



# First United Methodist Church

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## Pastor's Pen



*One of the scribes came and heard them arguing, and recognizing that He had answered them well, asked Him, "What commandment is the foremost of all?" Jesus answered, "The foremost is, 'HEAR, O ISRAEL! THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.' "The second is this, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.' There is no other commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:28-31)*

In 2008, her senior year, Mallory Holtman was the starting first baseman on the Central Washington University's softball team. On Saturday, April 26, 2008 her team was playing a Great Northwest Athletic Conference home game against Western Oregon University in Ellensburg, Washington. During the game, she performed a widely-documented display of sportsmanship. Western Oregon's Sara Tucholsky hit a three-run home run, the first in her college career, but injured her knee while going back to tag first base after she realized that she had not touched the bag. As per the official rules, none of Tucholsky's teammates could assist her in running the bases. In addition, as per the rules stated by the game's umpires, Tucholsky's hit would only count as a two-run single if she were replaced by a pinch runner. Mallory then asked the umpires if she could assist Tucholsky to home plate. After a brief discussion, the umpires decided it would be acceptable. So Holtman and teammate Liz Wallace carried Tucholsky to home plate, gently dropping her legs at each base they passed. Mallory commented as they carried Sara around the bases that the people in the stands must be laughing their heads off at the three of them. Instead, all three players received a standing ovation at home plate. Western Oregon went on to win the game 4-2.

A few months later, a police official was terribly injured in a bomb blast in a bank in a town not too far where the momentous softball game mentioned above took place. When the insurance cooperative that insured the city went far beyond what was expected of them in taking care of the policeman, the adjuster said, "Oh, we do this all the time. We call it 'doing a Mallory.'"

If you have ever wondered how to live out the second of what Jesus deemed the Greatest Commandments, I think Mallory has given us the answer.

Done any "Mallorys" lately?

Your brother in Christ,

*Joel*

### Sunday, September 5, 2010

Coffee Fellowship @ 9:30 a.m. only  
Hosted by: Mary Lynn Tinkle's SS Class

#### Lay Readers:

8:30 a.m. Chris Watlington 11:00 a.m. Rob Payne

#### Greeters:

8:30 a.m. Lisa & Steve Thomas 11:00 a.m. David & Shelli Haley

#### Church Attendance Sunday, August 29

Sunday School	42
8:30 a.m. Worship Service	60
11:00 a.m. Worship Service	87
Total in Worship	147

Church Budget \$379,068.00

This Week This Year

Needed: \$ 7,289.77 \$ 255,141.95

Received: \$ 15,397.20 \$ 223,531.44

Difference: \$ 8,107.43 \$ -31,610.51

2010-As of week 35



#### Church Staff

Kelli Snider- Administrative Assistant  
Chris Watlington- Music Director  
Peyton Porterfield- Activities Director  
Jim Green- Organist  
Nancy Dickerson- Pianist  
Diantha & Jessica Renfro- Nursery

### NO NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK!!!



*With Deepest Sympathy*

*Our love and sympathy to the family of Helen Heisel, who passed away on Sunday, August 29, 2010. She is survived by: Daughter, Cecilia Amaya & husband Meliton of Houston, Son, Stan Heisel & wife Jenny of Terrell, Brother, Bob Ramsey & wife Ethel of Mt. Belvieu, Grandchildren: Chris Hall, Carle Scott Hall, Ben Heisel, Hillary Heisel, and Brittany Hollon, Five Great Grandchildren, Cousin, Martha Wilson of Thornton, Aunt, Leona Wilson of Waco, She was preceded in death by: Sons, Walter D. Heisel and Samuel D. Heisel. Funeral services were held at 4:00 pm, Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at Watson & Sons Chapel with Rev. Joel McMahon officiating. Interment will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Park in Center. Helen was a dedicated member of our church.*

# Church Calendar

Wednesday, September 1

8:30 a.m. Exercise in Fellowship Hall (till 9:45)  
10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer in Runnels Chapel  
10:30 a.m. T.O.P.S. in Library  
5:00 p.m. Handbells  
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 2

5:00 p.m. Education Committee meeting in Parlor

Friday, September 3

8:30 a.m. Exercise in Fellowship Hall (till 9:45)

Sunday, September 5

8:00 a.m. Early Bird Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
5:30 p.m. MYF in the Basement

Monday, September 6-Labor Day

Office Closed

No Beth Moore Women's Bible Study

## Sunday School Open House!

During Coffee Fellowship, please feel free to visit our Education Wing to see our revamped Sunday school and kid's handbell room.

*Sunday, September 12, 2010*

Coffee Fellowship @ 9:30 a.m. only  
Hosted by: The Fellowship Class

Lay Readers:

8:30 a.m. Pat Brittain 11:00 a.m. Stephen Shires

Greeters:

8:30 a.m. Carlos & Karen Gray 11:00 a.m. Mae Teske & Milton Cooper

Hello everyone!

Kids 'n Christ will kick off this weekend with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and the after school program beginning Tuesday, September 7, from 3-5 p.m.

**IMPORTANT!**

For your children to be a part of our Kids 'n Christ after school ministry, the permission and medical release forms must be filled out and turned in to the church office by 12 p.m. Friday, September 3. No child will be allowed to leave the school with us unless we have their forms!

**VERY IMPORTANT!**

We're expecting more kids than we've ever had before! This is an exciting opportunity we have been given to work with a wonderful group. We need your help!

To successfully minister to these children we need, for 2 hours or less a week:

- A van driver and assistant (weekly or by the month)
- Someone to set up and serve snacks (weekly or by the month)
- Volunteers to be with the kids during play, lesson, and music times (weekly or by the month)

The greatest thing we can give the children of the Kids 'n Christ ministry is our time and love. Please call the church office (598-2707) or visit and let Peyton or Kelli know how you would like to help.

Thank you so much for helping us make this a successful ministry!

## Attention Committee Chairpersons

Please submit your 2011 Budget requests to Kelli by Thursday, September 2, 2010.

## Poultry Festival Booth

We need volunteers to sign up to work in our Poultry Festival Booth starting Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>-Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Also if you would like to donate prizes for our drawing, please drop off your items at the church office.

## Congregational Care

The response for cards for Mildred Ashby was beautiful.

This month we are doing a card shower for Mrs. Hazel Metz.

Mrs. Hazel Metz  
2520 I 10 East # 77  
Beaumont, TX 77703

Here is a listing of the names of our members in the different nursing homes...just a reminder if you would like to send them a card too...

Holiday Nursing Home  
280 Moffett Dr.  
Center, TX 75935

Ms. Jim Ann Taylor  
Mr. Jack Bell  
Mrs. Charlie Mac Bussey (Lucretia)  
Mr. Walter Allen (Terri Lacher's father)

The altar flowers that were left after each church service were carried to the following church members; August 15<sup>th</sup>- Annette Hebert, August 22<sup>nd</sup>- Lucretia Bussey at Holiday and Helen Heisel at Willowbrook.

Dear FUMC Prayer Cross Ministry,

It warms our hearts to know that others are thinking of our men and women and their families. Thank you for all of your support.

Frankie Arnold "grandmother" of SPC Isaac Trotty



LORD JESUS, THANK YOU FOR THE MANY BLESSINGS WHICH YOU SHOWER UPON US EVERY DAY. THANK YOU FOR THE JOY OF KNOWING YOU AND LOVING YOU. THANK YOU FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, FOR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS, FOR OUR HISTORIC CHURCH WHICH HAS BEEN A BULWARK OF THIS COMMUNITY FOR SO MANY YEARS, FOR THE WONDERS OF NATURE THAT YOU HAVE MADE FOR OUR ENJOYMENT AND COMFORT THROUGH OUR PETS, FLOWERS, TREES, AND ALL THE SIMPLE PLEASURES MADE BY YOUR HAND, WHICH COULD BE MADE BY NO OTHER. THANK YOU FOR THE BEAUTY OF MUSIC AND THE ARTS THAT DECORATE OUR SOULS AND BRING US CLOSER TO YOUR HEART, AND MOST OF ALL, LORD JESUS, WE THANK YOU FOR DYING ON A CROSS TO SAVE US FROM OUR SINS AND GIVE US ETERNAL LIFE. IN YOUR PRECIOUS, MATCHLESS NAME, LORD JESUS, WE ALWAYS PRAY. AMEN.

Please send in your prayer requests and your answers to prayer to –  
Ann Harmon @ 598-6858 or e-mail her @: [puppylove1940@sbcglobal.net](mailto:puppylove1940@sbcglobal.net)

**Our Center Area Churches Blood Group announces two promotions for donating blood now.**

All who donate or attempt to donate will receive a coupon for a FREE pint of Blue Bell ice cream...It doesn't get much better than that, especially in this hot weather!

**Also:**

A Kroger's Gift Card for \$15.00 will be available for Commit For Life members who successfully complete two (2) donations or one (1) double red donation between May 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>. If you qualify, the gift card will be available through the Commit For Life Store online using 200 CFL points for a handling charge. To order the gift card~ log on to the CFL store by September 30<sup>th</sup>. The promotion is limited to one card per donor.

## Memorial Gifts

Doris Masterson

By

Roy Masterson  
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Masterson  
Rev. & Mrs. Garry Masterson  
Riley Masterson  
Mr. & Mrs. David Masterson

Zane Allen

By

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Jimmy Parker

By

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt

Ruby Dellinger

By

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Holt