations has been down during the summer months and maintenance costs have been high. Our giving in response to what God has done for us will keep our building in operating condition and our mission, benevolence, youth and education programs effective

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards and calls during my recent illness. They meant so much to me. What a wonderful, caring church family!

Love,
Marlene Miller

Congratulations to Carmen & Jonathan Westbrook on the birth of their daughter, Eva Laura Lynn born September 27th. Eva has one brother, Jack. The Westbrook family is now living in Hawaii where Jonathan is stationed.

We thank you for your concern following the death of my brother, Jack Spivey. Your cards and visits have meant so much to us during this time.

Thank you and love to all.

Mary Brown & Family

An adult Spanish class will begin in October if we can get enough people interested. The class will be offered on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-6pm. There will be a \$5 registration fee and a monthly fee of \$30. Call Rhonda in the church office at 775-5216 ext. 235 to register. Space is limited, so call soon!

What's Happening in October??

Wed., Oct. 15 - 10:15am CDC Chapel; 10:30am Seniors Choir; 12pm Singles' Luncheon; 6:30pm Contemporary Choir; 7:30 Choir Practice

Thurs., Oct. 16 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

Fri., Oct. 17 - 9:30am Staff Meeting

Sat., Oct. 18 - 8:30am Lee Co. Hunger Walk begins in Harper Center parking lot; 3pm Pastor retirement service - Harper Center

Sun., Oct. 19 - 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 5pm Stephen Ministers/Leaders Meet; 6pm Youth

Mon., Oct. 20 - 6:30pm Ladies Night Dinner

Tues., Oct. 21 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting; 7pm Bible Study

Wed., Oct. 22 - 10:15am CDC Chapel; 6:30pm Contemporary Choir; 7:30 Choir Practice

Thurs., Oct. 23 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

Fri., Oct. 24 - 9:30am Staff Meeting

Sat., Oct. 25 - 6pm Pastor Appreciation Banquet - Harper Center

Sun., Oct. 26 - 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 4pm Halloween Carnival; 4pm Witness Comm., Congregational Care Comm.; 4:30pm Christian Ed. Comm.; 7:30pm Committees Meet

Mon., Oct. 27 - 10am Bible Study

Tues., Oct. 28 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting; 7pm Bible Study

Wed., Oct. 29 - 10:15am CDC Chapel; 6:30pm Contemporary Choir; 7:30 Choir Practice

Thurs., Oct. 30 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

Fri., Oct. 31 - 9:30am Staff Meeting

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