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SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FUMC

7:30 a.m.

Refreshments in the Parlor (all morning)

8:15 A.M.

Worship in the Sanctuary

8:30 a.m.

Breakfast in the

Activity Center
Celebration Service

9:00 a.m.

In the Activity Center

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for

all ages

11:00 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary

Nursery care provided

The 11:00 service is Broadcast each Sunday on Brenham radio KWHI/AM 1280 and Channel 96 Cable TV.

Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Bobbie Maltas—Lead pastorbobbie@fumcbrenham.org

Rev. T.J. Gabelman—Associate pastortj@fumcbrenham.org

First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213 April 6, 2018

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful Easter celebration we had! Great music at all of our worship services, lots of people raising their voices in praise of God's amazing love, Easter eggs, holy communion, and time with family. Someone asked me recently what it means to be an "Easter person," derived, I'm sure, from the phrase, "Easter People." The meaning is simple, actually. To live as Easter People is to live in the faith that Jesus Christ rose from the dead and holds the keys of hell and death. Easter People live in a continual state of joy and hope in the promise that one day Jesus will return and the world will be reconciled to God once and for all. So live as Easter People!!

One of the things I've wanted to do for years is the <u>Painted Church Tour</u> and finally it's going to happen. But I don't want to go on the tour all by myself so I've made it into a church outing. On <u>Thursday, April 26th</u>, please join me in seeing some of the most beautiful churches in Texas. The Painted Churches are located in the communities of Dubina, High Hill, Praha, and Ammannsville. They appear unassuming as you approach them, but as you enter the front doors prepare to have your breath taken away by the incredible beauty found inside. We'll leave the back church parking lot at 8:30 a.m., travel to Schulenburg in the large church van, pick up our tour guide at 10:00 and begin our tour. We'll stop for lunch at Oakridge Smokehouse, and return to the church by 4:30 p.m. We have reservations for 14 persons and the cost of the trip (including lunch buffet) will be \$25.00. Call the church office to reserve your place.

The church leadership has been diligently looking for ways to help our congregation come together for fellowship. Time and time again I hear that people who worship in one service don't know anyone from either of the other two services, etc. One of the benefits of the Christmas Extravaganza was that the praise team from Celebration and the chancel choir from the traditional services and several of the instrumentalists from all the services came together for practices. After spending time together they know each other, recognize each other at the store, and feel a nice connection to each other. We want that kind of opportunity for all of us.

You'll have the opportunity to meet, eat, play, and spend time with everyone from the church at our <u>Church Picnic</u> on <u>Saturday, May 19th</u>, at Fireman's Park. You may not know it but we have a cook team made up of dads from the Celebration service and they're going to cook brisket for us! Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish (Last Name A-L bring a side dish; M-Z bring a dessert), and a lawn chair. All the eating utensils, paper goods, iced tea/lemonade, and condiments will be provided by the church. There will be a bounce house for the kiddos, as well as lawn games, the playgrounds and the merry-go-round (\$1 and you ride all day.) We can sit and visit, plus we've invited live musicians to entertain us with music everyone will enjoy! We'll meet at the big pavilion, 10:30 a.m. – whenever. Let's get together for Christian fellowship – and invite a neighbor or friends because you don't have to be a church member to enjoy the church picnic.

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Bobbie

Sunday ,February 25, 2018 Church Attendance

 Nursery:
 1

 8:15 Worship
 63

 9:00 Celebration:
 62

 11:00 Worship
 66

 Total:
 192

 Sunday School:
 79

 Offering:
 \$5,108.00

February Totals

Income: \$44,102.00 Expense: \$51,218.00 Total: (\$7,116.00)

Sunday, March 4, 2018 Church Attendance

 Nursery:
 2

 8:15 Worship
 67

 9:00 Celebration:
 61

 11:00 Worship
 83

 Total:
 213

 Sunday School:
 44

 Offering:
 \$15,223.00

Sunday, March 11, 2018 Church Attendance

 Nursery:
 1

 8:15 Worship
 62

 9:00 Celebration:
 35

 11:00 Worship
 59

 Total:
 157

 Sunday School:
 68

 Offering:
 \$6,763.00

Sunday, March 18, 2018 Church Attendance

 Nursery:
 7

 8:15 Worship
 60

 9:00 Celebration:
 48

 11:00 Worship
 60

 Total:
 175

 Sunday School:
 32

 Offering:
 \$11,591.00



Prayer Concerns

Luene Harmer
Bob Jenkins
Mike Kalil
Jim Clements
Frank Tyson
Glenn Amerson
Joyce Whitehead
Bud Foster
Marjorie Reed
Edna Rote
Mary Burgess
Sue Perry

Jeff Folton
Jim Oliver
Jan Pledger
Bob Haberman
Ron Steimann
Linda Winstanley
Dale & Nelda Snow
Charlie Pyle

Charlie Pyle Jerry Stratton Lydia House Priscilla Arnold

Our homebound members and Those serving in the military.

Sunday, March 25, 2018 Church Attendance

Nancy Yeary

Marilyn Wrigley

 Nursery:
 4

 8:15 Worship
 78

 9:00 Celebration:
 67

 11:00 Worship
 115

 Total:
 264

 Sunday School:
 72

 Offering:
 \$8,644.00

Sunday, April 1, 2018 Church Attendance

 Nursery:
 12

 8:15 Worship
 106

 9:00 Celebration:
 126

 11:00 Worship
 135

 Total:
 379

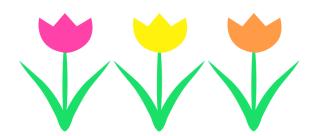
 Offering:
 \$19,247.00

March Totals

Income: \$43,943.00 Expense: \$54,500.00 Total: (\$10,557.00)

YTD Totals

Income: \$147,283.00 Expense: \$153,982.00 Total: (\$6,699.00)



Newsletter Deadline



Your next newsletter deadline will be <u>Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.</u> If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your <u>written</u> article to <u>fumc@fumcbrenham.org</u> 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.







GOOD FRIDAY



EASTER EGG HUNT

















A **BIG** Thank You to all of you that supported our Dessert Auction by making desserts, placing bids & making donations. We have raised \$2620 so far. If you would like to make a donation towards sending 50 youth and adults on our summer trips, it's not too late. It means so much to these families. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

YOUTH SPRING RETREAT

April 27-28

*Still have room for a couple of girls



UMYF MEAL

April 8—Trostle & Aguilar

April 15—Herzog & Middleton

April 22—Confirmation Families

April 29—Confirmation Families



Senior Recognition Sunday May 6, 2018

in all 3 Worship Services

Gabe Anderson En

Eric Herzog

Matthew Baker

Ryan Middleton

Kyle Bugaji

Zachary Smestuen



Vacation Bible School June 25—28, 2018

Online Registration Coming Soon!

Children's Sunday
School Holy Land
Party

Sunday, May 13 10:00am in the AC kitchen

We will explore the Holy Land through its native food.

Events Coming Up:

<u>Church Beautification Day: April 21, 8:30 a.m. - ?</u> – We need EVERYONE, but especially representatives from each ministry area, to come to the church for a massive clean-up! The Board of Trustees invites you to come and help us go through closets and cupboards to clean out the trash and donate the treasures we no longer need. We'll be polishing the wood in the Sanctuary and Celebration worship areas, power-washing sidewalks and entryways, touching up with paint, and generally sprucing up our beautiful church grounds. If we all pitch in, it'll be much more fun. This is for older children, youth, and adults. Donuts and coffee will be the Activity Center by 8:15

<u>Painted Church Tour: Thursday, April 26, 8:30 a.m.</u> – Meet in the back parking lot, \$25 (including lunch), first-come-first-serve. Call the church office to reserve your place on the church van.

<u>Church Picnic: Saturday, May 19, 10:30 a.m. – Whenever</u> – Come on over to Fireman's Park for brisket! Bring a covered dish, your lawn chair, and a smile! There will be games for the kiddos, and live music that everyone will enjoy.



Donations Received

In memory of **Steve Haley**

By

Mark & Nita Hyatt
Debra Heidemann
John & Sherry Barkman
Pierre & Sarah Roberts
Tammy Cregg

The Susanna Circle Anthony Gregorio Scott M. Williams

> In memory of Bob Perry

By Ronnie & Susan Manchester

Donations Received

In memory of James Tate By

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Pierre & Sarah Roberts

In memory of **Rev. Sam Duree**

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Mark & Nita Hyatt Scott M. Williams

In memory of Alan Williamson

By Don & Mary Wilhelm Smitty Hinners

Donations Received

In memory of Betty Brisbin

By

Walt & Joyce Fortune
Norman & Joyce Medow
Glen & Jetta Goodman
Clarence & Mary Jane Jean
Curtis Buck & Sonja Martin
John & Sherry Barkman
Michael Brady
Jerry & Patty Stratton
Nick & Marianne Nelms
FUMC Card Group
Keith & Carolyn Hale
Ronnie & Susan Manchester
Jim & Hailey Kruse
Diane Kropp



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Happy Easter! 10:00 Egg Hunt	2 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	3 9:30 UMW/ AC	4 5:30 Evangelism/ Library 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	5 9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH	6 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	7
8 6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC	9 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/ Library	10 9:00 Card Group/ MH	11 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH 6:30 UMM/ AC	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	14
15 6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC	16 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	9:30 Hewitt Circle / AC Murphey Circle/ FH Tate Circle/ MH 12:00 Susanna Circle/ FH 6:00 Wesleyan Circle/ FH	18 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	19 9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH	20 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	21 8:30 Church Beautification/ AC
22 6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC	23 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	24 9:00 Card Group/ MH	25 1:00 Care Team/ FR 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	26 8:30 Painted Church Trip/ AC 9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 4:00 Youth Spring Retreat - Jellystone Park	28
29 6:00 UMYF & Confirmation/ AC	30 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 7:00 Small Group Ministry/ AC					



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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Senior Recognition Sunday 6:00 UMYF Senior Dinner/ AC	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 6:30 SPRC/ FR	9:00 Card Group/ MH	6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH 6:30 UMM/ AC	6:45 Donuts With Mom/ CDC 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10:00 Children's Sunday School Holy Land Party/ AC Kitchen 20 Confirmation 6:00	10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 6:00 Trustees/ FR 7:00 Admin. Council/ FR 21 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 5:30 Evangelism/ Library	9:30 Hewitt Circle / MH Murphey Circle/ AC Tate Circle/ FH 12:00 Susanna Circle/ Pendergrass 6:00 Wesleyan Circle/ FH 22 9:00 Card Group/ MH	6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC 23 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30	9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH 24 9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH	9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor 25 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	10:30 Church Picnic/ Fireman's Park Church Picnic 26
UMYF/ AC			Praise Band/AC			
27 Texas Annual Conference/ The Woodlands 27th - 30th	28 Offices Closed memorial DAY	29	30 1:00 Care Team/ FR 6:30 Chancel Choir/ CR 6:45 DISCIPLE Bible Study I/ FR 7:30 Praise Band/AC	31 9:00 Yoga/AC 5:30 Exercise Class/ FH		

Would you like to know more? The United Methodist Church offers online courses in several areas of interest. Learn at your own pace, learn in the convenience of your own home. Interact with others taking the course and with the instructor! Some courses are free; others require a registration fee. Check it out at www.umctraining.org, the link to



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