

# Spire Notes

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*FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH*

*OKMULGEE, OKLAHOMA*

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God is doing some really great things in the life of the church right now. “Friday Friends” is blessing young children from our community and is providing them a safe place to be. Our hope is that the children we serve will come to know Christ Jesus for themselves in a life changing way. We believe that no lasting change happens in our lives apart from that relationship with Jesus. However, in our own strength we are powerless to effect that change, that’s why it is so imperative that we spend time in prayer on behalf of those who are lost.

For that reason and many others we want to challenge everyone in the congregation to deepen their relationship with Christ through prayer. Often times we discover that when we come together and pray great things happen in the lives of those for whom we pray. That is why we are going to begin a weekly hour of scheduled prayer. So on Tuesdays at noon we are going to open the Rowe Family Life Center Prayer Chapel to anyone that would like to make that be a part of their devotional lives and positively impact our church, community and lives of those around us. We will have specific needs and opportunities available for us to pray over and we believe that this time can help transform your life and the lives of those around you. Join us for prayer.

In Christ’s Service,

Roland

*First United Methodist Church takes an active role in supporting our community. In 2017 many organizations made use of the FUMC facilities. This is not a comprehensive list but it reflects some of the many events on our campus.*

### **2017 EVENTS — FUMC Church Campus**

FUMC Food Pantry  
 Whole Heart Summit/Health Dept./T-Set  
 Coretta Scott King Tea/Dr. Martin L. King  
 Commemorative Committee  
 Green Country Missional Pastor's Meetings  
 Wednesday Bible Studies  
 FUMC Tenebrae Service  
 AGAPE Pregnancy Fundraiser Dinner  
 Tumbling Team Rustic Cuff Fundraiser  
 Stonebridge—Programs/Playground/Move It  
 Psychological First Aid Training/Disaster Recovery  
 Okmulgee Co. Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner  
 Disaster Response Team/VIM  
 OSU/IT Student Training Day  
 Honey Creek Methodist Funeral Dinner  
 Okmulgee Chamber of Commerce Luncheons  
 Motivated Ballers/Independent Basket ball (36 evenings)  
 Johnson O'Malley Challenge Bowl/MCN/JOM  
 Vacation Bible School  
 Okmulgee HS Feed the Team/UMM  
 Emmaus Walk (2 weeks)  
 UMM Adirondack Chairs for Camp Egan  
 Community Blessing of the Animals  
 Harvest Fest Trunk or Treat  
 Strengthening Families Program/Anne Maroney  
 Youth Services (14 weeks)  
 Feed the Children Food Truck/Food Pantry  
 Community Thanksgiving Meal  
 Friday Friends Open House  
 Okmulgee CASA Fundraiser Dinner/Silent Auction  
 Green Country District Consultations  
 Okmulgee County Sheriff's Christmas Luncheon  
 RFLC Kitchen—Meal Preparation for  
 CREOKS, Open Gate

### **Recycle Your Aluminum**

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.



**Mary Ann Herrick**  
*Harmony Class—Memorial*

**Berneice Bruch**  
*Harmony Class—Memorial*  
*Bill & Danna Martin—Memorial*

**Pat Miller**  
*Beverly Smith—Memorial*  
*Carolyn Milroy—Memorial*  
*Harmony Class—Memorial*  
*Randy Belford—Memorial*  
*Fred & Kelly Harlan—Memorial*  
*Bruce & Karen Mabrey—Children's Ministry*  
*Bill & Danna Martin—Memorial*  
*Louie Moore—Pantry*  
*Hugh & Margaret Robinson—Memorial*

The memorial service for **Berneice Bruch** will be held at Lighthouse Baptist Church at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 27th. There will be a reception immediately following the memorial service in the Fellowship Hall.

Instead of flowers, in order to honor Berneice Bruch's life the family requests that a donation be sent to Lighthouse Baptist Church to help with a special project for the children of Seaside. Funds are being collected to build a play structure for the church and the community.

Checks can be sent to:  
 Lighthouse Baptist Church  
 In honor of Berneice Bruch  
 1030 Hilby Ave.  
 Seaside, CA 93955



**Tuesday, February 6, 2018**

**UMW Business Meeting—9:30 am**

**UMW Program Meeting—10:30 am**

***In the Harmony Building***

# Student Ministry News!

## CROSSFIRE YOUTH MINISTRY

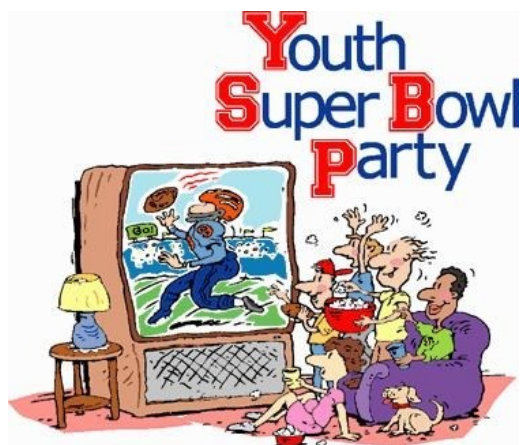
January 28th—5-7:30 Youth

February 4th—Super Bowl  
Party @ the home of Jim &  
Robyn Walters.

February 11th—5-7:30 Youth

February 18th—5-7:30 Youth

February 25th—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

Every Friday  
7:30am — 3:15pm  
Visit our website to enroll  
at [www.fumcokmulgee.org](http://www.fumcokmulgee.org)  
To register.

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

### **STAFF:**

Bishop Jimmy Nunn, Oklahoma Conference  
Rev. Emery Mason, District Superintendent  
Rev. Roland Youngberg, Minister  
Jeana Robinson, Children's Director  
Kendall Warren, Youth Director  
Susie Fuller, Secretary  
Keith Garrison, Choir Director  
Corinne Pitts, Organist  
Marie Harris, Pianist  
Joy Crow, Nursery Coordinator  
Jack & Janel Wright, Custodians  
Helen Nygard, Pantry Coordinator

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Our Website: <http://www.fumcokmulgee.org>

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

David Boss	Carol Spindle
Fred Burks	Kearby Weatherly
Emma Grace Calle	Mary Whittenburg's Granddaughter, Bryley
Wyatt Campbell	Dixie Wilhite
Rachel Cockburn	Jo Carrol Williams
Jorene Coker	Merrick Winters
Clarence Cushiner	
Alice Dangott	
Loretta Danker	
Karen Davis	<u>Continue to Remember:</u>
Karena Driskill	JoAnna Fife
Jean Forman	Valerie Mann Gould
Marsha Fulton	David Harris
C.J. Grabo	Dan Jones
Bob Hart	Maggie Malone
Carl Lee	Kenneth Mann
Miss Lee	Leota McGuire
Amanda Bailey Leonard	Beth Myers
Christy Newendorp	Lonnie Nelson
Brenda Phillips	Bill Patterson
Evella Reagan	Linda Rich-Harris
David Reagor	Monica VonKettler's Mother
Cathi Rikard	James Yeager
Kathy Riley	Service Men & Women
Lisa Rogers	

### **OUR PRESENCE**

	<u>JAN 7</u>	<u>JAN 14</u>	<u>JAN 21</u>
Sunday	14	28	33
Worship Total	75	100	83