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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  
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# **First United Methodist Church**

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213

*May 16, 2013*

## ***The Meaning of Memorial Day***

It's a sacred day to all war veterans. And none of them need to be reminded of the reason that Memorial Day must be commemorated. But what about the general public, and more important, what about future generations? Do most non-veterans really recognize the importance of the day honoring their fellow Americans killed in war?

Judging from what Memorial Day has become – simply another day off from work – the answer is a resounding no. Then perhaps a reminder is due.

Sacrifice is meaningless without remembrance. America's collective consciousness demands that all citizens recall and be aware of the deaths of their fellow countrymen and women during wartime. Far too often the nation as a whole takes for granted the freedoms all Americans enjoy. Those freedoms were paid for with the lives of others few of us actually knew. That's why they are all collectively remembered on one special day.

This should be regarded as a civic obligation. For this is a national debt, that can only be repaid by individual Americans. By honoring the nation's war dead, we preserve their memory and thus their service and sacrifice in the memories of future generations.

They came from all walks of life and regions of the country. But they all had one thing in common – love of and loyalty to country. This bond cemented ties between them in times of trials, allowing a diverse lot of Americans to achieve monumental ends.

We remember the loss of individual loved ones and there is also the sense of loss that takes group form. In essence, America is commemorating those who made the greatest sacrifice possible – giving one's own life on behalf of others.

Means of paying tribute vary. Pausing for a few minutes of personal silence is available to everyone. Attending commemorative ceremonies is the most visible way of demonstrating remembrance. Placing flags at gravesites, marching in parades, and decorating memorials are examples. Public displays of patriotism are essential if the idea of remembering our war dead is to be instilled in our youth.

Six hundred World War II veterans die each day. As America's older war veterans fast disappear from society's landscape, there are fewer and fewer standard-bearers left to carry the torch of remembrance. Such traditions will live on only if there is a vibrant movement to which that torch can be passed.

Now, more than in recent years, the enduring relevance of Memorial Day should be clearly evident. With two wars under way and with much owed to the approximately 5,000 Americans who have died thus far in the Afghanistan and Iraq wars, the public has a sacred duty to remember.

See you Sunday!

Kay

### **Did You Know?**

Did you know the 11:00 worship service is video-taped each Sunday? If you would like a copy of any service, please call the church office. You can view the video if you have a DVD player on your computer or television.

## METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tami Stevens, Director – 979-830-8661

### SUNDAY May 5, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	67
Worship 11:00 a.m.	107
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	60
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>238</b>
Sunday School	90
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$19,827.50</b>

### SUNDAY May 12, 2013 Church Attendance:

Nursery	9
Worship 8:15 a.m.	124
Worship 11:00 a.m.	142
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	93
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>368</b>
Sunday School	121
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$6,753.01</b>

### APRIL TOTALS

April Income:	\$48,860.56
April Expense:	\$47,712.07
<b>April Total:</b>	<b>\$1,148.49</b>

### YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$210,562.29
YTD Expense:	\$204,624.38
<b>YTD Net Total:</b>	<b>\$5,937.91</b>



### The 2013 Graduating Pre-K Class

*Benton, Caiden, Connor,  
Daniel, Marissa, Piper  
and Yzabelle*

*Graduation will be held  
Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m.  
in the Activity Center.*



### We Painted the Town



On Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, a group of ladies from our church painted the town, or some fingernails at least! We went to all six Brenham nursing homes, and in a two hour period we painted a total of 61 ladies nails. The ladies in the nursing homes might have enjoyed it, but all us received the true blessing. We had interesting conversations with women who had lots to share about their lives. We made these lovely ladies feel pretty and cared for. Special thanks to our *nail techs* and *special friends*: Joyce Morris, Susie Sanclemente, Vicki McCoy, Lois Taggart, Doris Mays, Mary Jane Jean, Beverly Duree, Michele Smith, Smitty Hinnars, Emma Hargis, Susie Forsythe, Nynvia Mills, Susan Ebel, Millie Keller and Alyece Garrett.

# HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR VBS ONLINE YET?



**2013.cokesburyvbs.com/FUMCBrenhamTx**













## WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR??

Thanks to everyone who helped make our musical, Simon Says, such a success. I COMPLETELY forgot to thank my Blinn theatre student, Zackary Yoke, for being our Simon Peter. Enjoy your summer and I will see you again for ACTS in the Fall.



# YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTRIES

Jennifer Patrick, Program Director, [Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org)

MAY 2013 U. M. Y. F. @FUMC						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5 UMYF 6:30-8:00pm	6	7	8	9	10 	11 
12 NO UMYF 	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 UMYF 6:30-8:00pm 	20	21	22	23	24	25 
26 UMYF Time TBA 	27 	28	29	30	31 	

## IMPORTANT DATES!

May 19<sup>th</sup> – UMYF  
Meal: Summerour's  
**PARENT'S MEETING**  
@7:00pm

May 26<sup>th</sup> – UMYF  
DesTinAtIoN UnKnoWn

June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Graduation Dinner  
Set up begins at 2pm  
Dinner is at 5:30pm

June 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>  
**YOUTH WEEK**  
Details to come!!



**WHEN: SUNDAY, MAY 26**

**TIME: 5:32PM - 8:27PM (IF YOU ARE LATE YOU WILL GET LEFT BEHIND)**

**WHERE: MEET AT THE CHURCH (EVERYTHING ELSE IS CLASSIFIED)**

**WHO: ALL YOUTH AND FRIENDS 7<sup>TH</sup> – 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**WHAT TO BRING: WEAR OLD CLOTHES, A BATHING SUIT/TOWEL, A BAG OF CHIPS, & A TOOTHBRUSH**



**Back-to-Back Game**

**The Ha-Ha Game!!**



## UMM

The Methodist Men will have a guest speaker, Gilbert Heinke on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> instead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. The whole congregation is invited, ladies included. A pot luck meal will be served with fried chicken, hot rolls and brownies at the 6:30 evening dinner. Members with the last name ending in A-K please bring a vegetable, last name ending in L-Z please bring a salad. Please RSVP to Ken or Ann Pieper at 979-836-4801 with your name and the number attending.

## Graduation Dinner

The United Methodist Youth Fellowship invites our church family to join us in a celebration dinner honoring our High School Graduates and their families.

Sunday, June 2, 2013  
5:30 p.m. in the Activity Center

Meal provided by the youth and their parents  
The meal is free. All donations go to support youth ministries

### Our Graduates

Graham Henkhaus \* Kara Beth Jurden \* Eric Ruiz



RSVP forms will be worship bulletins on May 19

OR

Call the church office 836-2008

OR

Email me at [Jennifer@fumcbrenham.org](mailto:Jennifer@fumcbrenham.org)

OR

Tear off the bottom of this page and bring it to the church office or place in the offering plate

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

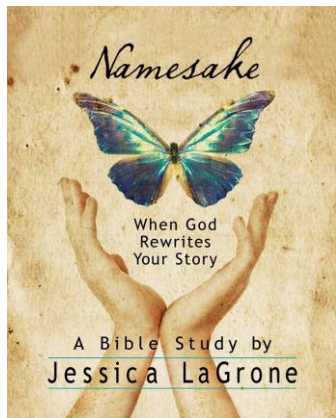
HOW MANY PLAN TO ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_

## Prayer Concerns

Kathy Revenaugh  
Jim Hickey  
Kathy Rote  
Marnie Whitmarsh  
Jim Miller  
Chester D'Olive  
Floyd Chapman  
Barbara Moran  
Jacque Ketcham  
Virginia Collier  
Eloise Carmen  
Regenta Jenkins  
Elaine Dorow  
Smitty Hinners  
Reka Pennington  
Frances Sidebottom  
Susan Ebel  
Carolyn Sander  
Shirlene Lehmann  
Art Hinners  
Jean Laws  
Kay Ivy  
Samuel Faske  
Jan Harvis  
Robert Smith

Our homebound members  
and those serving in the military

***If you would like to make a love offering in honor of Rev. Chance, please submit your gifts by June 1<sup>st</sup> and write love offering in the memo section. The gifts will be combined and presented to Rev. Chance on his last Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.***



## SUMMER WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All women are invited to come and etch out some time together just for us and the Lord. Take a moment this summer and just sit in the Word and fellowship with other women. This summer's study is called *Namesake* by my friend Jessica Lagrone (the same author as last year's study). This study will meet for 7 weeks but please don't feel that you have to attend all of them. Any time you can come will be a blessing!

**Beginning on JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup> with a brief intro meeting**

**WHEN:** Monday's at 6:30pm

**WHERE:** Fellowship House

**COST:** \$12 for the book

## Thanks FUMC!

Dear Friends,

Words are not adequate to say thank you for the kindness shown to me during my recent illness. I'm feeling better after some new medications were prescribed. Just thank you all for your cards, visits, calls, food and prayers; your kindness was overwhelming.

Thank you all again and May the Lord bless you all!

Smitty Hinners



*Bob and Linda Robertson at their farewell reception, they will be missed!*

## Donations Received

*In memory of*  
**Albert Oldakowski**  
By  
Art & Smitty Hinners

## Attention Evangelism

*There will be no meetings in the months of June and July. Have a good summer and see you in August.*

## Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 10:00 am.**

If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to [fumc@fumcbrenham.org](mailto: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.



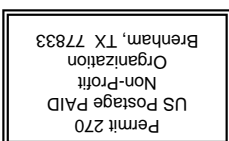


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> <b>6:30</b> Celebration Band/ AC <b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	<b>2</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	<b>3</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>3:00</b> Confirmation/ FH <b>5:00</b> ACTS/ Rm. 139 SESG/ FH <b>6:30</b> Youth/ AC	<b>6</b> <b>10:00</b> FSG/ FH	<b>7</b> <b>8:45</b> UMW Exec./ Library <b>9:30</b> UMW/ AC	<b>8</b> <b>6:30</b> Celebration Band/ AC <b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	<b>9</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	<b>10</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor <b>6:00</b> Zientek- Oquinn Wedding Rehearsal/ Sanctuary	<b>11</b> <b>3:30</b> Zientek- Oquinn Wedding / Sanctuary
<b>12</b> <b>6:30</b> ACTS Performance/ AC 	<b>13</b> <b>10:00</b> FSG/ FH <b>1:30</b> CDC Board/ Library <b>6:00</b> Mission Team/ FH	<b>14</b> <b>9:00</b> Card Group/ MH <b>6:00</b> Evangelism/ FR	<b>15</b> <b>6:30</b> Celebration Band/ AC <b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	<b>16</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	<b>17</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <b>10:45</b> Only 1 Church Service/ Sanctuary <b>12:00</b> New Member – Confirmand Luncheon/ AC	<b>20</b> 7:00 Admin. Board/ FR	<b>21</b> <b>9:30</b> Post Circle/ Newman Goodman Circle / Ross Reiland Circle – Powell & Brisbin/ FH <b>12:00</b> Susanna Circle/ Tafelski/ FH <b>6:30</b> Wesleyan Circle- Sanclemente & McCoy/ FH	<b>22</b> <b>6:30</b> Celebration Band/ AC <b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	<b>23</b> <b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC <b>6:30</b> UMM/ AC	<b>24</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Youth/ TBA	<b>27</b> <i>Offices Closed</i>  <i>Memorial Day</i>	<b>28</b> <b>9:00</b> Card Group/ MH <b>5:00</b> Trustees/ FR	<b>29</b> <b>1:00</b> Care Team/ FR <b>6:30</b> Celebration Band/ AC <b>7:00</b> Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	<b>30</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor	<b>31</b> <b>9:00</b> Emmaus/ Parlor <b>6:30</b> CDC Graduation/ AC	
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY



## Drop-In-The-Bucket

Between now and May 26<sup>th</sup> the Texas Conference is asking the churches to collect gift cards **by the bucket** to bring to Annual Conference. The goal is to “cover the conference” with gifts of comfort and compassion. The cards will be used to help the homeless and those being rescued from the bondage of human trafficking. All you have to do is pick up a gift card for \$10 or \$25 whenever you eat out or shop and bring it to the church. We want to send our delegates to Annual Conference with bucket loads of gift cards.



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