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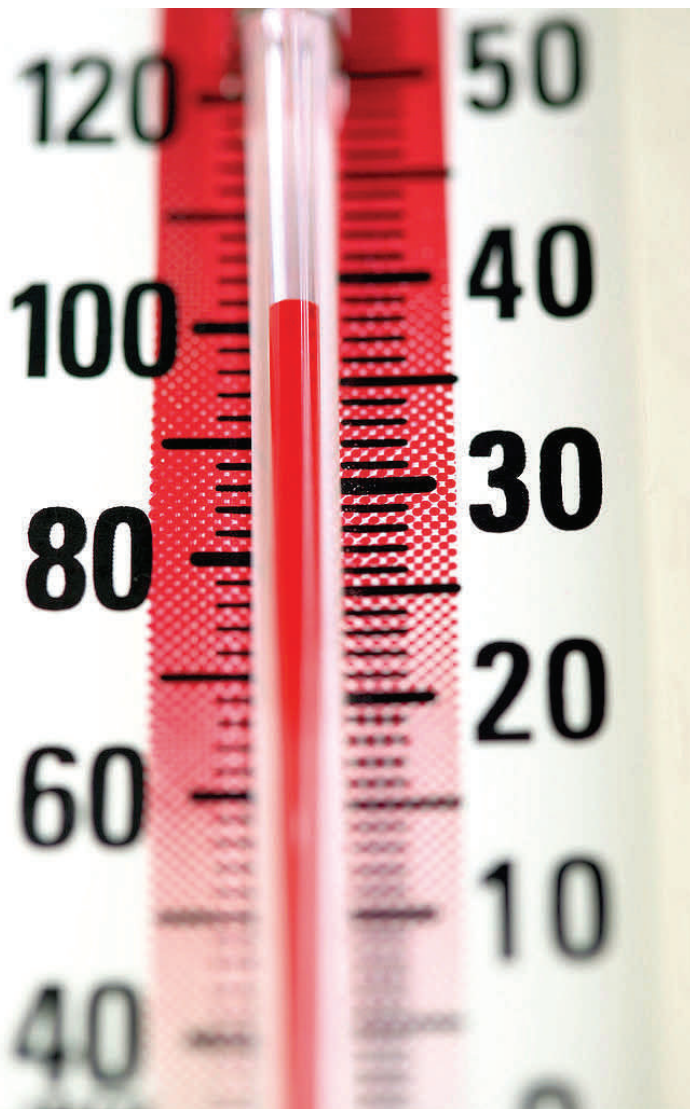
The Voice

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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First United Methodist Church
Growing disciples to reach others for
Christ



What Can We Say!!

August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 5:30 Habitat for Humanity 7:00 Scouts	2 9:30 Staff 6:00 Circles of Hope	3 5:30 Brown Bag 6:30 The Good and Beautiful Life Class	4 9:00 TOPS 7:00 Staff Parish Meeting	5 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal for Claassen-Reese Wedding	6 8:30 Women's Prayer Group 5:00 Claassen-Reese Wedding
7 10:00 Worship	8 7:00 Trustees 7:00 Scouts	9 9:30 Staff 6:00 Circles of Hope	10 5:30 Brown Bag 6:30 The Good and Beautiful Life Class	11 9:00 TOPS 6:00 Serving a meal at the Homeless Shelter	12 2:00 Taking Pictures for the Directory	13- 8:30 UMM Breakfast 9:00 Church Workday 9:30 Directory Pictures 6:00 Meal at Homeless Shelter
14 10:00 Worship 6:00 Serving a meal at the Homeless Shelter	15 6:00 Serving a meal at the Homeless Shelter 7:00 Scouts	16 9:30 Staff 6:00 Circles of Hope	17 1:30 Bazaar Workshop 5:30 Brown Bag 6:30 The Good and Beautiful Life Class	18 9:00 TOPS 7:00 Church Council	19 8:30 Women's Prayer Group	20 8:00 Ally Training for Circle of Hope
21-9:00 Traditional Worship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Contemporary Worship	22 Newsletter Articles are due. 7:00 Scouts	23 9:30 Staff 6:00 Circles of Hope	24 5:30 Brown Bag 6:30 The Good and Beautiful Life Class	25 9:00 TOPS	26 8:00 Baking Peppernuts	27
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On August 21 we will begin having two service at 9:00 and 11:00 with Sunday School at 10:00

Michael Seeney will be transferring his church membership from Our Lady of Guadalupe to FUMC on August 7, 2011.

August Birthdays

- 1 - Rachel Penner, Helen Burgess
- 2 - Tammy Brown, Beverly Stigge
- 3 - Marcene Albin, Raymond Truan, Marilyn Musser
- 8 - Wesley Swanson, Eleanor Abplanalp
- 10 - Eleanor Schirer
- 11 - Marilyn Johnson
- 12 - Edie Roberson, Mary Sthal Smith
- 13 - Nathan Alumbaugh
- 14 - Abbie Holler, Sharon Triggs, Greg Penner
- 15 - Jessica Gibbens, Linda Budde
- 19 - Taylor Slifer
- 20 - Gary Alumbaugh, Scott Davies
- 21 - Dorothy Staley
- 26 - David Ediger
- 27 - Zachary Smith
- 28 - Kimberly Benson
- 30 - Rachelle Morgan Norman
- 31 - Arlene Gibbens

Please Remember in Prayer

Pastor Doug's mother, Pastor Nathan and Lorraine Morgan, Nathan has moved back home; Eddie Mae Ehlers. Rosa Lee Greer; Earl Decker, Barbara Estill, Rowland Davis Grace's dad and brother of Joyce Flickinger; Jeanette and Cody friends of Bev Grimm; Sympathy to Emery Seibel and family on the death of Frances; to Charlie and Gay McMichael on the death of Charlie's sister Lorraine; to Jeanenne Alumbaugh and Eleanor Schirer on the death of Charlie Riley, Jeanenne's cousin and Eleanor's nephew.

Dates for Youth Group:

Aug. 3- youth group ice cream party at the Holler's
Aug. 24 will be the first day of regular youth group. We have all taken the month of July off; Youth group will again be grades 6-12, from 6:30-8pm on Wednesday.

MISSION MOMENTS ~~by Jay Anderson

MISSIONS - REACHING BEYOND OUR LOCAL CHURCH

The goal of our church and the United Methodist Church is "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." What is a disciple? He or she is someone who has made a commitment to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, is willing to be taught what a disciple does, and desires to lead others to Christ.

Win Arn in his book, "The Master's Plan For Making Disciples" points out that the church gets stuck at the process of maturing the disciples in their faith and life. He says, "Today the term 'discipling' has almost universally evolved to mean the process of spiritual perfecting - tutoring, learning, growing, maturing. Few discipling programs in churches today accurately reflect Christ's vision to make disciples, or measure their success on the basis of new disciples they produce. While the concept of spiritual maturation is important, an exclusive emphasis on spiritual growth often serves as an undesirable magnet pulling a Christian's focus increasingly inward as the concern for those outside the Body of Christ progressively decreases. In such a self-centered environment, the goal of fulfilling the Lord's Great Commission moves lower and lower as a priority."

I hope this fall to start a small group of those who want to overcome their fear of witnessing and learn how to actually do it. It will take more than six or eight weeks. Any takers?

BAZAAR 2011

Coming Saturday, November 5

We are in need of Jewelry for our Bling Bling booth in the Parlor.

We also need jelly jars for our jelly makers. Bring them soon to the church Office. We need Cookie Recipes for our "Cookie Recipe Book" celebrating our **45th**

Bazaar. Last Workshop will be August 17 at 1:30 to finish many projects started. See you there. Thanks

IT'S TIME TO BAKE THOSE BROWN, ROUND PEANUT-SIZED COOKIES AGAIN!!!

We need all of you wonderful helpers to mark your calendars to help bake pepper nuts to sell at the Church Bazaar Sat. Nov. 5. Our first session will be Friday, August 26th at 8:30 a.m. Thereafter, we will bake pepper nuts every two weeks on Friday for a total of 5 sessions: Sept. 9, Sept. 23. Oct. 7, Oct. 21. For more information contact Sharon Decker or

Don't forget to sign up to have your picture taken. You may call the church office or sign up on Sunday, July 31 before and after church. The Photographer will be here August 12 and 13. September 6, 7, and 8. There is no charge to have your picture taken and you will receive one picture and a directory free. There will be an opportunity to buy if you want.

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This newsletter has been prayerfully prepared for:



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Roy Pumphrey, Minister of Ministries
Roxie Truan, Office Secretary
Beverly Stigge, Choir Director
Barry Fulmer, Praise Team Leader
David Portlock, Custodian



GO TEAM Update

The Faith Promise money has been coming in and that's great! You are being faithful to your promise and we as a team want to be faithful in its distribution so it can be put to use in God's work. So far we have committed to giving Circles of Hope \$100 monthly to be used for their meals that they serve weekly to over 60 people. We have also decided to give Weekday Bible School \$500 to help them get their new school year started off. We are looking at other areas of need as well and considering what or who we will support on the national and international

levels. Please be in prayer with us for God's will in those decisions.

We would also like for you to check out the Global Outreach corner in Fellowship Foyer occasionally to see what we have up. Presently there are pictures from the GIC weekend. Previously there were thank you letters from the Weekday Bible School kids for the use of our church building. There is also information about short term mission trips through Volunteers in Mission (VIM).

If anyone has a story to share about how they got their faith promise money we would love to hear it.

Jay and Lois Anderson, Lea Ann Reber, Roy Pumphrey, Kay Ediger, LaRita Claassen.