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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. Jon Stouffer  
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# First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213

July 23, 2015



**Sunday, August 2 at noon**

**Potluck Luncheon - Activity Center**

*Come and hear the youth tell about their experiences on their mission trips with Big House and UM Army*

Movie Night

**THE MISSION**

Sunday, July 26

6:00-8:00 p.m. / Activity Center  
(Bring snacks to share)



Our first movie night was such a success it was decided to do it again. Sunday night we will be showing *The Mission*. For those who wish to stay afterward, a time of discussion will follow.

*The Mission* is a powerful action epic about a man of war (Robert De Niro) and a man of peace (Jeremy Irons) who unite to shield a South American Indian tribe from brutal subjugation by 18<sup>th</sup> century colonial empires. The historical events represented in this story are true and occurred around the borderlands of Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil in the year 1750.

Winner of the Cannes Film Festival Picture Award, the film earned seven Academy Award nominations (including Best Picture) and won a Best Cinematography Oscar.

#### JOY NEWS

The JOY group (Just Older Youth) will be traveling to Salem Lutheran Church in Industry on Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Audrey Boney has graciously agreed to show us her stained-glass windows in that beautiful church. Anyone who would like to go is welcome. We will meet in the church parking lot at 10:45 a.m. and car-pool to the church. We will conclude with lunch at On Deck.

**SUNDAY June 7, 2015**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	80
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
Worship 11:00 a.m.	98
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>241</b>
Sunday School	92
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$12,130.01</b>

**SUNDAY June 14, 2015**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	62
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	50
Worship 11:00 a.m.	74
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>192</b>
Sunday School	103
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$5,674.47</b>

**SUNDAY June 21, 2015**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	63
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	51
Worship 11:00 a.m.	106
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>225</b>
Sunday School	85
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$10,896.80</b>

**SUNDAY June 28, 2015**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	80
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	66
Worship 11:00 a.m.	100
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>251</b>
Sunday School	110
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$15,330.10</b>

**SUNDAY July 5, 2015**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	68
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	28
Worship 11:00 a.m.	85
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>183</b>
Sunday School	74
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$11,691.19</b>

**JUNE TOTALS**

June Income:	\$44,371.81
June Expense:	\$50,287.20
<b>June Total:</b>	<b>(\$5,915.39)</b>

**YTD TOTALS**

YTD. Income:	\$305,559.15
YTD. Expense:	\$305,871.37
<b>YTD. Net Total:</b>	<b>(\$312.22)</b>



**Prayer Concerns**

Marnie Whitmarsh  
 Richard Coghlan  
 Gene Moss  
 Audrey Simpson  
 Delmer McAdow  
 Glenn and Luene Harmer  
 Marilyn Wrigley  
 Glenn Amerson  
 Art Hinners  
 Buddy & Elaine Dorow  
 Henry Kuecker  
 Georgia Standerfer  
 Frances Sidebottom

Rev. Jim Foster  
 Mike Kalil  
 Ed Baker  
 Cameron Winchell  
 Hugh and Aniela Pitts  
 Marilyn Gravett  
 Kathy Revenaugh  
 Louise Goorich  
 Nancy DeLorenzo  
 Nona Duree  
 Jim Hickey  
 Susan Ebel

Our homebound members  
 and those serving in the  
 military

**Donations Received**

***In memory of***

Janet Newman

By

James and Gail Newman

***In memory of***

Marti McLemore

By

Herbert and Patricia Hughes

***In memory of***

Ed Sidebottom

By

Don and Mary Wilhelm  
 Gary and Kay Ivy  
 Arthur and Eleanor Siegel  
 Nick and Marianne Nelms  
 Art and Smitty Hinners  
 Tom and Carol Ann Post  
 Jack and Bonnie Wargi

***In honor of***

Jim & Susie Forsythe

By

Art and Smitty Hnners  
 Bill and Joan Powell

***In honor of***

Clifford & Betty Brisbin

By

Louis and Joycine Hanath



**Back To School Splash**  
 Family pool party in August at the Country Club. Email coming with date and details!

**Children's Parent Meeting**  
 Sunday, Aug 9 @6pm in the AC  
 (date may change if we get poor attendance)  
 What will we do without ACTS? Let's talk Sunday School & Children's Church!



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 IN ALL THREE WORSHIP SERVICES  
 BACK TO SCHOOL FUN AT 10AM  
 BRING YOUR BACKPACK!!**

## ***Missions Sunday August 2, 2015***

Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup> is Missions Sunday. Following the 11:00 worship service everyone is invited to a covered-dish luncheon sponsored by the Mission and Outreach Team. The children will sing and share about Vacation Bible School. Thirteen youth and four sponsors attended the Junior High Big House mission trip and eleven youth and five sponsors attended the Senior High UMArmy mission trip. They will be sharing videos and testimonies. The Mission Team will share some of the other exciting things our church has done this past year locally and internationally. Plan on bringing a covered dish and enjoying lunch together. A lot of exciting things are going on. I think you will be amazed.

William Barclay, in his Introduction to the Bible, tells that one of the great disasters of history took place in 1271. In 1271 Nickelo and Matteo Polo (the father and uncle of Marco) were visiting the Kubla Kahn. Kubla Kahn at that time was a world ruler and ruled all of China, all of India, and all the East. He was attracted to the story of Christianity as Nickelo and Matteo told it to him.

And he said to them, "You shall go to your high priest and tell him on my behalf to send me 100 men skilled in your religion and I shall be baptized. And when I am baptized all my barons and great men will be baptized and their subjects will receive baptism too. And so there will be more Christians here than there are in your land." Nothing was done. Nothing was done for about 30 years. And then two or three missionaries were sent. Too few and too late.

It baffles the imagination to think what a difference to the world it would have made if in the 13<sup>th</sup> century China had become fully Christian. If in the 13<sup>th</sup> century the East had been given to Christ.

It is too easy to put missions on the back burner. There are so many things right here in our own backyard and around the world that need our attention. The old adage, "Out of sight, out of mind," is all too true when it comes to missions.

Yet, we are called as God's people to go in to the world. Who knows what God could do if you respond to His call. The prayer you say, the money you give, the letter of encouragement to a missionary, even the life you commit to service could be the very thing that changes history. God chooses to use the actions of His people to change the world. Where else do you have such an opportunity to make such a difference?

See you Sunday,  
***Kay***

### ***Care Team News***

The Care Team is seeking the names of men and women serving in our military who have a relationship with our congregation. We would like their Name, Branch of service, Rank, Birthday, Current address and how they are related. Please send the information to Barbara Killgore at [bjkillgore3@gmail.com](mailto:bjkillgore3@gmail.com). We are looking for ways to pray for them and support them.

### ***First Tuesdays Together***

The new Grief Support Group continues to meet monthly. The purpose of the group is to offer a place to share and ask questions with others who are going through similar grief and loss experiences following the death of a loved one. Our prayer is that this group will be a place to find encouragement, help, and healing. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.



# Big House Texas

Jr. High Mission Trip  
Alvin, TX



Sunday, July 26 – Movie Night @church  
*The Mission*  
6pm in the Activity Center



Sunday, Aug 2– Parent & Youth Nite  
6pm in the Activity Center

ALL parents and youth come out for our  
planning session of the @2015-2016  
school year. Dinner provided!



Friday, Aug 7-8– High School Lock-out  
Time and activities to come in an email



Sunday, Aug 9 – Junior High Jump Day  
Time to come in an email



Details about this event to come!!



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 6:00 Movie Night/ AC <i>The Mission</i>	27	28 4:30 UMM BBQ Chicken Drive-Thru/ AC parking lot	29 10:45 JOY stain glass trip/ AC parking lot	30 9:00 Yoga/ AC	31 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	1
2 <b>Youth Mission Sunday</b> 12:00 Potluck Luncheon/ AC	3	4 12:00 First Tuesday's Together/ FH 6:00 UMW Covered Dish Dinner/ AC	5	6 9:00 Yoga/ AC	7 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor <b>High School Youth Lock-Out Night</b>	8
9 6:00 UMYF	10 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 7:00 Admin. Board/ FR	11 9:00 Card Group/ MH	12 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	13 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	14 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	15
16	17	18 9:30 Tate Circle/ Parlor Rogers Circle/ FH Cumming Circle/ MH 6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH	19 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	20 9:00 Yoga/ AC	21 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	22
23 <b>Education Sunday</b> 6:00 UMYF	24	25 9:00 Card Group/ MH	26 1:00 Care Team / FR 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	27 9:00 Yoga/ AC	28 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	29 8:00 Epiphany/ AC Emmaus/ FH & MH
30 6:00 UMYF	31					



### Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 10:00 am.** If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to [fumc@fumcbrenham.org](mailto: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.

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