

Messenger

Hillyer Memorial Christian Church

March 3, 2010



Preacher Ponderings by David Mallory

We human creatures are fixers, aren't we? When the button pops of our favorite shirt, we grab the needle and thread. When the kitchen sink starts that irritating drip, we run to the hardware store to purchase a new gasket. When our child falls off his bike and skins his knee, we immediately pull out the Neosporin and a Sponge Bob band-aid. We are fixers. Except when it comes to fixing the soul. Because when it comes to fixing the brokenness of another, those hurts are often beyond our ability to repair.

Some months back, I was stopped at a traffic light on Glenwood Avenue when I looked across the lane and notice a young woman in the vehicle next to me. She was alone, looked to be in her 30s, well dressed. There was nothing remarkable about her, except that her face was damp. At first I thought it was perspiration, but then I saw how her eyes were red and swollen. She was weeping. All kind of scenarios raced through my mind. Had she lost her job? Had she gotten in an argument with a friend? Had she just received some terrible news? From her sobs, it was obvious that something in her life was broken and my heart wanted to fix it. However before I could react, the light changed and she blended in with the other weary souls driving down Glenwood Avenue.

Jesus was able to fix a lot of folks. From the physically maimed to the spiritually wounded, he offered healing to a world of brokenness. But even he had his limitations. As he hung on the cross, the mortal Jesus did the only thing he could. "Father," he prayed, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Over the last few weeks I have often thought about that woman. I have berated myself that I could not fix her plight. But then I decided that perhaps the best thing we can do for the brokenness of others is to do what Jesus did. Pray for them. Think about it. See ya Sunday.



Appalachian Service Project Chili Luncheon

Sunday, March 7
noon in the Fellowship Hall
Other Options: Veggie Chili or PB&J
Take out is \$10.00 per quart or
you can dine in for a freewill offering
All proceeds support the
ASP mission team trip
to Appalachia in September

Coastal Plains District Dinner Tuesday, March 9 6:30 p.m.

Wilbanks Christian Church
Wilbanks, North Carolina

A time to gather with our sister
Disciples churches
for fellowship and food

Cost of the dinner is \$7.00 and
is payable at the door

Hillyer will be providing transportation.
Call the church office if you need a ride.

The purpose of this church shall be as revealed in the New Testament, to win people to faith in Jesus Christ and commit them actively to the church, to help them grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ that increasingly they may know and do His will, and to work for the unity of all Christians and with them engage in the common task of building the Kingdom of God locally, nationally, and globally.

In Our Church Family . . .

In the hospital:
Edna Boone -
WakeMed Rehab



Date change of Official Board meeting . . .

The date of the March Official Board meeting has been changed from March 21 to March 14. It is imperative that we have a quorum at this meeting so every Board member is strongly encouraged to be in attendance.

Is it that time already? . . .

Yes it is!

Daylight Savings
Time returns soon.
So before you go to
bed on Saturday,
March 13, set your
clocks *forward* one hour or you
will be late for worship.



In the Mail . . .

I want to thank my Hillyer family for all the support during my fight with Cancer. Between all the cards, phone calls and prayers, I am now in remission. I miss seeing you all, my staying at my daughters in Wendell has been extended. I have been here eight weeks and it looks like another month or so before I can come home to Raleigh. I hope to see you all at church soon. Wait till you see my head there is hair there.

I wanted to thank everyone personally but then David would have to change next weeks messenger to the Jan Lionetti thank you book — so I will only say the name of one to thank and that is GOD. All I have ever wanted was GOD'S will.

Jan Lionetti

Rev. Allison Lanza to visit Hillyer . . .

The Associate Minister Search Committee will be introducing Rev. Allison Lanza to the congregation on the weekend of March 6-8. Rev. Lanza is currently completing a two year Transition into Ministry program at St. Andrew Christian Church in Olathe, Kansas. She is a native of Ft. Worth, Texas completing her undergraduate work at Trinity University in San Antonio and her seminary work at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. During her time in seminary, she worked with youth and children at Vine Street Christian Church and Woodmont Christian Church. She has extensive experience in church camps and conferences and ministry to the homeless. Rev. Lanza will be attending both worship services on Sunday. She will join us for the ASP chili luncheon after the 11:00 a.m. worship hour. She will also participate in youth activities on Sunday night and DSF on Monday evening. Make your plans to come and meet Rev. Lanza. If you have other questions, members of the Associate Minister Search Committee are Betsy Meldau, Chair, Pete DeVisser, Jon Churn, Tammy Orebaugh, Lee Willoughby-Harris, Kim Morris, Stephen Mayberry and Robert Mallory.

Calling all Sunday School Classes . . .

During the Sunday School hour this Sunday, March 7, all adult classes are invited the Fellowship Hall for a time of listening and sharing with Allison Lanza, our candidate for the vacant Associate Minister position. We will begin promptly at 10:15 a.m. Persons who may not be affiliated with a Sunday School class are also invited to attend.

Recent Memorial Gifts . . .

During the month of February, gifts were given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Jack Daniels, Kathy Ward, and Richard Watts. Memorial and Endowment gifts are always welcome. Each gift is recorded at the church and acknowledged to the family. These funds continue to grow through the generosity of those who offer these gifts in memory and honor of loved ones.

Socks and Shoes for Mexico . . .

On Sunday, March 7 our Mexico Mission Team will be in the church Fellowship Hall collecting new athletic socks and/or gently used athletic shoes (size toddler through men's size 9) for the people of Miguel Aleman, Mexico. The Team will deliver these donations during their week in Mexico. Additionally, at our 11:00 a.m. service on March 7, we will commission these servants for their work

YES fund in need of contributions . . .

Summer youth camps are right around the corner. The Hillyer YES fund provides scholarships for youth and children who cannot afford to pay the cost of camp. If you would like to support this important ministry, make your check out to Hillyer and in the memo line write "YES fund."

Cookbooks available . . .

There are still CWF cookbooks available. They are only \$16.00 and make great birthday gifts. You can purchase a cookbook through the church office. All funds from cookbook sales provide scholarships for Hillyer members to participate in Hillyer mission trips.

Youth News . . .

Puppy DAWG — Last Call for Puppy DAWG registrations. The forms can be found



on-line or outside of the Youth Lounge. Puppy DAWG is a weekend version of the CYF summer mission trip, DAWG, and FCC Greensboro will be hosting the event. It is a regional-wide event so please spread the news. The total cost for the whole weekend (3/12-3/14) is \$30. We will be leaving the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 12. Please turn your form into the church office if you are interested in going. Contact Luke for any questions.



Chi Rho Sunday School class challenge —

For the month of March, the Chi Rho Sunday School class will be holding an attendance incentive contest. For those four Sundays, there will be prizes awarded for the Chi Rhoers who are most faithful in their attendance to Sunday School. Make your plans now to be there! Prizes will be announced in the coming weeks.



Disciples Student Fellowship . . .



DSF will be meeting at Hillyer on Monday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be provided by the Disciples Sunday School Class. Currently, we are learning what the Sabbath means to a busy college student. Please let Luke know if you need a ride to the church. Join us and we promise you will leave both full and fulfilled!

DSF needs a host. Could it be you? Are you looking for a way to feed some hungry college students? Well then, we need you! We are looking for a host on March 29. Please let Luke know if you are interested.

North Carolina Regional Assembly . . .

“One Dream, One Church” is the theme of this year’s Regional Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of North Carolina. This Assembly will be held April 16-18 in Wilmington, North Carolina. The focus of this event will be to provide historical information about the three strands of the Stone/Campbell movement in North Carolina and the efforts being made to reconciled these three strands into one. Cost for the event is only \$30 if you register before March 19. Registration forms are located in the information racks outside the Sanctuary and outside the church office.



Sprinkle Lectures to be held at Barton . . .

Dr. Stephanie Paulsell, Houghton Professor of the Practice of Ministry Studies at Harvard Divinity School, will be the guest lecturer for the 2010 Sprinkle Lectures to be held at Barton College March 8-9. Dr. Paulsell will speak on *Literature and the Pastoral Imagination*. Lectures will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 8 and at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9. Both lectures will be held in Hardy Alumni Hall and are free and open to the public. A luncheon will follow Dr. Paulsell’s lecture on Tuesday with a \$5.00 fee for the meal.

CALENDAR of events

Saturday, March 6

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday, March 7

8:30 a.m. Grace & Peace Singers
9:00 a.m. Informal Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Cherub Choir
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
12:00 p.m. CWF Cabinet
12:00 p.m. HiYA Luncheon
12:00 p.m. ASP Chili Luncheon
4:30 p.m. Handchimes
4:30 p.m. Celebrate! Youth Choir
5:00 p.m. Body Sculpting
5:15 p.m. Youth Handbells
5:15 p.m. Alleluia Choir
6:00 p.m. Snack Supper
6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
6:30 p.m. KIDS-to-KIDS, JYF,
Chi Rho, and CYF
7:30 p.m. Elders’ Meeting

Monday, March 8

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Grace & Peace Singers
7:00 p.m. DSF (Church)

Tuesday, March 9

10:30 a.m. Mayview Visitation
11:15 a.m. Meals on Wheels
6:30 p.m. Coastal Plains
District Meeting
(Wilbanks CC)

Wednesday, March 10

12:00 p.m. Prayer Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
6:30 p.m. Pastor’s Class

Thursday, March 11

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
7:30 p.m. Community Chorus
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday, March 12

Puppy DAWG begins

Saturday, March 13

**Mexico Mission
Team departs**

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Do you have a prayer concern to share?



The Prayer Fellowship meets at noon each Wednesday in the Genesis Classroom. Participants bring their lunch, share prayer

concerns and sign cards to send to members, families, and friends. One of our ministers is present and a devotion is offered by one of our participants. The meeting closes with time spent in prayer. You are welcome to attend either weekly or on a periodic basis.

You may share prayer concerns by calling the church office or by notifying one of the Elders or Ministers.



The Steward's Corner

Week of Compassion
Special Offering
(through February 28)
\$1,591.00

Servants

March 7

Elders at the Table

Bread - John House

Cup - Mark Prak

Homebound Communion -

Alan Winchester & Dick Goudie

Home Visitation

Lynn & Deborah Pendleton

Prayer Fellowship

March 10 -

Rowena Southern

Diaconate

Captain - Martha Fletcher

Corene Allen	Elizabeth Allen
Barry Bridges	Reese Bridges
Patricia Crawford	Susan Demaree
Scott Dickinson	Tyler Dickinson
Lenora Evans	Grant Fletcher
Nick Heath	Janice Mobed
Tom Morton	Sunshine Evans-Salter
Wanda Stephens	Alfred Talton
Dawn Talton	Neil Talton

Douglas Thompson

Samantha Thompson	Alex Ward
Judy Williams	Nick Williams

(For assignments, please check the Diaconate link at www.hillyerchurch.org)

Child Care

Nursery - Betty Williams

Toddlers - Sharon Richardson

3 and 4's - Amy and Robert Mallory

Acolytes

Coordinator - DeVisser family
Ashlyn DeVisser & Sadie Brothers

Children's Church

Chelsea Miles / Jennifer Simon

Vital Statistics

2/28

9:00 a.m. Worship	41
11:00 a.m. Worship	235
Total attendance	276

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Church Staff

Senior Minister	David Mallory
Interim Associate Minister	Luke Miles
Director of Children's Ministries & Youth Music	Susan Gray
Administrative Secretary	Darlene Tafoya
Financial Secretary	Donna Moore
Director of Music	Paul B. Conway
Organist	Mark Wildcherry
Director of Handbell Choirs	David Brown
Director of Grace & Peace Singers	Kathi Gillaspay
Church Hostess	Polly B. Grimes
Custodian	Antonio Johnson
Nursery Attendants	Rebekah Dunstan Rohma Baloch

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