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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

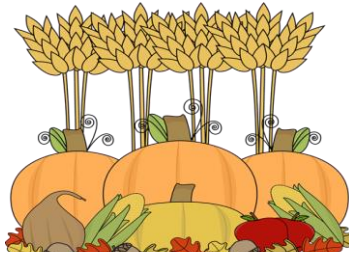
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First United Methodist Church

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October 2, 2014



2014 Harvest Festival October 28th

Fall is officially here which means our annual Harvest Festival will be here before you know it. Mark your calendars for October 28th for an evening of good food and fellowship. Tickets are now available in the church office; get yours now so you don't miss out!! Donations for turkeys are greatly appreciated and can be made out to UMW, and please put turkey donation in the check memo line and leave it with the church office. There are a lot of changes for our Harvest Festival this year and I encourage all UMW members to attend the October 7th UMW meeting at 9:30 in the Activity Center. This will be our final opportunity to go over all the new changes. Now is a good time to start thinking about items for the silent auction.

There are many ways to help with our Harvest Festival right up to the day of so be watching the upcoming newsletters for dates and schedules and I encourage those who would like to participate to give me a call.

Our UMW Harvest Festival is a wonderful church tradition that continues today with lots of help and hard work from not only the UMW but the UMM and church members. Please come out and support Harvest Festival this year and help keep this tradition alive!!

Mr. Scott Gilpin Shares Life-Changing Experience In worship at 8:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 26, 2014

"As Scott Gilpin neared the entrance to Westgate Mall in Nairobi, terrorists began their massacre of innocents in front of him. Little could he imagine how his immediate responses and subsequent choices would change his life. Scott, an international fundraiser for the United Methodist Church, is thankful for lessons learned and finds sharing his takeaways is cathartic. He hopes his newfound insight will help each of us seek ways to respond to God's call and impact lives around us."

Scott, the youngest son of the Reverend Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gilpin, was reared in Texas and considers Brenham his hometown and First UMC his home church. The Gilpin's lived here in Brenham from 1962-1970. Scott now lives in Birmingham, Alabama and Nashville, Tennessee. We look forward to welcoming Scott home as he shares his incredible story.

SUNDAY August 31, 2014**Church Attendance:**

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Nursery | 5 |
| Worship 8:15 a.m. | 73 |
| Celebration 9:00 a.m. | 61 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 100 |
| Worship Total | 239 |
| Sunday School | 107 |
| Offering: | \$7,841.00 |

SUNDAY September 7, 2014**Church Attendance:**

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| Nursery | 5 |
| Worship 8:15 a.m. | 70 |
| Celebration 9:00 a.m. | 66 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 100 |
| Worship Total | 241 |
| Sunday School | 108 |
| Offering: | \$24,509.00 |

SUNDAY September 14, 2014**Church Attendance:**

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| Nursery | 3 |
| Worship 8:15 a.m. | 71 |
| Celebration 9:00 a.m. | 93 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 134 |
| Worship Total | 301 |
| Sunday School | 116 |
| Offering: | \$4,390.91 |

SUNDAY September 21, 2014**Church Attendance:**

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| Nursery | 6 |
| Worship 8:15 a.m. | 78 |
| Celebration 9:00 a.m. | 86 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 113 |
| Worship Total | 283 |
| Sunday School | 105 |
| Offering: | \$10,135.01 |

SUNDAY September 28, 2014**Church Attendance:**

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Nursery | 5 |
| Worship 8:15 a.m. | 80 |
| Celebration 9:00 a.m. | 65 |
| Worship 11:00 a.m. | 102 |
| Worship Total | 252 |
| Sunday School | 105 |
| Offering: | \$9,515.30 |

AUGUST TOTALS

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| Aug. Income: | \$48,730.66 |
| Aug. Expense: | \$56,140.15 |
| Aug. Total: | (\$7,409.49) |

YTD TOTALS

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| YTD. Income: | \$511,840.34 |
| YTD. Expense: | \$471,231.80 |
| YTD. Net Total: | \$40,608.54 |

News & Information

Helping Hands

Dennis and Corina Winchell were members of our church several years ago. Their oldest son is currently in the Critical Care Unit at St. Joseph's in Bryan. His recovery will be a long process. If you remember the Winchell's and would like to help out, Emily Henkhaus and Patrice Summerour are collecting gift cards (i.e. gas, grocery, fast food or restaurant). You can give the cards to either of these ladies or give them to Meagan in the front office. Thank you.

Opportunities to Serve with Faith Mission

Attend Annual Candlelit Christmas Dinner and Concert, November 13th at the Silver Wings Ballroom.

Visit the homebound and serve those alone on Thanksgiving at the Cannery Kitchen Thanksgiving Day-November 27th.

Ring the Bells for the Salvation Army at Walmart
December 1st-24th.
(Church, Family and Corporate Groups needed)

Promote the Souper-Bowl Food Drive at HEB
January 15-February 7th.

(For information about events, to sign up, or to purchase tickets please visit www.faimission.us)

Attention Members:

Each Sunday at 11:00am our service is broadcast via radio. We have had community members call in regarding their thanks for this ministry. We fund these broadcasts with gifts that are designated to our Broadcast Fund, special account (non-budget). That account could use some replenishing. If you would like to support this ministry over and above your normal gifts, please designate your gifts as Broadcast Fund.

Kristine Trevino

KIDS CORNER

ACTS

Children's Musical Theatre Troupe
First United Methodist Church
Brentham, TX

We had a GREAT turn out for our first ACTS rehearsal. If you missed our first rehearsal don't worry it's not too late to join! We rehearse almost every Sunday in Rm 139 from 4pm -5:30pm. Join us for an "An Unplugged Christmas".



Harvest Fest

This year we will be making our crafts to donate towards the UMW Harvest Fest during Children's Church on Oct. 12, 19, 26. We will be making marbled scarves and stationary. It may get a little messy but we do provide aprons. Please dress accordingly.

Remember to pick up your tickets for the United Methodist Women's Harvest Fest on October 28. The cost is \$10.



Trunk or Treat



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



Wednesday, October 29th

6:00 p.m. Activity Center Parking Lot

Everyone come in costume, decorate your car trunk & pass out goodies to the kids! Youth & youth parents will be providing the meal. Kids will get to walk the red carpet and show off their costumes! Remember awards go out to the most creative trunks! This year we want everyone to **bring a small to medium size pumpkin**. We will have tables set up with sticky faces for them to decorate their pumpkins.

See you there!



UMYF

NEWSFLASH



Some of our youth and college students working hard with Helping Hands.

BIG HOUSE

JR High Mission Trip 2015
July 9th -12th

SR High Mission Trip 2015

July 19th -25th



[Sign Up Now](#)

YOUTH choir

Our Youth Choir will sing in all three services on October 26.

UMYF MEALS CALENDAR:



Oct 5 – Kathy Lewman

Oct 12 – Alexis Baker & Cathleen Smestchuen

Oct 19 – Jeb & Jennifer Poston, Lillian Arreola, Nisha Coker



OCTOBER 29

6:00pm – AC parking lot

Come in costume

Decorate your car!

**We need parents without little ones to help prepare our chili dog meal.

The Methodist Weekday Child Development Center is seeking to employ a part-time (10 hours per week) **bookkeeper**. Primary responsibilities include using the Childcare Manager software package to track and report student attendance, monthly billing and tuition statements, receiving tuition payments and generating receipts; tracking and reporting attendance of all staff; and occasionally answering telephones. Interested persons may apply at the MWCDC office. Inquiries may be directed to either Barbara Murphy, Interim Director of MWCDC 979-830-8661 or to Jon Stouffer, Lead Pastor, First UMC, 979-836-2008.

The Methodist Weekday Child Development Center is seeking to employ a **director**. Qualifications include: Hold or in process towards a child care center Director's License; expert level knowledge of the state minimum standards for a licensed child development center; personable and able to interact well with children, parents, and staff and business management skills. Interested persons may apply at the MWCDC office. Inquiries may be directed to either Barbara Murphy, Interim Director of MWCDC 979-830-8661 or to Jon Stouffer, Lead Pastor, First UMC, 979-836-2008.

Donations Received

In memory of

Bob Johnson

By

Don and Mary Wilhelm

In memory of

Mary Lee Lilly

By

Hugh and Aniela Pitts

In memory of

Glenn Ray

By

United Methodist Women

In memory of

Gordon Densmore

By

Art and Smitty Hinners

In memory of

Bob Moran

By

Art and Smitty Hinners

In memory of

Joe Rayzor

By

Art and Smitty Hinners

Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, October 14, 2014 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.



Prayer Concerns

Marnie Whitmarsh
 Jacque Ketcham
 Richard Coghlan
 Gene Moss
 Yvonne Moore
 Ron Walberg
 Marti McLemore
 Jim Clements
 Hugh and Aniela Pitts
 Delmer McAdow
 Alton Goodman
 Ryan Vandersommen

Reka Pennington
 Glenn Amerson
 Don Aken
 Art Hinners
 Elaine Dorow
 Brenda Johnson
 Henry Kuecker
 Mike Roberts
 Melanie Grote
 Jeff McCoy
 Linda Tatum
 Joe Edwards

Charles Sander's niece Sophia
 Bennie Waggoner
 Michael Kalil
 Mike Biggers
 Glenn Harmer
 Michele Smith
 Harold Pool
 Kathy Revenaugh

Our homebound members and those serving in the military



A big thanks to everyone that came out on Sept 27 to help serve Ada Fulton and Juanita Hickey.

The Helping Hands group is looking for anyone needing chores or small projects to be done. Right now, the group meets one Saturday a month to work on these projects. Please do not hesitate to call and request help. No job is too small. Call the church office and let Meagan know what you need and she will contact the Helping Hands coordinator, Dr. Aaron Campbell.



Blinn College presents the play *Jekyll and Hyde* at the WW O'Donnell Theater. Kevin Patrick will reserve a group of seats for the Sunday matinee on October 19 at 2pm. If you would like to reserve a ticket for that showing or any of the other showings that weekend simply email box office @ blinn.edu to reserve a seat. The cost of the show is only \$5.



Thanks FUMC!

Evelyn and I would like to send you our sincere thanks to all of our church family who supported us during my recent surgery. Your calls, visits, cards and many prayers helped us maintain a good spirit and positive attitude, which helped in my recovery. THANK YOU!

Ran and Evelyn Newman



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|----------------------------|
| | | | 1 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC | 2 9:00 Yoga/ AC | 3 7:00 Men's Emmaus/ FH 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn | 4 |
| 5 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 5:00 Youth Choir/ Choir 6:00 UMYF/AC | 6 10:00 Monday Bible Study/ FH | 7 9:30 UMW/ AC | 8 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC | 9 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC | 10 7:00 Men's Emmaus/ FH 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn | 11 |
| 12 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 5:00 Youth Choir/ Choir 6:00 UMYF/AC | 13 10:00 Monday Bible Study/ FH 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 6:00 Missions & Outreach/ FR | 14 9:00 Card Group/ MH 6:00 Nominations/ FR | 15 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC | 16 9:00 Yoga/ AC | 17 7:00 Men's Emmaus/ FH 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn | 18 8:00 Epiphany/ AC |
| 19 Laity Sunday 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 5:00 Youth Choir/ Choir 6:00 UMYF/AC | 20 10:00 Monday Bible Study/ FH 6:00 Evangelism/ FR | 21 9:30 Post Circle/ Goddman Morris Circle/ Sprenger Murphey Circle/ MH 11:00 Susanna Circle/ FH 6:00 Nominations/ FR 6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH | 22 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC | 23 9:00 Yoga/ AC | 24 7:00 Men's Emmaus/ FH 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn | 25 |
| 26 2:30 Brenham Rest Home Service 3:30 Kruse Village Rest Home Service | 27 10:00 Monday Bible Study/ FH | 28 UMW Harvest Festival/ AC | 29 1:00 Care Team/ Library 6:00 Trunk or Treat 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC | 30 9:00 Yoga/ AC | 31 7:00 Men's Emmaus/ FH 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn | |
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Join us for the 10th Annual Trunk or Treat – A Church–Wide Event



Wednesday, October 29th
6:00 p.m. Activity Center Parking Lot

Everyone come and pass out goodies to the kids! If you want, decorate your trunk. Kids will get to walk the red carpet and show off their costumes! Remember awards go out to the most creative trunks! We need everyone (whether you have little kids or not) to come out and pass out candy to our kids. It's a lot of fun and a great way to meet some new people in our church. A free dinner is provided. Hope to see you there!

Return Service Requested

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