



First United Methodist Church

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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
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The One Who Would Die

In the ancient history of the Middle East, Cyrus was an important king. There is a beautiful and reportedly true story about Cyrus and a rebel chieftain named Caligula. Caligula held some land on the southern border of Cyrus' kingdom. Cyrus defeated Caligula in battle, and complying with their rules of war, Caligula and his wife were summoned before King Cyrus to receive the death sentence. Ordinarily the sentence would have been automatic. But Cyrus was impressed by Caligula as he stood before him strong and tall and courageous. So King Cyrus began to question him, ***"Caligula, what would you do if I spared your life?"*** Caligula replied, ***"Sir, I would return to my home with gratitude and remain for the rest of my life your obedient servant."*** Then Cyrus said, ***"And what would you do if I spared your wife?"*** Caligula answered, ***"Oh, your majesty, if you would do that, I would gladly die for you."***

Cyrus was so impressed with Caligula that he only required Caligula to give an oath of allegiance to the king. Then he sent him home a free man. A short time later, when they were at home, Caligula and his wife were talking. He said to her, ***"Did you see the beautiful marble in the king's palace?"*** She answered, ***"No, I didn't see it."*** Then he asked her, ***"Did you see the magnificent tapestry on the walls of the palace?"*** ***"No,"*** she replied, ***"I didn't see them."*** He said, ***"Then surely you noticed that Cyrus was sitting on a throne of gold."*** She said, ***"I didn't notice."*** ***"Well,"*** he asked, ***"what did you see the day we stood before the king?"*** And she replied, ***"I saw only the face of one who said he would die for me."***

I hope the season of Lent, with the many special services; Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter were as meaningful for you as they were for me. We are now in the joyous season of Eastertide. I don't want to move ahead and forget the great sacrifice that Christ gave for you and me. When I think of the fact that Jesus did die for me, I am overwhelmed by His love. How can we help but gaze into His face, the face of the One who died for you and for me?

See you Sunday,
Kay

METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tami Stevens, Director – 979-830-8661

SUNDAY March 3, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	73
Worship 11:00 a.m.	101
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	51
Worship Total	231
Sunday School	98
Offering:	\$21,223.50

SUNDAY March 10, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	68
Worship 11:00 a.m.	103
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	51
Worship Total	228
Sunday School	99
Offering:	\$6,616.00

SUNDAY March 17, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	74
Worship 11:00 a.m.	128
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	57
Worship Total	265
Sunday School	105
Offering:	\$12,564.42

SUNDAY March 24, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	117
Worship 11:00 a.m.	191
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	78
Worship Total	391
Sunday School	123
Offering:	\$7,806.35

SUNDAY March 31, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	99
Worship 11:00 a.m.	251
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	116
Worship Total	466
Sunday School	123
Offering:	\$11,082.02

MARCH TOTALS

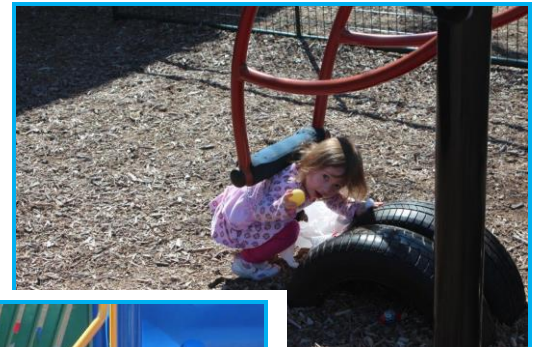
March Income:	\$59,519.46
March Expense:	\$52,822.38
March Total:	\$6,697.08

YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$161,701.73
YTD Expense:	\$156,912.31
YTD Net Total:	\$4,789.42



We had lots of fun in March!!!



Methodist Weekday Child Development Center

Drive-thru tickets

\$12.00 tickets

Homemade King Ranch Casserole

Cooked, packaged and frozen for your convenience

By the MWDC staff and P.T.O.

Drive-thru pick April 22, 2013 4:30-6:30 p.m.

In the Activity Center Parking Lot

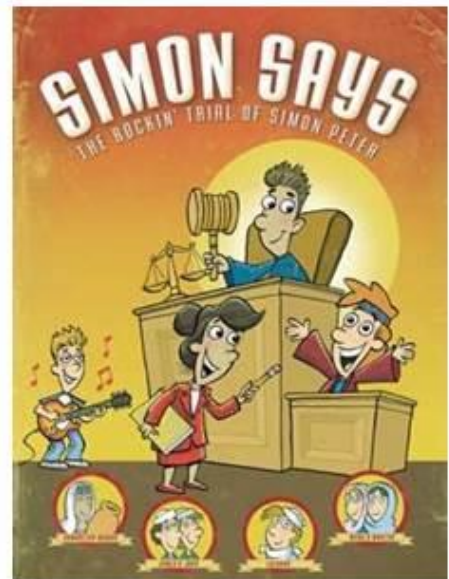
Tickets are available at the MWDC office, church office or any parent of a MWDC child.

Thank You!
**TREATS
FOR
TROOPS**

Thank you so much to everyone who donated towards our Lenten mission project. Our troops got a ton of goodies to share. Thanks again!



Spring Musical performance is right around the corner. Join us on Sunday, May 12 at 6:30PM in the Activity Center. We will have ice cream sundaes after the show. You will NOT want to miss this musical!!!






Mark your calendars now!
Vacation Bible School is July 22-26 this year.
REGISTER ONLINE NOW!!

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YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTRIES

Jennifer Patrick, Program Director, Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org

APRIL 2013		U. M. Y. F. @FUMC				
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 APRIL FOOLS	2	3	4 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Jennifer	5	6
6:30-8:00pm UMYF Walking in His Footsteps Part 3 7	8	PRE-UIL BAND CONCERT 6pm @ HS 9	10	11	12	 Blue Bell 13
UMYF HAPPY BIRTHDAY Luke 6:30-8:00pm 14	15	16	17	18	19	Act of Kindness Help our CDC prepare casseroles for their drive thru 10am - 2pm (lunch provided)
UMYF 6:30-8:00pm 21	 22	23	24	25	26	27
UMYF 5:30-8PM Photo Scavenger Hunt 28	29	30				

MEALS for UMYF

- APRIL 7th – Jurden’s
- APRIL 14th – Ruize’s
- APRIL 21st – Middleton’s
- APRIL 28th – Giebler’s



Upcoming events

We have an opportunity to help and serve our Preschool on Saturday, April 20 from 10am-2pm. We will help assemble casseroles for their fundraiser. I will provide lunch for everyone that helps! Hey, helping the preschool can be one of your intentional acts of kindness!!



Thanks to all the youth that helped fill the BAZILIAN Easter eggs!

Bring a NEW friend to UMYF and both of you get a





easter egg hunt



2013

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & SMALL GROUPS @FUMCBrenham

Find a class to join this week!



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Crosstrainers Class

This class is composed of adults of all ages. The Crosstrainers meet in the Activity Center after the *Celebration!* service at 10:00 a.m. The class is a discussion class. Topics have included: parenting, relationships, priorities, mission, NOOMA series, etc. Beginning April 7, they will be discussing the study entitled *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat*, by John Ortberg. This is a DVD and discussion study led by Rob Aguilar. *We welcome anyone and everyone to join us!*

Faithbuilders Class

The Faithbuilders Class begins at 9:45 a.m. with announcements in Room 139. The Faithbuilders Class is, as our name implies, a fellowship of believers who are consistently seeking to build our faith in God and in His Son, to build our faith in others and in ourselves. We seek to grow in our faith in all of these areas by studying the Word, learning from others of great faith, and learning from each other. Learning can be fun! We believe, as Jesus indicated so many times, in fellowshiping together. The class is currently studying a series called, *Who Is This Man?* by John Ortberg. *We laugh a lot, we care a lot, we learn a lot - come join us!*

Fellowship Class

The Fellowship Class meets at 10:00a.m. in the Fellowship Room, located in the office area of the Education Building and opens its doors to persons of all ages – single or married. Issues for presentation and discussion are usually short term in duration and represent a variety of theological and biblical perspectives to help persons bring meaning to daily living. Leadership is provided by class members or clergy and lively discussion is encouraged. Studies have included: “Difficult Passages in the Bible”, “Putting Faith Into Action”, etc. This class meets for dinner out on the third Friday (usually) of each month at a place the group chooses. *Come fellowship with us!*

Wesley Class

The Wesley Sunday School Class has been serving members continually at FUMC for more than 50 years. It is made up of adults who study the Adult Bible Studies from The New International Uniform Series. The class begins at 9:45 A.M. with announcements of upcoming events and prayer concerns followed by prayer. The class meets in Room 126. The group enjoys singing hymns and observing birthdays and anniversaries. Teachers have assigned Sundays to teach the lessons so one teacher does not have to teach every Sunday. Class projects are giving memorial money gifts when a member dies and supporting some other needs in the community. *Visitors and prospective members are always welcome.*

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITES

Monday Morning Small Group

This group is composed of adults of all ages and meets in the Fellowship House at 10:00 a.m. on Monday mornings. The class is a discussion class. Topics have included: Methodism, Bible studies, Christian faith and Christian living. They are currently finishing up a study of Paul. This is a DVD (including the sand art of Joe Castillo) and discussion study led by Keith Hale. *We welcome anyone and everyone to join us!*

Sunday Evening Small Group

This group is composed of adults of all ages and meets in the Fellowship House at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings. The group began meeting as a Lenten House and have decided to do another study. On April 14, they will begin Adam Hamilton's Study called *Why? Making Sense of God's Will*. This will be a 4 week study led by Aaron and Jennifer Campbell. *New people are welcome to join us!*

Women's Summer Bible Study

We will once again have a time for ladies of all ages to come together for study and fellowship. Every summer the group of ladies is different but the fun and spiritual growth is always there. This summer the women will once again do a study from Rev. Jessica LaGrone. Her new study is called, *Namesake* and will be led by Joyce Brown and Jennifer Patrick. Check the newsletter for the start date and times.

If you would like more information on any of these classes you can contact Jennifer Patrick at Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org.

Donations Received

In memory of
Wilma Hasse Applet Vickers

By
Gary and Kay Ivy

In memory of
Billy Thompson

By
Gary and Kay Ivy

In memory of
Shirley Johnson

By
Debbie Lehrmann

In memory of
Albert Oldakowski

By
Gary and Kay Ivy
Tom and Carol Ann Post

Prayer Concerns

Tom Brazzel
Kathy Revenaugh
Melissa Hale
Grant Cook
Jacob Krebs
Bob Baker
Jim Hickey
Kathy Rote
Justin Davis
Pete Robertson
Marnie Whitmarsh
Kathy Rote
Elaine Walberg
Marti Mclemore
Jim Forsythe
Ben Davis
Jim Miller
Chester D'Olive
Floyd Chapman
Barbara Moran
Robert Wright
Jacque Ketcham
Deborah Kolber
Linda Daugherty
Jo Anne Wheelless
Ann Cartwright
Bob Perry
Virginia Collier
Eloise Carmen
Juanita Hickey

Our homebound members
and those serving in the military

Pre-Conference Orientation

April 29, 2013

Local church pastors and Annual Conference delegates are asked to attend the Pre-Conference briefing and orientation meeting **Monday the 29th at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at **College Station FUMC, 1125 Wellborn Rd.** The Rev. B.T. Williamson, Assistant to the Bishop, will conduct this vital session. Annual Conference in 2013 will take place May 26th-29th at the Hilton Americas in downtown Houston. The orientation will discuss key events and discussions at Conference, as well as basic information about the site, meals, etc. Please plan to attend this important connectional meeting in our district.

INTENTIONAL ACTS OF KINDNESS MONTH

Paint the Town

On Wednesday April 24, from 9-11 a.m., anyone who would like to visit one of the six nursing homes in Brenham and help brighten a ladies' day by painting her nails, may participate in the Paint the Town program. Michele Smith has contacted the activity directors at all six nursing facilities and they are working together to make some ladies feel special. The plan is to have 4 ladies at each place working at the same time. There will be baskets at each place which will include bowls for soaking their nails, liquid hand soap, nail polish remover, cotton balls, a soft nail brush, hand lotion and nail polish. There will be no cutting of cuticles or doing anything that might cause a potential problem to the skin. The basket will be left as a gift to the facility for their future use. Please arrive at your assigned place 10 minutes before nine. If you would like to help with this project, contact Michele to let her know. She will answer any questions you may have. This can be one of your Intentional Acts of Kindness during the month of April.

PALM SUNDAY



Brazos Valley Hospice will hold *Loss of a Child*

A 4-week series for parents who have lost a child of any age,
Wednesdays in April.
April 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Location: 302 E. Blue Bell Road, Brenham

Join other grieving parents and learn healthy skills to cope
with the unique difficulties parents face.

Thanks FUMC

We want to thank all of the people who prayed for Charles Lacy, our Son-In-Law, through the pain of cancer. The many cards and calls were kind and thoughtful. We especially appreciate those that attended his Memorial Services.

Sincerely,
Bob & Margaret Hickson

Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Friday, April 12, 2013 at 10:00 am.**

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.






SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	2 9:30 UMW/ AC 6:00 Worship/ FR	3 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	4 9:00 Yoga/ AC	5 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	6
7 3:00 Confirmation/ FH 5:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 6:30 Youth/ AC	8 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:00 CDC Board/ Library 6:00 Mission/ Library 6:30 Finance/ FR	9 9:00 Card Group/ MH 6:00 Evangelism/ FR	10 1:00 Council on Ministry/ FR 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	11 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	12 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor 1:00 Blinn Blitz/ Blinn 6:00 Mushaway Wedding Rehearsal/ Sanctuary	13 6:00 Mushaway Wedding/ Sanctuary
14 3:00 Confirmation/ FH 5:00 Sunday Small Group/ FH ACTS/ Rm. 139 6:30 Youth/ AC	15 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	16 9:30 Post Circle/ Burt Goodman Circle / Tate Reiland Circle – Reiland & Gillis/ FH 12:00 Susanna Circle/ Pendergrass 6:30 Wesleyan Circle- Baker & Goodrich/ FH	17 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	18 9:00 Yoga/ AC	19 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	20
21 3:00 Confirmation/ FH 5:00 Sunday Small Group/ FH ACTS/ Rm. 139 6:30 Youth/ AC	22 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	23 9:00 Card Group/ MH 5:00 Trustees/ Library	24 1:00 Care Team/ FR 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	25 9:00 Yoga/ AC	26 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	27
28 2:30 Brenham Rest Home Service 3:00 Confirmation/ FH 3:30 Kruse Village Service 5:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 Sunday Small Group/ FH 6:30 Youth/ AC	29 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	30 9:00 Card Group/ MH				
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY


4TH ANNUAL
BLINN
BLITZ

APRIL 12
1-3 P.M.

A BLINN COLLEGE SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT



STUDENTS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE
MAY EARN SERVICE LEARNING CREDITS AND SHOULD
MEET IN FRONT OF OLD MAIN AT 12:45, APRIL 12.



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