



# 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  
[PastorDale@FUMCBrenham.org](mailto:PastorDale@FUMCBrenham.org)

Associate Pastor  
Rev. Kay Reed  
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## Life Isn't Fair

Dana West is a preschool teacher. She says, "One of the things I try to teach my preschool students is the name of each day of the week. Every morning I ask them what day it is. The children respond by guessing the day. On the fourth day of one week, I asked my usual question, and after several children guessed wrong I said, 'It's Thursday! Thursday!' After a moment of puzzled silence, one child said in frustration, 'Miss Dana, you change the answer every day!'"

Do you ever feel that way? Do you ever think that you have got life figured out only to find that the answers have changed? I know that I certainly have.

As a parent, you have one child and by the time you have a little confidence in your parenting skills, you have another child and he is entirely different. I know as a pastor that church is a lot different today than it was twenty-one years ago when I started preaching. The answers keep changing. Everyone I have talked to has told me that in their professions they do things a lot differently than they did even five years ago.

In this world of changing answers, it is good to know that there is one answer that never changes. That is Jesus. He is the certainty of our uncertain world. He is the constant reminder to us that God's love for us never changes. He is the one sure foundation upon which we can build our lives. So in the midst of a world where the answers change daily, remember that there is One who never changes. His name is Jesus.

*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."*

Hebrews 13:8 (NIV)

See you Sunday,  
Kay

## Newsletter Deadline and Other Information

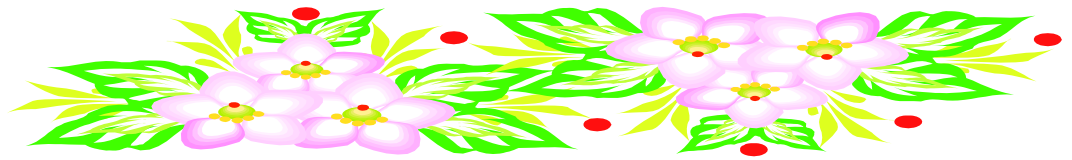
Your next newsletter deadline will be **Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011 at 10:00 am.**

If you have a submission for the newsletter, please email your written article to [fumc@fumcbrenham.org](mailto: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, Director – 979-830-8661



**CDC will be closed Aug 15-19**

**SUNDAY July 31, 2011**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	5
Worship 8:15 a.m.	73
Worship 11:00 a.m.	119
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	64
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>261</b>
Sunday School	106
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 7,917.25</b>

**SUNDAY August 7, 2011**

**Church Attendance:**

Nursery	2
Worship 8:15 a.m.	66
Worship 11:00 a.m.	109
Celebration 9:00 a.m.	33
<b>Worship Total</b>	<b>210</b>
Sunday School	90
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 12,005.33</b>

*Fall session for the CDC will begin on Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

This year the CDC is off to a great start. We have 34 children enrolled for the Fall Session.

We are now enrolling ages 6 weeks thru Pre-k & after school care for Kindergarten thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

**JULY TOTALS**

July Income:	\$55,523.67
July Expense:	\$57,809.82
<b>July Total:</b>	<b>(\$2,286.15)</b>

**YEAR TO DATE**

YTD Income:	\$350,041.21
YTD Expense:	\$395,062.10
<b>YTD Total:</b>	<b>(\$45,020.89)</b>

***LOOKING FOR SOMING TO DO THIS AUGUST?? MEMBERS OF ALL AGES COME OUT TO THE...***

***District Hymn Sing 2011***

**Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Place: Christ United Methodist Church  
4201 State Hwy 6 South  
College Station, TX 77845 (979)-690-4673**

The Chancel Choir will meet in the church parking lot at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. If you need a ride or would like to follow the choir to College Station you may also meet in the parking lot by four. It will be a fun evening of music followed by Blue Bell Ice Cream. Hope to see you there!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

# OLDER KIDS COOKING IT UP IN SUNDAY SCHOOL



**JOIN**  
★ us at ★  
**Sunday school**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday School  
=FUN DAY=  
August 21 During  
the Sunday School  
Hour

Bring your  
backpacks to  
church!!



August 28<sup>th</sup>  
**EDUCATION SUNDAY**

- \* *Blessing of the Backpacks in all services*
- \* *3<sup>rd</sup> Graders receive Bibles*
- \* *Honor our Teachers*
- \* *Promotion Sunday*



## **YOUTH NEWS**

Rick Ruiz, Youth Director [rick@fumcbrenham.org](mailto:rick@fumcbrenham.org)

### **August / September Youth Schedule**

**Sat., August 20<sup>th</sup> – 6-10pm - Youth Kickoff**

**Sun., August 21<sup>st</sup> – time tba – Hymn Sing and Concert in Bryan**

**Sun., August 28<sup>th</sup> – 2-6pm – Youth @ Blinn**

**Sun., September 4<sup>th</sup> – 5-8pm - Youth in AC**

**Sun., September 11<sup>th</sup> – 5-8pm - Bowling**

**Sun., September 18<sup>th</sup> – 5-8pm - Youth in AC**

**Sun., September 25<sup>th</sup> – 5-8pm - Movie**

#### **A Prayer for Rain**

**Almighty God, we are in need of rain.**

**We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky above,**

**what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is.**

**To think that so much water can fall out of the sky,**

**which now is empty and clear!**

**We place our trust in You.**

**We are sure that You know our needs,**

**but You want us to ask You anyway,**

**to show You that we know we are dependent on You.**

**Look on our dry hills and fields, dear God, and**

**bless them with the living blessings of soft rain.**

**The land will rejoice and the rivers will sing**

**Your praises and the hearts of men will be glad.**

**IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.**

# The UMW Dinner



## **EDUCATION SUNDAY**

**August 28, 2011**

*Join us in any of our three worship services as we ...*

**Honor our  
School Teachers**

Recognize our  
Sunday School Teachers

**Present  
Third Grade  
Bibles**

**Blessing of the  
Backpacks**

## MISSION MOMENT



Each April, FUMC partners with Blinn College for a Brenham work day. We call it the Blinn Blitz. Students volunteer through their Student Learning program (directed by Dr. Greg Phillips) at Blinn. They provide the labor and the FUMC Missions and Outreach ministry obtains the jobs and provides some supervision. For our first Blitz, we had over 40 volunteers and they did a great job for Faith Mission. Last year we obtained the names of eight senior citizens in Brenham who needed help doing special work in their yards or around their homes. There were 60 volunteers this time. The homeowners were well pleased and the students seemed to be enjoying doing the work.

Each year we will identify different jobs to be done around town. We hesitate putting an ad in the paper, for fear we'll have more work than the students can accomplish, but we'll cross that bridge when we come to it.

Pat Clark, Chairman  
Missions and Outreach



## *Prayer Concerns*

Bob Perry  
Ed Baker  
Mary Holt  
Dorothy Baker  
Gene Kelm  
Patti Orr  
Alan Williamson  
Chuck Springer  
Alyce Super  
Richard Coghlan  
Bonnie Perry  
Nancy Atkinson  
Stan Schneider  
Jim Hickey  
Robert Hickey  
Wanda Lenley  
Royalyn Brady  
Jackie Ketchem  
Phyllis Abrahamson  
Joanne Hundermer  
Anita Goodrich  
Melvin Bobo Jr.  
Kathy Rote  
Ryan Singleton  
Ronnie Manchester  
Rita and Bobby Meaux  
Marti McLemore

Our homebound members  
Those serving in the military

## *Congratulations!!!*

Congrats to  
**Jim & Nell Faucett**  
who have a new grandson!

## *Brooks Robert Hancock*

was born July 23, 2011 in  
Houston, Texas. Brooks is  
the son of Shea and Elizabeth  
F. Hancock.

# August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 1:00 CDC Board/ Library	<b>2</b> 6:00 UMW General Meeting/ AC	<b>3</b> 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b> 9:00 Yoga/ AC	<b>5</b> 9:00 Emmaus/ Library 7:00 Youth Lock-In/ AC	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6:30 Finance/ FR	<b>9</b> 9:00 Card/ MH  10:00 Newsletter Deadline	<b>10</b> 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>11</b> 9:00 Yoga/ AC	<b>12</b> 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	<b>13</b> Youth- Camping/ Fishing Trip to Freeport
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30 Goodman/ Newman Smith-Meyer/ FH Banker/ Banker 6:00 Kid's Pool Party/ Country Club 6:30 Wesleyan Circle/ FH	<b>17</b> 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>18</b> 9:00 Yoga/ AC	<b>19</b> 9:00 Emmaus/ Library 4:30 UMM BBQ Chicken Drive Thru/ AC	<b>20</b> 8:00 Epiphany Training/ AC 6:00 Youth Kick Off- Scavenger Hunt/ AC
<b>21</b> 6:00 District Hymn Sing/ College Station	<b>22</b> 3:00 42/ MH	<b>23</b> 9:00 Card/ MH 6:00 Evangelism/ FR	<b>24</b> 6:30 Nominations Meeting/ FR Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>25</b> 9:00 Yoga/ AC  10:00 Newsletter Deadline	<b>26</b> 9:00 Emmaus/ Library	<b>27</b> 8:00 Men's Emmaus Team/ FH Women's Emmaus Team/ AC
<b>28</b> Education Sunday  5:00 Youth/ Blinn	<b>29</b> 7:00 Admin. Board/ FR	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 6:30 Celebration Band/ AC 7:00 Choir Rehearsal			
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## **BBQ Chicken Drive-Thru**

**The United Methodist Men are having a BBQ Chicken drive through outside the Activity center on Friday, August, 19, 2011. Money made from the ticket sales will go to support worthy causes. Tickets are \$8.00 each which includes half a barbeque chicken and all the trimmings catered by Herbert Schovajas. You can find tickets at the church office, thanks for your continued support!**

## **Looking for Twelve Bell Ringers!**

The Handbell Choir is organizing again this fall. The first rehearsal will be mid -August. If you are interested in playing please call Pastor Kay at 979-836-2008.

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