



The Flame

First United Methodist Church, Paragould, Arkansas

May 19, 2010 Volume 35 No. 20

Fish Fry

Sunday, May 23

11:00 am—1:00 pm



\$8.00

Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the Youth

Imagine Ministries

Imagine Ministry is a process whereby we can “re-think and re-do” the way we do church in the Arkansas Annual Conference. The question is posed: How will we move into the future God is calling us to embrace? You are invited on **Sunday, May 23, at 10:00** (during the Sunday School hour) to come to the sanctuary to watch a video presented by Bishop Crutchfield. We encourage all adult Sunday School classes to attend.



Children's Choir

Children's Choir will be singing at the 9:00 worship service this Sunday, May 23. Parents, please have your children in the chapel no later than 8:40 a.m. so we can practice.

Life Line Screening

4 out of 5 stroke victims had no apparent warning signs. 80% of strokes can be prevented. Life Line Screening, a leading mobile health screening service, will be at FUMC to offer life-saving ultrasound screenings.

These tests are important and necessary. Most people don't realize that these tests are not typically offered during a regular physical, as they are not usually covered by insurance, so for most of you and the people you love, stroke prevention lies in your hands.

If you would like to take the next step in saving your life or the life of someone you know, please contact 800-679-5192 to schedule an appointment on Thursday, June 3 for these screening tests at First United Methodist Church.

Appointments are limited so please call 800-679-5192 today to schedule yours.



Children's News

Tricia Weaver, Christian Education/Children's Director

Rotation Sunday School Mission Project: The Arts & Crafts rotation workshops are making cards for needy children. They are collecting stuffed animals to go with these cards. Please help your child in rotation to remember to bring a stuff animal that they are willing to part with! The bin is in the Arts & Crafts room on the 3rd floor. If you have a child not in rotation but would like to donate, contact Mrs. Tricia.

Confirmation Class - Confirmation Sunday will be on Pentecost Sunday, May 23. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS. The confirmand may be confirmed at their choice of the 9:00 am or 11:00 am Worship Service. You will be receiving details in the mail from Mrs. Tricia. Also, after the 11:00 Worship Service, we will be celebrating confirmation at a fish fry hosted by the youth.

Children's Council There will be a Children's Council meeting on Monday, May 24, at 6:00 pm to discuss VBS. VBS this year is “Galactic Blast” and will run from July 26-29.

Youth News

Jeff Weaver, Youth Minister

Attention Youth: Don't forget we need your help this Sunday at the Fish Fry!

Thank You to everyone who helped make the 2010 Senior Banquet a success! Your hard work is appreciated by all who attended and especially the seniors!

Congratulations to our 2010 Scholarship winners:

Youth Scholarship—**Holly Blankenship**

Music Scholarship—**Jacob Bushong**

Remember that our College Sunday School Class meets each week!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 23
 8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 11:00 am Youth Fish Fry
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:30 pm ABCD Group

Monday, May 24
 6:00 pm Children's Council

Wednesday, May 26
 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study
 6:30 pm Chancel Choir
 7:30 pm Praise Team

Thursday, May 27
 9:00 am Prayer Ministry
 7:00 pm Hispanic Service

Sunday, May 30
 8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:30 pm ABCD Group

Monday, May 31
 Memorial Day—Office Closed

*Nursery Provided

Volunteers

NURSERY

May 23: Debbie Brown (9-10)
 Louise Woods (9-10)
 Donna Jones (11-12)
 Mary Ann Allen (10-12)

May 30: Julie Rowe (9-10)
 Janie Harris (9-10)
 Tori Thompson (10-12)
 Christie Dollar (10-12)

ACOLYTES

May 23: Alyssa Reece, Anna Clara May, Sara Giguere
 May 30: Kyleigh Horner, Abby Rogers, Kirby Weaver

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

May 23: Youth Council
 May 30: Liz May & Dannelle Rogers

BLUE JEAN USHERS

May 23: Dale & Caroline Schenk, Rusty McAllister,
 Susie Cook
 May 30: Jeremy Willis, Shay Nanke, Tim Roswell,
 Sally Martin

Mugging Ministry

May 23: Carl & Sara Schexnaydre
 May 30: Nathan & Angela Newby

Prayers / Presence / Gifts

Weekly Budget Needs	13,460.56
Weekly Contributions	11,740.00
YTD Contributions	214,373.43
YTD Budget	269,211.20
2010 Budget	699,494.00

Debt of Gratitude:	
January 2010 Debt	674,315.76 (not including interest)
Paid to date (5/17)	76,056.00

“Debt of Gratitude” commitment cards are requested to be turned in now so we can celebrate the commitments on May 23. Remember to prayerfully consider what you can give over and above your current financial commitment.

Attendance

	May 16	Last Year
8:00	40	31
9:00	243	247
11:00	121	158
Total	404	436

Memorials

In Memory of

Jane Giguere by Virginia Biggs, Alfred & Debbie Henson, Moud & Sharon Gazaway
Bob Meriwether by Bob Branch, Moud & Sharon Gazaway
Jerry Yates (father of Lisa Dachs) by Alfred & Debbie Henson

Sympathy to:

John & Ann Honeycutt and family on the death of John's father, J. T. Honeycutt.

Have you returned your 'Debt of Gratitude' Commitment Card?

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

404 West Main Street

Ministers—Every Church Member

Bishop—Charles N Crutchfield
 District Superintendent—Kurt Boggan
 Pastor—Tom Letchworth
 Director of Fine Arts Ministries—Celeste Letchworth
 Minister of Music—Danny Davis
 Children's Music Director—Leigh Jackson
 Pastor to Youth and their families—Jeff Weaver
 Children/Christian Education Director—Tricia Weaver
 Church Administrator—Denise Chipman
 Custodian—Jona Stone
 Custodian—Jerry & Carla Young
 Organist—Bernard Raley

Office Hours—8:00 am—4:30 pm

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Hospital

Prayer Requests

SPC Andrew Goodwin	875th	
Johnny Townsley	Bette Brewer	Randy Boyd
Sara MacDonald	Kristi Millard	Bill Burnett
Jackson Shepherd	Jorden Davidson	Berneice Howard
Don Hudson	Candi Crosno	Keith Bean
Keith Willis	Ronnie Reeves	Joyce Vallentine
Gayle Eden	Mary Stark	Lori Thompson
Jane McKenzie	Brian Noland	Claude Martin
Noah Crowe	Keith Griffith	Ryan Hobson
Kenyon Huggins	Melissa Becton	James Rashke
Alice Jones	Maleta Scudder	Marti Refkin
Roella Williams	Robin Williams	Jeanie Mockewich
Joan Ratton	Joey Barr	Velma Clifford
Will & Tasha Tarry	Dalton Lane	Joann Allison
Parker Kocsis	Aaron Schenk	Yuba Williams
Carol Elmore	Julie Wilkins	Chuck Roming
Dana Self	Mike Holsten	Helen Havens
Ashlyn Walker	Dr. Brannon Treece	

Please inform the church office if a name can be removed from this list. Thank you

Automatic Debit Authorization

What an easy way to contribute your tithes. Whether you forget your checkbook or miss a Sunday, your contributions can still be made to the church each month just by filling out a simple form. Each month (Tuesday after third Sunday) your requested amount will be taken from your account and deposited into the church's account. Easy enough? For more information just contact Denise in the church office, 239-8541. With summer fast approaching now is a great time to start.



Please remember when paying on your 'Debt of Gratitude' commitment to please mark your check accordingly. If there is no notation on the check it automatically goes into the general budget account.



AUTO-DEBIT

Thanks, Denise