



# 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 10 Cable TV.*

### Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor  
Rev. Dale Chance  
[pastor@startel.net](mailto:pastor@startel.net)

Associate Pastor  
Rev. Terry Dougherty  
[PastorTerry@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:PastorTerry@FUMCBrenham.org)



## SIGN UP TODAY!

### Be a Part of Our New Church Directory

Every family will receive a Free 8x10 Picture and a Free Church Directory.

Many new families have joined First United Methodist Church since the last Church Directory was published in 2007. A pictorial directory helps us to connect with one another by putting names with faces and providing contact information for each member.

Olan Mills will be at First United Methodist Church on October 14, 15, 16 and 17. There are several ways you can make your portrait appointment.

- Call or visit the church office
- Go to [signup.olanmills.com](http://signup.olanmills.com)
- Follow the link from the [www.FUMCBrenham.org](http://www.FUMCBrenham.org) website

You will receive a reminder call two days before your scheduled time.



### Next Newsletter Deadline:

The next newsletter will be mailed on September 28  
Deadline for articles is September 25 at 2:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY August 30, 2009****Church Attendance:**

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	79
Worship 11:00 a.m.	140
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	52
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 7,722.00</b>

**SUNDAY September 6, 2009****Church Attendance:**

Nursery	6
Worship 8:15 a.m.	82
Worship 11:00 a.m.	135
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	31
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>254</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>112</b>
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 19,302.50</b>

**SUNDAY September 13, 2009****Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	81
Worship 11:00 a.m.	127
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	59
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>272</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 8,682.29</b>

Loose \$1 bills placed in our collection plates will be used to support Hurricane Ike recovery work in the Texas Annual Conference.

**Prayer Concerns**

Linda Beard  
Elmo Davis  
Jim Tom House  
Bob Johnston  
Alice Limmer  
Marti McLemore  
Peggy Michaels  
Peggy Robertson  
Earl Wiesepape

**METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

Carole Horton, Director – 979-830-8661 or Carole@FUMCBrenham.org

**We are Poppin'**

September has come into being like gangbusters! We have held our faculty orientation and had our parent orientation. The faculty has already had our Washington County Childcare Association meeting. Our first fundraiser is coming soon. The children have adjusted to their new rooms and teachers. We now have our full staff functioning.

On the September 18, the Pre-K class will attend the Washington County Fair. On the September 21, they will go to Brookshire Bros. and learn about how a grocery store works and the choices of good food for their bodies.

Ms. LouLou from the library has begun her storytelling again with the 3's and Pre-K's. Ms. Linda has begun her media room - more information on this next month.

The Health Inspector has been out and we are fine. The Fire Marshall will here on September 22.

**Drive-thru Dinner**

**Tuesday, September 29, 2009**

**4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**First United Methodist Church  
Activity Center Parking Lot  
408 North Baylor**

**Buy tickets in advance: \$7.00**

**Catered by Schovajsa**

**Bar-b-q Chicken**

**Green Beans Butter Potatoes**

**Desserts available**

**All proceeds go toward the Methodist Weekday  
Child Development Center**

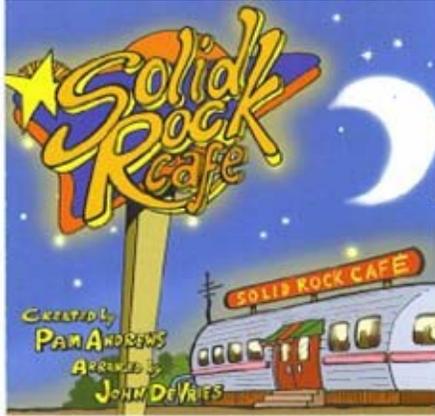
**DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS: September 22**  
**Call 830-8661 or buy tickets from any parent, church office,  
school office or board member**

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

## Children's Sunday School

Jennifer Patrick, Program Coordinator – [Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org)

# KIDS CORNER



***It's time again for ....A.C.T.S.***

First Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 7

6:00 p.m. in the A.C.

Bring a snack dinner. We will listen to the musical & pass out important information.

A.C.T.S. is open to all kids 4 yrs to 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Invite a friend or two!

## \*\*FAMILY FUN DAY \*\*

Mark your calendar for **October 24**. We will have a family fun day at Oil Ranch, in Hocklev. If you want more info about Oil Ranch you can go to their website [www.oilranch.com](http://www.oilranch.com) We will meet at the church at 9:30a.m. and caravan together. The cost is \$10 a person (for 2yrs & up – kids younger than 2 are free). Pack a cooler with a lunch for your family and lots of water. There is a snack shop if you would rather purchase a lunch. Bring a few extra dollars for *snow cones!* This is a wonderful place with *tons* of activities for people of all ages. Feel free to invite more families to join us. Contact me by October 18 if your family will attend at [Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org) or 836-2008.

*At the end of the day every child will receive a pumpkin!*

## BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY 2009



Let's do it again real soon!

Thanks to everyone who helped make this a great morning!



The Kids did a Great Job Inviting Friends!!



# YOUTH "H.A.L.O" NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director [rcruiz1020@yahoo.com](mailto:rcruiz1020@yahoo.com)

## **Technology Night is Sunday, September 20 !!!**

... **from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** As part of our youth activities for the evening, the youth will be available to assist those that need help with operating and the functions of a cell phone, DVD player, computer or any other electronic device. Please register by calling Rick in the church office and leaving a message with your name(s) and how many will be attending. We look forward to a fun and interesting evening!

### **We all have something to share...**

This fall the youth will be holding discussion groups on a monthly basis and we need guest speakers! Discussion topics can range from a personal testimonial to sharing what you do or have done for a living. We can all learn from each other and our experiences so I encourage you to prayerfully consider participating in this opportunity.

*If you feel called to share your testimony with the youth  
one Sunday evening – please contact Rick.*

### **September Youth Calendar**

- Sunday, September 20 – 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Youth Technology Night in the Activity Center
- Sunday, September 27 – 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Youth Game Night in the Activity Center

### **Confirmation Class**

One of the most exciting ministries the Church participates in as a family is the Baptismal Journey. This process of Christian discipleship, begun at Baptism with vows made on behalf of the children, is completed at Confirmation when we are made accountable to those vows by instructing our young people in the basics of our Faith. Confirmation is offered to our young people when they reach sixth grade. Persons who have not been confirmed who are at least 12 years of age also are welcomed to join the class. The class will be held on Sunday afternoons, beginning in late September and continuing to May 16, 2010. The students will then be recognized on Confirmation Sunday at the end of their confirmation journey.

**ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2009 AT 2:00 P.M. THERE WILL BE A MEETING FOR ALL CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENT(S). PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND.**

Please contact Pastor Terry Dougherty for additional information.

## ADULT MINISTRIES

Jody Tyson, Adult Ministry Coordinator

### ***The Crosstrainers Class***

This class is composed of adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s. The Crosstrainers meet in the Activity Center after Celebration Service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The class is based on discussion. Topics have included: parenting, relationships, priorities, mission, etc. This fall 2009, we will be studying the NOOMA series with Rob Bell. Kevin Patrick will be leading this session

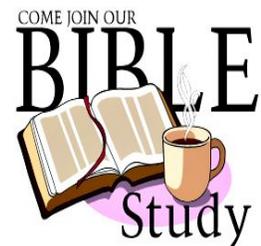
### **The Faith Builders Class Begins a New Study September 20: Invitation to John**

In its wisdom, the early church chose to keep four Gospel accounts of the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus. Three of these Gospels are very similar to each other in both what they tell about the story of Jesus and how they tell it. However, the Gospel of John stands apart. In it, we find Jesus speaking not in parables but in lengthy discourses. In the very first chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus issues two invitations: "Come and see," and "Follow me." They echo the invitations of this study: to come and see this Jesus—to hear him speak, to see his signs—and to consider anew what it means to be his followers. Jody Tyson will lead the study.

Join them Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Faith Builders Classroom

***NEW MONDAY MORNING STUDY  
BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 21 at 9:00 A.M.!***

***EXPERIENCING THE BIBLE AGAIN FOR THE FIRST TIME***



The DVD-based curriculum, *Experiencing the Bible Again for the First Time* by Tim Scorer, is a perfect partner for *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*, by Marcus Borg. This 10-week study provokes inquiry, welcomes questions, engages the imagination and encourages listening for and discovering the word in the other. Anyone with a hunger to know and engage the Bible at deeper levels is encouraged to participate in the study. The cost is \$10 per person. Please contact Pastor Terry at 836-2008 or [PastorTerry@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:PastorTerry@FUMCBrenham.org) to sign up.

# J.O.Y.

*Just Older Youth*



Mark your calendars now for our Fall Day Trip to Newman's Castle on **Tuesday, October 13**. We will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and caravan together to Bellville. The cost is \$12.50 per person. The price includes the tour and lunch. We should return by 3:00 p.m. You can register for this trip through the church office or fill out the registration forms in the worship services or in Sunday School. Everyone is encouraged to attend and to bring your friends. If you would like more information contact Jennifer Patrick at [Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org) or call the church office 836-2008. More pictures of the castle can be seen at <http://tombunkley.name/castle/castle.html>.

## **Are you interested in playing 42 ???**

Join us Monday, September 28, at 3:00 p.m. for some 42 playing fun. We will meet in the new brown house across from the church office. If you have any questions about the group you can contact Jennifer Patrick at the church office, 836-2008, or talk to Lydia House.



## **"Who is Our Neighbor?"**

**October 3 - Lakewood UMC, Houston**



Sponsored by Partners in Mission with Missional Excellence Team

The Mission Forum of 2009 will have a new and exciting look. In an atmosphere where information can be gathered through workshops, speakers and worship, persons interested in mission opportunities will find many creative avenues for personal involvement. The schedule will begin with registration on Saturday morning at 8:30 am followed by the Welcome. Each participant will attend exciting workshops from an impressive list of choices, have time in the Global Village and participate in the closing worship. During lunch you will be able to visit with other missionaries and find out how missions have impacted their lives. Cost is \$30 (single) or \$50 (couple). Registration form is available in the church office or contact Pastor Terry for more information.

# Back to Church Sunday

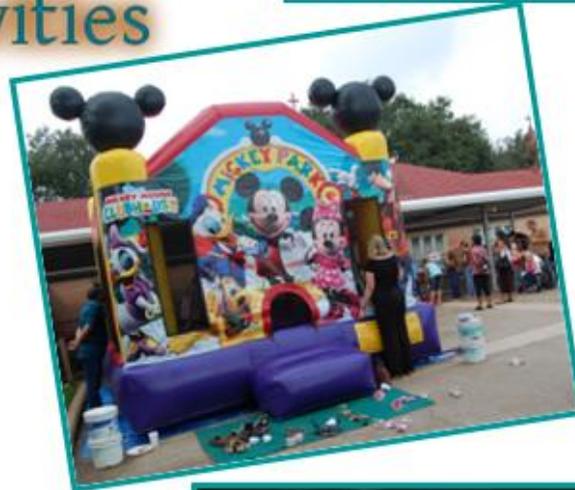
## Ministry Displays



## Brunch



## Kids' Activities



Thanks to everyone who helped make this special Sunday a wonderful success!  
It was a fantastic morning of Worship, Fellowship & Fun.

# Thank You

Dear First United Methodist Church of Brenham,

Thank you so much for donating t-shirts for the 2009 football season! We greatly appreciate it!

Thanks again and GO CUBS! ♥ BHS Cheerleaders

A special thank you to Jo Powell for recruiting church members to change the church sign board in the AC parking lot each week!

Our super volunteers that also deserve a big thank you are: Bob and Donna Sprenger, Art and Smitty Hinnners, Cliff and Betty Brisbin, Glenn and Jenifer Amerson, Bill and Doris Mays, and even Jo and her husband Bill Powell are getting in on the action!

## Welcome New Members to FUMC

Please be sure to introduce yourself to the newest members of our church family and add their address to your directory:

Susie Sanclemente  
300 West Alamo, Apt. A  
Brenham, TX 77833  
979.836.3984

Beverly and Dennis Leyrer  
2770 Blue Bell Lane  
Brenham, TX 77833  
979.836.1460

## In Loving Memory Of

**Don Gregg** by Carol Cangelosi of Brenham, TX

**Jerry McCasland** by Ellen and Jim Ellison of Brenham, TX

**Jerry McCasland** by Cathy Colwell of Houston, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Don and Mary Wilhelm of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Don and Gwen Spiess of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Gary and Kay Ivy of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by James and Dena Miller of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Valgene Kohring of Washington, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by UMW at FUMC of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Kermit and Lorraine Teufel of Brenham, TX

**Ruby Byrd** by Dena and Jim Miller of Brenham, TX

## FUMC WEEKLY CALENDAR

*Church office will be closed during the lunch hour each day.*

### MONDAYS

Church office hours 8:00 – 5:00

### TUESDAYS

Church office hours 8:00 – 5:00

### WEDNESDAYS

Church office hours 8:00 – 5:00

Celebration Band Practice  
at 7:00 / AC

Choir Practice at 7:00

### THURSDAYS

Church office hours 8:00 – 5:00

### FRIDAYS

Church office hours 8:00 – 5:00

Ladies Emmaus Reunion Group  
9:00 – Library



## MONTHLY CALENDAR

### 1<sup>st</sup> MONDAY of MONTH

Admin. Board (odd months)  
Council on Ministries  
(even months) 7 p.m.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of MONTH

CARE Team Meeting  
1:00 p.m. in the Library

### 2<sup>nd</sup> MONDAY of MONTH

CDC Advisory Board 1 p.m.

### 1<sup>st</sup> TUESDAY of MONTH

United Methodist Women  
General Meeting 9:30 a.m.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> MONDAY of MONTH

Finance Meetings (even months)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> TUESDAY of MONTH

UMW Circle Meetings  
9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

### 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY of Month

Card Group 9 a.m.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY of MONTH

United Methodist Men  
6:30 p.m.

### 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY of MONTH

Evangelism Team Meets  
5:00 p.m.

Board of Trustees Meets  
6:30 p.m.

# SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> <b>9:00 am</b> UMW Exec Mtg/ Library <b>9:30 am</b> UMW Gen Meeting/AC 1:30 pm Workshop Christian Contemplative Prayer/CHUMC <b>7:00 pm</b> Worship Committee Meeting/FH	<b>2</b>  <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir Practice	<b>3</b> 6:00 pm Workshop Christian Contemplative Prayer/CHUMC	<b>4</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Emmaus Meeting/Library	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Communion	<b>7</b> Labor Day Holiday  Offices Closed	<b>8</b> <b>8:30 am</b> Yoga / AC <b>9:00 am</b> Card Group/C8 <b>5:30 pm</b> Mission Brenham/AC <b>7:00 pm</b> Admin Council	<b>9</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir	<b>10</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> UMM Mtg. / AC	<b>11</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Emmaus Meeting/Library	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Back to Church Sunday  Open House	<b>14</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Truth & Wholeness Study/FH  <b>1:00 pm</b> CDC Ad Board  7:00 p.m. Nominations Meeting/FR	<b>15</b> <b>8:30 am</b> Yoga / AC <b>9:30 am</b> Murphey / Post / Smith/ SusannaCircle Mtgs. <b>6:30 pm</b> Wesleyan Circle	<b>16</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 7:00 pm Celebration Band Practice	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Emmaus Meeting/Library	<b>19</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Epiphany Training/AC  GHLES-FUMC Conroe
<b>20</b> <b>11:00 am</b> Recognition of Acolytes and Ushers 1:00pm Stewardship Meeting/FR 2:00 pm Confirmation mtg. for parents and students / FH	<b>21</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Experiencing the Bible Study/FH  1:00 pm Bible Study/FH	<b>22</b> <b>8:30 am</b> Yoga / AC <b>9:00 am</b> Card Group /Brown House 5:00 pm Evangelism/FR 6:30 pm Trustees/FR Mom2Mom/FH	<b>23</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 7:00 pm Celebration Band Practice  7:00 pm SPR Meeting /FR	<b>24</b> 5:00 pm Faithbuilders/AC	<b>25</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Emmaus Meeting/Library	<b>26</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Epiphany Training/AC
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Experiencing the Bible Study/FH  4:00 pm Missions and Outreach / FR	<b>29</b> <b>8:30 am</b> Yoga / AC  3:00 pm CDC Drive Thru Dinner / AC	<b>30</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 7:00 pm Celebration Band Practice	Oct. 1	Oct. 2 <b>9:00 am</b> Emmaus Meeting/Library	Oct. 3 Mission Forum Lakewood UMC

# Harvest Festival News

## Activity Center Kitchen Clean Up

On Sunday, October 11, a few ladies from UMW will be cleaning out the refrigerator and freezer in the Activity Center Kitchen in preparation of the Harvest Festival. We will also be cleaning and clearing all of the counter space. All food items should be removed from the refrigerator at the end of each function, this includes partially used bottles of condiments, snack foods, etc. Items should not be left in the refrigerator or freezer for longer than five days unless for planned events. Please contact Dena Miller at 421-9016 if you have any questions and thanks in advance for your help.

## COUNTING DOWN TO THE SILENT AUCTION

The Silent Auction is an important part of the Harvest Festival, which will be on October 27. We need to know about your items for the Silent Auction as soon as possible! Items may be brought to the Activity Center on Monday morning, October 26. If you have any questions or would like us to pick up your items, please call Audrey Boney at 830-8057, Donna Sprenger at 251-8101 or Joyce Fortune at 251-7174



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