

# The Church Bell

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## **A Time to Remember**

June 12-19 was just that - A Time To Remember. The First United Methodist Church of Stony Point celebrated its 160th Anniversary and everyone who took part will agree - it was a spectacular week. Many thanks to everyone who made the celebration such a success and especially to those who travelled and came back to be with us.

Rev. Donald Brown, the District Superintendent of the Hudson District, and his wife joined us on June 12 to kick-off the festivities with Rev. Brown preaching on Sunday morning and a pot luck following worship services. Connie and Bob Godleski visited with us on the 12th as well.

Rev. and Mrs. David Parker, Rev. Marie Burger, Rev. Ed Casey and the Revs. Byron and Elaine Shafer-Stroud joined us on June 15 for a gala dinner. It was a time for renewing past friendships and reliving fond memories. We are so thankful that they took the time to come and be with us and to once again share their love with us. For those of you who were with us in spirit, we love and thank you as well.

Sunday, June 19 was the culmination of a very successful week and our church was honored to have Bishop Neil Irons here to celebrate with us and bring us the morning message.

If we tried to mention and thank everyone who took part in the Anniversary Celebration, we'd undoubtedly leave someone out. So at this time, a heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone - you know who you are - the celebration was a success because of YOU!!! The love we all share for our church was very present during this time. God has blessed our church for 160 years; may He continue to bless us always.