



UNITED METHODIST MEN

Will meet in the at 8:00 am on January 10th for breakfast & devotion in the conference room. All men of the church are invited to attend.

NEXT FAITH MISSION FEED



January 31st. 6 pm Cooks leave FUMC. 7:30 pm Servers arrive at Faith Mission.

TAX AIDE BEGINS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4th



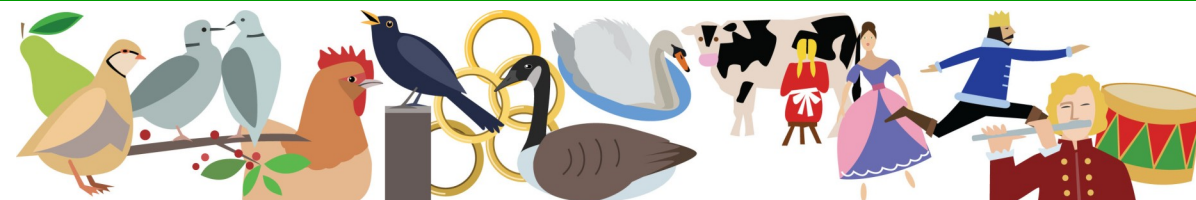
Women's Ministries meet the third Sunday of every month at 8:00 am. They have Breakfast on Holy Ground and then dismiss for their meeting and devotion. All women of the church are invited.



The Circuit Rider

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BURKBURNETT, TEXAS

JANUARY 2016



The "Twelve Days of Christmas," a Legacy that Keeps on Giving!

The Twelve Days of Christmas are the days starting on Christmas Day, Dec. 25 and going to January 5. The next day, January 6, is Kings Day or the Epiphany. This is the day the church celebrates the wise ones bringing gifts to the newborn Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ. We, too, will celebrate then.

For 2016 give thanks for "SIMPLE" gifts & embrace the giving referred to in James 1:17-18: "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights... In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures."

To celebrate this legacy of giving, we will have a First Fruits Mission. We will begin 2016 with generous hearts; counting the 12 days of Christmas and giving with generosity and gratitude and maybe some sacrifice to a church-wide international mission project called Charity: Water. You can learn about Charity: Water and its founder, Scott Harrison, at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HeiR9Bidnh4> or do an internet search for

Charity: Water. Scott's story is a story of transformation. Charity: Water is also about transformation. Our 2016 story for FUMC Burkburnett will be a story of generosity and transformation.

At the beginning of each verse "My true love gave to me" reflect on the one True Love -God - who gives good and perfect gifts to his children.

On the First day (Dec. 25), my true love gave to me a partridge in a pear tree. Read John 3:16-17. God gave his only begotten Son so that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. God did not send his Son to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. In celebration of the birth of Christ, we give gifts to one another. Giving Suggestion: Donate a dollar for every birthday you've had. Each family member participates. If you can't do dollars, do half dollars, or quarters, or dimes. You may want to collect money in a water bottle. (Continued on page 3)

Dear Church Family,

Children's Learning Center will be collecting money to provide a water well in Haiti. We have put our hope in Christ that we will be able to provide a water well to include Africa. We will be collecting donations through January, 2016.....for Christmas doesn't end on December 25th.

Please check out our display in the CLC hallway.

Thank you for all you do for Children's Learning Center. Happy New Year!

Maria, Margit, & Stephanie



Kings Day, Jan. 6, also known as Epiphany is the climax of the Advent/Christmas Season and the Twelve Days of Christmas, which are usually counted from the evening of December 25th until the morning of January 6th, which is the Twelfth Day.

The twelfth day of Christmas commemorates the visiting of the Christ Child by the three Wise Men with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Many families gather in their homes to celebrate this feast with friends, food, singing, and gifts.

Our King's Day celebration includes our FIRST FRUIT MISSION and eating the King's Cake. When the piece with the wafer (or baby) is found, that person will be asked if we might pray specifically for their family as a reminder that we will also ask God's blessings for the many families that represent our church and who come to our church home. We will conclude the evening by blessing our own homes and doorways with a chalk inscription, "May Christ bless this home." Come join us for fellowship, a covered dish meal, and the blessings of a new year. This event will take the place of our Second Sunday Stretch Lunch.

Lunch Social 2nd
Thurs., January 14th @ 11:30am

Join us for a covered dish lunch, fun and laughter. Make plans to join us. Come, bring a dish and a friend! Or don't bring a dish, we always have plenty!



We Need Your Help!

Would you like to donate about 30 minutes each Thursday cleaning/straightening the Sanctuary? OR help keep the kitchen in order once a week. Putting up paper goods. Please contact the office for details 940-569-3348. We could sure use your help. Thank you!



Breakfast On Holy Ground

Come join us and bring a friend! 8-9 am every Sunday in fellowship hall. Our happy hearts serve pancakes, bacon and juice/ coffee and a short message. If you or your family would like to serve in this ministry please contact Jack & Shannon Miller @ 940 224-3927.



Spirit for Women Day

Life is like a box of Legos...



GOD, the Ultimate Master Builder

Nancy Howell

Floral Heights CHURCH

Saturday, January 23, 2016

8:30 a.m. through lunch

Floral Heights UMC

2214 10th Street

Wichita Falls, Texas 76309

www.fhumcwf.org

940-723-7151

Tickets \$15

Tickets on sale through January 19

Purchase tickets online or in church office during week and Sundays before and after church services. Nursery available with reservations, for \$5 each child. Please bring lunch for your child.

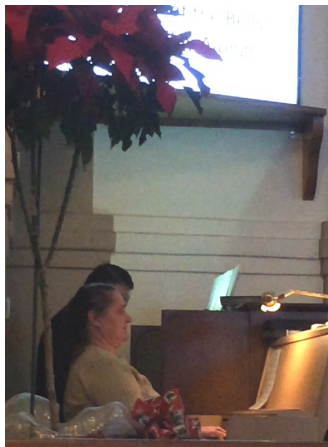
Please contact the church office to go with us as a group, 940-569-3348

If you would like your newsletter via email in color, please contact the office.

Christmas Eve Candle light Service 2015



As we
celebrate the
Christ Child



On the Second day (Dec. 26), my true love gave to me two turtle doves. We celebrate the New and Old Testaments. Read 2 Timothy 3:14-17. How many bibles are in your home? Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for every bible in your home. Give thanks that you can read it! Give thanks that God reveals the truth through the scriptures and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Many children cannot read because they must haul water instead of attend school or because the water they must drink makes them sick.

On the Third day (Dec. 27), my true love gave to me three French hens. The apostle Paul says, "Faith, Hope, and Love abide, but the greatest of these is love." Read I Corinthians 13. Paul says we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each mirror in your home.

On the Fourth day (Dec. 28), my true love gave to me four calling birds. The four gospels reveal the good news of Jesus Christ. Read Romans 1: 16-17; John 4:1-42. Jesus offers living water, even though he has no bucket or pitcher. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each pitcher in your home.

The Fifth day (Dec. 29), my true love gave to me five golden rings. The first five books of the bible, the Pentateuch, are the books of the law, credited to Moses. Read Deuteronomy 1:1-18. God's covenant faithfulness was meant to be conveyed through the law; but that did not work. The prophets came next, and then the new covenant. Gold rings remind us of covenant. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each gold ring you own.

On the Sixth day (Dec. 30), my true love gave to me six geese a-laying. Six days number and order God's good creation. Read Genesis 1:1-31. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each sunrise and sunset you saw this week that helped you order your responsibilities in God's creation.

On the Seventh day (Dec. 31), my true love gave to me seven swans a-swimming. Seven is the number of gifts of the Holy Spirit. Read Romans 12:6-8 and 1 Corinthians 12:8-11. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each tongue of flame (candle) in your home.

On the Eighth day (Happy New Year!) my true love gave to me eight maids a-milking. There are eight Beatitudes. Read the whole Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5-7. Please take Jesus' sermon to heart this new year! And give a dollar for each of the beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12).

On the Ninth day (Jan. 2), my true love gave to me nine ladies dancing. There are nine fruits of the Spirit. Read Galatians 5:22. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each piece of fresh fruit in your home.

On the Tenth day (Jan. 3), my true love gave to me ten Lords a-leaping. God gave Moses ten commandments to help love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and love our neighbor as ourselves. Read Exodus 20:1-17. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for every commandment you hope to keep this year!

On the Eleventh day (Jan. 4), my true love gave to me eleven pipers piping. There were eleven faithful disciples. Read John 1:35-51; Acts 1:13-14. Giving Suggestion: Give a dollar for each of the 11 disciples.

On the Twelfth day (Jan. 5), my true love gave to me twelve drummers drumming. Twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed remind us who we are. Read Matthew 28:16-20. Giving Suggestion: Give 12 dollars or dimes for every member in your family who can recite the Apostle's creed.

On King's Day, we will celebrate by bringing the money we raised for our First Fruits Mission to offer to the Prince of Peace. Amen.



January 2016



Anniversaries

- 1 Chuck & Mo Forester
- 2 Mark & Lynlee Krotzer
- 5 Lee & Lynn Seman

Birthdays

- 1 Jack Gee
- 3 Andrew Myers
- 4 Trace Cross
- 4 Sean Jackson
- 7 Dallas White
- 8 Arnie Wells
- 10 Amanda Smail
- 11 Madilyn Williams
- 11 Lahna Wood
- 15 MaKenna Baber
- 15 Kamryn Major
- 15 Kason Major
- 15 Heaven White
- 16 Dwight Gaston
- 16 Matt Patterson
- 17 Emmalee Krotzer
- 17 David Tackett
- 20 Melissa Allison
- 20 Paula Lobaugh
- 21 Mary Lou Schmidt
- 21 Tommy Thornton
- 23 Mary Dixon
- 23 Ade Thornton
- 23 Michelle Wiese
- 24 Judy Thornton
- 25 Faith Kirkpatrick
- 26 Tami Jansen
- 26 Shirley Neal
- 27 Carolyn Ulery
- 29 Conni Marshall
- 30 Shannon Moore
- 31 Nathan Jephcott

Anniversaries & Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2
3 8 am Breakfast on Holy Ground 9:15 am Prayer in Chapel 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	4 6 pm Girl Scouts	5 9:30 am Prayer in Chapel 4--5:30 Zumba 6:30 Boy Scouts 7 pm Choir Practice	6 6 pm Kings Day Celebration Covered Dish Dinner	7 4-5:15 Zumba	8	9
10 8 am Breakfast on Holy Ground 8 am UMM 9:15 am Prayer in Chapel 10:30 am Worship	11 6:30 Girl Scouts	12 9:30 am Prayer Chapel 10 am Bible Study 4-5:15 Zumba 6:30p Boy Scouts 7 pm Choir Practice	13 6 pm Youth 6 pm Prayer in Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	14 11:30 am Sr. Social 4-5:15 Zumba 6 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	15	16
17 8 am Women's Fellowship 8am Breakfast on Holy Ground 9:15 am Prayer in Chapel 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	18 6:00 pm Finance Committee 6:30 Girl Scouts	19 9:30 am Prayer Chapel 10 am Bible Study 4-5:15 Zumba 6:30p Boy Scouts 7 pm Choir Practice	20 6 pm Youth 6 pm Prayer in Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	21 4-5:15 Zumba	22	23 Spirit Day @ Floral Heights
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31 8am Breakfast on Holy Ground 9:15 am Prayer in Chapel 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 6:00 pm Faith Mission Feed	If your anniversary or birthday is missing from the list, please contact the office @ 940-569-3348.					

Remember in
Your Prayers

Ethel Brown
Nellie & Nova Dickson
Kim Fidler
Dwight Gaston
Doug Green
Dallas Groenewold
Ray Hatcher

Jay Holly
Kelly Holzheuser
Jack Keck
Bill & Martha Pickett
Wilda Wood

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Justin Williams

CHURCH & ITS MINISTRIES
Children's Learning Center
Youth
LOGOS
Scouting
Sunday School Classes

