



FEBRUARY

FUMC Newsletter - Sterling City, TX

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CHURCH SERVICES

- Sunday School 10am
- Worship Service 11am

(Childcare provided during worship)



Please look through this newsletter, attend, worship, and follow us @ www.sterlingmethodists.com or check out our Facebook page Sterling City First United Methodist Church

Prayer Requests

The Alfred Laumbach Family (Rose Monreal's father)

Clay Drake

Rosemary Rodriguez

The Blackburn Family

Jo Foster

Sam Lucero

Ronnie McGinn - Back surgery

Bill Davis- Hip surgery recovery

Florence Bodine

Martha McClure

Linda Sparks

Culley Jo Wilson's Niece, Emery Holt

Hunsley Strickland

Randy Peel

Sandy Martin- Brain cancer

Sid Long

Carmen Copeland - Eyes

Charles Grossman - Brain tumor

Jerry Gibbs - Cancer

Janis Noble - Eyesight

Jackie Brown - Eyesight

Adela Dehoyos

Mike & Jaynell Bodine

Haley Stallings

Donnie Hinderliter - Cancer

Morris Hinshaw

Susan Wyatt

The Roy Giddens Family

Betty Glass

Josiah Contreras

Albert & Phillip Estrada

Mary Louis Rich

The Clayton Miller Family

Justin Goebel

Mary Rodriguez

Jere Thomas

Ronnie Kilpatrick

Bitsy Durham

Larry Hooks

Deana Thompson (Bronte)

Carol Cotton

Kent Beard - Neck/Spine

Helen Radde

Grace Copeland

Bill & Judy Eubank

James Thompson

Carol Brown - Cancer

Ella Nelson - aka "Big Ella"

Hadlee Holik - Brain Cancer

Dolly Rauch - Cancer

Persecuted Christians

Randy Peel - Leukemia

Ramone Navaro

Jessie Cornelius Sr. - Cancer

Jane McCaleb's niece, Karin Raimer

http://www.cleburnetimesreview.com/news/giddens-remembered-as-a-difference-maker/article_926810f0-e4e1-11e6-be81-e731e4f414de.html **Here is the article on Roy Giddens if you didn't get a chance to see it.**



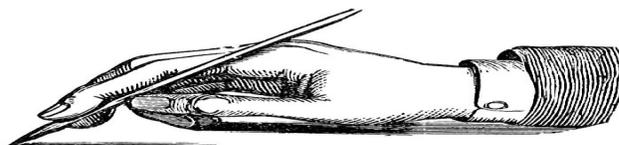
February Anniversaries

- 9th Brook & Christie Elmore
- 11th David & Marilyn Drake
- 22nd George & Barbara Horton
- 25th Pat & Dawn Foster

February Birthdays

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| 2nd Crisp Williams | 16th Lane Horwood |
| 3rd Larry Horwood | 17th Bryce Davis |
| 5th Ella Noble | 19th Megan Calvery |
| 7th Kelsie McCaleb | 19th Jack Clark |
| 9th Whitney Searcy | 22nd Zane Pittman |
| 10th Lisa Spanjer | 24th Michael Prater |
| 11th Quinton Foster | 24th Hayden Williams |
| 12th Tommy Hendry | 24th Kalyn Hodges |
| 13th Wanda Foster | 25th Mason Long |
| 14th Lathen Horwood | 25th Charley Jo Wilson |
| 14th Kaden Johnson | 27th Zachary Foster |
| 14th Cash McCombs | 27th Bobby Westbrook |
| 15th Kade Hodges | |

Pastoral Pen



January 31st, 2016

Time sure is moving quickly around here! Many of you know I spend some time in San Antonio now and again, mostly serving our Finance Table (aka Conference Finance & Administration). Our conference and denomination face many challenges but I am hopeful about our future. The questions occupying our minds these days include; What are we going to do with Mt. Wesley?; How are we going to reduce overall apportionments?; How are we going to reverse our declining membership and attendance trends (at the conference level, not singling out any particular church)?; Will our denomination remain united or split over a myriad of contentious issues? There are others as well...Obviously my responsibilities as an Elder stretch beyond the local church where I'm appointed. I remain hopeful because some of the best minds we have are working on these issues.

Our new bishop, Robert Schnase, is a leading mind in the denomination and is working on each of these issues and many more. I know we will see a rollout of two main priorities; local church vitality and clergy excellence. Many bishops talk the talk. Bishop Schnase actually implements solutions. Our current cabinet (District Superintendents plus a few others) is excellent. I'm excited to see where our conference and denomination is headed. I love the United Methodist Church even with our many disagreements. I am incredibly thankful that you all are committed to it as well. Take a deep breath, give us some time, and pray for me, for us, and for our local, national, and global church!

Stay tuned to what's going on around Sterling City. Much is and will be happening. Lent is just around the corner!?

It is a privilege being your pastor!

Rev. Jim Noble

What's Happening



Wednesday mornings at 6:15am.



Women's Bible Study - The 9am class is starting this Tuesday (7th) and Thursday class at 4:45.

(Nursery available during this time)

Margaret Foley (254) 396-3069 Books are \$15

Don't forget to fill out a form for updated church records and for the upcoming Church Directory!

(The form to fill out is on the last page)

"Thank you" to those whom have already done so!

Dear Families,

♥ God's Love is SWEET! ♥

Happy
Valentine's
Day

Before February 6th, please bring a Valentine's box or container with the student's name on the outside. We are not asking for a work of art, but instead something which would allow memories to be made. ♥♥ This will be a time to talk about God's love for us!! If students choose to sprinkle love and kindness to their classmates, please bring enough cards for all students in their classroom. There are 15 students in the 2/3 yr. old class and 15 in the 4/5 year old class. Students may write their name or even first Initial of their name on the "FROM" space and leave the "TO" space empty. This will make it easy for students to pass out cards to their classmates.

Not everyone is a full time student, so we are asking students to deliver Valentine's cards the week of February 6-10th. This will ensure student's containers are filled before February 14th. We have several students who will be missing the party, so this will allow them to have their cards on February 12th. Please make sure to send cards the week of February 6-12th.

Our afternoon snack on Tuesday, February 14th will be ice cream sundaes. 🏠 Parents are welcome, but do not have to attend. A sign-up sheet will be available on the Information Table next to the office to help purchase the supplies needed for the sundaes.

Students will take their Valentine's containers home at the end of the day on the 14th.

Questions? Talk to LaNae 😊



First United Methodist Church Of Sterling City

Hello All!

January 19, 2017

I am in the process of updating our church records with as much current information as possible. If you would, please fill out the form below and mail to Ellen Clark PO Box 541 or email to fumc299@gmail.com . Please do your best to respond ASAP. With your help, I hope to generate a Church Directory for FUMC in the near future!

1.) Name(s): _____

2.) Other immediate family members (Please include dates of birth):

3.) Mailing Address: _____

4.) Email: _____

5.) Phone Number: _____

*6.) Approximate length of time you / your family has been a member of Sterling City
FUMC:* _____

Thank You!!