

First United Methodist Church
Center, Texas



Love God. Love People. Serve The World

8:30 am Service for April will meet in the Fellowship Hall

Calendar Updates/Changes

* The Trustees Meeting scheduled for April 26th has been cancelled.



The Bed's for Kids Committee provided four beds for children in need in our community last week. Through the generous donations from Dance Furniture and church member, we have been able to make a difference in children's lives. We are still in need of monetary donations and donations of children's books & bibles, stuffed animals, sheets, and pillows. We appreciate all that the church has done to accommodate this new ministry in our church.

FINANCE UPDATE

2018 Budget	\$414,701.00
Needed weekly	\$7,975.02
Received on 4/15/2018	\$5,994.00
Received to date (week 15)	\$102,600.83
Needed to date 4/15/2018	\$119,625.30
Difference	-\$17,024.47

Celebrating a special occasion?
Honoring a loved one?



Please call the church office to reserve a date for flowers.

April 15th Attendance

Sunday School	38
8:30 am Worship Service	62
11:00 am Worship Service	44
Total Worship Service	106



Check the MYF Facebook page for upcoming events/dates.



Dear FUMC,

Our family appreciated the luncheon you prepared and served for us the day of Pauline's funeral. Thank you for the thoughtfulness and kindness shown to us.

Gratefully,
Pauline Lorah Family

Dear FUMC Prayer Cross Ministry and Members,

Bill and I would like to thank you all for the beautiful prayer crosses we have been blessed with. Your thoughts and prayers mean so much to us. We want to especially thank Steve Thomas. What a wonderful ministry the prayer crosses are. God bless each of you!

Love, Bill & Cathy Williams



“Go and tell your story,” our pastor urged the congregation. Sunday's sermon was such an amazing message. So often, we forget we have a story. We become so bogged down in our day to day living, that it's nearly impossible to see the goodness and mercy in God's hand and all the wonderful things He has done for us. But, in spite of all the negativity, we do have stories to tell, each and every one of us. We have those little “ah ha” moments and we have the great big, earth-shattering moments in our lives where we know without a doubt that our Heavenly Father has touched our very being, heart, body, and soul. I have to remind myself how it feels to be left out of great moments in my family and friends' lives, only to hear about it a day late, and wishing “if only I had been there.”

Hearing stories from others about the great and wonderful Lord of Lords and King of Kings brings about a faith walk in our own lives. It is often only then, that, if we can see what God can do for others, we begin to believe what He can do for us. Their stories of faith and hope inspire us to continue on the path to righteousness and holy living, and help us to confirm that God and Heaven are for real, even for us. We have those stories, too! And, for the love of those around us, they need to hear about how God's love extends to the ends of the earth, even for them. So, go and tell your story!

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even to the end of the age.*” Amen.

Matthew 28:19-20 New King James Version (NKJV)

You may send your prayer requests and praises to Terri Lacher at btlacher@sbcglobal.net or at (936) 598-3484 or (936)332-2717



Registration for Church Camp is open!
Please register your youth
at <https://lakeviewsummerncampregistration.campbrainregistration.com/>. Kids and Youth who are going into 3rd-12th grade are eligible to attend camp. Registration for Session 4 (July 8-13) closes on June 24. Please contact Sarah Bohannon if you have any questions or need any help registering for camp or if you want to be a counselor.



Memorials

Dr. Bill Ginn

Stephen & Ana Williamson
Judge & Mrs. Guy Griffin
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Pauline Lorah

Mary Headley
Judge & Mrs. Guy Griffin

Bobbie Turk

Mary Headley

Bishop Samford

Judge & Mrs. Guy Griffin
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Barbara Windham

Judge & Mrs. Guy Griffin
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Billy Cogswell

Judge & Mrs. Guy Griffin
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Monette Mathews Grafke

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt