

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, January 27, 2010

6:30-7:30 AM Women's Prayer Group
 3:30-5:30 PM 3rd, 5th & 6th Grade Bible Study
 5:30-6:15 PM 4th-6th grade Homework Help-221
 5:40-7:30 PM FUMY-The Uprising-Basement
 5:45-6:15 PM WNF Meal
 6:15-7:30 PM WNF Bible Study-Nancy Hinders-113
 6:15-7:30 PM Kids Clubs, Club 56
 6:15-7:30 PM FH Worship Committee Meeting-113
 6:30-7:15 PM University Handbell Rehearsal-001
 7:15-8:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal-001

Thursday, January 28, 2010

9:00-12:00 PM WOMS-111
 7:00-9:00 PM Capital Funds Meeting-113

Friday, January 29, 2010

11:30-1:00 PM Noon Bible Study-113

Saturday, January 30, 2010

6:00-7:00 PM FH Worship Team SET-UP-128

Sunday, January 31, 2010

8:30-9:30 AM Sanctuary Worship Service
 9:30-10:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45-12:00 PM Sanctuary Worship Service
 10:45 AM NO Acolyte Recognition-Sanctuary
 10:45-12:00 PM Fellowship Hall Worship Service
 2:00-4:00 PM Club 56 Polar Bear Swimming-WTAMU
 3:30-5:30 PM Women's Bible Study-222
 5:00-6:00 PM 9th Grade Girls Bible Study-111
 6:00-8:00 PM FUMY-The Uprising-Basement

Monday, February 1, 2010

6:00-7:00 PM UMW Executive Board Mtg-224
 6:30-8:00 PM Visitation
 7:00-9:00 PM FH Committee Mtg-113

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

6:30-7:30 AM Men's Prayer Group-123
 6:30-7:30 PM Knitting Ministry-103
 6:30-8:00 PM Couples Bible Study-222

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

6:30-7:30 AM Women's Prayer Group
 3:30-5:30 PM 3rd, 5th & 6th Grade Bible Study
 5:30-6:15 PM 4th-6th grade Homework Help-221
 5:40-7:30 PM FUMY Fundraiser Auction-FH
 5:45-6:15 PM WNF Meal
 6:15-7:30 PM WNF Bible Study-Nancy Hinders-113
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NewsLetter DEADLINE

Make sure if you are needing something in the newsletter, please contact Christi by Friday at noon either by phone 655-2851 or email cbarra@firstchurchcanyon.com



Concerns For This Week

HealthConcerns: Mike Baker, Diana Britten, Michael Brewton, Dorothy Rowland, Ruth Fisher, Patsy Waterbury, Torben Kjaerulss, Resa Joy, Mark Pittman, Sandy Martin, Ron Clark, David Atkeisson, Leo Archer, Kathy Young's grandson Josiah, Nancy Parker, Julianna Bell, Emma Holloway, Sammie McWilliams, Jim Davis, Shawna King's student
In Christian Sympathy: The Thurman family on the loss of Vivian Thurman's sister-in-law Glenda Thurman, Mary Clare Munger and family, members of the Methodist Church in Dripping Springs, the Methodist Conference and UMCOR on the loss of Pastor Clinton Rabb in the Haiti earthquake, 5th grade student of Rhonni Pletcher lost her grandfather, Francie and Mark Pittman and family on the loss of Francie's mother Dorothy Timmons
Other Concerns: continued prayers for decisions affecting a baby boy's future, continued prayer and concerns for peace in Juarez Mexico, urgent prayers for Tamarindo and district, those facing cancer in their lives, those healing from surgery, those dealing with illness and grieving the loss of loved ones, those dealing with stress, and those starting new churches

Joys for the Week

Birthdays: Dale Stahlecker, Lainye Meador, Don Johnston, Cheyenne Schoonover, Alex Niemiec
Other Joys: Those home after surgery, congratulations to all the children who participated in the local Stock Show, the Ladies Walk to Emmaus retreat, Dennis Rice graduated from Wayland Baptist University.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Rhonni Pletcher, George Bulman, Randy Banks, Mary Williamson, Anne Hublely, Brynn McPherson, Danny Knoll, Jim Davis (Nancy Biffle's brother), Regina Biffle, Lea & Ty Thurman, Dylan Brown, Chester Smith, Lauren Pennington, MacKenzie Cunningham, Franczeska Torres, Richard Barr, Libby Ford, Shelly Gross, Resa Joy, Milt Hudson, Dick Elliott, Elmer Oberst, Harold Lenfestey, Will Lubaroff, Jack Jennings, Guy & Margaret Thompson, Brian Mott, Malari Irlbeck, Charois Graves, Glenda Abernathy, Catlin Whitlow, Ahlene Findley, Sue Thomas, Lou Ann Barnhart, Jimmy Pearson, Tom Rayome, Kirby Culp, Catherine Schoonover, Keri Beth Cleavinger, Kathy Tijerina, Freddie Lair, baby Hannah Mordecai

Additional Intercessory Prayers

President Obama and our country's leaders, Costa Rica Team, Backyard Missions, War-torn Countries, the economy, people who have lost their jobs, those in the military

Record of Attendance

January 24, 2010

8:30 a.m. Worship Service 104
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 322
 10:45 a.m. Sanctuary Service 224
 10:45 a.m. FH Worship Service 57
Total in Worship 385



Dear Friends,

This is a belated thank you note for the beautiful poinsettia plant you sent me. I kept it in my room for awhile and then took it to the front desk where more people could enjoy its loveliness.

Happy New Year,
 Mary E. Williamson

'In His Hands' St. Jude's Trike a Thon

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and 'In His Hands' Child Development Center of the First United Methodist Church will join hands to conduct a Trike-A-Thon. The event will promote bicycle safety while raising money for childhood cancer research. The event will be held on February 3rd and 4th in the Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to have a hand in this important life saving research, please send your contributions to 'In His Hands' Child Development Center preschool office. Checks should be made payable to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Thank You for your support.

Thank you,
 Brenda

Pictorial Directories are HERE!

You can stop by the hallway outside the church office and pick yours up TODAY.

If you were not in the directory, please contact Danna West on how to get a directory at 488-2399 or email her at dndwest@gmail.com

The News



from FUMC, Canyon
 January 27, 2010

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 Canyon, Texas 79015

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 e-mail: fumc@firstchurchcanyon.com web-site: firstchurchcanyon.com

Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance



Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance-Hawaiian Luau
 Saturday, February 6, 2010
 Dinner: 6-7 p.m. and Dancing until 9 p.m.
 First United Methodist Church
 1818 4th Ave Canyon, TX
 Tickets available at FUMC office or
 from any member of the
 Journey Sunday School class.
 Cost of the tickets are \$30 per dad
 and daughter(s)-FREE

This is Love
 FUMC Women's
 Retreat

Refresh your soul on...

February 12th-13th

\$70

Register NOW!

(at the designated tables, in the church office, or online)

For more information contact Dede Looney at
 (806)655-2851 or dlooney212@firstchurchcanyon.com

Church Staff

Senior Pastor.....Rev. John McClean
 Associate Pastor.....Rev. Manish Shirley
 Director of Discipleship.....Dede Looney
 Director Youth MinistriesTyler Looney
 Director Children's Ministries.....Lee Ann Love
 Business Administrator.....Ross Hood
 Children's Administrative Assistant.....Christa Neal
 Church Secretary..... Shirley Leach
 Receptionist..... Robin Chandler
 Financial Secretary.....Christi Ybarra
 Music Director..... George Biffle
 Organist.....Margaret Skinner
 Interim Worship Leader.....Rochelle Wentz
 Church Librarian.....
 Custodian.....Bill Fetter
 Kitchen Coordinator..... Charlotte Wilson
 IHH Child Development Director....Brenda Shepherd
 IHH Administrative Assistant.....Venus Lawson

Wednesday Night Fellowship and Activities

Wednesday Night Fellowship
January 27th Spaghetti and Meatballs, Green Salad, French Bread
 sponsored by Abby Bishop and Will Walker
 proceeds to go towards Tyler Street Resource Center
February 3rd - Pizza and Salad proceeds going to Red Cross Haiti Relief
Meal - 5:45-6:15 p.m.
 Kids Clubs - 6:15-7:30 p.m. and Youth -5:40-7:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
 RETHINK CHURCH

Service Times
 8:30 a.m. in Sanctuary
 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary
 10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
 Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Preaching Schedule

Traditional Services in Sanctuary
 Rev. John McClean
 Contemporary Service in Fellowship Hall
 Pastor Manish Shirely



FROM THE PASTOR

NEW YEAR, NEW PLANS

The New Year is off to a great start, and, with the exception of bidding a fond 'farewell' to Lee Ann, things have been upbeat and happy!

I want to thank Jan Cowan and members of the SPRC for hosting Lee Ann's reception this past Sunday morning. I was sorry Karen and I couldn't be present for Sunday morning's reception, worship services and other activities, but doctor's orders kept me down for a couple of days. I also want to thank Pastor Manish and Tyler Looney for bringing the Word in our Sanctuary worship services this past Sunday.

Many of you know I took a fall in Arizona, landed on the back of my hard head, and have a small concussion. No problems, but went to the emergency room and the doctor said to lay low for several days.

So I will be back for staff meetings Tuesday and then it's off to the races again.

On several fronts, we will be placing energy and forward motion into our planning for ministry during 2010:

1. I have begun meeting with three individuals from our church on a regular basis as we move forward on the visioning process. I look forward to this partnership and know it will expand and blossom into a great new visioning and action effort for our church's future.

2. The "Giving Hands for God's House" Steering Committee will meet this Thursday night to once more look over the architect's preliminary renderings for the Sanctuary remodeling and to make plans for sharing information on a very regular basis with our congregation and for how plans will proceed this year. This steering committee will meet monthly, now, as exciting plans and preparations take on specificity and momentum builds toward our remodeling.

3. Our "Endowment Fund Committee" has successfully worked through the first year of the master plan provided by the Texas Methodist Foundation, and has already met for the first time during 2010. They have a plan in place for the second year of the master plan, and you will hear more about opportunities that EACH of us will have to give toward the financial foundation we are establishing to provide ministries of First United Methodist Church far into the future, even into a time beyond our years.

I look forward to ALL which is ahead of us for the year to come!

John



Dear Church Family and Friends,

A few weeks ago I found myself at a monastery called, "Christ in the Desert" in Abiquiu, New Mexico as I took time to reflect, pray and study. And I realized that some people are called to desert the crossroads, the places of connection and commotion, to head for the desert or the cell. There, undistracted, they find in prayer an uncluttered communication of soul and God.

I enjoyed my day at the monastery reflecting and meditating. But even in the desert the monks are not alone, they have formed a community. It reminded me that all of us are called to community. In community we often meet people who at first jar us, because they are abrasive. The make us want to scream and lead us to agonize, because their perceptions and scoldings violate the serenity we think we would find if they had never come close to us.

But the call of true community is the call of the spirit. Community helps us overcome the timidity resulting from the lack of practice at dealing with others and makes it easier to sort out trivial tasks from true ones, self centered pursuits from those that may bring us closer to harmony with strangers who then become fellows.

The solitary monk who prays in the desert may well serve divine purposes. But it is in the world of action that we are to be envied: there we greet the opportunities that interaction with others always brings.

This past two weekends we received a special offering for Haiti to aid in disaster relief. I am so very proud and grateful for your generosity. You have given over \$1900 to aid our brothers and sisters in Haiti. The United Methodist Committee on Relief has been in Haiti for years working in partnership with the Methodist Church of Haiti and our Board of Global Ministries. UMCOR will continue to be present in Haiti for years to come and they have an outstanding record of serving in the wake of disasters.

Grace and Peace,
Manish

NEW! REAL life College Age Sunday School Class.

Teacher: Dede Looney

Where: Basement B17

Invite Anyone that you know!

SAVE THE DATE!!!

2010 Canyon Relay For Life

When: April 30, 2010

Where: Canyon Jr. High Track

Time: 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Together, we will find a cure!



For More Information, please contact:

Event Chairs:

Wendy Collier 683-4215 or wendy.collier@era.com

Angie Johnston 680-3822 or angela.johnston@era.com

American Cancer Society Staff:

Kellye Clouse 353-4307 or kellye.clouse@cancer.org

PLEASE VISIT www.relayforlife.org/canyontx

Join us for food, live entertainment and games for the entire family.

Help raise money to fight cancer and support local cancer survivors!

'In His Hands' Scholarships Needed

'In His Hands' scholarships fund has almost become depleted. We have 4 students who need help with tuition to finish the year. If you could, please make a donation to this fund it would be most appreciated! Please make checks payable to 'In His Hands' and in the memo section of the check designate 'IHH scholarship fund'. You may drop your donation by the 'In His Hands' office at anytime, through the mail slot in the door.



Scholarships Needed

Thanks so much for your help,
Brenda Shepherd

Scout Sunday Brisket Luncheon

Sunday, Feb. 7th at noon in the Fellowship Hall

Barbeque, Beans, Potato Salad, Dessert, and all the

Fixin's

To-go orders also available-

What a great idea for your Super bowl Party!

Brisket by the pound or even entire Briskets available by pre-order

Reserve your To-go orders now:

call Susan at 679-3663 or email

skray@amaonline.com

Donations Accepted

Funds raised will be used to send our Troop 31 Scouts to camp, including Philmont in 2011, and National Youth

Leadership Training at Camp Don Harrington this June. The cost is \$100 per Scout. This camp trains young men to better serve their troops when placed in leadership positions. Troop 31 is ever thankful to FUMC for their continual support and encouragement!



BOY SCOUT SUNDAY



The Uprising
Schedule for Jr. & Sr. High
Sunday School-PROIMOS
9:30-10:30AM

There is a snack breakfast then the Jr. High and Sr. High split up for Sunday School Classes.

Sunday Nights
6:00-8:00PM

We share a snack supper together, play a game together then discuss a movie clip

Wednesday Nights
5:40-7:30PM

Gathering time and announcements-followed with Praise Time-then split to Jr. High activities and devotions and Sr. High devotion and lessons

UPCOMING DATES

Jan. 31 2:00-4:00 Club 56 Polar Bear Swim

REMEMBER TO INVITE A FRIEND!

Reminder!! Don't Throw Away That Empty Ink Cartridge!

First Look 1 year old - 4 year old

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Key Question: Who loves God?

Bottom Line: I love God.

Memory Verse "Love God with all your heart."

Matthew 22:37

Jan. 31- "Jesus teaches us to pray"

Jesus Prays for Others John 17

252 Basics Kindergarten - 6th Grade

3 Basic Truths "...and Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and favor with God and man."

January: "252 Basics" Discipline: Doing what you need to do now so you can grow stronger.

Memory Verse: "Training the body has some value. But being Godly has value in every way. It promises help for the life you are now living and the life to come." 1 Timothy 4:8

Jan. 31 "Let It All Go"
(the widow's mite) Mark 12:41-44

Bottom Line: If you want to know God better, make Him more important than anything.

Greetings!

I trust that everyone is doing well and growing in their relationship with Christ. Things with the youth have been going very well and I must add that the respect level has greatly increased over the past month! What an answered prayer! We are getting ready to go on our ski trip here in February and we would love to invite you to help the youth go. We will have an auction at the Wednesday night meal on February 3rd for the youth that are going on the ski trip. The youth will be auctioned off for various things...such as babysitting, computer work, yard work and anything else they can come up with. So, please make sure and be there on February 3rd and help support our youth! More importantly, thank you for supporting us with your prayers!

Tyler L.

"Body of Christ"

Thank you for sharing in our journey here at FUMC. The reception, cards and love that you have given us is a blessing.

The children and leaders in the children's department had a wonderful party for me during the Sunday School hour. It was so much fun to see everyone in red shirts, heart shirts, and "Love" shirts.

This Body of Christ is part of our family and we will continue to keep you close to our heart.

Please know that we will pray for this Body of Christ and the families that are represented here. We also, covet your prayers as we answer God's call on our life.

Serving An Awesome God,
Lee Ann

Acolyte Schedule

January 31

8:30 Shawn Williams and Landry Nelson

10:45 Amy Clark and Berkley DeLong



Kid's Kingdom gave a party to honor Lee Ann. Everyone had fun singing, dancing, playing games, and making Valentines cards for the residents of the Nursing Home.