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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Sept. | 2,9,16 | 9:00 | AM | Sabbath Worship | | |
|-------|--------|---------------------------|----|---|--|--|
| Sept. | 3 | Office Closed for Holiday | | | | |
| Sept. | 4 | 10:15 | AM | Worship Committee Meeting | | |
| | | 7:00 | PM | Christian Education Meeting | | |
| Sept. | 5 | 10:00 | AM | Homebound Communion | | |
| Sept. | 9 | 9:00 | AM | Lay Leadership/Nominations | | |
| Sept. | 20 | 9:00 | AM | Lay Leadership / Nominations | | |
| Sept. | 23 | 9:00 | AM | Sabbath Worship | | |
| Sept. | 29 | 8:00 | AM | Methodist Men Breakfast | | |
| Sept. | 29 | 2:00 | PM | Methodist Matinee | | |
| Sept. | 30 | 9:00 | AM | Contemporary Worship | | |
| | | 11:00 | AM | Last Sunday Meal | | |
| Oct. | 7 | 9:00 | AM | Sabbath Worship | | |
| Oct. | 9 | 10:00 | AM | Homebound Communion | | |
| Oct. | 14 | 9:00 | AM | Sabbath Worship | | |
| Oct. | 18 | 6:30 | PM | Game Night | | |
| Oct | 21 | 9:00 | AM | Harvest Sunday | | |
| Oct. | 28 | 9:00 | AM | Consecration Sunday / Brunch | | |
| Oct. | 29 | 6:30 | PM | Long Range Planning / Church Council vote | | |



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Regular Scheduled Program

TUESDAY

8:30 am Prayer Group

9:30 am Exercise Group

5:15 pm Handbell Practice

6:45 pm Choir Practice

(Handbells and Choir have started back up after summer break)

THURSDAY

9:30 am Exercise Group



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Sunday Morning

9:00 Worship Service **10:05** Refreshments **10:15** Sunday School

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK A MISSION OUTPOST CHURCH

We have been focusing as a church, since last spring, on the concept of being a Mission Outpost Church. And this church has done an amazing job of recognizing our mission field and reaching out to our local community, surrounding areas, and even supporting a missionary, which extends our reach around the world. As a result of our faithfulness to God's call, we have experienced many blessings as a result. 1). We completed our Sanctuary Renovation at a fraction of the expected cost. 2). We are upgrading our Sound System to accomadate more outreach ministry. 3). We had the most successful outreach event yet this past Saturday with our Back To School Bash (over 30 children, over 50 total visitors). 4). We lent a helping hand to a number of families in need over the past few months. 5). We are revamping our existing ministries to have a stronger outreach focus.

This is just the beginning, but it is an exciting start. My prayer is that we will make Mission Outreach part of the DNA of this church. That reaching the lost will automatically be a part of everything we do. Therefore, an important part of the goal as we continue on this journey together is to make Mission Outreach a normal part of the daily work of the church. Outreach should be a part of budget planning and spending, Sunday School, COF ministries, monthly Movie Matinee, Game Night, Methodist Men, more involvement in Kairos ministries, Family Ministries, and even Worship Services, just to name a few.

One little pleasant surprise that blessed my heart was the willingness of the congregation to be a part of the outreach process for the Back To School Bash. Many of you took the extra time to pass out tickets and posters to advertise the event. I believe we saw God's blessing upon your efforts as we had such a wonderful visitor turnout and amazing support from the congregation as volunteers to work the event. AND THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING!!!

STEWARDSHIP

Our Stewardship Campaign will be held October 14,21,28. The theme of our Campaign this year is "GIVING BEYOND THESE WALLS". It is based on Ephesians 3:20,21 (my favorite Stewardship verses), "20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen "The middle Sunday October 21 will be our outdoor Harvest Sunday Service. It is a wonderful opportunity to thank God for the Harvest of Blessings that He has bestowed upon this year. And the final Sunday October 28 will be our Consecration Service which will give us the opportunity to bring our pledge cards to the front and have a prayer of blessing and dedication of God's money. As is our custom the October 28 Sunday Service is also our Celebration Brunch. We will celebrate and enjoy the many blessings this church has to offer. This Stewardship Campaign will be a reminder of how important it is to be a giver. Giving opens doors in the spiritual world and they literally become windows of God's blessings to be poured out among us.

Reaching the world with you,

Randy and Rene'

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Extra! Extra! Read All About it! Extra! Extra! Read All About it!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please notify **Jan Wright**, prayer er team coordinator, with any prayer, illness, or hospital concerns. 409-834-2410

CHURCH MEMBERS

Ranah Becker
Jack & Betty Barbee
Gerry Blackman
Juanita Bridwell
Randy & Rene Carrion
Joyce Lyon
Tim & Janie Meredith
Ollie Murphy
Alberta Pedigo
Kirstan Stanley
Sandy Westhoven

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Eddie Aldredge Kristi Abshire Russell Anglin Kenny & Brandy Bailey Renea Barber Tommy Clegg The Clotiaux's Joann Cooley **Dottie Dargis** Wayne Dionne Ruth Fletcher Julie Franklin Janie Franklin Marvin Gilbert Wendy Grav Sara Hall **Emmet Greene** The Hickmans Beverly Jones The LeBlancs Ricky Keltz Gary Mannino George Marsh Dan Ramsey The Reeds Sheila Seiley Lois Sprayberry Gordon & Peggy Welch

Regina Woodrom

"Earth has no sorrow Heaven cannot heal."

NEWS FROM THE PEWS



CHURCH FAMILY



TRUNK OR TREAT

Back to school bash is over and was a success. Now it is time to start planning our **Trunk or Treat**. Lets make it bigger and better than ever with lots of treats and lots of games to play. Don Schreiber will give more details as soon as they are available.

LAST SUNDAY MEAL

Summer is over and Family Ministries is ready to get back to work. Our first meal will be after Sunday School on September 30th. Family ministries will provide Chicken and Dumplings. Lets have lots of good old fashion vegetables and desserts the way your "MOMMA" cooked them. We will have a combined Sunday School in the sanctuary after coffee time and Pastor Randy will explain the three plans that the United Methodist Church will vote on at the Special Called General Conference that will be held in St. Louis in February 2019.

GAME NIGHT!

Game nights are on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. **Sept. 20th** and

Oct. 18th are the next two dates. Bring your favorite game, or just bring yourself and play what is already set up! Also bring your favorite snack to share

OUTREACH

During the month of July we collected 102 packages of toilet tissue and the month of August we

Collected 264 bars of soap. The committee divided this between the Christian

Loving Care Center in Kountze, Caring is Sharing in Woodville, and the pantry in the Warren Methodist church. Thank you so much for your donations and support! Here are the upcoming donation items.

<u>September - Liquid Dish Detergent</u>

October - 2lb. Bags of Sugar

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MUSIC CORNER

CHOIR & HANDBELLS

Choir and handbells have resumed practice at their regular times.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The choir will perform a new Cantata this year—Good News From Home. We encourage anyone that has a voice to join us in this year's celebration. There is also a "mini play" that accompanies the Cantata-we need a few "actors" to help us out, as well.. Practice will begin Tuesday, September 4, at 6:30PM. Hope to see you there.

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!" (Psalm 66:1-2)

VITAL SIGNS OF THE CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JULY 2018 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

| MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Total Net Membership | | | | | | | |
| <u>August 2017</u> | <u>August 2018</u> | | | | | | |
| 165 | 175 | | | | | | |
| Worship Average | | | | | | | |
| <u>July 2017</u> | July 2018 | | | | | | |
| 76 | 69 | | | | | | |
| Sunday School Average | | | | | | | |

| Budget Performance | | | OTHER ITEMS IN MAY | |
|--------------------|-------------|----------|--------------------|------------------|
| | <u>July</u> | YTD | Checking Acct. | \$ 121,606 |
| Contributions | \$15,151 | \$92,767 | Money Market Fund | <u>\$ 10,087</u> |
| Expenses | \$14,102 | \$89,267 | Total | \$131,693 |
| Difference | \$ 1,049 | \$3,500 | Restricted Funds | <u>\$-24,982</u> |
| 2018 Budget | \$ 167,373 | | Available Funds | \$106,711 |
| | | | | |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

September Birthdays October Birthdays **September Anniversaries** 08 Jane Forsythe Liz Fry 3 David Foster 12 Randy & Dawn Stanley Juanita Bridwell 17 Bob & Sue Fisher Emma Wood 12 Duane Bales 23 Ron & Dee Turner Paul Lemke 14 Dee Turner 15 Wayne Tutt 16 Rick Moore Alberta Pedigo 18 Barbara Hickman 17 Ranah Becker 20 Frank Moore 21 Jan Wright 30 Will Crone 22 Gary Wornick **October Anniversaries** 23 Allen Wood Lance Wood 2 Rick & Joan Moore 24 Teresa Sanner Lois Oliver 19 Bill & Jean Green 20 G>W> Graham 28 Tim McDonough