

The Trumpet

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF BANDERA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JULY 2019

The Pastor's Corner

What a summer it has been so far – UMArmy, DadFest, Baptism and a Barbecue, Vacation Bible School and now City camp! I used to think that things slowed down in the summer! Evidently not! But, God has blessed us with some pretty amazing opportunities this summer – with a few more to come . . .

In the coming months, we have some really fun and exciting things in store. The building committee continues to meet and we are closer to having a first draft of rough plans for what could be our next building! We also have the opportunity to sell the parsonage on Montague and purchase the home across the street from the church. More information will follow about this, but please plan on joining us at a special called Church Conference – tentatively set for Sunday, July 28th at noon.

I am also excited to share that beginning in the fall; our church will be doing a church-wide study called The Story – a 31-week study from both the pulpit and the Sunday School classes that will lead us through the story of the Bible. The Story is an abridged, chronological Bible that removes the typical barriers many people experience when trying to read the Bible. There are no verse references, and Scripture segments are seamlessly woven together into a single grand narrative – much like a novel. The Story does NOT replace the Bible. Instead, it directs people to read and understand the Bible more. There's so much more weight in who Jesus is when you're able to look back and see God's fingerprint from the beginning of the Bible through to the end, and The Story gives that perspective.

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God is moving in Bandera County and we are so blessed to be part of His plan!

Thank you and thank God for you!
Pastor Kyle



So the last will be first
and the first will be last.
Matthew 20:16



Workshop on Poverty

Saturday, July, 20th - 9 am to Noon.

Come learn what every Christian should know about helping people in poverty.

Topics to include:

- **Language of Poverty**
- **Hidden Rules of Poverty**
- **Mentor Solutions**
- **Under Resourced**

Presented by Hill Country Daily Bread, sponsored by Harvest Ministry

RSVP to Julie Beal-Swalve at julieandrob@banderaumc.org

Pictures from DadFest



DadFest 2019 was such a wonderful day! So many people came out to help celebrate our fathers in a way that few are soon to forget. After special services of worship, we had over thirty classic cars line the street. Everyone there was treated to some delicious food and great music. Big thanks go out to everyone who made this day extra special for our dads. We can't wait to see what God has in store for next year!



Helping Hand

We are having a very busy summer, helping many in need in Bandera County. In May we helped 358 individuals, 145 families, and 10 new families. We have given away food, clothes, household items, toiletries, and furniture totaling \$76,210.00 through May of this year. This is why your donations of the above items assist us to help the needy.

In July our special food request will be peanut butter and jelly, but we appreciate any food items.

Plans are in the future for a car show in October. More info to follow in the coming months.

Thanks again to all who continue to donate and support Helping Hand. In this way, we will continue to fulfill our mission of helping those in need in Bandera County.

Marianne Sandidge
Helping Hand Representative

Baptism and Barbeque



CareNotes Corner

The CareNotes outreach is sponsored by the Stephen Ministry of Bandera UMC. CareNotes are written to offer strength, help, and healing for those who are hurting. The adult booklets are located in Fellowship Hall, in the entry, on the right wall at the double doors. The youth and children's booklets are located close to the youth classroom, just past the library.

CareNotes featured for this month:

Easing the Burden of Stress

Stress, when properly regulated and channeled, is one of life's positive energies. However, our lives are moving faster, becoming more demanding. We are feeling the effects, with pounding hearts and tense muscles. When stress is excessive and unfocused it becomes distress, and can cause serious damage to our health and well-being. This booklet talks about how to recognize when stress is becoming dangerous, how to manage stress, and how to minimize the negative effects of stress.

TEENS: Growing Through Your Parents' Divorce

Divorce is difficult for your parents, but it is even more difficult for you and your siblings. You may wonder how you're going to adjust, who will take care of you, whether you'll have to leave your friends. Some changes last a long time. For example, you may feel less confident, and trusting others may be more difficult. This booklet will give you ways to cope with what you're feeling. The pain is temporary, and healing is possible. The information in this booklet can help.

End-of-Life Concerns: Guide for Families

Mother Teresa said, "The highest goal of human life is to die in the peace of God." Part of that sense of peace is being prepared for dying, having closure with all of our relationships. Many people are able to sense when their bodies are ready to die. Those of us who love them can help nurture the peace of God for both the person who is getting ready to leave and for all those who love that person. This is a gift we can offer each other, providing the loving environment in which God can act to nurture us and bring peace beyond understanding. This booklet provides information on how we can reach out to those we love to help all come into the peace of God.



BUMC's Methodist women thank you for supporting our Bake Sale For A Cause. Your generosity has made it possible for them to achieve their goal for preparing 100 disaster kits for UMCOR's Sager Brown disaster supply depot at Baldwin, Louisiana.

Hygiene and school supply kits will be packed and sent by the ladies.

To God goes the glory and to you our sincere gratitude for helping us share God's love in this way.

Carol Wolf

Ruth Grubbs Parker receives Distinguished Citizens Medal from DAR

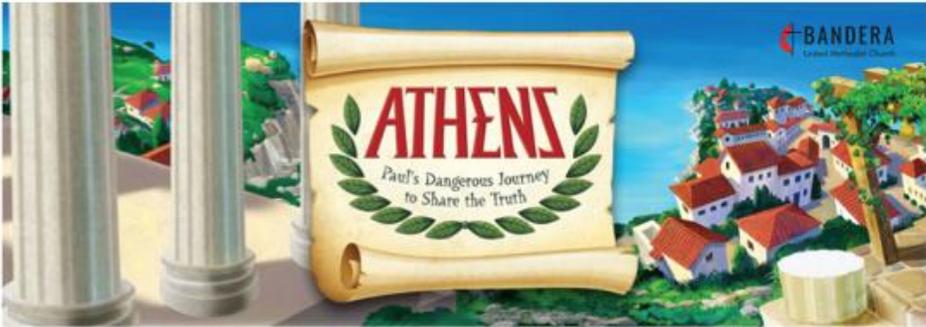


On June 8, 2019 at the Regents Council Luncheon in San Antonio BUMC member Ruth Grubbs Parker received the Distinguished Citizens Medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution, the highest honor the DAR can bestow on a private citizen. Ruth received a medal, a DAR certificate and a Texas flag that flew over the State Capitol Building on Memorial Day as tribute to the valuable work she performed overseas during World War II as a Red Cross worker.

The picture at left shows Ruth with State and National representatives of the DAR. (left to right) Donna Raymond, Honorary State Regent for the State of Texas, Susan Tillman, State Regent for the State of Texas, Ruth Parker, Lynn Chambers Regent of the Major James Kerr Chapter, NSDAR and Karen K. Nauschuetz, M.D. State Chair, National Defense Committee, TXDAR.

BUMC members Catherine Gauldin and Roberta Himebrook were also in attendance.

Ruth was also sent a proclamation from the office of Rep. Andrew S. Murr, Texas House of Representatives.



Vacation Bible School
for kids entering Kinder through 5th in the fall.

June 24-27,

