

## Ministry Opportunities

**SUNDAY, July 10**  
 8:00-11:00 am: Come and Go Communion  
 8:00 am: Praise Team Practice  
 8:30 am: Choir Practice  
 9:00 am: Worship  
 10:15 am: Sunday School  
 10:15 am: Children travel to Angelwood for "Sunday Sing"  
 8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Building

**MONDAY, July 11**  
 8:30 am: Staff Meeting  
 7:00 pm: Boy Scouts  
 8:00 pm: AA meets in McBurney Bldg.

**TUESDAY, July 12**  
 12:00 pm: Loaves & Fishes  
 6:30 pm: Foster Parent Association Meeting  
 8:00 pm: AA meets in McBurney Bldg.

**WEDNESDAY, July 13**  
 12:00 pm: AI Anon Meeting, Library  
 6:30 pm: Choir Practice  
 7:30 pm: Praise Team Practice

**THURSDAY, July 14**  
 4:00 pm: Free Medical Clinic  
 5:30 pm: Finance Meeting  
 6:00 pm: Trustee's Meeting

**FRIDAY, July 15**  
 8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Bldg.

**SATURDAY, July 16**

**SUNDAY, July 17**  
 8:00-11:00 am: Come and Go Communion  
 8:00 am: Praise Team Practice  
 8:30 am: Choir Practice  
 9:00 am: Worship  
 10:15 am: Sunday School  
 11:15 am: Administrative Council Meeting  
 5:30 pm-8:00 pm: Vacation Bible School Begins  
 8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Building

\*Deadline for submissions to "The Sower" is 4 pm on Monday of each week.

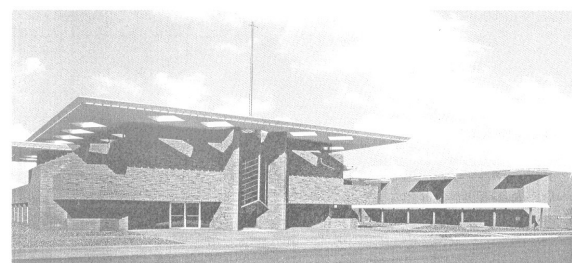
### First United Methodist Church Staff

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# THE SOWER

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James Moore, in his book "Rich in the Things That Matter Most" tells a story of a life changing experience that happened to him while in seminary. His systematic theology professor came to class one day and drew a cross on the blackboard. Under the cross he wrote the words, "God's Love" then the professor moved to the extreme left hand side of the board and drew arrows pointing toward the cross. Above the arrows he wrote the words "Good Works" and under the arrows he wrote the words "In Order To." Then on the right hand side of the cross, the professor drew arrows moving away from the cross. Once again, on top of the arrows he wrote the words "Good Works" but this time under the arrows he wrote the words "Because Of". The professor looked at the drawing for a few moments then turned to the class and said, "Ladies and gentleman, do you have an "In Order To" or a "Because Of" faith?" The class sat silent. For a long time no one answered the question, because they failed to comprehend it. The professor realized this and said "Let me help you, the cross is God's Love. The arrows stand for Good Works. So the question is 'Do you do good works in order to win God's love? Or do



### Helping Local Foster Families

As a part of our new ministry to foster families, Clinton FUMC has agreed to be "on call" with Custer County OKDHS when foster families have an immediate need the church may be able to provide. Sometimes a family might be willing to take in a foster child, but do not have the proper furniture, such as a twin bed or a crib. When children are removed on an emergency basis from a dangerous situation, a foster family may get a call in the middle of the night saying an infant or small child is on the way. This creates an immediate need for formula,

diapers and clothing. In these situations, we have pledged to help in any way we can. Last Thursday, at 6:30 pm, a DHS Supervisor called to say they had just placed four children in a home, but the foster parents did not have car seats. The local DHS office loaned them their car seats, but that left the workers with no car seats to use to transport children. So, we got on the ball and made some contacts within the church and the community to try to get four seats donated. By Friday night, we had one car seat in hand, and by Monday morning, we received enough donations to buy a car seat and two booster seats for the family. DHS and the foster family was thrilled! Thank you to those who were willing to step up to meet this need and show the generous love of Christ to this family.

Next Tuesday, July 12th, we will host the monthly Foster Parent Association meeting at FUMC. We need volunteers to help babysit the foster kids while their parents attend the meeting. The meeting is from 6:30-8:00 pm. If you can help, please call the church office. Thank you! - Jalynn

In Christ's Service,  
 Roland



Vacation Bible School July 17-21, 2011, 5:30-8:00 pm  
 Celebration Pool Party at the Clinton Pool  
 July 22, 7:30-9:30 pm  
 The whole family is invited to come and swim!



VBS is for children age 2 years old through 5th grade.  
 Older students are welcome to attend as helpers.  
 A nursery will be provided for children of VBS volunteers.

**Registration Form**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade child will be in this Fall \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (Other) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Person(s) picking up child each day \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency contact (if parents cannot be reached) : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Allergies or Special Needs? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
 Would you like to volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_ Do we have permission to take your child's photo? \_\_\_\_\_

Please clip and return this form to the church office...Questions? Contact Jalynn Youngberg or Becky Lyon.



Dear First United Methodist Church,

We really want to thank you for all of your support for our trip to Youth Force Perkins. It was an amazing week of learning and growing closer to God and each other through service to others, We heard from other leaders all week about how hard the Clinton kids worked! We have a great group of kids coming to youth and hope to continue growing together. The Youth will be in Church Sunday, July 17th to tell you about their Youth Force experience and C.B. Ingham is preparing a slide show for that day. Thank you again for supporting these kids.

Sincerely,

Julie Cornell, Sher Ingam, Joe Ray, Maddy Cabaniss, James Foster and the FUMC Youth

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"Faith is a bird that feels dawn breaking and sings while it is still dark."  
 - Rabindranath Tagore

During the month of July, Custer County OKDHS is collecting school supplies for foster kids and children in need. Suggested items include:



Pocket folders, binders, trapper keepers, mechanical pencils, pencil boxes, glue sticks, boxes of tissue, paper towels, and sandwich baggies.

**Any and all school supplies our congregation collects will be gratefully accepted** and distributed to children who are most in need. They are planning to pick up all donations by July 22nd, in order to distribute them in plenty of time before school starts. We will have a collection site in the church foyer for the next few weeks. Thanks in advance for your support.

Our boy scout camp at Dripping Springs is still in need of refrigerators. We are not picky about how they look, as long as they are cold! We will be happy to pick up your donation. If you have a unit you'd like to donate, give me a call at 214-1197. Thanks, Rob Fiegenger



I hope everyone had a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July! I was really proud of the patriotic music we made last Sunday. I thought the version of "America The Beautiful" that the choir sang was one of the most beautiful versions of the song that I have ever heard and we were proud to present it. We have some wonderful music coming in the next few weeks including the praise band's "special" version of "Amazing Grace". We are really looking forward to doing that one for you! I am always so inspired by the talent that we have in our church, the wonderful voices, the fun and fellowship that we share. It always reminds me of a quote that I remember from Red Skelton, the old comedian clown, from back when I was a kid. I don't know if this is exact but it went something like this, "Talent is a gift from God to you, using that talent is your gift back to God". I am so grateful for the musicians and singers in our church that do choose to give that gift back to God. Scott Lowber



- 07/11 Terry Wheeler
- 07/12 Jerry Purintun
- 07/13 Steven Cornell
- 07/14 Matt Evans
- 07/15 Camden Lyon
- 07/16 Alvenia Nimmo, Martin Smith
- 07/17 Lena Snider, Mike Lee

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Prayers for those in the nursing home or assisted living

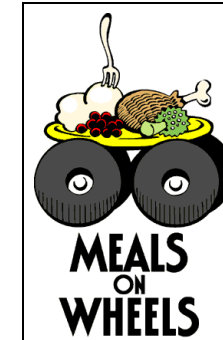
- Mary Ann Stermer Ruth McCampbell
- Goldie Pettie Ruth Brinkley
- Peggy Metheny Udell Jones
- Modean Webb Margie Brown

Prayers for healing or for comfort in difficult circumstances

- Scott Morris Harold Rehwaldt
- Brenda Boyers Tricia Riley
- Les Dawson Amanda Eaton
- Carol Allison Larry Holder
- Press Small Brett Gubitza
- Terry Wheeler Mary Edgar
- George Powers Beverly Henson
- Lib Rosenbaum C.W. Atha
- Denton Payne Glenn Douglas
- Chelsea Brantwein (brain tumor) Ryan Parman
- Dave Anthony Rouse Jeff and Jaci Heaton
- Bob Shulz (Chad Lyon's stepdad) Melissa Goodblanket (Mother sick)
- Jenae Standingwater (back surgery) Winona Madison
- Vicki Littke (back surgery) Alma Mae Bennett
- Bob Lorenz Elise Cornell
- Kitty Fisher Matthew McCornack (surgery)
- Lisa Lott Janie Aday (knee surgery)
- Jeanette Stewart (surgery) Carolyn Yearwood (cancer)
- The Family of James Fortson (Ann Marcy's father who passed on Monday)
- Leroy Moody Mandell, Jr. (burn victim)
- Shawna Ayala (cancer, Granddaughter of Donna and Leroy Dickson)
- Billy Barnes (Becky Lyon's Grandfather)

Prayers for ministries

- Vacation Bible School Dan Day (Worship Service at VA)
  - Free Medical Clinic AA and AI Anon
  - Visioning Task Force Sunday Sing at Angelwood
- If you have a prayer request, please call the church office at 323-3179 or mail clinton-fumc@cableone.net Our prayer list will be updated on a week to week basis. Please make submissions no later than noon on Monday.



We deliver Meals on Wheels in August. Sign up sheet is on the church office window.

Please volunteer to help with this ministry in our community. For more information, call Georgine Jackson at 323-0945 or 331-7176.