

Newsletter of The First United Methodist Church of Azle  
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Dr. Dean Posey, Pastor August 2010

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# THE MESSENGER

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**MAGNOLIA BANQUET**

**Saturday, August 7th**

**7:00 PM (ticket information inside)**



## FROM THE PASTOR

The month of July was a month of significant change within our congregation. We had to downsize our church budget and also our church staff. We will miss David, Joe and Abbie

and thank them for the wonderful contribution they all made to the Kingdom of God through our congregation while they were on our staff. I also want to thank the SPR committee for the reception last Sunday in honor of those staff members who are leaving us. As we move forward into the future, we will need everyone's prayers and support more than ever before. During the month of August, the Administrative Council will be publicizing a creative ministry focus called WORSHIP PLUS TWO. I am very excited about this new ministry focus that is the result of months of planning by the Council. I believe it will bring some excitement into our worship, our Sunday school, and into our church's ministry areas. So, even though it is a sad time as we say good bye to several staff members, it is also an exciting time as we look to see what is on the horizon.

As we all know, life is filled with many choices. One of the choices we make daily is the perspective upon which we view life. As I examine my perspective on the events that have happened in the last month and will happen beginning in August, I acknowledge my sadness but also I look forward with anticipation, anxiously waiting to see what God has planned for us in the future. I also look forward to walking down that road with you because ... You are a great congregation. It is a pleasure to be your pastor,

*Dean*

*To request the power point presentation "Red Sea Crossing", call or email the church office: 817-444-3323 - church@fumcazle.org*

### Magnolia Banquet

Saturday, August 7  
Table Viewing 6:30 pm  
Banquet 7:00 pm

**Every woman in the church is invited to attend and bring a guest .**

**Tickets to the banquet are \$12.00 and will be available from each of this year's hostesses**

Joanna Lacy  
Mary Fonville  
Christa Fonville  
Sally McMinn  
Sallie Hamilton  
Glenda Ortego  
Cyndi Standefer  
B.J. Collins  
Donna Redmon  
Karis Faulkenberry

Vickie Harris  
Carolyn Jicha  
Gayla Fletcher  
Vira Jimenez  
Susan Flippen  
Janet Hargrove  
Karen Searfoss  
Sheryl Preston  
Jennifer Buss  
Courtney Mullane

Irene Shank  
Sue Mitchell  
July Wilson  
Edith Hoad  
Jan Barranti  
Eva Lopez  
Kathy Flores  
Hazel Graham

**If you have any questions, please call**

**B.J. Collins @ 817-300-7478**

**or email her @ bjcoll@flash.net**

**To Everyone** – Thank you for your prayers and support as Ryan Clements, Tori Hamilton and myself traveled to Vermont, Quebec and Montreal for the International Chorus Trip. There are no



words to express some of the experiences that we had – the cultures, the faces and stories of people we served in mission, the faces of people who listened to young people sing words of such significance in the fabric of beautiful music, the last echoes of an Alleluia as we finished our final concert, sights and sounds of never before visited cities and places, friendships gained and insights from experiences with other people that will leave lasting memories. It is difficult to describe. There is a greater appreciation of people in other places worshipping God in different ways from ours and in languages that we do not fully understand. There is an awareness of effective ways that we can show God's love in service to others in ways that we have not experienced before.

#### **Reminder!**

Maddy Witt, one of our talented graduates, will be presenting a voice recital in the sanctuary on August 8 at 3 p.m. You are invited to attend this wonderful music event.

#### **Readers for Scripture –**

If you are interested in reading the scripture passages during worship, please let me know.

#### **A/V Ministry –**

There is still a need for more trained people to use our A/V equipment. There are events that occur at our church at other times besides worship services for which it would be good to have knowledgeable people available to run video or sound on those occasions. Please let us know of your willingness to explore this area of service.

Margaret



Tori

Ryan

Margaret



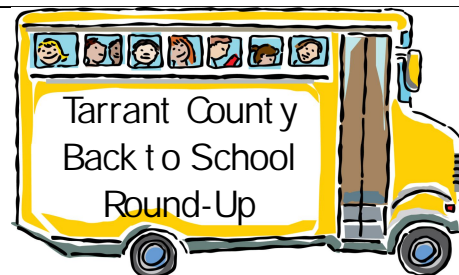
**New Prayer Requests:** Gary Lacy; Darlene Tatum; Dot McIntire; George Nail  
 Bob Bettis; Vivian Patton; Beth Rahi; Dixie Duggard; Mareen Morrow; Jean Ryder; Nancy Ritter; Colleen Neely; Hester Evans; Mark Hardage; Paula Zijewski; Shelly Pfeiffer; Clint Keeley; Evelyn Mohn; Jennifer Detrick; Kelly Garcia; Arthur and Charlene Lang; David Long, Burl Vaught; Betty Eyre; Delma Thomas; Paige Young; Carl Loeffelholz; Wendy Verder; David Roschewski; Chad Elliot; Bill Sheldon; Alvin Prince; Gene Hargrove; John Parsons; Carl Garringer; Marge & Larry Haynes; Jim Mowery; Robert Bates; Don Autry; James McMinn; Jim Johnson; Robert Gambrel; Jerry Flippen; Debbie Moore; Derek Carver; Jim Pauwels; Cohen Heath; Josh Baase; Richard Hutson; Katy Williams; Rudolph Looper; Jerry Bennett; Clay Sapp; Margaret Clark; Sammie Rush; Evon Thomas; Wade Harris; Tina Gibbs; Falena Manus; Richard Hobbs; Irene Miller; Cieta Holt; Bessie Rogers; Russell Eagleton; Nancy Beck; Cynthia Denton; Mary Ledig; Rebekah Arnold; Jane Witt; Dora Clark; Dan Miller; Marcie Paez; Leslie & Jack Mokry; Erma Wiley; Scott Hannah

**Continuing Prayer Requests:**

On this Friday, July 31, the youth will be meeting at the church at 5:15pm to go to Speedzone in Dallas. Bring \$40 for pizza and three hours of go-carts, drag-racing, putt-putt golf, and arcade games. As always, scholarships are available and friends are welcome to come. The youth should be back to the church by midnight. Summer is almost over, and several of our youth returned home within the last week from both the CTCYM junior high mission trip to Burnet, Texas, and the International Chorus mission trip to Canada. This means that by this point, many of our youth and adults have represented our church congregation on three separate mission trips during the summer. This is something for which we should all be very proud of our youth. On Sunday, August 22 the youth will have an opportunity during both morning worship services to share their mission trip experiences with the congregation on our annual Mission Trip Sunday. If you were on any of the three mission trips this summer, please plan to attend a meeting on Wednesday, August 18 at 6:30pm to discuss the logistics of the services. If you did not go on any of the mission trips, we hope to see you in worship for this special Sunday!



—Mark



...will take place at Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum, Amon G. Carter Exhibit Hall from 8 am to 2pm for public school children, Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade who reside in Tarrant County; and whose families meet the 2010 Federal Poverty Income guidelines. The roundup event includes free school supplies, children's activities and free health, dental and vision screenings. For more information on the roundup or how to pre-register for free school supplies visit the event website at:

[www.backtoschoolroundup.org](http://www.backtoschoolroundup.org)

or the Azle ISD website.

Have fun while getting your student ready for a great new school year!"

**CORNERSTONE CORNER**



We had a successful VBS again this year, serving around 70 kids from ages 3 to 6th grade. A big THANK YOU to all who gave up time from their busy schedule to help make VBS a success. I appreciate all of you.

—Juanita Culver

**FREE BENEFIT PERFORMANCE**

by DR. LINDA REESE  
 FOR  
 SAFE HARBOR COUNSELING CENTER  
 Sunday, August 1st  
 7:00 PM  
 Northside Baptist Church  
 910 Main Street  
 Weatherford, TX 76086

Safe Harbor counseling Center serves clients from a Christian perspective. The center serves approximately 400 clients per month and is solely supported from donations and client fees (which are based on a sliding scale.)

You can listen to a sample of Dr. Linda Reese's piano music at the following address:

<http://www.dr.lindareese.com>

**The COMMUNITY CARING CENTER**

**is in need of non perishable food items such as**

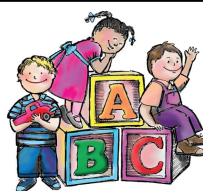
- Spaghetti noodles
- Ramen Noodles
- Sloppy Joe Sauce
- Soup (tomato and chicken noodle)
- Crackers (any kind)
- White or Brown Rice

**A drop off box will be provided in the back of the Sanctuary and HUB for your food donations for the next several weeks. Donations will also be accepted at the CCC before noon on weekdays**



Food Collection

*Thank you for your donations*



**First Wee Care** is now accepting registrations for the 2010-2011 school year, ages 18 months to 5

years. Contact Joanna Lacy for information or enrollment forms at **817-253-7638**.

## Our Weekly Schedule

**Sunday**

8:30 AM Worship, HUB  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship, Sanctuary  
 4:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group  
 6:00 PM Youth Fellowship

**Monday**

6:30 AM Emmaus Reunion Group  
 9:00 AM Pilates, Atrium  
 5:15 PM Emmaus Reunion Group

**Tuesday**

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study  
 & Breakfast  
 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

**Wednesday**

9:00 AM Pilates, Atrium  
 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study

**Wednesday (continued)**

4:15 PM Children's Handbells  
 4:45 PM Children's Choirs  
 5:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group  
 6:15 PM Women's Bible Study  
 6:30 PM Youth Worship/Bible Study  
 6:30 PM Foundation Builders  
 (Men's Group)  
 7:00 PM Chancel Choir  
 8:30 PM Early Worship Team

**Thursday**

6:30 AM Women's Bible Study  
 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study  
 6:00 PM Mission Project Work Day  
 7:00 pm Book Club

**Friday**

6:00 PM Mission Project Work Day

**Saturday**

7:00 AM Emmaus Reunion Group  
 9:00 AM Mission Project Work Day

**Stewardship Report****Offerings Received**

Jan. through July \$359,144.01

**Budget Needed**

Jan. through July \$395,520.98



Melissa Vance  
 Jeanene Olson

**BOOK CLUB**  
 Meets on  
 Thursday August  
 5th at 7PM

**First United Methodist Church of Azle**

Worship 8:30 a.m. = Sunday School 9:45 a.m. = Worship 11:00 a.m.

**Minister:** Every Member

**Pastor:** Dr. Dean Posey

**Youth Director:** Mark Bennett

**Music Director:** Margaret Bolding

**Evangelism Director:** Nancy Lavender

**Our Mission:** *To encourage everyone to become fully devoted disciples of Jesus Christ.*

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