

RIDGE RAMBLINGS

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The monthly newsletter of:
Chestnut Ridge United Methodist Church Efland, NC

Ridge/Garden Charge Conference

This year brings significant change to how our annual Charge Conference is conducted. Along with Clover Garden we will meet at Hebron UMC on November 6, 2008 for our Burlington District presentations. Prior to this event, our Committees have been gathering information and

preparing their reports. Burlington District Superintendent, Bill Gattis will officiate.

Place:
Hebron UMC,
2325 Mebane Oaks Rd.
Mebane, NC

Time:
5:45 PM
Pastor Sang/Joint PPRC
meets with Bill Gattis, DS

7:00 PM
Begin Ridge/Garden
Charge Conference
7:30 PM
Refreshments
8:00 PM
Worship
8:30 PM
Begin Hebron
Charge Conference

EFLAND COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Chestnut Ridge UMC is blessed to be partners with several Efland area churches in providing special worship services at Thanksgiving and Easter. Services rotate between:
Chestnut Ridge UMC,
Efland Presbyterian Church
Efland UMC
Gaines Chapel AME Church
McCoy's Temple
United Holy Church.

This is an inspiring evening event of worship and sharing of the Lord's Supper. Pastors and Laity from the respective churches take part in presenting the gospel while the joint choir and special music lifts our spirits and hearts. We come together with our fellow brethren in celebrating God's greatness and goodness.

After the Worship Service, refreshments are served as we mingle and get to know our neighbors in a Spirit of gratitude and Thanksgiving.
When: Nov, 23, 2008
Where:
**Mc Coy's Temple
United Holy Church
204 Tinnen Rd
Efland, NC**
Time: 6:00 PM
Please bring a non perishable canned food item for OCIM



October 25th

HALLELUJAH NIGHT (SLIME TIME FESTIVAL)

This year we took a leap of faith and set out to combine a condensed Vacation Bible School (Slime Time Festival) with the more traditional Halloween festivities of Trunk or Treat, Cake Walk and family fun night.

The Slime Time Festival featured a photo op by Joan Cecil and Dr. Gizmo's lab, expertly manned by Wade Allen.

The young people in their festive costumes then

moved to multiple games and stations set up in the fellowship hall. During this time, the adults were shown an inspirational film in the sanctuary.

Afterwards a hot dog supper was enjoyed by all. Anticipation built through the Cake Walk as the cakes were selected one by one. The \$1 per walk fee will benefit our Youth activities.

To round off the evening, a fire pit offered light and

warmth in the parking lot behind the church. The eager participants went from decorated vehicle to vehicle as they practiced the age old tradition of trick or treat.

We give thanks to the many volunteers who made this event possible but especially Deborah Elmore, the coordinator. We extend a special thank you to our Clover Garden UMC brothers & sisters for their support.

Getting to know our Duke Divinity Ministerial Intern



We are excited to have Loletuth Flener as our Duke Divinity Intern. Loletuth comes to us from Hartford, Ky. She is the daughter of a United Methodist Pastor and grew up in the church.

Loletuth has two sisters, one older, and one younger. She earned her BA in Christian Ministries and her AA in Early Childhood Care and Development from the Lindsey Wilson College in Columbia, Ky. Loletuth is currently in her second year at Duke Divinity School working towards her MDiv. On completion, she plans to return to Kentucky to serve as a pastor in the United Methodist Church.

Loletuth loves to travel and has served in churches across the United States and in Europe. She has spent two summers in Colorado and one summer in Macedonia. During this time she preached, worked with the youth and children's programs and helped with social outreach initiatives.

We are so fortunate to have Loletuth with us for the next 6 months. She will be working with Sunday morning activities and other duties under Pastor Sang's guidance and leadership. Starting on November 2, 2008 (9:45AM) Loletuth will begin a Six Week Bible Study on Colossians. It is hoped the members of the Golden Oaks and Faith Walker's Sunday School classes will take part in this bible study and invite their friends and neighbors to join in.

THIRD THURSDAYS AT CHESTNUT RIDGE CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

Chestnut Ridge UMC is fortunate to have Chestnut Ridge Camp and Retreat Center as a “next door neighbor”. Many of our church members have cherished memories of time spent at “The Camp” during swimming parties or other special “get togethers” over the years. With the opportunities available, we can continue to build these memories for various age groups. Of special interest is “The Camp’s” Third Thursdays, which is a day apart for older adults. (9:30am-3:30pm) Recently on a beautiful mild October day, Pastor Sang

and ten of our church family were able to experience fellowship, good food, spiritual renewal and just being together in this special place. According to Merita Cheek, a documentary film was shown. Merita was especially impressed with the comfortable rocking chairs and the popcorn served during the film. Various activities were available such as crafts and bingo. Merita said the hours went by quickly.

Advanced registration is required by the second Monday of each month. Please contact Joyce Clayton (563-1012) to sign up. CRUMC is committed to cover the \$10 fee for up to 10 attendees. This fee covers the cost of lunch and programs for the day. The November program will feature an outing to Duke Chapel and lunch will be provided. This sounds like a fun and informative trip. Don't forget to register!

Harvest Festival Update

October 11th will remain etched in memory as a red letter day for the hard working Harvest Festival crew. Through dedicated and unselfish service, the annual Festival was declared a success. A profit of \$8601.00 was realized for the church. A big THANK YOU is extended to each and every one. In the words of Johnny Cates, it took everyone's help to

accomplish this feat. Without the help and support of the whole Congregation and community, a project of this enormity would be impossible. We are very appreciative of our sister churches for their support. To God we give thanks and the glory. Through HIM all things are possible.

Crop Walk Update

Closely following on the heels of the Harvest Festival, October 12th was the annual Crop Hunger Walk. This benefits Church World Service, with 25% going to OCIM. We were able to have 3 walkers in this event and raised a total of \$230.00. Thank you for your continued help in funding and providing goods to our local missions as well as worldwide ministries. As we acknowledge the hardships of many, we express gratitude to God that we are able to help in this way.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Members

Allen Cates
 Edna Dawkins (Carillon AL)
 Gordon Elmore, Michael Elmore
 Winfred Hooker
 Amber R. Jones
 Julie & Jeff Perez (adoption process)
 Joyce Clayton, Morgan Ivey
 Hilda Sykes, Jimmy Cheek
 Paul Cook (loss of his Mother)

Military Service

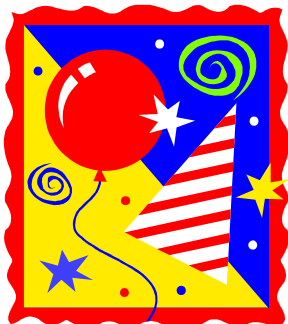
Chris Collins, Iraq
 Siobhan Celusa, Germany
 Erika Couturier, Kuwait
 Wes Hughes, SC
 Marv Singer, Iraq
 Chris Andrews, Iraq
 NaDarius Whitfed

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Joyce Collins, Aaron Westbrook (Springview Rest Home), Frances Thompson (Carillon AL), Curtis and Michelle Turner, Jane Collins, Eric Downing, Donald Dodson, Frances Wall, Vincent Hayes and Family, Tracy Wilson, Ray de Friess, Bernice Moore, Eliza Terrel, Donald Hicks Joyce Dawson, Meredith Neal, J. R. Garrett, Haydon Glasgow, Joyce Bradshaw, Francis Turpin, Steve Jones, Lucile Barber, Stacy Donaghue, Chris Andrews, Family of Powell Hall
 Those who have lost loved ones

Birthdays

Anniversaries



11/01 Jimmy Elmore
 11/02 Winfred Hooker
 11/10 Paul Cook
 11/11 Sarah Cople
 11/23 Dustin Clayton
 11/24 Shanna Collins
 11/25 Allen Cates
 11/28 Tyler Moore

11/05 Ronnie & Doris Cecil
 11/18 Pat & Ann Osburn

WEDDINGS

11/1 4PM Shane Cannada & Heather Everhart

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

- 11/2 9:45 AM Six Week Bible Study on Colossians by Loletuth Flener
- 11/3 District Clergy Meeting
- 11/6 Charge Conference @ Hebron UMC
5:45 PM Joint Ridge-Garden PPRC
7:00 PM Ridge-Garden Charge Conference
- 11/7-11/9 Youth Pilgrimage @ Fayetteville Coliseum
- 11/10 Deadline for registering for Third Thursdays @ CR Camp & Retreat Center
- 11/13 Leadership for Excellence Workshop @ Edenton St UMC (Sang to attend)
- 11/17-19 Pastor Sang's Workshop for Preaching @ Camp Rockfish
- 11/20 9:30a-3:30p Third Thursdays @ CR Camp and Retreat Center
- 11/23 11:00AM Loletuth Flener will preach worship service
- 11/23 6:00 PM Community Thanksgiving Service @ McCoy's Temple UHC, Efland
Please bring a non perishable canned food item for OCIM donation
- 11/27 **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**



NOVEMBER 2008
ACTIVITIES
Please mark your
Calendars

The Lighter Side

Christian One-Liners from CROSSWALK.COM

- “Don’t let your worries get the best of you. Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.”
- Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited – until you try to sit in their pews.”
- Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisors
- It is easier to preach ten sermons than it is to live one
- The good Lord didn’t create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes and sand gnats come close!
- When you get to your wit’s end, you’ll find that God lives there
- People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.
- Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on your front door forever.
- Quit griping about your church, if it was perfect, you couldn’t belong



COMMUNICATION TEAM

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Pastor Sang's Sabbath
Mondays until 2 PM
Fridays

Schedule

10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
7:00 PM Choir Practice
1st & 3rd Wednesdays

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Joan Elmore
Hilda Elmore

Deadline for December issue submissions: Nov. 23, 2008

Happy Thanksgiving



Altar arrangement by
Gertrude Jones

We Give Thanks

Our Mission and our Vision

*As a community of
believers in **Jesus
Christ**, our Vision is
to be a "Beacon of
God's love reaching
out and growing!"*

*Our mission is Go
and Make passionate
disciples for **Jesus
Christ**.*

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