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# MISSION STATEMENT

"TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS CHRIST"

# ATTENTION LADIES! 9:00 AM, TUESDAY MORNING MORINING BIBLE STUDY! NEW STUDY "SERMON ON THE MOUNT" ALL OUR WELCOME!

1/01 Gary & Connie Wise

1/06 Mark & Debra Clemence Steve & Teresa Snider

1/11 Mike & Kathryn Upchurch

1/20 Denny & Marion Hopkins

1/24 Chris & Lauren Boring



#### **PRAYERS AND CONCERNS**

Recent Hospital Stays; Ted Craighead, Jo Arterberry, Lexie Mendell,

<u>At Home:</u> Lola Stevens, Gene Ackers, , Ramona Dauphin, Kathryn Upchurch, Betty Steenbergen , Roy Best, Bruce Stout,

In Nursing Homes or Care Facilities: Lahoma Grunewald, Bill Stout, ine Hammerstrom, Barbara Carr, Merrylou Pummel, Wilma Nelson, Riddle, Harold Deever, Ernestine Gay, Hazel Gwin, Mickey Armstrong, Alford & Jolene Corcoran, Jim Robertson, Terry Groce

Other: Our Troops and their Families

Sympathy Extended to: Tiffany Newell & Family (Father), Gene Cook & Family (Wife-Louise), Karen Bell & Family (Mother-Mary Lou Scott), Bill Leonard & Family (Wife-Mae), Vernie Matt & Family (Mother-Viola Matt)

<u>Prayer Requests:</u> Our Prayer Team meets every Monday in the Library at 4:00 pm. You are invited to attend, or you may call the church office with specific prayer requests. (256-5515)

- 1/02 Randy Glitsch Alexa Humphries Katie Shirley
- 1/03 Haley Wilson
- 1/05 Roger Hester 1/06 Ray Bell
- Theron Endersby
  Dylan Newell
- 1/08 Dawna Newby
- 1/09 Lauren Boring Jim Robertson J.P. Shirkey
- 1/10 Karen Bell Kristi Moseley
- 1/15 Becky Christian Linda Hunter Kendra Miller
- 1/17 Karen Harrison Rick Riddle Scott Starns Keagan Wederski
- 1/18 Edna Coldwell Elle Owen Connie Wilcox
- 1/19 Kadence Boring Shawna Buxton Shannon Laverty Rocky Menefee Judith Moody
- 1/21 Denny Hopkins
- 1/22 Nancy Greeff Shelbie Gunther
- 1/23 Nancy McCormick Terri Priest Merrylou Pummel
- 1/24 Rhonda Hollis
- 1/25 Bendena Wirz
- 1/26 R.E. Meyer
- 1/27 Kyle Wilson Leslie Taylor
- 1/30 Russell Brewer Amber Stephenson Lynette Terbush
- /31 Max Nelson



#### December 28, 2016

Shannon Davis, Pastor

**Debbie Harrington**, Director of Children & Christian Education

Kathy Harvey, Youth and Children Assistant

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ATTENTION!
NEW FLOW CLASSES
STARTING DATE JANUARY 11, 2017
ENDING DATE MARCH 8, 2017

5:15 PM FLOW Supper

6:00 PM Agape Ringers

6:00 PM Classes

6:00 PM Children's Bible Science

& Bible Blast

First United Methodist Church December 28, 2016 First United Methodist Church



### TOP TEN REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BE A STEPHEN MINISTER

## Stephen Ministers are assertive caregivers

Stephen Ministers are trained to "speak the truth in love." Christian assertiveness is a positive and constructive way of relating that respects others and ourselves. Stephen Ministers learn to recognize and avoid aggressive behaviors such as belittling and manipulation, and to avoid passive behaviors such as withdrawing and relinquishing rights. By learning to behave assertively, Stephen Ministers become more aware of God's will for their lives and more aware of the needs of others.

If you would like to find out more about our Stephen Ministry please Contact Karen Bell.

We would like to begin a new training class in 2017.

Karen Bell

Director of Stephen Ministry and Congregational Care First United Methodist Church

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December 18, 2016

Aurora Ray Sims, infant daughter of Lizzy Guffy & Michael Sims, was baptized. We "Welcome" her! Grandparents are Wes & Susan Sims, Great grandparents are Jerry & Kitty Frech.





ADAM HAMILTON Christianity World Religions



How much do you know about other religions? We hear about the worst of them on TV, and, although we are unabashedly Christian, are there things we could learn from other faiths? Join Shannon during FLOW as we use an Adam Hamilton study to frame our time together. There is a book for \$10 that will greatly benefit participants. Shannon

"Eat The Cookie....Buy The Shoes" Joyce Meyer

Make a decision that something in your life is going to change-NOW!

It's okay to be happy. Eat the cookie...buy the shoes. Enjoy the journey of a lifetime.



# F.L.O.W.

F.L.O.W. for the second semester will begin on January 11. The children will have the same schedule as the Fall. The meal will be served at 5:15 pm and at 6:00 we will go to the children's area

for Bible Science, games, and music. Please come and join us!!!

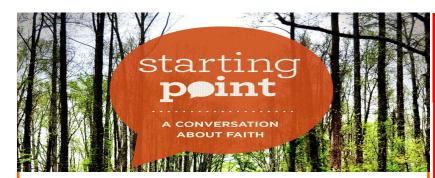
Bible Blast will resume at this time as well. Be ready to answer the questions on Lesson #15!

Thank you so much for sharing your children with us to put on our Children's Christmas program! They did a wonderful job!!!! I appreciate each one of the kids and also you parents for the hard work involved in getting the parts memorized and helping your child be prepared. Also, kids, thank you so much for the gift you gave me after the program. I

love it and if you come into my office vour will see them both displayed for everyone to see! Mrs. Harrington

Julie Alley and Ray Mann became members of FUMC on December 18th. Julie transferred from Laverne, OK UMC and Ray from 1st Baptist in Booker, Texas. 'Welcome'

November 16, 2016



Beginning Jan. 11, youth are invited to FLOW every Wednesday evening. Dinner will be at 5:15 and youth Bible study at 6:00. For this semester, the youth will be going through a curriculum called Starting Point, which focuses on moving beyond the simple Bible stories and lessons that they have been raised with, and moving into a true understanding of the Bible and how it should shape and impact their lives.

# **Christ Crew and King's Kids**

Christ Crew will begin for the Spring Semester on January 10 and King's Kids will begin on January 12!



Rocking' Kids Choir We will resume practices for our Kids Choir on Sunday, January 8,

Practice is from 4:30 PM until 5:30 PM. We will learn some new songs to sing in church and have lots of fun!



Mark your calendars and get your creative juices flowing for our second annual Family Movie Night on January 29, 2017.

We are going to the "Drive-In" movie again this year with our children!

You and your child are invited to work together to make a car for the children's movie. You DO NOT have to make a car to participate.

We will judge the cars at 6:00 pm for prizes. Movies will begin at 6:30 pm. The adults will watch *Risen* and the children will watch Finding Dory.

We will have refreshments, just like at the real movies!!!!!

FUMC, Thanks for thinking of me during finals! Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Thanks, Gage Owen

FUMC Family, Thank you for the goody package during finals week! Garrett Owen



Dear Church Family, Heartfelt thanks for your prayers for Kim, our great niece, who was diagnosed with breast cancer. Things are looking better. God Bless All...Fred & Sandy Craig

To my FUMC family...First I want to say "Thanks so much to my Thanksgiving Committee: Jim & Arlene Reed, Terry & Kim Williams, Dave & J'Dena Leahy, Mike & Connie Wilcox and Pastor Shannon. You are all "Super Heroes" in my mind. Then I am totally overwhelmed by the support and help from the congregation.

550 served...WOW! God's richest blessings to all from Sandy Craig.

Dear Shannon & Members of WW First, Thank you so very much for hosting Bishop Nunn and the Cimarron District Gathering on Sunday, December 4th. The sanctuary was beautifully decorated! The hospitality outstanding! I appreciate you all so very much! Charlie Graves, Cimarron D.S.

It was such a wonderful surprise to receive such a lovely bouquet of flowers from my church. Thank you so very much. Love, Lynn Duvall

Thank you so much FUMC for the food & diapers. We are so blessed and thankful to have grown up in such an incredible church with amazing people! Thank You! Love, Zoey, Jess & Jacoby

To FUMC Family, A big thank you for remembering Ellen &I with the 50 beautiful Christmas Cards and the altar flowers during this wonderful season. Sincerely, Ernie & Ellen Walcher

Thank you for everything you all have done for us during this difficult time. It is so appreciated. Brad & Sharla Whipple

Dear 1st FUMC, Thank you all so much for your enthusiasm and support of United Methodist Circle of Care. It takes an entire community to make an endeavor like this successful, and I am so thankful I have this community with me. We have the opportunity to impact the lives of children in Northwest Oklahoma, and I know we can do it! Sincerely, Raquel Razien