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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

Rev. Jon Stouffer jon@fumcbrenham.org

Rev. Kay Reed kay@fumcbrenham.org

# First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213 May 2, 2016



Robin Aguilar Beckett Dalman Elizabeth Chisholm Samantha Rhyne Ian Sedlar Allyson Trostle

# Scaduation Dinner

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

> Sunday, May 22, 2016 6:00 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

Luke Henkhaus \* Allyson Jenkins \* Lauren Middleton



## SUNDAY February 28, 2016 Church Attendance:

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	79
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	96
Worship 11:00 a.m.	114
Worship Total	294
Sunday School	105
Offering:	\$12,357.96
	Worship 8:15 a.m. Celebration 9:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. <b>Worship Total</b> Sunday School

## SUNDAY March 6, 2016 Church Attendance:

Offering:	\$16,001.68
Sunday School	86
Worship Total	241
Worship 11:00 a.m.	93
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	72
Worship 8:15 a.m.	73
Nursery	3

## SUNDAY March 13, 2016 Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	65
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	30
Worship 11:00 a.m.	103
Worship Total	200
Sunday School	45
Offering:	\$7,447.41

## SUNDAY March 20, 2016 Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	112
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	88
Worship 11:00 a.m.	110
Worship Total	312
Sunday School	102
Offering:	\$10,748.00

# SUNDAY March 27, 2016 Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	108
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	120
Worship 11:00 a.m.	204
Worship Total	438
Sunday School	73
Offering:	\$7,867.25

### **FEBRUARY TOTALS**

Feb. Income:	\$58,148.49
Feb. Expense:	\$53,173.89
Feb. Total:	\$4.974.60



# **Prayer Concerns**

Richard Coghlan	Mike Kalil
Gene Moss	Joycine Hanath
Delmer McAdow	Keith Oppegard
Luene Harmer	Phil DuVal
Henry Kuecker	Jacque Hernandez
Frances Sidebottom	Mary Kay Windham
Alan Williamson	Johnny Lerch
Jim Hickey	Brenda Johnson
Cameron Winchell	Mary Burgess
Don Dunn	Our homebound mer
Ken & Joy Goedeke	these serving in the

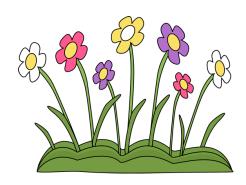
#### **MARCH TOTALS**

Roberial & Dorothy Boenker

Mar. Income: \$44,136.02 Mar. Expense: \$60,545.06 Mar. Total: (\$16,409.04)

## YTD TOTALS

YTD Income: \$168,258.31 YTD Expense: \$161,902.20 YTD Net Total: \$6,356.11



those serving in the military

members and



## **United Methodist Church Shirts**

It has been some time since we ordered shirts with our church name and logo printed on them. We have noticed that many of our shirts are faded and have seen better days; we would like to also give the new members an opportunity to order their first shirts with us. Be on the lookout in a few weeks there will be an insert in our church bulletin for you to order either a short-sleeve or long-sleeve denim shirt. Looking forward to seeing our members in nice new shirts!



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

Your next newsletter deadline will be Monday, May 23, 2016 at 10:00 am. If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to fumc@fumcbrenham.org or 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.



# The LAST Teen Talk for the school year is May 1 @5pm

Please take advantage of our awesome Counselor, Laura, and join us at 5pm in the youth room. She wants to also give stress reliving exercises for finals. This is also our LAST regular UMYF @6 for the school year. So come out and bring a first time friend to get Redbox codes for BOTH of you!



**May 8** - Senior Recognition in all worship services **No UMYF** because it's Mother's Day.



May 15- Confirmation Sunday one service at 10:30 with luncheon following UMYF 6-8pm



# May 22 - Senior Dinner @6pm

All youth will help make the dinner, set up and decorate the AC and clean up. This is an all day kind of event.



# May 29 - NO UMYF

It's Memorial weekend, plus Kevin is getting a teaching award in Austin that day!!







DATE: JUNE 27-30 TIME: 9:00am – 12:30pm AGES: 4yrs old – 5<sup>th</sup> grade

REGESTER ONLINE NOW! 2016.cokesburyvbs.com/FUMCBrenhamTx

We are still looking for youth and adult helpers to take kids to each of the stations. No experience needed!

## **Stouffer's Food For Thought...**

### making pilgrimage

So I grew up the son of a wandering engineer – wandering is inside of me. When this wandering is toward the sacred, it is often called a pilgrimage. This May I have the opportunity to go wander a bit and make a pilgrimage to the Island of Iona, Scotland. An early Christian, St. Columba, established a monastery on Iona and evangelized the Island of Scotland. Columba worked among the historic peoples called the Picts and Celts. Throughout history this monastery has fallen into disrepair and refurbishment. At present, it is in full repair and use. The Abbey of Iona is a place of pilgrimage for many people of faith.

I'll be traveling with a group called The Missional Wisdom Foundation that is based in Dallas and western North Carolina. The Rev. Larry Duggins and the Rev. Dr. Elaine Heath founded this ministry as a means of establishing new forms of intentional Christian community to share faith with people in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Dr. Heath has recently been appointed as the Dean of Duke Divinity School, my alma mater. I have known Elaine since 2010 when we met at a seminar series I was attending. I remain intrigued and shaped by her friendship, writing, and leadership in both the United Methodist Church and the larger body of Christ.

I'll be traveling from May 18 – 28, arriving at Iona on Friday, May 20, beginning the journey home Friday, May 27. Below are some links for your information about my trip. I will be posting to Facebook occasionally if you wish to keep up with me while I'm on this pilgrimage. On May 3, I will be sharing a book review with the United Methodist Women, Pilgrimage of a Soul, by Phileena Heuertz, which I read in January, 2011, while I was on my annual monastery retreat. This pilgrimage to Iona is in part the fruit of seeds planted from this book.

A link to where I'm going: https://iona.org.uk/island-centres/the-abbey/

A link to the community of Iona Abbey: https://iona.org.uk/

A link to where I'm staying: http://ionahostel.co.uk/

A link to the group with whom I'm traveling: http://missionalwisdom.com/

may Christ be our sufficiency!

Jon

Confirmation Sunday – A Special Day of Worship
May 15, 2016
8:15 a.m. – Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. – Blended Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. – New Member Luncheon

Fifty years ago a Philadelphia congregation watched as three 9-year old boys were baptized and joined the church. Not long after, unable to continue with its dwindling membership, the church sold the building and disbanded.

One of those boys was Dr. Tony Campolo, author, alumnus and professor of Christian sociology at Eastern University in St. David's, Pennsylvania. Dr. Campolo remembers: "Years later when I was doing research in the archives of our denomination, I decided to look up the church report for the year of my baptism. There was my name, and Dick White's. He's now a missionary. Bert Newman, now a professor of theology at an African seminary, was also there. Then I read the church report for "my" year. "It has not been a good year for our church. We have lost 27 members. Three joined, and they were only children."

The Kingdom of God operates from a different perspective than the rest of the world. The pastor of that church so many years ago saw only children. But God saw a world-wide ministry. The pastor saw only a dwindling church. But God saw the countless lives touched by the ministries of those three boys.

Six young people will come to make a profession of faith on May 15<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday – the birthday of the church. I can't think of a better day to welcome six new souls into our church family. The day we profess our faith is our birthday also. It is the day that we let the world know that we are Christians. In the early church new members wore white and received a Christian name. Each person became a new creature in Christ. This year's Confirmands are: Robin Aguilar, Elizabeth Chisholm, Beckett Dalman, Sammi Rhyme, Ian Sedlar, and Ally Trostle.

I am excited about celebrating with these young people. Mark your calendars for the big day. Let's welcome these youth and let them know that they are part of this church and our faith community.

See you Sunday,

# Donations Received

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By Don & Mary Wilhelm



Lydia House

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#### Dear FUMC,

There are just not adequate words to express how much you all have touched my heart during the most difficult loss of my life. My father meant the world to me, and I know your prayers are carrying me through. Thanks so much for all the kind and very thoughtful cards, prayers, visits, calls, memorials, and attendance at both his visitation and funeral. Calling this church my church home and church family is truly a blessing. Thanks again from the bottom of my heart for all you do and have done for me!

God Bless You All, Meagan Hargrave and Family



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5;00 Teen Talk/ AC 6:00 UMYF/AC Confirmation/ AC	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 7:00 Admin. Board/ FR	8:45 UMW Exec./ FR 9:30 UMW/ AC 11:30 First Tuesdays Together/ FH 6:00 Worship/ FR	<b>7:00</b> Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/AC	<b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Happy May Day Senior Recognition in all services	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/Library 6:00 Missions Team/ FR	9:00 Card Group/MH	<b>7:00</b> Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/AC	9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Confirmation Sunday/New Member Luncheon Two services this Sunday, 8:15 and 10:30. The luncheon will follow after the 10:30 service. 6:00 UMYF/AC	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH	9:30 Hickey Circle/ Beckendorf Goodman Circle/ MH Amerson Circle/ Foster 12:00 Wesleyan Circle/ FH 6:30 Wesley Circle/ FH	7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/AC	<b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
6:00 Senior Dinner/ AC	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH	9:00 Card Group/MH 6:00 CDC Pre-K Graduation/ AC	1:00 Care Team/FR 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/AC	<b>9:00</b> Yoga/ AC	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	
29	Offices Closed  DAY	31				

# Thanks FUMC!

Thanks go out to all those who included Bill in their prayers. We are past the gall bladder surgery and the resulting blood clot scare. We greatly appreciate the cards, phone calls and visits. We have an awesome caring congregation.

Praise God!

Dianne & Bill Davenport

Hi Friends!

I just wanted to send a quick note to thank you all for your gift! Your kindness and support will be greatly used to continue an incredible ministry that share the message of hope to many. Together we can leave a lasting impact and transform precious lives all across the globe. We are so grateful for you!

God Bless!

*Meredith* (with World Help)

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