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Open Hearts . . .

Open Minds . . .

Open Doors . . .

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FUMC

- 8:15 a.m.** Worship in the Sanctuary
- 8:30 a.m.** Breakfast in the Activity Center
- 8:45 a.m.** Refreshments in the Parlor
- 9:00 a.m.** Celebration Service in the Activity Center
- 10:00 a.m.** Sunday School classes for all ages
- 11:00 a.m.** Worship in the Sanctuary

Nursery care provided

The 11:00 a.m. service is broadcast each Sunday on Brenham radio KWHI/AM 1280 and Channel 96 Cable TV.

Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor
Rev. Dale Chance
pastordale@fumcbrenham.org

Associate Pastor
Rev. Kay Reed
pastorkay@fumcbrenham.org

First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213
July 10, 2012

Member Transfers!

I usually do not announce it when a member moves their membership, but due to the tragic circumstances concerning this member, I felt compelled to share it with you.

After several long hours of counseling and agonizing prayer, one of our longtime members, Ms. Summer Slump, has decided to join another church. I spent considerable time trying to convince her otherwise, but to no avail. This past Sunday was her last time with us.

She did not leave me in doubt as to the reasons for her transfer. She moved her membership as she so bluntly put it, because "I'm so tired of being blamed for everything that goes wrong around here while school is out!"

As she was pouring out her heart, I realized that she was right. When attendance was down, we said, "It's that Summer Slump!" When giving to the church was off, who did we blame? You guessed it. Summer Slump! I remember a time when someone pointed a finger at her when another member failed to do their job. She told me, with tears streaming down her face, that once she was even blamed for a church meeting being cancelled. As she cried, I tried to encourage her that now we are blaming everything on Henry Heatwave and Negative Nancy, but she wasn't buying it. We just sat there and wept.

As she left my office, she turned and said, "I guess you will just have to find someone else to take my place." I told her that I couldn't think of anyone, but she said she knew of several who could do a good job.

I just hope we can make it these next two months without her.

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:24-25

See you Sunday, Kay

23rd Annual West District Hymn Sing

Sunday, August 19, 2012

6:00 p.m.

**Christ United Methodist Church
4201 State HWY 6 South
College Station, Texas**

METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tamara Stevens, Interim Director – 979-830-8661

July 2012

SUNDAY June 10, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	94
Worship 11:00 a.m.	138
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	84
Worship Total	322
Sunday School	100
Offering:	\$1,161.60

SUNDAY June 17, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	83
Worship 11:00 a.m.	121
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
Worship Total	271
Sunday School	87
Offering:	\$6,122.00

SUNDAY June 24, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	83
Worship 11:00 a.m.	132
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
Worship Total	280
Sunday School	106
Offering:	\$12,152.40

SUNDAY July 1, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	74
Worship 11:00 a.m.	101
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	35
Worship Total	215
Sunday School	88
Offering:	\$11,700.00

JUNE TOTALS

June. Income:	\$53,418.80
June. Expense:	\$50,468.81
June. Total:	\$2,949.99

YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$329,206.05
YTD Expense:	\$306,941.28
YTD Net Total:	\$22,264.77



(Pictures of the children having fun at the July 4th Picnic!)



Up coming events in July

We will go to the library every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

July 25th- The Pre K class is going to Mobius Coffee House to learn how to make Brick Oven pizza

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Jennifer Patrick, Program Coordinator, Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org



Summer Sunday School

TEACHING SCHEDULE

July 8 = Jana & Tiffany -**Science**

July 15 = Nancy & Holly -**Cooking**

July 22 = Jennifer will teach the songs they did not learn at VBS

July 29 = Tricia and Joanna -**Games**

Aug 5 = Sarah and Holly -**Storytelling**

Aug 12 = Rob and Karla -**Music**

There will be more summer activities planned! Check your email & the website for dates and times. We are planning a craft day, a water day and the End of Summer Family Pool Party!

Upcoming events

Sunday, August 19th
10:00am

G A M E D A Y

Sunday School filled with lessons & games

Sunday, August 26

EDUCATION SUNDAY

- + Blessing of the Backpacks in all services
- + Honoring our Sunday School teachers
- + Recognizing our School teachers and staff
- + Kids activities during the Sunday School hour – face painting, crafts, games, dunking booth

YOUTH NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director rick@fumcbrenham.org

July Youth Calendar

subject to change

Sat. July 7 - Leave for SIFAT 7am

Sun July 8-13 SIFAT Camp in Lineville, Alabama

Sat. July 14 - Return from SIFAT 6-9pm

Mon. July 16 - Leave for Lakeview 8am

Mon. July 16-20 - Lakeview Summer Camp

Fri. July 20 - Return from Lakeview 3-4pm

Fri. July 27 - Houston Museum of Natural History 9am-5pm

Mon. & Tues. July 30&31 - Small trip to Corpus Christi 10am



Just a friendly reminder that FUMC Brenham will be hosting one of Texas' "Big House" church camps for junior high kids from July 12-15. Please be aware that they will be throughout our campus during this time.



Thank You from the Miller's

We want to thank you all for the wonderful "Church Coffee." The food was wonderful and of course the visiting was great! First Methodist Brenham is such a special place for us, you all opened your hearts to us and we felt at home right away. There are so many people we think of fondly, it would fill a whole church newsletter to mention everyone of them! The many encouraging and kind words of support for Van, the friendship of the Susanna Circle for Ann. Plus the many special people, including the youth group, that Josh will remember fondly. FUMC-Brenham is truly a special place. We feel privileged to be a part of such a wonderful church family! We will miss you all.



The new member luncheon was a success and had a great turn out, thanks to all who helped pull this event together! We would also like to congratulate the confirmands and welcome the new members.

The New Members:

Richard & Sandra Mellville
601 Post Oak Rd.
Bellville, TX 77418
979-865-3624

Fritz & Jan Herbst
4305 Boggy Creek Rd.
Brenham, TX 77833
979-836-7696

Vicki Herzog
7103 Adamek Rd.
Brenham, TX 77833
979-830-5277

Doris Lott & Morteja
1500 Farewell Apt. #23
Brenham, TX 77833
979-551-9724



The Confirmation Class:

Matthew Baker
Faith Crow
Catherine Giebler
Eric Herzog
Ryan Middleton
Taryn Kate Ruiz
Zachery Smestuen



On Monday, June 11, we (Bobby Clark, Glen Goodman, Clifford Brisbin, Jetta Goodman and I) joined a Conference team from Huntsville in Bastrop. The rebuilding of Bastrop is in full swing. The fire's devastation is still very obvious, but building and new growth are also obvious. Our small team picked deck work as our project for the week. The new home has been built (all by volunteers) and is almost ready to be moved into. The homeowners live in a trailer on-site. They want decking around the house so they can "watch the forest grow up around them." The worst part of this project was that the outside temperature was in the 90's, and there are no trees to provide shade. If we decide to go back again to the Bastrop rebuilding effort, it's surely going to be in the fall, winter or spring.

Pat Clark, Chairman
Missions and Outreach

Prayer Concerns

Brent Hawkinson
Norman Klitzman
Jacque Ketcham
Jared Parks
Gene & Betty Moss
Sue Perry
Peggy Robertson
Kathy Revenaugh
Alyce Super
Pierce Hughes
Frank & Jody Tyson
Kathy Buck
Karen & Neil Meier
James Goodrich
Joyce Morris
Otis Davis
Lloyd Chapman
David Brodhead
Vicki Jordan
Derrell Fogarty
Larry Tyrrell
Debi Meschwitz
Gary House

Our homebound members
Those serving in the military

Donations Received

In memory of
Elizabeth Muckleroy
By Debi Meschwitz

In memory of
Ralph Ketchum
By Gary & Kay Ivy

In memory of
Ray Stone
By Art & Smitty Hinners

Calling..... anyone who likes to play 42. We will meet in the Mission House (The Brown House) on July 23rd (the 4th Monday) at 2:00 p.m. Anyone who likes to play is welcome. If you do not know how to play but would like to learn come and we will help you learn the game.

UMW News

Please mark August 7, 2012 on your calendar, we know it's still early, but time passes quickly and we don't want you to miss this special program. The evening will start with a covered dish meal provided by the UMW ladies. The program is titled "An Evening with Fanny Crosby and Her Music" it will include stories and music of her life. Hope to see you there; all members of the church are invited!

Smitty Hinners
Program Chair

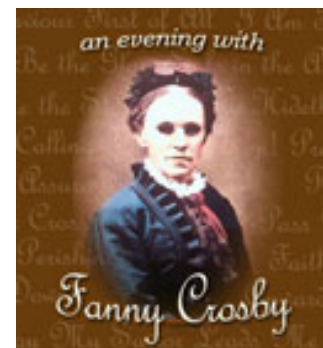
J.O.Y. Trip to Austin



Inside the Bob Bullock Museum



Inside the Harry Ransom Center with a The Gutenberg Bible (we had a couple of young history buffs join us)



July

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 11:00 UMW/ Library 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	3 5:00 Trustees/ FR	4 Happy 4 th !! Office Closed	5 9:00 Yoga/ AC	6 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	7 8:00 Youth/ SFAT
8	9 1:30 CDC Board/ Library	10 Big House Arrives	11 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	12 9:00 Yoga/ AC	13 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	14
15 Big House Leaves	16 8:00 Youth/ Lakeview 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	17	18 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	19 9:00 Yoga/ AC	20 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	21
22 Rest Home Services 2:30 Brenham Rest Home 3:30 Kruse Village	23 2:00 42/MH 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	24	25 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	26 9:00 Yoga/ AC	27 9:00 Emmaus/ Library Youth-Museum/ Houston	28 8:00 Epiphany Training / AC
29	30 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	31	1 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	2 9:00 Yoga/ AC	3 9:00 Emmaus/ Library 5:30 Wood/ Witte Rehearsal	4 6:00 Wood/ Witte Wedding
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY



Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Wed. July 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.**

If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to fumc@fumcbrenham.org or please submit a handwritten article to the church office. This is the best way to make sure that all the information for your article is accurate. Thank you.

HUNGER is not a game!



Our UMC food supply is running low. We need your help in feeding those in need. We have many people coming through our church doors looking for a little help. Some live on the street and some are just in a tight spot at the moment and need help in feeding their family. We have a station set up in the breezeway, the AC and the church office for your non-perishable donations for the months of July & August. Please remember to not give EXPIRED goods. We also collect HEB and gas gift cards in \$10 amounts to give to people in need of gas or specific items we don't have (EX: baby formula). Please bring the gift cards to the office instead of the stations. Help us to be METHODISTS ON A MISSION!

FOOD EXAMPLES: canned meat, vegetables, fruit, pasta, and soups/stews; peanut butter; box noodle soups; granola and protein bars; crackers; cereal (if you find them, canned items with flip tops are better for those without access to a can opener).

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