



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 2018

ROOTED IN CHRIST ... BRANCHING OUT IN FAITH ... DISCIPLES GROWING DISCIPLES

Rev. John E. Warren

Senior Pastor

Doug Rogers

Director of
Worship and Music

Randall Bridges

Director of
Christian Education & Youth

Norma Bergeron

Administrative Assistant

Scott Lawson

Part-time Custodian

Donna Rogers

Organist

Mary Grimes

Lisa Hodge
Nursery Caregivers

Fall Is a Time of Transition

In earlier times, fall was a time when all the crops were in, and our storehouses were full. It was a time to count our profits and count our blessings. It is the time of year that the farmer looks back at what was planted, what was produced, and what the need would be for replanting for the next year's crop. I think of it as a Ministry Support Plan; people in business call it a budget.

As we look to the coming year, FUMC will probably have a surplus at year-end, but the amount will be about half of what we usually have. Our fundraiser for The Malloy Center Ministry may help raise that reserve, but it is earmarked for Malloy purposes (although I am hopeful that our projections are still a little low!) Our rental revenue is up for the Malloy and should continue for the coming year.

The situation we are in is this: we have a large, old building that costs a lot to maintain, especially when buildings range from 100 to 60 to 20 years in age. FUMC has so many things going for it, and our future for ministry in Orange looks bright. We hear prospects of expanded plant activity. We see signs of renewed interest in business in the area. The completion of the freeway has people looking at building businesses along that area. Houses are selling now. More people are beginning to move back. We finished October focusing on our vows of membership. We move into November talking about how we support the church's ministry through sharing our time, talents and funds with our Stewardship campaign.

Please watch for a letter, which will contain a pledge card. After prayerfully considering your response to the Lord, fill it out and bring it to the November 18 service as we GIVE THANKS for what God is doing in our lives. For the Lord loves a CHEERFUL GIVER!

November 4
All Saint's
Sunday

We will remember and honor those of our membership who have passed on to be with the Lord since last All Saint's Day—
Melba Flippen, Beth Ann Windham, Barbara Mulhollan, Harold Welsh, and Shirley Hudson.

A candle will be lit in their memory on the altar during services by family members as they are able.



Trek to TAC—Saturday, November 10, & Monday, November 12

Rev. Morris Mathis and any fellow United Methodists who would love to join him on a bike ride will be riding through our district.

On Saturday, November 10, the first leg will go from Kirbyville to Wesley United Methodist in Beaumont (30 miles). While at Wesley, a bike ride for families and children will take place in the parking lot with a meeting with Rev. Mathis at 4 p.m. ***The church with the largest percentage of membership present for that meeting will get \$1,000 off of their apportionments! CAN WE MAKE THE CUT? Let me know if you plan to go!***

On Monday, November 12, the next leg of the trip will meet at Winnie and go to Galveston across the ferry (50 miles). You can register by going to txumc.org. The meeting is to raise awareness of our need to build new churches in the areas of our conference that are growing. I hope to make the ride from Winnie to Galveston. There will be support vehicles if you need a rest and stops along the way for water.

Mission Statement:

*To make disciples
of Jesus Christ
for the transformation
of the world.*

To have information included in the December newsletter, please send it to news@fumcorange.org by Tuesday, November 20, so the newsletter can be distributed before December 1.

Lord, help us to be a family of faith, to worship you, learn, grow in your likeness, and serve you by serving others. Amen.

Our Faithfulness

Worship Attendance Since Last Newsletter

Sept 30	Oct 7	Oct 14	Oct 21
9:00 59	9:00..... 112	9:00..... 110	9:00..... 86
11:00 47	11:00..... 47	11:00..... 52	11:00..... 65
TOTAL 106	TOTAL 159	TOTAL 162	TOTAL 146

Giving

September 2018		You can also give online!
Income.....	\$39,596.70	
Expenses. ...	\$39,910.41	
— \$ 313.71		

November Worship

November 4, 2018

Scripture: Revelation 21:1-6a

Sermon: **Hope**



COMMUNION

Altar Guild: Sandra Hoke team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:
9:00—Jeff & Sherri Frugé
11:00—Sandra Hoke & Betty Merchant

9 am Greeters: Greg Defrates & Lauren Peet

11 am Ushers: Team #1
Bob Izer, Ricky Harper, Frank Beauchamp, John Cochran, Jean Whitley, Elaine Cooper

Lay Readers:
9:00—Greg Defrates
11:00—Gwen Whitehead

Welcome Center Greeters:
8:45-10—Volunteer Needed
10-11:15—Donna Benefield & Cindy Reynolds

Welcome Center Bakers:
Marcia Brown & Gwen Whitehead

November 11, 2018

Scripture: Hebrews 9:11-14, 24-28

Sermon: **Victory**

Altar Guild: Sandra Hoke team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:
9:00—Susan & Jeff Eby
11:00—Charlie & Beverly Blalack

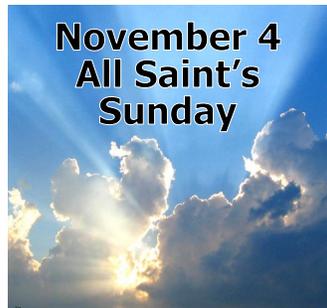
9 am Greeters: Sharon & Randall Bridges

11 am Ushers: Team #2
Brown Claybar, Phil Grooms, Ken Hillsten, Betty Merchant

Lay Readers:
9:00—Julie Allensworth
11:00—Betty Merchant

Welcome Center Greeters:
8:45-10—Volunteer Needed
10-11:15—Suzanne Magee

Welcome Center Bakers:
Donna Benefield & Cindy Reynolds



November 18, 2018

Scripture: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Sermon: **Confidence**

Altar Guild: Sandra Hoke team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:
9:00—Richard & Leighia Barron
11:00—Drew & Annely Domas

9 am Greeters: Julie & Richard Allensworth

11 am Ushers: Team #3
John Griffith, Jerry Windham, Ron Hopperton, Nevella Toal, Vernon Murray, Richard Powell

Lay Readers:
9:00—Trent Brown
11:00—Theresa Beauchamp

Welcome Center Greeters:
8:45-10—Pat McCombs
10-11:15—Donna Benefield & Cindy Reynolds

Welcome Center Bakers:
Kay Butler

The Church Office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 21, for Thanksgiving and reopen Monday, November 26.

November 25, 2018

Scripture: Scripture: TBA

Sermon: **TBA**



Altar Guild: Sandra Hoke team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:
9:00—Dale Dardeau & Ken Wheeler
11:00—Archie McLellan & Nevella Toal

9 am Greeters: Chris & Jennifer Smith

11 am Ushers: Team #4
Mat Taylor, Sarah Boehme, Drew Domas, Wayne Mulhollan

Lay Readers:
9:00—Jim Brown
11:00—Judy Taylor

Welcome Center Greeters:
8:45-10—Jonathan Vogt
10-11:15—Suzanne Magee

Welcome Center Bakers:
Beverly Blalack & Eunice Barrett

11 a.m. services will remain in the Chapel for November



Every 1st Sunday— OCS Collection Sundays

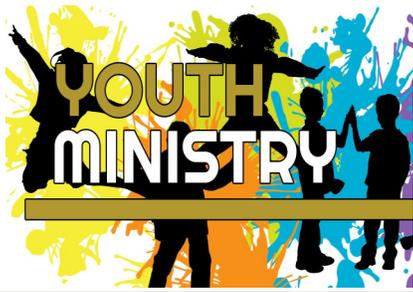
Give money (in envelope marked OCS) or place donated items in OCS containers in the Family Life Center. During Communion, all offerings left at the rail go to **Orange Christian Services.**

2nd Sundays—
Bring Cans to Recycle

3rd Sundays—
Bring Donations for the Rainbow Room

Please pray for our “Family” of the week

Nov. 4	Duke and Melissa Clark
Nov. 11	Drew and Annely Domas
Nov. 18	Susan Foote
Nov. 25	Pete and Janice Gresham



Join us in the Family Life Center! Youth Sunday School at 10 a.m.

We share how God is working in our lives and look more in depth at the Bible!

Sunday Night CREW from 5-7 p.m.

Christians **R**eady, **E**quipped, and **W**illing
Join us for a meal, fellowship, worship, music, skits, games, and Jesus.

Social Media

Join our text message group to get reminders about upcoming FUMC Youth announcements by texting [@fumcora](https://www.instagram.com/fumcora) to 81010

Facebook: [fumcorangeyouth](https://www.facebook.com/fumcorangeyouth)
Instagram & Twitter: [@fumcorangeyouth](https://www.instagram.com/fumcorangeyouth)

Youth November & Upcoming Activities:

November 4: Southeast District Youth Turkey Fest, 3-7 p.m. at Trinity UMC (Beaumont). Join us for kickball, gaga ball, worship, friends, bowling for turkey, giant jenga, food, and fellowship with other youth in our district. Hosted by Trinity UMC in Beaumont. Register [here](#).

November 7: NEW Date for Lion's Club Carnival, 6:30 p.m. All families and youth are welcome to join us for the carnival. If you need transportation to/from the church to the carnival, be sure to let Randall know ahead of time. Otherwise, plan on meeting at Orange City Lions Park.

November 9-11: The Big Event (6th Graders ONLY) at Camp Cho Yeh. The Big Event strives to create an environment where 6th grade students can be together to connect with Jesus Christ and learn how their faith can set them on a course that will turn their teenage journey into a wonderful adventure. The retreat focuses on John Wesley's threefold idea of grace and includes time for worship, small groups, outdoor recreation and mastering the art of 6th-grade-silliness. Please pray for our 6th graders and leaders attending: Ella Burns, Matthew Golemon, Brooklyn Pierre, Darian Sandlin, Bryce Williams, Randall Bridges, and Sharon Bridges.

November 25: Friendsgiving. Cost: Bring a covered dish (can be leftovers). Invite your friends to our Friendsgiving. Share a Thanksgiving meal together and play games.

December 9: Angel & Elves Christmas Shopping Trip. A time for us to bless our community by buying gifts for less fortunate families in our city. We get to spend a little bit of time with one of the kids from each family as they help us shop. We all gather back at the church to play games with the kids and then take them home to bring their gifts to their families.

December 16: Youth Christmas Party at TBA (6-12th graders). Cost: Bring a white elephant gift \$5 or less; Last name A-L bring a dessert, Last name M-Z bring a drink Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater, and bring a white elephant gift as we celebrate Jesus' birth and the end of the semester!

January 20: Youth Bonfire at Abshire's House (6-12th graders). Keep warm in January during our Youth Bonfire. More information coming.

Can you help feed the youth at 5 pm on Sundays?

This meal would serve about 15-20 people and can be something simple like hot dogs, pizza, lasagna, soups, corn dogs, sandwiches, etc.

On Sunday, Dec. 9, a larger meal is needed for Angels & Elves program.

If you are willing to feed the youth, available Sundays for spring include Jan. 6, Jan. 27, and Mar 24.

Email or call Randall to claim one!

Youth Programming

Would you like to come speak to our youth for 10-30 minutes on a Sunday night?

Contact Randall to share with our Youth.

Sunday, October 21—Youth Led Worship!



All praise to the Father from whom all things come.
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

1st Methodist Kids

Sunday nights from 5-7 p.m.

1st Methodist Kids meet with Mr. Doug on Sundays from 5 to 7 p.m. We meet on the playground and have dinner together. K-5th graders welcome. Call Mr. Doug with questions, 409-779-2143.



November Events:

[See full calendar on church website](#)

- Sundays—Unfinished Crafters Bible Study, 5-7 p.m., Parlor
November 1—Deadline to submit items for Church Council agenda
November 5—Good Grief Group, 6:30 p.m., Parlor
November 7—Education Meeting, 4 p.m.
November 8—Church Council, 6 p.m.
November 9-11—The Big Event (6th grader retreat)
November 10—Meet with Rev. Mathis, 4 p.m., Wesley-Beaumont
November 12—Caring Ministry, 10 a.m.
November 19—Senior Sisterhood, 10 a.m.
November 20—Deadline for November newsletter information
November 21—Office closes as noon for Thanksgiving; opens Monday, November 26

Upcoming Events:

- December 2—FUMC 1st Kid's Christmas Musical—"A Star is Born"
December 8—Jesus' Love Never Melts, 9-11:30 a.m.
December 9—Youth Angels & Elves Christmas Shopping Trip

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COMING
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Social
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Wednesday Night Live

An awesome opportunity to invite your
Family and Friends

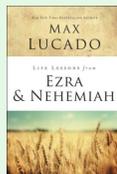
A light meal served at 5 p.m. in the Family Life Center
with classes at 6 p.m.

- November 7**—Homemade vegetable soup w/ sirloin
meat prepared by Doug Rogers
November 14—Links, salad, baked beans (United
Methodist Men)

Proceeds from these meals will go to each team
(in parentheses) to help with their church mission
projects!

Classes Begin at 6 p.m.:

- ◆ Suzanne Magee will facilitate Max Lucado's *Life Lessons from Ezra and Nehemiah*. The class will meet in the Fidelis Sunday School classroom.
- ◆ Priscella Burns will lead a missional class in the Family Life Center making tie blankets for babies (Rainbow Room) and for adults (Hospice). Ladies that crochet/knit are welcome to come and enjoy the fellowship while making blankets/throws for this mission opportunity. The class will begin with baby blankets to be donated to the Rainbow Room. Church members have donated the fleece for the blankets. Then the class will make blankets to be donated to Hospice. Each class member will purchase materials (2 yards of a solid and 2 yards of a pattern). Share FUMC's love with others!



November 7—Youth families will go to the Lion's Club Carnival. There will be NO children or youth classes on this night.

Good Grief Group

Life just throws a curve sometimes. You may not even know it is coming, but you know when it happens. It is valuable to us to walk through life with others who have walked on a similar path. Our lives have been marked with instances of grief, some more recent, but all real.

*Grief never ends...but it changes.
It is a passage, not a place.
Grief is not a sign of weakness,
nor a lack of faith...
it is the price of love.*

If you find yourself in that area, join us the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor.

SENIOR SISTERHOOD

Every third Monday at 10 a.m., the Senior Sisterhood group meets in the Family Life Center. All women in the community that consider themselves a senior are welcome to attend. For more information, call Betty Merchant at 409-779-1470 or Lynn Fields at 409-313-0078.



Jesus' Love Never Melts



Advent Vacation Bible School

Sat., December 8
9-11:30 a.m.
For Kindergarten
through 5th grade

Opportunities to volunteer include: crew leaders to walk the children to the different rotations, snack leaders (making Candy Cane Snow), photographer, registration, and just because we want you there to enjoy the morning!!

Please share the date with your families and friends! And come enjoy the morning sharing the Love of Jesus with others!!

2018 First UMC Church Council

Lay Leader—Carol Allen (Chair); Finance—Chris Abshire & Tom Henry; Trustees—Gary Bonneau & David Bridges; SPR—Theresa Beauchamp & Greg DeFrates; Members at Large—Barbara Dardeau, Suzanne Magee, Betty Merchant, & Ginger Williams; Secretary—Sherri Frugé; Pastor—John Warren

Deadline for agenda items to secretary Sherri Frugé—1st Thursday—November 1
Next meeting—2nd Thursday—November 8, at 6 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns for Church Council, send ONE email to council@fumcorange.org that will go to ALL council members!

FUMC Guiding Principles and Church Council Meeting Minutes are posted on the FUMC website (under Resources)

The Programming Task Teams (Leaders below) continue the activities started by the VCI teams.

- ♦ **Worship**—Doug Rogers
- ♦ **Discipleship Making**—Leighia Barron & Randall Bridges
- ♦ **Hospitality**—Ginger Williams
- ♦ **Communications**—Trisha Anderson & Marcia Brown
- ♦ **Caring Ministry**—Jeanelle Cochran
- ♦ **Missions**—Bev Blalack

While not programming, these two teams provide support and coordinate with the staff, Pastor John, and Norma for building needs or help in the office area:

- ♦ **Facility**—Jeff Frugé
- ♦ **Administration**—Nancy Vincent



PASTOR APPRECIATION

Pastor John serves our church family well, so we would like to serve Pastor John. Our church family will take turns serving him dinner once a week during the school year while Sandra is away in Wimberley.

To host Pastor John for dinner, take him out to dinner, or deliver him a cooked meal, sign up at church on Sundays with Angela Abshire. You can also leave a message with the church office, and Angela will return your call. We appreciate Pastor John and Sandra!

October was breast cancer awareness month!

To support those in the fight and those among us who are survivors, each person was to wear something pink on October 14 - National Get Your Pink On Sunday.

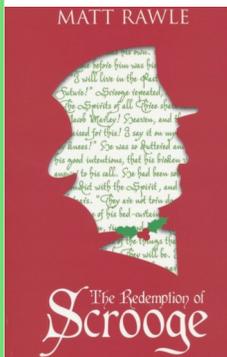


Both services had several participate!



ADVENT STUDY BEGINS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

MATT RAWLE



Everyone is welcome to join the Advent Study over *The Redemption of Scrooge*.

This Advent study, based on *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens, will explore the world of Ebenezer Scrooge. Meet the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come and learn about living in a world blessed by Jesus.

Join the New Beginnings Sunday school class (upstairs in the Education Building) to explore this topic from November 25-December 23.

Wednesday Night Live—Share Christian fellowship during a meal followed by Bible Study and Mission Activities for all ages. Cook, clean after a meal, teach, or participate in mission work.

Sunday School—Attend classes by age—PreK-5th, 6th-12th, college/young adult, and adult. Teach or assist (shepherd) with the children's classes.

VBS—Teach, donate snacks, lead a group, games, crafts, etc., at one of the three VBS events—traditional (week in June), Easter and Christmas (one-day).

Nursery—Help/sub in the nursery during Sunday School and services, WNL, and other FUMC activities.

Youth/CREW (Christians Ready, Equipped, & Willing)—6th-12th graders meet Sunday nights for a meal, fellowship, worship, music, skits, games, and Jesus.

United Methodist Men—Join other men for monthly breakfast, devotion and planning for annual Gumbo lunch and other projects.

Senior Sisterhood—Join “senior” women monthly for fellowship.

1st Kids—K-5th graders meet weekly for fellowship, games, and a meal; they perform twice a year. Shepherd kids during games, play practice, help with meals/clean up, decorations/costumes.

Good Guys Grilling—Share fellowship with other guys while grilling/sharing a meal.

Unfinished Crafters—Join a ladies Bible Study that meets on Sunday evenings.

Back to School—Community mission provides backpacks, school supplies, haircuts, and other school necessities.

UM ARMY—Youth provide hands-on work to improve homes for homeowners.

Field of Plenty—Help tend community garden, which donates all produce to Orange Christian Services who gives fresh vegetables to their clients.

Summer Lunch Program—Make sandwiches, bake cookies, and/or deliver to local children in need.

Orange Christian Services—Donate funds, food and other toiletries needed by Orange County families

Rainbow Room—Donate new shoes, socks, diapers, wipes to emergency resource center for children & teen clients of CPS caseworkers.

Seafarers—Donate travel-size pens, notepads, magazines, toiletries, to seafarers, who rest, relax, & worship during a short break from sea.

Lamar State College-Orange—Donate pens, pencils, notepads and highlighters to give to students during campus visits.

Go Green for God (3G)—Collect/recycle aluminum cans; purchase reusable items. Replant trees. Coordinate Salvation Army Christmas Angels.

Evangelism—Send cards and call members to check on those not attending church.

Chancel Choir—Add your voice to perform various musical styles—traditional, gospel, spirituals, contemporary, cantatas, oratorios and even opera.

Praise Team—Join the singers and/or band to lead the worship experience by praising God through contemporary songs; assist audio/visual team.

Hand Bells—Express a love of music and a basic music theory understanding by ringing bells.

Readers—Share the scripture and other service readings on a Sunday.

Ushers—Five teams rotate specific Sundays to greet worshipers, give each a bulletin and handouts, and take the offering. First Sunday team directs during Communion.

Altar Guild—Three teams rotate to prepare the altar and communion, hang banners, and decorate for Easter and Christmas.

Flowers—Provide altar flowers to beautify either worship space in honor of a loved one or in memory of someone.

Worship Shepherds—If you sit in the same place each week, notify staff of any attendance changes or obvious needs of others in the same vicinity.

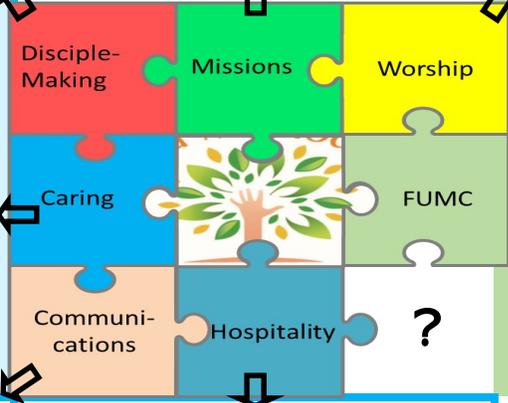
Bereavement—Help provide a meal to grieving family of church member who passes away.

Prayer Ministry—From Sunday service requests, pray for people, send cards to members and others.

Caring—Send seasonal, birthday, condolence, and get-well cards to those who cannot attend services. Deliver small bouquets rearranged from altar flowers. Serve home communion.

Community Concerns—Send emails with prayer requests (from pastor or church secretary) to all who wish to be on list.

Grieving—Gain support from others experiencing grief at monthly meetings.



First United Methodist Church

Website—Update at least weekly to be sure guests and members can find current information about FUMC.

Newsletter—Format monthly to provide information about FUMC's past, present, and future events and activities.

Bulletins—Format and prepare for each Sunday and special services.

Announcements—Post in bulletin and on service PowerPoints.

Email Notices—Send as needed to share information with the congregation.

Church Calendar—Keep online/website calendar updated with activities for planning purposes.

Photographer—Attend events and capture happenings and people for newsletter, website, social media, brochures, etc.

Press Releases—Communicate with local radio and print media outlets to inform and promote FUMC activities.

Social Media—Post current and upcoming events, pictures, video, information, etc.

Brochures, Postcards, Flyers, etc.—Create promotional materials sent to members, guests, community, etc.

Greeters—Arrive before service, welcome everyone with a warm smile, and give guests a welcome gift. At the 9 am service, pass out bulletins and take the offering.

Visitor Gift Bags—Assemble gift bags and place in each service to be handed out to our guests on Sunday mornings.

Welcome Center Bakers—Once a quarter, bring cookies, donuts, sliced cakes, to serve 4 dozen by 8:45 on Sunday.

Welcome Center Greeters—Provide information and assistance to guests and refill the snack plates. Two time slots are available on Sunday mornings.

Malloy Shepherds—Welcome/greet groups upon arrival and provide keys and emergency numbers. Check groups out; turn lights off and return keys to office.

Kitchen—Keep items stocked (paper plates, cups, salt, pepper, sugar, lemonade, etc.); keep refrigerator and kitchen clean.

Member Orientation—Attend periodic sessions with the pastor for new and current members to explain goals/mission of church.

Look through all of the opportunities for 2019!

WHERE CAN



FIT IN?

Look for displays and sign-up sheets during November!

Brisket Meals



Thanks to all who prepared the food, served the meals, sold tickets, and purchased meals!

Billy Joe's Bar-B-Q in Port Neches, a member of the Emmaus community, graciously provided, smoked, and cut the meat for the Fall Festival!

Meals in a Minute



Thanks to all who prepared the frozen meals, purchased the meals, and distributed them!



Live Auction



Thanks to Kay Donnelly and Chris Abshire for being entertaining auctioneers.



Thank to all who donated items, bid on them, and purchased! Thanks to all who worked behind the scenes to create the script and PowerPoint for the event! And thanks to those who "worked" the auction—recording bidders, winners, displaying items, etc.

Silent Auction



Thanks to all who donated, who bid, and who helped!

This year's fundraiser raised \$11,365!

Mark your calendar for next year's event:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

If you are crafty, consider making an extra item or two for next year's event!

Plants

Thanks to all who donated, potted, sold, and purchased plants!



Thanks to all to baked or donated sweets and thanks to those who sold and purchased the goodies!



Special Thanks to our Fundraiser Planning Team (missing Trisha Anderson who was selling Meals in a Minute)!

Communication

News—News Release online form OR News@fumcorange.org

When you have something you want others to know about, please use the **NEWS RELEASE form located on the church website**—at the bottom of the home page or under Resources—FUMC documents. If you have pictures or other attachments you may send ONE email to those who work on the bulletins, newsletters, website, social media, print media, calendar, etc.

Prayer Blasts—Quick way to get prayer requests out = PrayerBlasts@fumcorange.org

Prayer Requests—For confidential prayers, use form on Intercessory Prayer webpage or send email to PrayerRequests@fumcorange.org Include an address to have a note of encouragement sent!

Calendar—To add or update something on the website calendar, please send an email to office@fumcorange.org

Church Council—Send any questions or concerns for Church Council, to council@fumcorange.org that will go to ALL council members!

FUMC MEMBERS SHARING GOD'S LOVE!!

WELCOME!

On Sunday, October 14, **Hazel Grace Gary**, daughter of Emily Lafley and Jordan Gary, was baptized at the 9 a.m. service.

Hazel's grandparents are Michael Lafley and Susan Carey.



Congratulations!

Welcome the newest addition to the Auchenbach and Pittman family trees, **Sophie Grace Auchenbach** arrived October 17, 2018. She joins her parents **Daniel and Marie** and sister **Emily** and her grandparents, **Ken and Judy Pittman**.

Dear First UMC Orange,

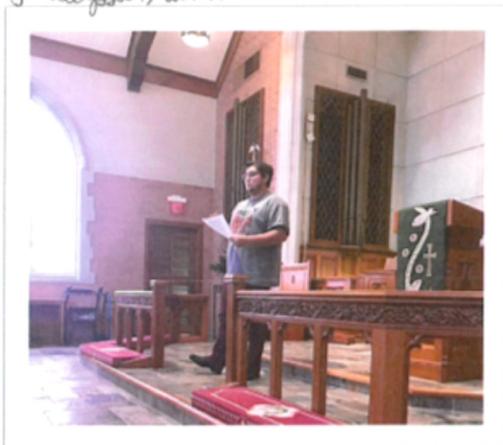
Thank you for welcoming us into your church and treating us like family. We appreciate your church for giving us an opportunity to speak, helping us to make ourselves known as a college-aged adult ministry. Also, special thanks to those who bought our shirts and/or donated to our foundation. We will keep you updated with our Fall newsletter or feel free to contact us [Insert Contact Information].

We look forward to partnering with you and welcoming your future college students. Thank you so much for your support and generosity. May God bless you all.

Sincerely,

All of us at Wesley Lamar

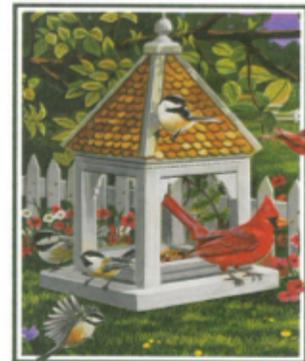
Rev Amy Jettler
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Rainbow Room



Thank you for the donation of diapers to the Orange County Community Partners Rainbow Room. The caseworkers are so thankful to have diapers available when a child is removed from their home and placed in foster care or something the child may need in order to stay in their own home. Thanks again!
Sue Branchetti, Secretary
Orange County Community Partners

♥ BY GIVING SERVICE TO OTHERS, I GIVE SERVICE TO GOD. ♥

Jesus Taught us how to Serve Others

To volunteer to serve in one of these ministries, please call the church office (409-886-7466)

5:02 Prayer Initiative



All church members are asked to pray at 5:02 in the morning or evening for God to work in and through us:

"God, we lift First United Methodist Church to you with our prayers. Please do what we cannot do ourselves, including your changing us without limits. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Small Vases Needed



The Caring Ministry Team rearranges flowers from altar displays and delivers small bouquets to members. If you have **small (6" tall or less) sturdy vases with wide mouths** with room to insert floral foam that you could donate, please let the church office know.

Salvation Army Angel Tree

Angels for the Salvation Army Angel Tree will be available to church members on Sunday, November 25, and need to be turned in by Wednesday, December 12. More details later.



Update

Kroger has a new Community Rewards system, and First United Methodist Church has a new account number = **NV689**

Go to www.kroger.com; click on Savings & Rewards—Kroger Community Rewards. To enroll now, new members can search for the **new number** or the **name of your organization**.

2018 1st Quarter Rewards = \$39.93
2018 2nd Quarter Rewards = \$77.99
2018 3rd Quarter Rewards = \$80.03

Thank you to all the households who help FUMC by shopping at Kroger!

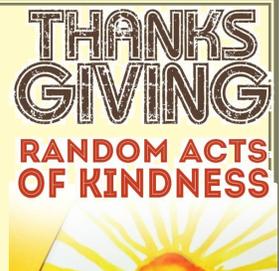
One of FUMC's Missions:

Located inside the Port of Beaumont, the **Seafarers' Center of Beaumont** is an ecumenical ministry serving all foreign and domestic seafarers. Here, seafarers can rest, relax, worship and enjoy a few hours on land before returning to sea. Transportation is provided from the ship to the Center and to a variety of destinations.



Donations of toiletries (travel size hotel items accumulated during travels, pens, notepads, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, combs, or any other variety of little items along this line), magazines, and money can be placed in the labeled containers in the Family Life Center.

November Random Acts of Kindness



1. Leave a kind note in a library book.
2. Tape money to the car wash machine for the next person to use.
3. Give a recipe and all the ingredients to a friend.
4. Do a chore that is usually your partner's responsibility.
5. Donate your loose change to Save the World.
6. Always smile!!



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday

8:30 am - Noon

WORSHIP

**9 am - Praise service in the
Family Life Center**

10 am - Sunday School

**11 am - Traditional service
in the Sanctuary**

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At First UMC-Orange, we grow Disciples who grow Disciples! It is just that simple! It's what we do!

From revival and renewed spirit through worship, we move people from the sanctuary to the community delivering God's message of hope and grace through Jesus Christ. Whenever and wherever we come together, we do so in His name, modeling His Grace and sharing His Word.

For saints and seekers; for individuals and families; for those more or less fortunate; for young and old alike...The *good news* is for all people. We are the voices and the hands branching out in Faith to encourage and support people. We provide worship, programs, and activities for families and individuals that will help you take God's word and apply it to *your* circumstances so He can change *your* life in ways you knew not possible.

Through Christ, we will facilitate the transformation of individuals into His People and our community into His community! At First UMC-Orange, we grow disciples who grow disciples! It is just that simple! It's what we do!