

First United Methodist News

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June 10, 2010



Vacation Bible School is fast approaching and we need “all hands on deck” for an adventure on the HIGH SEAS.

When you join the United Methodist Church you take a pledge to support her with your prayers, presence, gifts and service, faithfully participating in the ministries of the church. When babies are baptized we promise to nurture these children in Christ’s Holy Church. VBS is the perfect time to act on these words and take part in a meaningful and powerful week for children of our own church as well as children in our community. It’s time to step up, sign up, and serve. The fact is that it takes many volunteers to make a successful VBS. We need shepherds, teachers, people to help decorate, people to bring food, people to help pay for t-shirts and art supplies to defer the costs for our neighborhood children, and something everyone can do, we need your prayers. VBS may be the only time some children hear the word of God. This may be the only time some children learn about Jesus’ love for each of them.

Many wonderful things happen at VBS. Children 3 years old through 4th grade learn Bible lessons through drama, games, art, music and more. The 5th and 6th graders will be participating in a variety of service projects throughout the week. Everyone at VBS will learn that God’s word is TRUE, COMFORTING, SURPRISING, LIFE-CHANGING and IS FOR EVERYONE through scripture and God sightings.

VBS is a week of “Exploring the Mighty Love of God”. It requires ALL HANDS ON DECK.

God is good,
In His Service,

Sally Ware
Director of Children’s Ministries

Kelly DeSoto
Children’s Ministry Assistant

Leigh Norton
VBS Director



As of Monday, June 7, 2010, there were no members listed in the hospital.

St. Edward:
Peggy Udouj

Sparks:
Jo Dawn Burgess

Kay Finley in Tulsa hospital
Jane Morgan in Fayetteville hospital

BY YOUR GIFTS . . .

Rec'd this week.....\$55,106
Rec'd to date.....\$742,104
Budgeted to date.....\$764,796

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 17, 2010 - Rev. David Orr will teach Acts 28.

Friday Morning Breakfast/Bible Study, 6:30 a.m., June 18, 2010 - Ted Goodman will teach Acts 12.

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 13, 2010 are from the wedding of Roxanne LaRue and Josh McKinney, given in loving memory of Josh's great grandmother, Laura Verdon King, great grandfather, Elmer Beshears and Roxanne's great grandmother, Virginia Mae Burroughs.

Altar Flower Openings

We have the following dates open for altar flowers: **July 4, 11, and 18.** If you would like to put flowers on the altar just call the church, 782-5068.



Phil White, Matt and Lindsey White and their families on the death of their father and grandfather, Bill J. White.

Roger Beshears, Becky McKinney, Stacy Craig and their families on the death of their father and grandfather, Elmer Beshears of Greenwood.

Barry Hunter, Erin, Landon, and Jenna Hunter and their family on the death of their father and grandfather, Paul Hunter of Parsons, Kansas



We rejoice with:

Josh and Jennifer Keifer on the birth of a son, Noah Collier Keifer. Paternal grandparents are Gary and Tracy Keifer. Great grandparents are Al and Ila Sass and Joy Keifer.

And Kirk and Katie Robinson on the birth of a daughter, Lemley Catherine Robinson. Paternal grandparents are John and Cindy Robinson.



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: _____

All Women of First Church
Please join us on June 15, 2010
for

United Methodist Women Dinner Meeting

We will meet at 5:45 p.m. for dinner, followed by our business meeting and our program “**Going Green and Saving Green**”.

If you are not already a member of United Methodist Women, come and see what we are all about and consider becoming a part of this great mission arm of Methodism.



We welcome the following new members to our church family.

Robert Humphries joined at the 8:30 service by profession of faith. His fiancée, Andrea Udey, also joined and her daughter, Raleigh Udey was baptised.

Glenn Thames joined at the 11:00 sanctuary service by transfer from another UMC.

Wanda and Lee Vaughn joined at the 11:00 Connexion service by profession of faith and transfer. Their children, Jake, Stone, and Reid were baptised.



Prayer Requests and Prayer Chain

If you would like to receive the email prayer requests for our church, call the church office or send Janice an email at jsudbrink@fsfumc.org

The prayer chain is sent out on **Wednesday afternoon**. If you have a prayer request, you can call the church office or send Janice an email. If your email changes, please let us know so that you may continued to receive the prayer requests.

Rio Bravo Mission Trip 2011

Our next mission trip to Rio Bravo will be **March 28-April 3, 2011**. This mission trip will be medical, dental, construction and Vacation Bible School. Mark your calendars and begin discerning God's call for you for this mission trip. Questions, call Janice at the church, 782-5068.

August Sunday School Opportunity

Our ministers will be teaching in Roebuck Chapel the month of August and all Sunday School classes are invited to attend.

**Mrs. Kellie Michelle Owens
and
Mr. Curtis Lee LaRue**

**request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter**

**Roxanne Lynne LaRue
to
Joshua Lee McKinney**

**on Saturday, the twelfth day of June
two thousand and ten
at six o'clock in the evening
in our Sanctuary**

-SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2010, AT FIRST CHURCH-

Rev. David Orr will preach at the 8:30 Chapel and 11:00 Sanctuary services. Rev. Janice Sudbrink will preach at the 11:00 a.m. Connexion service in the Family Life Center. Rev. Stephen Dickinson and Rev. Claire Caldwell will be Liturgists. Acolytes will be Wren Lanier and Catherine Ivey. Lay Readers are: 8:30, John Ayers, 11:00, Ben Reid.

Claire Caldwell will be the soloist at the 8:30 service. The Chancel Choir's anthems will be "O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord" by Louis Harris and "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" by Robert Hebble.

Memorials

In Memory of Stanley Isaacks, Jr. - Sally & Roy Gean; Fritzie Turner; Polly Anna Core; Mickey & Joseph Irwin; Patricia Shaw; Janet & Bud Jones; Darlene Rogers; Anna Marie LaChance; Finley & Evelyn Turner; Mary Ellen Thompson; Don & Nancy Wood; Col. Joe & Jean Knox; Builders Class; Ethel Long; Linda Bradley; Mary & Harry Shipley

In Memory of Ben Hardcastle - Connie & Cheryl McKinney; Anna Marie LaChance; Charles & Martha Turner; Dorance & Ann Damron; Judith & Samuel Miller; Alan & Shareen Pruitt; J.P. & Becky Chancey; Myrna Sue Lough; Cole & Staci Goodman; Tom & Debe Harman; Bud & Jo Harper; Maurice & Thelma Carter; Jean Campbell; John & Kimberly McFarland; Billy & LaVeta Collins; Mary Johnson; Sebastian Cty Republican Comm.; Anna B. & Richard W. Pulliam; Doug & Brenda Lively; Edythe Jakium; Carter Hunt; Johnnie Dickey; Joan Fant; Mary & Harry Shipley

In Memory of Kay Anderson - Frank & Rosemary Anderson; Bob & Ann Dawson; Beall, Barclay & Company; Robert A. Martin, Sr. & Robert A Martin, Jr.; John & Harriet Beasley; Cole & Staci Goodman; Charles & Karen Still; Dr. & Mrs. James Saviers; Champ & Carol Hinton

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
 ATTENDANCE
 June 6, 2010**

Class	Attendance
Infants	6
Toddlers	
2 yr. olds	
3 yr. olds	
4 yr. olds	
Kindergarten	14
Grade 1	
Grade 2	
Grade 3 and	
Grade 4	
Grade 5 and	
Grade 6	
CHILDREN'S DIV.	20
Grade 7, 8, 9,	
Grade 10,11, & 12	
YOUTH DIV.	7
Aldersgate(Room M105)	18
Believers (Room M302)	6
Builders (RoomM209)	17
Chapel Class (Roebuck Chapel)	42
Cornerstones (Room M311)	13
Disciples Room M312)	10
Discussion*(Room M301)	34
Encouragers*(Room M303)	14
Friends (Room M103)	-
Gleaners (Room M201)	25
Good News (Room M202)	-
Le Menage (Room M306)	5
Roundtable (Room M213)	21
Seekers (Room M107)	9
Uplifters*(Room M205)	36
College & Career	3
ADULT TOTALS	253
General Officers	4
*Made their quota	
TOTALS	284
Ethnos Youth	
Worship:	
8:30	87
11:00 FLC	130
11:00 Sanctuary	222
Wed. Communion	42
TOTALS	481

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, June 13

8:30 - Holy Grounds Café Open
 8:30 - Worship, Roebuck Chapel
 8:30-12:30- Angel Food Signup, FLC
 9:45 - Sunday School
 11:00 - Worship, Family Life Center
 11:00 - Worship, Sanctuary
 1-9pm, Youth Road Trip

Wednesday, June 16

12:00 - Christian Learn. Council, Conf. Rm.
 1:00 - CEC Cooking, Café
 5:30 - Communion, Roebuck Chapel
 6:00 - Praise Team, Gym
 7:00 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Monday, June 14

12:00 - Exec. Cmte., Pastor's Office

Thursday, June 17

10:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, Narthex
 12:00 - UMM Lunch/Bible Study, FLC
 4:30 - Women's Ministry, Conf. Rm.

Tuesday, June 15

9:00 - Staff Meets, Conf. Rm.
 12:00 - Trustees Meet, FLC102
 1:30 - Archives Open, M204
 5:30 - Higher Ed. Meets, Conf. Rm.
 5:45 - UMW Dinner, Fireside Rm.
 6:00 - Stephen Min., M103

Friday, June 18

6:30 - UMM Breakfast/Bible Study, FLC
 10:00 - CEC Movie Day, Theater
 10:00 - Pacesetters, Fireside Rm.

Saturday, June 19

9:30 - Angel Food Pick-up, Gym

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. Claire Caldwell
 Emergency
 on call Minister for
 June 11-13
 Phone: 459-5060**