



Dennis the Minister



I wrote this the first week of November in 1993 when one of Aaron's best friends died in an automobile accident. I think it is a fitting reminder for all of us as we remember Corinne Peters.

"Thank God for Wild Flowers"

"Consider the lilies of the field...even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."
Matthew 6:28-29

We Texans love our wild flowers. From the delicate, fragile roadside lace of the Panhandle to the lush, carpeted beauties of the Hill Country, we consider them to be a kind of state treasure. They are made even more valuable and precious because they are only here for a season. They can't be picked and kept. They can only be appreciated while they're here.

The season of the wild flowers can be likened to the season of life our children and youth pass through. It's a glorious season - - filled with all of their innocence, exuberance, curiosity and change. But it's such a brief season - - we can't pick them and keep them there. We must notice them and appreciate them while they're in bloom.

This past weekend our community lost one of its precious wild flowers. Debbie Tandy, an outstanding high school senior, was tragically killed in an automobile accident. I hope you had a chance to appreciate some of her uniqueness while she was growing in our midst.

It's difficult to capture in words the full beauty of a flower - - its shape, color and fragrance. But here are some special features of Debbie's blossom as remembered by her friends: "her smile", "her originality", "always happy", "nice to everybody", "smart", "committed to the band", "spontaneous". In the perfectly-tailored, crisp black tuxedo of the Drum Major, she was like the stately, dignified stalks of the Bluebonnet or Indian Paintbrush. In her favorite faded and torn jeans and oversized flannel shirt, her preferred daily attire, she was like the countless and nameless varieties of wild flowers which brighten the countryside long after some others have faded. She was a delightful young woman and I hope you got to appreciate her while she was blooming here.

But now remember this. Our schools are full of bunches and clusters of beautiful young wild flowers. Have you taken the time lately to really appreciate them? Look around your home; look around your neighborhood; look around your church; look around your community - - be careful to notice them and tell them how precious they are. And be sure to thank God for wild flowers.

Grace and Peace,

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Looking Ahead to Worship

Sunday, August 8th

Traditional Service

Rev. Joan Humphries, preaching
Rotunda, 8:30 am; Sanctuary, 11:00 am

Contemporary Service

Rev. Joan Humphries, preaching
Sanctuary, 9:45 am

Sunday, August 15th

Traditional Service

Rev. Dennis Wilkinson, preaching
Rotunda, 8:30 am; Sanctuary, 11:00 am

Contemporary Service

Rev. Dennis Wilkinson, preaching
Sanctuary, 9:45 am

Come Hear Dennis' Message on August 15th...

as he returns to the pulpit. His sermon is titled "Biblical Wisdom for Real Life" and the scripture is II Timothy 3:16-17.

- In the Face of Tragedy (II Corinthians 12:8)
 - Lessons Learned
 - Actions Observed
- For Ordinary Time (Matthew 6:28-29)
 - Appreciating Wildflowers
 - In Awe of Stately Trees
- Noticing Strokes of Grace (Matthew 13:16-17)
 - Boobetz at Yankee Stadium
 - God is Good

Special Notes from Dennis

- New Worship Plan * - August 22nd**
 - 9:00 am Traditional -- Rotunda
 - Heartfire -- Sanctuary
 - 10:00 am Sunday School
 - 11:00 am Traditional -- Sanctuary
 - eleven¹⁰ (student) -- Rotunda **begins September 12th after the Back to School Retreat (BTS)

* This will be different and require adjustments by all of us, but may we all maintain a good attitude as we explore some new possibilities for invigorating our life in community.

- Pathway to the Future**
 - architects are finalizing revised, scaled-back design
 - construction estimates from four contractors will be in hand August 20th
 - plan will protect church operating budget for three years by designating pledged funds for interest payments in short-term construction loans and two years of operating expenses for new building
 - plan includes immediate repairs and renovations to existing building

Church Conference (all full members having voice and vote) is set for Sunday, September 12th, at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

- Pastor's Discretionary Fund**

Hopefully most of you are aware of this special ministry through our church. A few people give small amounts regularly to it; a few people give one or two large gifts a year (no funds come from the operating budget to the PDF). With these funds the pastors, in consultation with each other, help persons in need, respond to special missional needs and occasionally assist a unique ministry opportunity.

Two particular challenges in this are (1) getting some people to ask for help and (2) telling other people that we can no longer help them. But the pastors work diligently and prayerfully to be responsible stewards of these gifts.



Children

Kids of Hope/Kids of Peace:

Pastoral Care for Children in Grief or Divorce

If your child has experienced divorce or the death of a loved one, please plan on enrolling them in our 6-week session beginning in the fall. The sessions will be separate groups, but will both meet on Sunday evenings 5:00-6:30 pm from September 26th-November 7th (no class October 10th). We ask that the children be able to commit to most of the sessions. Please contact Jennifer Scott at jscott@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 208. These groups will be held at the same time as the adult Grief and Divorce Support groups. For more information on the adult groups, please contact Susan Bryan at sbryan@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 215. **Please note that you do not have to be a church member to participate in these ministries. We want to reach out to our community, so please invite your friends to contact us.

We Need All Upcoming 5th Graders!!

We would like for you to assist in worship by serving as an acolyte in our services each week. You should be receiving an informational letter in the mail this week. Please return the form to the church office ASAP. You and one parent will need to attend a training session on Sunday, August 15th or 29th. The first Sunday of new acolytes will be Sunday, September 5th. Acolyte Dedication Sunday will be September 12th. If you would like more information, please call Jennifer Scott, 972-462-0471, ext. 208 (jscott@fumccoppell.org) or Terah Paolini 972-745-3507 (TLPaolini@yahoo.com).

Important BACK TO SCHOOL Dates for First UMC Children's Ministry

Please contact Rev. Jennifer Scott with any questions, jscott@fumccoppell.org

- Children's Sunday School Teacher Training for 2010-2011 NEW teachers** – Wednesday, August 11th, 6:30-8:00 pm OR August 18th, 10:00-11:30 am
- Children's Sunday School Room Cleanup** – Sunday, August 15th from 12:00-3:00 pm (bring your lunch or come whenever you can to get our rooms ready for next year)
- Acolyte Training for incoming 5th graders** – Sunday, August 15th OR Sunday, August 29th
- Promotion Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks** – August 22nd (this is when children move up to their 2010 school year age/grade)
- Kids in Mission** – begins 4:30 Wednesday, September 8th
- Kids of Hope and Kids of Peace (Grief and Divorce groups for kids)** – September 26th-November 7th (no class October 10th)



Adults

Heroes ...

is a support group for people caring for aging parents. Those with parents in town or out of town, independent or in assisted living or living with you, mentally with-it or not, mobile or not, are all invited to learn from others on similar journeys. This is a group of people who understand the time demands, responsibilities, and decisions involved with caregiving. Laughter and tears are shared at the meetings. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be August 4th, 7:00 pm in Room 302. For more information contact Marilyn Horton, marhorton@gmail.com, 972-393-1304.

JOY Group August Event

Come join us for a recital given by Erin Alcorn, soprano featuring works by Mozart, Schumann, Charles, and Granados on Saturday, August 7th at 4:30 pm in the Rotunda. After the recital we will meet for a meal at Deliman's Grill (605 North Denton Tap Road, Coppell).

Touched by Suicide (TBS) Support Group ...

meets at Vista Ridge UMC in Lewisville at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Led by Martha Giles. For more information, contact Jerry or Bianca Coker at 972-393-2887.

What Small Groups Mean To Me

I am a person who really needs and enjoys small groups. I believe that many of the functions of my life work better when I have people to share them with. I believe that God has placed us in community and, many times, that is how we experience God.

A small group can be as small as two people. I work out with Carla Paschal - a member of this church. We began being workout buddies when we were going to Camp Pike together. Each year, we would begin walking prior to camp to get ready. Eventually, it evolved into working out together three times a week. You see, we continue to work out and take care of ourselves partly because we know the other one is relying on us. In fact, if one cannot be there, we do not tell the other one. That way, the other one shows up and still gets a work-out. Well, it works for us. In the church world, we call this having an accountability partner. Helping each other stay on track.

I have another accountability small group that has become very special to me. It is a group of women who meet weekly during the school year. We don't know exactly what to call ourselves - a praying group - a book/Bible study. In a fit of laughter, one day, we named ourselves the Soul Sisters. This group began last Fall with the church's effort to start small groups. It began as a group of women who knew each other, but were not necessarily the best of friends. During the year, as we studied and shared our prayers, we began to open up to each other and share our inner souls. We became the best of friends - people to whom we can share our deepest concerns and know they are safe. I can't help but think that in our community where "living the perfect life" has caused tragedy beyond description, having a small group such as ours is major therapy.

In the many small groups in which I participate - Sunday school, Lions Club, Wine & Whine (don't ask), movie group, investment club - there is a sharing of ideas, sharing of fun, sharing of faith, love and accountability. It just happens. And prayers...there are always prayers.

- Margaret Bryan

Study/Grace Groups for Adults

Fall 2010



Grace Groups are our small groups for adults that offer participants opportunities to gather and grow in grace together through fellowship, prayer, study, reflection and small-group discussion.

Childcare is offered for Wednesday afternoon/evening groups, with 48 hour advance reservations - 972-462-0471, ext. 226

You may register online at www.fumccoppell.org under "Connect", "Adults", "Study/Grace Group Registration", or e-mail or call Kathy Baker at kbaker@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 210 - give her your name, e-mail address and group you are signing up for. You will receive an e-mail confirmation and information prior to the group start.

To the right is a brief listing of the classes offered. Brochures are available in the office, at the information desk or on the church website. For more information about adult study groups, please contact Rev. Susan Bryan at 972-462-0471 or sbryan@fumccoppell.org.

Short-Term and Ongoing

What it Means to be United Methodist

Wednesdays, September 8th, 15th, 22nd, 6:30-8:00 pm,
Leaders: Rev. Ashleigh Joyner and Rev. Susan Bryan

Invitation to New Testament

Sundays, 2:00-3:30 pm, Leaders: Jerry Coker and Tom Smith

Financial Peace University

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm, Leader: Bill Smothermon

Women's Reading Group

Thursdays, 12:00-1:00 pm, Leader: Rev. Susan Bryan

10:17 Men's Bible Study (ongoing)

Sundays, 7:30-8:30 pm, Leader: Scott Wilson

P.E.A.R.L.S. (ongoing)

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 am (2nd and 4th), Leader: Michelle Bauer

Morning Men's Bible Study (ongoing)

Mondays, 6:00-7:00 am, Contact: Ken Heffley

Mid-Week Reflections

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:15 pm, Leader: Calista Hall

Long-Term Study Groups

Disciple 1

Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, Leader: Bill and Brenda Hightower

Disciple 4

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 am, Leaders: Sandra Crawford
and Julia Moomau

Christian Believer

Wednesdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm OR 6:30-8:30 pm
Leader: Rev. Dennis Wilkinson

Divorce and Grief Support Groups

Divorce Recovery (6 weeks)

Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm, Leaders: Jeff and Pam Varnell

Grief Support Group (6 weeks)

Sundays, 5:00-6:30 pm, Leader: Carol Sheer and Ron Harrison

Special Offerings

As Stewards of God's Creation

Sunday, September 19th, 3:00-5:00 pm, Leader: Amanda Vanhoozier

Yoga (10 sessions)

Mondays, 9:00-11:00 am, Leader: Lucinda Bordonaro
OR Mondays, 7:30-8:30 pm, Leader: Patti Carpenter

Spiritual Direction Group

1st Mondays, 6:30-8:30 pm, Leader: Rev. Susan Bryan

Knitting Group

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:15 pm, Leader: Bianca Coker

Women's Morning Apart: Listening to Your Life

Saturday, September 18th, 8:30 am-12:00 pm,
Leaders: Rev. Susan Bryan and Peggy Sham

In the Garden: Centering on God in the Midst of the Holidays

Saturday, November 6th, 9:30-11:30 am, Leader: Rev. Susan Bryan

Women's Retreat

April 8th-10th, 2011, Prothro Center, Texoma, Contacts: Ellen Diers,
Lisa Hancock or Rev. Susan Bryan



Contemporary Corner

Contemporary Service to Change Start Time August 22nd

Beginning August 22nd, the Contemporary Service is moving to 9:00 am from its current 9:45 am start time. In addition, the service from here on out will be referred to as the "Heartfire Service." The service will continue to be held in the main church sanctuary.

Heartfire Praise Band leader Mark Cozart said the new schedule should be helpful to the Heartfire Band because the service will no longer conflict with the Sunday School hour, which will now begin at 10:00 am. The changes are all a part of the re-structuring of worship services at the church to better meet the needs of the church. The service will be called the "Heartfire Service" because the worship changes include the addition of another contemporary service - one that is aimed at the church's youth.

The new worship experience, eleven¹⁰, which will be geared to middle school, high school and college-age students, will be held immediately following the Sunday School hour beginning September 12th and will be contemporary in nature as it will address the needs and issues of today's students.

Mark said he also is in the process of updating the Heartfire Band's song selection to a more current format. Heartfire played Billboard Chart's #1 song for the week "Our God" by Billy Tomlin at the July 25th service.

Billboard Chart's Top 5 Christian Songs

Following are the remainder of the top five songs for the week:

- "Get Back Up" by Toby Mac
- "All of Creation" by Mercy Me
- "Healing Begins" by Tenth Avenue North
- "Before the Morning" by Josh Wilson

So if congregation members have a favorite Christian song they would like to hear, they should let Heartfire Band leader Mark Cozart know and he'll do his best to make it happen. Email him at cozy102010@yahoo.com.

Meet Gary Kidwell

Gary Kidwell is yet another church member sharing his talents with the congregation. Gary has worked the Heartfire Band's sound board for the past year. "This is such a dedicated group of musicians and so it's a pleasure to serve in this small way with the gifts God gave me," Gary said about the assistance he gives the Heartfire Band each week. Outside of Heartfire, Gary is an engineer with the Interphase Corp.



CHS Senior to Fill in for Heartfire Singer

FUMC church member and CHS senior Emily Hyslop sang with Heartfire on August 1st and also will sing August 8th while Lisa Rucker is on vacation.



Volunteer Opportunities

Altar Design/Set Up

If you have ever wanted to help with the altars for worship, please join us Tuesday, September 7th at 6:30 pm starting in the Sanctuary to learn the particulars of being part of the altar team. Contact: Marcia Mares

Nursery Story Time

Volunteers needed for the fall. If you have a few extra minutes on a Sunday morning and want to share a short bible story time with nursery kids, email Beverly Gemmell at beverlygemmell@verizon.net.



Sunday School Superintendent Needed

Would you like to help out with children's Sunday School? The superintendent collects attendance and offering on Sunday morning and keeps the teacher supply room organized. This is a shared position. Please contact allison.groom@verizon.net if you can help.

Information Desk

If you are friendly and enjoy helping people find their way in our church then we are looking for you! We need people to staff our information desk in the narthex (right outside the sanctuary) during one of our 3 worship services. We have opening for 15-20 minutes before and after services. Please contact Rachel Korman if you want to know more at rachel@rhkinvestments.com.



Confirmation

Confirmation at FUMC, Coppell is a journey by which students begin to understand and affirm their Christian beliefs and claim their place in the life of the church. This program is designed primarily for youth entering the sixth grade and runs throughout the school year, ending with the Service of Baptism and Confirmation on the first weekend in May.

Our 2010-2011 Confirmation Classes ...

for sixth grade youth will begin meeting on Sunday, August 22nd during the 10:00 am Sunday school hour. Registration packets will be mailed to families in August.

Parent Orientation Meeting

This important meeting will be held on Sunday, August 22nd at 5:00 pm in Wesley Hall. Please bring retreat fees and completed forms from your registration packet. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Kelly Williams at kwilliams@fumccoppell.org or 972-393-0069.



Big MAC (Music and Arts Camp) ...

starts Monday, August 9th! Come and be a part of a wonderful week of music and fun, which will be held August 9th-12th, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to noon for kids entering Kindergarten through 6th Grades. There will be a closing program on Thursday, August 12th, at 7:00 pm to share what we have learned with our family and friends! Big MAC will include time for singing, doing art projects, playing games, and of course, recreation and refreshments! Participants will be learning the musical, *What's Up, Zak?*. Auditions will be held on Sunday, August 8th, at 4:00 pm in the Rotunda for 3rd-6th Graders who would like a speaking part or solo. Registration forms are available in the church office. The cost is \$20 per child. Registration ends August 4th. Sign up today!



Big MAC Youth Volunteer Training Session ...

will be Sunday, August 8th, 3:30-4:00 in the Rotunda. Youth volunteers, please plan to attend to receive your volunteer assignment and instructions for the week. We hope to see you there!



Children's Opportunities

Children's Choir

Hey, kids! Join us in children's choirs this year! We have an exciting curriculum for all age levels and hope that everyone will join us in choir this year! Mark your calendars! The Children's Choirs Kick-Off is Wednesday, September 1st, 5:30-6:30 in Wesley Hall. Make plans now to come register for choir, meet your choir director and enjoy a free dinner! We have some fun, new surprises planned! Children's choirs are available for four-year-olds (by September 1st) through 5th Grades. Parents are encouraged to come and stay for this brief introduction to choir. Then, our first full choir rehearsal is Wednesday, September 8, from 5:30-6:15 pm. Join us as we learn that we are *Here by Design* this year in choir! Please contact Deanna Goodman at 817-416-9439 or dgoodman@fumccoppell.org for more information.

Children's Beginner and Intermediate Handbells

Attention all children who are 4th Grade-6th Grade! We are looking for some people to play handbells! Our children's handbell groups begin rehearsals Wednesday, September 8th in the Choir Loft. The beginner group, *Alpha Ringers*, rehearse from 4:30-5:15 pm. The intermediate group, *Celebration Ringers*, rehearse from 6:15-7:00 pm. Please contact Deanna Goodman at 817-416-9439 or dgoodman@fumccoppell.org for more information. Come and ring handbells with us!

Adult Opportunities

Shalom Ringers

Mark your calendars! Rehearsals resume on Sunday, August 22nd, 5:00-6:00 pm in the Choir Loft. See you then!

Chancel Choir

Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 18th, 7:15-8:45 pm in the Choir Room led by Deanna Goodman. All adults are welcome to join us as we serve God and our Church through music! Childcare is available by reservation by calling 972-462-0471, ext. 226. If you are a long-time member, a former member who has not sung for a while, or a new member, please join us as we make new friends, renew old friendships and make a joyful noise together! We hope to see you there! Please contact Deanna Goodman at 817-416-9439 or dgoodman@fumccoppell.org for more information.

Fine Arts Academy Now Enrolling For Fall



Offering private lessons in piano, voice, guitar, flute, and strings. Group lessons offered in piano and guitar. Lessons begin August 23rd. For more information please contact Elizabeth Parker at eparker@fumccoppell.org or call 972-462-0471 x203



August Communion Offering ...

is designated to Lydia Patterson Institute. Lydia Patterson Institute is a high school in El Paso Texas that serves youth from Juarez, Mexico. These students live among violence and fight there way each day to make it to school. Many of them do not have the money to go to school, so the school depends on churches like us to sponsor these students. Your rail offering will go to provide one full scholarship to a deserving student. This provides uniform, meals, start up money for supplies, and pays for a passport and bus/toll money to get into the states. Thanks for giving! You can donate to this case through the month of August by sending a check payable to FUMC Coppell, with the note "LPI" in the memo.



Congratulations to Scott and Erica Shelby on the birth of their daughter, Madison Elizabeth, on July 22nd.

Congratulations to Dennis and Linda Wilkinson on the birth of their granddaughters, Aster Rosemery and Violet Fae, on July 31st. Proud parents are Graham and Dawnerin Wilkinson.



Youth



- August 4th High School "ONE" Event, 7:00 pm at Andy Brown East
 August 5th F.L.A.V.R. at 12:30 pm. Meet at *Which Wich*
 August 8th Prayers on the Poolside, 5:00-8:00 pm at the Schulz's home (929 Warren Crossing)
- Last name "A-M" bring two-liter of favorite drink
 - Last name "N-Z" bring dessert, chips, or some kind of finger food
- August 11th Texas Rangers Game, 7:00 pm (\$10 in advance)
 August 11th High School "ONE" Event, 7:00 pm at Andy Brown East
 August 12th F.L.A.V.R. at 12:30 pm, Meet at *Market Street Cafe*
 August 15th Prayers on the Poolside, 5:00-8:00 pm, location to TBD
 August 17th G.O.T.s (Golf on Tuesdays): Grapevine Mills for "Glow in the Dark Miniature Golf" at 1:30 pm. \$15 or less.

Look for more details on these activities in the Summer 2010 Youth Newsletter or online at www.coppellyouth.com.

Back to School Retreat (BTS) September 4th-6th

You won't want to miss this annual retreat at Sky Ranch. This year we are bringing in a hired worship band and a guest speaker. Open to all students entering 6th-12th grades (Fall 2010). Deadline to register is Sunday, August 8th. After August 8th the cost is \$200 if space is still available.

End of Summer Lock-In/Austin Street Shelter

Friday, August 20th – Saturday, August 21st

Beginning at 10:00 pm and ending by 8:00 am Saturday morning
 Open to all youth who have completed the 6th-12th grade.



What an awesome time in the mountains! Camp Pike is so blessed to have such wonderfully talented counselors and such a dedicated staff. This camp could not run without so many individuals that make it happen. A very special thank you to all the

Camp Pike 2010 counselors - you are what makes this camp go and you are all AWESOME! Thank you to our on the mountain staff - this camp simply can not function without all your tireless hours (this is not to say you are NOT tired - we know you are!); thank you for your shuttle services in the 15 passenger vans, all of your physical labor, all of your smiles and patience with these wonderful kids. Also, a special thank you to Lisa Dunham, Ann Duncan, Susie Kemp, Cyndi McCullough, Brenda Olson, Karen Sullivan, Kathy Baker, Mark Kemp, the FUMC staff, the coffee guys, Karlie Sanson, Roland Tenorio, Bloom Embroidery and all the many contributors to Camp Pike. Hope to see yall next year!

Mark your calendars for Camp Pike 2011, July 15th - 23rd.



Bits & Pieces

Calling All Ushers!

If you're an usher or usher want-a-be, we will be having a meeting on Sunday, August 15th from 4:00-5:30 pm in the Church Library. Please plan to come to learn all the particulars of ushering, especially as we enter this fall with new worship times, locales and a new youth service. Contact: Del Dunham

And Little Children Shall Lead Them...

Last Sunday morning, I was sitting at the table with all my kids in the nursery. Sweet Caroline H. was to my left....I looked up at her...she was staring at me....I smiled at her and she held out her right hand to me. I thought she wanted to hold hands. So I put my left hand in her hand....she raised my hand and pressed it to her cheek...took my hand away from her cheek and kissed it....and again pressed my hand to her cheek. Although I'm getting kinda oldish.....that gesture from that baby just bought FUMC another year of service from me.



Submitted by Vicki N (nursery staff)

** We need your faith stories from kids! Anything you feel like you'd like to share about a child blessing your life or leading us along the journey of faith. Please email jscott@fumccoppell.org.

Former Heartfire Singer to Perform at FUMC

Erin Alcorn, former singer with the Heartfire Band and student at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, will perform a recital at 4:30 pm August 7th in FUMC's Rotunda. To learn more, go to her website www.wix.com/erinalcorn/soprano.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you very much for donating to my Eagle Project. I renovated the library for Project Transformation's after-school program at the Pleasant Mound United Methodist Church in east Dallas. My Scout team and I installed new shelves and provided over 750 donated items to their program, including books and literacy materials, arts and crafts supplies, and sports and recreation equipment. I completed my project on June 12th, and it was a great success with your help. Thank you so much for the many items you donated. I'm sure that the kids at the school will enjoy the improved library and the new supplies. I truly appreciate your generosity and help in completing my project and achieving my rank of Eagle Scout.

- Chris Roberts



3 B's Donation Drive

Girl Scout Troop 574 is working on their Silver Award project to help George Truett Elementary, a DISD school in East Dallas that is overcrowded, underfunded, and in great need of help. Their plan is to collect gently used children's books, new or gently used backpacks, and children's belts. You can drop any donations in the blue container located in Wesley Hall, until August 10th.

Worship Team Gearing up for the Fall! We need you!

With changes to our worship service times and locations, and addition of the new eleven10 youth service (starting September 12th), we are in need of more people to help with worship support in different areas including:

- Rotunda Set-up
- Altar Design/Set-up
- Pew Clean-up/Stocking
- Scripture Readers
- Ushers – 9:00 and 11:00 am
- Advent/Lent Set-up

If you would like to help with any of these areas, please contact Betty Kirton, Worship Team Co-Chair – bjkirton@verizon.net or 972-462-8198.

Career Development Network ...

meets every Monday at 7:00 pm in the Library. It serves the needs of members or non members by Business Development Networking, Career Transition Advice, and Recruiting needs of area companies. If you need immediate assistance, please contact Doug Powers (hdpowers@tx.rr.com).



New Members

Joined July 18th

Gerrit, Stephanie, Sky, Noah
And Mia Schuller





Please be sure to notify the church when you have a change of address, phone number and/or e-mail!



Calendar for August 4th - 17th

<p>Wednesday, August 4</p> <p>6:30 pm-7:45 pm Adult Summer Study 6:30 pm-7:30 pm Nursery Committee Mtg 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Heroes Support Grp 7:00 pm-9:00 pm High School "ONE" Event</p> <p>Thursday, August 5</p> <p>9:30 am-11:30 am P.E.A.R.L.S. 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Adult Summer Study 12:30 pm-2:00 pm F.L.A.V.R. (Youth) 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Rehearsal</p> <p>Friday, August 6</p> <p>5:00 pm-6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal</p> <p>Saturday, August 7</p> <p>4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball 4:30 pm-6:00 pm Voice Recital 4:30 pm-7:00 pm JOY Grp 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Wedding</p> <p>Sunday, August 8</p> <p>8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am Worship Services 9:45 am-10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am-10:45 am Confirmation Teacher Training 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Knitting Grp 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Big MAC Volunteer Training 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Big MAC Auditions 5:00 pm-8:00 pm Prayers on the Poolside 5:30 pm-6:30 pm COE Mtg 8:00 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>Monday, August 9</p> <p>6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp 9:00 am-12:00 pm Big MAC 10:00 am-12:00 pm Coppell Moms Grp 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Evangelism Mtg 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Career Development Network</p> <p>Tuesday, August 10</p> <p>9:00 am-12:00 pm Big MAC 10:45 am-12:00 pm Staff Mtg 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Missions Mtg</p> <p>Wednesday, August 11</p> <p>9:00 am-12:00 pm Big MAC 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Children's Teacher Training 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Rehearsal 7:00 pm-9:00 pm High School "ONE" Event 7:00 pm-10:00 pm Texas Rangers Game</p> <p>Thursday, August 12</p> <p>9:00 am-12:00 pm Big MAC 12:30 pm-3:00 pm F.L.A.V.R. (Youth) 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Big MAC Program 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Boy Scout District Training</p> <p>Friday, August 13</p> <p>Saturday, August 14</p> <p>4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball 8:30 am-Sunday Student Leadership Retreat</p>	<p>Sunday, August 15</p> <p>8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am Worship Services 9:45 am-10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am-10:45 am Confirmation Teacher Training 12:00 pm-3:00 pm Sunday School Room Cleanup 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Knitting Grp 3:00 pm-5:00 pm Acolyte Training 4:00 pm-6:00 pm Boy Scout Committee Mtg 5:00 pm-8:00 pm Prayers on the Poolside 8:00 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study</p> <p>Monday, August 16</p> <p>6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Career Development Network</p> <p>Tuesday, August 17</p> <p>10:45 am-12:00 pm Staff Mtg 1:30 pm-4:30 pm G.O.T's (Youth) 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Heartfire Worship Mtg 6:00 pm-8:00 pm Spiritual Direction 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Rehearsal</p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Note: Be sure to check the weekly calendar in the Sunday bulletin or church website for any additions and/or changes to the calendar.</p> </div>
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First Church Finances At a Glance

Year to Date at July 30th

	2010	2009	2008
General Offerings	\$ 1,049,321	\$ 1,073,236	\$ 1,091,187
Balance, Unrestricted Cash and Savings Accounts	\$ 198,839	\$ 214,356	\$ 319,666

Thank you for your generous support!



Online Giving - Gifts can be made for our general church budget, capital campaign and other purposes through your checking account, savings account or credit card online through our website, www.fumccoppell.org. Go to "Giving", select "Donations" and click on the "Online Offering" symbol.

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

First United Methodist Church, Coppell wants to remind you that we offer electron giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for our members and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

There are two ways to set up electronic donations. You can visit the church website at www.fumccoppell.org, locate the "Giving" link and follow the instructions or, if you wish, you can simply complete a paper authorization form and return it to the church office.

As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.

Oh, The Places You'll Go Summer Worship Bulletins

As you travel this summer, we hope you will attend worship wherever you are. Please save your worship bulletins from the churches you visit. Write your name on them and bring to Wesley Fellowship Hall and pin on the Dr. Suess board. It will be fun to see where people have traveled and worshipped this summer! Go with God!



Hearing Assistance Devices ...

are available in the sanctuary. Pick one up at the sound booth or ask an usher if you are in need of one.

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420 S Heartz Rd
Coppell, TX 75019

Return Service Requested

Staff Directory (972) 462-0471

Rev. Dennis Wilkinson	Senior Pastor	(213)
Rev. Jennifer Scott	Pastor (Children's Ministries)	(208)
Rev. Susan Bryan	Pastor	(215)
Rev. Ashleigh Joyner	Pastor	(214)
Elizabeth Parker	Associate Director of Music	(203)
Deanna Goodman	Director of Children's Music	(228)
Tiffany Ogdon	Accompanist	
Mark Cozart	Heartfire Band Leader	
Drew Sher	Director of Youth Ministries	(217)
TJ Zimmerman	Associate Director of Youth Ministries	(237)
Kelly Williams	Assistant to Children's Ministries	
Kathy Braem	Assistant to Children's Ministries	
Dena Nichols	Stringfellow School	(972-393-0698)
Karen Rodriguez	Nursery Director	
Anne Hinkle	Director of Finance	(212)
Amy Richardson	Financial Assistant	
Susan Walsh	Exec. Administrative Manager	(200)
Kay Thomas	Administrative Assistant	(211)
Kathy Baker	Administrative Assistant	(210)
Tim Allen	Operations Manager	(234)
Matt Shinn	Operations Assistant	

Childcare Reservation Note: Please call 972-462-0471, ext. 226 to make or cancel reservations for childcare at least 48 hours in advance.

SCRIP ORDER FORM

Revised 7/12/2010

Name _____

Phone # _____

Singer to be Credited _____

Today's Date _____

Total Order \$ _____ Check # _____

Please make checks payable to "First United Methodist Church" with "SCRIP" in the memo section.

We carry an inventory of many of the items listed. Please check the SCRIP table on Sunday mornings or come by the church office during the week.

*For Assistance with scrip:
Contact the church office at 972-462-0471.

All orders must be received by 6:00 pm on Sunday to be able to pick up the following Sunday.

<u>Automotive</u>			
Vendor	Amt Each	Qty	Rcvd
Chevron	\$ 50		
Exxon/Mobil	\$ 50		
Shell	\$ 25		

<u>Grocery Stores</u>			
Vendor	Amt Each	Qty	Rcvd
HEB / Central Market	\$ 25		
Kroger	\$ 25		
Kroger	\$ 100		
Tom Thumb	\$ 25		
Tom Thumb	\$ 100		
Wal-Mart	\$ 25		
Wal-Mart	\$ 100		

<u>Restaurants</u>			
Vendor	Amt Each	Qty	Rcvd
Applebee's	\$ 25		
Arby's	\$ 10		
Boston Market	\$ 10		
Cheesecake Factory	\$ 25		
Chili's / On The Border	\$ 25		
Chipotle	\$ 10		
Chuck E Cheese	\$ 10		
Cracker Barrel	\$ 10		
Denny's	\$ 10		
Domino's	\$ 5		
Fat Daddy's	\$ 10		
Jack in the Box	\$ 10		
Kentucky Fried Chicken	\$ 5		
Mimis Cafe	\$ 25		
Ole's Tex-Mex	any size		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	\$ 25		
Outback Steakhouse/Carraba's	\$ 25		
Panera Bread	\$ 10		
P.F. Chang/Pei Wei	\$ 25		
Pizza Hut	\$ 10		
Saltgrass/Rainforest Café/Landry's	\$ 25		
Starbucks Coffee	\$ 10		
Starbucks Coffee	\$ 25		
Subway	\$ 10		
TGI Fridays	\$ 25		
Wendy's	\$ 10		

Retail Stores

Vendor	Amt Each	Qty	Rcvd
Ace Hardware	\$ 25		
AMC	\$ 25		
Amazon.com	\$ 25		
American Express	\$ 100		
American Express	\$ 200		
Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton	\$ 10		
Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton	\$ 25		
Bass Pro	\$ 25		
Bath & Body Works	\$ 10		
Bath & Body Works	\$ 25		
Bed, Bath and Beyond	\$ 25		
Best Buy	\$ 25		
Best Buy	\$ 100		
Blockbuster Video	\$ 4		
Blockbuster Video	\$ 10		
Borders/Waldenbooks	\$ 10		
Borders/Waldenbooks	\$ 25		
Cinemark Theatres	\$ 25		
Claire's	\$ 10		
Container Store	\$ 25		
Crate and Barrel	\$ 25		
CVS Pharmacy	\$ 25		
Dillards	\$ 25		
Dillards	\$ 100		
Express/Structure	\$ 25		
Family Christian Stores	\$ 25		
GameStop	\$ 25		
Home Depot	\$ 25		
Home Depot	\$ 100		
Home Depot	\$ 500		

Vendor	Amt Each	Qty	Rcvd
iTunes	\$ 15		
J C Penney	\$ 25		
J C Penney	\$ 100		
Jo Ann Fabrics	\$ 20		
Kohl's	\$ 25		
Kohl's	\$ 100		
Land's End	\$ 25		
Limited	\$ 25		
Lowe's	\$ 25		
Lowe's	\$ 100		
Macy's	\$ 25		
Macy's	\$ 100		
Michaels	\$ 25		
Office Depot	\$ 25		
Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic	\$ 25		
Payless Shoes	\$ 20		
Pier 1	\$ 25		
Pottery Barn/Williams-Sonoma	\$ 25		
Radio Shack	\$ 25		
Sears	\$ 25		
Sears	\$ 100		
Sephora	\$ 20		
Sports Authority	\$ 25		
TJMaxx/Marshalls/HomeGoods	\$ 25		
Toys "R" Us/Kids "R" Us/ Babies	\$ 20		
Wal-Mart	\$ 25		
Wal-Mart	\$ 100		
Walgreens	\$ 25		