



First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor * Brenham, Texas 77833-3213

April 1, 2010

A Word from the Pastors

We are all on a spiritual journey of some kind. During this season of Lent we have been invited to gather together as God's people to listen once again to the stories that have guided the particular journey of Christians for nearly two millennia. Lenten House Churches, Lenten Lunches, Sunday School classes and Sunday worship services have given us much to ponder.

Last Sunday we waved palm branches and sung "*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*" – much like the crowds who lined the streets of Jerusalem long ago. On Thursday we will gather together and participate in Holy Communion and remember the supper Jesus shared with his friends. We will hear once more how the followers of Jesus turned against him on Good Friday, just a day later. Perhaps on Saturday we will pause for a little while and imagine the quiet grief of those whose hopes lay in the grave with Jesus.

What is important on this journey of faith is where it leads – to our own Jerusalem, to a rejection of that which is temporary, to a meal with friends, to a solemn prayer in a garden, to a making a decision about what is eternally important, and then being treated in a way that no one deserves.

...And learning a little more about the greatness of God's love each and every step of the way.

On the third day Jesus rose from the grave! God's amazing love for us was shown to the fullest and a foolish world was forgiven. Through the resurrection God brings healing to what is broken and new life even where there is death.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Holy Thursday Tenebrae Service

April 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

Good Friday Prayer Vigil (come and go)

April 2 at 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the chapel



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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 10 Cable TV.

Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor
Rev. Dale Chance
PastorDale@FUMCBrenham.org

Associate Pastor
Rev. Terry Dougherty
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METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Carole Horton, Director – 979-830-8661 or Carole@FUMCBrenham.org

SUNDAY March 14, 2010

Church Attendance:

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	62
Worship 11:00 a.m.	108
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	38
Worship Total	212
Sunday School	76
Offering:	\$ 12,593.50

SUNDAY March 21, 2010

Church Attendance:

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	63
Worship 11:00 a.m.	144
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	41
Worship Total	252
Sunday School	112
Offering:	\$ 8,290.00

SUNDAY March 28, 2010

Church Attendance:

Nursery	7
Worship 8:15 a.m.	106
Worship 11:00 a.m.	210
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
Worship Total	382
Sunday School	139
Offering:	\$ 10,620.92

Loose \$1 bills placed in our collection plates will be used to support local, national and international mission projects.

Prayer Concerns



Linda Beard
Elmo Davis
Eunice Glidden
Bob Johnston
Lew Lewellyn
Alice Limmer
Marti McLemore
Peggy Robertson
Johnnye Van Hook
Eugene Vanderworth

Easter and All Things Spring

Things at the preschool never slow down! We are going to take our spring pictures; have two teachers observed, which is part of the CDA process; have the Washington County Childcare Association meeting; have a faculty meeting; teach the pre-service class to four new faculty and after-care workers; hold a board meeting; and have four teachers take the EMS First Aid/CPR class. That is just a few of the things we will be doing during the first two weeks of this month.

The cookbook is in production. We will receive the book during the first part of May, and are really looking forward to it. Order forms will be available soon so you can reserve your copy(ies).

Oh, I almost forgot.....the 3's and Pre-K will be taking a Field Trip to Dewberry Farms in April. They went last year and had a blast so we are looking for that to happen again.

Thank you for your support in all we do at the CDC. This program continues to be an important way FUMC does ministry in our community.

YOUTH “H.A.L.O” NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director rcruiz1020@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendars!!! Sunday, May 2, 2010 Youth BBQ Fundraiser

That's right – back by popular demand!!! On Sunday, May 2, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. the youth will be holding their *Third Annual BBQ Fundraiser*. This year, the meal will get even better as we add two sides to the meal making it a nice box lunch/dinner.

Soon FUMC youth will be pre-selling tickets for this pick-up only BBQ meal. Proceeds will be used to help fund summer youth activities. As always, we appreciate your support!!!

Almost Time for Lakeview Summer Camp!

Remember the dates!!!

June 21 – 25

4th grade thru 12th grade

More details soon!

April Youth Calendar

Sunday, April 4 – No Youth – Easter

Sunday, April 11 – Guest Speaker

Friday, April 16 and Saturday, April 17 – Youth Lock-in

Sunday, April 18 – Horseshoe Junction

Sunday, April 25 – Discussion Group – Decision making

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Jennifer Patrick, Program Coordinator, Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org

KIDS CORNER



Easter Sunday Morning
10:00 am on the front lawn
Meet in the Kid's Corner first.
Bring your Easter baskets!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Note Date Change
May 31 – June 4



A.C.T.S.






Rehearsals on Sundays 6:00-7:30pm
In Room 139 Eat before you come!
Performance Date is Sunday, May 2



Congratulations to Eric Johnson!
He had 6 weeks perfect attendance in the Tweens class.



April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				April 1 Maundy Thursday 9:00 Yoga / AC	April 2 Good Friday 11:00 a.m. Prayer Vigil / Chapel CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED	April 3
4 Easter 	5 6:00 Council on Ministries / FR	6 8:45 UMW Exec/Library 9:30 UMW General Meeting / AC	7 1:00 CARE / Library 6:00 Band/AC 7:00 Choir	8 9:00 Yoga / AC 6:30 UMM / AC	9 9:00 Emmaus / Library	10
11 12:30 Confirmation Class / FH Youth - Guest Speaker/AC	12 1:00 CDC Ad Board / Library 3:00 "42" / MH	13 9:00 Card Group / MH	14 6:00 Band/AC 7:00 Choir	15 9:00 Yoga / AC	16 9:00 Emmaus / Library Blinn Blitz / Botts Street Youth Lock-In Begins	17 Youth Lock-In Ends
18 12:30 Confirmation Class / FH Youth / Horseshoe Junction	19	20 9:30 Circle Meetings Hinners / Stratton Post / Stevenson Rogers / Grimm 12:00 Circle Susanna / Pendergrass 6:00 Mission Brenham/AC 6:30 Finance Mtg/FR 6:30 Circle Wesleyan / FH	21 All Day Garden Club / AC 7:00 Choir	22 All Day Garden Club / AC 9:00 Yoga / AC	23 9:00 Emmaus / Library	24 8:00 Epiphany / AC
25 12:30 Confirmation Class Youth – Discussion Groups	26	27 9:00 Card Group / MH 5:30 Evangelism Meeting / FR 6:30 Trustees Meeting / FR	28 6:00 Band/AC 7:00 Choir	29 9:00 Yoga / AC	30 9:00 Emmaus / Library	

Notes: _____

2010 BLINN BLITZ – April 16

FUMC will be partnering with Blinn's Student Learning department this spring. There is only time enough for one project before the end of the school year, but it should be a good one.

At 1:00 p.m. on April 16, Blinn students will meet us at the Faith Mission apartments on Botts Street and we will clean out the storage area behind the building. Aside from the work they'll be doing, these students will learn about the reality of homelessness, even in a community like Brenham, Texas.

Please save the afternoon of the April 16 on your calendar. More information to come.

Pat Clark - Missions and Outreach Committee

Battle for the Baton

Please cast your vote for Jim Ellison

Jim's secret desire is to lead the Brenham Children's Choir.
Your vote at \$5.00 a pop could put him over the top!
Come and see this man direct our
National Anthem – you won't forget!

"The Star Spangled Banner"

At the

Annual Brenham Children's Chorus Concert

Sunday, April 25, 2010, at 4:00 p.m.

International Festival-Institute

Round Top, Texas

Votes are \$5.00 each.

Please make checks out to the Brenham Children's Chorus
with the name of the nominee on the bottom of the check and send to:

The Brenham Children's Chorus
P.O. Box 2274
Brenham, TX 77834



Support Jim with you vote and your attendance. Please don't forget to come!

In Memoriam

Bob and Willie Mae Hill by Sandra and Don Summerlin

Bob and Willie Mae Hill by Jenean and James Tucker

James Odale by Glen and Judy Pendergrass

James Odale by Carol Cangelosi



EASTER SUNDAY



Easter Sunrise Service

Join us early Easter morning for a very meaningful sunrise service. We will meet in the church parking lot at 6:30 a.m. and then caravan to one of our member's home in the country (only a few miles out). We will have chairs provided but feel free to bring a lawn chair or blanket also.

After the service we will caravan back to the Activity Center for a full breakfast.

We will provide breakfast dishes and drinks (milk, juice, coffee) and we ask everyone else to bring muffins, pastries, doughnuts, etc.

We will be done in plenty of time before the 8:15 am service.

Please Join Us!

Sunday Worship Services

Traditional Worship

8:15 am & 11:00 am

in the Sanctuary

Contemporary Worship

9:00 am

in the Activity Center

Sunday School and Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 am

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