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Open Hearts . . .

Open Minds . . .

Open Doors . . .

#### **SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FUMC**

8:30 a.m.

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

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. Kay Reed PastorKay@FUMCBrenham.org

### First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor \* Brenham, Texas 77833-3213 October 21, 2011

#### Why I Support Cloning

After the previous two weeks I have changed my mind about cloning. I used to believe that taking the cells of one creature and creating an identical one was morally wrong. I no longer believe that. In fact, I believe cloning might be the salvation of the church.

Let me state my case. Just think; let's take that member who's always willing to teach Sunday school. Crank out a few clones, and just like that you have a teacher for every class, every Sunday. My suggestion is you take one from each age level. Then imagine taking a member who is always ready to do the visiting. Suddenly, after a cloning, you have a full-blown visitation ministry. In no time we could have a 100 voice choir every Sunday. And finances – wow! Just clone a couple of tithers and say goodbye to any stewardship campaign or budget shortfalls.

Can you imagine a church where everything gets done? Where there are always enough people to have meetings, teach classes, work with the children and youth, serve on mission projects, help in the church office, set up tables and chairs, and to cook meals.

You could even clone the preacher. The past two weeks, a clone would have been a great help. He or she could have been everywhere all the time. What a concept!

Alas, the technology is just on the cutting edge. I understand that scientists are only up to monkeys at this time. (Which means preachers are next.) Until the process is refined a bit more, I guess we'll just have to do it the old fashioned way. This means that we're going to have to rely on what we've got, which is you and me. So, let's work together and if we all do our part well, who knows, we might not have to clone anyone.

> "Now all of you together are Christ's body, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:27 The New Living Translation

> > See you Sunday, Kay



#### **Newsletter Deadline and Other Information**

Your next newsletter deadline will be Monday, October 31, 2011 at 10:00 am.

If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to fumc@fumfcbrenham.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.

#### METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Ashley Abbey, Director - 979-830-8661

#### SUNDAY October 2, 2011 Church Attendance:

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	75
Worship 11:00 a.m.	129
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
Worship Total	267
Sunday School	115
Offering:	\$ 11,319.33

#### SUNDAY October 9, 2011 Church Attendance:

Nursery	3
Worship 8:15 a.m.	74
Worship 11:00 a.m.	112
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	65
Worship Total	254
Sunday School	104
Offering:	\$ 17,578.00

#### SUNDAY October 16, 2011 Church Attendance:

Offering:	\$ 6,924.78
Sunday School	117
Worship Total	371
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	87
Worship 11:00 a.m.	167
Worship 8:15 a.m.	112
Nursery	5

#### **SEPTEMBER TOTALS**

Sept. Income: \$63,759.58 Sept. Expense: \$52,600.25 **Sept. Total:** (\$11,159.33)

#### **YEAR TO DATE**

YTD Income: \$466,060.53 YTD Expense: \$503,524.22 YTD Total: (\$37,463.69)

# **October News**

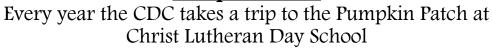


#### Fire Truck Visit

The Brenham Fire Department and Sparky the Fire Dog are coming to visit the CDC on Tuesday, Oct 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

The children will get hands on learning regarding fire safety and how the Firemen keep us safe.





The entire Center gets to enjoy planting pumpkin seeds, painting pumpkins, a story on the hay bales, and picking out a pumpkin to take home.





The CDC is having a Halloween Party on Oct 31st. We will be decorating cookies, bobbing apples, and other fun activities.

Children are welcome to wear their costumes. We will be serving pizza, so please do not pack a lunch.

### <u>Attention Card Group</u>

Card group will meet Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, and not again until January 10<sup>th</sup>. In January meetings will pick back up every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

#### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

Jennifer Patrick, Program Coordinator, <a href="mailto:Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org">Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org</a>

## great job singing kids!!



THANK YOU for using your gifts to worship God!



Children's Musical Theatre Troupe First United Methodist Church Brentham, TX

We currently have 34 kids participating in this year's Christmas musical. Boy, do we have some talented kids!! Rehearsals are Sundays from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. I will have more CDs available next Sunday. Be sure your kiddos are listening to their CDs!!

For more info email jennifer@fumcbrenham.org



PARENTS REMEMBER TO BRING A BAG OF CHIPS and DESSERT!

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### Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 5:45 p.m. Activity Center Parking Lot

Everyone come in costume, decorate your car trunk & pass out goodies to the kids! A hotdog dinner will be provided after the festivities. Youth parents will be having a Chili Cook Off to go with our hotdogs! Kids will get to walk the red carpet and show off their costumes! We encourage everyone to park your car and pass out candy to the kids, so spread the word!!

### **YOUTH NEWS**

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director rick@fumcbrenham.org

## October Youth Schedule

Oct., October 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5-8pm - Youth /AC

Oct., October 9th - 5-8pm - Youth /AC

Oct., October 16th - 5-8pm - Youth /AC - Game Night

Oct., October 23th - 5-8pm - Youth /AC - Guest Speaker

Oct., October 30th - 5-8pm - Youth /AC - Trunk or Treat/Youth

Family Chili Cook-off



We had almost 40 people come out last Friday to Blinn for lunch and a show. I would like to personally thank each of you for supporting the theatre department at Blinn. It means so much to these students when you attend one of their performances. Thank you.

We had fantastic fellowship in the cafeteria as well. Remember, a group plans to meet for lunch each Friday at Blinn at 11:30 a.m. If you are free, stop by and enjoy a fantastic lunch. I hear the seafood gumbo is terrific.

I have been sending emails out about JOY events as well as articles in the newsletter. If you have not received any emails from me please let me know.

> In Him. Jennifer Patrick Jennifer@fumcbrenham.org



## It's not just an event for kids...

## Sunday, October 30 6:00 p.m. in AC parking lot

Come out and help us PACK the parking lot with cars for our children to "Trunk or Treat". This event is for the young and young at heart!! All you need to do is:

\* Purchase some candy

\* Decorate your trunk/tailgate (optional)

\* Park in the AC parking lot starting at 5:45 p.m.

\* Watch the kids have a wonderful time going trunk to trunk

\* Enjoy a yummy dinner provided by United Methodist Men & a Chili Cook-Off by the Youth Parents

\* Watch a red carpet costume fashion show

We are looking for a great "trunk" turnout this year. So put on your costumes and join all the fun at TRUNK or TREAT!

\*\*NEW THIS YEAR - Bring a carved pumpkin for our Jack-o-Lantern contest!

## Laity sunday 2011



















Thank you to our Lay Leaders, Nita Hyatt & Bobby Clark, and all the musicians who made Sunday so special.

### 4th - 6th Grade Sunday School Class Volunteered at the Animal Shelter

**On Their Day Off From School** 















#### Men's Club News

The Men's Club met on the second Thursday of October, with 30 men present and one lady guest. We celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Brenham Men's Club. Our guest speaker was Kenneth Pheilke, Conference President of the Methodist Men. He told us about the workings of the Men's Club for the past 50 years, and answered many questions. We had a great time, and a good dinner, wish all the men of the church had been there! The picture below is of our speaker Kenneth presenting our local unit with a Gold Anniversary Charter to recognize our 50<sup>th</sup>. It is signed by Gilbert Hanke, the General Secretary of the General Commission of the United Methodist Men. Our next meeting is Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, and all men are invited to attend, hope to see you there!



Join us in conversation with

Bishop Janice Riggle Huie

"Becoming Fruitful Churches"

Thursday, November 17, 2011

Christ UMC 4201 State Hwy 6 South College Station, TX 77845

> 2 p.m. – Clergy 6 p.m. – Laity

Hospice Brazos Valley
Presents
Holidays Without You

Discover ideas to help you plan your holidays Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you want to register or have any question please contact Debbie Makey at 979-277-9525



Patti Orr Alan Williamson Chuck Springer Alyce Super Bonnie Perry Nancy Coghlan Wanda Lenley Jackie Ketchem Anita Goodrich Kathy Rote Rita and Bobby Meaux Lois Houston Tim Berryman Henry Kitzman Jr. Julie Rogers Marilynn Wrigley Larry Smith Ron Mills Jr. Madeleine Robinson Bill Stratton Carrie Naas Robert Hickey Judy McMillan Vernell Carnagey Paul Fulton

Our homebound members
Those serving in the military

### Donations Received

**In memory of**Laura Cornet

The FUMC UMW Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howe JoAnn Langford

**In memory of**Emma Lou Youngblood

Elizabeth Muckleroy

**In memory of**Henry Spurgeon Lanier
By

Elizabeth Muckleroy

## October

CHNDAY	MONDAY	THEODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURODAY	FRIDAY	CATURDAY
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23  12:00 Harvest Festival Set-up/AC 2:00 Youth-Movie/ In College Station 5:00 ACTS/ Rm.139  30 5:45 Trunk or Treat	All Day Harvest Festival Set-up/AC 10:00 Study Fellowship Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 3:00 42/ MH  31  10:00 Study Fellowship Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	25 All Day Harvest Festival	26 1:00 Care Team/ Library 6:00 Hand Bells/ Sanctuary 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	27 9:00 Yoga/ AC 5:30 SPR/ FH	28 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	29
	10:00 Newsletter Deadline	1	2	3	4	5
		9:30 UMW/ AC 5:00 Trustees/ FR	6:00 Hand Bells/ Sanctuary Leadership/ FH 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Emmaus/ Library	<b>4:00</b> Emmaus/ AC & Sanctuary
6 12:00 New Member Luncheon 5:00 ACTS/ Rm.139	7 10:00 Study Fellowship Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	9:00 Card Group/ MH	9 6:00 Hand Bells/ Sanctuary 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Emmaus/ Library 6:00 A&M Wesley/ AC- until Sat. afternoon	12
13  11:00  Youth Fall Fundraiser/ AC 5:00  ACTS/ Rm.139	14  10:00 Study Fellowship Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:00	9:30 Goodman/ Reiland Smith/ Smith Banker/ Brazzel 12:00 Susanna/ DeSalvo	6:00 Hand Bells/ Sanctuary 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	<b>17</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Emmaus/ Library	19
	CDC Board/ Library <b>6:30</b> Evangelism/ FR	<b>6:30</b> Wesleyan/ FH	<b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal			



#### **New Member Luncheon**

The next New Member Luncheon will be November  $6^{th}$  in the Activity Center following the 11:00 service. All members are urged to attend, please inform the church or fill out the inserts in the bulletins on Sunday if you plan to attend. This luncheon is to honor new members that have joined since May. The church will furnish the meat; new members are guests of honor so they are not expected to bring food. All other members are asked to bring a covered dish. Members with a last name that begins with  $\underline{A-H}$  please bring a salad,  $\underline{I-Q}$  bring a side dish, and  $\underline{R-Z}$  bring deserts. Hope to see all of you there!

The new Upper Room booklets are now available in the Sanctuary and Church Office.

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