

A Great Heritage...

A Great Future...

SEPTEMBER



DAN D. LINES

By Dr. Dan Darby, Pastor

A new day is dawning upon our congregation. Last Sunday 98 persons voted at our Church Conference and over 87% voted for disaffiliation from the United Methodist denomination. A companion to hope is no small amount of grief for many of us. I was baptized as a baby and confirmed as a child into the UMC predecessor organization and have given my entire working career of over 40 years serving as a United Methodist pastor. Many of you can tell similar stories of how you were nurtured in the faith by the United Methodist denomination. But with every death comes the possibility of new life. Revival will come to our congregation if we pull together and seek the Lord. People need the witness of this church. Many are looking for a spiritual home and they can find it here.

Our request for disaffiliation will be presented for approval at a called session of the Texas Annual Conference on Saturday, December 3, 2022. Upon receiving their approval, we will no longer be a United Methodist congregation on December 31, 2022, and we will officially become a part of another Methodist denomination. **We will have a meeting for all church members at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 25 to decide on a new denominational affiliation.** All church members are invited to attend and vote.

Two choices are currently being laid before us for reaffiliation by our steering committee. The first one is the Global Methodist Church (GMC), which is the new Methodist denomination that most of the disaffiliating churches are joining and the one recommended by our district superintendent at our Church Conference. The second one is the Congregational Methodist Church (CMC). Although it is still a bit tentative, we plan to host a presentation about the CMC, probably in the youth room, on **Monday, September 12, at 5:00 p.m.** Our guest presenters will be Rev. Brian Tyre, who is the CMC annual conference chairman in our area, and the Rev. Jim Hancock, who is the pastor of CMC congregation in Mississippi. Rev. Hancock will be with us virtually by Zoom.

For those of us who are not familiar with the Congregational Methodist Church, here is what Wikipedia says about it: *"The Congregational Methodist Church is a Methodist denomination located primarily in the southern United States and northeastern Mexico. It is within the Holiness movement and adheres to Wesleyan-Arminian theology. As of 1995, the denomination reported 14,738 [members] in 187 churches. The Congregational Methodist Church was founded in Georgia in 1852 when several churches split from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South out of a desire to blend Methodist doctrine with congregational polity. The Congregational Methodist Church is Wesleyan-Arminian in doctrine, congregational in its system of worship, republican or representative in its system of government, connexional in nature, missionary in outlook, evangelistic in endeavor, and cooperative in spirit. Each local church calls its pastor, owns its property, and sets its budget. Its congregations are located in Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico, plus the Mexican states of Coahuila and Tamaulipas and the Canadian province of Québec. It also has missionaries in the United States, Mexico, Belize, Haiti, Bolivia and Japan."*

We are not limited to choosing between the Congregational Methodist and Global Methodist denominations, but those are the two which our steering committee is considering.

Moving on to another topic, we are planning a major church event called “**Back to Church Sunday**” on **September 18**. At our 10:00 a.m. worship service, we will host Rev. Morris Matthis as our guest preacher. Morris is a friend of mine and was the Central North District Superintendent when I was appointed here over seven years ago. Currently, Morris is the Director of Leadership Formation of the Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and was the highly esteemed pastor of numerous churches such as Clear Lake UMC. Morris is known for his humor and joy. He will be speaking on our Back to Church Sunday theme of “Hope Happens Here.”



After worshipping together, please plan to stay for our Potluck BBQ meal. Several of our members have been invited to prepare the barbeque, others are asked to bring a side dish or two. Be sure to invite a friend to join us for worship and our meal together. Please be in prayer for this event and for those whom we invited to attend.

Pastor Dan



United
Women
in Faith

Pure Joy!

From In Touch Ministries

GALATIANS 5:13; JOHN 12:26

THREE NEW TESTAMENT WRITERS opened their epistles in a similar way: "Paul, a bond-servant of Christ Jesus ..."

(Rom. 1:1), "Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ ..." (2 Pet. 1:1), and "James, a bond-servant of God and the Lord Jesus Christ ..." (James 1:1). They viewed themselves as humble workers.

God calls each believer to a life of service. This should be an exciting prospect, but too many people get hung up on the belief that they cannot be as good as the apostles. A popular idea in the church is that the Lord's servants are those doing full-time ministry but that everyone else is simply trying to live well. Nothing could be further from the truth. We all are servants with important kingdom work to do.

Some kingdom jobs look more important than others, but that's only because we evaluate with human eyes. Every work that advances the gospel or serves a need is valuable. Not every person can be on a far-flung mission field, but we all can share the gospel with a neighbor. Some people can sing in the choir, others can give money to someone. God invites us to do His work in the world whether the task is great or small, and we do it by serving our fellow man. What is He calling you to do?



Sausage Balls

1 lb. hot breakfast sausage, uncooked

1 lb. Sharp cheese, shredded

2 to 3 c. Bisquick

Mix together well. Shape into small balls and bake 10-15 min. at 350 degrees. May be reheated if necessary.

In Worship

Sunday, September 4, Holy Communion Sunday. My sermon will be from Luke 14:25-35 and is entitled, "Are You a Spectator or a Team Member?" Our chancel choir will be singing "Count Your Blessings" for our special music.

Sunday, September 11. My sermon will be from Luke 15:1-10 and is entitled, "The Love of Jesus." The congregation will be invited to request hymns.

Sunday, September 18, **Back to Church Sunday**. The choir plans to sing "Instrument of Your Peace" based on the prayer of St. Francis of Assisi. Rev. Morris Matthis will be our guest preacher.

Sunday, September 25. This will be the first Sunday of our study of Adam Hamilton's book, The Walk: Five Essential Practices for the Christian Life. My sermon is entitled, "Worship and Prayer: A Living Hallelujah." Don't forget the reaffiliation vote in the fellowship hall at 11 a.m.

UMYF- The Matches

Igniting the flame of Christ in everyone

Hello again. It's back to school. I hope everyone gets settled into their routine and comes back to church.

On Wednesdays, we have started a study on World Religions. A chance to find out how to reach those of other faiths.

Come and grow with us!

Join us for Sunday school at 8:45 am

Happy to serve,

Carri Clark

Youth Director

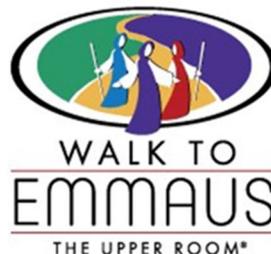


September 14, 2022

7:00 AM

UMM Breakfast

*Featured Speakers:
Sandra McQuiggin &
Tyra Swanson
Walk to Emmaus*



Missions Ministry – SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

Serve the Lord Sunday – GOD IS SOOO GOOD

Your gracious and generous donations raised **\$1,300** for UMCOR. **WOW!**

Thank you for your support.

God's Blessings

Speaking of UMCOR...

Did you know UMCOR has a Mission Center in Conroe?

Stay tuned for information on a 1-day Mission workday **SOON!**

The youth will be going as well.



The Conroe facility houses 8,000 sq. ft. of warehouse space for receiving, verifying, sorting, storing, and shipping UMCOR kits. It also serves as the central base of operations for the Texas Annual Conference Disaster Ministries, housing disaster relief and recovery supplies and equipment.

Blanket and Coat Collection

Do you have slightly used blankets or coats you no long need?



Please donate your clean slightly used coats and blankets!!

You can place the items on the Mission Cabinet.

Yours in Christ

Vicki Jowell



Who will you invite to come to church on Back to Church Sunday, September 18th?

One simple question can change a life. It could be a family member, friend, co-worker, neighbor, or stranger. You never know they could just be waiting for an invite knowing they need to come worship our God but not really know what they are missing. What better place than our church? Our congregation is so friendly and so happy to meet new people and we will even feed all our guest a meal at our potluck BBQ lunch!

On Back to Church Sunday, September 18th, we will be passing out a book called The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life written by Adam Hamilton. Please take a book and read a chapter a week. This will be a six-week study and we would like the entire congregation to join. Both our Sunday School classes, and our morning worship services will be themed on the study. It would be a great time to join a Sunday School class at 8:45 a.m. each Sunday!

Enjoy this poem – by M.S. Lowndes

HOPE

Without hope in our lives
Our spirits slowly die
And our souls become withered
And drained of all life

For hope is the breath,
The essence of our faith
That keeps us all believing
And living in God's grace

It gives life to our bones
And joy to our hearts,
Release for our troubled minds
Held captive in the dark

It gives light to our feet,
So, we can find our way
And gives purpose in our walk
And faith when we pray

So, hold firmly onto hope
In the face of your storm,
For it anchors you to Jesus,
And His love is reborn

Blessings,
Your Evangelism Team

School for Little Children

We are super excited that school has finally started. The children are getting used to a new class and routine, some are even making new friends. We will send home a school calendar with our celebration days as well as closures for holidays. Parents who have not sent your child's supplies please do so. Please include a water bottle for your child's use, we will send it home on Fridays to be cleaned. We will also send home nap supplies. All of these items need to be brought back on Mondays. We have panic bars installed on our doors; this increases the safety of our students and staff.

Themes

Mrs. Kaitlynne and Mrs. Randi's classes: All About Me

9/6 My Face, 9/13 My Senses, 9/20, Arms, Hands, & Fingers, 9/27 Legs, Feet, and Toes

Mrs. Charlene's theme is Awesome Me, 9/6 Physical Me, 9/13 Feeling Me, 9/20 Social Me, 6/27 Curious Me

Ms. Sherry's theme is My School and Me, 9/6 This Way to Pre-K, 9/13 Physical Me, 9/20 My Senses, I Think and Feel

Our Lesson Plans are from the Frog Street Curriculum. They have activities that cover all developmental areas for children. They also have included a way to teach biblical characteristics.

Birthdays

Josiah 09/05

Owen 09/11

Olivia 09/26

Lilah 09/26

Hunter 09/28

Holidays (Closures)

September 5, 2022, Labor Day

We hope your child enjoys their time at the SFLC and has fun learning things here.

Thank you,
SFLC Staff

United Methodist Women Share the Bread

Drivers needed!

To help:
Call Betty
Davis

935-377-4765



Deliver
prepared meals
and a bit of
conversation!

Beep Beep!

September Birthdays

Jeff Faulkner	09/01	Elaine Montgomery	09/16
Marilyn Blackmon	09/02	Jackie Cleveland	09/20
Tim Morkisch	09/06	Connie McMurrey	09/23
Rene Pulk	09/06	Mary Miller	09/23
Wally Busteed	09/08	Wayne Brignac	09/25
Marilyn Collier	09/09	Cameron Dillon	09/26
Darnell Schreiber	09/12	Bubba Faulkner	09/26
Shirley Burleson	09/13	Stephen McMurrey	09/26
Lacy Faulkner	09/13	Heather Christel	09/27
Monique Blue	09/14	Charles Russell	09/28
Heather Dillon	09/14	Norman Dow	09/29
Bea Glassco	09/15		

September Anniversaries

Michael & Linda Price	09/07
Jerry & Winnie Baack	09/13
Paul & Mary Miller	09/29

September Ushers

10:00 a.m. Wayne & Sharon Brignac

Volunteers Needed

Anyone who is interested in Ushering
please contact Sharon & Wayne
Brignac @1-228-238-1430.

September Greeters

September 4th	Frank & Anne Closs
September 11th	Ron Orlando & Bea Glassco
September 18th	Dianne Griffith & Denise Thurmond
September 25th	Monica & Taylor Viator

COLDSRING UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through July 2022

	<u>Jan - Jul 22</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income				
TOTAL INCOME	220,688.23	189,817.81	30,870.42	116.3%
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Expense				
Personnel Expense	129,663.07	129,706.99	-43.92	100.0%
Administrative Expenses	8,744.16	11,448.01	-2,703.85	76.4%
Finance Committee	1,519.08	1,166.69	352.39	130.2%
Bus Expense	278.75	1,458.38	-1,179.63	19.1%
Christian Education	1,524.20	1,458.31	65.89	104.5%
Children & Youth	872.38	3,208.31	-2,335.93	27.2%
Senior Activities	0.00	58.31	-58.31	0.0%
Evangelism	1,309.95	1,283.31	26.64	102.1%
Fellowship	570.29	933.31	-363.02	61.1%
Missions	3,794.55	3,499.93	294.62	108.4%
Music Expense	1,729.33	2,770.81	-1,041.48	62.4%
Worship	177.40	1,166.69	-989.29	15.2%
Buildings & Grounds Expenses	49,967.64	56,723.38	-6,755.74	88.1%
Church Utilities	18,398.83	18,229.19	169.64	100.9%
Beyond the Local Church	15,396.42	14,998.62	397.80	102.7%
Total Expense	233,946.05	248,110.24	-14,164.19	94.3%
Net Income	-13,257.82	-58,292.43	45,034.61	22.7%



September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Troop Planning Meeting 9:00am
4 Holy Communion Sunday Sunday School all ages in C.F.L.C. 8:45am Worship Service Sanctuary/Live Broadcast 10:00am	5 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED	6 Mission Committee Meeting 2:00pm	7 UMYF "The Matches" 5:30pm - 7:30pm	8 Cub Scout Roundup 6:00pm - 8:00pm	9 Community Christmas Families Meeting 10:00am	10
11 Minute for Missions "Back to Church Sunday" Sunday School all ages in C.F.L.C. 8:45am Worship Service Sanctuary/Live Broadcast 10:00am	12 The Congregation Methodist Church Informational 5:00pm Boy/Cub Scouts 7:00pm	13 Share the Bread 1:00pm Evangelism Committee Meeting 3:30pm	14 UMM Breakfast 7:00am Finance 8:15am UMYF "The Matches" 5:30pm - 7:30pm	15 Trustee's Meeting 5:00pm	16 UMW Prayer Blanket/Busy Bodys 9:30am	17
18 Back To Church Sunday Sunday School all ages in C.F.L.C. 8:45am Worship Service Sanctuary/Live Broadcast 10:00am Back to Church Luncheon BBQ-Pot Luck 11:00am	19 Boy/Cub Scouts 7:00pm	20	21 UMYF "The Matches" 5:30pm - 7:30pm	22	23	24
25 Sunday School all ages in C.F.L.C. 8:45am Worship Service Sanctuary/Live Broadcast 10:00am Reaffiliation Church Vote 11:00am	26 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Church Council Meeting 5:00pm Boy/Cub Scouts 7:00pm	27 Share the Bread 1:00pm	28 UMYF "The Matches" 5:30pm - 7:30pm	29	30 Cub Scout Camp out on church property 2:00pm	

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