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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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Rev. Jon Stouffer
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First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213
November 5, 2013

Smile... and say Cheese!

It's that time again time for a new church directory; the last one was done in 2009. We will take pictures January 7-11th, 2014. There are lots of time slots available and we encourage you to sign up early for the spot you want. You can sign up on-line:

Enter the following address into your computer's address bar:

<https://www.securedatatrans14.com/ap/firstunitedmethodistchurchbrenham/index.php?page=10>

To schedule your portrait session, follow these three steps.

Step 1: Select Number in Group. Using the drop down to the left, select the number in your group (larger families may require more time).

Step 2: Select Day. A calendar will now display. Select the month and day for your photography session. (Our time is Tuesday-Friday, January 7-10 (2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) and Saturday, January 11 (10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)

Step 3: Select Time. A list of available times will be displayed. Click the center of the white box next to the desired time. You will then be prompted to register for your portrait session. Greyed boxes are already reserved.

If you would rather do it the old fashioned way, we'll have sign ups every Sunday in December and the first one in January after each church service. As a gift for coming to the sitting, you will receive a free 8x10 portrait, and have an opportunity to purchase other sizes and poses. There is absolutely no obligation to buy anything.

It's a great time to get a family picture made and the kids will still be home from college. The directory is a handy tool to have at home for easy access to other members' contact information. With three services, it's a great way to keep us all connected. For new members, it can be "heaven sent," to help them put names with faces of people they see at church or around town.

So go ahead---go on line and get your preferred day and time. If you need help with this, you can contact either Carol Ann Post 979-203-3367 or Michele Smith 979 251-9840 and we'll be glad to get you signed up.

Church-Wide Christmas Outreach

- Step #1** – Pick up a shoebox from the church office, AC or outside the sanctuary.
- Step #2** – Decide if you would like to buy gifts for a girl or boy.
- Step #3** – Fill the box! It can be small toys, school supplies, hygiene products, or accessories (like hats, scarves, etc). You can also include your info and a family picture. The child might write you back!
- Step #4** – include \$7 in the box for shipping. Place a rubber band around the box and bring it back to the church office on **Friday, Nov 22nd**. We will have a special blessing over the boxes in all the worship services on the 24th.



METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tami Stevens, Director – 979-830-8661

SUNDAY Oct. 13, 2013

Church Attendance:

Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	60
Worship 11:00 a.m.	96
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	68
Worship Total	232
Sunday School	98
Offering:	\$10,121.68

SUNDAY Oct. 20, 2013

Church Attendance:

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	93
Worship 11:00 a.m.	127
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	62
Worship Total	288
Sunday School	121
Offering:	\$15,394.00

SUNDAY Oct. 27, 2013

Church Attendance:

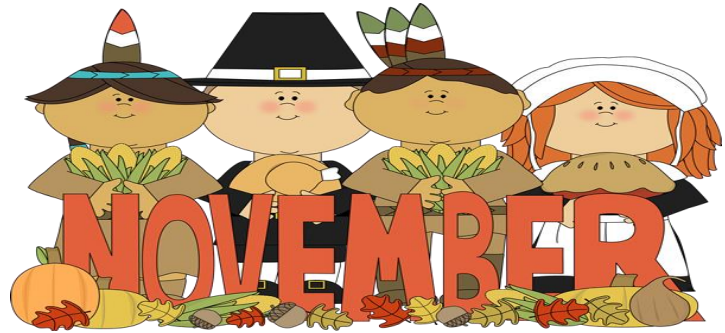
Nursery	8
Worship 8:15 a.m.	70
Worship 11:00 a.m.	118
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	83
Worship Total	279
Sunday School	107
Offering:	\$15,099.00

OCT. PRELIMINARY TOTALS

Oct. Income:	\$58,737.91
Oct. Expense:	\$57,233.42
Oct. Total:	\$1,504.49

YTD PRELIMINARY TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$522,591.72
YTD Expense:	\$528,393.06
YTD Net Total:	(\$5,801.34)



The children enjoyed their time with the policemen and firemen, and of course they loved Halloween!



The MWDC will have a Thanksgiving Feast Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the church activity center.

Prayer Concerns

Marnie Whitmarsh
Robert Smith
Jacque Ketcham
Aubrey Johnson
Bennie Waggoner
Richard Coghlan
Frank Goodrich
Linda Daughtery
Bob Moran
Kathy Rote
Carol Eason
Jim Clements
Bob & Catherine Craig
Belinda Drake
Jason Conarro
Frances Sidebottom
Gordon Densmore
Roy and Ruth Ann Marshall
Henry and Blondean Kuecker
The Masser Family
Shanna Bryson
Jean Laws
Joyce Fortune

Our homebound members
and those serving in the military



Notice to Churches in the Washington County Area

This is a special invitation to your congregation to attend the ninth annual "Ringing in the Seasons"

concert, which focuses on the music of Thanksgiving and Christmas. These two holidays point to the providential gifts of our Heavenly Father - daily bread and the Living Bread. "Ringing in the Seasons" is a presentation by handbell musicians from Brenham, LaGrange, Houston, Kingwood, Cypress, and Lakewood. The program will include handbells, hand chimes, percussion, fiddle, flute, and vocalists. The concert is free so bring a friend, hope to see you there!

A Prayer for Going Out to be God's People in the World

May the Living and Risen Christ go with you!
May he go before you to lead you;
Above you to watch over you;
Beside you to befriend you; and
Within you to grant you God's Peace.
May the blessings of Almighty God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with us all
both now and forever. Amen.

Donations Received

In memory of
Jim Miller
By
Bill and Doris Mays

Dear Friends,

It was so good to see many of you at Harvest Fest. Mom and I had such a good time. Several of you asked for my new address so here it is: 3410 Greentree Circle, College Station 77840. My cell number is still 979-224-3660 and e-mail is ministerterry@hotmail.com. Stop by and see us if you are in town!

Blessings, Pastor Terry Dougherty



Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Wed. Nov. 13, 2013 at 10:00 am.**

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.

BIBLICAL COSTUME PARTY



Folding the Operation Christmas Child boxes



Cain & Abel



Peter & the soldier



The Last Supper



Festive food



Daniel



Leper



Moses & the 10 Commandments



Holy Ghost



Mary



The Red Sea



Demon possessed



Camel



Pharaoh



Cain & Abel



Sarah



Stephen

YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2014

With



SERVING THE OSAGE NATION IN OKLAHOMA

Date: June 13-20

Space for 22 youth and 4 adults: Please let me know if your youth would like to attend. Space is limited and they might be on a waiting list. We still need one male chaperon.

Cost per person is \$300 (includes fee and gas. NOT included meals to and from on the trip)

Payments due: **Deposit Nov 15 \$60 per person**

Mid-Payment March 13 \$80 a person

Final Payment May 1 \$ 120 a person

**UMYF on NOVEMEBR 10 – Jurdens have the meal...
DRESS TO PAINT and get DIRTY!!!**

KIDS CORNER



Kids of all ages



Adults

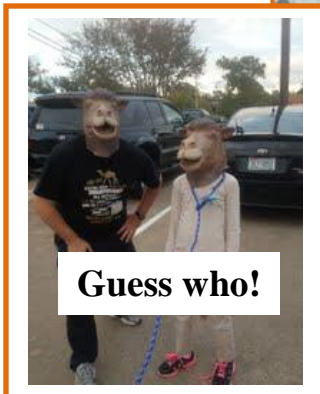
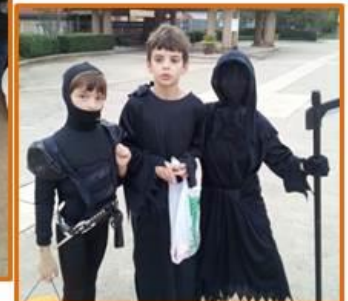


Wesley Foundation Students



Youth

Students from Spencer Hall

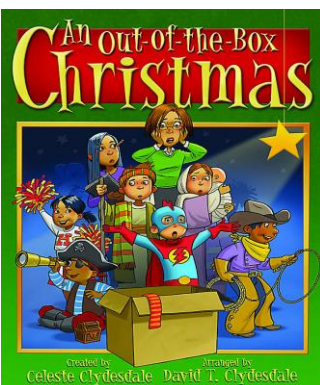


Guess who!

Thank You!

A big thank you to Patrice Summerour for organizing our meal for Trunk or Treat and to all the youth parents that made chili and helped prepare the meal. Another HUGE thank you to all the people who stayed and cleaned up after the event. It meant the world to me that so many people came together to make this event another wonderful success. Until next year...

In Him,
Jenn



ACTS Musical December 8 at 6:30 pm

Kids, keep working on your music and lines! Listen to your CD every day!

Rehearsals: Nov. 10th, 17th, & 24th @ 4-5:30pm
Dec. 7th Dress Rehearsal 1-3pm in the AC

Harvest Fest 2013



Harvest Festival was again a wonderful success and I can't say thank you enough to everyone who helped make that happen. I am so thankful and very much appreciate each person who helped in any way to once again make our Harvest Festival a great evening for our church and community. It is well worth all the hard work and time put into it to watch things come together and everyone pitching in to do their part, small or large, to keep our Harvest Festival tradition going.

I would like to thank Donald Spiess on behalf of UMW for purchasing our tickets each year; we greatly appreciate your generosity and continued support. I would like to thank everyone who sold tickets, baked an item, helped with the set-up, helped prepare the dinner, serve the dinner or prepare the take-out dinners or cleaned up for all your help. Everyone did such an AWESOME job, what great team work as always!!! I would like to give special thanks and appreciation to the following: Meagan in our church office for all your help with selling and keeping up with our tickets, you are the best!!! To Deb Meschwitz for organizing and preparing the dressing and to ALL the women who helped make our cornbread dressing, it was delicious!!!! Thank you so much to all the UMM who helped set up tables, cut up turkeys, helped with the drinks, cleaned up and ESPECIALLY helping where ever needed in the kitchen. You guys are the best and I sincerely thank you for your help every year!!! Special thanks to all those who heated up turkey and prepared the take-out dinners, everyone did such an AWESOME job. Thank you to my church family for coming out and supporting Harvest Festival and for your love and support. Most of all I want to sincerely thank ALL my UMW members who continually show me love and support each year. I could not do this without all of you! I so appreciate each one of you, your love and support means so much to me and motivates me to keep going, doing my best to keep our tradition going. I love you all.

I know the Silent Auction and Country Store committees would like to thank everyone for their part in making each one of those venues a success as well. Thanks to all those who donated items and your help in making the Silent Auction and Country Store a big part of Harvest Festival success each year. Each committee puts in a lot of time and work each year and greatly appreciates your continued support.

Thank you all again and God Bless!
Love, Kim Limmer

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	1 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	2
3 All Saints Sunday 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 Sunday Study Group/ FH 6:00 UMYF/ AC	4 10:00 Fellowship Study Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	5 8:45 UMW Exect./ Library 9:30 UMW/ AC	6 5:30 Hanbells/ FH 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	7 9:00 Yoga/ AC	8 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	9
10 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 Sunday Study Group/ FH 6:00 UMYF/ AC	11 Veterans Day 10:00 Fellowship Study Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 6:00 Missions/ FR 	12 9:00 Card Group/ MH 6:00 Evangelism/ FR	13 5:30 Hanbells/ FH 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	14 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/AC	15 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	16
17 UMW Installation Sunday 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 Sunday Study Group/ FH 6:00 UMYF/ AC	18 10:00 Fellowship Study Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 7:00 Admin. Board / FR	19 9:30 Goodman Circle/Goodman Post Circle/ Beckendorf Reiland Circle- Reiland/ FH 6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH CDC Thanksgiving/ AC	20 1:00 Care Team/ 5:30 Hanbells/ FH 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	21 9:00 Yoga/ AC	22 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	23
24 Thanksgiving Sunday 4:00 ACTS/ Rm. 139 Sunday Study Group/ FH 5:00 Christmas Decorating/ AC & Sanctuary 6:00 UMYF/ AC	25 10:00 Fellowship Study Group/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	26 9:00 Card Group/ MH	27 5:30 Hanbells/ FH 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	28 Offices Closed Happy  Thanksgiving	29 Offices Closed	30
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Stouffer's Food For Thought

Four months have come and gone so very, very, very quickly; AND, it is difficult to imagine that we would be anywhere else in the world being God's people we're called to be together! In fact, we feel very much at home and welcomed to life and ministry here in Brenham at First UMC! Thank you for the gift of grace that you are and will continue to be as we move forward together in ministry!

We're approaching one of my favorite seasons and a very busy time of year! Advent is almost upon us and there is much to do to be ready to go! Please be aware of the following events and watch for more news in our next newsletter and in the worship bulletins!

Sunday, November 24, beginning at 5:00 PM

– Decorating the Sanctuary and Activity Center for Advent and Christmas followed by Supper

Sunday, December 8, 6:30 PM

– ACTS Children's Chorus

Sunday, December 15, Morning Worship & 4:00 PM

– Cantata & Musical Celebration

– Family Christmas Caroling

Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve, 5:30 PM & 8:00 PM

– Communion & Candle-lighting

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