

Sparta United Methodist Church

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CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Bob Miller
Administrative Assistant	Karen Bopp
Director of Music	Cheri and Jay Galbraith
Nursery	Sarah Bourne, Chance Wyatt

SERVING THIS WEEK

Liturgist	Ed Adams
Children's Church	Martha Thompson & Helpers
Offering Counters	September Larry Prince & Martha Thompson
Trustee Light & Lock	Tommy Thompson
Ushers	September Rick Squires
Communion Servers	September George and Betty Latham

SERVING NEXT WEEK

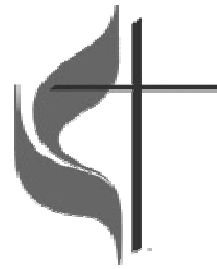
Liturgist	Jim Connor
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SERVING NEXT MONTH

Offering Counters	October Margaret Barker & Tom Atwood
Communion Servers	October
Ushers	October

CONGREGATIONAL NEEDS TO SUPPORT CHURCH BUDGET

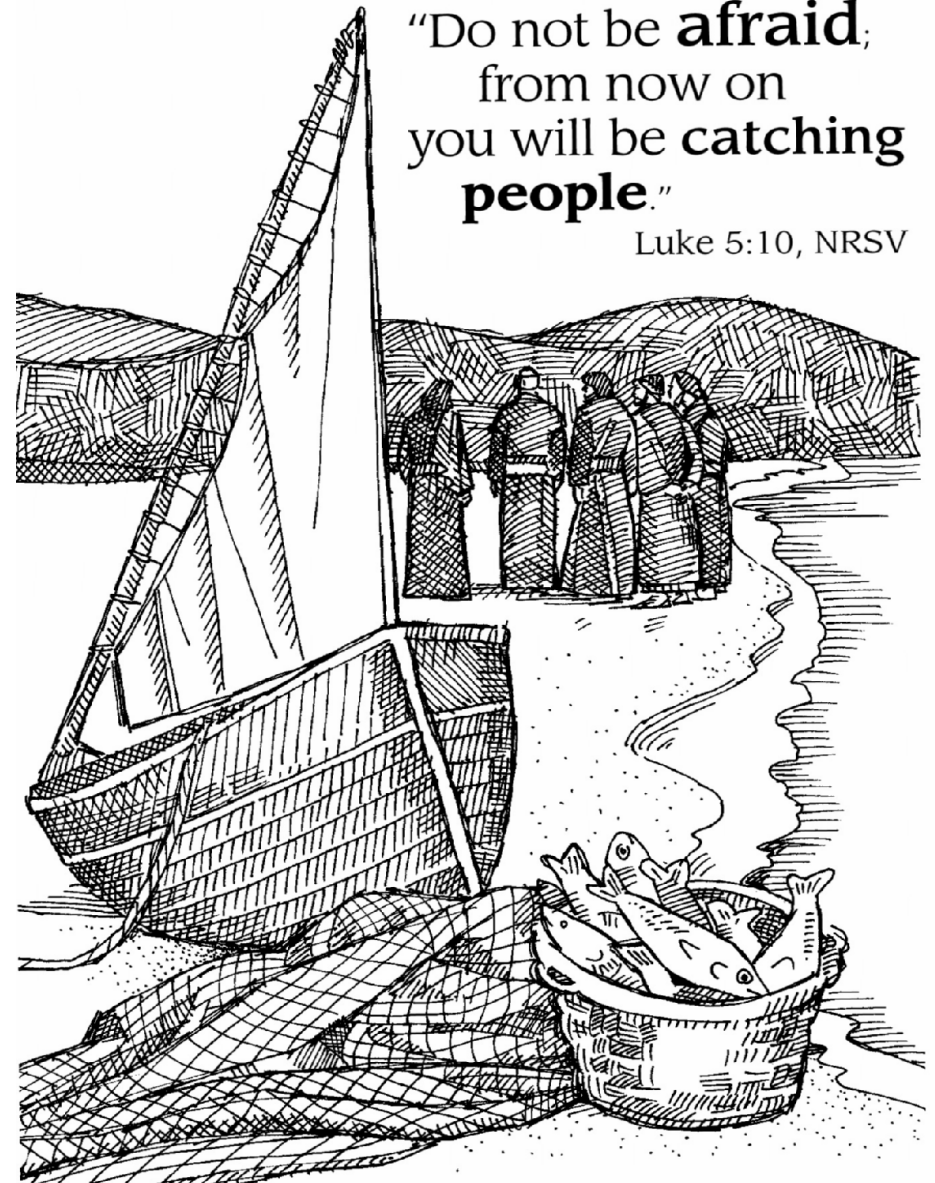
Weekly Needs	Last week's Offering	YTD Needs	YTD Offering
\$3,940	2,915	131,213	125,550



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“Do not be **afraid**,
 from now on
 you will be **catching**
people.”

Luke 5:10, NRSV



WELCOME! We hope you are blessed by our service.
Please be sure to sign the attendance pad in the pews and
return the pad back to the aisle; we want to know you by name!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:00 am 4 September 2011 11:00 am

12th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE (9 am) Charles Rudy
(11 am) Cheri Galbraith

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Welcome others by saying, "The Peace of Christ Be With You."

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens,
praise the Lord, in the heights!

***P: Praise the Lord, all his angels,
praise the Lord, all his hosts!***

L: Praise the Lord, sun and moon,
praise the Lord, all shining stars!

***P: Praise the Lord, highest heavens,
and all waters above the heavens!*** *Psalm 148:1-4*

*HYMN No. 453 "More Love to Thee, O Christ"

*THE APOSTLES CREED No. 881

*THE GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S SERMON (11:00 am)

A nursery is available for children under 4. Children's Church, ages 4-3rd grade.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYERS

ANTHEM (11 am)

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 5:1-11

SERMON "On A Day Like This" Rev. Bob Miller

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II page 12

*HYMN No. 415 "Take up Thy Cross"

DEPARTURE TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Congregation:

*"I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God;
I've been washed in the fountain.*

Cleansed by His blood!

*Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod.
For I'm part of the family the family of God."*

POSTLUDE (9 am) Charles Rudy
(11 am) Cheri Galbraith

* *Standing as you are able.

Please remain in the pews until acolytes have left the sanctuary.

CHANNEL 50 & CHANNEL 21

Sunday—11:00 am

Monday and Friday—3:00 pm

Tuesday—8:00 pm

Our Church Mission Statement

Sparta UMC is a family of those
who proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and
serve all God's people in our community and around the world.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS MISSION MEAL NEXT SUNDAY

September 11 is the date of the next Mission Meal. This event is open to the community, so invite your friends to come and enjoy a lunch and support a mission. Funds from some of the recent Mission Meals have helped to support school needs, mosquito nets, Christmas gifts for kids, Relay for Life and emergency funds for those in need. Come hungry! 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall.

FESTIVAL OF TABLES by the UMW

Mark your calendars, this year's Festival of Tables is October 1, at 10:00 am. There will be 10 Tables, each with a uniquely interesting theme. The guest speaker will be Rev. Nancy Walton, and JAMM Junior Appalachian Musicians will be performing as well as Allen Sears. The Silent Auction will be presenting interesting handmade and other unique items. Please save your items to donate to this worthy cause. Come enjoy this lovely lunch and silent auction. Tickets can be purchased from table hostess or contact Theresa March 372-3004 or Jane Sloop 372-4848.

SUMW

Our Sparta United Methodist Women will have a special speaker at our September meetings. You are all invited to attend to hear Lee Cornett from DANA speak to us. Lee will be presenting the program on Wednesday, September 14th, at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship hall at the church. She will also present the program on Wednesday, September 21st, at 2:00 P.M. in the Woodruff classroom. Domestic abuse is an issue that we all need to be better informed, about and we hope that you will plan to attend one of these events to hear what is happening in our community to address this problem. Please remember that this is open to everyone, not just UMW members!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Week of September 4 — September 10, 2011

Sunday	9:00 am	Worship
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Monday		OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Weight Watchers
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Choir Practice

The Week of September 11 — September 17, 2011

Sunday	9:00 am	Worship
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Mission Meal
Monday	1:00 pm	Women's Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Weight Watchers
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Choir Practice
	7:00 pm	UMW
Saturday	9:00 am	Operation Christmas Child, FH

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Kay Choplin—September 5
Forrest Edwards—September 5
Garrett Wishon—September 5
Carmen Long—September 6
Connie Edwards—September 7
Ellen Elizabeth Lohr—September 8
Azlyn Hall—September 10

DID YOU KNOW?

- ◆ WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS should be submitted to the office by Tuesday at 3:30 pm and NEWSLETTER ARTICLES submitted by the 20th of each month by 3:30 pm.
- ◆ Contact the church office to RESERVE ROOMS for activities to be added to the church calendar (please do not add events to the calendar on the wall by the office without checking with the office).
- ◆ Please let the church office know of name, phone, address UPDATES and information corrections. *Note: There is a 6-week delay for processing changes for Offering Envelopes.*
- ◆ To place flowers in the sanctuary on a special Sunday, reserve the date on the 2011 FLOWER CALENDAR on the wall across from the church office and complete a SANCTUARY FLOWER form and turn into the office.
- ◆ CHILDREN'S CHURCH is available for children ages 3—12yrs. at 11 am. Children go to the classroom following the Children's Sermon.
- ◆ Please TURN CELL PHONES OFF OR SILENCE RINGERS in gatherings, as we want to be reverent and respectful on our time of communal worship. Thanks!

GIVING THANKS

Dustene McKenna doing well after surgery

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the family of Jim Amburn
To the family of Lib Goodman
To the family of Allen Hardin

PRAYER CONCERNS

- ◆ Ongoing: Peace in the world; our pastor and our ministries; our Stephen Ministry leaders; our country & leaders; homeless; Peggie King; Shirley Howell-cancer; Holmes Wilson; John Boyer; Ellen Church-health; Martha Thompson's sister, Carolyn; Karan Durham-cancer, Katy Finney—health/chemo; Jane Farr-health; L Roe Boyer-health; Jim Trollinger—brain tumor; Julie Mash—cancer; Walt and Jean Green
- ◆ August 21: Leland Simons—health concerns, tests; Hap Todd—heart surgery; Sandy Ponce—surgery; Judy (Mary Wagoner's niece) - cancer; Margie Robinson; Jeff Snyder; Edna Boyer—broken hip and pneumonia; Walt Green
- ◆ August 28: Zane Fisher, cancer; J.D. Higgins, injured in fall; William Brown, cancer; Dustene McKenna, surgical procedure; Gary Scarce, colon cancer; Juan Sanchez, heart; Bobby Joe Gambill, cancer.
- ◆ September 4: Tom Atwood, heart attack; BJ Haydt, surgery; Edna Boyer, surgery; Baby James, heart surgery; all those affected by Hurricane Irene; Walt; Leland; L Roe Boyer; Jane, family concerns; Alison, family concerns

HOMEBOUND – NURSING HOMES

Jack Aycock	Sunbridge Retirement-Sparta
Lewis Bobbitt	Sunbridge Retirement-Sparta
Judy Church	Dobson
Boyd Farmer	Woodland Terrace, Cary NC
Arlene Heffley	Homebound
Thelma Jordan	Grayson Nursing/Rehab-Independence.
Thomas Myers	Dobson
Tim Myers	Dobson
Arville Saintsing	Lexington, NC
Bobby Saintsing	Triad Nursing/Rehab-High Pt.
Margaret Saintsing	Lexington, NC
Virginia Setzer	Sunbridge Retirement-Sparta
Betty Turner	Blue Ridge Highlands—Galax