The Springs

June 8, 2011

Rev. Dennis Adlof

What's Going On?

- Evangelism Meeting change: Meeting is Wednesday, June 8 at 7 p.m.
- Prayer Vigil Saturday, June 11, 7 a.m. to Sunday, June 12, 7 a.m.
- Welcome Rev. Don & Linda
 Tabberer June 12!
- Church Picnic Sunday, June
 12 from 4 to 8 at the FLC
- Stewardship Meeting Tuesday, June 14 at 7 p.m.
- No Chancel Ringers through June & July
- Ruth Esther Circle Thursday, June 23 at 1 p.m. in the F. Hall. All ladies welcome
- No Faith Circle in June
- Youth Mission Trip begins Sunday, June 26 through July 1
- Rev. Don will be in Israel
 July 5-July 14
- Youth Camp July 17-July 22
- For questions regarding this newsletter, call 918-245-5955.



"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me." (Matthew 10:40, NRSV)

While changing appointments is part of the United Methodist system, it is still challenging to leave one familiar church behind and begin ministry in a new church with people who do not know you. I am really looking forward to the process of getting acquainted with the Sand Springs congregation and learning about all of the wonderful things you are doing in ministry. Please do not be shy; I want to hear from you and get to know you. By way of introduction, I want to use this newsletter article to tell you a bit about myself and my family.

I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Linda, since 1973. We have two great sons, Chris and Brian. Chris is married to Jana; they have two daughters - Erin and Jordan; they live in Broken Arrow; Chris is the Business Manager at Faith United Methodist Church in Tulsa and Jana teaches in Catoosa. Chris has his MBA from Oklahoma Wesleyan University in Bartlesville and also serves as an adjunct professor there. Brian is a student at Oklahoma City University; he is majoring in history and secondary education; he plans to graduate in December 2013 and then teach high school history. Linda and I were raised in the Kansas City area and moved to Oklahoma in 1985. I received my undergraduate degree from Avila University in Kansas City. I worked in Materials Management Systems at American Airlines and Linda was the Office Manager for the Broken Arrow Community Playhouse.

I also worked part-time as the Music Director at Heritage United Methodist Church in Broken Arrow. Our pastor encouraged me to become a Lay Speaker and it wasn't long before God began to amplify a call that had been in my life for many years. I answered this call to full-time ministry and enrolled in seminary at Phillips Theological Seminary in Tulsa. At the same time I was asked to serve Turley United Methodist Church. As I became a new pastor Linda went to work for Tulsa Cares. In 2006, we were asked to move to Mangum, Oklahoma, where I served as pastor and Linda

worked as the church secretary. That brings us to Sand Springs. This move is very exciting for us on many levels, not the least of which is that it brings us back to northeast Oklahoma and closer to our family.

Linda and I have decided to rent a house here in the short term as we decide where we want to buy a home. The moving process in the church does not offer a long timeframe in which to decide on a house, so we wanted to be able to take our time to find just the right location for us going forward. We hope to make this area our home for a long time.

We are moving into our first home in Sand Springs this week, as you are reading this newsletter. We will join you in worship on Sunday, June 12 – Pentecost Sunday – together we will celebrate the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on the church. That afternoon we are excited to spend time with you at the church picnic at the Family Life Center. Then I will be in the office beginning Monday morning, June 13.

We have visited the area a couple times looking for a place to live and meeting with the church staff. I want to say thank you to the staff for their warm welcome and all the help they have already given us. I am really excited about working with this wonderful group of people. We also want to thank Bert and Kay Woodward for showing us around; Terrie Baker and Howard Smith for helping us find a house; and Dick Ford for welcoming us and offering his assistance. I particularly want to thank Rev. Dennis Adlof; he has made extraordinary efforts to help this be a smooth transition. I know your church has been richly blessed by his service and I pray that I can lead the next chapter in your ministry effectively.

Finally, I ask for your prayers during this time of transition. God is calling all of us into something important that will seek to make disciples for Jesus Christ in the Sand Springs community. Pray with me that our work will be blessed and that our efforts will be fruitful. Pray for our church that we will come together in unity to do the ministry God is calling us to do. Be blessed and we will see you soon.

Shalom, Pastor Don Tabberer

Are You In A Circle?

The United Methodist Women of Sand Springs UMC invite you to join. Pick up a free year book in Tracey's office for details and schedules.



KidZone News

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. So wear RED!! The kids will sing during the morning service. We will also celebrate the birthday of the church during Kidzone and children's church.

On June 19th we will learn about our next (and final!) Bible Hero as we study the story of Daniel.

Beginning June 26th we have some exciting lessons planned on the Fruits of the Spirit. We will continue these lessons through the month of July.

Get ready for an exciting time at Shake it Up Café VBS. Mark your calendars! The dates are July 24th-July 28th. Registration will start soon.

A Big THANK YOU to those who came to the VBS meeting last Saturday and for volunteering to help. If you are interested in volunteering for VBS please see Marty David or Debbie Schmidt.

Remember the church picnic on the 12th. The water slide will be lots of fun!!

See You Sunday!!

Seniors In Action-Mark June 15 on Your Calendar!

Our June activity will be a tour of the Will Rogers Museum in Claremore, led by a docent who's both entertaining and informative. Lunch will be at the Hammett House. We'll meet at CHRUCH for van rides or carpooling, and LEAVE at 9:30 a.m. Sign up with Max or Sharon Schuermann, 918-246-9159

24-Hour Pentecost Prayer Vigil

Saturday, June 11, 7 a.m. to Sunday, June 12, 7 a.m.

Calling all Nite-Owls and Early Birds!! Your spot on the Prayer Vigil awaits you. Even if you cannot participate

during the wee hours, you can come anytime during the day or early evening. Both the Prayer Room and the Sanctuary can be used. Please call the church office today to sign up—or call Virginia at 918-245-9248 for more information. Buster Hall and Dick Ford have agreed to provide extra security during the night. If you would like to take a 2-3 hour shift for that purpose, it would be greatly appreciated.

If it is not possible for you to come to the church to pray, we hope you will take time to stop and give a prayer for our church and its new beginnings—wherever you are. This is a very important crossroad in the life of our church and what better time to be bathed in prayer than Pentecost. Let's Pray!



Do You Have ?'s for our

New Pastor

Join us at the Annual Picnic

June 12, 2011

4:00pm 8:00pm

Family Life Center

We will have a ? box for you to put your ?'s in.

We will be eating at 6:00 pm

Sign up sheets are in the Narthex for goodies to bring. SSUMC will furnish the hot dogs, hamburger patties and buns.

Newsletter Volunteer Needed

Don't make me beg! Linda Woodard has graciously stepped up and volunteered to help every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. on the newsletter. I need one to two more volunteers. It is EASY work. And as of last week—it got easier! Please consider taking one and a half to 2 hours every other week to help. Couples welcome! Call Tracey in the office, 918-245-5955.

Exercise to Music

Teachers, students, anyone who likes to dance, or exercise to music. You are encouraged to give SSUMC's *Exercise to Music* program a try. It meets every Monday and Wednesday from 10 am. To 11 a.m. at the Family Life

Center in South Sand Springs. We are led by videos, there are no grades, and no fees. It's just a fun way to get bodies in tone for Summer.

Prayer Chain

We have such an active prayer chain which is evident by all the people we pray for who are NOT members of our church or involved in our church family. We know the power of prayer through updates on people we have prayed for but also, we know healing can come in other ways through God's will.

Did you sign up for the prayer vigil? Take time out this week to give prayer more attention. Remember that it is a conversation with God so get personal. He is the only one who REALLY understands!



Prayer Vigil Someone's Praying, Lord...

Saturday, June 11, 7 a.m. to Sunday, June 12, 7 a.m.

Sign up in the Narthex or call Tracey to get signed up.



Men's Breakfast every

Wednesday
Morning at
7:30 a.m. at
Crescent Café

How Hot is It?!

It's so hot, cows are giving evaporated milk!! (I know... Greame picked it out!!! Blame Him!!!)

You know it is bad when the top news story every single morning is the heat wave. We worry about our neighbors, children, elderly and even the young out practicing football and other sports. Please take time to read the symptoms of heat exhaustion and Heat Stroke on this page. Please take the time to read this article to a loved one. Take the time to post it on the fridge to remind yourself to drink plenty of water and stay hydrated. The symptoms of heat exhaustion are:

Nausea

Vomiting

Fatigue

Weakness

Headache

Muscle Cramps and Aches

Dizziness

Continue Reading

Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke have different symptoms. Heat Exhaustion usually is a warning before heat stroke. However, heat stroke can come up very quickly with no warning. Here are symptoms of heat stroke:

High Body Temperature

Hot Red or Flushed Dry Skin

Rapid Pulse

Strange Behavior

Hallucinations

Confusion

Agitation

Disorientation

Seizure

And/or

Coma

Heat Stroke is a medical emergency and 911 should be called immediately. However, heat exhaustion can be treated in most cases at home or wherever you are. Move the person to a cooler or shaded area. Provide plenty of water or sports drinks. Never perform outdoor sports without plenty of hydration. It is also a great idea to keep a cool, wet wash-cloth for each person in an ice chest or a plastic baggy with a little ice. It provides an instant cool-down.

Pass this on to anyone who you are concerned may be at high risk for heat stroke or exhaustion. Educate them so they know the dangers. Heat Stroke can come on with no Heat Exhaustion beforehand. Heat stroke often gives no warning. If you are mowing, running, involved in athletics or outside in the heat for any reason, remember, take lots of breaks indoors or in the shade and drink lots of water.

Project Transformation

We still need lots of volunteers for Project Transformation Readers on Monday, June 13 & Wednesday, June 15. Coffee is at 9 a.m. then orientation at 9:30 a.m. and reading at 10 a.m. to noon. Readers sit one-on one with a child and listen to them read. It is rewarding and an opportunity to give back. Please call the office to sign up.

Wear RED this Sunday, June 12 for Pentecost Sunday!

Sunday Lists

Sunday Volunteers June 12

Welcome Center

Searchers

Head Ushers

Timothy Alex

Lay Reader

Jewel Williams

Children's Moment

Marty David

Children's Church

Marty, Susie H., Brooke H., Cayleigh S.

Counters

Sheree Buttler & Jami Warkentin

Visitors Center

Mel & Norma Jones

Youth Dinner for Wednesday, June 8

Movie Night-No Meal

Sunday Volunteers June 19

Welcome Center

Searchers

Head Usher

Frank Johnston

Lay Reader

Timothy Alex

Children's Moment

Amy Miller

Children's Church

Jami W., Barbie G., Jason Cooper

Counters

Glenna Stockard & Karen Wilder

Visitors Center

Mel & Norma Jones

Youth Dinner for Wednesday, June 15

Discovery/Crossroads

Please Keep In Prayer

Thelma Bradshaw, Gene Watson, Vera Nell Boatman, Walter Speed, Rebecca Ward's Family, Linda McCormick, Irene Hueste, Jewel & Wilbur Williams, Virginia Vice, Harold Hilgendorf, Ruth Weaver, Merle Parsons, Jo Nan Allen, Jim Bostwick, Rider (Patterson grandson), Forsythe Family, Eldin Fisher, Mel Jones, Ryder Herring, Norma Jones, Irene (Gerrie Holladay's mom), Sherry Read, Don Baldridge

Recognitions...

Thank You...

I would like to thank everyone for all their thoughtfulness, prayers and visits. Sand Springs United Methodist Church is a caring and wonderful group of people.

Joe Trine

Thanks for keeping me in your prayers. I am still fighting that Cancer bug but doing ok so far. I miss the church and UMW, but appreciate the newsletter.

Always In Faith, Ruth Weaver

Crumbs From The Cracker

News:

Summer camp is approaching QUICK! If you have not gotten in your camp paper work, get it in soon!!! It is going to be an awesome summer at camp this year! Deadline for camp paper work is June 22nd! Don't let money be the issue if you need help to go to camp this summer come by and talk with me and we will get you there! Make sure that if you have lost your camp paper work or if you have not gotten it to come by and get it in soon! Camp is filling up quick!

Youth Small-groups, will be starting in July!!!! Get excited!!! More details to come on times and locations for first meeting!

Important dates to remember!!!

Youth mission team will be meeting @ the Caleb House @ 1:30pm this SUNDAY for Team Building!! (June 12th)

Youth mission team will be meeting @ the Caleb House @ 3:00pm on June 19th for Team Building!!

Camp Money and Forms Due: June 22nd

<u>Parents and Youth Mission Meeting June 23rd 7pm @</u>
<u>Caleb House Last Minute Mission Details!!!!</u>

Weekly Youth Topics:

This past week we had a guest speaker.... Kent Warkentin!!!! It was great he shared with the youth about the Miracle of "Salvation", and the importance of it as well as sharing it with other people! This week we will be closing out our series with a movie night!!! The movie will show God's Miracles and help bring application to the past 7 weeks of our "Miracle" series! We have two more weeks of our "13 questions about God", and then we will be starting our new Sunday school book, which is going to challenge our youth in multiple areas of their lives!

Weekly Lesson:

"Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads." Deuteronomy 11: 18

This week I had some-one say to me, "how do you know scriptures without looking them up and just hearing them and where they are?" I thought to myself two things, man I am really humbled; because I feel at many times that I don't really know God's word well enough, and than I thought I really need to study and write this on my heart more then I do now. Not to boast in how many memory verses I know or to show off, but to be able to share God's word with someone regardless if I have a Bible or not. Secondly I thought to myself, how many songs or how many movie quotes do I have memorized? How many of those movie lines from Tommy Boy are going to point people to Christ? My challenge this week is for us as a body of believers to dig deep into our Father's word, and to begin writing the scriptures on our hearts for the days that God brings people in our path that need to experience His love and grace. Don't do it because you have to, do it because you want to!

Fun Fact: "On average there are 180 sesame seeds on a bun of a BigMac."

Upcoming Dates:

June 8th "Faith Like Potatoes" Movie Night (No Meals)

June 10th Graeme and Jetonne Move to Sand Springs!!!

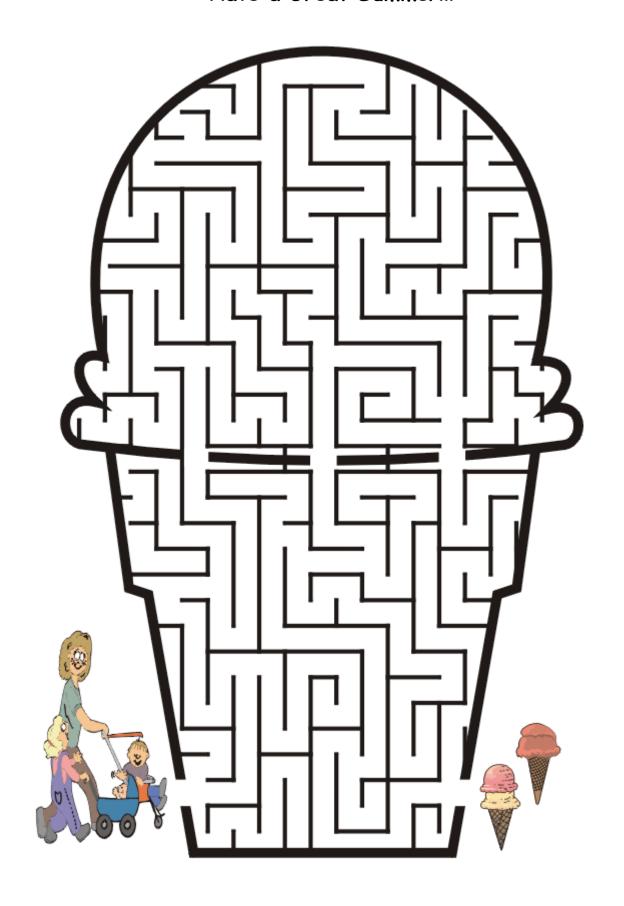
June 15th Stand Alone Message Jr. High 6pm Sr. High 7pm

June 22nd Camp paperwork due!!!!!

June 29th- No Youth

(If you are interested in being apart of any of these upcoming events please do not hesitate to call me at 918-245-5955, or email me at gcollett@sandspringsumc.org

Have a Great Summer!!!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CP=Childcare Provide ~ FLC-Family Life Center

Wednesday, June 8

7:30 a.m.-Men's Breakfast—Crescent Café

10:00 a.m.-Exercise to Music-FLC

6:00 p.m.-JH Youth

7:00 p.m.-SH Youth

6:00 p.m.-NO Chancel Bells-CP

7:00 p.m.-Chancel Choir-CP

7:00 p.m.-Evangelism Meeting

Thursday, June 9

11:00 a.m.-Needlers

4:15 & 5:30 p.m.-Weight Watchers

6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts Troop 601-Caleb House

Friday, June 10

12:00 p.m.-Weight Watchers

Saturday, June 11

7:00 a.m.-Prayer Vigil

Sunday, June 12-Welcome Rev. Don & Linda

9:00 a.m.-Sunday School

10:15 p.m.-Blended Worship

11:45 a.m.-Praise Team Practice

4:00 p.m.-Family Picnic-FLC

Monday, May June 13

10:00 a.m.-Exercise to Music-FLC

7:00 p.m.-Boy Scouts 101-FLC

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