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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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Associate Pastor  
Rev. Kay Reed  
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# First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213  
*August 7, 2012*

## Vacations

I just returned from two wonderful weeks of vacation. Summertime is the time for vacation getaways. Many people go to the mountains, some go to the beach, some enjoy a relaxing cruise, and some just like to travel and see the sights.

I believe vacations are truly biblical. We all need a time to get away from the worldly things that weigh us down and take time just to relax and enjoy God's creation. Vacations give us a sense of revival in that when we return to those routine things in our lives we can face them with new energy and a fresh outlook. We all need that.

Even Jesus needed that. Many times in the gospels we can read where Jesus would go off by Himself to pray and talk to the Father. He needed a time away from the "world." Those who loved Him followed Him everywhere. There was always a crowd pressing around wherever He was. Those who didn't believe in Him were constantly trying to silence Him or chase Him away. He had to endure false accusations and was constantly having to defend Himself.

I'm sure He must have had days when the pressure was great. It must have been difficult just to get up and do it day after day. I know He became frustrated. Didn't He ask the disciples, "How much longer must I show you the way?" And again He asked, "Where is your faith?" Although He was the Son of God His job was not easy. He needed those times to get away and get direction from His Father so He could feel renewed and have the energy He needed to face the "world."

I hope you had a chance this summer to get away from it all and let God revive your spirit so that you can face the "world" with a new sense of purpose knowing that God is in control and that we can do all things through Christ who gives us strength.

*"Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowd. After He had dismissed them, He went up on a mountainside by Himself to pray." (Matthew 14:22,23)*

See you Sunday, Kay

## **23<sup>rd</sup> 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, Director – 979-830-8661

## August 2012

### SUNDAY July 8, 2012

#### Church Attendance:

Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	89
Worship 11:00 a.m.	143
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	62
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>302</b>
Sunday School	107
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$17,901.33</b>

### SUNDAY July 15, 2012

#### Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	70
Worship 11:00 a.m.	105
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	149
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>330</b>
Sunday School	131
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$4,407.00</b>

### SUNDAY July 22, 2012

#### Church Attendance:

Nursery	11
Worship 8:15 a.m.	76
Worship 11:00 a.m.	103
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	52
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>242</b>
Sunday School	107
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$11,677.51</b>

### SUNDAY July 29, 2012

#### Church Attendance:

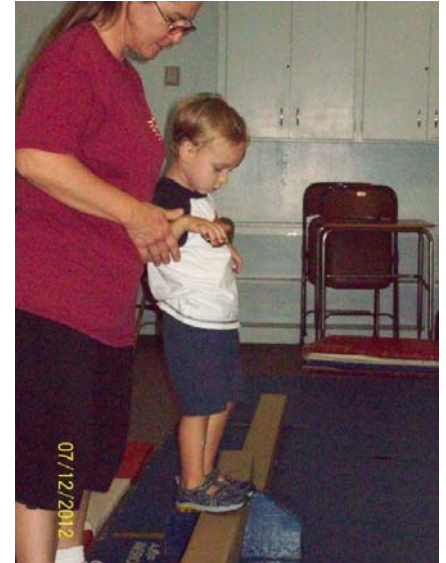
Nursery	7
Worship 8:15 a.m.	68
Worship 11:00 a.m.	116
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	62
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>253</b>
Sunday School	116
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$6,716.75</b>

### JULY TOTALS

July Income:	\$54,676.69
July Expense:	\$61,992.27
<b>July Total:</b>	<b>(\$7,315.58)</b>

### YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$382,170.41
YTD Expense:	\$369,324.50
<b>YTD Net Total:</b>	<b>\$12,845.91</b>



The kids had a great time doing gymnastics with Ms. Rebecca from Kid Kix. There will be three more gymnastics days, August 2nd, 9th, and 16<sup>th</sup>.

### Up coming events in August

August 8<sup>th</sup> the 3's and Pre K's will go to the library and then have a picnic at Fireman's Park.

August 13<sup>th</sup> Pre K will be going to the Bryan Children's Museum.

Just a reminder registration is due August 22<sup>nd</sup> and school starts back on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Only 18 spots left for the fall!



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

# SUMMER FUN at FUMC



## PreK- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Party

Tuesday, Aug 14  
Fireman's Park  
6:00 – 7:30pm  
Pizza provided



# YOUTH NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director [rick@fumcbrenham.org](mailto:rick@fumcbrenham.org)

## August Youth Calendar

\*subject to change\*

Wed., Aug 8 - 5:30pm-10pm - BCS activity & Yogurt Land

Sun., Aug 12 - 5pm-8pm - Youth in AC

Sun., Aug 19 - 5pm-8pm - Youth in AC (Back to School theme)

Mon., Aug 27th - First Day of School

### Lakeview & SIFAT Success

Lakeview was a great success this year! The FUMC group that attended was the largest in several years, and the consensus was that they all can't wait to go back! Hallelujah!!!

The youth trip to SIFAT was also very exciting and enjoyable. Old friends reunited and new friends were made. Although it was a "rocky" week, we all were blessed and thankful to have experienced SIFAT and return home safely.

My hope and prayer is that all of these kids and youth that participated in these activities will take with them the experiences of this summer and in some way be changed to better serve our Lord!

On behalf of all the youth, we thank everyone for their support! -Rick



### *Faithbuilders Class Outing*

Sixteen members of the Faithbuilders Class went on an outing to Winchester, Texas; we went to Murphey's Steak House and visited the Lee County Court House. It was great fun!





### *Special Thanks*

Our lives took an abrupt turn at the end of May, when a small tumor was discovered in my right lung. We quickly found ourselves with appointments to see a thoracic surgeon, have a PET scan, a breathing capacity test, and pre-admittance to the hospital. And, now, four weeks after surgery to remove the tumor, I am recovering and look forward to no more treatment. The mass was a slow-growing characinoid tumor and there was no cancer in the lymph nodes. I think God said, "Carry on," and so I will.

The outpouring of love from our friends at Brenham's First United Methodist church was outright amazing. I started getting lots of cards and messages even before we left for the hospital. The food deliveries that came our way were delicious and so welcome, given the fact that Bobby Clark is amazing in the kitchen at FUMC, but not so creative once breakfast is over at our house.

Thank you all for your outpouring of love during this time. I am convinced getting well depends upon how many cards and calls you get from family, friends, and neighbors. Thank you all so much. You are such a blessing to me.

With much love, Pat Clark

### *Prayer Vigil*

For 12 hours every Wednesday, one of our 12 prayer warriors is in our chapel praying for an hour. The prayer vigil starts at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 7:00p.m. During these hours, prayer is lifted up for people, the church, the country and the world. We have an open time slot from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m. **every** Wednesday starting September 5th, 2012. We are also in need of substitutes, someone who would be willing to take a person's place whenever needed. If you are interested in either, please contact Chris Rogers @ 251-7528 or [chrisrogers@texasbb.com](mailto:chrisrogers@texasbb.com).

## ***Prayer Concerns***

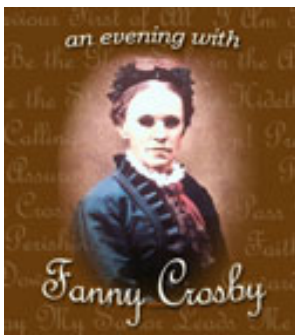
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Kathy Revenaugh  
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Charlotte Cooper  
Frank Tyson  
Earl McIntyre  
James Goodrich  
Joyce Morris  
Louis Hanath  
Floyd Chapman  
David Brodhead  
Vicki Jordan  
Paul & Ada Fulton  
Doyce Wells  
Lane Buban  
Kathy Rote  
Roger Appelt  
Alan Williamson

Our homebound members  
Those serving in the military

## **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 you see you there; all members of the church are invited!

Smitty Hanners  
Program Chair



## ***Donations Received***

***In memory of***  
**Elizabeth Muckleroy**  
By  
Ken & Ann Pieper  
Art & Smitty Hanners  
Barbara Lanier

***In memory of***  
**Bette Odale**  
By  
Gary & Kay Ivy  
Tom & Carol Ann Post  
Art & Smitty Hanners  
Tim & Linda Hasten  
Bradley & Shana Muske  
Larry & Konnie Thomas  
Walter & Nancy Veron

***In memory of***  
**Beverly Hermann**  
By  
Tom & Carol Ann Post

***In honor of***  
**Peyton Clare Hargrave**  
By  
Alan Schmidt

## **Welcome Coffee**

Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> we will have a "Welcome Coffee" in the parlor between church services for our new organist Vicki Wehmeyer. Please join us as we welcome Vicki to our church!

## ***Thanks and Prayers***

Thank you to everyone for the cards, calls and especially the prayers upon my Father's passing. It means so much to us. Please also pray for my niece who delivered a beautiful baby girl, Riley Brooke and now will begin her chemo & radiation treatments. Please continue to keep her and all of us in your prayers. Thank you again, you all truly lift us up.

Barbara, Keith & Jackson Killgore

## **Resale**

The accessories left from the May UMW program, "Beaded Hope", will be offered for sale at the Aug. 7th meeting. The proceeds from this jewelry, belts, purses, and hat sale will go to missions in South Africa. The sale in May made \$400, and the sale in Aug. will complete this worthy project. Thank you to all the ladies that donated items and to all the people that bought items.

Jo Powell

# August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			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
5	6	7 10:00 Kathy Buck's Funeral 6:00 UMW/ AC	8 1:00 Council on Ministries/ Library 5:30 Youth-College Station 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	9 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	10 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	11
12 5:00 Youth/ AC	13 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 5:30 Finance/ FH	14 9:00 Card/ MH	15 5:30 SPRC/ FR 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	16 9:00 Yoga/ AC	17 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	18
19 9:00 Welcome Coffee 5:00 Youth/ AC 6:00 Hymn Sing/ College Station	20	21 9:30 Hiners Circle- Nelms/ FH Cummings Circle- Murphey/ MH Rogers Circle- Manchester 6:30 Wesleyan-Brown & Hurta/ FH	22 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	23 9:00 Yoga/ AC	24 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	25 8:00 Epiphany Training / AC
26	27 2:00 42/ MH 7:00 Admin Board/ FR	28 9:00 Card/ MH	29 1:00 Care Team/ Library 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	30 9:00 Yoga/ AC	31 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	
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## Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Monday, August 20, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.**

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.

# **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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