



AUGUST 3, 2022

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 1826 NALL ST  
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## THE PIPELINE

VISION; TO WELCOME ALL WHO ARE SEEKING TO FOLLOW GOD  
THROUGH FRIENDSHIPS, SERVICE AND GRACE

### PLEASE NOTE

**August 16: 5:30  
pm Trustees-  
Asbury**

**6:30 pm Finance-  
Asbury**

**August 21: 12:15  
pm Worship Com-  
mittee-conference  
room**

Good afternoon church! I pray all is well with you.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday lunch was a lot of fun this past Sunday and I pray we will have many more. It warms my heart to hear the conversation and laughter among our congregation and guests as we share a meal together. And of course, the homemade ice cream was very nice as well. I may or may not have eaten 4 bowls of ice cream myself. This will be our little secret so don't tell Amy.

This Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, (that's right, we're already in August!) we are back to our two-service format. Being the first Sunday of the month, we will celebrate Communion. There has never been a time I did not enjoy the sacrament of the Eucharist. I always find it to be a time for reflection upon our personal relationship with Christ and the blood that was poured out by the only begotten son of God, for you and for me.

There are ancient tales from around the world, in every culture throughout time, of gods (lower case "g") making sacrifices of various kinds. However, our Christian faith is the only one in which an all-powerful, omnipresent, omnipotent God lowered Himself to become flesh and sacrificed that part of Himself for us. Even as lowly, flawed creatures, we are so loved by God that He made the ultimate sacrifice in order that we may share in God's love and have faith that we are destined for an eternal paradise in His very presence. What an incredible blessing!

In the Methodist tradition, the qualifications to share in the Lord's supper are personal between you, your community, and God. We recite in our liturgy that the table is open to "all those who earnestly repent of their sins and seek to live in peace with one another." As your pastor I will know that you meet these criteria when you approach the altar and receive the bread and juice. For this reason, it warms my heart to serve each and every one of you in this Holy ordinance, hoping and praying that you will continue to repent of your sins and live in peace with one another. And please know you are not alone in your prayers. I personally- and many others- pray continually for you all. I love you all very much and I pray the absolute very best for each and every one of you. I pray this because I know that our very best comes from God and from none other!

I hope to see you all in church this Sunday as we partake in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, hear God's spoken word, and sing His praises as a loving community of faith.

Blessings,

Pastor Sean

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## MOTHER'S DAY OUT

Register now for MDO for the 2022-2023 school year. Registration fee is due upon registration to secure a spot. Contact our MDO director, Allenda Savant, at 409-722-8358. Ages 16 months - 5 years old. Shot records will be needed. Registration fee is \$75.

## CRAFT NIGHTS

**August 8, 15 & 22, 6 pm:** We have several craft nights in the fellowship hall planned. No experience necessary. You might just learn a new craft! We're making items to sell in our annual bazaar which will be **October 15.**

## MEETINGS

**Aug 14:** Children's Sabbath/Women of Faith Sunday

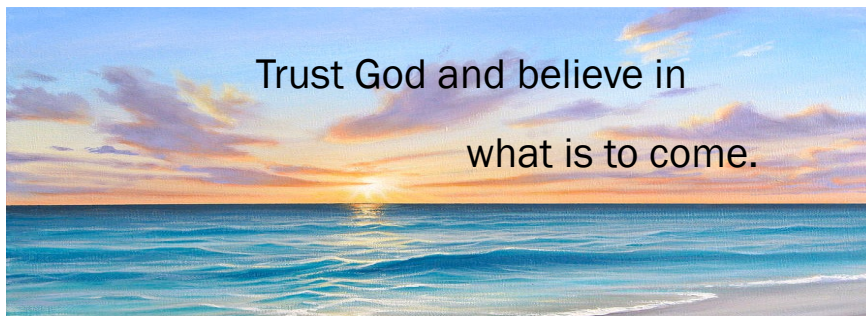
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## BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study Group will begin a second series of studies in Genesis beginning **Monday, August 8 at 10 am in the Asbury room.** Feel free to join anytime. No fees or materials are required. After a brief time of review and getting organized again, we will begin with Genesis 21, which tells of the birth of Isaac.



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Kindred Hospice in Beaumont is looking for volunteers. Call 409-924-0085 or go to [kindredhospice.com](http://kindredhospice.com).

## PRAYER LIST

August is here and we're going to try something a little different. We will keep prayer requests on the list for four Sundays. If you would like for someone to remain on the list longer, please advise the church office. Please keep us updated with prayer outcomes to your prayer requests.

Paul Aguillard	Mark Pittman
Sherry Baker	Kathryn Carrier
Jim Berwick	Runnels
Theresa Burnett	Samantha Somora
Myrna Connelly	Derek Tenner
Deborah Davis	Andrea Turner
Kimmy Kay Delco	Wesley Welborn
Chuck & Maria	Rudy Weldon
Dubois	William Wilcox
Phyllis Farris	Harrison Williams
Tony Fontenot	VJ Willis
Joan Girolamo	Our Church
Mitzi Griggs	<b>Flood victims</b>
Merri Haley	
<b>Curtis Harrison</b>	
<b>Family of Jerry</b>	<b>Military:</b>
<b>Heinemeyer</b>	Ed Andrews III
Bob Hilton	Stephanie Andrews
Jan Horton	Tommy English
Brittany Jennise	Hunter Harrison
Mike Keller	Travis Johnson
Megan Lindsey	Kevin Knippa
Sherry Little	Eddie Pierce
Dennis Mangioni	Bennett Steil
Larry McFatter	Jonathan Welborn
The Mussons	
Phyllis Odom	
Martha Palmer	
Gwen Park	

GIFTS	July 25-31
Contributions	\$2331.00
Online	116.00
Loose	<u>1590.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4037.00</b>