

Methodist

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF BRIDGEPORT ~ AUGUST 2014

connection

Summer Faith

Vespers is done. For now. But I imagine we will get back to it next summer! I appreciate that we had such great representation from Bridgeport for the service and dinner we hosted on July 20 and for the one where I preached which was on July 27. There, at Oak Grove, the preaching was enhanced by Hunter Townes singing "Jesus Loves Me". We got to keep the crystal cross attendance award for those two sessions and I understand that was our first time in a couple of years.

You are inspiring me with your faithfulness and with your love for the Lord and for the church. If you have been staying back just to see what happens with the new preacher, you are missing out! Come on back! Summer is almost done and school will start soon and it will be football season and fall.

This Sunday we get to hear from some of our UMYF who went to summer camp. At my request, Lauren Stowers is getting the group together to tell us some of their camp stories and I have also asked them to serve communion with me. I hope you will be inspired!

See you Sunday!
Sam

Church Dates

- August 9th – Habitat Meeting
- August 13th – Choir Resumes
- August 17th – Zack Landis

Guest Pastor

- August 18th – Budget Request Due
- August 19th – Finance Meeting
- August 24th – Back-to-School Event
- September 1st - Office Closed

Keeping updated

Let us *Help* you keep up to date on our *current happenings*.



Every Friday we send out an email with a weekly update on the current weeks events and once a month we email out this newsletter. There are links to the Church Calendar and articles on the website. I

If you are not receiving these just shoot me an email and I will get you on the list.

Proverbs 22:17
"A merry heart does good like medicine"

Check us out on Facebook!



Children's Dept.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." Mark 10:14

Wed. Afternoon Program

September 3rd at 3:30 pm our afternoon program will start back up.

This fall we will be Traveling through the 10 Commandments and singing about the Books of the Bible.

Acolyte Training

If you have a 2nd-5th grader please get with Brittany to get more info on Acolyte Training. You can call the church office at 940-683-2780 or email her at brittanyarquette@fumcbridgeport.org

We would love to have your child come be a part of this wonderful tradition.

New To Our Family

We are very excited to welcome Thomas Allen Williams, 7lbs. 3 oz. to our Church Family he was born Thursday July 24th. He is the son of Heather & David Williams, little brother of Zoey Williams. Grandson of Chip & Rhonda Wood and Great-Grandson of Ted & Aletha Miller



Youth Summer Mission Trips 2014

SR. High Team: Youth ~ Jake Simmons, Connor Hurd, Lauren Stowers, Bailey Thompson, Landrie Walsh, Elaina Peyton

Adults ~ Laurey Stowe, Sandy Madland, Donna Stowers

Jr. High Team: Youth ~ Alyssa & Emily Casper, Casey Jones, Shaeley & Kloie Rangel, Delaney Ingram, Katie Hudson, Bailey Escabedo, Kylee & Natasha Manning

Adults ~ Jenny Ingram, Tammy DiMuccio, Mignon Hudson



Announcements

Scheduled-Rehearsals

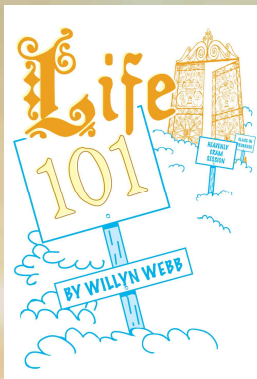
Wed. July 30th - 5:30-7
Scene 1&2

Wed. Aug. 6th - 5:30-7
Scene 1&2

Wed. Aug 13th - 5:30-7
Scene 3&4

Sat Aug. 23rd -10:am
Scene 5&6
Everyone @ 11:00 am

Play Late Service Aug. 24th @ 11:00 a.m.



It's that time again!
Get back into the swing of things by joining us for 1 or both of our choirs.

- We are seeking people who are interested in playing Handbells. Ages 7th grade through Adult. No experience necessary! We need at least 7 people to play. No long-term commitment required. Start date will depend on when enough people have joined. If this sounds like a spot for you contact Cyndi Petty @ 940-683-5988 or the church office at 940-683-2780



- We are currently looking for new people to sing with us in the Chancel Choir. We are gearing up for the Christmas Cantata so come join us on Wednesday, August 13th from 7-8 pm. For more info contact Andy Townes at 940-575-9231

Costa Rica Mission

WELCOME HOME

Sunday, September 7th

Join us Sunday morning of the 7th as Denise Bailey, Rick & Vonne Walton share with us pictures and about their trip to Costa Rica.

