

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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OCTOBER 2018

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Mission Statement:

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

To have information included in the November newsletter, please send it to news@fumcorange.org

by Friday, October 19 so the newsletter can be distributed before November 1.

United We Stand; Divided We Fall

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

On Saturday, October 13, we have the opportunity to work together to make the future of the ministries we share with the community through the Malloy Spiritual Retreat Center grow and flourish.





WHY IS THAT IMPORTANT? Just look around at our world. We Christians need a shot in the arm to refresh our spirits. In the past year, a number of mission teams have come through our area serving in our community. We will probably have more teams once the weather cools and the snowbirds come south to work. With these blessings have come some wear and tear on our facility, plus just age of the equipment. Recently, we replaced the ice maker, repaired some plumbing issues, replaced one air conditioner unit, and are anticipating more repairs of the six AC units that are at least 25 years old. The council and trustees are exploring insulating the attic to help the condensation and lower electric bills as well.

HOW YOU CAN HELP?

♥ Place flyers in store windows.

Auction Items—What can you provide by Sunday, October 7?

- Ask businesses you frequent if they will donate something to be auctioned.
- ♥ Have season tickets to the theater but don't plan to use them all? Donate them to the auction!
- ♥ Could you teach something to be auctioned—bridge, basket weaving, a craft, or cooking? Donate a voucher for lessons!
- ♥ Do you sew or quilt?
- ♥ Do you make Thanksgiving or Christmas crafts? Many families' holiday decorations were washed away.
- Can you repair things? A car, a lawn mower, a sink? Auction off an afternoon of home repair, painting, or yard work!

Meals in a Minute are frozen foods made by our good cooks to take home, thaw, and cook. If you have a great recipe for a soup, gumbo, chili or casserole, get a container from the church—all you have to do is make it, freeze it and give us the recipe of what it is you have created. We will sell it to hungry, happy people!

The Sweet Shop will have individually-wrapped or whole desserts to enjoy with your meal or take home to enjoy later. See Cindy and Donna for something sweet!

Brisket Dinner—Will you buy/sell \$10 tickets to our BBQ? Our pre-order should feed 150 people, but we hope more meals are purchased by Sunday, October 7! Would you deliver to one of the plants? Which one?

Did you know that other groups who use the Malloy, such as Emmaus and ACTS Retreats, have joined in helping us? Billy Joes BBQ is preparing our meat (and selling it to us at cost). Gary Evans is a faithful part of the Golden Triangle Emmaus Community.

ABOVE ALL, LET'S HAVE FUN!

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

August 26	Sept 2	Sept 9	Sept 16	Sept 23
	9:0081			
11:0058	11:0047	11:0056	11:00 54	11:0053
TOTAL 144	TOTAL 128	TOTAL 154	TOTAL 125	TOTAL 130

Giving

August 2018

Income...... \$37,343.00 Expenses. ... <u>\$46,079.50</u>

— \$ 8.736.50

You can also give online!

October Worship

October 7, 2018

Scripture: John 14:15-17
Sermon: A Disciple's Path:
The Way of Service

October 14, 2018

Scripture: Romans 8:1-11
Sermon: A Disciple's Path:
Witness Spreading the
Love and Story

October 21, 2018

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33
Sermon: Don't Doubt,
God's Got This

October 28, 2018

Scripture: Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Sermon: **Restored**

COMMUNION

Altar Guild: Beverly Blalack 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–Tom Henry 11:00–Sarah Boehme

Welcome Center Greeters:

8:45-10-Lilly Williams 10-11:15-Donna Benefield & Cindy Reynolds

Welcome Center Bakers:

Sandra Hoke & Debbie Bayliss

Get Your Pink On Sunday

Everyone wear pink in support of those battling breast cancer and all other forms of cancer.

Altar Guild: Beverly Blalack 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, Pie & David Bridges

Lay Readers:

9:00-Barbara Dardeau 11:00-Donna Bell

Welcome Center Greeters:

8:45-10–Lilly Williams 10-11:15–Suzanne Magee

Welcome Center Bakers:

Lori Kratzer & Brittany Allen

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Message by Dawson Sandlin, Trent Guidry, and Molly Abshire

Altar Guild: Beverly Blalack team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:

9:00-Youth 11:00-Youth

9 am Greeters: Youth

11 am Ushers: Youth

Lay Readers: 9:00–Youth

11:00-Youth

Welcome Center Greeters:

8:45-10–Pat McCombs 10-11:15–Donna Benefield & Cindy Reynolds

Welcome Center Bakers:

Trisha Anderson & Ginger Williams

Altar Guild: Beverly Blalack team & Trish Anderson

Parking Lot Greeters:

9:00–Dale Dardeau & Bart Williams

11:00–Archie McLellan & Nevella Toal

9 am Greeters: Chris & Jennifer Smith

11 am Ushers: Team #4
Mat Taylor, Sarah
Boehme, Drew Domas,
Ed & Charlotte Foreman

Lav Readers:

9:00–Lori Kratzer 11:00–Lynn Fields

Welcome Center Greeters:

8:45-10–Jonathan Vogt 10-11:15–Suzanne Magee

Welcome Center Bakers:

Julie Allensworth & Suzanne Magee

October 11 a.m. services will remain in the Chapel

Sunday, October 7—Deadline to purchase \$10 tickets (or return envelopes with ticket money) for Fundraiser Brisket meal. Sunday, October 7—Deadline to deliver auction donations (or description of service/picture/etc.) to church. Saturday, October 13—Deliver frozen Meals in a Minute and/or Sweet Shop items to church no later than 9:30 a.m.

OCS

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—

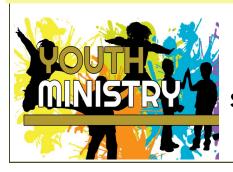
Bring Cans to Recycle

3rd Sundays—

Bring Donations for Rainbow Room

Please pray for our "Family" of the week

- Oct. 7 Marilyn Martin
- Oct. 14 Gwen Whitehead
- Oct. 21 Richard & Julie Allensworth
- Oct. 28 Wade & Nikki Barron



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 Ready, Equipped, and Willing 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 to 81010

Facebook: fumcorangeyouth Instagram & Twitter: @fumcorangeyouth

Youth October & Upcoming Activities:

October 10—Youth Serve WNL meal

October 17: 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 and from the church to the carnival, be sure to let Randall know ahead of time. Otherwise, plan on meeting at Orange City Lions Park.

October 21: Youth Led Worship Services

October 28: Spooked Fundraiser. This fundraiser works a lot like the flamingo "flocking" or frog "frogging." However, we deliver

goodie bags to people and ask who they'd like to "Spook" next.

The Youth Choir led by Doug Rogers practicing for the

Youth Led Services

The youth will make goodie bags beforehand. On October 28, we will deliver them to a house asking for a donation to see who that person would like to "Spook." We then deliver the spook candy to the next house. (Look for more info on another page!)

October 31: Shine Your Light on Jesus at FUMC (6-12thgraders) (see below)

November 25: Friendsgiving. Bring a covered dish (can be leftovers). Teens invite their 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.

Want to feed the youth at 5 p.m.?

This meal would serve about 15-20 people, but it doesn't even have to be an in-depth recipe; for example, hot dogs,



You've been

SPOOKED

🗪 pizza, lasagna, soups, corndogs, sandwiches, etc., have been served.

If you are willing to feed the youth, available Sundays this fall include Oct. 28, Nov. 4, Nov. 11, and Dec. 9. Email or call Randall to claim 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.



COLLEGE/ YOUNG **ADULTS**

A college/young adult group for those single and married below the age of 30 meets in the Youth Lounge (downstairs youth game room in the Family Life Center) at 10 a.m. on Sundays.

SHINE YOUR LIGHT ON JESUS

Wednesday, October 31 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. **Family Life Center**





BRING CANDY! All church families are asked to help fill the large baskets in the Family Life Center and Welcome Center with lots of candy to pass out at the games!

Lots of opportunities to help with games, crafts, snacks, and a hotdog supper. TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE talk to Randall or Leighia. FUMC members helping with activities are to be at church by 5 p.m. and wear your costumes!! THANKS!!







2018 First UMC Church Council

Lay Leader–Carol Allen (Chair); Finance–Chris Abshire & Tom Henry; Trustees–Gary Bonneaux & 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—October 4
Next meeting—2nd Thursday—October 11, 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



FUMC Fall Festival Fundraiser October 13

The Fall Festival Fundraiser is now scheduled for Saturday, October 13. The proceeds will support the Malloy Center and offset the cost of hosting the Hurricane Harvey Recovery Teams free as they helped rebuild Orange.



Each member can help the church!!

Brisket Dinners—Gary Evans, an Emmaus volunteer, is selling us the brisket at cost and has volunteered to cook it for the church. The brisket meal will include baked beans, potato salad, and a drink for \$10. Tickets will be for sale in the Family Life Center (Trisha Anderson), in the Welcome Center (Cindy Reynolds and Donna Benefield), and in the Chapel (Janet Bland) on Sundays. Please pre-purchase tickets by Sunday, October 7, so we know how much meat to purchase. A dessert may be purchased separately from the "Sweet Shop." For those that want to take their meals home, we will have take-out available. A special thanks to the families that have offered to make the beans and salads—Remember to have them at the church on Saturday morning by 10 a.m.

Meals in a Minute—The church will be selling frozen casseroles, soups, and gumbos, beginning at \$10. The casseroles will be frozen in 9x11 pans with the soups and gumbos in 32 ounce containers. The pans and reditainers have been purchased by the church and will be placed in the FLC kitchen. The Family Life Center freezer has been cleaned; please place your marked containers in that freezer. A special thanks to the families that have already offered to prepare the meals in a minute. Please provide the recipe for each "meal" and instructions to prepare the frozen meal. To help cook a frozen dish, please talk to Leighia Barron or Julie Allensworth.

Auction—Items of all various dollar amounts and types are needed so get creative with your donations. Include a brief description and estimated value with your item. If you are donating a voucher or gift certificate to be redeemed later, please print a flyer or certificate (a physical representation) to be displayed. **Please deliver ALL items to the church office by Sunday, October 7**. Thanks to Kay Donnelly and Chris Abshire for serving as auctioneers. We'll share some laughs while raising funds together!

Sweet Shop—Bring your sweet tooth to purchase whole and sliced cakes and pies, brownies, cookies, fudge, cake balls, etc. Prices start at \$1 for two cookies.

October Events:

See full calendar on church website

October 1—Good Grief Group, 6:30 p.m., Parlor

October 2-October 23—Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10 a.m., Parlor

October 3—Education Meeting, 4 p.m.

October 4—Deadline to submit items for Church Council agenda

October 7—Unfinished Crafters Bible Study, 5-7 p.m., Parlor

October 8—Caring Ministry, 10 a.m.

October 9—Programming Team Meeting, 6 p.m.

October 11—Church Council, 6 p.m.

October 13—Fall Festival Fundraiser, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

October 14—"Get Your Pink On" Sunday

October 15—Senior Sisterhood, 10 a.m.

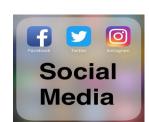
October 17-21—Emmaus Women's Walk

October 19—Deadline for November newsletter information

October 28—Charge Conference, Faith UMC Orange, 3 p.m.

October 28—"Spooked" Youth Fundraiser

October 31—Shine Your Light on Jesus, 5:30-7 p.m. (No WNL activities)



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Upcoming Events:

December 2—Children's Christmas Musical

Wednesday Night Live

An awesome opportunity to invit e your Family and Friends

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

October 3—Taco Soup (3G)

October 10—TBA (Youth)

October 17—Meatballs over Rice, Veggies (Kids)

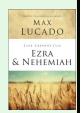
October 24—Baked Potatoes & Salad

(Pairs and Spares)

October 31—SHINE the LIGHT on JESUS—NO MEAL/CLASSES

Classes Begin at 6 p.m. on October 3:

 Suzanne Magee will facilitate Max Lucado's Life Lessons from Ezra and Nehemiah. The class will meet in the Fidelis Sunday School classroom. Please pay Suzanne \$7 to secure a book.



Proceeds from

these meals will

go to each team

(in parentheses)

to help with their

church mission

projects!

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!

October 17—Youth families will go to the Lion's Club Carnival There will be NO children or youth classes on this night.

Churchwide Study A Disciple's Path Concludes in October

On Sunday, October 14, we will finish studying <u>A</u> <u>Disciple's Path</u>, by James Harnish.

When we talk about a Disciple's path, we are not talking about a road trip (no need for us to pull out our Willie Nelson singing "On the Road Again").

We are talking about a way of life that we engage in as a living, breathing, growing Christian.

We are focusing on the vows we make when we become part of the United Methodist Church because they were the "methods" that our founder John Wesley said would help us grow closer to Jesus Christ. Let's face it—that is what we want to do.

In September, we studied Grace, Prayers, Presence, and Generosity and Thankfulness. In October, we will study Service and Witness.

On October 14, we end the series with an opportunity for those who have been considering becoming members of the church to join us.



One of FUMC's Missions:



The second Sunday of every month is "Bring Cans to Recycle" Sunday for FUMC.

The 3G (Go Green for God) group collects aluminum cans on the second Sunday of the month. Covered brown containers that look like clothes hampers are in the Welcome Center by the parking lot door, in the Administrative Center by the door into the Prayer Garden, and in the Family Life Center in the alcove by the restrooms. All are on the first floor.

Please place cans inside the container, and we will collect them and take to the recycle center. Forget your cans on the second Sunday? Bring them anytime. The containers are always available.

We have used the money collected to purchase the recycling containers as well as reusable bags, insulated with a zipper and a strawberry that made into a bag. While we don't make a lot of money, we try to use it for items that encourage recycling.

Earth Day is celebrated during both services on a Sunday in April. In the past, children have planted crape myrtles, replacing missing ones, near the van storage shed. We have also issued information on items and places to recycle them, green bracelets and the reusable bags.

Our next project is the Salvation Army Christmas Angels that will be distributed in early December. More details available next month.

Thanks so much for your support in the past.
Bring your cans on October 14!



Memorials:

In Memory of



<u>**Betty Derrick</u>** Richard & Patsy Herrington Tim & Joy Hughes</u>

Garland & Helen Gresham
Patti Goforth

Good Grief Group Meets on First Mondays (October 1)

Life just throws a curve sometimes. You may not even know it is coming, but you know when it happens, that is for sure. The Good Grief Group met last month and had a good time sharing experiences and hope to continue. 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.

If you find yourself in that area, join us first Monday of the month (October 1) at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor.

PRETTY IN PINK (October 14)



October is breast cancer awareness month! To support those in the fight and those among us who are survivors, we are asking each person to wear something pink on October 14—National Get Your Pink On Sunday.

John promises he will not wear his pink Trunk or Treat costume! But Doug or Randall may borrow it!

May we all be in prayer for those battling this disease. At this time, we have a number of members who are either battling it and/or on the survivors list.



You've Been Spooked Youth Fundraiser October 28

On Sunday, October 28, the Youth will deliver premade goodie bags to people. They will ask the receiver who they would like to "Spook" next. The Youth will then deliver goodie bags to that house asking the receiver for a donation and the name of who they would like to "Spook" next with goodie bags. We then deliver the spook candy to the next house.

To preorder a Spooking to someone's house:

- 1. Donate here (FUMC online giving website) and in the "Additional Information" box, put "Youth Spook [name]" and insert the name of the person you'd like to Spook.
- 2. Put a check in the offering with the memo line stating "Youth Spook [name]" and insert the name of the person you'd like to Spook.
- 3. Give the donation to Randall and tell him who you'd like to Spook.

Church Group Spotlight

ALTAR GUILD

While God is everywhere and always present, he is present most fully and most powerfully in worship. Perhaps a more important reason for church buildings is that through their symbolism, they enable us to be most fully present to God. Surrounded by reminders of God's awesome and redeeming presence, we join Jacob in realizing that "surely the Lord is in this place..." (from The Altar Guild by Anita Stauffer)

HISTORY—The ladies of the Altar Guild of FUMC-Orange have served this church faithfully since 1982. The guild is concerned with the "things of worship" – the care and placement of furnishings, appointments, and ornaments used in worship. The overall goal of the Altar Guild is to see that the worship space is kept beautiful and in good order, both to glorify God and to provide a setting which enables the congregation to worship in a meaningful way.

On Tuesday, January 10, 1982, the organizational meeting was held. The Reverend James Thompson was the minister. Mrs. Mavis (Joe) Powell was elected president of the guild. In February the first officers were officially installed and the new guild was recognized during the worship service: President Mrs. Mavis Powell; Vice President Mrs. Mary Francis Rasmussen (Hartley); Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Gwen Boehme. Committees were assigned as were the four team leaders and their members.

TODAY—Four teams rotate throughout the year preparing the altar, hanging the liturgical seasonal banners, assisting with the preparation for communion, and decorating the church at Easter and Christmas. The guild members are dedicated in their efforts to see that the Family Life Center, Sanctuary and/or Chapel are prepared for the worship services each Sunday.

<u>Easter</u>—Several weeks before Easter, the guild offers church members the opportunity to purchase Easter lilies or hydrangeas in honor or memory of a loved one. The week before Easter guild members place the flowers in the altar areas for the worship services on Sunday.

<u>Advent/Christmas</u>—The Advent and Christmas season is a particularly busy time for guild members. Again, church members are given an opportunity to order Poinsettias in honor or memory of loved ones. These flowers are placed in the altar areas prior to the Candle Light Service and remain there until Christmas Day. The members decorate the various Christmas trees around the church. The Chrismons, made by guild members, decorate the large tree in the sanctuary.

The greens and wreaths are appropriately placed. On the Sanctuary altar is the beautiful creche which is a memorial to Christopher Sanford. The candles for the candle light service are readied. Communion preparations must be completed as well for this long-anticipated service. After the Christmas season, guild members are responsible for putting away all decorations and preparing the worship areas for the New Year.



The Altar Guild membership is open to any member of this church who is willing to serve and meet the requirements of the guild. Altar Guild meets twice during the year—in October and in January. The four teams are each scheduled by the team leaders. It is with joy and dedication that the guild serves this church.

We invite anyone to join with us in serving.



Jesus Taught us how to Serve Others

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

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

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Continues through October 23 Tuesdays, 10 a.m. in the Parlor

Deepen your prayer life! The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group will read and discuss *Fervent* by Priscilla Shirer. *Fervent* is a Woman's Battle Plan for Serious, Specific, and Strategic Prayer!



Bring your book, Bible, and drink to class.



Melissa and James Tesson, former members of FUMC-Orange, are team leaders for a trip to UMCOR Sager Brown

with their church in Enid, Oklahoma. They have three open spots on their team. If anyone is interested in joining their team and can meet them in Baldwin, Louisiana, for a week of fellowship and mission work, please contact Melissa at melissa.tesson@gmail.com

The details about the trip: Dates: October 7-12, 2018

Where: Baldwin, LA-UMCOR Sager Brown

Costs: \$265, includes Room & Board and food for the

week

Additional costs for the free afternoon activity (Wed.) where the teams go out and do something fun (swamp tour, plantation tour etc...)

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."

Kroger

Update

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

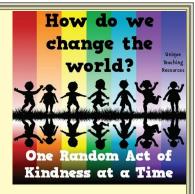
Go to www.kroger.com; click on Savings & Rewards—Kroger Community Rewards. To enroll now, new members can search for the **new number** or the **name of your organization.**

your organization.
2018 1st Quarter Rewards = \$39.93
2018 2nd Quarter Rewards = \$77.99

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

October Random Acts of Kindness

For October, let's be very intentional



- 1. Donate your time to help with the Fall Festival Fundraiser.
- 2. Invite a friend to the fundraiser.
- 3. Sell/buy tickets for the brisket dinner.
- 4. PRAY for a successful fundraiser, which allows FUMC to continue hosting recovery teams and spiritual walks at the Mallory Enrichment Center.

GROWING STRONGER DISCIPLES

Our mission is to help each person take the next step in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Loving God—When Jesus was asked what the most important commandment was, His response was: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment" Matt. 22:37-38. (See Matt. 22:34-40; Mark 12:28-34; and Luke 10:25-28.)

Discipleship is about loving God...it is more than an acknowledgement of God's existence or a statement of belief regarding God. It is total devotion, head-over-heels-in-love-with adoration. It is the deep desire to know God, to be one with God, and to worship God.

There are a variety of ways that we can develop our knowledge of and love of God.

These include the following:

- ♥ Prayer
- ♥ Bible study
- ♥ Worship
- ♥ Fasting
- **♥** Conversation with other Christians
- **♥** Service to others
- **♥** Tithing



Growing disciples who grow disciples

October Challenge:

- † Pray for FUMC
- † Participate in the Fall Festival Fundraiser on October 13
- † Participate in the Shine Your Light on Jesus on October 31
- † Join a Bible Study:
 - † *Fervent*, Tuesday mornings
 - † Ezra/Nehemiah, Wednesday nights
 - † *The Disciple's Path*, Sunday nights
- † Join a Sunday School class
- † Offer to cook for Youth on Sunday evenings
- † Help make blankets for the Rainbow Room and Hospice on Wednesday nights

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



502 NORTH SIXTH ST. ORANGE, TX 77630

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

