

First News

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Dennis the Minister

Grand Easter

Thanks to everyone who made our Easter worship so wonderful - - to the people remembered and honored by the lilies, the ones who took care to buy the lilies, the instrumentalists and vocalists in our music ministry, the worship committee and church staff who made sure everything was in place and looked just right, the joy-filled and enthusiastic worshippers who came on a rainy morning.

Making It Last

Are you slowly nibbling on your chocolate bunny to make Easter last longer? How about if we make sure we do that in worship too? It's very easy to celebrate Christ's resurrection and then be done with it. So join us for worship through the Easter season (all the way to Pentecost on May 31st) as Ashleigh and I offer a series of sermons based on the various post-resurrection appearances of Christ. Let resurrection HOPE last a few more weeks!

April 26 th	Hope in Doubt	John 20:24-29
May 3 rd	Hope in a Meal	John 21:9-14
May 10 th	Hope in a Name	John 20:11-18
May 17 th	Hope for a Good Catch	John 21:1-8
May 24 th	Hope on a Walk	Luke 24:13-35

"Now faith is the assurance of things **hoped** for, the conviction of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1

Growing in Grace

With the energy of Easter in your faith and Springtime in your life, why not venture into a short-term study to bolster your spiritual experience and expression?

Beginning Wednesday, April 22nd at 7:00 pm, the Pastor's Study Group will start a new book, *The Weathering Grace of God* by Ken Gire. We will meet for six weeks, concluding on May 27th. Books may be purchased by calling Kathy Baker in the office.

Then beginning June 10th and running through July 15th on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm, join your pastors (Dennis, Susan, Ashleigh) for a great foundational/refresher study entitled "Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense". Sign up with Kathy Baker in the office.

Watch Out!

Things coming in the next eight weeks: Stringfellow Sunday, Confirmation, Mozart Mania, Senior Sunday, Annual Conference (Ashleigh Joyner and Frank Rahm to be ordained on June 8th).

Grace and Peace,

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Looking Ahead to Worship

Sunday, April 26th

Stringfellow Sunday

Traditional Service

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

Contemporary Service

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

Sunday, May 3rd

Holy Communion Served
Confirmation Sunday

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

Town Hall for Hope with Dave Ramsey

Tired of hearing the fear, doom and gloom that's filling the airwaves? Join Dave Ramsey for a nationwide town hall meeting and discover what's happening with the economy, how we got here, and where we're going. Plus, Dave will answer your questions live throughout the event! Dave hosts a nationally syndicated radio show and is a best selling author on the subject of financial management.

Join us for this free event April 23rd at 7:00 pm in the FUMC sanctuary as we stand together to reignite the fire of hope!



United Methodist Women Spring Dinner

The Spring Dinner is just around the corner! The dinner will be held in Wesley Hall on April 30th at 6:30 pm. Cost is \$8 per person and all women of the church are welcome. Each circle is invited to decorate tables to their own ideas and tastes.

We will have a local mission for the Genesis Center (see more about this on page 5) and a mission moment from our own, Sandy York on her recent trip to Africa. Tickets will be on sale at circle meetings, Sunday, April 26th between services, as well as at the door. Please contact Sandra Crawford at 972-939-4799 or sandra.crawford@verizon.net for more information. We are looking forward to seeing all of you there!



In the Garden: Morning Apart Listening to God

Saturday, May 2nd, 9:30–11:30 am

Led by Rev. Susan Bryan in Biggerstaff Prayer Garden
(We will meet inside in case of rain.)

A time of rest and prayer in the midst of busy lives, with time for community and private reflection. Please RSVP if coming by Wednesday, April 29th to Susan at sbryan@fumcoppell.org

Career Transitions 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 off of Wesley Fellowship Hall. The group is seeking church members who have contacts/expertise for brief informational interviews or possible job referrals. Please email jerry.alexander@utdallas.edu if you are able to assist.

Stephen Ministers Need YOU!

We have 10 new Stephen Ministers and they are ready to care for our church members and people in the community! They have been especially trained to care for people going through difficult life situations. You and your Stephen Minister agree on the date/time (usually meeting weekly) and the place. There is no charge and everything is confidential. If you or someone you know will say YES to having a Stephen Minister, please contact Rev. Susan Bryan at 972-462-0471 or sbryan@fumcoppell.org.



Homebound Friends Ministry Starting

Congregational Care announces a new ministry to our homebound members of FUMC. If you are or know of a homebound member who would like to have a visit once or twice a month from a friend from FUMC, please contact Rev. Susan Bryan at 972-462-0471, ext. 215 or sbryan@fumcoppell.org.

Summer Adult Study Group *Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense* by N.T. Wright

A video based series that offers a fresh presentation of the timeless truths of Christianity, making the case that faith is reasonable and rewarding for us today. Topics to be explored and discussed will include: Justice and spirituality, Relationships and beauty, God, Israel, Jesus, The Holy Spirit, Worship and Prayer, Scripture, Church and New Creation.

10 Weeks, starting June 10th, Wednesdays, 6:30–8:00 pm

Led by Pastors - Dennis, Ashleigh and Susan

Participant's guide - \$8; Book (optional) \$17

Sign up – kbaker@fumcoppell.org

What is Your Story?

All of us have either gone through difficult times in our lives or will go through difficult times. Wouldn't it be great if your story could help someone going through a similar circumstance? We are accumulating stories of people's personal journeys with the hope that they will reach those of us who are struggling. Topics could include: loss, divorce, cancer, death of a spouse, long-term care-giving, addiction, mental illness, criminal history, HIV/AIDS, sexual identity, death of a child, loss of mobility, chronic illness, terminal illness, abortion, rape, sexual abuse, unemployment, infidelity, pornography, financial distress, loss of vision or hearing, infertility, miscarriage, other.

Please prayerfully consider writing down your story to share with other. We will have them available in print at some future point for anyone who would benefit from them. Contact Dennis Wilkinson, Sarah Halstead at halstead42@tx.rr.com or Jeff Varnell at varnell@flash.net for further information, questions or to turn in your story.



Confirmation Notes

As we draw to a close in the experience of confirmation, we would like to thank all of our teachers, mentors, and parent volunteers for sharing their time and talent with our youth. The youth have grown in their faith and seen examples of Christian love through each of these adults. During the Service of Baptism and Confirmation, the youth will be reminded that their journey in faith has only begun, and we hope they will make every effort to continue to grow in their faith by making church presence a priority in their lives.

- **Saturday, May 2nd** – Service of Baptism and Confirmation for sixth grade classes, 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary, followed by fellowship and dessert in Wesley Hall.
- **Sunday, May 3rd** – Vows of Membership and Reception into the United Methodist Church during morning services at 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 am.
- **Sunday, May 3rd** – Service of Baptism and Confirmation for older youth class, 11:00 am worship.

Beginning on Sunday, May 10th, sixth grade youth will combine classes to meet in rooms 303 and 304.



Attention Current 5th Graders!

Now is the time to reserve your spot for Confirmation 2009-2010! Please return your green registration card to the church office by Friday, May 1st or email your information to kwilliams@fumccoppell.org.

New Hope Learning Center

If your family came to the egg hunt, your child may have participated in our missions craft by decorating a bank for New Hope Learning Center. Please encourage your child to fill their bank and bring to the New Hope box in Wesley Hall by **May 10th**. Your family may also help by bringing baby items (diapers, wipes, formula, food, etc.). Thank you!

Do Your Children Love the Special Events at First UMC?

We are looking for a few more faithful members of Children's Council for the coming year. We meet just 4 times per year and plan special Children's ministry events such as Birthday Party for Jesus (New in December 2009), Children's Sabbath (February), Celebration of Life Egg Hunt (March/April), Wonderful Wednesdays (July), and Halloween Carnival (October). Please consider serving the children of our church and community in this important way so that we may continue to have these special events. Please contact Jennifer Scott at jscott@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 208.



Happy Easter from Sunday School Class Kindergarten A

Children's Sunday School, Fall 2009

Are you looking for a way to serve in the church? Would you consider becoming a Sunday School teacher? The Commission on Education is looking for Sunday School teachers for 3 year old through 5th grade. We are in need of Summer Sunday School teachers and Sunday School teachers beginning in the fall of 2009. Thank you for prayerfully considering helping with this vital church ministry. You can sign up in Wesley Hall on Sunday morning or email Allison Groom at allison.groom@verizon.net



Stringfellow School News

a Children's Day Out and Preschool program for children ages 12 months to 5 years

- Please don't forget that enrollment and health forms for the 2009-2010 school year are due NOW!
- Stringfellow Sunday is April 26th, please join us.
- Last day of school will be Thursday, May 28th.

130 Reasons We Love Our Church

by the Children of First United Methodist Church, Coppell

Please ask your child/ren to give you one reason why they love their church. Encourage them to be creative and think of something that might be a little different than others. We are keeping a list and will find a fun way to publicize it for our 130th birthday this fall. Please email your child's name, age and response to jscott@fumccoppell.org.

Summer Camps at Bridgeport

Camp at Bridgeport is a life-changing event! Each day at camp is filled with Christian fellowship, creative worship, dynamic music, fun games, team building activities, arts and crafts, family groups, and outdoor recreation. Children and youth will have an incredible week having fun, making life-long friends, and growing in their faith in Christ. Below are the dates of children's camps for this summer. For more information, please go online to www.bridgeportcamp.com. We'd like to keep a list of our kids attending Bridgeport camp this summer, so please let Jennifer Scott know if you register for camp by contacting her at jscott@fumccoppell.org.

Children's Camp (Completed grades 3-5)

July 14-18 July 21-25 August 11-15 August 18-22

Music and Arts Camp (Completed grades 3-5)

June 9-13

SEEK Camp (Special Needs Campers)

June 9-13 (Ages 9-14) June 16-20 (Ages 15-20)



Congratulations to Sidney and Irene Gicheru on the birth of their daughter, Claire McKenna, on April 9th. Proud brother is Trevor.



Joined April 12th



Jayne Paradis



David, Wendy, Emily, Ashley and Courtney Rich



Scott Shelby and Erica Arwood

THE POWER OF G *Vacation Bible School*

Calling all Campers....

VBS 2009 Camp E.D.G.E. (Experience and Discover God Everywhere) will be June 15th-19th for children entering Kindergarten through entering Sixth Grade (2009-2010 school year).



- Enrollment Forms are available in Wesley Hall.
- Registration ends May 31st.
- Interested in being a VBS Camp Counselor (aka teacher). Please contact Cindy Wilson at cindywilson@verizon.net

Please contact Jennifer Scott jscott@fumccoppell.org, Marnie Cranmer mrmrscran@aol.com, or Susan Rodgers srodge@aol.com for more details!!

VBS Outreach Program

We would love to involve you in our outreach program this year. For the 4th year, we will provide transportation and breakfast and lunch for a small group of children from our community that might not have the opportunity to attend otherwise. You may not be able to work all day at Vacation Bible School in another capacity, but would be willing to help with driving or riding along to pick them up or drop them off each day. You might be able to help provide a breakfast or a lunch.

If you can help with meals, please contact Tanzy Ibanez at tibanez@msn.com. If you can help with transportation, please contact Beverly Smith at beverlys@rmdfw.com. Thank you!

THE POWER OF G *Youth*

SUMMER SCHEDULE

- ☺ Middle School High Mission Trip to SMA June 6-13
(deposit and registration due April 26th)
- ☺ Youth Choir Tour June 20-27
(deadline to register is May 1st)
- ☺ Camp Pike July 10-18
- ☺ High School Mission Trip August 1-8
(deposit and registration due April 26th)
- ☺ Youth Week August 17-21
- ☺ Back to School Retreat September 5-7

Registration Deadlines

All who are joining this year's mission teams (including adults) must have a current medical release form on file and must fill out an event registration form to be turned in with a \$50 deposit by Sunday, April 26th. If you have any questions or if the cost of the trip is a concern, please talk to Drew Sher, Director of Youth Ministries. Scholarship money is available on an as needed basis.

**Middle School Summer Mission
Sacramento United Methodist Assembly
in Sacramento, NM**

All those who have completed the 6th-8th grade are invited to participate. We are headed back to the United Methodist camp in Sacramento to help with restoration, minor repairs, and to finish clearing the hiking trail we have worked on for the past few years. We will leave on Saturday morning, June 6th and return on Saturday evening, June 13th. There are also some open spaces available for jr. counselors (9th-12th graders).



Cost for this experience of \$200 includes transportation, lodging, food, and supplies.

**High School Summer Mission
Center for Student Missions in Chicago, Illinois**

All those who have completed 9th-12th grade are invited to participate. We are headed to the "Windy City" for a time of serving those in need and learning about the issues of poverty and homelessness. Also as part of our experience will be taking in the cultural diversity of the city as we will eat dinners at various local ethnic restaurants. We will leave on Saturday morning, August 1st and return on Saturday night, August 8th.



Cost for this experience of \$300 includes: transportation, lodging, food, and supplies.



July 10th-18th

There are still spots available in the Senior High and Middle School camps. All forms and checks can be turned into the church office anytime from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Registration forms can be found in the church office or at the Camp Pike booth.

Go to our website at www.coppellyouth.com and click on the Camp Pike link; there you will find information about the camp and needed forms and packets. E-mail questions or concerns to: camp-pike@tx.rr.com.



Clothing Drive

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a clothing drive, with items collected going to the Genesis Women's Shelter. The shelter provides safe harbor for women and children who have left their home with little or nothing, and provide assistance for them to get their lives back on track. Please bring your gently used casual and dress clothes as well as accessories (i.e. belts, scarves) and place them at the UMW table in Wesley Hall on Sunday, April 26th or you can bring your items to the UMW Spring Dinner on April 30th. If you have questions, please contact Janet LaCaze at 972-393-7341.



Amigos Days

Work dates are Friday, April 24th; Saturday, April 25th; Friday, May 1st; and Saturday, May 2nd. Work to be done includes scraping and painting the trim (only) and replacing some rotting wood around windows and handrails. Depending upon the number of people who sign up, we may be able to complete the project on the first weekend. More information and pictures can be found on the Missions Table in Wesley Hall. Please consider participating in this spiritually rewarding event. If you have questions please contact Mike Ridgley, martoo@verizon.net or 214-498-8371.



CCA Kids Eat Free Children and Youth Mission Opportunity

We will be making lunches again this year for Christian Community Action's Kids Eat Free program and we are excited to be serving children a little closer to us this summer. The lunches will be on Tuesdays during Summer Break.

This will be a great opportunity to get your kids involved in a project this summer helping other kids in our community. We will be meeting and making the lunches on site at the Boys and Girls Clubhouse at Wellington Apartments at Sandy Lake and MacArthur.

Please contact Leslie Hicks at lhicks@sabrerealty.com or cell phone 972-743-0347 if you are interested in becoming part of the regular weekly team or if you would like to sign up to bring your kids for a couple of Tuesdays this summer.

Lydia Patterson Mission Trip

Our mission trip is scheduled for July 13th-17th to Lydia Patterson. There will be plenty of work to be performed. Please prayerfully consider attending this wonderful opportunity in El Paso. If you have questions, please contact Clyde Vasey at 972-506-9311.

Project Transformation Dates for the Summer!

We will be involved with Project Transformation again this year. We will serve two dinners for the interns and participate in reading to children two weeks this summer.

- The dinners we are hosting are Sunday, June 21st and Sunday, June 28th feeding approximately 100 interns.
- The week of readings will be June 8th-11th and July 6th-9th at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church in Farmers Branch. Fifteen volunteers are needed each day. High School Students are welcome to participate as well as older Middle School Students under the supervision of an adult. You can come one day or all week!

If you would like to help, please contact Melissa Potter at 972-956-9318 or melissajpotter@verizon.net.



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.

Youth Music Tour 2009



"Blazing the American Trail to Washington DC, Memphis, Nashville, and Knoxville."

June 20th-27th Price is \$450
Deadline to sign-up is May 1st

The trip is open to all youth that have participated in the Youth Choir, Ruach, Youth Bells, Youth Praise Band and Youth Musicals. To sign up contact Nathan Frank at nfrank@fumccoppell.org.





Bits & Pieces

Loving Hands Ministry

Our next Saturday Night Respite is April 25th. We would like to invite our special families to come bring their children for a few hours of fun and go out and enjoy themselves as well. Please respond to Kathy Braem at kbraem@fumccoppell.org by Tuesday, April 21st. We look forward to seeing you.

Also, we have some friends that need a buddy to accompany them during our Sunday School hour and Saturday Night of Rest. What a wonderful way to show God's love to some people that are so very deserving. I want to thank those of you who already give of your time and we would love to see some new faces as well. If you are interested in either or both of these opportunities, please contact Kathy Braem at kbraem@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-7320.



Attention High Schoolers

If you are looking for volunteer hours, we can help you! The Stringfellow preschoolers need help maintaining their garden. Work after school or on weekends. If interested, contact Clare Baldwin, Outdoor Learning teacher, tabaggon5@aol.com, 972-965-5739.



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. Last dinner for the school year will be May 13th.

Methodists for Life Coppell Relay for Life 2009

FUMC supports our team ("Methodists for Life") which will relay because we want to see an end to cancer during our lifetime. Relay gives us the unique opportunity to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and support the American Cancer Society's lifesaving mission by fighting back against a disease that has already taken too much.



Please join or support our "Methodist for Life" team in the American Cancer Society's Coppell Relay for Life. Sign-up for your family to join us for a cookout at the event the evening of April 25th at Coppell Middle School West-Lesley Field. You can also join our team or make a donation by going to our website: Methodists for Life or <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/MethodistsForLife>. For more information, contact Tammy Harris at 972-462-1700 or Bruce Wilcox at 972-393-5111.



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 April 29th.

And A Little Child Shall Lead Them...

I was in my room Sunday morning with Ama Owusu. She was going from the horse, to the table, to the garden, to the kitchen, here, there and everywhere like a butterfly. I had the speaker to the sanctuary turned on with the volume at 10 but I wasn't hearing any music or anything. Abruptly, Reverend Dennis's voice came in LOUD and clear. That brought Ama to a complete halt. She stopped, looked up at the ceiling.....looked at me with BIG HUGE EYES.....She then said, "Miss Vicki, it's God."



Submitted by Vicki Neville

** 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.

The Gleaning Network of Texas ...

is in need of volunteers to help with the Faith Run on Saturday, May 9th in Flower Mound. This race benefits our work of salvaging fresh produce that would otherwise go to waste. But we need another 25 confirmed volunteers! For more info about the race, go to www.thefaihrun.com. If you are interested in volunteering, email Susie Marshall at susie@gleantexas.org.

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



Sticky Lemon Bread

1/4 cup + 2 tbs margarine, softened	3/4 teaspoon baking powder
2/3 cup sugar	1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 cup egg substitute	1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tsp grated lemon rind	8 oz carton lemon low-fat yogurt
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract	1/2 cup sugar
2 1/4 cups flour	1/2 cup fresh lemon juice

Directions:

Cream margarine; gradually add 2/3 cup sugar, beating at medium speed of mixer, until light and fluffy, (about 5 minutes). Add egg substitute, lemon rind and vanilla; beat until well blended. Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. With mixer running at low speed, add to creamed mixture alternately with yogurt, beginning and ending with the flour mixture. Pour batter into a loaf pan coated with baking spray. Bake at 350° for 55 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.

Combine 1/2 cup sugar and lemon juice in a saucepan; bring to a boil, and cook 1 minute. Remove from heat. Pierce top of bread several times with a meat fork. Pour sugar mixture over bread; cool in pan 10 minutes.



Calendar for April 22nd - May 5th

Wednesday, April 22

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 10:00 am-12:00 pm Disciple 1
 4:30 pm-5:15 pm Alpha Ringers
 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 Middle School Small Grps
 6:40 pm-7:15 pm Revelation Choir
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Pastor's Study Grp
 7:15 pm-8:45 pm Chancel Choir
 7:30 pm-9:30 pm Youth Disciple Bible Study

Thursday, April 23

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-11:30 am P.E.A.R.L.S.
 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer
 6:00 pm-8:00 pm Stringfellow Family Festival
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Dave Ramsey Town Hall Meeting

Friday, April 24

Amigos Days
 9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School

Saturday, April 25

Amigos Days
 4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre
 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball
 10:00 am-12:00 pm Piano Recital
 2:00 pm-4:00 pm Eagle Scout Ceremony
 5:00 pm-9:00 pm Evening of Rest

Sunday, April 26

8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am
 Worship Services
 9:30 am-10:30 am Sunday School
 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Ruach Rehearsal
 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Beginning Knitting
 3:00 pm-3:30 pm Exaltation Ringers
 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Chapel Ringers
 3:30 pm-5:30 pm VBS Leadership Mtg
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Middle School UMYF
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm High School Choir Rehearsal
 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg
 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Girl Scout Mtg
 5:00 pm-5:30 pm UMYF Snack Supper
 5:00 pm-6:00 pm Shalom Ringers
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm High School UMYF

Sunday, April 26 (continued)

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, April 27

6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp
 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Stephen Ministry
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Men's Basketball
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Career Transition
 8:00 pm-9:00 pm Youth Cell Grp

Tuesday, April 28

9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-10:45 am Staff Mtg
 9:30 am-11:30 am Disciple 2
 1:00 pm-2:30 pm UMW Mary Martha Circle
 6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 29

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 Middle School Small Grps
 6:40 pm-7:15 pm Revelation Choir
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Pastor's Study Grp
 7:15 pm-8:45 pm Chancel Choir
 7:30 pm-9:30 pm Youth Disciple Bible Study

Thursday, April 30

7:00 am-8:00 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
 9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 9:30 am-11:30 am Deacon's Conference
 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer
 6:30 pm-8:00 pm UMW Spring Dinner
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Financial Peace University

Friday, May 1

Amigos Days
 9:00 am-2:00 pm Stringfellow School
 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #2763

Saturday, April 18

Amigos Days
 4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Centre
 8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball
 9:30 am-11:30 pm In the Prayer Garden: Morning Apart
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Service of Confirmation
 8:30 pm-9:30 pm Confirmation Dessert Reception

Sunday, May 3

8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am
 Worship Services
 9:45 am-10:45 am Sunday School
 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Ruach Rehearsal
 2:00 pm-3:30 pm Beginning Knitting
 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
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Middle School UMYF
 4:00 pm-5:00 pm High School Choir Rehearsal
 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Church Council Mtg
 5:00 pm-5:30 pm UMYF Snack Supper
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm High School UMYF
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Middle School Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 pm-6:30 pm COE Mtg
 6:00 pm-7:30 pm Hungry for the Word
 6:30 pm-7:00 pm River Worship
 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Mozart Mania Concert
 7:30 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study

Monday, May 4

6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp
 6:30 pm-7:30 pm Hearthstone Worship
 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Men's Basketball
 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, May 5

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 UMW Rachel Circle
 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Band Rehearsal
 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Trustees Mtg

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

Year to Date at April 17th

	2009	2008	2007
Offerings and Other Income	\$ 611,816	\$ 617,374	\$ 643,435
Balance, Unrestricted Cash and Savings Accounts	\$ 312,937	\$ 372,274	\$ 372,391

Thank you for your generous support!




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".

Mozart Mania is Coming! May 3rd at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

This performance features the Mozart's Coronation Mass, Piano Concerto no. 12, "Exsultate Jubilate" and other smaller works. The Chancel Choir will be joined by guests including First Baptist Church of Coppell, Arapaho UMC, Schola Cantorem of Ft. Worth, and Dallas Christian College.



 **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.



Please notify
Kay Thomas at
kthomas@fumccoppell.org
so that you will receive
on-line announcements
and the newsletter.

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	
Kathy Braem	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 4/21/2009

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					
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Amt Each</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Choir Profit</u>	<u>Rcvd</u>
Chevron		\$ 50		1.5%	
Exxon/Mobil		\$ 50		1.5%	
Shell		\$ 25		1.5%	

Travel

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Amt Each</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Choir Profit</u>	<u>Rcvd</u>
American Airlines		\$ 100		8%	
American Airlines		\$ 250		8%	
Choice Hotels		\$ 25			
Hyatt		\$ 25		9%	
Hyatt		\$ 100		9%	
Marriott		\$ 50		12%	
Marriott		\$ 100		12%	

Grocery Stores

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Amt Each</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Choir Profit</u>	<u>Rcvd</u>
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		\$ 10		20%	
Fat Daddy's		\$ 25		20%	
Honey Baked Ham		\$ 10		12%	
Jack in the Box		\$ 10		4%	
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		\$ 25		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%	