



First United Methodist Church

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July 1, 2013

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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

Lead Pastor
Rev. Jon Stouffer
jon@fumcbrenham.org

Associate Pastor
Rev. Kay Reed
kay@fumcbrenham.org

!!Attention!! One Service for Installation Sunday followed by a Catered Luncheon

Sunday, July 14th

@ 10:45 a.m.

On Sunday, July 14th, we will give the Stouffer family a warm FUMC welcome with a combined worship service at 10:45 a.m. followed by a catered Bar B Que luncheon in the Activity Center at noon.

There is no need to bring anything other than yourself! However, we do need a count, so please RSVP to the Church Office by Wednesday, July 10th! We will have a free will offering to put towards the meal, which will be catered by Schovajsa.

Hope to see you there!



Welcome!

Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, July 9, 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.



METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Tami Stevens, Director – 979-830-8661

SUNDAY June 23, 2013
Church Attendance:

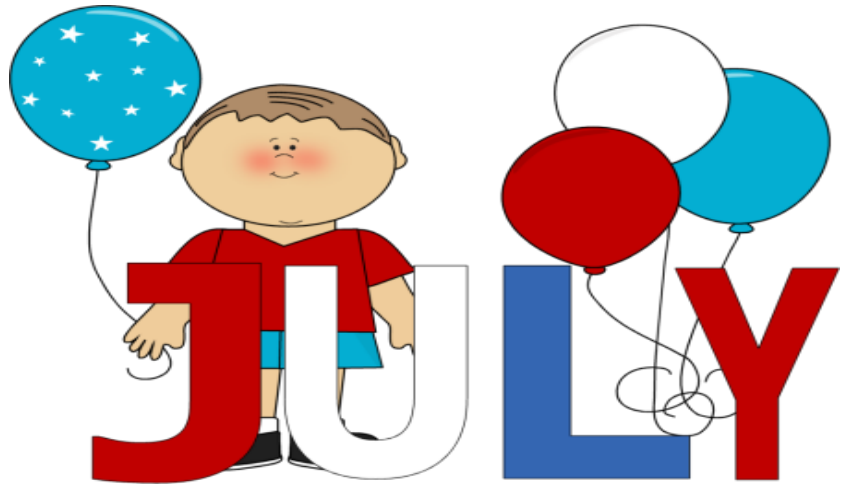
Nursery	10
Worship 8:15 a.m.	66
Worship 11:00 a.m.	125
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	44
Worship Total	245
Sunday School	92
Offering:	\$14,334.50

MAY TOTALS

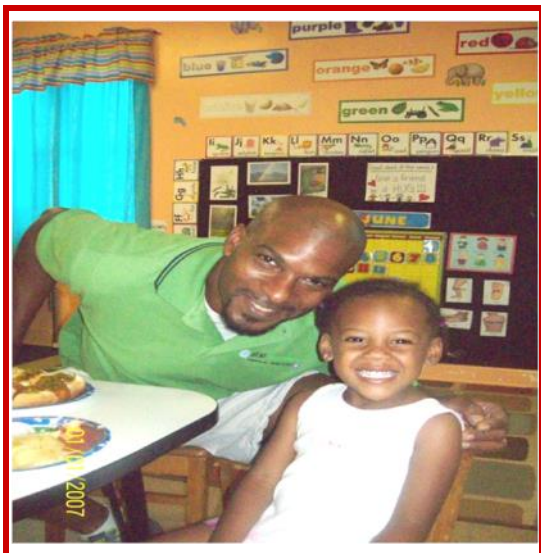
May Income:	\$41,078.16
May Expense:	\$48,542.94
May Total:	(\$7,464.78)

YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$250,925.45
YTD Expense:	\$252,452.32
YTD Net Total:	(\$1,526.87)



*The Methodist CDC
celebrated Father's
Day with "Hot Dogs
with Dad". It was
great to see all the
Dads!*





FUMC New Members

Prayer Concerns

Kathy Revenaugh
 Jim Hickey
 Kathy Rote
 Marnie Whitmarsh
 Jim Miller
 Chester D'Olive
 Floyd Chapman
 Jacque Ketcham
 Virginia Collier
 Aubrey Johnson
 Bennie Waggoner
 Frances Sidebottom
 Paul Pipes
 Samuel Faske
 Jan Pledger
 Glen Amerson
 Bob Perry
 Pat Niel
 Kent Kilbourn
 Steve James
 Gene Moss
 Richard Coghlan

Our homebound members
 and those serving in the military

Donations Received

In memory of

Barbara Moran

By

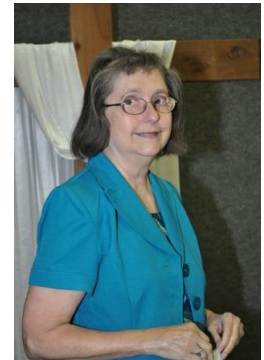
The United Methodist Women
 Jim and Dena Miller



Dr. Aaron, Jennifer, Brett
 and Jonathon Campbell
 3380 Success St.
 Brenham, TX 77833



Derek, Meagan
 and Peyton Hargrave
 1408 Summer Ct.
 Brenham, TX 77833



Gaylain Keenan
 211 Oak Hill Dr.
 Brenham, TX 77833



Billie Schmidt
 509 E Academy St.
 Brenham, TX 77833



Thad Sonnier
 707 Rebecca Cir. Apt. B
 Brenham, TX 77833

VBS SUPPLIES NEEDED

WE NEED:

- ➡ 7 outdoor pop-up canopies
– ANY color
(please put your name on them)



- ➡ Maps (road, world, atlas, etc)
these will NOT be returned



- ➡ Triangle pennant streamers



Please bring all of your donations to the church office by July 15th. Thank you for all your prayers & support. It is going to be a GREAT VBS!!!

- ➡ Rolls of RED duct tape



- ➡ 12 inch balloons (all colors)



- ➡ White 5 gallon buckets



- ➡ Large cardboard boxes
(fridge, oven, etc)

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

June 30 – Sarah Chisholm

July 28 – VBS Game Time!

July 7 - Tiffany Jenkins

Aug 4 – Jana Aguilar

July 14 – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Aug 11 – Lisa Hook

July 21 – Holly Carlile

Aug 18 – Carolyn Cross



We are still in need of VBS helpers. There are lots of areas where you can help. It will be such a blessing to you. Simply register to volunteer online at [2013.cokesburyvbs.com /FUMCBrenhamTx](http://2013.cokesburyvbs.com/FUMCBrenhamTx) or call the church office.



July 2013



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>Jennifer in Vegas for Theatre Training for Blinn</i>	2	3	4 	5	6
7 Pastor Jon, Holly, Hannah & Ben 6-8pm @ the AC	8 <i>Lakeview Camp</i>	9	10	11	12	13
14 UMYF – Pool Party @Cordellia Cummings house 5-7pm	15	16	17	18	19	20 Astros game with Tenth Avenue North Concert time TBA
21 VBS Helper meeting @1pm NO UMYF	22 	23 <i>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL @FUMC</i> 9:00am – 12:30 pm	24	25 	26 Overnight to go see Little Shop of Horrors in Austin 	27
28 NO UMYF	29	30	31			



**UMYF Welcomes Our New Pastor & His Family
Jon, Holly, Hannah, & Ben**

with a get-to-know-you party for the whole family

Sunday, July 7 @ 6:00 in the AC

Check your email to RSVP & see what to bring!!

IMPORTANT DATES:

June 28 – NO UMYF


July 7th – UMYF
6-8pm Stouffer Party

July 8-12
LAKEVIEW CAMP

July 14th – UMYF
5-7pm Pool Party @
Cordelia Cummings
House





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room	2	3 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	4 <i>Offices Closed</i> 	5 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	6
7 6:00 Youth-Stouffer's Welcome Party/AC	8 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	9	10 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	11 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/AC	12 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	13
14 10:45 Installation Service 12:00 Stouffer's Welcome Luncheon/ AC 5:00 Youth-Pool Party/ Cordelia Cummings House	15 6:30 Women's Summer Bible Study/ FH	16 10:00 UMW Exec./ Library	17 1:00 Council on Ministries/ FR 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC	18 9:00 Yoga/ AC	19 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	20
21	22 9:00-12:30 VBS	23 9:00-12:30 VBS	24 9:00-12:30 VBS	25 9:00-12:30 VBS	26 9:00-12:30 VBS 9:00 Emmaus/ Parlor	27 8:00 Epiphany/ AC & FH
28 2:30 Brenham Rehab Service 3:30 High Hope Service	29	30	31 1:00 Care Team/ FR 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal/ Choir Room			
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**July 2nd...4th...or 5th...
Let's Celebrate Anyway!**

Almost every Independence Day, revisionist historians are wont to point out that the Continental Congress technically did not declare independence on July 4th. These debunkers routinely remind us that the declaration actually was made on July 2, 1776.

No doubt, these are the same folks who insist that Abner Doubleday didn't invent baseball, that Ben Franklin never flew his kite in a thunderstorm and that Buffalo Bill was a sorry shot. It's difficult to understand why some people prefer such revisionism to the nobler vision of an earlier time.

The tendency for history to alter itself always amuses me. When the original story does not carry quite the punch it should, somebody colors it up a little and passes it on. When more than a few repeat this, it's not long before this original version is completely lost. So it is with the story of American independence.

For instance, as I said earlier, Independence Day should actually be the 2nd of July, not the 4th. True, the Declaration of Independence was dated July 4th, 1776. But independence itself had been declared two days earlier. On the Fourth of July, all that happened was the approval of the final draft of the document, in a vote that was not even unanimous...even though the document's opening statement claims that everybody agreed. In fact, New York did not like the declaration and balked on signing it until July 19th. And most of those brave men actually signed their "John Henrys" (or "John Hancock's") on August 2nd. Some waited weeks longer, and the final guy held out five more years, not signing until 1781.

On July 3, 1776, John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail predicting: "The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable date in the history of America!" Many years later, an editor secretly altered the date of Adams' letter, from July 3 to July 5, and subtly changed Adams' message to his wife to: "The fourth day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable date in the history of America!"

And how about the Liberty Bell? All through the American Revolution, nobody cared about it. The story about how it rang in American independence is fanciful. True, it did hang in the Philadelphia statehouse when the Declaration was drafted. But no one thought of ringing it. Fifty years later, the city of Philadelphia tried to sell the old, cracked bell for scrap metal, but could not find a buyer! Not until 1847, when journalist George Lippard made up a fanciful story in his Legends of the American Revolution, did it gain fame.

Stories! How do they gain so much baggage along the journey of time? But the fact is none of those things really matters. What does matter is we live in the best country in the world, at the best time in history, among the best people in the world! So take the tales with a grain of salt, and celebrate your freedom!

Our affirmations should flow easily this Independence Day as we join our fellow citizens across this nation in celebration of the freedoms we cherish and in thanksgiving for the blessings bestowed on us.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans have shed their blood to preserve our liberty since Thomas Jefferson and his colleagues penned the Declaration of Independence. Today all of us should take a moment to remember the sacrifice these thousands of young men and women made over the years

See you Sunday,
Kay

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