



Newsletter of The First United Methodist Church of Azle

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Dr. Dean Posey, Pastor

September, 2010

THE MESSENGER

LORD'S ACRE
OCTOBER 2, 2010





FROM THE PASTOR

Almost every year since 1986, I have taken a week to plan my sermons for the following year. I call that my "sermon retreat."

This week I am on my sermon retreat and planning sermons for 2011. I don't write the sermons. What I do is pick the sermon Scriptures, sermon titles, and sermon themes. Then I give that information to people on the staff so they can plan what they need to plan for other parts of the worship services.

Many years ago, before I started my sermon retreats, I would spend every Monday morning deciding what I was going to preach on that next Sunday. So half a day of every week was spent on that task. If you add all those half days together, it adds up to many hours over the span of a year. When I take my sermon retreat, I can plan an entire year in one week. So it saves time and I can also look at the entire year at once which allows me to plan sermon series like the one I am preaching now, or plan other sermon ideas.

I know that you pray for me and I appreciate that very much because I need the wisdom and guidance that only God can give. This week I am asking for your specific prayers while I am on my sermon retreat so I can hear what God wants me to preach on next year.

You are a wonderful congregation. It is a pleasure to be

your pastor,
Dean

Children's Music – You are invited! Parents and Children

Wednesday, September 1st in the Family Life Center at 5:30 p.m.

Come join us for Pizza and Signups for the

Children's Music Activities. There are music classes for Children Pre-K through 6th Grade. We look forward to you and your child participating in our Music Ministry.

September 8 is the start day for the Children's Bells at 4:15 p.m. and the Children's Choir at 4:45 p.m. Pre-K music will take place at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays.

Youth Choir – Good rehearsal Sunday! All youth grades 7-12 are invited to join us on Sunday afternoons from 4:45 – 6:00 p.m. We plan to sing during the 11:00 a.m. service on September 26.

Handbells – Youth and Adults, please let me know if you are interested in ringing hand bells. Thank you.

Margaret



GET READY FOR LORD'S ACRE OCTOBER 2, 2010

The Lord's Acre Frozen Foods committee is seeking two upright freezers for their booth this year (by donation, loan or for a nominal purchase.)

Please call:

**Sharon Richardson
817-444-2914
Madge Prince
817-237-3280
Nancy Ritter
817-594-7320**

Gather up your treasures!



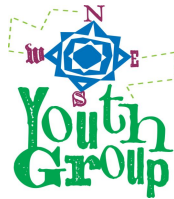
Lord's Acre Contact list:

Live Auction	Vicki Harris (817-238-8512)
Silent Auction	B.J. Collins (817-237-1913)
Luncheon	Mary Fonville (817-444-2934)
Christmas Store	Janet Hargrove (817-237-6619) & Sharron Schmitt (817-444-1035)
Garage Sale	Julie Clark (817-800-3465)
General Store/Crafts	Susan Swan (817-237-2812)
Frozen Foods	Susan Richardson (817-444-2914)
Sweet Shoppe	Susan Flippen (817-444-0565)
Entertainment	Mark Yoder (817-270-3935)
Quilt Raffle	Sharon Leubke (817-220-6667)
Wheel of Fortune	Jan Barranti (724-388-3450)
Extra Mile Bottles	Al Harris (817-238-8512)
Bookstore	Heidi Smith (817-237-5294) &
Donna Lawson (817-444-7173)	
Children's Area	Weven Kimmey (817-832-5937)
Pansy Sales	LeRae Burton (817-444-3665)
Quick Draw	Le'Ann Ferris (817-444-8080)
Gopher Brigade	Jerry Gooch (817-614-4212)
Publicity	Carol Roberts (817-444-4949)



New Prayer Requests: Connie & Sharla Bursey; Jose Rodas; Michelle Abramski; Amber; Aaron Terry; Helen Spann; Ann Jackson
Continuing Prayer Requests: Russell Eagleton; Dot McIntire; George Nail; Gary Lacy; Vivian Patton; Dixie Duggard; Mareen Morrow; Jean Rider; Colleen Neely; Mark Hardage; Paula Zijewski; Shelly Pfeiffer; Clint Keeley; Evelyn Mohn; Jennifer Detrick; Arthur and Charlene Lang; Betty Eyre; Delma Thomas; 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; Richard Hutson;

Katy Williams; Rudolph Looper; Jerry Bennett; Clay Sapp; Margaret Clark; Sammie Rush; Wade Harris; Tina Gibbs; Richard Hobbs; Irene Miller; Clea Holt; Bessie Rogers; Nancy Beck; Cynthia Denton; Mary Ledig; Dora Clark; Dan Miller



THANK YOU to all of the youth and adults who participated in the worship services on Mission Trip Sunday. You all did an excellent job in sharing your experiences from the summer mission trips. And thank you to everyone that came on that special Sunday to hear the participants' testimonies. Please keep in mind that if you are interested in going on any of the mission trips next summer, you do not need to be in youth or have any children that are in youth. We are always in need of more adults to go on the mission trips!

Please keep in mind that while summer is now over and school has resumed, the youth will continue to meet for Sunday and Wednesday Night Youth at its regular time from 6-8pm with activities and lessons. I hope to see all of you there!

Please note that I am currently in the planning stages for 30 Hour Famine and a Mystery Trip during Christmas break. Thirty Hour Famine is a fundraising event in which the youth are responsible for raising money for World Vision to help feed starving children in developing countries. The fundraising event will end with a weekend retreat in November in which we will once again go to Waco, Texas for a team-building experience at Baylor's high-ropes course challenge and participating in worship at Waco's Church Under The Bridge. The Mystery Trip will tentatively take place December 28 through January 1. Be ready because registration and more information regarding these trips will be available just around the corner.

-Mark

CORNERSTONE CORNER



ATTENTION ALL 3RD GRADERS

Sunday, September 12th is Presentation of Bibles Sunday to 3rd Graders. Parents, please call the church office if you have a 3rd grade student so we will not overlook anyone.



ALPHA
QUESTIONS
OF
LIFE

**Starts
sunday
Sept. 12**

**WOMEN'S QUILT MINISTRY
NEEDS QUILTERS and
HELPERS!**

Any person in physical, emotional, or spiritual crisis who feels like they can benefit from being "covered in prayer" can request a prayer quilt. Prayer is symbolically tied into each quilt. Prayer quilts are a statement of faith and testimony to our belief in God and in the power of prayer.

The quilters meet every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the home of Sharon Luebke.

Everyone's welcome, even if you can't sew! Bring a bag lunch and enjoy helping with this wonderful ministry.

817-220-6667

please call for directions

**starts
Monday
Sept. 13**

TRUTH
PROJECT

Teacher: Carol Roberts
(817-444-4949)

Hosts: John and Carol
Roberts

Location: Roberts' Home
1632 Anchor Way
(Oak Harbor)

Time: 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Mondays

Teacher: Jon Searfoss
Study: Claims of
Christianity
Location: White House
Time: 9:45 AM Sunday



On the back of the September calendar is a letter from our missionary, Dr. Chris Hena of the Kazakhstan Health Project.

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
 4:45 PM Youth Choir
 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 Choir
 5:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group
 5:30 PM Supper
 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
 7:00 pm Book Club

Saturday

7:00 AM Emmaus Reunion Group

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

Jan. through Aug. \$419,447.30

Budget Needed

Jan. through Aug. \$445,520.98



**MENU
 FOR
 WEDNESDAY
 SEPTEMBER 8**

**Lasagna
 Seasoned Green
 Beans
 Tossed Salad
 Garlic Bread
 Dessert**

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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