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#### Office Hours

Mon– Thurs

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

*Happy  
Birthday!*

Sheila Stevenson 11/18

Lana Bomer 11/20

Rhonda Carter 11/22

Kyndee Bales 11/24

Ryan Marricle 11/25

Riley Kettner 11/27

Kyle Kettner 11/29

*Happy  
Anniversary*

Robert & Maurine  
Hooten 11/22

# First United Methodist Church

11/13/2018

## ***FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY***

Thanks for allowing me some much-needed vacation time. It was nice to sleep a little later in the mornings, not rushed to do anything specific; being able to enjoy some rest and restoration. Last Monday afternoon Andrea had sent me an email with the Membership Listing for the Pictorial Directory to review and somewhat finalize so we could send it off this week. After I responded with the corrections, she sent me a text message saying “You’re on vacation” leave the business until you get back. So that is what I did the remainder of the week.

Last Friday one of my devotionals really spoke to me about all of us as individuals and as the “Body of Christ” or the “Church.” Here is that devotional; I pray that it speaks to you as it did me!

### *Applying Jesus to Life*

*“Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice*

*is like a wise man who builds his house on the rock.” ~ Matthew 7:24 (NIV)*

*Many professions offer their staff members continuing education opportunities. These are usually in the form of training conferences or webinars. Many will have the opportunity to share new information about their industry with other staff members. These events offer great growth potential by encouraging the application of what you’ve learned to what you do.*

*What would happen if you filled notebooks with great information and then tossed them in the closet? Would your boss feel as though a good investment was made in providing the training?*

*Jesus used the visual image of home builders to bring this point to life for those who followed him. The wise builder applied what he had learned and built a home on a rock foundation. The foolish builder heard, but never applied, the home building message; he placed his construction on sandy soil. When the rain fell, the wisdom of the application was visibly evident.*

*We're responsible for internalizing the good news of the Bible and applying what we learn to the life we lead. When we do, we shouldn't be surprised when others notice the spiritual foundation on which our lives are built.*

*Prayer ~ Teach me to honor You in what I say, what I do, and where I go.  
More than following You, I want to be one who finds ways to apply Your Word  
to how I live. May Your commands inform my decision, and may my decisions  
show wisdom in honoring Your sacrifice. Amen.*

*Taken from ~ "ONE a Daily Devotional – One Way – One Truth – One Life*

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Each year, as a United Methodist Pastor, I am required to complete a certain number of hours of continuing education. In September, Rhonda and I traveled to Abilene so that she could complete part of her continuing education requirement for her X-Ray certification and license. I know teachers as well as all in the medical profession are required to complete a certain number of hours or credits to maintain their credentials. In contrast, however, as Christians or should I use the term, "Followers of Christ" we are not charged in that manner. Yet, we should be a Living Example of Christ's Word as "Followers of Christ." If we were all to do this, others would see that our *lives* are built on a solid *spiritual* foundation. If the all *Followers of Christ* were to do this, the World would be an entirely different place. As a result of that, we might see a tremendous infusion of people attending worship in all the churches in the world!

Grace and peace!

Pastor Tom



### ***Operation Christmas Child Update***

We prayed over 75 Shoebox Gifts during worship Sunday morning! Congratulations Church for exceeding, the challenge. I challenged you to fill 50 boxes! WELL DONE CHURCH! There may be some straggler boxes show up Tuesday or Wednesday; so, we will hold off until later in the week to take them on one of the collection sites! Again, CONGRATULATIONS CHURCH!

## CALENDAR

Tuesday November 13, 2018	6:00 p.m.
Men's Bible Study	
Wednesday November 14, 2018	
Choir	5:30 p.m.
Thursday November 15, 2018	6:30 p.m.
Charge Conference FUMC Plainview	
Sunday November 18, 2018	6:00 p.m.
Community Thanksgiving Service –First Baptist Church	

### *Poinsettias*

*It is time to have the sanctuary adorned with beautiful poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to honor or remember a loved one, contact the church office to reserve a poinsettia in their name.*

*Cost is \$15 each.*



### BCMA Food Pantry Volunteers

The **2018 BCMA Christmas Box** distribution will be **Saturday, December 15!** Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to be there if you are available! We will need volunteers there about 8:30 a.m. to set up and we will start distributing to clients at 9:00 a.m. We should be finished by about 10:30 a.m.

Please share this information with anyone who is not on this email who like to volunteer! Also, if you have a group of students willing help, that would be great! If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know! Have a great day!

### ACOLYTE DUTIES

NOVEMBER 18 - YOUTH

NOVEMBER 25– SEEKERS

DECEMBER 2 - RENEWERS

# November Prayer Concerns

The family of Jose & Lorena Meza, their children Juan Pablo, Emilio and Valeria. They lost everything in a house fire on Monday November 12. A fund has been set up at AimBank for anyone wanting to donate

## LORENA MEZA FUND

The family of Charles Buddy Sepler, Gina Mardis 's father

The family of Walter Roberson, the father of Nancy Benham

Marilyn Nickels, sister of Helen Cook

Dalphine Gruda, mother of Sharry Jenkins

The victims of the synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh

Sherri Harrison

The Family of Julie Cage on the passing of her sister

The Safe House in Muleshoe for women and children

Freddie Pierce, friend of Tom & Linda Watson, elevated PSA , waiting for tests.

The delegate to St. Louis in February 2019

Buck and Lynn Campbell

Linda Watson

Barbara Mae Blackman

Sara Weise, 2nd grade teacher at Dillman Elementary, is recovering from injuries in a car wreck

Jean Allison

Alice Sims, mother of Betty Innes. She is at Parkview

Ruth Hall

Fred Clements is at Parkview

Matthew Alarcon, a Junior at Muleshoe High School and the son of Rick and Rhea Alarcon, is undergoing treatment for cancer

Ann Head

Winn Cantwell

Robert and Maurine Hooten

Mary Nell Bleeker

Debbie Treider and her mother Joy Coston

Sally Ellis

Marshal Head

Marjorie Morgan, mother of Pam Thomason

America, our president, and all of our governmental elected and appointed officials, and world leaders

Tom Carter and his wife Rhonda Carter

Our church and church leaders

Raymond Treider

Lewis Wayne and Wanda Shafer

Gladys Black

Luke Siegel of Lubbock

Deke Kendrick of Friona, Sally Messengers Mother

Walter Marie Boness

Mark Allen

Molly Anthony of Portales, mother of Mark Anthony

Alene Bryant of Amarillo



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Sam Damron, Pat Nickels, and Hattie Ray Lambert all of Lubbock Hattie Ray is in hospice

Betty and Dillon Noble

Wanda Cockerham

All residents of Parkview

11 year old Ernie Toscano of Muleshoe

Randy Smith of Lazbuddie

Sandy and Royce Turner

Our Military and their families: Brad Henry, Judd Glover, Treg Box, Morgan Young

Larry Thorton & Dianne and their children