

Schedules

Worship Leaders for the 9am Service

September 3	8:30—Melissa Schlabs	10:50—Winston Stahlecker
September 10	8:30—Donna Woodard	10:50—Joe Young
September 17	8:30—Lupe Acevedo	10:50—Darin Barnes
September 24	8:30—John Barnhart	10:50—Galen Chandler

Hosts

September 3

8:15 - 8:40 **West Door:** Floyd Hartman & Deanne Rice **East Door:** Don Lee & Annette Lippold **Welcome Desk** 8:15-8:40 & 9:30 -9:45 Terrie Hartman & Kathi Lee 10:35—11:00 **West Door:** Danna Hinders & Jessica Sattler **East Door:** Kelly & Danny Nusser **Welcome Desk—Traditional Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Scott Dillard Welcome Desk—Modern Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Cat Enns**

September 10

8:15 - 8:40 **West Door:** Lezlie Cooper & Dale Pulliam **East Door:** Connie & Rich Hopson **Welcome Desk** 8:15-8:40 & 9:30 -9:45 Kathy Rogers & Niki Dillard 10:35—11:00 **West Door:** Mary Clare Munger & Niki Dillard **East Door:** Laura & Bryan Smith **Welcome Desk—Traditional Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Becky Harp & Nola Hopkins Welcome Desk—Modern Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Kristin & Adalyn Gerber**

September 17

8:15 - 8:40 **West Door:** Linda & Mike Heard **East Door:** Jan & Doug Cowan **Welcome Desk** 8:15-8:40 & 9:30 -9:45 Sarah & Preston Tirey 10:35—11:00 **West Door:** Johnny Back & Crystal Harriman **East Door:** Donna & Dan Warrick **Welcome Desk—Traditional Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Debi & Carroll Marriott Welcome Desk—Modern Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Kristine Keys**

September 24

8:15 - 8:40 **West Door:** Barbara Blackwell & Mary Rice **East Door:** Sally & Steve Lewis **Welcome Desk** 8:15-8:40 & 9:30 -9:45 Pam & Kurt Landis 10:35—11:00 **West Door:** Lori & Robert Wilhite **East Door:** Rhonda & Jon Behrens **Welcome Desk—Traditional Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Lori & Pat Williams Welcome Desk—Modern Service 10:35—11:00 & 11:50—12:05—Jane King**

Acolytes for the 9 am Service

September 3	8:30 a.m. Addison Tinsley & Naomi Tirey	10:50 a.m. Logan White & Kyleigh Sexton
September 10	8:30 a.m. Christian Hukill & Camy Langley	10:50 a.m. Lilly Montandon & Sam Montandon
September 17	8:30 a.m. Logan White & Kyleigh Sexton	10:50 a.m. Addison Tinsley & Naomi Tirey
September 24	8:30 a.m. Camy Langley & Kyleigh Sexton	10:50 a.m. Christian Hukill & Sam Montandon

(If you are unable to fulfill your obligation in any of these areas, please find a replacement and call the church office and let them know the change. Thank you.)

August 6	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	246
10:10 am Sunday School.....	248
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	94
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	340
August 13	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	243
10:10 am Sunday School.....	218
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	102
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	345
August 20	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	249
10:10 am Sunday School.....	229
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	86
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	335
August 27 New Service Times began	
8:30 am Traditional Worship.....	218
10:50 am Modern Worship.....	143
10:50 a.m. Late Traditional Worship.....	156
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	541

Joys and Concerns

CONCERNS FOR THIS MONTH

HEALTH CONCERNS: Kelli Marr, Kenneth Waugh, Cole Thurman, Debbie Crenshaw, Maddie Jennings, Jackie Patterson, Kaylie Parker, Jerry Roach, Glen Chandler, Peggy LaPier, the family of Velma Srader, Mildred Cannon, Danna Hinders, Lynnette Jalufka, Kathy (Janet Ingham's sister), Tatum Schulte

OTHER JOYS/CONCERNS: teachers, administrators, safe travel, new service times

IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: the Monty Platt family, the Lee Banks family, the family of Emery Brewer

BIRTHDAYS: Josiah Asbill 8/5, Rick Reyher 8/6, Carly Behrens 8/6Lorin Barnes 8/7, Jamee Bye 8/12, Meghan Brooks 8/4

ANNIVERSARIES: Rick & Cat Enns, Dennis & Darla Rice 8/12, Cameron & Judy McMinn 8/23, Mel & BJ Brooks

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS: Dylan Brown, Shelly Gross, Dick Elliott, Lou Ann Barnhart, Betty Hill, Carolyn Mason, Beth Sanchez, Judy Gilliam, Kimberly Conrad, Kathy Noel, Keith & Dorinda McCormack, Anna Overhulser, Terry & Helen Gamblin, Betty Ketchersid, Merrell Winstead, Martin Mordecai, Waylon Malone, T.K. Baker, Erin Green, Priscilla DelatteChristie Wilhite, Brandi Sustaire, Bobby Altman, Kingston Marr, Kason Gabbard, Alisann Smookler, Addi Martinez, Virginia Tovar, Mel Wessels, Kelli Marr, Becca Hill, Clois Rowland, Dean Hawkins, Carol Turner, Tatum Schulte, Rachel Stockstill, Rachel Musgrave

ADDITIONAL INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: President Trump and our country's leaders, Costa Rica Team, Backyard Missions, War-torn Countries, the economy, our policeman and firemen, those in the military, unchurched men, women and children and the Wesley Foundation. *Please email fumcprayer@gmail.com or call 806-655-2851 with all prayer requests, joys, concerns or updates. If you have requested someone be added to the Ongoing Prayer Concerns, please update us on that person occasionally; especially if that person needs to be removed from the list.*

CHURCH STAFF

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CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR.....	Scott Dillard
FINANCE MANAGER.....	Christi Ybarra
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A Note From the Pastor

The Grace of the Old Testament

Many of us have been trying to read the Bible in a year, following our Bible Reading Plan. This last week we finally made it to the New Testament – Hallelujah! Just to give you some perspective, we've been reading the prophets since April! Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zachariah and Malachi. That's a lot of prophets!

I was tired of reading prophecy after prophecy! But something changed in July when I was reading Ezekiel. I was trudging through each prophecy – the destruction of Tyre, the destruction of Egypt, the destruction of Assyria, the destruction and unfaithfulness of Israel.... And internally I'm thinking to myself, "If I have to read another prophecy of doom and destruction..." That's when I heard the quiet voice of God speak. I'd been looking at it all wrong. I was focusing on the destruction. I'd been focusing on the wrath of God. And yes, that is all there. But why was it there? That's when it hit me. It wasn't destruction and wrath because of an angry God, but because of a God that wanted justice. Because of a God that wanted to heal the nations. These nations, these people, were guilty. They were "reaping what they were sowing."

Left to our own devices, the human race, hurls headlong into destruction – and destroying everything around it! The wrath of God and the tearing down of empires was, in a sense, an act of grace. It would have been even worse if God hadn't intervened!

I began to cry. I know the theological concept of the "depravity of man." Basically that we are all sinful and cannot save ourselves. But here in the pages of the Old Testament it began to dawn on me anew that this is what we deserve – destruction. Because without God we break ourselves and break everything around us. But even in these prophecies there was a thread of grace and hope – even in the bleakest of times.

The Spirit of God then showed me how truly powerful the death and resurrection of Jesus really was! Jesus, took on all of that doom and destruction – what we deserved – and in its place gave grace and life. Charlie Keys gave a great example of that last Wednesday night at youth. He said it's like we've gotten a speeding ticket. Jesus doesn't tear it up. No. We deserve it. Rather, Jesus takes it to the court house, erases our name on the ticket and puts his name on it. Now that's grace!

May God's amazing grace fill you with a sense of wonder this week. I look forward to seeing you Sunday!

In Christ,

Rick Enns

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Called Charge Conference

Sunday, September 17

6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

The purpose of this called charge conference, pursuant to ¶ 310.1(e) of *The 2016 Book of Discipline (Discipline)*, is for the charge conference of First United Methodist Church of Canyon to affirm Charlie Keys' and Lupe Acevedo's call to ordained/license ministry and to recommend both Charlie Keys and Lupe Acevedo for certified candidacy in the Northwest Texas Annual Conference to the Amarillo District Committee on Ordained Ministry.

