

First United Methodist News

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Rev. Janice Sudbrink

Rev. Stephen Dickinson

Rev. Claire Caldwell

Rev. William Cheyne

Rev. Herschel McClurkin

June 3, 2010

ACROSS DAVID'S DESK

Annual Conference is June 6-9 at Summit Arena, Hot Springs. Larry Weir, Taylor Prewitt, Nadine Miller and Sharon Weir are our lay members to Annual Conference from FUMC. This is a most capable and dedicated group of laity to represent First Church and I join you in appreciation to them for representing us at Conference.

Ordination is Tuesday evening, June 8th, 7:30 p.m., where Reverend Stephen Dickinson and Reverend Claire Caldwell will be ordained as Elders in The United Methodist Church. Ordination comes after all educational requirements are completed and after full examination by the District and then the Conference Boards of Ordained Ministry and after serving two years in a full-time ministry setting. Now, we all join in affirming these two as persons who are truly called to ministry and duly prepared to be ordained. And, thank you, First Church, for all you are doing to support and shape young pastors.

Reverend Janice Sudbrink, Reverend Stephen Dickinson, Reverend Claire Caldwell will be joining me as the clergy appointed to Fort Smith First UMC for the new Conference Year. We are honored and blessed to be appointed to First Church. By the grace of God, we will be in shared ministry with you to follow the leadership of our Lord into the future God desires for First Church. It will be a wonderful year of growth and learning and sharing and loving in the spirit of Jesus Christ.

One important "housekeeping" matter: Our church Newsletter will go electronic on July 1st. That means the primary method of receiving the Newsletter will be via email. So, if you receive emails, please be sure that the church office has your email address and you will not miss a single week of the Newsletter. If you do not receive emails you are not forgotten or left out. To continue receiving the Newsletter via postal service, please notify the church office. We know and have no problem with the fact that everyone does not have email. Please take the time to notify the church office that you want to continue receiving the Newsletter in paper fashion and we will gladly mail the Newsletter to you.

This change saves money and is more ecologically responsible. Did you know our postage for the Newsletter is \$10,000 annually? By sending at least 50% of our Newsletters by email, we save \$5,000 in postage, not counting the paper, printing and worker-hours costs. It is a step that makes sense.

See you Sunday,
David Orr

-SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2010, AT FIRST CHURCH-

Rev. Claire Caldwell will preach at the 8:30 Chapel and 11:00 Sanctuary services. Her sermon is entitled "Jesus: Mighty in Word and Deed" and her scripture text is Luke 7:11-17. Rev. Stephen Dickinson will preach at the 11:00 a.m. Connexion service in the Family Life Center. Rev. David Orr and Rev. Janice Sudbrink will be Liturgists. Acolytes will be Bryson Porter and Kate Truitt. Lay Readers are: 8:30, Carol Hall, 11:00, Mary Prewitt.

Louann Dooly will play the bassoon at the 8:30 service. The Chancel Choir's anthems will be "Come, Make a Joyful Sound" by Hal Hopson and "Go Ye Into All the World" by Eugene Butler.



As of Monday, June 1, 2010, there were no members listed in the hospital.

BY YOUR GIFTS . . .

Rec'd this week.....\$73,064
 Rec'd to date.....\$686,998
 Budgeted to date.....\$731,544

Please pray for the following who are serving in our U. S. Military:
 Doug Wilderman, Robert Henley, Jack Dunn

Foundation Information

Did you know that the state has made a Will for you if you have no Will yourself? These laws might not leave your property to the people you wish. They definitely don't leave any property to the church or any other charity. Shouldn't you prepare a Will or Living Trust?

Methodist Men's Clubs

Thursday Noon Lunch/Bible Study, June 10, 2010 - Rev. Claire Caldwell will teach Acts 27.

Friday Morning Breakfast/Bible Study, 6:30 a.m., June 11, 2010 - Charlie Reutzell will teach Acts 11.

**Destination Station Bible Verse for June
 John 4:39**

Many Samaritans believed in Him because of the woman's testimony.



The Altar Flowers

for Sunday, June 6, 2010 are placed in loving memory of Jeffrey Shipley,

in celebration of his life, by Donna Shipley, Alex, Caitlyn, Abbie, Cathey & Waldo White, and Greg & Schawn Shipley.



Drucilla Hughart, Jim Bolin, Maxine Eggenesperger and their families on the death of their Great Nephew, Kris Bolin of Rogers.

Nancy Sickmann and family on the death of her aunt, Bette King.

Mary Ellen Jesson and family on the death of her brother, Dr. George Everett of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Edith Miller and family on the death of her husband, Jack P. Miller.

UMW Sub-groups to meet Tuesday, June 8th

"Deborah" will meet with Wendy Dooly, 2800 So. Waldron at 10:00 a.m.

"Elizabeth" will meet in room M105 at 1:30 p.m.

"Naomi" will meet with Jeri Moffett, 412 May Avenue at 10:00 a.m.

"Hannah" will meet at 10:00 a.m. at Willowbrook in the dining room annex.

"Ruth" will meet at 11:30 a.m. at Williamsburg Kitchen, 4120 Rogers Avenue.



Day Camp at Shoal Creek

is Friday, June 11, 10am-4pm. Cost is \$15, which includes a T-shirt.

Registration forms are available at the church or you may call the McClurkins at 479-632-5822 or cell 479-461-5209.

Campers will explore how to be "A Hero" - a true friend through Bible stories. Without spending the night, campers will hike, eat, make crafts, worship, swim and make new friends. Bring your swimsuit, sunscreen and towel.

If you need a ride to camp, Mardell McClurkin will pick you up and drop you off at the church. Pick up time is **8:30 a.m.**



Sign up Now for VBS June 21-25
Join us for a High Seas Adventure!

Drop off time 8:30-8:40 on the 16th Street lawn. (In case of rain drop off in the Family Life Center)

Pick up time is 12noon.

T-shirts (optional) \$8 each.

Art Project Blanket \$10 each

Questions: Call Sally Ware(782-5068) or Leigh Norton (478-8980).

There are so many ways you can help with VBS! Prior to VBS we need:

- _____Decorating Day (June 20)
- _____Art Prep Work

During VBS we need:

- ___ Shepherding - traveling with kids from station to station (several people needed)
- ___ Preschool Art (one more person)
- ___ Drama (one more person)
- ___ Preschool Theater (one person)
- ___ Refreshments for our workers
- ___ Nursery (several needed)
- ___ Anywhere I am needed

Will you please check one or two of the above and help with VBS? Please put your name and phone number on this form and return it to the church office or call the church 782-5068 or Leigh Norton, 629-2858 to volunteer. We need everyone to make VBS a huge success for the children.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Good Samaritan Fund Report

January 1, 2010 Balance.....	\$305.43
Donations Received.....	\$1,649.00
Assistance Provided for:	
Rent.....	\$963.41
Utility.....	\$341.69
Transportation.....	\$126.57
Food/Other.....	\$323.35
	- \$1,755.02
5/25/2010 Balance.....	\$199.41

On April 30 and May 1, 2010, Arkansas was ravaged with storms that destroyed homes and devastated communities. We have received word from Arkansas Rice Depot in Little Rock of a critical need for cleaning buckets. Cleaning Bucket Items:

**5 gallon bucket with lid,
1 Scrub Brush**

5 Scouring Pads

18 Cleaning Towels (reusable)

Sponges, assorted size 7 pack

Laundry Detergent 50 oz.

Household Cleaner 12 oz.

Disinfectant Dish Soap 28 oz.

50 Clothespins

Clothesline 100 ft. x 3/16"

Dust Masks 5 pack

Latex Gloves 2 pair pack

Work Gloves 1 pair

Trash Bags 45 gal 24 bag roll

Insect Spray, 14 oz.

Air Freshener, 9 oz.

Place all items in the buckets and seal the lid with duct tape. Bring your items to the Narthex area. You may also make financial gifts to help purchase these items.

Do you have a new email address?

Do we have your email address?

Please let us know, so that we may keep your membership records up-to-date. Thank you.



Honorariums

In Honor of Dave Whiteis - John & Majana Williams

Memorials

In Memory of Susan Smith - Martha Payne; Cecilia Hopkins; Charles & Jeanne Ledbetter; Larry & Sandra Clark; Jim & Paige Ingram; Melissa & Henry Udouj

In Memory of June McKinney - Fort Smith High School Class of 1938; Polly Anna Core

In Memory of Tommie Hargrove - Katherine Croom; Edythe Jakiun; Alfred & Ila Sass; Jack & Louanna Green; Gladys Ware; Ron & Betty Sine; Gleaners Class; R.P. Church; Donnie Pendergraft; Don Flanders; Ronald &

Virginia Anderson; Alan & Shareen Pruitt

In Memory of Richard Hartigan - Builders Class; Col Joe & Jean Knox; Bob & Nadine Miller

In Memory of Lawrence LaChance - Col. Joe & Jean Knox; Builders Class; Bob & Nadine Miller; Bill Batchelor; Susan Chaney; Anna Marie LaChance

In Memory of Mary Minta Thompson - Violet Isaacks; Dr. & Mrs. James Saviers

In Memory of Becky Kimbrough - Violet Isaacks; Bob & Nadine Miller

In Memory of Bettye Ashwood - Gladys Ware; J.P. & Becky Chancey; Marlin & Janet Fretheim; Jack & Louanna Green; John & Harriet Beasley; Billy & Wendy Dooly; Dr. & Mrs. James Saviers

In Memory of Mary Copeland - Violet Isaacks

In Memory of Auda Faye McConnell - Bob & Nadine Miller; Barbara Hanna

In Memory of Paul Hoffman - Jack & Louanna Green; Dr. Prentiss E. Ware Family; Anna & Philip Brown

In Memory of J.B. Hanson - Mary Ann Johnson; Bud & Cathie Porter

In Memory of John Fox, Sr. - Jack & Louanna Green; Disciples Class

In Memory of Mary Copeland - Bob & Nadine Miller

In Memory of Janie Camardese - Bob & Nadine Miller; Bob & Ann Dawson

In Memory of Bernard Brockman - Marlin & Janet Fretheim; Deborah Deaver & Family; Rene' Julian; John & Jayne Alford; Wilson & Tamara Moore; Stephen & Nancy White; Susan Chaney; Maitt Family; Dr. Prentiss E. Ware Family; John & Harriet Beasley; Jack & Louanna Green; Dr. Richard & Jan Smith & Family; Robert & Rebecca Schulte; Dave & Pat Shaw; Mark & Jeanne Meador; David & Judy Staggs; Mr. & Mrs. Al Sass; Ronald & Rebecca Yates; Patricia Thessing; Susan & Mike McFerran; Jeannie Thompson; Bob & Nadine Miller; Jan & Rick Beauchamp & Family; Douglas Payne Family; Dick & Ann Appleton

In Memory of Mary Kay Willcoxon - Mr. & Mrs. Joe Atkinson; Kelly & Marilyn Newton; Joan & Charles Dean; Harvey & Betty Sterling; Jim & Wanda Foster; Jack & Louanna Green; Shaun McCaffrey; Ft. Smith Class of 1946; Jerry & LouAnn Hunter; Beth & Mike Coulson; Ed & Karen Mahoney

In Memory of Van Brown - Cleon & Fleeta Gentry; Hugh & Gwen Hammersly

In Memory of Clifford Davis - Mr. & Mrs. Colby Beland

In Memory of Phillip Hillhouse - Disciples Class

In Memory of Frank Ivey - Finley & Evelyn Turner

In Memory of Andrew Core - Ira & Joanne Jones; Col & Mrs. Joe Knox; Builders Class; Dr. & Mrs. James Saviers

In Memory of Richard Owen - Mr. & Mrs. Paul Young

In Memory of Edwin Earl Phillips - Dr. Prentiss Ware Family

In Memory of Darline LeValley - David & Karen Hutcheson

In Memory of Odell Yocum - Janice & Bob Powell; Violet Isaacks

In Memory of Stanley Isaacks, Jr. - Mr. & Mrs. Doug Parker; Jane Wilson; Mrs. Donald Peer; Ann & Bob Dawson; Meadors Lumber Co.; Donnie Pendergraft

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
May 30, 2010**

Class	Attendance
Infants	7
Toddlers	
2 yr. olds	
3 yr. olds	
4 yr. olds	
Kindergarten	5
Grade 1	
Grade 2	
Grade 3 and	10
Grade 4	
Grade 5 and	
Grade 6	8
CHILDREN'S DIV.	30
Grade 7, 8, 9,	
Grade 10,11, & 12	
YOUTH DIV.	7
Aldersgate(Room M105)	23
Believers (Room M302)	7
Builders (RoomM209)	20
Chapel Class (Roebuck Chapel)	41
Cornerstones (Room M311)	11
Disciples Room M312)	7
Discussion*(Room M301)	30
Encouragers (Room M303)	-
Friends (Room M103)	-
Gleaners (Room M201)	26
Good News (Room M202)	-
Le Menage (Room M306)	6
Roundtable (Room M213)	-
Seekers*(Room M107)	12
Uplifters*(Room M205)	28
ADULT TOTALS	211
General Officers	3
*Made their quota	
TOTALS	251
Ethnos Youth (Did not meet)	
Worship:	
8:30	62
11:00 FLC	129
11:00 Sanctuary	223
Wed. Communion	30
TOTALS	444

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, June 6

8:30 - Holy Grounds Café Open
 8:30 - Worship, Roebuck Chapel
 9:45 - Sunday School
 11:00 - Worship, Family Life Center
 11:00 - Worship, Sanctuary
 6-8 - Youth, Loft

Wednesday, June 9

1:00 - CEC Cooking, Café
 5:30 - Communion, Roebuck Chapel
 6:00 - Praise Team, Gym
 7:00 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Monday, June 7

11:30 - Intro to N.T., FLC102
 6:00 - Cub Scouts, 3rd Floor
 6:00 - Boy Scouts, 3rd Floor

Thursday, June 10

10:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, Narthex
 12:00 - UMM Lunch/Bible Study, FLC

Tuesday, June 8

1:30 - Archives Open, M204

Friday, June 11

6:30 - UMM Breakfast/Bible Study, FLC
 10:00 - CEC Movie Day, Theater
 4-6 - Angel Food Sign-up, FLC
 5:30 - Parents' Night Out, FLC

Saturday, June 12

9-11 - Angel Food Sign-up, FLC

Our 10:00 a.m. Uplifters Class and our 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary service are broadcast over KFPW 1230 AM.

Vision:

A complete church – always under construction.

Mission:

Fort Smith First United Methodist Church is here to follow the Shepherd, to seek the lost, to feed the sheep, all to the glory of God.

Rev. David Orr
Emergency
on call Minister for
June 4-6
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