



Spire Notes

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OKMULGEE, OKLAHOMA

January 16, 2017

It is exciting we will be beginning Friday Friends this Friday, January 12. We have 14 children enrolled to- date and are expecting that number to grow as the semester progresses. I'm personally looking forward to leading the children in worship in our chapel time. For our first session we will be learning about Noah from the Old Testament. The children will learn about God's love for them and God's love and provision for the animals of his creation. It is exciting to be able to teach the children the stories of the Old and New Testaments. I will be using miniature wooden cut outs and back drops to help engage the children in the narrative of each of the stories. It's going to be great fun and a wonder-filled time of learning for us all.

In addition to the chapel time there will be breakfast and lunch and a snack, music, crafts, reading time, tutoring time, recreation, and other fun experiences for the kids each week. We are grateful to have such great facilities to conduct such an outreach to the community and make a difference in the lives of our children. Please pray that the children that participate will truly know the love of God through their experience in Friday Friends. We are excited about being able to work with God that his Kingdom might come in all of our hearts but especially in the hearts of the children of this community. Please pray and join us in this journey as we endeavor to make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

In Christ's Service,

Roland



Gifts given in Honor of...

Bill & Lynda Barksdale—Circle of Care
In honor of: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harlan
Mr. and Mrs. Terry Moore
Dr. and Mrs. Gill Graham
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Slamans

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In Honor of: Dana Sigmon
Bill Martin
Bill Nygard

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In Honor of: Mary Lewellen
Margaret and Rob Hess

Warmest Thanks

[I received a card from a dear member, Virginia Neill. She said so many lovely things about her time at First United Methodist Church. I thought I'd share her thoughts with you.—Susie Fuller]

..."I will always cherish the time I spent at that wonderful church.

We so enjoyed the Harmony SS Class, the church services, the Methodist Men, the Food Pantry...Just wish I could have stayed to hear Roland's sermons.

I thank our God for the time I got to spend there.

With much love,
Virginia Neill"

Recycle Your Aluminum
@ FUMC

Not sure your container is aluminum?
Test it with a magnet. A magnet will
not attract aluminum.



Memorial Gifts may be made to any ministry of the church by contacting the church office, placing money in the offering plate on Sunday morning, or making an on-line donation. Please mark your donation appropriately so it gets to the right place.



Betty (B.J.) Webster
NBC Sunday School Class—Thanksgiving

Marilyn Rabbitt
Kay Rabbitt-Brower—FUMC

Burton Mann
Barbara Schrage—Memorial Savings

Mary Ann Herrick
Dr. Ray & Pat Miller—Memorial Savings

Berneice Bruch
Randy Belford—Pantry



Berneice Bruch
August 26, 1915—January 8, 2018

Pat Miller
October 6, 1925—January 13, 2018

UMM Dinner Club
(United Methodist Men)

Wednesday
January 17, 2018

At 5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Student Ministry News!

CROSSFIRE YOUTH MINISTRY

January 21st—5-7:30 Youth

January 28th—5-7:30 Youth

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church will be held during the 11 o'clock service every Sunday during the month (*except* the 1st Sunday). The children are learning and growing in their faith every week. If you have any questions please see Jeana Robinson.

Thank you for
sharing your children!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Don't forget Children's Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 am in the Children's Building.

FRIDAY FRIENDS

Please help us collect:

2 LITER POP BOTTLES &
SHOE BOXES FOR CRAFTS



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**GROWING TOGETHER IN CHRIST
AS WE REACH OUT AND SERVE OTHERS!**

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Lynette Baumann	Kathy Riley
Family of Berneice Bruch	Lisa Rogers
Emma Grace Calle	Carol Spindle
Wyatt Campbell	Kearby Weatherly
Rachel Cockburn	Mary Whittenburg's Grand-
Jorene Coker	daughter, Bryley
Clarence Cushiner	Dixie Wilhite
Loretta Danker	Jo Carrol Williams
Karen Davis	Merrick Winters
Karena Driskill	
Jean Forman	

Continue to Remember:

Marsha Fulton	JoAnna Fife
C.J. Grabo	Valerie Mann Gould
Bob Hart	David Harris
Betty Hooks	Dan Jones
Carl Lee	Maggie Malone
Miss Lee	Kenneth Mann
Amanda Bailey Leonard	Leota McGuire
Dr. Miller & Family in the	Beth Myers
loss of his wife, Pat	Lonnie Nelson
Christy Newendorp	Bill Patterson
Brenda Phillips	Monica VonKettler's Mother
Evella Reagan	James Yeager
David Reagor	Service Men & Women
Cathi Rikard	

OUR PRESENCE

	<u>DEC 17</u>	<u>DEC 24</u>	<u>DEC 31</u>
Sunday	25	11	6
Worship Total	72	56	180