

# *First United Methodist News*

*First United Methodist Church  
200 North 15 & Roebuck Street  
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901  
Phone: (479)782-5068  
Fax: (479) 784-9474  
E-mail: [fsfumc@fsfumc.org](mailto:fsfumc@fsfumc.org)  
Web Page: [www.fsfumc.org](http://www.fsfumc.org)*



*Bishop Charles N. Crutchfield*

*District Superintendent:*

*Rev. Mike Morey  
Rev. David P. Orr, Senior Minister  
Rev. Janice Sudbrink  
Rev. Stephen Dickinson  
Rev. Claire Caldwell  
Rev. William Cheyne  
Rev. Herschel McClurkin*

*July 15, 2010*

## **A note from our Youth Director . . .**

In the midst of family vacations, weekend trips to the lake, and the numerous camps and various activities our youth are involved in, the youth ministry schedule has not slowed down. We are continuing to participate in youth activities throughout the summer.

So far, we have taken trips to the Wild Wilderness Safari in Gentry, AR where we played with tiger cubs, kangaroos, monkeys, snakes, and experienced so much more. This past Sunday we went to Lokomotion in Fayetteville. We played laser tag, rode go carts and bumper boats, played mini-golf, and rode a mechanical bull. One Sunday we went to the Methodist Village to visit residents of the nursing home.

We have even more fun scheduled. This coming Sunday (July 18) we are meeting in the Loft from 6:00 - 8:00 for our regularly scheduled youth time. July 25, we are going back to the Methodist Village nursing home. We will meet at the church at 6:00 pm, and will return by 8:30. August 1, we are taking a trip to Devil's Den for an experience of nature and the goodness of God from 2:00 - 8:30. August 8, we will meet in the Loft from 6:00 - 8:00. August 15, we will go to Midland Family Bowl for our final road trip this summer. We will meet in the Loft at 5:00, and will return to the church by 8:30.

As we continue our activities this summer, I would like to invite all upcoming 7th graders to participate with us. Join us in the Loft this Sunday. Parents, you are welcome to participate as well.

Finally, we are making plans to continue developing a dynamic youth ministry this fall. We are exploring how we can become more effective in building an exciting youth program for our youth and our community. Be on the lookout for new and exciting things to happen as we continue in ministry together.

See you Sunday,  
Tony Clyde

## **-SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2010, AT FIRST CHURCH-**

Rev. Claire Caldwell will preach at the 8:30 a.m. Chapel and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary services. Her sermon is entitled, "Distracted" and her scripture text is Amos 8:1-12. Rev. Stephen Dickinson will preach at the 11:00 a.m. Connexion service in the Family Life Center. Rev. Janice Sudbrink will be Liturgist. Lay readers will be: 8:30, Gary Newton, 11:00, Nancy Taylor.

Alex Fry will be the soloist at the 8:30 Chapel and 11:00 Sanctuary services. The Chancel Choir's anthems will be "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" arranged by Roy Ringwald and "This Little Light of Mine" by Howard Helvey.



As of Monday, July 12, 2010, the following members were listed in the hospital.

**St. Edward:**

Jim Bolin  
Margaret Hendricks  
McKee Cox

**Sparks:**

Regina West  
Zuma Dooly  
Arlene Ridenour

**BY YOUR GIFTS . . .**

Rec'd this week.....\$22,524  
Rec'd to date.....\$928,262  
Budgeted to date.....\$931,056

**Please pray for the following who are serving in our U. S. Military:**  
Robert Henley, Jack Dunn, Chaplain John Fimple

**Foundation Information**

Good stewardship requires us to think of the future. Have your estate plan prepared now and include a gift to your church. This is not about you and me. This is about our grandchildren.

**Methodist Men's Clubs**

**Thursday Noon Lunch/Bible Study, July 22, 2010** - Ben Reid will teach Romans 5.

**Friday Morning Breakfast/Bible Study, on July 23, 2010, 6:30 a.m. Family Life Center.**

**Destination Station Bible Verse for July  
Luke 4:18**

The Lord's Spirit has come to me, because he has chosen me to tell the good news to the poor.



**Altar Flower Openings**

We have the following dates open for altar flowers: **August 1 and 29.** If you would like to put flowers on the altar just call the church, 782-5068.

**Chapel Class**

invites you to Sunday School  
Betsy & David Farris will be teaching  
II Thessalonians 2:13-17  
9:50-10:30 a.m.  
Roebuck Chapel



The family and friends of Mr. Ray Branum.

**Box Fan Ministry**

Help keep our neighbors cool this summer by donating a new box fan. Drop them off in Janice's office or the church office. Fans will be distributed to our neighbors who are without air conditioning.



**Shoal Creek Music Camp for grades 3-4 on**

**Saturday, July 17, 3:00 pm to Tuesday, July 20, 11:00 am**

Cost is \$85, which includes a T-shirt. To register: contact the McClurkins (479) 632-5822 cell: (479) 461-5209 or email [herschelm@gmail.com](mailto:herschelm@gmail.com)

**Shoal Creek Day Camp For Grades K-2 - on Thursday August 5, 10 am - 4 pm**

Cost \$15, includes T-shirt. To register contact Rev. Norm Moyer, cell (479) 206-0375. Bring swimsuit, sunscreen, towel.

**August Sunday School Opportunity**

Our ministers will be teaching "Jesus and the Parables" in Roebuck Chapel, 9:45-10:30 a.m. in August. Here is the schedule:

**Aug. 1 - Rev. Stephen Dickinson  
Aug. 8 - Rev. Claire Caldwell  
Aug. 15 - Rev. Janice Sudbrink  
Aug. 22 - Rev. David Orr**

This is an opportunity for many of us to be together and to give your Sunday School teachers an August break. Hope to see you there.



**The Community Rescue Mission**

is collecting bottled water to distribute to the poor and homeless this summer. Please bring your donations of bottled water to Janice's office. Thank you.

**SAVE THE DATE  
New Class  
to begin in the fall**

**"Growing Kids God's Way"**

**Check out their website  
<http://www.gfi.org>**

**Class leaders will be:  
Ken and Faryl Rossi**

Watch the Newsletter and Website for more information.



**Getting New Cell Phones?** Then give your old ones, along with the chargers to us and we'll take them to the Women's Crisis Center. Just drop them in the baskets marked for cell phones /eye glasses.

**Please Note:**

The church newsletter is now being sent electronically. Please make sure you have given us your current email address.



**Also**

If you do not have email, please call the church office and we will put you on the list to receive your Newsletter by mail.

---

**Music Camp 2010**

**"Rescue in the Night"**

**The story of Daniel in the Lions' Den!**

You'll LOVE Music Camp!! We will sing, dance, speak, paint, make things, eat, learn and have great fun!

Where: Family Life Center

When: August 2-6

Monday-Thursday: 9-2pm; Friday 9-Noon; Friday 7pm SHOW. You must be able to participate on Friday night in order to attend. Cost \$15. Scholarships available.

Who: All children entering 2<sup>nd</sup> through exiting 6<sup>th</sup> grades. You do NOT have to be a children's choir member. You do NOT have to be a member of our church! BRING A FRIEND!

**Deadline for registering: July 30<sup>th</sup>  
by 4 p.m.**

Register by turning in a registration form and \$15 fee per camper. The fee covers two snacks daily, a t-shirt and all supplies.

**PLEASE register NOW**



**Please mark your calendars  
for a Blood Drive on  
Sunday, July 25, in the  
Family Life Center  
7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Giving blood is a ministry opportunity to give back to our community. Blood products help those with cancer, those having surgery and those involved in accidents.

# Down Home Singin'

**6 pm Sunday July 18, 2010  
featured leader will be**

## Reggie Moore

Refreshments will be served in the Narthex after the singing.

Come join us for  
Watermelon, Cantaloupe, and  
Honeydew Melon  
and a great night of singing!

---

### Memorials

**In Memory of Stanley Isaacks** - Phyllis Davidson; Ann Pride

**In Memory of Victor Manchaca** - David Shaw

**In Memory of Lawrence Lachance** - Lou Moreland

**In Memory of Ben Hardcastle** - Leonard & Rose Hefner; Kim Silbersack

**In Memory of Bernard Brockman** - Lou Moreland

**In Memory of Kay Anderson** - Cornerstone Class

**In Memory of Laura Rose Spencer** - Beall, Barclay & Company; Donnie Pendergraft; James & Betty Farmer; Melvin Roberts



**Need  
A  
Ride Sunday?**

### Need a ride to Sunday School and Church?

Our church van picks up at Methodist Village, Butterfield Place, Willow Brook, and Gorman Towers. We pick up between 8:30 and 9:30 and return you home after the 11:00 a.m. services. We also pick up for Pacesetters on the first and third Fridays of each month. If you would like a ride to church or to Pacesetters, please call 782-5068.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 ATTENDANCE  
 July 11, 2010**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Infants	
Toddlers	8
2 yr. olds	
3 yr. olds	6
4 yr. olds	
Kindergarten	5
Grade 1	
Grade 2	
Grade 3 and	
Grade 4	
Grade 5 and	
Grade 6	26
<b>CHILDREN'S DIV.</b>	<b>45</b>
Grade 7, 8, 9,	
Grade 10,11, & 12	
<b>YOUTH DIV.</b>	<b>12</b>
Aldersgate(Room M105)	27
Believers (Room M302)	7
Builders (RoomM209)	26
Chapel Class (Roebuck Chapel)	43
Cornerstones*(Room M311)	19
Disciples Room M312)	14
Discussion*(Room M301)	47
Encouragers (Room M303)	12
Friends (Room M103)	--
Gleaners (Room M201)	33
Good News (Room M202)	4
Le Menage (Room M306)	2
Roundtable (Room M213)	20
Seekers*(Room M107)	12
Uplifters*(Room M205)	36
College & Career	-
<b>ADULT TOTALS</b>	<b>302</b>
General Officers	4
*Made their quota	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>363</b>
<b>Ethnos Youth</b>	
<b>Worship:</b>	
8:30	67
11:00 FLC	141
11:00 Sanctuary	248
Wed. Communion	47
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>503</b>

**OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK**

**Sunday, July 18**

8:30 - Holy Grounds Café Open  
 8:30 - Worship, Roebuck Chapel  
 8:30 - Angel Food Sign-up, FLC  
 9:45 - Sunday School  
 11:00 - Worship, Sanctuary  
 11:00 - Worship, Family Life Center  
 6:00 - Youth, Loft  
 6:00 - Down Home Singin', Roebuck Chapel w/reception in Narthex

**Wednesday, July 21**

12:00 - Children's Ministry Board, Fireside  
 5:30 - Communion, Roebuck Chapel  
 6:00 - Praise Team, Gym  
 7:00 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Monday, July 19**

11:30 - Bible Study, FLC102  
 1-3 - Movie Mondays, Theater

**Thursday, July 22**

10:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, Narthex  
 12:00 - UMM Lunch/Bible Study, FLC  
 6:00 - CEC Parent Orientation, Roebuck Ch.

**Tuesday, July 20**

9:00 - Staff, Conf. Rm.  
 10 - CEC Art Class, M217  
 1:30 - Archives Open, M204

**Friday, July 23**

6:30 - UMM Breakfast/Bible Study, FLC

**Saturday, July 24**

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. Janice Sudbrink  
 Emergency  
 on call Minister for  
 July 16-18  
 Phone: 459-5060**