Brundidge United Methodist Church Newsletter July 2019



Sift and Thrift to Find Those Treasures

Anybody that knows me, or just walks into my office, knows that I love to visit thrift stores, yard sales, estate sales, and flea markets. Every now and then I can boast about a super deal that I found. I bought an United Methodist Hymnal Accompaniment book for \$3 that sells for \$70 through Cokesbury (in great shape). Just the other week I bought a Manhasset music stand for \$5 that sells for \$40 in music stores. And the list goes on. Many of you have met Butterscotch, an animated horse, that I bought at a flea market now standing in my office.

Summer, 'Tis the season for yard sales and flea markets. I watch the yard sale visitors on YouTube. They actually have a "yard sale app" where people register their yard sales and folks log on to find them. Watching on YouTube is the best way to visit yard sales and flea markets because I cannot purchase anything, or everything, that I see.

We used to have what I call the poor person's auction in a building on Brundidge Main Street. I saw an old bag cell phone that I wanted. I bid \$6 and got it. I went to pick it up after the auction and the lady said, "Don't forget the rest!" I did not realize that the \$6 purchased everything that was on the table! My Nissan Versa was packed with stuff!

Praise the Lord that Jesus died for you on Calvary's Cross! But, He died for all and not for just one. "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that One died for all, therefore all died. And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died for them and was raised again." (2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

"Therefore all died" to the sentence of death for the wages for sin. Jesus paid it all which is the best deal forever! The Holy Spirit is always shopping for souls. John Wesley called it "Prevenient Grace." It is the grace that goes before to incline a person to respond to the Gospel.

What is so great is that Jesus considers every one a treasure worth dying for. "Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me." Paul said, "This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance: 'Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners'—and I am the worst of them." (1 Timothy 1:15)

All the greatest finds in the thrift store cannot compare to finding salvation for your soul through your Savior Jesus!

Think Eternal and Tend to Your Soul......Rev Ed

Needlepoint Kneeler Cushions Need More Donations

This is a major undertaking that is worth it. For the cushions will help people comfortably kneel at the altar for Holy Communion, add beauty to the sanctuary, and they are very durable. Please consider giving to the altar cushion fund. It would be great if we have the cushions in place for Homecoming 2020 when we celebrate the centennial of the church sanctuary building's construction. The last two projects slated to complete for the building are replacing the front concrete steps and exterior paint.



Outdoor Movie Night July 17th, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Church

Bring lawn chairs and blankets. Hot dogs and popcorn. Featured movie "Broken Road." Movie starts at sunset.

Kickball: Parents versus Kids July 21st, 4 p.m. Sunday at Renfroes' Farm

Swim after the game then hamburgers.





Sunday July 28th, 11 a.m. Service Please Bring Covered-Dish To Share with First Responders and Their Families

Walter Wilson will give us a concert. We will recognize and express our appreciation for those who take great risks to meet our needs when emergencies arise: Brundidge Police Department, Pike County Sheriff's Department, Hayne's Ambulance EMT's and Brundidge Volunteer Fire Department.

Please Remember to Bring Snacks!

We have to replenish the snack station at the Brundidge PD station during the month of July. Wear red, white, and blue on that Sunday.

Missions Moments

Mark Zimmerman

Country Nepal

Serving At: Patan Academy of Health Sciences

Home Country: United States of America, North America

Spouse: Deirdre Zimmerman



Dr. Mark Zimmerman is a United Methodist missionary assigned to work in Kathmandu, Nepal, a predominantly Hindu country in the Himalayan region of Asia.

A medical doctor specializing in internal medicine, Mark has been working in Nepal since 1986. He initially began as a clinical doctor and later became medical director of Patan Hospital (1998-2005). When that hospital ceased being a mission hospital, he became foundingdirector of the Nick Simons Institute (NSI) (2006-16), a charitable organization supporting government health care workers across remote regions of Nepal. Since August 2016, Mark has returned to work as senior consultant and professor in Patan Hospital, which has grown into a government medical school, the Patan Academy of Health Sciences. In addition to patient care responsibilities, he teaches medical students and is involved in establishing a training program for internal medicine specialists.

"Returning to walk the halls and wards of Patan Hospital is like rediscovering a first love. After 18 years mostly in administration, I'm delighted to be back fulltime taking care of patients – listening to their stories, touching their sick bodies, walking with them over uneven ground. I've also formed immediate, close bonds with the young medical students, who deepen my understanding of the privilege of being a physician. What I wrote thirty years ago on first entering Patan Hospital still applies today: 'This work is a wonderful chance for Jesus' love to flow through me to others. Your prayers will bless the many whom I meet.'"

During the summer of 1980, Mark worked as a medical student in a hospital in The Gambia, West Africa, and that experience stimulated his interest in overseas medicine. After completing his internal medicine training in 1986, he worked for two years as a doctor in Nepal, supported by funds from the United Methodist Women. This experience led Mark in 1990 to become a long-term Global Ministries missionary.

A native of Warminster, PA, Dr. Zimmerman holds a B.A. from Johns Hopkins University and an M.D. from Dartmouth Medical School. He did his residency in Internal Medicine at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse, NY.



July Birthdays

Lucas Fraley-1st Rebecca Hagan-1st Rylee Copeland-3rd Jason Dorrill-7th Abigail Garrett- 9th Shannon Robinson-10th Hollis Treadwell-11th Frank Fryer-11th Henry Howard, Jr.-15th Johnnie Ramage-15th Chase Nathaniel Foster-16th Lawrence Bowden-16th Morgan Bundy-18th Sue Richards-19th Nellie Sue Helms-20th Shelby Strother-26th Marie Thompson-26th Sheila Johnston-26th Melanie Baker-28th Chip Wallace-29th Melissa S. Mockros-30th Lynn Bundy-31st



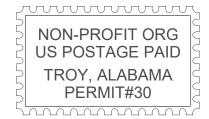


Save the Date!!! 3rd Sunday in October

This year's Homecoming is October 21st, 11 a.m. with Dr. George Mathison as a our guest speaker. I see George frequently at conference meetings when he readily comments, "I am looking forward to being at Brundidge UMC at homecoming, Ed!"

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Smiles From Mrs. Sara

- 1.) What rises in the morning and waves all day?
- 2.) What grows larger the more you take away?
- 3.) Why do you always find something in the last place you look?
- 4.) What cannot be seen but only heard, and will not speak unless spoken to?



Genesis 21:6

Answers: 1.) A flag. 2.) A hole. 3.) Because, when you find it, you stop looking. 4.) An Echo:)