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DAN'S DOODLES

“A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.” (John 4:23,24).

These words of Jesus to “the woman at the well” are a wonderful reminder to us of the importance of “passionate worship”! Jesus indicates that worship which pleases the heart of God must grow out of an attitude that is both earnest and genuine. In fact, Jesus tells us that God is SEEKING persons who willingly desire to honor Him with a worship that is passionate! For me that means our worship experience must connect us with the heart of God! It must touch both our mind and our heart. And friends, that is a daunting task.

“Passionate worship” reflects a love relationship with the person of Jesus Christ. It is the “thank you” to God that refuses to be silenced. (Passionate) “worship is the voluntary act of gratitude offered by the saved to the Savior, by the healed to the Healer, and by the delivered to the Deliverer.” (Max Lucado).

My heart’s desire, and that of our worship team, is to provide a worship experience that gives you/us the opportunity to be passionately related to Jesus Christ! So, here’s the deal:

WHAT MAKES WORSHIP PASSIONATE FOR YOU?

Beginning the first Sunday in October you will have the opportunity to express your thoughts on this in written form and make that available to our worship team. We want to “find a way or make a way” to offer a worship experience that is connecting us with the heart of God from week to week in our worship. We won’t be able to satisfy everyone, but we want to be sensitive to the worship needs of God’s people. God bless you/us in this endeavor.

**GOD IS SPIRIT AND HIS WORSHIPERS MUST
WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH!**

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OCTOBER GREETERS

*October 4 - Peggy McNeary &
Sally Burke*

October 11 - Sherry Austin Family

*October 18 - Becky Story &
Annette Robertson*

*October 25 - Sallyanne Naile &
Annette Robertson*

COMMUNION AT THE MANOR

We will serve Holy Communion at the Charleston Manor on Wed., October 7, 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

15th ANNUAL ALL-CHURCH BARBEQUE

Our 15th Annual All-Church Barbeque will be held on Friday, Oct. 2, 2009, 11:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults & \$4.00 for children. This fundraiser has been helpful toward meeting our church's financial needs. Please make every effort to help when asked. Stephen & Carol Jane Burke & Lee Ann Cullison will serve as chairpersons this year.

BETH MOORE SERIES

The Beth Moore DVD Bible Study series on Daniel continues Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. at the parsonage. We will meet till 8:00 p.m. Please read Daniel, chapter 10 ahead of time. Thanks. All are welcome!

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL MINISTRY

The "Upper Room" devotional ministry continues on Monday. You are welcome to attend at either 7:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. Bring your Bible and your copy of the Upper Room. Copies are still available in the outer foyer. We meet at the front of the sanctuary.

UMW NEWS

The United Methodist Women will meet Wednesday, October 7, 9:30 a.m., at Becky Story's.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Halloween Care Packages, for our college students, will be assembled in mid October. If you would like to donate to this project, please bring your treats to the church office during the first two weeks in October. Also, all the college addresses Vonna Hunter had were destroyed in the fire, so please call her with your student's address. Thank you!

HARVEST CELEBRATION

The Education Committee is hosting an all-church "HARVEST CELEBRATION" Sunday, October 25, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. on the church grounds. Everyone come and bring your lawn chairs or blankets, your own sticks to roast wieners & marshmallows, your smiles & your willingness to have fun. This is for everyone! (In case of rain we will meet in the Family Life Center.)

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you so much for the Prayer Shawl.

With Gratitude,
The Nellie Gage family

Dear Church Family,

Thanks for paying my way to church camp. I love it. I go every year and have more fun every year too. Vacation is put off for us to go to Church camp. It's always a lot of fun, so thanks a lot.

Mari McNeary

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for paying for my attendance at Blue Mountain. I have an enormous amount of fun every year. It is always a highlight of my summer. This past year was my 4th time going, and I have appreciated every minute I've been there. Thanks to you.

Wilson McNeary

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for helping to send me to church camp. It is so much fun, and there are so many wonderful people there. It's really a spiritual experience. Last Sunday we went to a Cardinals game and we took one of my friends from camp who lives near St. Louis. Thank you so much for the time we spend at Blue Mountain and the chance to do all the great things we do there.

Maggie McNeary

Dear Friends,

We are safe in Quebec and have been a week in our classes. French is very challenging for us, especially with home schooling and learning our way around. We are required to attend a French church so we can learn the vocabulary we will need to witness to people, but we don't understand much yet. We are greatly encouraged when we remember your prayers and support. We deeply appreciate you and remember you in our prayers.

God Bless!

Nancy & David Burton

Pastor Dan & Church family,

Thanks so much for keeping me in your prayers. The visits and cards were very much appreciated, as a patient at Bertrand Nursing Facility. I still have a long way to go and with the Lord's help I'll sure keep trying.

In Christ's love,
Shirley Jeffries

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Minds, Open Doors*

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DISCIPLES**

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A DIFFERENCE**

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Vonna Hunter
- 2 - Dorothy McDowell
- 4 - Holt Dugan, Thomas Starr & Abby Malugen
- 5 - Brittany Stack, Ruthe Blackwell & Wesley French
- 6 - Nancy Thurmond & Peggy McNeary
- 7 - Myrtle Austin, Lisa Brewer & Nolan Adkisson
- 8 - Charlotte McNeary & Yoshio Yamashita
- 10 - Debbie Corse
- 11 - Scarlett Goodin
- 14 - Drake McNeary & Ed Hankinson
- 15 - Graham Whitehead & Martha Ann Keener
- 17 - Mac McInnis
- 18 - Terry Hequembourg & Lena Lisbony
- 19 - Anna Marie French, Benj. B. Moore & Lynne Hanor Ferrell
- 20 - Jennifer Keener & Kiley Brown
- 22 - Alicia Combs
- 24 - Mary Jane Whitehead
- 26 - Corinne Huls
- 27 - Brenda French, Dana McClain, Elliott Williams & Sally Michael
- 28 - Susan Jespersen
- 29 - David Brewer

