



First United Methodist Church

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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. Bill Taylor- Interim Lead
pastorbill@fumcbrenham.org

Rev. Kay Reed- Associate
kay@fumcbrenham.org

HOLY WEEK



April 9, 2017

8:15 & 11:00am Chancel choir presents the cantata , *Whispers of Passion* by Joseph Martin,. Children will process with palm branches in all three services



April 13, 2017

Join us in the Activity Center for this moving multi-sensory worship service led by our youth & college students.



April 14, 2017

Join us in the Sanctuary for a stirring presentation performed by our Chancel Choir.



April 16, 2017

Traditional worship @8:15 & 11:00am in the Sanctuary
Potluck Breakfast @8:30am in the AC
Celebration worship @9:00am in the AC
Easter Egg Hunt @10:00 on the front lawn

SUNDAY February 26, 2017

Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	70
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	82
Worship 11:00 a.m.	88
Worship Total	242
Sunday School	97
Offering:	\$6,263.00

February TOTALS

Feb. Income:	\$46,240.00
Feb. Expense:	\$51,931.00
Feb. Net Total:	-\$ (5,692.00)

SUNDAY March 5, 2017

Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	70
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	85
Worship 11:00 a.m.	69
Worship Total	226
Sunday School	97
Offering:	\$14,887.00

SUNDAY March 12, 2017

Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	61
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	34
Worship 11:00 a.m.	86
Worship Total	183
Sunday School	75
Offering:	\$10,797.00

SUNDAY March 19, 2017

Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	65
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	62
Worship 11:00 a.m.	93
Worship Total	222
Sunday School	75
Offering:	\$9,923.00

SUNDAY March 19, 2017

Church Attendance:

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	65
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	62
Worship 11:00 a.m.	93
Worship Total	222
Sunday School	75
Offering:	\$9,923.00



Prayer Concerns

Luene Harmer
 Frances Sidebottom
 Bob & Susan Jenkins
 Roberial & Dorothy Boenker
 Mike Kalil
 Ronnie Ochoa
 Eloise Carmen
 Jim & Linda Clements
 Katie Windham
 Vivian Janes
 Rev. Lanai Rouseai
 Jeffery Janner

Norman Kitzman
 Sam & Beverly Duree
 Ivan Wubbenhorst
 Hugh & Aniela Pitts
 Ed & Barbara Baker
 Alan Williamson
 Rev. Max Grubb
 Jennifer Buban Boudreaux
 Lillian Healy
 Fay George
 Edna Rote

Our homebound members and those serving in the military

Donations Received

In memory of
B.F. Lee
 By
 Harold & Jean Pool

In memory of
Delmer McAdow
 BY
 Gary & Kay Ivy

In memory of
Jane Giddings
 By
 Jim & Ellen Ellison
 Cordelia Cummings

In memory of
Earl Pomykal
 By
 Joyce Whitehead



Newsletter Deadline



Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.** 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.



Thank you to all of the parents that have signed up to teach Sunday School. For right now, I think asking all of you, the parents, to pitch in a little will be a great way for our children to still be able to meet and learn more about the Word of God. If you haven't sign up please do so. We have a lot of Sundays open that need a teacher. If everyone sign up for one Sunday we would have all Sundays covered until the summer.

Go to this link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0944acaa2fa5fa7-spring/>



PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 9

The children are needed in all 3 services to wave palm branches. Please bring your children to the back of the sanctuary by 8:10am to wave at the 8:15 service.

We need Easter Egg Donations!



BRING a bag of Easter candy to the church office or Activity Center **before April 9**. The youth fill the eggs during the Sunday School hour on Palm Sunday.



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16

10:00am all children meet in the Sunday School classes before we begin the Easter egg hunt. We will have the children go out by age group. Those hunting are babies - 6th graders.



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY is on May 28.

We will have a combined worship service at 10:30. Please plan to attend to support these 6th graders as they take this next step in their faith development.



Vacation Bible School June 26-29

Mark your calendars **NOW!!** We still need helpers. If you would like to help out in **ANY** area of VBS please let me or Jennifer Campbell know. There are lots of different ways to help out, so please don't hesitate to ask about ways of chipping in. Website sign up coming soon!



YOUTH MISSION POTLUCK LUNCHEON & DESSERT AUCTION

APRIL 23 at noon in the Activity Center

Bring your favorite main dish, salad, side item or bread – *but don't bring a dessert!* The dessert is provided by the youth through their silent auction. We had a great time last year with folks winning bids and sharing their dessert with those around them. Please come out and help our youth raise the money needed to send 47 folks on this summer's mission trip.



2nd Annual Methodist Men Shrine Circus Trip

Saturday, April 22, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Fort Bend County Fairgrounds

Rosenberg, TX

This chartered bus trip to the circus will leave the Activity Center parking lot at 7:15 a.m. to make it to the circus by 10:00 a.m. This is a **free** trip sponsored by the UMM. The bus should arrive back to Brenham by 2:00 p.m.

We have 60 tickets total. If you would like to attend this event please call the church office (836-2008) and have your name(s) added to the sign-up list. We had so much fun last year and know we will again this year, so come out and join the fun!

Notes from the Choir Loft

Dr. Nancy Taylor Ginsburg

A famous phrase in business management courses is, "Plan the work; then work the plan." As we begin the second half of our Lenten walk, the plans for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and the Season of Easter are being worked! We have some powerful opportunities to come together as one in worship and praise!

April 9th is Palm Sunday. We will celebrate with palms and then, through Joseph Martin's cantata *Whispers of the Passion*, we will have an opportunity to deepen our Christian association with the symbols of holy week. Bells of Praise will ring Ah, Holy Jesus.

The Good Friday service is a Tenebrae service, a service of shadows. One by one, the candles are extinguished and the light dims. Reading by reading, song by song, light by light we journey with our Savior through this holy day. We are reminded: "Without His cross there is no crown."

On Easter morning, there will be two traditional celebrations of the resurrection as the Season of Easter begins! In my head, I can already hear the glorious music: "Alleluias" will sound throughout our sanctuary; organ and brass will unite in joyous praise; and we will come together as one in the singing of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus!

We are called, by God, to glorify God. Let's worship!!

Blessings & Joy! ... Nancy

Your Free Directory Pictures Are Here

If you had your picture taken for the church directory and did not order any pictures, your free 8x10 picture is now available. They will be on the table outside the parlor at the church for you to pick up at your earliest convenience. Thanks for everyone that turned out for the pictures. I hope this will be a great directory that will help us all keep in touch and help new members and clergy as they come to our church get to know folks faster. Will keep you updated on when we can expect the new directories to be ready.



Mardi Gras 2017

On February 28th our church came together for a Fat/ Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras party, we had a great turn out with beads, masks, food and fun for all! Special thanks to our choir director Nancy Ginsburg for lining up the Jazz Band from Blinn to play the wonderful themed music for us to enjoy and get us in the Mardi Gras spirit. More thanks go to our Worship Team and all the other volunteers, like our awesome head chef Yvonne Tomlinson. Thanks again to all who turned out and all that help put this event together, it was a blast and we can't wait to do it again next year! -*Michele Smith*

FUMC's New Lead Pastor



Pastor Bobbie Maltas

Pastor Bobbie has served the Texas Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church as a pastor for 22 years. The churches she has served include Cypress UMC, Bear Creek UMC, Cypress Trails UMC, Cleveland UMC, Mineola FUMC, and while in seminary she also served St. John the Apostle UMC in Arlington. She is a mom to Tara, now 23 years old, who lives in Michigan and is grandma to Alice, 16 months, who lives with Bobbie permanently





Community involvement is important to Bobbie. In each of the different church appointments she has found one way or another to volunteer her time. She believes that the church is not the focal point of a community but rather part of a network of people, agencies and organizations that works together to make the world a better place. Bobbie has volunteered and supported agencies near and dear to her heart such as women's shelters, food pantries, school districts, the foster care system, Scouts, animal shelters, and school organizations.

Giving time and attention directly to the Church is also important. Within the UMC, Bobbie has served on the District Committee on Ministry (DCOM) of the Central North District for five years, two of those as the chairperson. She has served the North District DCOM as chairperson for the past three years. She is currently on the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry. She loves the ministry of both the committee and the board because she has so many opportunities to guide ministry candidates through the process of becoming licensed or ordained. It's a blessing to share that journey with them and witness their growth and understanding of their call.

Bobbie graduated from The University of Texas in San Antonio with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. She attended seminary at Perkins School of Theology at SMU and was ordained an elder in the TAC in 2002. Since then she has also been trained as a Stephen Leader and has completed an 18 month leadership training through the conference entitled Pastoral Leadership Project.

She's very excited about moving to Brenham and ministering alongside the people of Brenham FUMC. Bobbie is convinced that the best ministry happens when clergy and laity work together in the direction God leads. One of her favorite verses is from Luke 10:27, He (Jesus) answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
<p>2</p> <p>2:30 Argent Court Service</p> <p>3:30 Gazebo Terrace Service</p> <p>6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH</p> <p>12:00 Wesley/ Blinn</p> <p>6:00 SPRC / FR</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 UMW/ AC</p> <p>11:30 First Tuesdays Together/ On Deck</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 Worship Team/FR</p> <p>5:00 Bells of Praise/ FH Lenten Dinner/ AC</p> <p>7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/ AC</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:00 Yoga/ AC</p> <p>5:30 Exercise Class/ FH</p> <p>6:30 UMM/ AC</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor</p>	8
<p>9</p> <p><i>Palm/ Passion Sunday</i></p>  <p>6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH</p> <p>12:00 Wesley/ Blinn</p> <p>6:00 Trustees/FR</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00 Card Group/ MH</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:30 Bells of Praise/ FH</p> <p>7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/ AC</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:00 Yoga/ AC</p> <p>7:00</p>  <p><i>Mantle of Thorns</i></p> <p>Service/ AC</p>	<p>14</p> <p><i>Offices Closed</i></p> <p>7:00</p>  <p>GOOD FRIDAY</p> <p>Service/Sanctuary</p>	15
<p>16</p> <p><i>Easter Sunday</i></p> <p>10:00 Easter Egg Hunt/ Front Lawn</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH</p> <p>12:00 Wesley/ Blinn</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 Hinners Circle / AC Healy Circle / MH Amerson Circle/ FH</p> <p>12:00 Susanna Circle/ Muckleroy</p> <p>6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5:30 Bells of Praise/ FH</p> <p>7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/ AC</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9:00 Yoga/ AC</p> <p>5:30 Exercise Class/ FH</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor</p>	22
<p>23</p> <p>12:00 Pot Luck Luncheon & Desert Auction/ AC</p> <p>6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH</p> <p>12:00 Wesley/ Blinn</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:00 Card Group/ MH</p>	<p>26</p> <p>1:00 Care Team/ FR</p> <p>5:30 Bells of Praise/ FH</p> <p>7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Praise Band/ AC</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9:00 Yoga/ AC</p> <p>5:30 Exercise Class/ FH</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor</p> <p>6:00 Faithbuilders Party/ AC</p>	29
<p>30</p> <p>6:00 Confirmation/ AC</p>						

THE STAFF/PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Staff Pastor Parish Relationship Committee would like to sincerely thank the individual members of the congregation who completed and submitted the Input Form provided over the past two weeks. Your comments were invaluable to the committee in developing a Minister Profile for the District Superintendent to submit to the Cabinet in behalf of our church. We urge all members and friends of FUMC to be in prayer that the Cabinet and the Bishop will take an in-depth look at the Profile and make a selection appropriate to foster the growth needed in many areas of our great church.

The SPPRC members welcome your questions, ideas and concerns and will do everything possible to answer, promote or address these. The committee will be meeting once a month on the first Monday or Tuesday of the month. We will meet on Tuesday when the Administrative Board meets on the first Monday. The work of the SPPRC committee is ongoing as its main purpose is to foster good communication within and among all of the congregation and staff members. I feel very humbly blessed to be a part of such an outstanding group of faithful Christians who were selected by the Nominating Committee to serve on this committee. If you haven't already done so, please take the time to meet us and get to know us. Most of us are in the last Church Directory, and all of us will be in the new Church Directory. One of our goals is to really work to get to know our congregation in order to better serve you and our church.

The SPPRC would like to thank Rev. Bill Taylor for his time, guidance, help and encouragement in our efforts to develop a realistic profile for a new minister. His commitment and many hours of help have gone far beyond what is expected of an Interim Minister. Our church is indeed fortunate to have him here. Thank you again for your involvement.

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