



The CHIMES Newsletter

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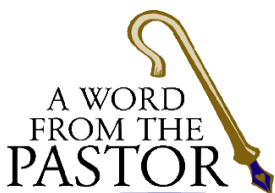
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Pastors: David Randall & Juan Garcia

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During worship this month we will be using the creed that the Confirmation class wrote. After studying the Christian faith in Confirmation, one of the exercises that I find helpful is to write a creed, i.e. what is it you really believe? The youth did this and we will use their creed for worship.

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We have had several folks join our church during this past month – let’s give a good First UMC welcome to the following people:

From Confirmation: Aiden Pittman, Ethan, Lee and Hunter Hatcher, Elizabeth Lee, Shae and Cheyenne Miller, Rebecca Irby and Kayla Wyrick.

Adults joining: Dustin Heronemus, Erica Arnold, Jeanette Moore and Melissa Johnson.

We also baptized Erica Arnold, Jeanette Moore and her son Jaden. This has been a good time for our church.

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We will finish THE STORY series with communion this Sunday, the first of June. Once I get my summer schedule figured out (we are moving a daughter out of state during June and are also trying to get vacation dates set). I will announce my summer series of sermons.

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Church Council will meet June 29 and vote on whether or not to keep the time change of worship at 10:00. I will have available my interpretation/evaluation of the time change if you would like to pick up a copy of it for your reading and response.

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The new Great Plains Annual Conference will be in Lincoln, NE this month from June 11-14. If you would like to go as a delegate from our church, let me know. This will be our first session as the new Great Plains Annual Conference.

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I know this summer will bring a lot with it for many of you – whether it will be dealing with health issues, recoveries from surgery, etc. or things like traveling and vacations – either way, I hope this summer time will be a blessed time for you and that you will experience the presence of God in a unique and real way. May God’s grace be with you.

Pastor Dave Randall

From Pastor Juan

In the month of May I attended the Clergy Meeting in Dodge City. I found the topic about getting involved with a local school interesting. The Bishop and District Superintendent are trying to motivate every church to get involved with a school to develop activities for the kids of our community.

I would like to take some time to tell you about a field trip for McDermott Elementary School that the kids are a part of every year. I remember my son Caleb returning from this field trip carrying a pumpkin into the house. I will never forget the happiness that was being transmitted from his face at that moment. All of the parents were happy for the pumpkins and the experience their children had received on their field trip.

Conversation with Caleb:

Juan: Caleb! You have a pumpkin ready for Halloween.

Caleb: Juan, did you know that the school misses out on a lot of field trips/activities because we don't have the funds for them?

Juan: Yes, that's why we are going to support McDermott Elementary with their raffle during the Christmas program this year.

This raffle takes place during the Christmas Program and the gifts are donations from different businesses in town or people from our community. Then the school can keep the earnings from the tickets sold to use during the year.

Every year Kids-Club from F.U.M.C. donates 6 or more bicycles to McDermott Elementary. This initiative by Kids-Club started during December of 2010. On June 1, 2012, Caleb left to go to Heaven, and the initiative was then called Caleb & his bikes.

Our church is also involved with supporting another local school, Garfield Elementary. I still remember the first time our church got together and volunteered with pulling out weeds around the school, trimming bushes, and picking up trash. Then the staff, children & parents could depend on having a clean environment. Till this day our participation with Garfield Elementary is active.

In the book of discipline it talks to us about how the church can organize small groups to support the needs of members, the congregation and the community. This statement motivates us to develop our Christian talents in our community (Romans 12:7-8). Let's keep up our connection with McDermott and Garfield Elementary Schools by focusing our attention on the less fortunate. Together we can write a beautiful story in favor of all our children.

Blessings from above,
Pastor Juan L. Garcia

Mission Trip Update

Destination: Denver Urban Ministry

Departure: Sunday, June 22nd

Return: Thursday, June 26th

YOUTH UPDATE

Both youth groups will be meeting once a month during the following dates.

Youth Movie Nights:

Friday, June 20th – Courtyard

Friday, July 25th – Courtyard

Friday, August 15th – Courtyard

Sunday, June 8th is Pentecost – wear red
(Or orange, or yellow – something that resembles fire)

Please join us for a **Come and Go Retirement Party for Helen Radohl** on June 7, 2014, 2pm to 4pm in Fellowship Hall. Helen will be retiring the end of this school year after 40 years of teaching, the last 30 years as director and teacher at the preschool, Rainbow Room.

Please join the UMW ladies and make a pledge to care for God's creation as we work toward following environmentally safe practices to care for our planet.

REMEMBER!!!

Buy only what you will consume, and then eat all on your plate



If you'd like to have something in
The CHIMES,
Deadline for July Newsletter is
June 20th

EVERY SATURDAY

12:00 noon Kids Club

EVERY SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship

8:45 a.m. Fellowship Time

9:10 a.m. Sunday school (Adults)

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship (KSCB Radio)

11:00 a.m. Kids & Youth Sunday School

12:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship

Youth Group Meeting

4:00pm Middle School

6:00pm Dinner for both groups

6:30pm High School

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday, June 1st

5:00 p.m. Nominating Committee

Tuesday, June 3rd

6:30 p.m. Staff Parish

Wednesday, June 4th

5:30 p.m. Worship Committee

Thursday, June 5th

7:00 p.m. Trustees

Saturday, June 7th

2-4 p.m. Retirement Party for Helen

Sunday, June 1st

Pentecost Day

June 10th - June 14th

Dave & Juan Gone - Annual Conference

Thursday, June 19th

6:30 p.m. Finance

Friday, June 20th

Youth Movie Night

June 22nd - June 27th

Youth Mission Trip

Sunday, June 29th

Church Council



CHOIR PRACTICE
Wednesdays at 6:30



**Prayer Requests: To put a
prayer request on the
church's prayer chain, please
call Daryl Hale at 624-6504
or
Juneil McQueen at 624-6039**

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Taking our worship services
ANYWHERE you want to
be.



Thanks for your support of
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Have a good
Summer!