

Chapel Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship 10:45 a.m.
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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A couple people have asked about the status of our Youth Pastor position, so I thought I'd use my space here to give an update, and share a little more in-depth background about Brent Adrian. After communicating with Brent last week, he and Celeste will officially be moving to Ada in a little over 2 weeks. They will take a week or so to unpack and get settled before taking about 10 days to visit family before they both begin their new positions in Ada...meaning Brent should be "on the job" no later than mid-August. Our Staff-Parish Relations Committee knew it was less than ideal going so long relying on interns instead of a full-time staff person, but they felt Brent was the right person for the job and sacrificed short-term instability for long-term gain. We also would like to thank Loudon Johnson, Emma Rolin and James Houchin for "manning the ship" in the interim...and look forward to their participation as interns under Brent's guidance.

Brian Matthews Brent has been a committed follower of Jesus since he was baptized in 1997 at the age of 17. After high school he attended a 1-year bible college program where he learned about Paul's method of using his tent-making skills to support and furnish his life of ministry. Brent went into the field of structural engineering to support his love of, and participation in mission and ministry. Throughout his adult years Brent has been an active church member, leading many Bible studies and small groups, and active in the mission field, serving through Engineering Ministries International in Uganda, Kenya, Haiti and India.

When Brent and Celeste settled in Marshfield, Wisconsin for Celeste's medical residency, they joined Faith Fellowship, which has been their church home since. During their time there Brent has served as an adult small group leader, church planting team member, missions team member, and since 2014 has been part of the youth group leadership team, serving as teacher/mentor for Jr. High boys. When Celeste was offered (and accepted) a position at Mercy Ada, Brent saw it as an opportunity to focus on ministry full-time. He felt it was divinely ordained when he saw a youth ministry position at FUMC Ada, and the rest (as they say) is history. In addition to his certificate from Bible College, and his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Brent is completing a Master of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin.

When applying for the position, Brent listed the following as his mission:

To reflect Christ-like love, leadership and discipleship to my brothers and sisters in Christ. To live a lifestyle that resembles Jesus and help equip others to do the same. To use my strengths and gifts to serve Jesus and share Him with others so that all may know the salvation that comes only through faith in Christ by His grace.

I know you will be welcoming of Brent and Celeste...and I know they will be a blessing to our community and church! Have a great week and I look forward to being in worship with you real soon!

Jesus is Lord,


Pastor Brian Matthews

ECU WESLEY



For the last 9 years, individual's assume campus minister's take off 3 months for summer. I will admit your schedule is a lot different than the other 9 months of the year, yet ministry is still happening. Here is a snapshot of my schedule since mid-May until July 4th, 2017:

- Janey took on the additional role of Executive Director of the Southeastern Oklahoma State University Wesley in Durant on June 1st, 2017?
- Janey took ECU Wesley student, Sam Adams, to T Bar M Camp in New Braunfels, Texas on May 17th-19th to work 6 weeks of sports camp?
- Janey attended the 90th anniversary of the OU Wesley on Saturday, May 27th, 2017?
- Janey attended Annual Conference in OKC on Monday, May 29th-Thursday, June 1st, 2017?
- ECU Wesley hosted their 3rd Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, June 12th, 2017? We set records of: teams, tournament sponsors and hole sponsors!
- Janey attended the Annual All Sports & Scholar Athlete Awards & Luncheon on Tuesday, June 13th, 2017 in OKC to support ECU Wesley student, Loudon Johnson?
- Made several trips to Durant this summer as the Executive Director?
- Took two weeks of vacation time on June 19th-June 29th?
- Returned to New Braunfels, Texas on June 30th-July 1st to pick up ECU Wesley student, Sam Adams from T Bar M Camp?
- Celebrated the 4th of July with my parents, 3 ECU Wesley alumni & one current student in Lone Grove?
- Had numerous lunches and dinners either out or at my house with current students?
- Completed two ministry audits for ECU Wesley & SE Wesley?

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

During the summer months, May 8-August 7, ECU Wesley building hour. Janey is trying to keep the electric costs way down this summer to save money. Please feel free to contact her before coming by to make sure she is there.

- August 8th: ECU Wesley Board of Directors Meeting @ 6 pm @ the ECU Wesley
- August 12th: Move In Day for ECU students
- August 13th: Block Party @ 6 pm-8 pm
- August 14th: First day of classes/Chamber Fair @ 10 am-1 pm

Check out our
NEW WEBSITE!

Be sure and check out the updated ECU Wesley website at: ecuwesley.org

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Notes from the PARK

It is hard to believe, but for Ada's youth, summer is already half over! School supplies are showing up at stores, and parents are wondering when will school start? Back to school can be an exciting time for children, and a stressful time for parents, especially if the parents can't afford the essential school supplies that the children need. If you have out shopping and see the lists posted for the area schools, please consider helping a family out. As always, we love to share your gifts at the park! Sunday, we provided families with around 400 meals, we also had groceries to share (thank you Reva). Our thanks also to KFC, J.D.'s Cafe, and Amber's Sweet Shoppe, and our crew, David, Crystal, Jim, Karen, Fred, Julie, Jeff, Clay, and Colin. This awesome group of friends come together each week to serve, to smile, and to make sure that everyone who comes to us leaves knowing that they are valued! Thank you all, and we hope to see you again next week, for dinner at the park. -Leslie and Clay Carley

COME AND JOIN US FOR CHILDREN'S TIME AT THE WINTERSMITH SPLASH PAD!!

MONDAY, JULY 17TH
FROM 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM
FREE ADMISSION

We will have food, fun and swimming!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS EVENT PLEASE CONTACT LISA ELLIOTT AT (580) 272-8264.

Memorials

June 2017

In Honor of Tonie & Marilyn Waller
By: Lisa Silva

In Memory of Roy Hanson
By: Zelma Hanson

**FROM THE
KITCHEN
MINISTRY
AND
ADMINSTRATOR**



2017

FORCE

I am sooooo very proud of our church family, Youth Force was a huge success once again! You don't know what it means to me to be part of this huge endeavor, working with the folks who showed up to get'er done! Our church has the most giving volunteers, just say what you need and they are here. From the cooks, the ice chest fillers, ice chest runners, cleaners, tech angels, our **own kiddos** on the God squads, grocery runners, set up, take downers, preachers and above all the prayers! We don't know what we would have done without everyone involved.

Thank you once again for all your work and determination to make our Youth Force members feel the love!! -DJ



SUCCESS.... SUCCESS.... SUCCESS....
Thank you volunteers, church members, church staff, community members and the All mighty Youth Force Team. We had a great week! The Youth Force worked hard , the homes were finished and looked awesome. I would never be able to name all of the volunteers, but you and I both know who you are and I appreciate everything all of you did to make my job easier.



Thank you... Thank you.... Thank you....

After \$8,000.00 worth of groceries, 3 days in Wal-Mart, 74 hours in the kitchen along with a few scrapes, burns and bruises many of us shared great memories and many thank you's and hugs. There were thousands of blessing's this past week!

-Sue Bricker



Everyone is welcome to join the Table Hoppers on our next outing on July 21st. Food first at the Iguana Grill (Mexican cuisine) and a tour of the Cowboy Hall of Fame. Thanks to Narva Wilkerson, we have a limited number of complimentary tickets. Please call me to reserve your place on the van and restaurant by July 19th at (580) 332-4720 or (580) 399-0705. Hope you can make it on this trip! Also Mark your calendars for the FALL FOLIAGE trip planned for Thursday, November 2!! Thank you! - Carol Hayden

Senior Fishing Tournament 2017

To honor our Senior Adults they were treated to a all-you-can eat catfish dinner by the First United Methodist Church Foundation.
Thanks to Ladonna Hill for decorating and to Sue Bricker's family for helping the adults fish.



Having a blast fishing, eating and enjoying each others company!



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 JULY

SATURDAY 15th,	
2:00 pm	Bonnie Shields Birthday Party (Fellowship Hall)
MONDAY 17th,	
6:00 pm	Knitting Group (Parlor)
6:30 pm	Children's Time at Splash Pad (Wintersmith Park Splash Pad)
WEDNESDAY 19th,	
8:00 am	Matthew 25 Mission Packaging (St. Luke's Episcopal Church)
THURSDAY 20th,	
8:00 am	Matthew 25 Mission Distribution (St. Luke's Episcopal Church)
6:00 pm	Stephen Minister Supervisory Team Meeting (Lindsay Classroom)
FRIDAY 21st,	
9:30 am	Table Hoppers (National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum)
WEDNESDAY 26th,	
11:00 am	Golden Agers (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 pm	Knitting Group (Parlor)
THURSDAY 27th,	
7:30 pm	District Scout Leaders meeting (Lindsay Classroom)

Pray WITHOUT CEASING

PRAYERS: Betty Abert, Avery Anderson, Jane Baltimore, The Barton Family, Neal Beasley, Sue Bricker, 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, **Dortha Fenton**, Larry Gentry, Tracy Godwin, The Green Family, Jim Harris, Carol Hayden, Cody Hill, Kim Holton, Wendy Hood, Helen Jaquess, Sue Jaquess, Hunter Johnson, James Lane, **Bob Langston**, Wilma and Gary Lawson, **Bobie Logsdon**, Pat Looper, Truman Johnson, Emma Lucas, Johnny Moss, Darla Murray, Jane Muntz, Cheryl Rhynes, Katherine Roberts, Linda Staples, Jeanene Stevens, Peach Stone, Teague Family, Darrel Thompson, Marilyn Waller, Amber Whitman.

LONG-TERM PRAYERS: Duane Baker, Bud Blackburn, Wanda Goplen, Jennifer Hood, Mike Horton, T.J. Johnston, Randy Johnson, Bobie Logsdon, Mike Manahan, Mike Manning, Cindy Minor, 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, Katie Harris, Jordan James, Sadie Kilby, Kayla Taylor



WI FI INFORMATION:

PASSWORD FOR ALL "GUEST"
NETWORKS: #FUMCAda
SANCTUARY NETWORK: fumcouthext.
PASSWORD: fumcyouth

ATTENDANCE

JUNE 25th, 2017		
Sunday School	146	
Chapel Service	62	
Sanctuary Service	138	
Total Worship		200

JULY 2nd, 2017		
Sunday School	151	
Chapel Service	62	
Sanctuary Service	165	
Total Worship		227