



First United Methodist Church

408 North Baylor * Brenham, Texas 77833-3213

February 15, 2011

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORS

Through this church season bracketed by the Epiphany and Ash Wednesday we listen each week to Jesus' teachings on the law and on love. Matthew 5-7 (the Sermon on the Mount) challenges the way the Pharisees had replaced a covenant written on the heart and not in stone (Jeremiah 31:31) with legalism and ritual observance.

At first glance, it seems that Jesus is making it even harder to follow the rules. Yet the teachings in these chapters of Matthew's Gospel are not meant to create more external laws – more rules to be followed in order to be 'right' with God – these chapters seem to be pointing to something even more important than a command to follow the letter of the law. They seem to point to how we are to love God and love our neighbor.

It's not enough, Jesus says, to avoid murder; we also have to treat each other with respect because getting angry and yelling demeans and diminishes our relationship with our neighbor. Jesus' ramping up of the commandments (not to abolish the Law, but to fulfill it) is a reminder that we are to do more than keep the law for the law's sake. Instead Jesus invites us to imagine a world where all are honored as persons who are truly beloved of God.

For the Gospel to be Good News, it must be proclaimed in a way that shows that it is about relationship. And that is a lot harder than handing out a list of rules.

Bar-B-Q Baked Potato Buffet and entertainment

by the choir of

First United Methodist Church

Honoring Buddy Dorow

Friday, March 4, 2011

6:30 p.m.

Activity Center

\$6.00

For tickets, see any choir member or
come to the church office.

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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

PastorDale@FUMCBrenham.org

Associate Pastor

Rev. Terry Dougherty

PastorTerry@FUMCBrenham.org



Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

Your next newsletter deadline will be **Tuesday, February 22, at 10:00 a.m.**

If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to fumc@fumcbrenham.org or please 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.

METHODIST WEEKDAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Ashley Abbey, Interim Director – 979-830-8661

SUNDAY January 30, 2011

Church Attendance:

Nursery	4
Worship 8:15 a.m.	82
Worship 11:00 a.m.	134
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	44
Worship Total	264
Sunday School	103
Offering:	\$ 6,033.00

SUNDAY February 6, 2011

Church Attendance:

Nursery	1
Worship 8:15 a.m.	79
Worship 11:00 a.m.	139
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	56
Worship Total	275
Sunday School	119
Offering:	\$ 20,125.43

January YTD

Income:	\$ 50,909.40
Expenses:	\$ 50,620.53
Total:	\$ 288.87



Drive- Thru Dinner Friday, February 25, 2011

4:30p.m. - 6:00p.m.

First United Methodist Church
Activity Center Parking Lot

Buy Tickets in advance: \$7.00

Prayer Concerns



Ruth Ann Marshall
Tricia Gustafson
Jim Hickey
Nona Taylor
Stanley Schneider
Jane Moore
Kenneth Bryson
John Michaels
Rebecca Ocanos
Elmo Davis
Henry Kuecker
Ruth Necker
Bob Perry
Jan Pledger
Lorraine Teufel
Loyce Holt
Janice Clayton
Frances Sidebottom
Linda Daugherty Hall
Teresa Boehm Cole

Our homebound members
Those serving in the military

Italian Dinner

Spagetti and Meatballs

Salad Garlic Bread Brownies

Available in CDC office, Church Office or Parents of Children



Condolences

Our deepest condolences to the family of Lee Roy Pankonien, 86, who died February 5, 2011.

Our deepest condolences to the family of Hazel Jewell, who died January 21, 2011.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Jennifer Patrick, Program Coordinator, Jennifer@FUMCBrenham.org



March 9
*Ash Wednesday
Service*

March 13
*Lenten Mission
Project begins*

April 21
Maundy Thursday Service

April 24
*Easter Sunday
Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 a.m.
on the front lawn*



Children's Musical Theatre Troupe
First United Methodist Church Brenham, TX

Rehearsals begin Sunday,
February 13 5 - 6:30pm

Spring Performance Date:
Sunday, May 1

This spring's musical is...

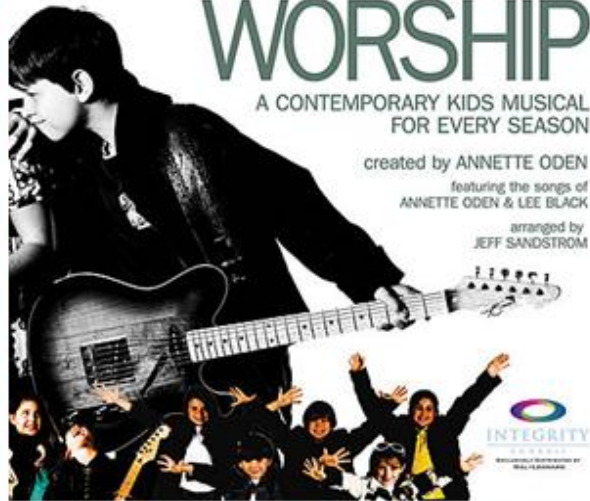
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A CONTEMPORARY KIDS MUSICAL
FOR EVERY SEASON

created by ANNETTE ODEN

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arranged by
JEFF SANDSTROM



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

**VACATION
BIBLE
SCHOOL
JUNE 6-10 2011**



YOUTH NEWS

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director rcruiz1020@yahoo.com



New Bible Study for Youth!

Join me every Wednesday in the youth room from 7-8pm for our bible study...remember if can't attend every week ...come when you can.

February/March Youth Calendar

Sun., Feb. 20 – 5-8pm – Youth
Sun., Feb. 27 – 5-8pm – No Youth
Sat., Mar. 5–6 – Camping at Lake Somerville
Sun., Mar. 13 – 5-8pm –Spring Break
Sat., Mar. 20 – 5-8pm – Youth
Sat., Mar. 27 – 5-8pm – Youth



The Souper Bowl of Caring collection was a great success! The youth want to thank you for your generosity. We collected 332 food items which was double the amount collected last year!

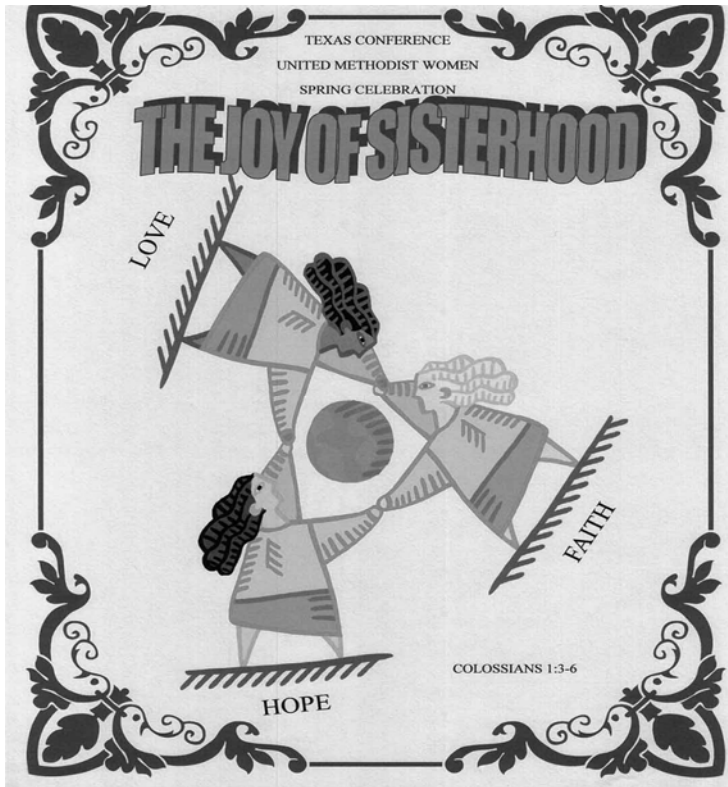


NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 13

We are excited to announce a new Sunday School class for married couples launching on Sunday, February 13. The class will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the library. This will be a relaxed, yet engaging, class that provides Christ-centered fellowship, support, and opportunities for service. The group will be a discussion-oriented class studying a variety of biblical topics applicable to our daily lives.

The first study will focus on the topic of Marriage based on the book *Love and Respect* by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs. Each session will include discussion and an enlightening message on DVD.

Please join us during this inaugural session and you can help name our class! Contact Sarah Chisholm (sarahpchisholm@gmail.com) or Kimberley Behrens (kimberleybehrens@yahoo.com) with any questions.



**Texas Conference United Methodist Women
Spring Celebration
Spiritual Growth Retreat
March 4 – 5th
Lakeview Conference Center – Palestine, Texas**

Guest Speaker: Harriett Jane Olson, Deputy General Secretary of the Women's Division of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church

A variety of focus groups will be offered, including one titled "Sisters in Spiritual Growth" led by Pastor Terry Dougherty.

For more information and to register go to www.txconfumw.org Registration forms also are available in the church office.

Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Joycine Hanath for being chosen by the Chamber of Commerce on February 1, 2011 for woman of the year for 2010.

Have you recently finished reading a really good book and desire a place to discuss it with friends? The first FUMC Book Group will meet on March 16 at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship House. For additional information, contact Jo Powell at 836-8171.

The group will discuss the book

Same Kind of Different as Me
by Ron Hall and Denver Moore

The book is available in the church library and the local public library.



Everyone is welcome to come – bring a friend along!



Congratulations!

Congratulation to
Rev. Sam and
Beverly Duree on
sixty years of ministry
and marriage!

Reminder to anyone interested in playing 42

Anyone who likes to play 42 or does not know how, but would like to learn, is welcome. A group meets at the Mission (brown) house on the 4th Monday of each month (not the 5th) at 3:00 p.m., for a time of fun and fellowship. If you would like to join us, just show up. Put it on your calendar now so you won't forget.

Thank You!

Thanks to Pastor Dale, Karen, and the church members for the beautiful 60th Anniversary cake during the coffee time on Sunday, January 30. What a surprise and honor! It was very special to celebrate our anniversary and Sam's 60 years in the ministry with our church family. The words of appreciation from Pastor Dale and the letter from our District Superintendent, Joe Fort, Jr. at the end of the worship service were very meaningful to us. You are all loved and appreciated by us!

Sam and Beverly Duree

Dear Friends,

The volunteers of Bread Partners want to thank you for your gift of \$100.00. Our mission of feeding the needy in our area is made possible by donations such as yours. May God bless you in all your endeavors!

*T.K. Condon, Chairman
Bread Partners of Washington County*

Dear Church Members and Staff,

I would like to thank you all for everything you have done for me and for welcoming me into your church family. I have really enjoyed my time I have spent here. Good luck in the future, I will miss you all and God bless!

Olivia Borgstedte

Please stop by to welcome Mrs. Meagan Hargrave as our new administrative assistant. Her email address will be Meagan@fumcbrenham.org.



February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 9:30 UMW / AC	2 11:30am JOY lunch at Blinn 1:00 Care / Library 6:30 Celebration Band / AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	3 9:00 Yoga / AC 6:00 Girl Scouts	4 9:00 Emmaus / Library	5
6 12:30 Confirmation / FH 5:00 ACTS Meeting Youth / AC	7 9:00 Bible Study / FH 12:15 Wesley / Blinn	8 9:00 Card / MH 10:00 Newsletter Deadline	9 6:00 Youth Bible Study / AC 6:30 Celebration Band / AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	10 9:00 Yoga / AC 6:30 UMM / AC	11 9:00 Emmaus / Library	12
13 Charge Conference immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service 12:30 Confirmation / FH 5:00 ACTS Rehearsal Youth / Comm. Service Project	14 9:00 Bible Study / FH 12:15 Wesley / Blinn 1:00 CDC Board / Library 4:00 Missions & Outreach / FR 6:30 Finance / FR	15 9:30 Goodman / Duree Smith / Hinners Banker / Beckendorf 12:00 Susanna / Muckleroy 6:30 Wesleyan / FH Trustees / FR	16 6:00 Youth Bible Study / AC 6:30 Celebration Band / AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	17 9:00 Yoga / AC 6:00 Girl Scouts	18 9:00 Emmaus / Library	19
20 12:30 Confirmation / FH 5:00 ACTS Rehearsal Youth / AC	21 9:00 Bible Study / FH 12:15 Wesley / Blinn 6:30 Evangelism / FR	22 9:00 Card / MH 10:00 Newsletter Deadline 6:00 Council on Ministries / FR	23 6:00 Youth Bible Study / AC 6:30 Celebration Band / AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	24 9:00 Yoga / AC	25 9:00 Emmaus / Library 4:30-6:00 CDC Spaghetti Drive-thru / AC Parking Lot	26 8:00-3:00 Epiphany Training / FH
27 12:30 Confirmation / FH 5:00 ACTS Rehearsal	28 9:00 Bible Study / FH 12:15 Wesley / Blinn 3:00 42 / MH			March 9 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service		

Altar Flowers

Just a reminder that the 2011 Altar Flower chart is now hanging on the bulletin board next to the Parlor. If you would like to place flowers on the altar for that special day, please fill in your name next to the date you prefer or contact the church office to see if it may be available.



We braved the cold to come have lunch together at Blinn College. We would love for you to come join us for our next Lunch Bunch get together on Wednesday, March 2 at 11:30 a.m. in the cafeteria at Blinn.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Women of the Frontier

March 26, 2011

10:00 a.m.

Barrington Living History Farm

More details in the next newsletter

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