

First United Methodist Church  
Center, Texas

Love God, Love People, Serve The World

Calendar Updates

On Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> Rev. CJ Taylor from Heartsprings Methodist Foundation will teach an adult class on wills and legacies during the Sunday School hour. All adult classes are encouraged to attend. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

\*On Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> the Communion Rail Offering will go toward church camp scholarships.

\* The last day for Kids Grow 'N Christ will be Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.



The Beds for Kids Committee provided four beds for children in need in our community last week. Through the generous donations from Dance Furniture and a 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, new twin sheets, and new pillows. We appreciate all that the church has done to accommodate this new ministry in our church. Contact Sarah Bohannon for more information.

FINANCE UPDATE

2018 Budget  
\$414,701.00  
Needed weekly  
\$7,975.02  
Received on 4/29/2018 \$5,506.00  
Received to date (week 17)  
\$112,316.83  
Needed to date 4/22/2018  
\$135,575.34  
Difference  
-\$23,258.51

Celebrating a special occasion?  
Honoring a loved one?



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



Check the MYF Facebook page for upcoming events/dates.

April 29<sup>th</sup> Attendance

Sunday School	38
8:30 am Worship Service	68
11:00 am Worship Service	68
Total Worship Service	136



Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Noon-12:30  
Old Courthouse  
Square

Join us as we pray for our **Country** and for our **Community!**

Be part of a **Prayer Chain** around our historic courthouse!

Members and our many friends at the First United Methodist Church,

I am deeply grateful for the kindness, love and compassion the church family extended to us during Bobby's illness and death. Thank you for the beautiful prayer cross and the many prayers lifted up for Bobby and me. Thank you for the phone calls and cards while in Houston hospital. Thank you for being a light in the dark and difficult time.

The Family of Bobby Warr from Gene Warr, Nancy, Wes and Tracy

Mark & I just want to send a very heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in giving Matthew and Sarah such a wonderful shower. They are truly blessed with a loving church family.

In Christian Love,  
Mark & Reeca Odom

I just received the Prayer Cross that was made specifically for me. I can't begin to think you enough for this cross and how happy it made my heart. Thank you for unselfishly thinking about me. I believe our God has great things in store for me. And I know that I am not alone in my battle! Please be sure to thank each and every person that prayed over this cross and tell them I appreciate it truly from the bottom of my heart. I will carry this with me daily.

Thank you. Cindy Jones

# Something to Ponder...

Matthew 25:15: And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.” (NKJV) Like the master to his servants, our Heavenly Father knows His children, carefully giving us His gifts according to our own abilities and talents. He has studied each one of us from birth, knowing exactly who we are and what we will accomplish in our lives. He blesses us with a gift, and then, like the master in the story, He is confident enough to go about His way, knowing we have the means to accomplish His task at hand. Isn't it wonderful when we finally grasp that it was He who chose us to sing in the choir, play the organ or piano, ring the bells, teach the children, minister to adults by sharing His Word in Sunday School, or to preach the Gospel from the pulpit? Each of us has been chosen to do that one special job to better serve Him and share His Amazing love with others. And the best part of it all is when our Lord says, “Well done, good and faithful servant...” Thank you Father God for giving each of us those special gifts and talents, knowing that we are capable of using them for Your glory. Help us to discover our gifts, and give us the courage and confidence to use them according to Your will. In Jesus name, AMEN

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

**There have been several changes to Coffee Fellowship. Please notify Kelli in the office when changes are made.**

## May Coffee Fellowship Schedule

**May 6<sup>th</sup>-Pairs & Spares**

**May 13<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day)-**

**Connie Mettauer, Donna Thomason,**

**Kathy Hardy, and Sharon Hart**

**May 20<sup>th</sup>-Methodist Men's Breakfast**

**May 27<sup>th</sup>- Fellowship Class**

**\*The names listed above is in the church office. If any of these are incorrect or have changed, please contact Kelli and make sure your group is also aware.**

## TRIVIA NIGHT

What is someone who shoes horses called?  
Bring your answer to Trivia Night at the church! Trivia night will be held on May 20 from 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm. You must have at least a team of 3 to participate and there is a \$10 cover fee for each person. This cover fee includes dinner, door prizes, and more! This is a fundraiser to help our youth and children attend church camp!



## SAVE THE DATE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
BIBLE HEROES  
June 18<sup>th</sup>-June 21<sup>st</sup>

“My hero doesn't hide behind a mask  
He doesn't need a cape to fly  
He's stronger than the ocean  
And bigger than the sky...  
Jesus Christ: The Only Superhero”

## May Children's Church

May 6<sup>th</sup> - No Children's Church

May 13<sup>th</sup> -8:30 am-Becky Parfait/11:00 am-Ashley Wulf

May 20<sup>th</sup> -8:30 am-Terri Lacher/11:00 am-Renee Verdine & Keela Johnson

May 27<sup>th</sup> -8:30 am-Mary Pigg & Sally Windham/11:00 am-Mary Lynn Tinkle

**\*If you are unable to fill your spot, please arrange your replacement.**

## Memorials

### Billy Cogswell

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

### Pauline Lorah

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

Sue Chapman

### Dr. Bill Ginn

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

Roger & Joann Meador

Charles & Bess Dillen

### Mary Anna Menefee

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

### Bishop Samford

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

Charles & Bess Dillen

### Barbara Windham

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

### Tim Boyd

Steve & Mary Lynn Tinkle

