

***First United
Methodist News***

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Rev. Janice Sudbrink

Rev. Stephen Dickinson

Rev. Claire Hoffman

Rev. William Cheyne

Rev. Herschel McClurkin

June 18, 2009

Welcome Back to Our Pastors!

Rev. David Orr

Rev. Janice Sudbrink

Rev. Stephen Dickinson

Rev. Claire Hoffman

Our pastors were appointed to First Church for another year at the Annual Conference held in Rogers, Arkansas, June 14-17, 2009.

**Vacation Bible School Children
lead in worship
Sunday, June 21, 11:00 a.m.
Combined 11:00 a.m. service in the
Family Life Center
Let's fill the house to support the children
and to glorify Christ!**

-VBS SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009, AT FIRST CHURCH-

Rev. Stephen Dickinson will preach at the 8:30 Chapel and 11:00 Combined service in the Family Life Center. His sermon is entitled, "Experience and Discover God Everywhere" and his scripture text is Isaiah 41:2-10. Rev. David Orr, Rev. Janice Sudbrink and Rev. Claire Hoffman will be Liturgists. Lay reader for 8:30 service is Ron Powell.

Rylee Norton will be the soloist at the 8:30 service. The Vacation Bible School children will provide our music for the 11:00 a.m. combined service in the Family Life Center.



As of Monday, June 15, 2009 the following members were known to be in the hospital:

St. Edward:
Clara Scarbrough

Sparks:
Anna Lee Felton

BY YOUR GIFTS. . .

Rec'd this week.....\$16,215
Rec'd to date..... \$705,454
Budgeted to date.....\$790,019

Please pray for the following who are serving in our U. S. Military: Ben Hurst, Patrick Hayes, Walt Scales, Cody Kennon, Brad Bost, Clint Wilson, , Ellen Driggers, Christopher Herrmann, Dwalyyn Clayborn, V. J. Devine, Darson Emery, Jacob Bolin, Luke Bouxsein.

Foundation Information

Consider naming the church as a beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement plan. If you have named other beneficiaries, consider naming the church as a secondary or backup beneficiary in case the first beneficiary is deceased at the time of your death.

Methodist Men's Clubs

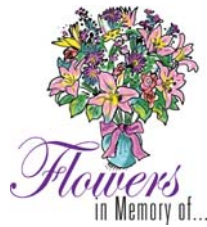
Thursday, Noon Lunch, June 25, 2009, Rev. Claire Hoffman will teach John 3.

Friday Morning Breakfast, June 26, 2009, Ted Goodman will teach Luke 12.

Destination Station Bible Verse for June

Exodus 20:1-2

Then God spoke all these words, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."



The Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 21, 2009, are given lovingly and thankfully to honor the memory of Dr. Douglas Parker, Jr.

He was a very special gift and blessing to all of our lives. Given by his wife Melissa, his children Ashley, Brandon and Joe, his grandchildren Wade and Zoie, his parents Doug and Loretta and his brother Kyle and his family.

Altar Flower Openings

We have the following openings for altar flowers: **July 26 and August 9 and 23.** If you would like to put flowers on the altar in memory or in honor of a loved one, call 782-5068.

**Shoal Creek Camp for Grades 5th-6th
June 29, 3pm -July 3, 11am**

Campers will explore how acting as a good neighbor can bring a "Breakthrough" in the way we understand how and who God calls us to love. Also, there will be Bible Study, worship, talent show, swimming, music, group activities, etc. Cost is \$100, includes T-shirt. To register: Suzanne Jones, 4929 Hardscrabble Way, Fort Smith, AR 72903 - Phone: 484-5814.



Down Home Singin'

is June 28, 6:00 p.m. in Roebuck Chapel. George Mann will be our guest leader. We will join the Independence Day Celebration and have homemade ice cream at 7:00 p.m. Come before the singing at 5:00 p.m. and have a hamburger or hot dog.

Our Prayers and Sympathy are for:

Janice Beran and family on the death of her mother, Virginia Herber.
J. W. Thornton and family on the death of his wife, Doris Thornton.



On June 28, the Women's Ministry will be hosting an Independence Day Celebration! From 5-8 p.m. enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream, games, live bands, face painting and a parade.



Come celebrate the 4th of July early and in style with the Women's Ministry. There will be things to enjoy for all ages. Bring your children and parents to this event. If you can help us by bringing a container of homemade ice cream, please call Claire Hoffman, 782-5068 or Connie Adrion, 629-1041.

United Methodist Women

will meet on Tuesday, June 23, at 4:45 p.m. in the Fireside room of the Family Life Center. Rev. Janice Sudbrink will present a program on the Rio Bravo Mission trip. All women are invited.



Monday, June 22, is **Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night** at Chick-Fil-A on Rogers Avenue from 4:00-8:00 p.m. There will be live music outside from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Our Praise and Worship band will play from 7:00-7:30 p.m.

A portion of all sales will benefit the West District Habitat House. Just tell them you are with the United Methodist Church.



Marvelous Movie Mondays
July 6, 20, 27 - 1-3 p.m.
BibleMAX Theater
Ages K through 6th grade.
Cost \$3, for soda, popcorn and candy. All movies are G or PG rated.

Call the church office, 782-5068, to register.



Wonderful Wednesdays

July 22 - 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Lokomotion (sack lunch) \$20.

July 29 - 9:00 a.m.-
2:30 p.m.

Bowling, Pizza, Movie, \$10



Fees include cost of activity, snacks, drinks and gas for vans. Ages completed 1st through 6th grades.



Music Camp, August 3- 7

9am-2:00 p.m. Monday through
Thursday
9am-noon on Friday

Cost \$15
Bring a sack lunch

Ages: completed 1st - completed 6th grades.

Participation in Friday night's performance is mandatory.

In grateful appreciation of 52 years of service in the United Methodist Church the members of Kibler United Methodist Church cordially invite you to a

*Retirement Reception
in honor of*

*Reverend Herschel H. McClurkin, Jr.
and Mrs. Mardell McClurkin
Sunday, June 28, 2009*

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

*Kibler United Methodist Church
Skokos Christian Family Life Center
Kibler, Arkansas*

No gifts please



There will be an informational meeting on June 24, 7-9pm, in the Fireside room regarding a trip to the Holy Land. A one hour presentation will be given of the tour. The trip is March 2-10, 2010. Any and all questions answered. Join us.



Thank You Notes Received . . .

"First United Methodist Church

Thank you so much for hosting the "Farewell & Hello" for Bobby Bell and Mike Morey. You did a wonderful job as the host church!

A special thank you to the ladies who hosted and served.

Blessings,
West District Office"

"Dear Rev. Orr

Please know I was deeply honored by the members of the First United Methodist Church recognition of my years as a 'Ladybelle' on Sunday. As I told Nancy Vernon she made Wednesdays the highlight of my week and I treasured the friendship of the other 'Ladybelles'.

So, do accept my sincere thankfulness for it was a joy and a privilege to be called a 'Ladybelle'—

8 June 2009

Gratefully,
Mickey Irwin

Memorials

In Memory of David Westmoreland - Gene & Teija Nelson

In Memory of Will Cousins - Polly Anna Core

In Memory of Patsy Modean Smith - Builders Class

In Memory of Mary Russell - Dr. & Mrs. David McClanahan; Jerry & Jane Hartfield; George Brown; Beth Watson; Gene & Teija Nelson; Billy & Wendy Dooly

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
June 14, 2009**

Class	Attendance
Infants	5
Toddlers	
2 yr. olds	3
3 yr. olds	3
4 yr. olds	
Kindergarten	7
Grade 1	
Grade 2	
Grade 3and	
Grade 4	23
Grade 5	
Grade 6	9
CHILDREN'S DIV.	50
Youth Trip	20
Grade 7, 8, 9,	
Grade 10,11, & 12	5
YOUTH DIV.	25
College	4
Aldersgate(Room M105)	24
Believers (Room M302)	7
Builders (RoomM209)	28
Chapel Class (Roebuck Chapel)	44
Cornerstones*(Room M311)	21
Disciples Room M312)	-
Discussion*(Room M301)	41
Encouragers (Room M303)	10
Friends (Room M103)	12
Gleaners (Room M201)	34
Good News (Room M202)	7
Le Menage (Room M306)	-
Roundtable (Room M213)	15
Seekers* (Room M107)	13
Uplifters*(Room M205)	34
ADULT TOTALS	294
General Officers	4
*Made their quota	
TOTALS	373
Worship:	
8:30	76
11:00 Family Life	150
11:00 Sanctuary	247
Communion	49
Youth Trip	20
TOTALS	542

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, June 21

8:15 - Holy Grounds Café Open
 8:30 - Worship, Roebuck Chapel
 8:45-10 - Mini Clinic, Conf. Rm.
 9:45 - Sunday School
 11:00 - Combined Worship,
 in the Family Life Center
 5:00 - Chick Flicks, M219
 6:30 - Combined Youth, Loft

Wednesday, June 24

12:00 - General Staff, Fireside Rm.
 5:30 - Communion, Roebuck Chapel
 6:00 - Israel Trip Info Mtg., Fireside Rm.
 6:00 - Joy of Signing, Conf. Rm.
 6:00 - Praise Team, Gym
 7:00 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Monday, June 22

12:00 - Finance Meets, FLC101
 6:00 - Ad. Board Meets, M201

Thursday, June 25

12:00 - UMM Lunch/Bible Study, FLC
 6:00 - EMIM Captains Mtg., M103

Tuesday, June 23

10:00 - Dorcas Meets, Fireside
 1:30 - Archives Room Open, M204
 5:45 - UMW Meets, Fireside Rm.
 6:30 - Down Home Mtg., M103
 6:30 - Women's Min., Conf. Rm.

Friday, June 26

6:30 - UMM Breakfast/Bible Study, FLC
 10-12 - CEC Movie Day, Theater

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

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. Janice Sudbrink
 Emergency
 on call Minister for
 June 19-21
 Phone: 459-5060**