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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

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October 15, 2012

Being Methodist Was Serious Business

Every year that I've been a Methodist preacher, at Charge Conference time, we removed a certain number of people from the church rolls. Those removed were mostly the folks who had moved away or who had been absent for years and who did not answer our letters of inquiry.

Once or twice in churches past, I have been advised not to remove anyone in this manner. I was told, "Someone's feelings might be hurt." Some were distant relatives of active church members and removing them might cause a stir. Now, I try to avoid hurting feelings and I'm committed to doing all we can to restore someone who has fallen away, if he/she is restorable.

But equally important is another principle. Church membership is sacred and holds some privileges and responsibilities that must be upheld. All persons coming for membership, before they were received into the church, publicly assure the pastor and congregation before God that they can be counted on to be faithful in attendance, prayer, financial support, and service. That's a condition of church membership! No Methodist is let into the church until he or she first makes those promises, which are every bit as sacred as the vows of marriage.

With all that in mind, consider John Wesley. What would he have thought of all this? Under the date March 12, 1743, Wesley wrote in his journal that in the Methodist Society at Newcastle, several members were removed from the rolls. Here's how many and why.

"The numbers of those who were expelled from the Society were sixty-four:

Two for cursing and swearing.
Two for habitual Sabbath-breaking.
Seventeen for drunkenness.
Two for retailing spirituous liquors.
Three for quarreling and brawling.
One for beating his wife.
Three for habitual, willful lying.
Four for railing and evil-speaking.
One for idleness and laziness. And,
Nine-and-twenty for lightness and carelessness."

Removed for "idleness and laziness?" for "lightness and carelessness?" Wow! Under those guidelines, how would you have made it as an early Methodist? For John Wesley, being a Methodist was serious business, and it should be for us, too. As a congregation and as individual Christians, let us be true to our church membership vows.

See you Sunday,
Kay

METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tami Stevens, Director – 979-830-8661



SUNDAY September 30, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	68
Worship 11:00 a.m.	125
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	64
Worship Total	263
Sunday School	118
Offering:	\$7,659.00

SUNDAY October 7, 2012

Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	57
Worship 11:00 a.m.	145
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	51
Worship Total	259
Sunday School	107
Offering:	22,430.33

SEPTEMBER TOTALS

Sept. Income:	\$52,658.10
Sept. Expense:	\$53,719.64
Sept. Total:	(\$1,061.64)

YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$474,929.22
YTD Expense:	\$474,238.25
YTD Net Total:	\$690.97

October



The Pre-K and 3's built a scarecrow for display
in downtown Brenham.

October's Up Coming Events

*Oct. 16th – The Brenham Fire Fighters will come and teach on fire safety.

*Oct. 24th - The 2's, 3's and Pre-K Classes will visit the Christ Lutheran Day School Pumpkin Patch.

*Oct. 31st – There will be a costume parade at 10:00 a.m. in the Activity Center.

Trunk or Treat



**PARENTS PLEASE BRING A BAG OF
CHIPS and DESSERT TO SHARE
WITH EVERYONE!**



Sunday, October 28th

6:00 p.m. Activity Center Parking Lot

Everyone come in costume, decorate your car trunk & pass out goodies to the kids! Youth will be grilling up some sausage and hotdogs! Kids will get to walk the red carpet and show off their costumes! We encourage **everyone** in the church to park your car and pass out candy to the kids!! Remember awards go out to the most creative trunks!

A.C.T.S.

**DUDE,
YOU HEAR
WHAT
I HEAR?**

Children's Musical
Theatre Troupe

Every Sunday 5:00 -6:30pm

Performance Date:

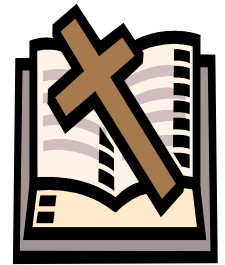
6:30pm Sunday, December 2

HARVEST FEST 2012

Remember to pick up your tickets for the United Methodist Women's Harvest Fest on October 23. The scarves that you made will be on sale in their country store. Come out for a little shopping, some bidding and a great turkey n' dressing meal.

YOUTH NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director rick@fumcbrenham.org



October/ November Youth Calendar

subject to change

Sun., Oct. 21 – No Youth

Sun., Oct. 28 – 4:30-6:30 p.m. - in AC for Trunk or Treat

Sun., Nov. 4 – 5:00-8:00 p.m. - in AC

Sun., Nov. 11 – in AC – soup pick up- TBA

Sun., Nov. 18 – 5:30-8:00 p.m. – Hay Maze

Sun., Nov. 25 – No Youth



Youth Fall Fundraiser



The youth will be selling containers of soup for their fall fundraiser! You will have three flavors to choose from; chicken noodle, beefy vegetable, and cream of vegetable; soups will be pre-sold by youth starting October 28th. Pickup will be on November 11th. All soups will be \$5 each and will come frozen in plastic containers for easy storage. If you had an opportunity to taste some of these soups last year you know...they were really good!!! Stay tuned for more information soon.



Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival News:

It may not feel like it, but fall is right around the corner and so is our annual Harvest Festival. Preparations and planning are well underway with lots more to be done. I encourage all UMW members to attend the October 2nd general meeting as lots of important information and scheduling will be discussed. Harvest Festival tickets are now available in the church office. I encourage all church members to get their tickets as soon as possible because they sell out quickly. Donations for turkeys are greatly appreciated and can be made to UMW, check memo: turkey donation and left in the church office. Now is a good time to be thinking of items for the silent auction. Our silent auction always has a nice variety of items, so whether you have an item around your home, or you are crafty, or just want to donate a gift certificate; please remember we could always use silent auction items. The country store also welcomes homemade items such as cakes, pies, cookies and handmade items.

Please remember the following important dates:

October 21st - setting up tables in activity center @12:00

October 22nd - cutting up of turkeys, decorating activity center, accepting items for silent auction and country store

****Items for silent auction and country store must be dropped off by 4:00 Oct. 22nd****

There are many ways to help with our Harvest Festival right up to the day of so if you need any information or help please give me a call at 979-277-2494.

Look forward to seeing you soon!!

Kim Limmer

Thanks FUMC

Many thanks to the youth group and the Wesley group who came to the Bread Partners building. They emptied crates off, washed and then painted the shelves. Particular thanks to Rick, Ryan, Emily, and Hallie. I apologize if I have forgotten anyone or misspelled your name. We greatly appreciated the time and effort you gave.

Sincerely, Dianne Davenport

One Church One Faith was a great success! Thank you to all who helped with this special event.

Pastor Kay

I want to thank my church family for the prayers and the cards sent to my family. It means a great deal, also thanks for the memorials given in memory of my mother Priscilla Neal Picheloup. All this just reminds me that I have a Church Family that is so caring and supportive. Every prayer was felt and I know how much you care. Thank you for everything.

Sincerely, Dianne Davenport

JOY — *Just Older Youth*

We will be reserving 20 tickets for the Church Basement Ladies show presented at Blinn College. The reservations are for Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00pm. Please bring your ticket money to the church office. The tickets are \$20 each. Your tickets are reserved once I get the ticket money.



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

**Sunday, October 28
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 cooked up by our youth
- * 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!**

**Awards given to the most creative and
thematic trunks!!**

Prayer Concerns

Charles Lacy
Larry Tyrell
Jacque Ketcham
Bonnie Perry
Kathy Revenaugh
Mary Wilhelm
Pastor Kay
Lane Buban
Ann Talley
Joyce Morris
Leroy Polk
Floyd Chapman
Linda Pipes
Vicki Jordan
Kathy Rote
Alan Williamson
Frank Genest
Jim Hale
Sue Perry
Justin Davis
Glen Morris
Harvey Alex
Renee Thompson
David Magness
Linda Daugherty
Marilynn Wrigley
Ann Cartwright
Billy Thompson

Our homebound members
Those serving in the military

Donations Received

In memory of
Priscilla Neal Picheloup

By
Tom and Carol Ann Post

In memory of
Leroy Super
By
Art and Smitty Hinners

Save the Date

The presiding bishop over the Texas Annual Conference, Janice Riggle Huie, will give a special presentation to the district laity and clergy on Sunday, December 2nd at 3:00 p.m. at A&M UMC.

*****Note that the date, time and location have changed.**

New Life For "Old" Devotional Material

Please, share the Upper Rooms you recently finished reading [e.g. July/August - or older issues if you still have them] with someone else by bringing them to the church office or Marie Beckendorf. Issues of Guideposts magazines would be welcomed also. The devotional material will be used in ministry with incarcerated men and women.

The Trustees Would Like Your Help

The trustees are seeking contributions in the amount of \$6,000.00 in order to remove the Blue House, previously occupied as a dentist office by Dr. Young. This is the first phase of our project to create additional parking, adjacent to the existing parking lot.



Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.**

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.



October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	2 9:00 UMW/ AC	3 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	4 9:00 Yoga/ AC	5 9:00 Emmaus/ Library 11:30 JOY/ Blinn	6
7 Jim Jackson 5:00 Romans Study/AC ACTS/ Rm. 139 6:00 Meal/ AC 6:30 Sanctification Study- AC	8 Jim Jackson 9:30 Romans Study/ AC 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 5:00 Romans Study/AC 6:00 Meal/ AC 6:30 Sanctification Study- AC	9 Jim Jackson 9:00 Card/ MH 9:30 Romans Study/ AC 5:00 Romans Study/AC 6:00 Meal/ AC 6:30 Sanctification Study- AC	10 1:00 Council on Ministries/ Library 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	11 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	12 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	13
14 United Sunday 10:45 Sanctuary 5:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139	15 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 7:00 Admin. Board/ FR	16 9:30 Hinnens Circle- Carmen/ FH Cummings Circle/ House Rogers Circle/ Taggart 12:00 Susanna Circle/ FH 5:00 Trustees/ FR 6:30 Wesleyan/ FH	17 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	18 9:00 Yoga/ AC 4:30 UMM Drive-Thru/ Church Parking Lot	19 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	20 9:00 JOY Trip
21 5:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139	22 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 2:00 42/ MH	23 Harvest Festival	24 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	25 9:00 Yoga/ AC	26 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	27 8:00 Epiphany Training/ AC
28 2:30 Brenham Rest Home Service 3:30 Kruse Village Service 6:00 Trunk or Treat/ Church Parking Lot	29 10:00 FSG/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	30	31 Halloween  1:00 Care Team/ Library 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room			

Tickets

The UMM Drive-Thru is Thursday, October 18th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. The meals include half a BBQ chicken and trimmings, tickets are \$8.00 and available in the church office.

The UMW Harvest Festival is Tuesday, October 23rd the drive thru is from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. The meal is includes turkey and dressing, and tickets are \$9.00 available in the church office.

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