



Methodistconnection

May 2013

Monthly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church Bridgeport

Mark Your Calendar

5.15

Last Wednesday
Night Dinner

5.19

Recognizing our Graduates

5.27

Office Closed

5.30

Ad Council Meeting

From the Pastor's Pen: "National day of Prayer"

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. This year there are plans underway to spend some time at our courthouse in prayer. To this end, I share the following letter:

"It's almost here!

The day is drawing near.

Christ-followers from all across Wise County coming together for **National Day of Prayer** on the Wise County Courthouse lawn.

We hope you will be a part of it!

Thursday, May 2, 2013 is National Day of Prayer. This has been a part of our Nation's make-up for many years, but may not have ever been a time as desperate for our people to come together to seek the Lord's face and favor as right now.

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Moreover
whom he did
predestinate,
them he also
called: and
whom he called,
them he also
justified: and
whom he justified,
them he also
glorified.

– Romans 8:30

Wednesday May 15th will be our
last afternoon Kids time until the
fall so keep watching for our start
dates and fun activities during the
summer.

YOUTH
YOUTH

Children's
News

The girls won the penny drive contest
and got to pie Ms Brittany on a
Wednesday afternoon.



Our Youth are still selling stocks for this summer's mission trip. To help sponsor a youth for this please see Derek.

We are collecting funds to provide our graduating members with a scholarship to help towards college or trades school. Please put scholarship in the memo line of your check. Our mailing address is PO Box 237, Bridgeport.

If you would like to donate items for our Sr. Baskets there are sign-up sheets in the Sunday School classrooms and the office.

From the Pastor's Pen cont.

We are asking your church, ministry, business, or group to join us is covering the courthouse with prayer from 7 am May 2nd, until 7 pm by signing up for a one hour time period in which your group will be on the courthouse lawn praying for our county and our country.

At noon we will have a Prayer Celebration in which we ask anyone who can to be a part of. If you can cover an hour other than this or if you cannot, we would love to have you here during this time. We will have a short word and several of our Pastors and leaders from the area leading out in prayer over specific prayer points set out by the National Day of Prayer organizers.

This is to be a great day of the celebration of freedom as well as a petition to see the Lord move in our Nation. Please join us!

For more information, a copy of the NDP Prayer Points, or to let us know you will cover an hour, please contact:

Connie McCrary
Psalms 51 Ministries, Wise Co. NDP Event Coordinator
940-577-5151"

See you Sunday in the place where prayer makes a difference!

Yours in Christ,

Bro. David (home: 940-683-1724;
davidrucker@fumcbridgeport.org)

BIRTHDAYS

5/01 Andy Townes	5/13 Jeff Blalock
5/01 Mike Kline	5/15 Clay Caudle
5/02 Jean Manoushagian	5/18 Kassie McDonald
5/04 Jim Radcliffe	5/19 Johanna Bryant
5/05 Cathy Fostel	5/26 Steve Watson
5/05 Verna Manning	5/26 Shelley McComis
5/05 Robert Higgins	5/27 Virginia Penney
5/07 Kelly Huddleston	5/28 Colby Shawn
5/08 Kala Walsh	5/29 Bob Beneke
5/08 Katie Hudson	5/30 Klaus Strassman
5/13 Linda Kennedy	5/31 Emily Casper

Church Family,

Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers during Mom's battle with cancer. Thank you to the church family for the meal they prepared for the funeral and the beautiful service by Brother David.

Chris & Tish
Billie Horn Family

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the beautiful Easter Lily. Your Christian love and friendship is such a blessing to me.

Thank you Bro. David and Betty and Pauline and all of you for the visits. You are always welcome.

Love in Christ,
Nelda Adams

Dear Church Family,

I can not tell you how much I appreciate you for all the wonderful things you have done for me and my family. The shawl and all of the visits were such a comfort to me in during this time. And the Easter Lily was beautiful. May God bless and keep each one of you.

Virginia Silver

Dearest Friends,

You have made my days so much brighter with cards, food and prayers. Thank you especially for the lovely Easter Lily. It is still blooming. All of your prayers sustain me everyday. It is very comforting to know I am wrapped not only in God's arms but all of you also. I love all of you!! God Bless you every day.

Together in Christ,
Sue Jones

Dear Church members & friends,

Thank you for the beautiful Easter Lily I have enjoyed it so much. And thank you for your prayers and visits.

God Bless all of you
Cleo Boulware





In Memory of:
Roy Dick

Given By:

Char Setters
Barbara Swan
Gaylord & Brenda Kennedy
Richard & Bunny Perry
Ray & Letha Tebbets
Embry & Marti Hines
Betty Tackel
Chris & Tish Tackel
Myrle Duncan

Marie Kennedy

Doug & Lynda Bridwell
Deanna Dimmitt
Ann Kaker
Char Setter
Chris & Tish Tackel
B.F. & Sandra Walker
Embry & Marti Hines
Betty Tackel
Keith & Carolyn McComis

Jason Mitchell

Doug & Lynda Bridwell
Chris & Tish Tackel
Char Setters

In Memory of:
Billie Horn

Given By:

Deanna Dimmitt
Ann Kaker
Gaylord & Brenda Kennedy
Sue Shawn
Travis & Betty VanHoose
Embry & Marti Hines
Betty Tackel
Chris & Tish Tackel
Joey & Naomi Duncan
Don & Cathy Hodgkins
Cecilla Young

Jane Hill

Deanna Dimmitt

**Connie & Matt
Allensworth**

Renee Allensworth

Anniversaries

5/03 Mr. & Mrs. Ray Tebbetts
5/04 Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Garrett
5/09 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Cook
5/22 Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Colbert
5/25 Mr. & Mrs. Gaylord Kennedy
5/26 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Johnson
5/27 Mr. & Mrs. Brian Davenport
5/29 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Casper



Crafty Ladies

Don't forget ladies we will meet
Monday May 7th at 10 am.

We will be making craft projects to be
delivered to the Nursing & Assisted living
facilities