



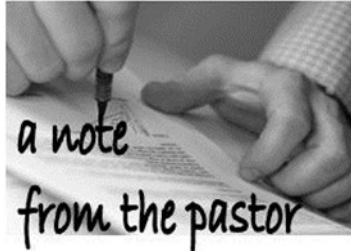
The Springs

Rev. Dennis Adlof

June 22, 2011

What's Going On?

- No Chancel Ringers through June & July
- No Chancel Choir through July
- Needlers this Thursday the 23rd at 11 a.m.
- Ruth Esther Circle at 1 p.m. in the F. Hall June 23
- All Mission Trip Youth & Parents meeting Thursday, June 23, 7 p.m.-Caleb Hs.
- No Faith Circle in June
- Massey Family using the FLC this Saturday, June 25th
- Youth leave for Alabama Sunday the 26th of June.
- Finance Meeting Sunday, June 26 at 1 p.m.
- Council On Ministries Meeting Sunday, June 26 at 2:30 p.m.
- Church Council Meeting Sunday, June 26, 4 p.m.
- Don't forget about Exercise to Music on Monday's & Wednesday's at 10:00 a.m. at the FLC
- Offices Closed July 4th



for you as I remember you in my prayers." (Ephesians 1:15-16, NRSV)

Whew! We've made it through moving – though the unpacking isn't quite finished yet. We've enjoyed two wonderful Sundays in worship with you and are beginning to settle in a bit. It's been great to begin to get to know you and learn more and more about our church in Sand Springs. You have made us feel so welcome and I am really excited about what lies ahead for us as we journey forward in ministry together. This journey began with much prayer and continues to rely on all our prayers.

In his letter to the Ephesians Paul reminds us of how important prayer is and it highlights one of the foundational concepts of our Wesleyan tradition. Prayer is used to give thanks to God and to lift one another up into God's care. Prayer helps us to grow spiritually and it strengthens our mission to the world around us. The depth and strength of our prayer life is a direct indication of the health of our congregation. I believe that our prayers are the fuel that fires the church's engines and allows us to continue to do ministry. If we do not have a strong prayer life as a church it will not matter how much money we have or how many buildings we build, the church will die without prayer. The good news is that this church is already doing some really great things in the prayer arena.

As we are looking to the future I am asking you to redouble your prayer efforts on behalf of our church. Firstly, we should pray that everything we do, every decision we make is focused on God's will for the

"I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks

church and on what God has planned for us. Nothing we do will succeed if it is not within God's will and done for God's glory. Secondly, we should pray for discernment in knowing what God has planned for each one of us as members of this congregation. Everyone in this church has something wonderful to contribute to our mission and ministry. Finances, creativity, talent, time, and your presence here are just a few of the ways that you contribute to the life of our church. Let God lead you into the fulfillment of your whole potential as a follower of Jesus Christ. Finally, pray that your pastor will be led by the Holy Spirit to guide our church forward. I covet your prayers every day and I draw strength from knowing that you are lifting me up into God's care.

Over the next few weeks you will continue to hear more about our prayer ministry and how we are working to involve more people in this important mission. Prayerfully consider how you might get involved. Keep us all in prayer as we look to new ways to develop our prayer life.

Listen as Paul continues his letter to the Ephesians: *"I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power."* (Ephesians 1:17-19, NRSV)

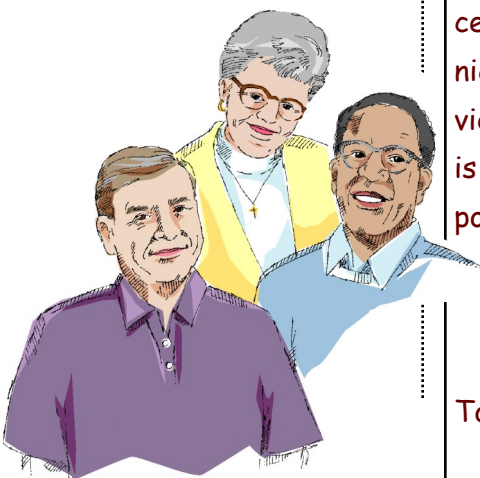
*Shalom,
Pastor Don Tabberer*

SENIORS IN ACTION

Are you familiar with Seniors In Action? (SIA)

See Max or Sharon Schuermann if you want to be a part of a group of active seniors who enjoy fellowship and fun!

OR, just to learn more about the SIA!



KidZone News

Hey, kids! It was great to see so many of you on Sunday. We had a full house in children's church, didn't we? We hope you enjoyed celebrating Father's Day with your dads and grandpas.

It's time to get EXCITED! Shake it Up VBS is July 24th-28th from 6:15pm - 8:30pm. There is a link

on the Kidzone page of the church's website to register. Hard copies of the registration forms will be available in the narthex for those without internet access. Since our VBS theme involves food, we will be collecting boxes of mac and cheese for the Sand Springs Community Services. Volunteers, our next meeting will be July 16th at 10am. We will have some training and work on decorations. If you would like to volunteer there is a sign up sheet in the narthex.

We finished our last page of the Heroes of the Bible books this past Sunday and they will be ready to take home next week. Our next lesson series will be on the Fruits of the Spirit. Next Sunday we will talk about Love as we study the story of the Widow's Offering.

As part of our series on the Fruits of the Spirit, children will be participating in a project to help the Society of St. Andrew's Potato & Produce Project. We learned about SoSA from a story in the OKUMC Contact newspaper about how some of our Oklahoma churches are becoming involved. The Society of St. Andrew is a gleaning ministry that takes perfectly good produce that isn't marketable due to blemishes and such and sends it to communities where hunger is a concern. For their project the children will be collecting nickles to raise money for SoSA...FIVE CENTS will provide a pound of potatoes for someone in need. Our goal is to raise \$50 which would cover the cost for 1,000 pounds of potatoes. If the congregation would like to help out, bring your nickles by the Kidzone area any Sunday through July.



To learn more about the Society of St. Andrew go to www.endhunger.org.

We will see you Sunday!

Sunday Lists

Sunday Volunteers June 26

Welcome Center

Searchers

Head Ushers

Frank Johnston

Lay Reader

Karen Wilder

Children's Moment

Janet Parker

Children's Church

Katherine R., Julie F., Julia H.

Counters

Janie Moore & Kent Warkentin

Visitors Center

Mel & Norma Jones

Youth Dinner for Wednesday, June 22

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Sunday Volunteers July 3-Communion

Welcome Center

CIA/Pathfinders

Head Usher

Bruce Warren

Lay Reader

Ellie Costola

Children's Moment

Cathy Gifford

Children's Church

No Children's Church

Counters

Diana Pond & Jack Vest

Visitors Center

Mel & Norma Jones

Youth Dinner for Wednesday, June 29

No Youth

Please Keep In Prayer

Thelma Bradshaw, Gene Watson, Vera Nell Boatman, Walter Speed, Rebecca Ward's Family, Linda McCormick, Irene Hueste, Jewel & Wilbur Williams, Max Schuermann, Virginia Vice, Harold Hilgendorf, Ruth Weaver, Merle Parsons, Jo Nan Allen, Jim Bostwick, Rider (Patterson grandson), Mel Jones, Ryder Herring, Norma Jones, Don Baldrige

Recognitions...

Thank You...



Member's of SSUMC, for making our Annual Picnic a great experience. A special ***Thank You*** to Stan and Mike for seeing that the tables were set up and the building cleaned, Doug and Don (resident chefs), Chuck (great music and helping with the kids at the water slide), Charlene (making sure everyone had a name tag). Also ***THANK YOU***, Pastor Don and Linda for letting us get to know you with all of our questions.

The Fellowship Committee

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CP=Childcare Provide ~ FLC-Family Life Center

Wednesday, June 22

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

Thursday, June 23

11:00 a.m.-Needlers

1:00 p.m.-Ruth Esther Circle-F. Hall

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

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

7:00 p.m.-Youth Mission Trip Meeting-Caleb House

Friday, June 24

12:00 p.m.-Weight Watchers

Saturday, June 25

10:00 a.m.-Massey Family at FLC

Sunday, June 26

9:00 a.m.-Sunday School

10:15 p.m.-Blended Worship

11:45 a.m.-Praise Team Practice

1:00 p.m.-Finance Meeting

2:30 p.m.-Council on Ministries Meeting

4:00 p.m.-Church Council

Monday, June 27

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

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

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Shake it Up Cafe VBS

July 24-28

6:15pm-8:30pm

Sign up on the church website. Registration forms are also available in the narthex. Invite your neighbors, friends and grandchildren. We will be collecting mac & cheese for Sand Springs Community Services.

If you would like to volunteer a sign up sheet is in the narthex. If you have questions see Debbie Schmidt or Marty David.

Return Service Requested

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Dinners For 8

Dinners for Eight Plus who meet in restaurants will meet at The Steer Inn in Mannford on Sunday, July 10th after our morning worship service. Ask for Sand Springs United Methodist Church area.

Anyone who would like to fellowship together is invited. For seating purposes, RSVP's are encouraged but not required. You can RSVP by calling Linda at 918-245-2935. The second Sunday date has been selected for this activity in the coming months.

Seniors In Action

The Seniors In Action will **NOT** meet for an activity during the month of July due to Max Schuermann's impending surgery. Stay home & Stay cool! We'll see you all in August.

Sharon & Max

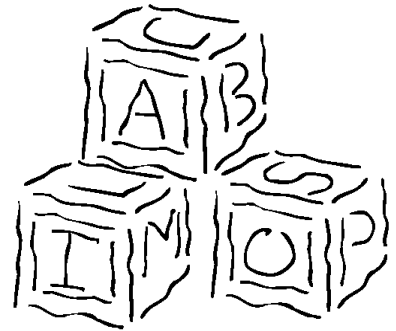
UMW Book Group

We had a great time at the first meeting of the UMW Book Group. We decided to call ourselves The 2nd Monday Book Club and we will meet on, you guessed it....the 2nd Monday of the month. We chose *Saving CeeCee Honeycutt* by Beth Hoffman as our first book selection. It's a great summer read and a really sweet story. It's available at the public library and at Wal Mart for those who would like to read it.

Our next meeting will be Monday, July 11th at 6:15pm. Bring money for World Thank Offering and some boxes of mac & cheese! We will be collecting the mac & cheese to support the VBS mission project for Sand Springs Community Services. We will also decide what we will read next so don't forget to bring some book suggestions.

The group is open to men and women and anyone in our area who enjoys reading. So invite a friend!

Play an **A-B-C** Game



Number of players:
1 to ?

Equipment: none!

As you travel by car or train or bus look out of the window. The object is to find all the letters of the alphabet in order, starting with A. Find them on signs, license plates, trucks, anywhere! The first player to find them all wins. Or work together just for fun!



Another ABC game to play is to find things that begin with each letter. Find things created by God or made by people through God's guiding hands!



Crumbs From The Cracker

News:

Today! My wife and I celebrate with you in being a part of this church family and on staff at SSUMC for 1-year!! It has been such a blessing to be a part of this church and the opportunities that God has given us to impact the community of Sand Springs for Christ through the youth ministry! We have seen Christ do great things in and through our youth in the past year and look forward to all of the future things He has for us here at SSUMC!

This Sunday our youth will be venturing off on a journey to Birmingham, Alabama to serve the community on a YouthWorks mission trip! This is going to be a great week for our youth to see and experience another culture and to have their faith increased as they step out of their boxes and into the world for Christ! Please be in prayer for our team as we venture down to Alabama early Sunday morning, June 26th and returning late Friday night July 1st. Please be in prayer for each one of our youth as well as each of our leaders! Thanks!

Our Mission Team:

Ben Cooper, Jason Cooper, Alan Armstrong, Mack Stockard, Katie Ward, Julie Ferguson, Sami Ward, Lauren Miller, Abby Walters, Julia Henry, Autumn Harjo, Madi Lee, Matt Hicks, Kody Hicks

Leaders: Graeme Collett, Glenna Stockard, Matt Richie

Important dates to remember!!!

Youth mission and parents meeting will be @ the Caleb House @ 7pm June 23rd
Last Minute Details!!!!

(All you can eat Nachos! BYOD.....bring your own drink!)

Camp Money and Forms

Are Due
June 22nd

Weekly Youth Topics:

This past week we started a 2-part series for our youth that has already been life changing on challenging them on their perspective of their relationship with Christ and whether they are a “Fan” for Jesus or a “Follower”? The hope from this short two-week series is to help them re-evaluate where they are with God and where they can be!

On Sunday our Youth had the privilege to visit Cloeta Mullins and deliver her a lap throw that our awesome Needlers made!

Fun Fact: “The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific Ocean.”

Upcoming Dates:

- June 22nd 2-part series “Fanatic of Follower?” (Terms & Agreement)
- June 22nd Camp paperwork due!!!!
- June 23rd Parent & Youth Mission Meeting 7pm Caleb House
- June 26th-July 1st Youth Mission Trip To Birmingham, AL
- June 29th- No Youth
- July 6th- Outreach All Youth Meet @ FLC @ 6pm bring \$5 for Dinner
- July 9th- Late Night Disco Bowl
- July 12th- Youth Small Groups Start!!!!

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

Remember to keep the youth and sponsors in your prayers the rest of this week as they continue to represent us in Alabama!