

The Orange Branch

Orange United Methodist Church

November 2010

Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:45 am Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
Office Hours:
Mon-Fri - 9am-2pm

The Members of Orange UMC are its ministers. The staff who assist them in their work are:

- Anne Chandler
Administrative Assistant
- Nena Jones
Ministry Assistant
- Dee Smithwick
Custodian
- Jennifer Smithwick
Children's Director
- Joy Turner
Music Director
- Max Vincent
Pastor

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December newsletter deadline is:
November 15

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“For All the Saints”

“**For all the saints**, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!”

Each year as November approaches, I think of these words from William How's hymn. How was a bishop in the Anglican Church. He wrote this hymn to be sung on All Saints Sunday, the first Sunday in November. For the past several years, we have invited members of Orange to bring candles to light during our All Saints Day service in memory of those lives which have helped shine the light of Christ in our world. On Sunday, November 7th, we will have this opportunity to remember the saints who have gone before us once again as we gather to give God thanks for all the saints.

But all the saints are not resting from their labors. The apostle Paul reminds us that saints are not just those who have passed on before us; you and I are also called to be saints in the world today. Paul addresses his letters to various churches with the greeting: “to all the saints who are in <various places>.” Paul refers to all Christians, living and dead, as saints. That is a reminder to us that somebody is watching us, waiting to catch a glimpse of the light of Christ shining through our lives.

Paul's greeting also reminds us that we live among saints today. Many of us have had our lives touched by someone who is still living among us today. Perhaps someone spoke just the right word of hope or comfort at a time when we felt lost, hurt or confused. Maybe it was someone who brought a nice hot meal when we felt too tired or spent to prepare food ourselves. Maybe it is someone who continues to teach us about God's love for us in new and challenging ways. We often struggle for words to describe these people; the Bible calls them saints. They are people who let the light of Christ shine in our hearts and minds today.

If you would like to share a candle to honor some saint who has touched your life, please bring it to the church office by Wednesday, November 3rd. If you want to include the name of the person you are honoring or remembering with each candle, you can write it on a piece of paper along with your name and we will include it in the service on November 7th.

Peace, *Max*

Christmas Is For Kids

We are trying to help needy families in our area with Christmas. Details are still being worked out, but it would be similar to an Angel Tree project where you would be asked to buy gifts for a needy child. Particulars should be finalized by the next newsletter. Until then you can contact Michael Ridings at 770-363-4551, if you are interested in helping with this project.

Outreach / Missions

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**Action Ministries Special Offering
 November 14th**

Matthew 25:40 tells us that what we do for the least among us, we do for Him. For five decades, North Georgia Methodists have answered this call by supporting the good works of Action Ministries through financial gifts, volunteer service, and prayer. Action Ministries is doing good for the most vulnerable among us throughout the North Georgia Conference through its ministry to the hungry, the homeless, and the addicted.

Economic conditions in the past few years have affected people in every community. We all know good people who have lost jobs and homes through no fault of their own. The need for services has never been greater than it is now and, unfortunately, is growing every day.

- Mary was embarrassed when she came to Our Daily Bread because she had lost her job and hadn't eaten in two days. Everyday in 2009, our ministry served over 276 meals to hungry persons and distributed over 1991 pounds of food each day.
- Diana's young girls were behind in reading when she came to the homeless shelter. Six months later they enjoy reading and are reading at grade level. Last year, 327 children received supplies and clothes for school and 262 homeless children received after-school tutoring and life skills training.
- Bob's injured leg became infected forcing him to miss several weeks of work. Bob and Betty fell behind on their rent and with the help of Action Ministries emergency assistance program, the couple were not evicted. During 2009, 1,218 persons received emergency assistance, almost 20,000 received information and referrals and about 2,187 received health-related assistance.
- Marie and her 4 children were living in a domestic violence shelter, not knowing where they would go next. Two years later, they are living independently and thriving.

Action Ministries has program offices in Athens, Atlanta, Augusta, Decatur, Gainesville, and Rome as well as 30 transitional homes throughout North Georgia.

Your response to this Special Offering will have a major impact on our ability to continue doing the work of service to those in need.

**Dominican Republic Missionaries
 to Visit Orange
 November 7th**

We welcome Kim and Damon Bland back to Orange UMC on November 7th. They will share with us their work in the Dominican Republic with United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UNVIM). In their ministry there, they provide ways for short-term mission groups to provide hope, care and God's love. They are the host family for the groups that come to serve.

Some of the things that the groups do are construction projects like pouring cement floors for families, so they don't live in mud during the rain, and evangelism by having daily vacation Bible school for enthusiastic children.

There is need all around us and around the world. God calls us in different ways and our response is not "why here or there", but "yes" or "no." Kim and Damon have said, "yes" and have the opportunity to be in the Dominican Republic seeing God at work.

Many of you met Kim and Damon when they came to Orange last year. Dennis and I have had the opportunity to meet them when we went to the Dominican Republic for our vacation this year. We had a great conversation with them, and we were impressed with how this young couple is answering God's call to the ministry. Dennis and I have found that mission trips have changed and challenged us to be better Christians. We have been involved in mission trips in the United States and internationally. These trips meet needs and offer hope to those that we see, and we have found that the trips have changed and helped us to be more sensitive to God's work in us and through them.

Let's give the Blands an Orange UMC welcome, and continue to support them as they share their ministry with all of us.

Blessings, *Nena*

Stewardship

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Psalm 100, verses 4 & 5:
Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

As we gather together with family and friends during this wonderful Thanksgiving season, let us give special thanks each day for the many blessings God continues to bestow on us.

During September and October, the Finance Committee has been working on the 2011 budget recommendation. The Committee will finalize the budget recommendation at the November meeting in preparation for presentation of the recommendation to the Church Council later in November. Please be in prayer for the Committee and the Lord's guidance as budget plans are finalized.

Mark your calendars! Remember that the annual Fish Fry is Saturday, November 6th.

Tickets will be \$8.00 in advance and at the door. It is not too late to help by spreading the word about the Fish Fry, selling tickets, and coming by the Fellowship Hall or take-out station for your dinner that day. Please join us on **November 6th!**

The monthly update on our giving and financial status is shared in the chart below. Thank you for your faith and faithful giving! May you and your family have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Peace, Paula

2010 BUDGET UPDATE

2010 Budget: \$232,163.00

Needed Monthly: \$ 19,346.92

Giving in January	\$ 15,975.50
Giving in February	\$ 13,582.00
Giving in March	\$ 14,068.00
Giving in April	\$ 16,326.80
Giving in May	\$ 18,424.55
Giving in June	\$ 12,560.69

Giving in July	\$ 14,304.01
Giving in August	\$ 18,808.51
Giving in September	\$ 11,330.78
Giving thru October 24	\$ 15,463.25
Giving in November	
Giving in December	

Youth Ministry

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On Sunday, November 14th, the youth are going to Johns Creek UMC to help package meals for Stop Hunger Now. Any others who would like to join us are welcome. We will meet in the church parking lot at 2 pm and travel to Johns Creek to work from about 3-5 pm. If you would like to join

us for dinner on the way home you are welcome, just bring money to cover the cost (\$7-8).

We would also like to make a donation to help cover the cost of the meals that will be packaged on the 14th. Johns Creek is trying to package 40,000 meals that afternoon.

Stop Hunger Now is able to package a meal at a cost of 25¢ each. Anything you can give will help. Simply mark your gift "Stop Hunger" or you can donate online at: <http://conta.cc/StopHungerNow>. Please help however you can.

November Birthdays

Amy Bramblett	November 1
Carolyn Turner	November 2
Christen Leifeld	November 5
Gina Mitchell	November 5
Lynn Hutson	November 10
Julia Dayoub	November 11
Liz Lathem	November 11
Jackson Eastland	November 15
Vernon Tomerlin	November 16
Jackson Hogue	November 17
Steve Sharp	November 17
Nelle Wallace	November 19
Justin Leaders	November 20
Virginia Tomerlin	November 21
Stephanie Greene	November 22
Bobby Poole	November 22
Sharon Schwab	November 22
Roland Beavers	November 24
Bob Smith	November 24
Leslie Smithwick	November 25



Daylight Saving Time

Remember to set your clocks back one hour the evening of **November 6th!** Daylight Saving Time ends **November 7th, 2010.**

United Methodist Women

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The OUMW wish to thank everyone who helped make our first Mission Christmas Bazaar a fun and successful event. We especially want to thank the vendors who brought beautiful handmade jewelry, soaps, purses, quilts, and delicious food items which presented a nice variety of offerings. We also wish to thank the group of creative UMW ladies who labored over the creation of our Christmas cards and ornaments. The money raised from this event will go towards our local mission work.

We welcome our missionary friend, Jodi Stancil Deetlefs, to our next meeting, which will be Monday, **November 15th** at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Jodi grew up in Georgia and her parents reside in Jasper. Jodi loves to share her experiences about the work that she and her husband, Marius, have been helping with for the people of Swaziland, Africa. Her love and faith in our Lord shines through in her testimony. We are delighted to host our friend Jodi for our next meeting and we would like you to meet her as well! Please mark your calendars and we hope to see you there.

UMW Clothing Bank

Orange UMW are collecting gently used children's clothing (sizes 4T thru children's 14). We are creating a clothing bank for students at Free Home Elementary. The counselor at Free Home has expressed a need for clothing in emergency or crisis situations among the students. Please bring clean, folded clothing to the church office. For further information, please call Melissa Hunt at 770-887-0463.

United Methodist Men

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Annual Fish Fry—November 6th

The **Annual Fish Fry** will take place on Saturday, **November 6th, 2010.** Prep day will be Friday, **November 5th.** As usual, we will need volunteers for cooking and parking lot/parking control. If you can help with any of these needs, please let Bob Koenig know at 770-781-

Sundays in November

November 7th-24th Sunday after Pentecost / All Saints Sunday, Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18, Sermon: "We Believe in the Holy Spirit"

November 14th-25th Sunday after Pentecost, Scripture: Ephesians 1:1-16, Sermon: "The Church"


November 21th-Last Sunday after Pentecost / Christ the King Sunday, Scripture: John 3:16-18, "Christ the King-Jesus is Lord"

November 28th-First Sunday of Advent / Student Day Offering, Scripture: Matthew 24:36-44, Sermon: "Keep Looking"

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CALENDAR KEY: S=Sanctuary; FH= Fellowship Hall; SS=Sunday school Rm.; YR= Youth Rm.; BCO=Basement Church Office; CO=Church Office; MR=Music Rm.; SH=Scout Hut; CP=Church Pavilion CG=Church Grounds; CPL=Church Parking Lot; OL= Outside Location ; WA=Wooded Area; LLCO= Lower Level of Church Office; BS=Boy Scouts; GS=Girl Scouts

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 BOT-7 pm (CO)	2 Mother's Cupboard-3-5 pm- Macedonia UMC Choir-7-8:30 pm (MR) GS-6-7 pm (FH) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	3 SPRC-7 pm (CO)	4 GS-1-3 pm (FH) GS Unit Mtg. 7-8:30 pm	5 <i>Fish Fry Prep Day</i>	6 <i>Fish Fry—3-7 pm -all campus reserved</i>
7 <i>24th Sunday after Pentecost / All Saints Sunday</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH) BS-4-6 pm (SS) BS-5-6:30 pm (SS) Financial Peace-5-7 pm (CO) Daylight Savings Time ends	8 MOW-(FH) Reserved all Day GS-6-8 pm (CO)	9 MOW-8-2 pm (FH) Choir-7-8:30 pm (MR) GS-6-7 pm (FH) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	10	11 Finance Committee Mtg.- 7:30 pm (CO)	12	13
14 <i>25th Sunday after Pentecost</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH) BS-4-6 pm (SS) BS-5-6:30 pm (SS) Stop Hunger Now-3-5 pm-JCUMC Financial Peace-5-7 pm (CO)	15 UMW-6:30-8:30pm (FH)	16 Choir-7-8:30 pm (MR) GS-6-7 pm (FH) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	17 Church Council - 7:30 pm (CO)	18 GS-1-3 pm (FH)	19 GS-4-5:15 (FH)	20
21 <i>Last Sunday after Pentecost / Christ the King Sunday</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH) BS-4-6 pm (SS) BS-5-6:30 pm (SS) Financial Peace-5-7 pm (CO)	22	23 Choir-7-8:30 pm (MR) GS-6-7 pm (FH) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	24 Sr's Bingo-11:30 am (FH)	25 <i>Thanksgiving Day (Office Closed)</i> 	26 <i>(Office Closed)</i>	27
28 <i>First Sunday of Advent / Student Day Offering</i> Feed the Homeless-6:45 a (PL) Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH) BS-4-6 pm (SS) BS-5-6:30 pm (SS) Financial Peace-5-7 pm (CO)	29	30 Choir-7-8:30 pm (MR) GS-6-7 pm (FH) BS-7-9 pm (FH)				

November Announcements

Fish Fry—November 6th

Remember the Annual Fish Fry will take place on Saturday, **November 6**. Tickets are available after church and in the church office during the week. Tickets are \$8.00 each and the menu includes: fried fish, seasoned potatoes, hush puppies, cole slaw, iced tea and dessert. Please see signup sheets in the narthex for those who can volunteer during the event.

Stop Hunger Now—November 14th

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United Methodist Student Day Offering—November 28th

Each year in November the church receives a special offering to support scholarships work with United Methodist students across the life of our denomination. This money is split between the local conference and the denomination. These scholarships help support undergraduate and seminary students. Last year we had three students from our congregation who received some scholarship which was funded in part through this special offering. Please give to help others continue to grow in knowledge and understanding on **November 28th**.

Orange UMC is pleased to offer you Christmas poinsettias again this year in honor or memory of your loved ones. The cost of each poinsettia is \$7.00 and you may purchase as many as you wish. Please pick up your flowers after the cantata or after the conclusion of worship services on **December 26**.

To reserve your Christmas poinsettias, please complete the attached order form on the insert and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office before **November 28, 2010**.

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POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Name _____

Total poinsettias ordered: ____@ \$7.00 each = _____

I am paying today by cash _____ or check _____. Please make checks payable to OUMC and note "Poinsettia." Circle either in **Honor** or **Memory** of:

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Given by: _____

In **Honor** or **Memory** of _____

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