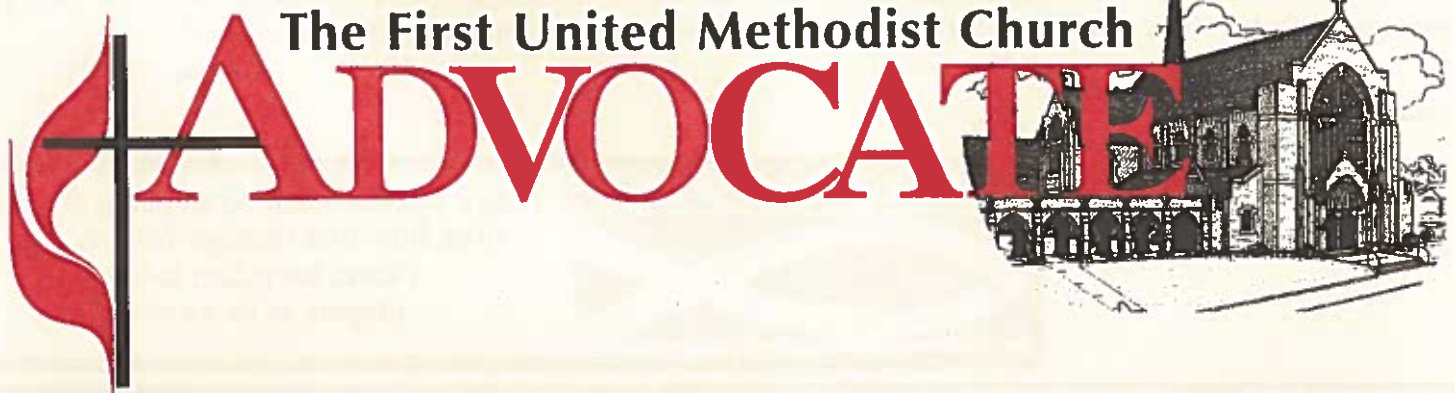


Chapel Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship 10:45 a.m.
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Brian Matthews

Summer has officially arrived, which means life has become a big blur. I kinda feel like the guy in the old Dunkin' Donuts commercial who proclaimed, "It's time to make the donuts." Anyway, my scattered brain is perfect for an edition of "Ramblings from the Pastor."

Buckle your seatbelt and hang on:

* The first week of June I spent with about 150 other youth and adults at Cross Point Camp on beautiful Lake Texoma. It was a wonderful week meeting new people, enjoying God's creation, being silly and joining together for worship. After experiencing the glory of Cross Point I think we need a church retreat scheduled there soon. I think I will challenge Erik Johnson to a race down the rappelling wall.

* As I type these words we are just a couple hours away from the start of VBS 2017, which means the church will soon be overrun by young-ins' and in just a few days all the adults will be draggin'! Hopefully you will see the decorations around the church, especially in the Christian Life Center. Lisa, Kim and Lauren (and their team) have once again done a GREAT job with everything.

* By the time you read this we will have held 3 of the 4 "Church Vision" meetings.

During these meetings we spend time: talking about our church mission statement, sharing areas in which we feel we are excelling and others where we are struggling, taking a closer look at our church demographics, grilling the pastor with questions, and looking at a proposed change to the way we organize our church committees. If you have not attended one of these meetings, the last one will be held Sunday morning, July 9 at 9:30am in the Chapel. In August there will be a day-long retreat to sift through the info gathered at the 4 meetings and make some plans for the fall and spring. Please join me in praying for our church during this process that we might discover what God has in store for us in the coming year!

- * We are getting closer to the start-date for our new youth minister. When I have a firm date I will let you know so we can welcome Brent and Celeste to our community and church.
- * The Board of Trustees and Finance Committee met today to receive the proposal for the installation of screens in the sanctuary. After considering the proposal the Trustees unanimously approved the project, and the Finance Committee approved the down-payment for the project...now we turn our Attention to raising the additional funds needed to fully underwrite the project (\$48,520.41). We know there are those who would like to contribute to this project, and we encourage you to do so. Our goal is to have the funds raised by the end of July so installation can be completed by early to mid-August. As always, questions can be directed to me personally or to our Business "Guru" Donna Jamar. I am officially excited about the potential for the screens and how they will enhance our worship.
- * As you read these words we are in the midst of Youth Force Ada 2017. This is our 2nd year to host this awesome mission experience and I look forward to sharing stories of transformation as a result of this week. Next time you see any of the church staff give them a pass if they look a little "run down."


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* Last summer journeyed through the first chapter of Jesus' famous Sermon on the Mount. This summer we continue that model by walking through Matthew 6. I am enjoying prepping for this series and pray it will be a blessing to us all.

I think that's enough for one article, besides it's time for kids to arrive for night 1 of VBS! Take care, have a great rest of your week, and I look forward to being in worship with you real soon.

Jesus is Lord.



Pastor Brian Matthews

EVANGELISM



Pastor Roberto will be teaching at SMU from July 10th through August 3rd. Please keep him in our prayers as he travels.

ECU WESLEY



The final award for the 2016 East Central University football season has been awarded to sophomore Louden Johnson by the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame and The National Football Foundation. He was named the Tigers NFF Oklahoma Chapter College Player of the Year at a special luncheon on June 13. Johnson is one of eight players from collegiate schools in all divisions in Oklahoma to earn the honor in 2017. A recipient from each school can be selected and the award is based on the student-athletes performance on and off the field. The Wayne, Okla., native carries a 3.37 GPA in business administration at ECU. He garnered Great American Conference All-Academic honors and stands in line to receive similar recognition from D2ADA for the 2016-17 school year. The defensive back finished the 2016 season with 26 (16-10) tackles and a pass break up. He had his best game against Harding, with seven (4-3) total tackles and the broken pass.

Some of the golfers participating in the special extras at hole 9 on June 12.



On behalf of the entire ECU Wesley, I would like to extend my thanks to those who were part of our 3rd Annual ECU Wesley Golf Tournament from First United Methodist Church~Ada. Thanks to your help and support, we were able to raise over \$10,000 for our ministry! This money makes a tremendous impact of making disciples on the ECU campus.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

During the summer months, May 8-August 7, ECU Wesley building hours will vary due to Janey's commitments to SE Wesley, ECU Wesley & Oklahoma Annual Conference. Please feel free to contact her before coming by to make sure she is there.

- August 15th: First day of classes

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Razzle Dazzle

Razzle Dazzle Music Camp is coming...SOON!
 July 10th- 14th from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm
 Please register your children as soon as you can.
 Students who have completed first grade through
 to sixth are eligible. There will be cool activities,
 snacks, great music and more.
 Come and be a part of a fun week.



What is the first thing Jesus did? He recruited a team to help him accomplish his mission. Stephen Ministry is a team our church has to help in ministry. Those who need help dealing with illness, death of a loved one,

broken relationships, loneliness, or anything else that is troubling. We have a Stephen Minister waiting to give support and a message of God's love. If you or a friend would like to visit with a Stephen Minister contact one of the leaders: Debbie Glasgow, Dick Danielson or Mary Beth Myers.



You can now make a contribution with a quick text message!!

Simply send a text to 580-307-6125 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$25 Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.

SAVE THE DATE

Birthday Celebration Coming soon!

Bonnie Shields is celebrating her 90th birthday on July 15th at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and would love to have you help her celebrate the big day.
 No gifts please, but know she would love a card.

Notes from the



There is nothing unusual about a rainy, spring day in Oklahoma. It rained lightly while we set up, but for the most part, it was not raining while we served dinner Sunday. What is unusual is that we had lots of help serving on what some would have called a miserable, wet afternoon! Special thanks to Crystal and her young crew who came ready to serve, and to Jim, David, Fran, Jeff, Julie, Fred, Karen, Don, Nina, Clay, and Colin. We were able to provide more than 400 meals, including sharing with a local recovery house. Since it was Father's Day, we asked that any fathers in line be allowed to go first, and as a special treat, we had barbecued beef sandwiches for them! Of course, we also had chicken and sides from KFC, and J.D.'s Cafe, and cookies and cupcakes from Amber's Sweet Shoppe. Scott was also there playing his guitar. We passed out flyers inviting neighborhood children to Vacation Bible School starting Monday night at 6:00pm, at the First United Methodist Church of Ada. We hope to see some of our friends there. We are still collecting toiletries and personal necessities to share at the park, and with the high temperatures we have been experiencing, if anyone has any fans that they can share, we know that there are many people who need them. Contact us or deliver to the church if you can share. Hope everyone has a wonderful week, and see you next Sunday, for dinner at the park.

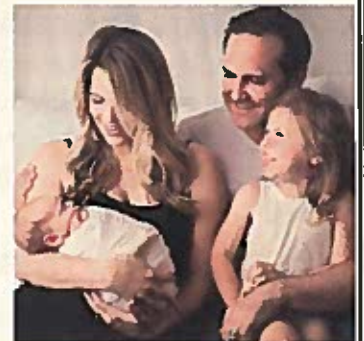
-Clay and Leslie Carley

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BLANSETT AND ZANOFF FAMILY



We would like to congratulate Amber, Logan and big brother Easton Blansett on their newest edition to the family Madeline Grace Blansett who was born on June 15th at 3:17 pm. She weighed 7lbs 13oz and was 19 inches long.

We would like to congratulate Leslie, Ramon and little big sister Willa on their newest edition to the family Winston Gray Zanoff. Winston was born on May 15th weighing 8lbs 6oz and was 21 inches long. Also congratulations to the grandparents Jack and Jenna Rahm.



Opportunities of the Week



Church Family Prayer List

**Worship times are the same each week,
unless announced**

Sunday	
8:30 a.m.	Worship (Chapel)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
3:30 p.m.	Park Ministry (Glenwood Park)
Monday	
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 13 Meeting
7:15 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 13 Meeting (Scout Room)
Tuesday	
12:00 a.m.	Prayer in the Sanctuary Prayer Room
Wednesday	
Noon	Methodist Men's Bible Study (Library)
6:00 p.m.	Youth Meet-Up (Church)

EVENTS IN



SUNDAY 25th- 30th, ALL DAY	Youth Force
TUESDAY 4th, ALL DAY	Office Closed Independence Day
WEDNESDAY 5th, 7:00 am	Methodist Men Breakfast (Aldridge Coffee Shop, 200 S. Broadway)
THURSDAY 6th, 6:00 pm	Stephen Ministers Supervisory Team Meeting (Lindsay Classroom)
SATURDAY 8th, 4:00 pm	Emmaus Gathering
SUNDAY 9th, 9:30 am	Church Vision Meeting (Chapel)
MONDAY 10th- 14th, 8:30 am	Razzle Dazzle Music Camp
WEDNESDAY 12th, 1:00 pm	Knitting Group (Parlor)
SATURDAY 15th, 2:00 pm	Bonnie Shields Birthday Party (Fellowship Hall)



PRAYERS: Betty Abert, Avery Anderson, Jane Baltimore, The Barton Family, Neal Beasley, Dudley Bricker, Leonard Briley, Dean Brown, Jim and Connie Bryan, Sheldon Buxton, Pat Christensen, Giulietta Cook, Buck Cooper, Patsy Cobb, Linda Cox, Shawn Dail, Sheila Dunn, Ashley Elliott, Larry Gentry, Tracy Godwin, The Green Family, Nicole Hammond, Jim Harris, Carol Hayden, Cody Hill, Kim Holton, Wendy Hood, Helen Jaquess, Sue Jaques, Hunter Johnson, James Lane, Wilma and Gary Lawson, Pat Looper, Truman Johnson, Emma Lucas, Johnny Moss, Darla Murray, Jane Muntz, Tammy Prentice, Chery Rhynes, Katherine Roberts, Lawanna Ronald, Phil Rhynes, Mackella Smith, Lynn Snow, Dalton Spann, Linda Staples, Jeanene Stevens, Peach Stone, Teague Family, Darrel Thompson, Marilyn Waller, Amber Whitman.

LONG-TERM PRAYERS: Duane Baker, Bud Blackburn, Wanda Gopen, Jennifer Hood, Mike Horton, T.J. Johnston, Randy Johnson, Bobie Logsdon, Mike Manahan, Mike Manning, Johnny Moss, Glen Ray, Mary Jo Schoepflin, Marty Skinner, Jimmy Smith, Lindsay Snow, Emma Stewart, Doc Stokes, Karen Williams.

EXPECTANT MOTHERS:

Kelsy Eidson, Amanda Hall, Jordan James, Sadie Kilby, Kayla Taylor,



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ATTENDANCE

JUNE 11th, 2017	
Sunday School	147
Chapel Service	65
Sanctuary Service	157
Total Worship	222
JUNE 18th, 2017	
Sunday School	158
Chapel Service	54
Sanctuary Service	130
Total Worship	184