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Messenger

Kielbasa & Kraut for the Soul

As I visit with people I am intrigued by what they collect. One family I have visited collects match books from restaurants, hotels and other places they have visited. They put them in a 5 gallon water container. At my last visit it was 2/3 full.

I heard of another person (if it is you-forgive me for forgetting) who collects the plastic cards (aka keys) that are given to you when you check into a hotel. Some people are serious collectors and the collection is worth a substantial sum of money. Others, like myself and the two I've mentioned above collect for fun and memories more than money. I have a small collection of books signed by the author, one signed by the late radio personality, Paul Harvey. I also have a baseball card collection (anyone want to buy it?) that includes a Nolan Ryan rookie card. It was probably worth money, except I wrote in red ink "traded" across the front ... anyone want to buy it?

I've often wondered if God has any collections, In the book, "The Traveler's Gift" by Andy Andrews, there is a scene in which the main character David is walking through aisles of folded papers, "banded stacks of photographs placed neatly on shelf after shelf after shelf.... pictures of homes...marriage licenses...dog picture, cat pictures, horses, hamsters... blueprints for different machines of some sort... pages of chemical equations...(one being the cure for pancreatic cancer)...a blueprint for a machine that regenerates spinal tissue..." on the stacks of folded papers was even the cure for the common cold. David is finally greeted and further escorted by the angel Gabriel. "Turning to face Gabriel, David said, "What is this place?"

"This my friends, is the place that never was... This is the place where we keep all the things that were about to be... The contents of this warehouse are filled with dreams and goals of the less courageous"

The scene begs the question, are you adding to God's collection of things that were about to be? Or are you courageous enough to collect something for God.

But as for you, be strong and courageous, for your work will be rewarded E Chronicles 15:7

See you at the pace of dreams and goals!

Pastor Jeff

First United Methodist Church, Killeen

Small Group Ministry

Our Purpose

Offer an opportunity to participate in a small group setting whose primary function is to be in mission and ministry to our community or to the world at large. You don't need to be a member of FUMC or attend any Church to participate in Small Group Ministries. Most of the classes will begin after the first of the year. Please watch for dates and times or contact the Lay pastors if you are interested in any of the small group studies.

The Real People

Coming in November

Lay Pastors: Cyd West, Nancy Schulte and Jordan Lohse

Seeking imperfect people of all ages who are interested in spiritual growth and fellowship with other seekers searching for better understanding, stronger personal faith, and relationship to Christ. Participants of **The Real People** need only to believe in God and be willing to confidentially share their experiences and wisdom while being open to the opinions of other group members. The goal is to open our eyes to everyday opportunities to witness for Christ by our example at our workplace, in the community, with friends and with strangers. Many **Real People** are already in unconventional ministries whether through their business, social, civic, or volunteer activities, but they just don't realize it. The group will be relaxed and laid back and will have evening meetings in homes twice a month. There will be prayer, sharing, fellowship and study material to help expand our ideas and our ministries.

Contact Cyd at 289-3129 or Nancy at 702-0902 or Jordan at 681-0522

for details and schedules

Son N' Fun

Lay Pastors: Patricia Vassaur and Beverly Tuggle

Would you be interested in spending time in prayer combined with a game night too? Then Son N' Fun is just for you! This small group ministry will provide a time for **your** personal reflection, a time to spend sharing your joys, concerns, fears, tears, prayers, spiritual fellowship and of course, Bunco. There may be refreshments too! You don't have to know how to play Bunco. Lessons will be included in this evening of fun. The "Son N' Fun" small group will meet once a month in the Church.

Contact Patricia at 702-3862 or Beverly at 289-2407 for details and schedules

Financial Peace University

Lay Pastor: Jackie Steedly-Jones

What will you learn in Financial Peace University? In 13 action-packed lessons, you'll learn how to beat debt, build wealth, find bargains, invest for the future, give like never before, and much more! Like all our small group ministries, we will spend time on personal reflection and sharing joys, concerns, fears, tears, prayers, spiritual fellowship and whatever you desire. This Small Group will give you both Spiritual and financial information that will change your life. More than one million families have attended *Financial Peace University* with amazing results. Starting date to be announced soon.

Contact Jackie at 289-0555 for details and schedules

Bridging the Gap - Comparative Faith Studies

Coming in November

Lay Pastor: Peter Elstad

Our study will focus on what makes major world religious faiths different from Christianity and how to celebrate the similarities with Christianity. The study will provide a basic understanding and 'jumping off point' for dialoguing with people of other faiths. We will focus on major faiths for this study (e.g. Islam, Judaism, etc) and not address the numerous numbers and types of cults that exist today. We will use Pastor Adam Hamilton's book "Christianity and World Religions" as the basis for this study but not limit ourselves to just this reference. Additionally, we will try to arrange guest speakers from other faiths. There will be prayer, sharing, fellowship as a part of our study on Wednesday evenings.

Contact Peter at 317-8246 for details and schedules

Family As Ministry

Lay Pastors: Holly and Keith Smith

This Small Group seeks to minister to families by exploring what Biblical principles can offer us as members of a family. This is a study for the entire family: parents, kids and youth. What does the Bible say about how we can better fulfill our roles as members of a family? Can we fulfill our roles as spouses, parents, and children in a way that makes our family relationships not only more prosperous, but also makes our family into a ministry to our friends and neighbors?

Contact Keith at (443) 996-3323 or Holly at (443) 996-3302 for details and schedules

Exercise Your Body and Spirit

Lay Pastor: Kirsty Elstad

New year, new resolution! Looking for a healthy way to start off your new year? Have you wanted to try yoga but are confused about what it is or the language the instructor speaks? Come join me in an ongoing beginner/gentle hatha yoga class. Come see the healing benefits of yoga and what it can do for you, and your spirit.

Contact Kirsty at 317-8249 for details and schedules

Single Parent Ministry

Coming in November

Lay Pastor: Jessica Loring

This is a ministry that caters to single parents who are looking for a place to share, connect, and know God's grace through fellowship with other single parents. As Lay Pastor, I will facilitate confidential discussion, discover and share resources for single parents, and offer emotional and spiritual support. Meetings will take place twice a month in the Church and there will be finger food! I encourage all single parents to come, eat, and enjoy time sharing, praying, and praising all that this ministry has to offer.

Contact Jessica at 291-7733 for details and schedules

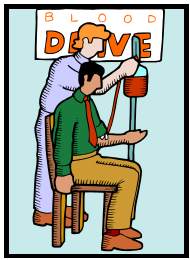
Informational meeting scheduled for Sunday, Nov.6 at 4:00pm in the Parlor.

FUMC Killeen Called Church Conference

Sunday, October 30 at 12:30pm.

Rev. Rankin Koch will conduct the meeting. The following agenda items will be presented to the Congregation for approval:

- ◆ Acceptance of a \$150,00 personal loan to applied toward payment of the remaining \$316,783 construction cost not covered by the mortgage loan from First National Bank
- ◆ Redistribution of \$55,000 from the Restricted Fund for use in the Auxiliary (Payroll) Fund, the Programs (Mortgage) Fund, and the Operations (General) Fund. This is the result of a two year review of the Restricted Funds to determine the intended use of



Bone Marrow Registry & Blood Drive Carter Blood Center

Date: 9-1pm November 12, 2011

Location: Church Fellowship Hall

This benefit is honoring Chet Frisch who is waiting for a bone marrow transplant. The bone marrow registry is a cheek swab to see if the person might be a compatible donor. The blood drive is from Carter Blood Care Center to help give back as Chet has had so many transfusions. Since March, he has had 20 red blood transfusions of two units each and 30 platelet transfusions of two units each.

Please help the Blood Bank & your neighbors.

United Methodist Men

**Will be serving a Pancake Breakfast
Sunday Morning in the Fellowship Hall**

7:30-9:30 am

Please come eat with us!



CDC Book Fair October 30



Please check out the
Scholastic Book Fair .

The fair will be open Sunday morning by the
CDC office.

The CDC will receive free books for their
participation for having the Book Fair.

Get your Peanuts & Pecans

Abigail Circle is selling peanuts and
pecans again this year.

Peanuts:

Hot & spicy, red-skinned or cocktail - \$6

Pecans:

Halves & pieces - \$10

Watch for us on Sunday mornings or call
Anna Marie Charlton at 702-0005

Thank You!

We want to express our heart-felt gratitude to our entire church family for the potluck lunch held in our honor this past Sunday. We were extremely delighted and gratified when told that the gift for us would be food given to feed the hungry. You could not have selected a more perfect gift for us! Our hearts have been "strangely warmed" by the obvious love for Christ and others as well as passion for outreach that we have observed and experienced since coming to Killeen. You truly are living out the call of Christ, and we are so blessed to be a part of it.

Grace and peace to you all through our
Lord, Jesus Christ.

Jeff, Jannette, Amy and Allie



Fall is upon us! And what better way to welcome it back than to have our **4th Annual CROCK POT COOK OFF** with a **PUMPKIN SOMETHIN' DESSERT CONTEST** chaser?!! That's right, there's NO better way, so BRING IT ON, all you foodies!

Here's the skinny (or the fattening, depends on how you cook it!):

Call (634-6363) or email Jodi Marfell (youthdirector@fumc-killeen.org) and sign up to enter a crock pot, a pumpkin something or BOTH!
And then...



CROCK POT CONTEST

1. You cook something SOOOOO amazing in your crock pot that it can't stay sitting on your kitchen countertop... it MUST be shared!
2. Give it a REALLY cool name and let a very highly renowned panel of Judges (meaning anyone who shows up!) slurp and gobble up your hard work (they'll call it "tasting" and "judging" but we know the real deal).
3. Accept (you don't even have to be gracious about it!) your bragging rights with a cheer!



PUMPKIN DESSERT CONTEST

1. Be creative...but, you MUST use pumpkin!
2. Make it yummie with an even yummi-er name! (Try not to eat it all on the way over to the Judges, please!)
3. Submit it for scrutiny by several Judges (aka YOU very hungry church family members with a severe case of punkin' tooth!).
4. Win exclusive bragging rights, smile and continue this braggin' & smilin'...for the next YEAR!!

And...(drum roll, please...) there's a **COSTUME CONTEST**, too! So come decked out in your best Fall frocks for that! Wait...there's more...*hayrides, *face painting and *pumpkin painting will ALL be going on this evening, too!



Entrance fee to the event : \$5 for adults / \$3 for children, or \$20 max per family!
Tasting and Judging INCLUDED!



Sunday, October 30, 2011, 5:00pm-7:00pm
Pumpkin Patch, 601 East FM 2410, Harker Heights

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in all categories of all contests!

Costume contest categories are: Pre k and under, kindergarten-5th grade, 7th-12th grade and adults

**Not Included in Entrance Fee.*

Remember to fall
back for Daylight
Savings Time
on Sunday,
November 6, 2011



Upcoming Meetings:

Oct. 30	Called Church Conference 12:45pm
Nov. 2	Trustees Meeting
Nov.6	Administrative Council 12:30 pm
	Pot-Luck working Lunch
Nov.7	SPR Meeting
Nov. 20	Church Charge Conference

REVOLUTION

YOUTH MINISTRIES

What's Next

October 27

Youth Work @ The Patch

4:00pm-7:00pm

October 30

Sunday School 10:00am

Revolution @ The Patch

5:00pm-7:00pm

November 6

Sunday School 10:00am

Karaoke Night

5:00pm-6:30pm

November 10-11

30 Hour Famine



4th Annual Crock Pot Cook Off

Sunday, October 30th

5:00pm—7:00pm

@ The Pumpkin Patch

International Mission Trip 2012

Camp Symonette

Eleuthera, Bahamas

July 22-28, 2012



All youth currently in grades 8-12, as well as adults, are invited to join us on our international mission trip to the Bahamas. To reserve your spot on this mission trip you must pay a \$100 deposit by November 9th. Please contact Jodi for more information and details concerning this mission trip.

30 Hour Famine



November 10-11

**Hosted by First United Methodist
Church Killeen**

For Youth in Grades 6-12

Cost: \$25 (includes T-Shirt and Water Bottle)

Contact Jodi to get signed up for the Famine!



*Revolution
Karaoke Night*

November 6

Hear Our Prayers

Sympathy: To Eddie Oliver in the death of his uncle, Walter Cooper * The Garcia family in the death of Barratchea Maldonado Castro, killed in Afganistan * The family of Penny Lewis, Bob McMinn's niece *

Concerns: Seth Dorell, diagnosed with Stage II colon cancer * Barbara Ann Hall, diagnosed with colon cancer * Jim Smallwood, S& W * Carolyn Cartmell, ICU at S&W * Chet Frisch , waiting for a bone marrow transplant *

Do you know of anyone in the hospital, please let us know. Please call the church office 634-6363.

Health & Healing

Long Term

Senior Saints

HOME CARE

Bageris Family
Micky Boettger
Ione Bristow
Alison Cartmell
Travis Chandler
Chet Frisch
Barry Dahlquist
Elmer Davis
Pete Gilbert
Tammy Gilbert
Becky Johnson
Erin Johnson
Buford Moyers
Loretta Mask
James McMinn
Erin Roberts
Tommy Schroeder
Virginia Lichtenberger
Pat Scott
Bob Mixon
Davis Wood
Sheora Nell
Mae Nelson
Mary Skaggs
Roosevelt Smith
Phil Swartz
Chad Szczepanski
Betty White

Dolores Whitehead
Loretta Yim
KaAha & Kaycee &
Kylmn Zielke

Tianna Arber
John Anz
Dorothy Billman
Joanne Black
Howard Brinton
Nancy Arnold Carrier
Mary Jo Cole
Josh Copeland
Laura Finley
Kermit Cospier
Gayle Dalton
Melissa Davis
Steven Delgado
Amy Durbin
Tonya Ellzey
John Garcia
Paul Gililand
Doug Gilbert
Shirley Greathouse
Jim Hansen
Jamie Hegg
Becki Hughes
Betty Janney
Wendy Kimbley
Linda Loeweb
Vivian Marschik
Loretta Mask
Dennis McQueen

Boni Mequi
Kelly Pack Powell
Leonard Radde
Jim Underwood
Zach & Amelia Hope
Thomas

Lena Cunningham
Paul & Yvonne Davis
Edith Gilmore
Dorothy Gottcher
Irmgard Hill
Mae Nelson
Gene Rogers

ASSISTED LIVING / NURSING HOME

Shirley Anderson
Gussie Ashurst
Vivian Hathaway
Carolyn Holt
Dorothy Levy
Ray Lott
Jean Ray
Marialyce Taylor
Elsie Tolliver
Estelle Wells
Hazel Whitley

SERVING OUR COUNTRY—MILITARY (DEPLOYMENT)

Steven Banks
Mark Beirich
Eric Burleson
Kyle Castro
Chad Carroll
Michael Childs
Paul Crayton
Scott Dudley
John Dye
Chad Fox

Kevin Eikenberg
Douglas Gautier
Michael Guarhardo
Brent Homerding
Jimmy Jenkins
Robert Manning
Jason Periatt
Andrew Redding
Robert Webster
Bob Sullivan
Chris LaNoue

Darik Stevens
Shannon Street
John & Stacy Sterns
Dave Welch
Christopher Will
Kevin Teinert
Jason Stewart
Emmett Williams
David Welch
John Oravetz
Brent Hayward

Civilian:

Chris Bonheim
Rick Cayton
Wayne Davis
Rodney LeLauti
Kevin Snyder

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Oct 26

Wednesday

6:30 am

Prayers for the
Church

Noon

Wednesday Bible
Study

7:00 pm

Chancel Choir

Oct 27

Thursday

11:30 am

Lunch with Our
Neighbors

6:00 pm

Finance

Oct 28

Friday

Pumpkin Patch

Oct 29

Saturday

Pumpkin Patch

7:30 am

Young Adults
Central Texas
Wheel Chair Ramp
Workday

4:00 pm

Mystery Dinner—
Young Adults

7:30-9:30 am

Pancakes

Sunday



Oct 30

Sunday

7:30 am

Worship

8:45 am

Contemporary
Worship

10:00 am

Sunday School

11:00 am

Worship Service

12:30 pm

Called Church

Conference

2:00 pm

Stephen Ministry

Training

4:30 pm

Disciple I

No Children's Activities

5-7pm

Crock Pot Cook-off
at the Patch—Youth

Oct 31

Monday

Pumpkin Patch

Last Day

Nov 1

Tuesday

6:30 am

Prayer Group

5:00 pm

Missions Committee

Meeting

6:00 pm

Teachings of

Jesus Bible Study

6:15pm

Stephen Ministry-
Supervisory

7:00 pm

Praise Team

Rehearsal

Food Care Center

Food for October Canned Corn
Food for November Canned fruit

Rev. Miller's Sermon Series

Oct. 30—The Power of Grace

The Power of God's Transforming Grace