

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, March 31, 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-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	Bible Study by Manish-125/127
6:30-9:00 PM	Bell/Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Thursday, April 1, 2010 Maundy Thursday

9:00-12:00 PM	WOMS-111
6:30-7:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Service-Sanctuary
6:30-8:00 PM	Couples Bible Study-222

Friday, April 2, 2010 Good Friday

Church Office Closed	
11:30-1:00 PM	Noon Bible Study-113
6:30-7:30 PM	Good Friday Service - Sanctuary

Saturday, April 3, 2010

6:00-7:00 PM	FH Worship Team Set
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Sunday, April 4, 2010 EASTER SUNDAY

7:00-8:30 AM	Easter Sunrise Service-Ruth Lowes Park
8:30-10:45 AM	Easter Hospitality Sunday-Parlor
8:30-9:30 AM	Sanctuary Worship Service
9:30-10:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Club 56
9:30-10:30 AM	Sunday School
10:45-12:00 PM	Sanctuary Worship Service
10:45-12:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Worship Service
3:30-5:00 PM	Women's Bible Study - 222
5:00-6:00 PM	9th Grade Girls Bible Study-111
6:00-8:00 PM	NO FUMY-The Uprising-Basement

Monday, April 5, 2010

6:30-8:00 PM	Visitation
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Tuesday, April 6, 2010

6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Prayer Group-123
6:30-7:30 PM	Knitting Ministry-103

Wednesday, April 7, 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-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
6:00-7:30 PM	UMW Executive Board Meeting-222
6:30-7:15 PM	University Handbell Rehearsal-001
7:00-8:00 PM	Capital Funds Meeting-Library
7:15-8:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary

Record of Attendance March 28, 2010

8:30 a.m. Worship Service	147
9:30 a.m. Sunday School	310
10:45 a.m. Sanctuary	258
10:45 a.m. Fellowship Hall	<u>72</u>
Total in Worship	477



Concerns For This Week

Health Concerns: Margaret Galaviz, Sam Richard, Glen Miller, Ruth Fisher, Joyce Rice

Bryant, Don Hefner, Toye Stubblefield, Kingston Marr, Vivian Thurman, Angie West, Pam Lenfestey's father, Ray Henry, Rachel Smith, Jackie Vondel Stevens cousin, Joleen & Rachel Edwards, Jerri Dye

In Christian Sympathy: Bart & Karla Thetford and their extended family are grieving the loss of Bart's mother Pat Thetford of Stephenville, Texas, Rev. Steve Ulrey of Albany and his family are grieving the loss of his wife Julie Ulrey

Other Concerns: continued prayers for decisions affecting a baby boy's future, continued prayer and concerns for peace in Juarez Mexico, prayers for Tamarindo and district, those recovering from surgery, continued prayer for the people of Haiti, those facing cancer treatments, those facing upcoming surgeries, prayers for our Wesley Foundation and their leaders

Joys for the Week:

Birthdays: Eddie Kahler, Carson Gerber, Kole Bryan, Jonah Hopson, Chord Cogswell, McKayla Robinson, Debbie Crenshaw, Deanne Rice, Mary Rice

Other Joys: The beautiful spring weather we continue to get between the needed moisture from the snow, Shon Hanna is home from Iraq and stationed in Japan, David Atkeisson's parents have finally found a house to rent

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS

Rhonni Pletcher, George Bulman, Randy Banks, Mary Williamson, Anne Hubley, Brynn McPherson, Danny Knoll, Lea & Ty Thurman, Dylan Brown, Chester Smith, Franczeska Torres, Shelly Gross, Resa Joy, Milt Hudson, Dick Elliott, Elmer Oberst, Jack Jennings, Guy & Margaret Thompson, Glenda Abernethy, Ahlene Findley, Sue Thomas, Lou Ann Barnhart, Jimmy Pearson, Tom Rayome, Kirby Culp, Catherine Schoonover, Betty Hill, Keri Beth Cleavinger, Kathy Tijerina, Mike Baker, Katy Timmens, Ruth Fisher, Roy Cook, Nancy Parker, Lynn Mason, Marshall Young, Patrick Teltow, Glen Miller

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

United Methodist Women Opportunities April 2010

- 7 - Executive Board 6 p.m. in Room 224
- 9-10 NWTX Conference Spiritual Growth Retreat
Ceta Canyon, Garrison Lodge
(speaker daughter of Pat Holcomb)
- 15 - Irene Elder Circle 9:30 a.m., 13 Eagle Pass
- 21 - Ruth Ann Brillhart Circle 6:15 p.m. -room #224
- 25 - Mother's Day Rose sales begin
- 27 - UMW General Meeting - 6:30 p.m. 125/127
- 29-30 - International Assembly of UMW St. Louis, MO



The News from FUMC, Canyon

March 31, 2010

THE NEWS-
The official newsletter of the
First United Methodist Church, Canyon

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Spiritual Growth Retreat

Northwest Texas Conference United Methodist Women
"Balancing Solitude and Community in Our Spiritual Lives"

April 9 & 10, 2010 at Ceta Canyon
Registration Check-in begins at 3:30 pm
Friday, April 9

Dismissal 3:00 pm Saturday, April 10

Cost: \$85, **please register by April 2:**
Saturday only \$28

Come by the church office for
registration information or
print out a registration on our website
www.firstchurchcanyon.com.

Please email all prayer requests
joys/concerns to
fumcpray@gmail.com
beginning April 1st

Church Staff

Senior Pastor.....Rev. John McClean
Associate Pastor.....Rev. Manish Shirley
Director of Discipleship.....Dede Looney
Director Youth MinistriesTyler Looney
Interim Director Children's Ministries.....Kay Holloway
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
Contemporary Worship Leader.....Jason Lester
Church Librarian.....Jo Seth
Custodian.....Bill Fetter
Kitchen Coordinator.....Charlotte Wilson
IHH Child Development Director.....Brenda Shepherd
IHH Administrative Assistant.....Venus Lawson

This Week

Holy Week Activities for the Children - Wednesday March 31
Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary
Good Friday Service 6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Church Office and In His Hands will be closed
Friday, April 2nd



Please join us for Brunch Buffet
Easter Sunday Morning in the Parlor.
We will start serving right after
the Sunrise Service until our 10:45 Service.

If you would like to help serve or by bringing a
brunch dish, please contact Kitchen Coordinator
Charlotte Wilson at 335-0480 or
e-mail usdkwilson@sbcglobal.net.

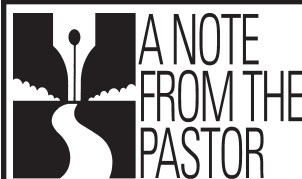
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SERVICE TIMES

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE 7:00 A.M. RUTH LOWES PARK
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 SHIRLEY



Holy Week

Throughout this season of Lent, we have been focusing on the Cross of Christ...its meaning for the world, and of course, for US. "Paid in Full" has been our theme.

We have walked through this Lent with Christ as He has drawn near to Jerusalem and all that meant for Him: first, the brightness and acclaim of Palm Sunday, but then the relentless darkening of the events of Holy Week until the candlelit Passover in the Upper Room, the betrayal of Judas, the denial of Peter, the scourging, spitting, crucifixion and death of Friday.

We will enter into that drama these next two evenings in the Sanctuary of the church: Thursday night at 6:30 we will hold Maundy Thursday communion; Friday evening at 6:30 we will go darker still into the blackness of Good Friday. I hope you will be here to take part in the events of those two nights; Pastor Manish will preach, and we will experience again the finality, the pain, the defeat which were a part of those two days.

But then, Easter will dawn, and we will celebrate with joy beyond all bounds! Lights, lilies, music and celebration will characterize our FOUR Easter services:

- 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service in Ruth Lowes Park
- 8:30 a.m. Sanctuary Service
- 10:45 a.m. Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary Services

You won't want to miss it!

We are people of the Cross...and above all else, we are People of Easter...witnesses ourselves to the Resurrection of Christ! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

John

WELCOME

to two new staff members!

Jo Seth began her responsibilities as church Librarian this past week, and Jason Lester began on Palm Sunday as Worship Leader for the Fellowship Hall service. Please take a moment to make Jason and Jo welcome to the staff at church!

Gift Planning and Endowments

The Endowment Committee of the First United Methodist Church of Canyon was established at the beginning of the year 2009. Committee members first came together in March. We were challenged to develop a vision and mission statement, endowment foundation guidelines, a gift acceptance policy, and endowment investment policies. These documents were developed by the committee with the assistance of the Texas Methodist Foundation.

Since 1928 the Texas Methodist Foundation has been helping churches like ours find ways to serve God with the financial resources they have accumulated. TMF shares our values, and have 70 years of experience in putting those values to work, enabling United Methodists to express their faith through generosity. If you would be at all interested in exploring the establishment of an endowment, please contact Gerry Nickell, Endowment Chairman, at 806-655-0032.

First United Methodist Church Summer Fun Program!

Infants thru 5th Grade

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10:00 - 3:30

(Early and Late Care also available)

June 8th - July 15th

(Excluding the week of June 14th due to Vacation Bible School)

Enroll Now at the 'In His Hands' Office
655-5437



Benefit Hot Dog Supper, Silent Auction, and special Concert for The Talley Family

Saturday, April 17th

Hot Dog Supper & Silent Auction
4:00-5:30 p.m. at

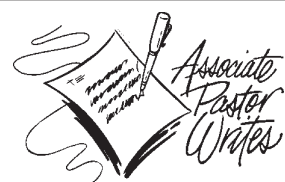
First Baptist Ministry Center

Wiley Chaney & The Easy Street Band

"The Gospel Road Show" 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Tickets \$10 (Children 5 and under FREE)

Tickets may be purchased at the
First Baptist Church 1717 4th Ave Canyon



Dear Church Family & Friends,
This week is Holy Week, the week leading up to Jesus' passion and death on the cross. Good Friday is not just one day of the year. It is a day relived in every day of the world, and of our lives in the world. Good Friday cannot

be confined to Holy Week. It is not simply the dismal but necessary prelude to the joy of Easter, although I'm afraid many Christians think of it that way. Every day of the year is a good day to think more deeply about Good Friday, for Good Friday is the drama of the love by which our every day is sustained. Good Friday is the key to understanding what Dante called "the love that moves the sun and all the other stars."

There is nothing more central to Christianity than what happened on Good Friday. It is, if you will, crucial. In fact the word "crucial" comes from the Latin word crux, meaning "cross." For me Good Friday is an exploration into the meaning of suffering, of justice, of loss, of death and of whatever hope there may be on the far side of death.

My hope is that during this journey of the Holy week you'll find yourself at the foot of the cross. Sometimes I find myself there in anger, sometimes in joy, but always in a deeper awareness of the sacrifice that Christ made for us.

To accompany Jesus to His end is to discover our beginning. At least, people of faith beyond number have for two thousand years found that to be so. My hope is that it will be that also for you.

I hope that you'll join us for worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at 6:30 p.m. as we reflect more deeply on the crucifixion of Christ and its meaning for our lives today.

Grace and Peace,
Manish

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

Greetings!
It has been such a busy week with Alpha Omega Institute and other activities! During Spring Break several of our youth were busy serving the community of Canyon. One of the things that they learned through out the week is that doing small things can greatly impact people. They also learned that you do not always have to get recognition for what you do. The youth during Spring Break were a prime example of both of these truths. Our church, in so many ways, exemplifies this too! Thank you for all that you do and remember that the small things do make a difference!
Tyler

Wednesday Night Fellowship and Activities

March 31

Brisket & Beans made by Vivian Thurman
Potato Salad, Rolls and Desserts
hosted by the Youth Dept.
proceeds to go towards Camp Scholarships

Meal - 5:45-6:15 p.m.

Activities and Classes begin at 6:15 p.m.



Fifth Grade Bible Study

Remember to turn in your blue worship sheets. Keep working on the Apostles' Creed. Be thinking what duties you would like to perform on Children's Sunday, May 2nd. See you Wednesday.

UPCOMING DATES

April 4 - Club 56 Easter Egg Hunt



April 18 - Family Kite Flying



REMEMBER TO INVITE
A FRIEND!

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

Kids News

Friendship is a special bond between two people. Robert Louis Stevenson said, "A friend is a gift you give yourself." A friend just may be a gift that God puts in your life. Take care of your friends and be true to them.
Loving & Serving
Kay & Christa

Acolyte Schedule

April 4

8:45 Jacob Hopson & Landry Nelson

10:45 Victoria Bell & Shawn Williams

EVBS - Save the Date

Vacation Bible School will be June 14-18.

Three year olds through fifth grade will be participating. We will need many helpers. Get involved for a couple of hours or the entire week. Make plans to be part of EVBS 2010!



Heifer International

Just a reminder that the Lenten Project is still underway. Don't forget to keep up your calendar. Please return the banks to your Sunday School class on April 25th.

First Look - 1 year old - 4 year old

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Key Question: Who is your Jesus?

Bottom Line: Jesus is my good friend.

Memory Verse "A Friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17

April 4: Jesus Loves Me

The Last Supper/Resurrection Matthew 26: 20-30

252 Basics - Kindergarten - 6th Grade

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

April: Virtue - Friendship--spending time with someone you trust and enjoy.

Memory Verse: "A friend loves at all times. He is there to help when trouble comes." Proverbs 17:17

April 4: Face to Face (on the road to Emmaus) Luke 24:13-35

Bottom Line: A true friend will love you no matter what.