

First News

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Dennis the Minister

Have you counted your blessings lately? Even with all the economic uncertainties, there are blessings to be appreciated - - family, friends, health, employment, shelter, food. We know that some people among us are struggling in one or more of these areas. Our hope is that they can still count blessings in the other areas. Our prayer is that we, as a church family, can support them in the difficult areas. Which prompts another question for all of us - - do you count your church family as a blessing? Do the ministries of this church impact you and your family in important ways?

It seems from our stewardship campaign last October that many of you do indeed appreciate the blessing this church is to you and others. As we focused on the ministries of the church, you responded with one of the largest pledge totals the church has received. Thank you for that and thank you for remaining current on those commitments.

As we move forward, may we remember the lessons from the Transfiguration which we reflected on last Sunday (Mark 9:2-9). During our "mountaintop moments with Jesus", may we heed God's voice out of the cloud, "This is my son whom I love. Listen to him." Whether in our devotional moments or when we gather for worship or during acts of service, may we hear and respond to his call to us, knowing that each of us will be guided differently.

Some will hear God calling them to be a prayer warrior for people in need and the ministries of the church. Some will be called to humble themselves and accept the assistance the church offers through its ministries, whether emotional, spiritual or financial. Some will be called to give generously out of their resources to the Pastors' Discretionary Fund or to agencies like CCA or Austin Street. Some will be called to passionate support of our church's vision for renovated and targeted facilities which will position the church for newer or stronger ministries ahead.

When we come down from those mountaintop moments of personal discernment, may we continue to heed the voice of Jesus. May we take whatever faith we have, even if it's mixed with doubt and uncertainty, and offer it to him (Mark 9:24). And may we respect others as they do the same, even if their calling is different from ours (Mark 9:38-40).

Grace and Peace,



Looking Ahead to Worship

"Follow the Lenten Brick Road"

Sunday, March 1st
Holy Communion Served
Traditional Service

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

Contemporary Service

Rev. Ashleigh Joyner, preaching
Sanctuary, 9:45 am

Sunday, March 8th

Traditional Service

Rev. Ashleigh Joyner, preaching
Sanctuary, 8:30 am
Rev. Dennis Wilkinson, preaching
Sanctuary 11:00 am

Contemporary Service

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

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Daylight Savings Time Begins March 8th

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed Saturday evening, March 7th.

THE POWER OF G *Lent*

"Follow the Lenten Brick Road"

Ash Wednesday
February 25th

Psalm 25:4-5 - "Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long."

12:00-1:00 pm "Come and Go" ashes in the Chapel
7:00-8:00 pm Worship Service in the Sanctuary

First Sunday of Lent
March 1st - Trust

"Does Trust Take Heart?"
Mark 2:1-12



"Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them." -Mark 2:3

Third Sunday of Lent
March 15th - Wisdom

"What Guides You, Knowledge or Wisdom?"
1 Corinthians 2:6-13

"Not a wisdom of this age." - 1 Cor. 2:6



Second Sunday of Lent
March 8th - Fear

"Have You Had Your Fear Shot?"
Mark 5:35-43

"Do not fear, only believe." - Mark 5:36



Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 22nd - Security

"Is There No Place Like Home?"
Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to me ... I will give you rest." - Matt. 11:28



Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 29th - Hope

"Who Gives You Hope?"
Hebrews 6:19-20

"Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf." - Heb. 6:20



Palm Sunday - April 5th

Easter - April 12th

8:00 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
9:30 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
9:30 am Heartfire Service in the Rotunda
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary



Career Transition Group ...

for those in the church family and community who may be in job transition or underemployed meets Mondays at 7:00 pm in Room 301.

If you are employed and willing to meet with one of the group members for an informational interview (candidate will not ask for a job but will seek your advice and direction to go in for their job search) then please email your name, title, email address, phone and company name to doug.powers@lpl.com. Doug will protect your privacy and only distribute your contact information to candidates specifically asking for networking names in your field.

In The Garden: The Lenten Journey

Saturday, February 28th from 9:30-11:30 am. Led by Rev. Susan Bryan. No charge. For more information contact Susan at the church.

**New Adult Study Group
this Winter/Spring
with Pam Dickinson-Noris**




**Knitting:
Sticks and String:
Beginning Knitting**



Children's Sabbath

Many thanks to all of our young friends who helped lead us in an important worship service on February 15th. Several kids rang bells, sang, read scripture, prayers, and ushered. And the bulletin artwork by Kids in Mission was so beautiful. You were such a special reminder of our special young friends around the world and their needs. We will be delivering the baby items this Tuesday to New Hope Learning Center in Lewisville.

Ways For Your Family to Serve During Lent

Please pick up a handout from one of the children's worship folder tables in the narthex. On it you will find 30+ ways for your family to serve our brothers and sisters during Lent and throughout the year. Also on the tables you will find a special activity booklet for the season of Lent. It is written for 6-8 year olds and has several fun puzzles and games to help your child learn about the season of Lent and Easter.

Sunday School Surveys

- **Sunday School Teachers (3-year olds to 5th graders)** – Please give us your feedback so that we may continue to improve the Sunday School ministry of FUMC for teachers and students. You can complete the survey online (<http://www.ahasurveys.com/se.ashx?s=0B87B7ED3EA73045>), or fill out this survey and return it to the church office or email it to allison.groom@verizon.net. Please return this survey by March 29th.
- **Sunday School Parents (3-year olds to 5th graders)** – Please give us your feedback so that we may continue to improve the Sunday School ministry of FUMC for teachers and students. You can complete the survey online (<http://www.ahasurveys.com/se.ashx?s=0B87B7ED3EA33045>), or fill out this survey and return it to the church office or email it to allison.groom@verizon.net. Please return this survey by March 29th.



Crazy Christians and Jumpin' Jehoshaphats

Join the fun on Sunday, March 1st as we have another onsite meeting of the CC's and JJ's. We will gather in Smartt Hall from 3:30-5:00 pm for snacks, recreation and mission. CC's and JJ's are 2nd through 5th grade children meeting together on a monthly basis for fellowship and mission. Friends are welcome, and guest enrollment forms are available for them in the church office or at the check in table on Sunday. For more information, please contact kwilliams@fumccoppell.org.

Crazy Christians Spring Retreat

Enrollment forms are available for Crazy Christians Spring Retreat to Sky Ranch! Participants will depart at 8:30 am on Saturday, March 28th and return by 12:30 pm on Sunday, March 29th. Enrollment is limited, and retreat forms and fees are due by March 1st. Participants and parents are reminded to attend a brief meeting on Sunday, March 1st at 3:00 pm in Room 209 to discuss retreat guidelines and sign release forms.

Donations Needed for God's Beautiful School Children

Please help our long time church member friend and first year teacher Elizabeth Schaefer Mathews. Central Elementary is a Title One school in Carrollton with virtually all students qualifying for free and reduced lunch. Please help her equip students with the tools to be successful next year in second grade, and in life. These items (except Kleenex) will be used for the kids to work on school projects at home. We will collect the following items in a box in Wesley Hall through Sunday, March 8th. Thank you for your help!

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| ✓ Crayons | ✓ Pencils |
| ✓ Glue or Glue Sticks | ✓ Markers |
| ✓ Scissors | ✓ Kleenex |
| ✓ WIDE RULE Notebook Paper | |
| ✓ Gently used or new storybooks (non-faith based) for kindergarten or first grade level | |

Created by God/A Human Sexuality Seminar for 5th-6th Graders

Thank you to the awesome parents and adults who served as leaders for the weekend. This is one of the most important events we do for the young people of our church and community, so thank you for supporting this church with your financial gifts to make it happen each year!

Intergenerational Mission Retreat

Please mark October 23-25, 2009 on your calendars for an intergenerational mission retreat to Bridgeport. The purpose is twofold, we will be doing missional work to help our UMC campground (remember the Aaron Wilkinson memorial playground is there) and also get kids excited about going there for summer camp. Our hope is to get several individuals and families of all shapes and ages. We will leave after work on Friday and return Sunday afternoon. For now, please just save the date. More details and registration information will come late summer. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Scott jscott@fumccoppell.org.

Calling all Campers....

VBS 2009
Camp E.D.G.E.

Experience and Discover God Everywhere

June 15th – 19th

for children entering Kindergarten through entering Sixth Grade
(2009-2010 school year)

Mark Your Calendars
You Won't Want to Miss This Adventure
And if You are Really Adventurous....
We are Looking for Some Great Camping Guides!!!

Please contact
Jennifer Scott: jscott@fumccoppell.org
Marnie Cranmer: mrmrscran@aol.com
Susan Rodgers: srodge@aol.com

We can't camp without you!!

Registration Information:

- Forms available in Wesley Hall for pick-up on April 5th
- Registration begins - April 19th
- Registration ends** – May 31st
 - **This is the FINAL date for registration. Any forms received after this date will be dated and timed in order to prioritize them. IF there is space available, Directors or the Enrollment leader will contact them to let them know.
- Cost - \$10 per child with \$30 per family maximum. Includes t-shirt for each child and ONE music CD for each family.



Confirmation Interviews ...

will be held during the month of April. Sign up sheets for confirmand/pastor/staff visits will be available in Wesley Hall on Sunday mornings beginning on March 1st. Confirmands are expected to schedule a 30-minute visit with a pastor or staff member in order to discuss their confirmation experience and share their readiness to join the church. Confirmands will also have the opportunity to ask questions they may have regarding this important experience. During the week, confirmands may contact the church office at 972-462-0471 to schedule an interview.

Our Rescheduled Field Trip ...

to Temple Emmanuel is planned for Friday, March 27th from 4:15-8:00 pm. The field trip includes travel time, a tour, and a worship service. Medical release/permission to transport forms are needed for each confirmand attending the field trip. To reserve a spot or ask questions, please contact Marnie Crawford at marniecrawford@verizon.net.



Special Music Concert

The music ministry is proud to host the Cantoria Alberto Grau from Venezuela in Concert on Tuesday, March 3rd in the Rotunda. The all women's choir is famous around the world for their amazing and wonderful concerts that include exuberant music from their folk traditions. The choir is in America touring as invited guests of the American Embassy and the American Choral Director's Association. Later this year, they will sing at the coveted ACDA convention in Oklahoma City. This is a once in a life opportunity that you will not want miss. The concert is free, so bring the kids and a friend.


Youth Choir

Come be a part of Youth Choir for youth ages 6th-12th grade. It isn't just for opera singers. Youth Choir is for youth who like to have fun by hanging with your friends, learning how to sing, and serving the church through song.

We meet on Sundays in the Choir Room - Middle School youth from 5:30-6:30 pm and High School youth from 4:00-5:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Henry Waters at hwaters@fumccoppell.org.

Chancel Choir...

is open to anyone, regardless of ability level, that loves to sing and be part of a warm Christian Fellowship. We laugh, we play, we sing and you surely will have a great time in the Chancel Choir. We meet Wednesday evenings from 7:15-8:45 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Nathan Frank at nfrank@fumccoppell.org.



is available through email or on the church website. To ensure that you receive it, please notify Kay Thomas kthomas@fumccoppell.org of your correct email address. Next article deadline is March 4th.



Dinner Away, March 1st

On Sunday, March 1st we'll be heading to our new Chipotle's for dinner after UMYF and choirs. The schedule will be just like normal except we will have River Worship at 5:00 pm and we'll head out for dinner at 6:30 pm. Please arrange to be picked up by 8:00 pm at the restaurant. Don't forget to bring your money for dinner. Those who can drive will be allowed to do drive themselves and siblings only. All others must ride with one of the adult drivers. We will need parent volunteers to help drive kids that night. If you are able, please let Drew know. Thank you for helping us.

Take Note

NO UMYF on March 15th, 22nd (Spring Break), or April 12th (Easter).

Palm Sunday Planning Meeting

All seniors and others interested are invited to the Rotunda on March 29th at noon. Please contact Drew or Rev. Ashleigh.

Come Join us This Summer in the Colorado Rockies!

Camp Pike dates are July 10th-18th.

Registration is as follows:

- Campers with 3 or more years on the mountain can register now.
- Campers with 1 or 2 years on the mountain may register March 2nd-6th.
- Open registration begins March 8th.

Registration forms will be e-mailed to previous campers and can be found in the church office. Please turn in all forms and deposits to the church office.

If you have any questions or concerns please e-mail camp-pike@tx.rr.com. Hope to see you at the top!



Joined
February 22nd

Carol Sheer



2009 Costa Rica Mission Trip

The 2009 mission trip to Costa Rica is scheduled for June 6th-13th. Brochures about the trip are available at the missions table in Wesley



Hall or in the church office. There is space for 18 people on the trip. Youth who have completed their sophomore year are eligible to go with an adult "sponsor". Youth who have completed their freshman year are eligible to go with a parent. The total trip cost will be \$1,100. **Registration**

closes March 1st. To register, turn in a completed registration form (from the brochure) and a \$100 non-refundable deposit to the church office. For more information about the trip contact Amanda Glassey (aglassey@linbeck.com) or Billy Faught (billy.faught@verizon.net). We expect a full trip this year so be sure and register early!

Microfinance

If you think the economy is tough and credit is tight, think about what it must be for those in the third world. You are making a difference. Check out our FUMC Coppell KIVA website to learn more about the entrepreneurs you have helped through small microloans this school year. Since October we have made 128 loans worth \$6,900 so far around the world. Visit these links to see pictures and read the stories about the people you have helped through our FUMC KIVA website. To learn more or to help, contact Mark Alcorn/Missions Chair, markjalcorn@gmail.com.

http://www.kiva.org/community/viewTeam/?team_id=1643

http://www.kiva.org/community/viewTeamLoans/?team_id=1643

Mission Trip to South Africa *God's Golden Acre Children's Home*

This summer we will spend 2 weeks in the heart of the Kwa Zulu Nation serving a group of children orphaned by the AIDS crisis. Note that the trip this summer is much shorter and there are 10 spots available.

When: June 21st-July 6th

Tentative Cost: \$2,500 ***Note: The cost does not reflect any donations or fundraising dollars we will be collecting in the weeks to come. Hopefully the above amount will be substantially reduced!***If you would like to join us, please contact Katy Rehm at katy.rehm@gmail.com. Be the change and be changed!



Lydia Patterson Mission Trip

Coppell First United Methodist Church has been allocated July 13th-17th for our mission trip to Lydia Patterson. There will be plenty of work to be performed. Please prayerfully consider attending this wonderful opportunity in El Paso. Each participant will have to arrange for transportation to and from El Paso but the school will provide a place to sleep each night. The house where the team stays has a full kitchen and there are grocery stores close by. If you have questions, please contact Clyde Vasey at 972-506-9311.



Connections Band is Coming

FUMC is pleased to announce a benefit coffeehouse concert at 7:00 pm on Saturday, March 7th in Wesley Hall at the church. Connections Band will perform live a music tribute, showcasing the music of Carole King and James Taylor. This band is led by United Methodist pastors with a compliment of lay-musicians rounding out the lineup. Adding local flavor, the show features Coppell resident Lisa Rucker on vocals and saxophone. You will hear favorites such as "Jazzman", "Sweet Seasons", "Fire and Rain", "How Sweet it is to be Loved by You", and many more. Admission is free. An offering will be taken during the show to benefit *Nothing But Nets*. Desserts and coffee will also be offered.

Connections Band has been performing live for several years, raising money for the United Methodist Committee on Relief, and/or Nothing But Nets. The band has developed a faithful following, but first-time listeners are still pleasantly surprised at just how good this band is. They have been called, "stunningly good," "impressive," and "lots of fun." This show is family friendly. For more information about the band, visit their website at www.connectionsband.net.



Join us each Wednesday evening in Wesley Hall from 6:00-7:00 pm. Reservations required. You can pay on Sunday morning in Wesley Hall or call the church office (972-462-0471) by 5:00 pm on Monday. Price is adults-\$5, children-\$4, maximum family amount-\$15.

First UMC Sermons Online

New! You can now select to listen to sermons through the Podcast option. When you go to the church's website, www.fumccoppell.org, simply select the Podcast subscription icon just below the text on the "Worship" / "Sermons" page to initiate the process. Then you just select the Podcast option under Library in iTunes and select the "Sermons" entry to reveal all of the sermon podcasts.

And a Little Child Shall Lead Them ...

Throughout the Christmas season we enjoyed introducing all the Christmas classics to our two-year old daughter Allyson. She loved to hear the tunes and would sometimes even be caught singing herself to sleep with some of her favorites. One day long after the holidays were over I asked her what song she wanted to sing and she said "Silent Night." At first I thought, well, that's silly-we sing Silent Night during the Christmas season. And then I started to think. She was right. Jesus lives in our heart all year long so let's sing it out loud! It's so precious that she loves this song so much and I will forever sing along with her no matter what season it is!



Submitted by Brynn Hodder

**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.



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.

Serve Communion: Blessing is Overwhelming

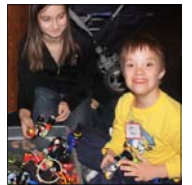
Every member is invited to serve communion on the first Sunday of each month. Please sign up on the blue communion poster in Wesley Hall or email Margie Marek, davemarek1@verizon.net, to let her know which month and which service time you would like. If you have never served, please push yourself to volunteer as the blessing received is overwhelming. Instructions will be sent to you to make it easier. If you would like to discuss, call Margie at 972-745-7275.



Saturday Night of Rest

Thank you to the 30 plus volunteers that made our January Saturday Night of Rest a success. Join us Saturday, April 25th, 5:00-8:30 pm and put a smile on a child's face while we play and share God's

love with our special friends. Contact Heather Shaw at hshaw@fumccoppell.org to volunteer.



Census Bureau Opens Job Line for the 2010 Census

The Census Bureau has launched a critical national effort for every person in our nation to "Be Counted" in the 2010 Census that will affect the apportionment of federal assistance of congressional seats, and how the federal government annually allocates \$300 billion in federal assistance to communities. Operations have already begun and the Census Bureau needs to recruit hundreds of workers in the area to ensure a complete and accurate count in 2010. Call the 2010 Census Job line 866-861-2010 to schedule a basic employment test.

Bread Ministry Needs

The Bread Ministry delivers bread and information packets to our first time visitors. Please help us keep our bread ministry stocked with your **homemade bread**. If you could bake some loaves and bring them to the church, we have freezer space available in the small kitchen off of Wesley Hall.

The Bread Ministry Bakers Corner



Cinnamon Loaf

1 package yellow cake mix with pudding	3 Tbsp. ground cinnamon
4 large eggs	3/4 cup water
3/4 cup vegetable oil	1 tsp vanilla
	1/2 cup sugar

Directions:

Beat cake mix, eggs, oil, water and vanilla with a mixer at high speed for 3 minutes. Pour half of the batter into a greased and floured loaf pan. Stir together sugar and cinnamon; sprinkle half of the sugar mixture over batter in loaf pan. Pour in the remaining batter and sprinkle with the remaining sugar mixture. Gently swirl with a knife. Bake at 350° for 50 minutes or until a toothpick in the center comes out clean.



Calendar for February 25th - March 10th

Wednesday, February 25

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 10:00 am-12:00 pm Disciple 1
 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Ash Wednesday "Come and Go" in the Chapel
 4:30 pm-5:15 pm Alpha Ringers
 4:30 pm-5:30 pm Kids in Mission
 5:30 pm-6:15 pm Children's Choir (4 yr-2nd)
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Children's Choir (3rd-5th)
 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Good To Go Café
 6:00 pm-7:30 pm Small Grp Mtg
 6:30 pm-7:15 pm Celebration Ringers
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm H.S. Girls Bible Study
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm Middle School Small Grps
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Pastor's Study Grp
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth Disciple Bible Study
 7:15 pm-8:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 26

7:00 am-8:00 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
 9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-11:30 am P.E.A.R.L.S.
 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Women's Reading Grp
 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Financial Peace University

Friday, February 27

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 5:00 pm-10:00 pm JD Williams Cotillion

Saturday, February 28

4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre
 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball
 9:30 am-11:30 am In the Prayer Garden: Mornings Apart

Sunday, March 1

8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am
 9:45 am-10:45 am Worship Services
 12:00 pm-2:00 pm Sunday School
 12:00 pm-2:00 pm Nursery CPR Training
 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Stephen Ministry Luncheon
 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Ruach Wind Ensemble
 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Beginning Knitting 1
 3:00 pm-3:30 pm CC's Retreat Mtg
 3:00 pm-3:30 pm Exaltation Ringers
 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Chapel Ringers
 3:30 pm-5:00 pm Beginning Knitting 2
 3:30 pm-5:00 pm CC & JJ's
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Middle School UMYF
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm High School Choir Rehearsal
 5:00 pm-5:30 pm River Worship
 5:00 pm-6:00 pm Shalom Ringers
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm High School UMYF
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Middle School Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 1 (continued)

6:00 pm-7:30 pm Hungry for the Word
 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Youth Dinner Away
 7:30 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study

Monday, March 2

6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp
 9:00 am-10:00 am Yoga
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm Hearthstone Worship Service
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Men's Basketball
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Yoga
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Career Transition
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm UMW Lydia Circle
 8:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth Cell Grp

Tuesday, March 3

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-10:45 am Staff Mtg
 9:30 am-11:30 am Disciple 2
 6:00 pm-8:30 pm Cantoria Alberto Grau Choir from Venezuela
 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Intro to Spanish
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm UMW Rachel Circle
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Band Rehearsal
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Trustees Mtg

Wednesday, March 4

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 10:00 am-12:00 pm Disciple 1
 4:30 pm-5:15 pm Alpha Ringers
 4:30 pm-5:30 pm Kids in Mission
 5:30 pm-6:15 pm Children's Choir (4 yr-2nd)
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Children's Choir (3rd-5th)
 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Good To Go Café
 6:30 pm-7:15 pm Celebration Ringers
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm H.S. Girls Bible Study
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm Middle School Small Grps
 6:40 pm-7:15 pm Revelation Choir
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Pastor's Study Grp
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth Disciple Bible Study
 7:15 pm-8:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 5

7:00 am-8:00 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
 9:00 am-12:00 pm Stringfellow Board Mtg
 9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Women's Reading Grp
 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer
 6:30 pm-8:30 pm Group Spiritual Direction
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Financial Peace University
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth "ONE" Service

Friday, March 6

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #2763
 6:00 pm-Sunday Women's Retreat

Saturday, March 7

4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre
 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball
 7:00 pm-10:00 pm Connections Band Concert

Sunday, March 8

8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am
 9:45 am-10:45 am Worship Services
 12:00 pm-5:00 pm Sunday School
 12:00 pm-5:00 pm McSundays Youth Fundraiser
 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Ruach Wind Ensemble
 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Beginning Knitting 1
 2:30 pm-4:00 pm Story of Christianity
 3:00 pm-3:30 pm Exaltation Ringers
 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Chapel Ringers
 3:30 pm-5:00 pm Beginning Knitting 2
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Task Force Team Mtg
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Middle School UMYF
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm High School Choir Rehearsal
 5:00 pm-5:30 pm UMYF Snack Supper
 5:00 pm-6:00 pm Shalom Ringers
 5:00 pm-6:00 pm COE Mtg
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm High School UMYF
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Middle School Choir Rehearsal
 6:00 pm-7:30 pm Hungry for the Word
 6:30 pm-7:00 pm River Worship
 7:30 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study

Monday, March 9

6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp
 9:00 am-10:00 am Yoga
 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Stephen Ministry
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Men's Basketball
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Yoga
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm In-Home Gathering #1
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Career Transition
 8:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth Cell Grp

Tuesday, March 10

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-10:45 am Staff Mtg
 9:30 am-11:30 am Disciple 2
 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Intro to Spanish
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm UMW Susannah Circle
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Band Rehearsal

Note: Be sure to check the weekly calendar in the Sunday bulletin or church website for any additions and/or changes to the calendar.

 **First Church Finances At a Glance**

February Financial Information

Offerings and Other Income to Date	\$ 127,080
Expenditures to Date	\$ 111,992
Surplus to Date	\$ 15,088
FLC/Ministry Center Gifts to Date	\$ 2,112
Mortgage Principal Receipts to Date	\$ 1,045

YTD Financial Information

Offerings and Other Income	\$ 318,856
Expenditures	\$ 283,079
Surplus	\$ 35,777
FLC/Ministry Center Gifts	\$ 3,655
Mortgage Principal Receipts	\$ 1,870

Financial Summary

Total Mortgage Principal Gifts to Date	\$ 224,106
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March 26th - 28th

7:30 pm

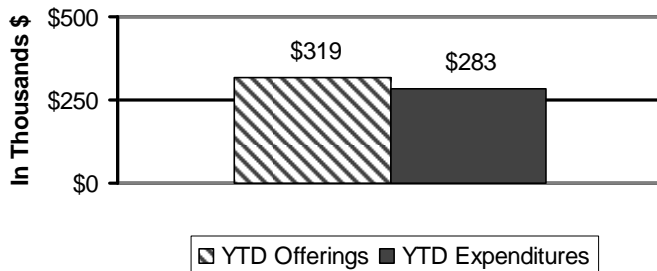
March 29th

2:30 pm

Tickets \$5-\$20

Tickets available in Wesley Hall on Sunday mornings or in the Church Office during the week.

YTD Offerings vs. YTD Expenditures



Online Giving - Gifts can be made for our general church budget and/or other donation purposes (excluding program or event fees or retreat payments) through your checking account, savings account or credit card on-line through our website, www.fumccoppell.org. Go to "Membership" and select "Donations".

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)
Nathan Frank	Director of Music	(216)
Henry Waters	Associate Director of Music	(203)
Deanna Goodman	Director of Children's Music	(228)
Andy Packard	Pianist	
Mark Cozart	Heartfire Band Leader	
Drew Sher	Director of Youth Ministries	(217)
Kelly Williams	Assistant to Children's Ministries	
Heather Shaw	Assistant to Children's Ministries	
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)
Rusty Nickols	Operations Manager	(234)
Dena Nichols	Stringfellow School	(972-393-0698)

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

First United Methodist Church
420 S Hartz Rd
Coppell, TX 75019

Return Service Requested

SCRIP ORDER FORM

Revised 2/23/2009

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.

You may mail your order directly to the church office c/o Nathan Frank (420 S Hertz, Coppell 75019). If you would like your order mailed back to you, please include a stamped self-addressed envelope with your order.

*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>Vendor</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Amt Each</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Choir Profit</u>	<u>Rcvd</u>
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Automotive

Chevron		\$ 50		1.5%	
Exxon/Mobil		\$ 50		1.5%	
Shell		\$ 25		1.5%	

Travel

American Airlines		\$ 100		8%	
American Airlines		\$ 250		8%	
Hyatt		\$ 25		9%	
Hyatt		\$ 100		9%	
Marriott		\$ 50		12%	
Marriott		\$ 100		12%	

Grocery Stores

HEB		\$ 25		3%	
Kroger		\$ 25		5%	
Kroger		\$ 100		5%	
Tom Thumb		\$ 25		5%	
Tom Thumb		\$ 100		5%	

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Amt Each</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Choir Profit</u>	<u>Rcvd</u>
Restaurants					
Applebee's		\$ 25		8%	
Arby's		\$ 10		8%	
Boston Market		\$ 10		12%	
Burger King		\$ 10		4%	
California Pizza Kitchen		\$ 10		4%	
Cheesecake Factory		\$ 25		5%	
Chili's		\$ 25		11%	
Chipotle		\$ 10		6%	
Chuck E Cheese		\$ 10		8%	
Cracker Barrel		\$ 10		9%	
Dave & Buster's		\$ 25		8%	
Denny's		\$ 10		7%	
Domino's		\$ 5		5%	
Fat Daddy's		\$ 25		20%	
Honey Baked Ham		\$ 10		12%	
Jack in the Box		\$ 10		4%	
Joe's Crab Shack		\$ 25		9%	
Kentucky Fried Chicken		\$ 5		9%	
Mimis Cafe		\$ 25		5%	
Ole's Tex-Mex		any size		15%	
Olive Garden/Red Lobster		\$ 25		9%	
On The Border		\$ 20		11%	
Outback Steakhouse/Carraba's		\$ 25		4%	
Panera Bread		\$ 10		9%	
Papa John's		\$ 10		6%	
P.F. Chang		\$ 25		7%	
Pizza Hut		\$ 10		9%	
Ruth's Chris Steakhouse		\$ 50		10%	
Saltgrass/Rainforest Café/Landry's		\$ 25		9%	
Starbucks Coffee		\$ 10		7%	
Starbucks Coffee		\$ 25		7%	
Subway		\$ 10		3%	
TGI Fridays		\$ 25		8%	
Wendy's		\$ 10		4%	

Vendor Qty Amt Total Choir Rcvd
Each Profit

Retail Stores

Ace Hardware		\$ 25		4%	
AMC		\$ 25		7%	
Amazon.com		\$ 25		4%	
American Eagle Outfitters		\$ 25		8%	
American Express		\$ 100		1.25%	
American Express		\$ 200		1.25%	
Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton		\$ 10		9%	
Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton		\$ 25		9%	
Bass Pro		\$ 25		7%	
Bath & Body Works		\$ 10		17%	
Bath & Body Works		\$ 25		17%	
Bed, Bath and Beyond		\$ 25		7%	
Best Buy		\$ 25		2%	
Best Buy		\$ 100		2%	
Blockbuster Video		\$ 4		15%	
Blockbuster Video		\$ 10		7%	
Borders/Waldenbooks		\$ 10		8%	
Borders/Waldenbooks		\$ 25		8%	
Build A Bear		\$ 25		8%	
Cinemark Theatres		\$ 25		14%	
Claire's		\$ 10		7%	
Container Store		\$ 25		9%	
Crate and Barrel		\$ 25		8%	
CVS Pharmacy		\$ 25		2%	
Dillard's		\$ 25		9%	
Dillard's		\$ 100		9%	
Express/Structure		\$ 25		13%	
Family Christian Stores		\$ 25		9%	
GameStop		\$ 25		3%	
Home Depot		\$ 25		4%	
Home Depot		\$ 100		4%	
Home Depot		\$ 500		4%	
iTunes		\$ 15		4%	
J C Penney		\$ 25		5%	
J C Penney		\$ 100		5%	

Vendor Qty Amt Choir Profit Rcvd
Each Total

Retail Stores

Jo Ann Fabrics		\$ 20		6%	
Kohl's		\$ 25		4%	
Kohl's		\$ 100		4%	
Land's End		\$ 25		9%	
Limited		\$ 25		9%	
L.L. Bean		\$ 25		15%	
Lowe's		\$ 25		4%	
Lowe's		\$ 100		4%	
Macy's		\$ 25		9%	
Macy's		\$ 100		9%	
Men's Warehouse		\$ 25		7%	
Michaels		\$ 25		4%	
Office Depot		\$ 25		4%	
Office Max		\$ 25		4%	
Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic		\$ 25		9%	
Payless Shoes		\$ 20		13%	
Pier 1		\$ 25		9%	
Pottery Barn/Williams-Sonoma		\$ 25		8%	
Radio Shack		\$ 25		4%	
Regal/ United Artist		\$ 25		8%	
Ross		\$ 25		8%	
Sally Beauty		\$ 25		8%	
Sears		\$ 25		4%	
Sears		\$ 100		4%	
Sephora		\$ 20		4%	
Sports Authority		\$ 25		8%	
Staples		\$ 25		5%	
Talbots		\$ 25		8%	
TJMaxx/Marshalls/HomeGoods		\$ 25		7%	
Toys "R" Us/Kids "R" Us/ Babies		\$ 20		1.5%	
Wal-Mart		\$ 25		2%	
Wal-Mart		\$ 100		2%	
Walgreens		\$ 25		2%	