



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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ED KEYES AND THE DAUPHINE ORLEANS HOTEL

Did you read the story of the Dauphine Orleans Hotel in the French Quarter of New Orleans? The drama at this 4-story hotel, with 111 rooms and a library, provides some insight into what it means to be found faithful.

When Hurricane Katrina blasted ashore the owner and manager of the hotel fled the city. The hotel's engineer, Ed Keyes, promised the owner that he and other employees would stay behind and care for the property until the owner returned.

Then the winds blew, the power went down, the flood waters rose and chaos descended upon the Crescent City. Soon the other employees joined in the melee that afflicted much of post-Katrina New Orleans. They raided the bar. They got drunk nightly. They fought with each other. They looted.

But Ed Keyes, who had promised to care for the hotel, never reneged on his promise. He locked those irresponsible employees out of the hotel. He found a tattoo artist named Wayne, who had a baseball bat and a pistol, to help him guard the place.

Ed assigned clean-up tasks to the six other people, including his mother, who remained at the Dauphine Orleans Hotel. They swept the halls, cleared the rubble strewn roof, and put the pool back in working order.

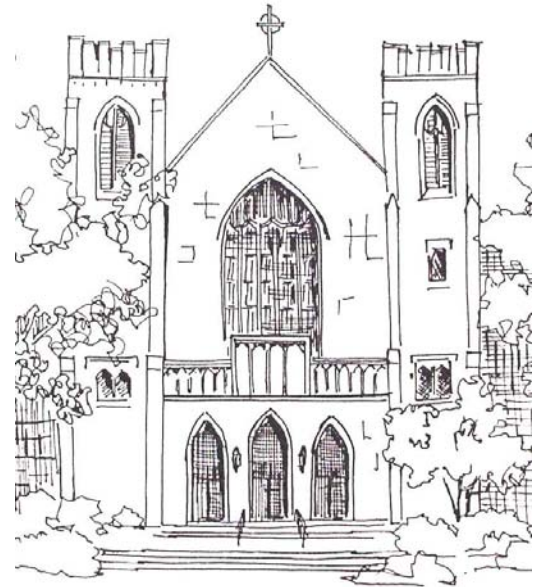
Here is the sentence in the story (written by Nicholas Spangler of Knight Ridder) that caught my attention: *"Ed Keyes is the taskmaster, assigning the duties he is sure the manager will want done, should he ever return."*

I immediately remembered Jesus' parable (Matthew 24:45-51) about a master who took a trip and placed a wise servant in charge until he returned. Jesus said of that faithful steward: *"Blessed is that slave whom his master will find at work when he arrives. Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions."*

Years ago The Eagles sang "Welcome to the Hotel California." Somebody ought to write "Welcome to the Hotel Dauphine Orleans." The theme of the song would remind us that Christians must participate in simple, yet courageous acts of obedient faithfulness until the Lord returns.

That kind of faithfulness involves what we do with God's possessions, given to us to be used wisely and shared bountifully. We have a chance to do that this Sunday, when we bring our completed pledge cards to the church at worship.

I'll see you in church this Sunday. Lord, Find Me Faithful!



Creed

Worship Services

Sunday, September 25, 2005

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

Creede Hinshaw, preaching

Find Me Faithful:

"Learning from Leftovers"

Mark 8: 14-21

Assisting With Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock

Warren Dunn, Frank Hall

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Jason Anthoine, Austin Carter, Scott Davis, Jeff Golmitz, Kenneth Harper, Tina Kuncaitis, Moira Lacey, Tommy Lacey, David Mann, Bob Middleton, Mack Minton, Jim Rice, Kenneth Thompson

Sunday School Greeters – Buncie

Skinner – Interest Class

Attendance Last Sunday

Nine O'clock Worship	77
Eleven O'clock Worship	278
Total Worship Attendance	355
Sunday School	296



Altar & Flowers

Linda Sankey, Altar Guild

The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Charles R. Price by the family.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Eden Persons by Logan Weaver and Pink Persons.

NSDAR Card Party & Lunch

The Nathaniel Macon NSDAR is sponsoring a card party and lunch on Monday, October 3, 2005 in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$12. This is to benefit the Fort Hawkins restoration. (Each table host must bring table and cards.) For reservations, please call Shelby Cramer, 745-8438 or Maryanne Gaudry, 477-0638.



Welcome Recent Visitors

Jay Abbott, Joy Boyd, Pete, Kim, John, & Kate Fehr, Tim & Ashley Grant, Brian, Vicki, & Cydney Grimsley, Bruce & Tava Jones, Michael Keene, Nathan & Stephanie Long, Eric Mull, Jennifer Murray, Mallory Rushing, Bobby & Clarice Sheehan, Natalie West

Staff Appreciation Event Wednesday Night Supper, October 5th

Please make plans to be present for a special Mulberry Staff Appreciation Event on October 5th. The food and the fellowship will be special – just like our wonderful staff. Don't miss it!

We Need You!

Alzheimer's Memory Walk '05
Friday, October 21st

6:00 p.m. - Shrine Park

See Harold Downs or Maryanne Gaudry for registration forms or log on to:

www.memorywalkbibbcounty.kintera.org

to join our team.

"Find Me Faithful"

Why Ainsworth?

Anybody familiar with the circumstances that led our adult choir to be named after former pastor and later Bishop William Ainsworth, please call Bill Roberts in the choir or contact the church office.

"Find Me Faithful"

Fund Raiser to Benefit Magnolia Manor

Saturday, October 8th

12:30 p.m.

Vineville UMC

Belinda Skelton, executive producer for the nationally syndicated #1 rated Neal Boortz Radio Show will be entertaining and speaking at this luncheon. \$15.00 per person. Call Magnolia Manor for tickets: 743-9725

Macon Outreach Needs Hygiene Kits

Macon Outreach has an urgent need for hygiene kits. The following items are needed for the kits: toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, razors, soap and shampoo.

Macon Outreach Food Pantry is bare! Please help!

September

Food of the Month:

peanut butter



Food Pantry Needs:

canned goods (vegetables, meats, fruits)
paper bags, plastic sacks, baby diapers &
toilet paper

Clothing Needs:

children's clothes and men's clothes



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jessica Tripp,

Director of Children & Family Ministries



Night of Mystery Day of Service

for rising 3rd-6th Graders

October 9-10

DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Infant Recognition Sunday, October 9th



and Chili Cook-off Sunday, October 23rd 4:30 p.m.



The Rock Ranch Camp-Out

November 4-5

1st-6th graders - \$30

Registration deadline:

October 2

(1st & 2nd graders must be accompanied by a parent)

"Find Me Faithful"

Youth Ministry

Jimmy Towson,
Director of Youth



Senior High Bible Study Monday Nights - 7:00 p.m.

Can our society survive without the Christian faith? There are many who say that religion does not have the influence it once had. Are they right? What do YOU believe? Is it CLEAR? Check it out - Monday nights!

Wednesday Night Bible Study

"The Will of God"

Does God "will" bad things to happen to us and our loved ones? What is God's will? Are we CLEAR? Check it out - Wednesday nights - 6:30.

SEPTEMBER

SPECTACULAR

A HUGE SUCCESS!

Jessica Tripp & Jimmy Towson

What a gathering of children, youth & adults for the September Spectacular! It was so refreshing to be together again as one big family. Thank you to all who supported this event, especially those who helped set-up, cook and clean-up, including P.M. & Chrystal Watson, Randy & Brenda Sams, David & Charla Ivey, Claire & Wesley Rauls and Cindy Elliott.

UMYF
Snack
Supper



September 25

Bill & Shannon Fickling

October 2

Chris & Susan Hendley



S.P.A.R.K.

September 28

5:45 p.m.

Menu

Bacon

Sausage

Scrambled Eggs

Cheese Grits

Biscuits

Milk/Orange Juice

Tea/Coffee

Also available for children:
peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Program

S.P.A.R.K. Classes Session 3

Wednesday Night Groups and Child Care

The nursery is open to care for children while small groups are meeting. If you have a child in choir, the choir helpers will take children to the nursery area or playground to be picked up there following the small group session.

Yoga for Longevity

If you are interested in joining a Yoga Group, meet in the 1st/2nd Grade classroom on the 2nd floor on Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m. If you have questions, call Dana Kersey, 743-2867.

Make-up Appointment Dates for Pictorial Directory Pictures

Make-up dates for pictorial directory pictures will be September 22-24. If you would like to make an appointment to have your pictures taken, please call Heidi Ream, 474-8618.

"Find Me Faithful"

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Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live
over Radio Station AM 940 WMAC

Pastor on Call

Weekend: September 24-25 – Creede Hinshaw

Custodian on Duty

Sunday, September 25 – Arnold Freeman

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 25

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel

9:30 a.m. Children/Youth - Higher Dimensions/
Children's Assembly Room

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Young Spirit Singers

6:00 p.m. UMYF

Monday, September 26

4:45 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

5:30 p.m. Council on Ministries

7:00 p.m. Senior High Bible Study

Tuesday, September 27

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

6:30 a.m. Men's Sermon Group

8:30 a.m. Prayers of the People

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 28

10:00 a.m. Yoga for Longevity/1st/2nd Grd Cls

4:30 p.m. Debt Committee Mtg

5:00 p.m. Altar Guild/Conf Rm

5:15 p.m. Handbells

5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night S.P.A.R.K.

6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs

6:30 p.m. Youth Bible

7:30 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

M. Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor

Jimmy Towson, Associate Pastor

Bishop C. W. Hancock, Bishop in Residence

Dr. William H. Hurdle, Senior Pastor Emeritus

Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator

Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist

Jessica Tripp, Director of Children's & Family Ministry

Beth Smith, Church Hostess

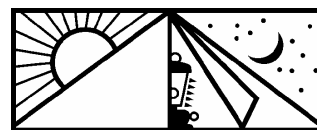
Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach

Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary

Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary

Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian

Arnold Freeman, Custodian



Scampers Schedule

↪ Vogel State Park

October 7-10

2 night's deposit required - \$44

Send to: Jeff Golmitz,

217 Pendleton Ct.

Macon, GA 31216

↪ FDR State Park

December 9-11

See "Fantasy In Lights" at Callaway Gardens.

Reservations: GA State Parks: 800-864-7275

Let Jeff know when you make your reservations.