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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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Rev. Kay Reed
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First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor St. Brenham, Texas 77833-3213

September 19, 2016



The Texas Annual Conference

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND A

Service of Welcome for

Bishop Scott J. Jones and Ms. Mary Lou Reece

YOU MAY ATTEND EITHER OF THE TWO SERVICES

OCTOBER 16, 2016

TYLER, MARVIN UMC

5 P.M.

OR

OCTOBER 23, 2016

HOUSTON, FUMC WESTCHASE CAMPUS

5 P.M.

A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW EACH SERVICE

WE WOULD BE HONORED WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND PRESENCE



ATTENTION LADIES:
Time to Get Away From It All?

Save the Date for the
LADIES FALL RETREAT

Saturday, November 12  8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 

*“Decorate Your Heart,
Decorate Your Home,
To Glorify Our Lord”*

Registration Information Coming Soon!



Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Thursday, September 29, 2016 at 10:00 am.** 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.

SUNDAY July 17, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	65
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	48
Worship 11:00 a.m.	86
Worship Total	201
Sunday School	82
Offering:	\$11,346.72

SUNDAY July 24, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	3
Worship 8:15 a.m.	82
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	168
Worship 11:00 a.m.	99
Worship Total	352
Sunday School	98
Offering:	\$8,780.00

SUNDAY July 31, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	64
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	68
Worship 11:00 a.m.	126
Worship Total	262
Sunday School	110
Offering:	\$8,402.00

SUNDAY August 7, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	77
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	49
Worship 11:00 a.m.	91
Worship Total	221
Sunday School	54
Offering:	\$13,958.75

SUNDAY August 14, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	3
Worship 8:15 a.m.	65
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	50
Worship 11:00 a.m.	99
Worship Total	217
Sunday School	93
Offering:	\$12,946.50

SUNDAY August 21, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	71
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	88
Worship 11:00 a.m.	87
Worship Total	251
Sunday School	117
Offering:	\$10,433.00

**Prayer Concerns**

Richard Coghlan
 Delmer McAdow
 Luene Harmer
 Henry Kuecker
 Frances Sidebottom
 Alan Williamson
 Jim Hickey
 Cameron Winchell
 Jeff Ketcham
 Ken & Joy Goedeke
 Roberial & Dorothy Boenker
 Mike Kalil
 Juanita Hickey
 Richard Husmann
 Brandon Mathis

Jeffery Janner
 Norman Kitzman
 Boyce Weiman
 Buddy Dorow
 Kristi Vanzura
 Sam & Beverly Duree
 C.L. Abraham
 The Family & Friends of Bryan Campbell
 Jimmy Carter
 Edna Rote
 Frank & Jody Tyson
 The Family & Friends of Bob Perry

Our homebound members and those serving in the military

SUNDAY August 28, 2016**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	80
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	60
Worship 11:00 a.m.	111
Worship Total	256
Sunday School	90
Offering:	\$7,912.00

July TOTALS

June Income:	\$52,986.00
June Expense:	\$56,362.00
June Total:	(\$3,375.00)

August TOTALS

August Income:	\$44,187.00
August Expense:	\$56,200.00
August Total:	(\$12,013.00)

YTD TOTALS

YTD Income:	\$418,848.00
YTD Expense:	\$438,506.00
YTD Net Total:	(\$19,658.00)

Donations Received

In memory of
Horace Spiller

By

Derek & Meagan Hargrave
 Kay Reed
 Jon Stouffer

In memory of
Gene Moss

By

Faithbuilders Sunday School Class
 Tom & Carol Ann Post
 James & Marilyn Gravett

In memory of
Bryan Campbell

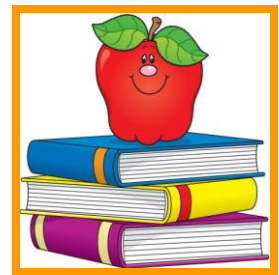
By

Gary & Kay Ivy

In memory of
Ed Standerfer

By

Gary & Kay Ivy
 Smitty Hanners



Blessing of the Backpacks





Man Camp, a father and son retreat, scheduled for October 28-30, 2016 is a program that allows intentional time for father and sons to connect in meaningful ways. Man Camp is designed with several hands-on activities that foster personal and spiritual growth and encourages new challenges for all ages.

- Fun for All Ages.
- Ideal for Dads, Grandfathers, Uncles, Youth Directors & Anyone Who is Significant in a Youngster's Life.
- Price Includes All Activities, Programs, Meals & Accommodations.
- Cost is \$150 Per Individual. If a Third Family Member Attends, the Cost is \$100 per Each Additional Camper.
- Activities Include: Zip-Lining, Trapshooting, Climbing, Fishing, Boating, Tomahawk Throwing, Survival Skills and Much More.

For more information, visit www.lakeviewmcc.org or contact Bradley Doherty at bradley@lakeviewmcc.org.

Guess What's Coming in the Spring A New Church Directory!!!

CHEESE!



Since our last directory was completed in 2014 we have had a lot of changes in our church, we've welcome some new additions to families, lost some loved ones, and welcomed some wonderful new families to our church. Since there have been so many changes we will be taking pictures and doing a new directory. Please mark your calendar for these dates, when pictures will be taken February 6th-11th. Sign up times will start in late December. This is a great opportunity to get a nice family picture made and everyone that participates will receive a free 8x10 picture and a new church directory. So let's all get involved with this directory and make it our best yet.

Harvest Festival Treasure Patch News



UMW Harvest Festival sales raise money for mission projects to help those in need locally and afar. You can participate by donating items to be sold in our Treasure Patch. Items should be in very good condition, attractive, and interesting or useful or could be all of the above. For questions or more information call Dena Miller 979-251-2511 or Marlene Tafelski 979-421-6009.



Welcoming Bishop Scott Jones to the Texas Annual Conference & The West District

There will be two services of welcome this fall for Bishop Scott Jones who has been assigned as the Episcopal Leader for the Texas Annual Conference.

October 16, 2016 5-7pm at: Marvin UMC 300 W. Erwin St. Tyler, TX 75702

October 23, 2016 5-7pm at: First UMC Westchase Campus 3663 West Center Dr. Houston TX 77042

Childcare will be provided for both worship services.

Please mark your calendars now to welcome Bishop Scott Jones to the West District on **Saturday, January 21, 2017** at First UMC 506 E 28th St, Bryan, TX 77803

Jon's Regular Office Hours

Monday 9 am – Noon, 1 pm – 3 pm
Tuesday 11 am – Noon & 1 pm – 5 pm
Wednesday 9 am – Noon, 1 pm – 5 pm
Thursday 9 am – Noon, 1 – 3 pm
(Mondays 1 pm – 2 pm is your pastors' conference time together)
(Tuesdays 2 pm – 4 pm & Wednesdays 3 pm – 5 pm are sermon writing times)

Jon's Regular Visitation Hours

Monday 3 pm – 5 pm
Thursday 3 pm – 5 pm

Kay's Regular Office Hours

Monday 1 pm – 5 pm
Tuesday 10 am – Noon, 1 pm – 2 pm
Wednesday 10 am – Noon, 1 pm – 5 pm
Friday 10 am – Noon
(Mondays 1 pm – 2 pm is your pastors' conference time together)
(M, T, W, F 9 am – 10 am are sermon writing times)

Kay's Regular Visitation Hours

Tuesday 2 pm – 5 pm
Friday 2 pm – 5 pm

Stouffer's Food For Thought . . .

My Prayer for Worship

Some of you may have seen this as we approached worship this past Sunday. I posted it on my blog "Stouffer's Food For Thought" on www.wordpress.com – here is part of that blog here for our newsletter

<https://stouffersfoodforthought.wordpress.com/>

For as long as I have been involved in the planning and leading of worship I can remember the deep cry of my heart went mostly unnamed. That is, if I were pressed to say aloud or write what I was thinking or praying or hoping as we prepared for worship I am not certain that I could have given words to my prayer. This particular prayer was simply deep in my heart and soul as part of me! This last week God finally gave words to this prayer for me:

As I prepare for worship, I pray that -

Every act of worship demonstrates God's faithfulness.

Every act of worship elicits our faithful response.

Every participant knows the abiding presence of Christ.

Our lives continue to be shaped by the power
and presence of the Holy Spirit.

As I think about worship yesterday, look forward to worship next Sunday, and think about all that will be between these two Sundays, I am reminded that in all of life we are called to worship God with our whole being. This reminder changes my prayer from "every act of worship" to "every breath I breathe," "every thought I think," "every word I speak," and "every I action I engage." At lunch on Sunday I learned a new phrase, "dum spiro spera," "as I breathe, I hope." It was another customer's family motto that was on the back of his vest. If I were to name my hope, it would begin with this prayer.

may Christ be our sufficiency,

Jon

The Chapel Has Moved!!!


We have recently moved the chapel that was to the side of the sanctuary to the Gray House across the street. It will free up that room for other uses and also give us a more dedicated space that is quiet and worshipful.

To make the chapel complete we are looking for a few items. If you have a nice, gently used armchair we'd love to give it a new home. We are also looking for any devotional or inspirational or spiritual books that you might donate.

Lastly, we are looking for 2 more people to finish out our prayer vigil team on Wednesdays. It is a one hour commitment a week. The spots available are 5-6pm and 6-7 pm. It is a really wonderful experience to have that quiet, one on one time with God. If you aren't sure if this is for you, we'd love to have you try it out at least one time and see if it is something that could work in your schedule and see how you feel after this time in the chapel.

I would like to take a minute and thank those that helped with the move; Tom Hook, Jon Stouffer, Marlene Tafelski and Chuck and Caroline Abraham, you are the best. Contact Michele Smith 979 251-9840 or michelestamps@sbcglobal.net about any donations or questions about getting involved with the Wednesday Prayer Vigil. The entire Worship Team thanks you in advance.

September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11 6:00 UMYF/ AC 	12 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/ Library	13 9:00 Card Group/ MH 9:30 Worship/ FR	14 2:00 Council on Ministries/ Library 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/ AC	15 9:00 Yoga/ AC	16 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	17
18 6:00 UMYF/ AC <i>3rd Grade Bible Day</i> 	19 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 6:00 Missions/ FR 7:00 Nominations/ FR	20 9:30 Hickey Circle/ FH Goodman Circle/ MH Amerson Circle/ AC 12:00 Susanna Circle/ FH 6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH	21 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/ AC	22 9:00 Yoga/ AC	23 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	24 8:00 Epiphany/ AC & Parlor
25 6:00 UMYF/ AC	26 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 7:00 Nominations/ FR	27 9:00 Card Group/ MH	28 1:30 Care Team/ Library 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/AC	29 9:00 Yoga/ AC	30 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	1
2 2:30 Brenham Rest Home Service 3:30 Kruse Service 6:00 UMYF/ AC <i>World Communion Sunday</i>	3 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn	4 9:30 UMW/ AC 11:30 First Tuesday Together/ FH	5 5:30 Bells of Praise/ FH 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/ AC	6 9:00 Yoga/ AC	7 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	8
9 6:00 UMYF/ AC <i>UMW Installation Sunday</i>	10 10:00 Monday Morning Bible Study/ FH 12:00 Wesley/ Blinn 1:30 CDC Board/ Library 7:00 Nominations/ FR	11 9:00 Card Group/ MH 6:30 Finance	12 5:30 Bells of Praise/ FH 7:00 Choir/ Choir Room Celebration Band/ AC	13 9:00 Yoga/ AC 6:30 UMM/ AC	14 9:00 Ladies' Emmaus/ Parlor	15

October

Donuts & Blessing - Thanks from BISS
Pastors, Ministers, Friends of the BISS Community!

It's a Great Day to Be a Cub!!!

I would like to personally thank you for your continued support of our beloved district. Your acts of kindness have not gone unnoticed. I have received numerous words of thanks and appreciation from parents, staff and students.

We appreciate you going above and beyond the call of duty to make our students' first day of school one to fondly remember!

Sincerely,
Walter Jackson, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
Brenham ISD

(Special Thanks to Milton & Twila Tate who helped welcome students to their first day of the school year!)

Thanks FUMC!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the outpouring of love and support we have received from you during these past few weeks, They were hard, but knowing we were being held up by your prayers made the inevitable bearable.

Blessings and Love to All!

Tom & Carol Ann Post

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