

The Springs



Rev. Don Tabberer



"David and the entire house of Israel celebrated in the LORD's presence with all their strength, with songs, zithers, harps, tambourines, rattles, and cymbals." (2 Samuel 6:5)

Our Annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Monday, November 27 at 6:30pm at the First United Methodist Church downtown. That's just two weeks from now and it marks the third joint Charge Conference we have participated in since the re-organization of the Tulsa District into the Council Oak District. Like most new things that involve change, we have had some trial and error to go through as we learn how this new structure is going to work best as a means to be in mission and ministry to the people in our area.

There are many different traditions surrounding Charge Conference, depending on the church you attend. Some congregations gather for a meal and celebration of the work the church has done and is planning to do. Others have a business meeting to vote and they quickly adjourn to go home for the football game. There are as many ways to imagine this event as there are churches in Oklahoma. SSUMC has, no doubt, experienced different styles of Charge Conferences in past years. All of this is to say that there is no "right" or "wrong" way to do Charge Conference, as long as you satisfy a few directives from the Book of Discipline.

This year, our format will satisfy the Book of Discipline in a short period of voting. Then, we will try something new by welcoming one of the most popular and highly sought-after speakers throughout North America and around the world! Dr. Leonard Sweet is a distinguished professor and author, as well as one of the most influential voices in modern Christianity. The fact that we get to enjoy Dr. Sweet in person is one of the reasons these new com-

bined Charge Conferences make so much sense. Not only do we have the opportunity to gather with our brothers and sisters from around the area, but we get to hear a world-class speaker. This is an opportunity that we can only enjoy because of our connection in ministry to the other churches with whom we serve.

What is missing from this event is the chance for us to really celebrate the great work our congregation is doing in ministry. We have so much to celebrate and I don't want us to overlook this important part of the Charge Conference tradition. So, I want you to join me over the next several weeks as we look at what God has been doing through this church and what we believe God has in mind for us in the future.

There is no perfect place to begin, so I want to take a moment to say, "THANK YOU!" to all those who have agreed to take a role in the leadership of our church. One of the tasks of Charge Conference is to receive the recommendations of the Nominations and Leadership Committee and vote on those who will lead the various administrative committees and ministry teams. With your vote, you empower these leaders to guide the church and make decisions that affect the use of resources and the direction of our mission. The vote for these leaders was held on Sunday, November 12th and will be affirmed at our November 27th Charge Conference. Included with this newsletter is the complete list of your church leaders. Please notice who these people are who are willing to lead and say "Thanks!" to them every time you get the chance.

Let's celebrate!
Pastor Don



Hey Kids

What a great job you did yesterday as we sold items in our fundraiser to fill Christmas stockings for Sand Springs Community Center. Thanks to all who supported us. We will be selling again next Sunday before and after both services. We talked about being thankful for all things. You were awesome as we practiced for our Christmas program. Everyone be sure and save the date -December 17th at 6:00 p.m. Be here next Sunday to help fill the Christmas stockings. Have a wonderful week. Miss Debbie and Miss Marty



Seniors In Action

Let's meet Wednesday, Dec. 6th for a Christmas Potluck and get "reacquainted"! After almost a whole year of inactivity, we need to gather and "catch-up" with each other. So... let's meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30, Wednesday, Dec. 6th with bells on and food in hand! Ham and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish, salad, dessert, or Christmas goody to share. Our quartet, "Joyful Noise" will sing a song or two for you, too! Call Max or Sharon Schuermann at 918.619.5141 for further questions. Sign-up is not mandatory to come, but would be appreciated just for planning purposes. In the meantime, Happy Thanksgiving to all of you!

Let's do something for our local kids!!

In the past, Kidzone has packed shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. This year we decided to help those in our own community and we will be filling Christmas stockings for Sand Springs Community Services.

For several years, the kids in Kidzone have filled and delivered Easter Baskets to Sand Springs Community Services. The baskets are then given to kids who would not receive anything for Easter. Our kids have been able to see how Sand Springs Community Services helps kids and families locally. Our Kidzone mission is to share the love of Jesus with others. Last year, we also collected and delivered socks to them.

We will have our annual Kidzone fundraiser on November 12, 2017 in the narthex before and after both services. We will then purchase items to fill the stockings. Kidzone kids will then fill and deliver stockings to Sand Springs Community Services in late November. Look for delivery date of stockings in the November 13th newsletter.

If anyone wants to purchase and fill a stocking, that would be great! You can bring filled stockings to church and Kidzone kids will deliver. If you fill a stocking, please mark as follows- boy or girl-Age 2-4,5-9 and 10-14. We would like to keep the stockings somewhat uniform in size and will be using 18" stockings.

Thanks

Debbie Schmidt and Marty David



Sunday Lists

Sunday Volunteers—November 19

Visitors Center & Coffee: Discovery
Head Usher-8:30am: Amanda Honeycutt
Head Usher-11:00am: Eddy David
Child. Church: 8:30am: Kingdom Kids
Teaching: Jami Warkentin
Children's Church: Debbie Schmidt
Counters: Bob Barnes & Jami Warkentin

Sunday Volunteers—November 26

Visitors Center & Coffee: Discovery
Head Usher-8:30am: Amanda Honeycutt
Head Usher-11:00am: Eddy David
Child. Church-8:30am: Kingdom Kids
Teaching: Jami Warkentin
Children's Church: Susie Honeycutt
Counters: Janie Moore & Kent Warkentin

Youth Dinners

November 15-Seniors In Action
November 22-No Dinner Needed
November 29-Priscilla Circle

Faith Circle Calendar Change

Our Christmas Party will be December 7th at
6:30pm at the home of Janie Moore.
Please mark your calendars.



*We Offer our
Prayers and
Sympathy...*

*...to Becky Barnes and family and
friends for the loss of her mother.*

Please Keep In Prayer



Please remember these in your prayers—Updated

Martha Scudder, Linda Tabberer,
Charlene Reeves, BW Proft, Sue
Shaw, Greta Green, Bob & Cathy
Hula, Bill & Clare Caldwell, John &
Sylvia Johnson, Jack & Jewell
Brown, Barbara McClintock, Mon-
tie Box, Owen Johnston, Albert
Kahl's mom & sister in law, Ron Hay, Ruth Weaver,
Angy Krebs-Warden

*If someone needs to be added to the prayer list or
someone was taken off too soon, please contact
Tracey in the front office so the prayer list can be
updated.*

Thank You

Priscilla Circle

Mission to Stitch wishes to thank Priscilla Circle for giving 24 baby blankets which will be donated to St. Francis Hospital for the new born babies.

Your donation will provide comfort to a lot a little ones!

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you...
Cynthia Alex & the Mission to Stitch

ALSO...Thank You

David and Sondra Allen want to thank everyone who helped make the garage sale such a success. From set up, working the sale to clean up...
You made it possible!!

SAND SPRINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2018 LEADERSHIP TEAM

Lay Leader/Lay Delegate:	Buster Hall
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Alternate Lay Delegate:	TBA
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STAFF:

Pastor	Youth Director	Choir Director	Church Treasurer	Admin. Assistant
Rev. Don Tabberer	Tristan Holt	Cathy Gifford	Cynthia Edelman	Tracey Ginn

Administrative Committees

CHURCH COUNCIL	
CHAIRPERSON	Kristen Kahl
Secretary	Katherine Reeves
Lay Leader/Lay Delegate:	Buster Hall
Pastor	Don Tabberer
Choir Director	Cathy Gifford
Youth Director	Tristan Holt
Church Treasurer	Cynthia Edelman
Finance Chair	Kent Warkentin
SPRC Rep.	Gary Dobbs
Trustees Rep.	TBA
Children's Team	Martha David
Children's Team	Debbie Schmidt
Education Team	Susie Honeycutt
Missions Team	Buster Hall
Nurture & Care Team	Susie Honeycutt
Worship Planning	Don Tabberer
SIA Team	Max/Sharon Schuermann
Young Adult Team	Kent Warkentin
UMW Rep.	Judy Bullard
UMYF Rep.	OPEN
Young Adult Rep.	OPEN

Board of Trustees	
Chairperson	TBA
Vice-chair	TBA
Secretary	TBA
Class of 2018	Mary Beth Arnold
Class of 2018	Heide Bostwick
Class of 2018	Jared Paschal
Class of 2019	Bob Barnes
Class of 2019	Maureen Gibson
Class of 2019	Tim Katzung
Class of 2020	David Allen
Class of 2020	Mike Stockard
Class of 2020	Jack Vest

FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Chairperson	Kent Warkentin
Pastor	Don Tabberer
Lay Leader/Lay Delegate:	Buster Hall
Church Council Chair	Kristin Kahl
SPRC Rep.	Gary Dobbs
Trustees Rep.	TBA
Church Treasurer	Cynthia Edelman
AT-LARGE:	Diana Pond
	Charlene Reeves
	Janie Moore

Staff-Parish Relations Committee	
Chairperson	Gary Dobbs
Lay Leader/Lay Delegate:	Buster Hall
Pastor	Don Tabberer
Class of 2018	Gary Dobbs
Class of 2018	Don Baldridge
Class of 2018	Albert Kahl
Class of 2019	Karen Wilder
Class of 2019	Jamie Warkentin
Class of 2019	Becky Barnes
Class of 2020	Glenna Stockard
Class of 2020	Tom Tackett
Class of 2020	Gerrie Waldschmidt

Committee on Nominations & Leadership	
Chairperson	Don Tabberer
Lay Leader/Lay Delegate	Buster Hall
Class of 2018	Katherine Reeves
Class of 2018	Betty Smith
Class of 2019	Virginia Baldridge
Class of 2019	David McMasters
Class of 2020	Daniel Comer
Class of 2020	Leesa Hairgrove

Program Ministry Teams

CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAMS

Education Ministries Team

Team Leader Susie Honeycutt

Church Librarian Becky Barnes
S.S. Superintendent Betty Smith
Scouting Representative Kent Warkentin

Children's Ministry Team

Marty David

Debbie Schmidt

Amanda Honeycutt Susie Honeycutt
Jamie Warkentin Cathy Gifford

Youth Ministry Team

Team Leader Tristan Holt

Kent Warkentin Winnie Mansfield
Amanda Honeycutt Susie Honeycutt

Young Adult Ministry Team

Team Leader Kent Warkentin

Greeter Team:

Bob Schmidt Amanda Honeycutt
Jay Bullard Susie Honeycutt
Lead Usher Eddy David

COVENANT CARE TEAMS

Nurture and Care Ministry Team

Team Leader Susie Honeycutt

Bereavement Meals Virginia Baldrige
Barbara Fisher
Visually Impaired Group Gerrie Holladay
Transportation Coord. Eldin Fisher
Greeting Cards Tracey Ginn

Off-Site Communion Distribution

Trena Biggs Bob Schmidt

Older Adult Ministry Team - S.I.A.

Team Leader Max&Sharon Schuermann

Prayer Ministry Team

Team Leader Albert Kahl

Prayer Chain Leader Allen & Pat Bordelon
Prayer Chain Leader Janie Moore
Prayer Chain Leader Kay Woodward
Email Prayer Chain Leader Tracey Ginn
Weekend Email Prayers Virginia Baldrige

Worship Ministry Team

Team Leader Pastor Don Tabberer

Contemp. Worship Leader Daniel Comer
Choir Director Cathy Gifford
Team Member Sondra Allen
Team Member Linda Tabberer
Team Member Katherine Reeves
Communion Steward TBA
Wedding Coordinator Linda Tabberer
Wedding Coordinator Karen Wilder

Mission Team

Team Leader Buster Hall

Circle of Care Charlene Reeves
CJAMM/Exodus House Heidi Bostwick
CJAMM/Exodus House Buster Hall
Community Thanksgiving Katherine Reeves
Community Thanksgiving Charlene Reeves
Crop Walk Jami Warkentin
Disaster Relief Patti Pafford
Disaster Relief Mike Stockard
4th Monday Meal Glenna Stockard
Ninth Grade Center Julie Simpson
SSCS Liaison Lisa Massey

Clean Water Initiative Jay Bullard
Project Transformation Susan Edwards
Restore Hope Kristen Kahl
Restore Hope Marybeth Arnold
Restore Hope Winnie Mansfield
Restore Hope Bob McFall
Restore Hope Howard & Betty Smith
Restore Hope Karen Wilder
Restore Hope Bob Barnes
Volunteers in Mission Buster Hall
Volunteers in Mission Mike Stockard
Volunteers in Mission Jamie & Kent Warkentin

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SAND SPRINGS UMC

Monday, November 13

7:00pm-Boy Scouts-FLC

Tuesday, November 14

6:00pm-Cub Scouts-FLC

7:00pm-Praise Team Practice

7:00pm-Al-Anon-Upstairs

Wednesday, November 15

7:30am-Men's Breakfast-Crescent Café

1:30pm-Mission to Stitch-Parlor

5:45pm-Y4Y

6:30pm-The Awakening—Youth

7:00pm-Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, November 16

1:00pm-Ruth Esther Circle-F. Hall

*7:00pm-Collins Karate-FLC

Friday, November 17

No Activities

Saturday, November 18

No Activities

Sunday, November 19

8:45am-Contemporary Worship

9:45am-Communion Service

10:00am-Sunday School

11:00am-Traditional Worship

6:00pm-Community Thanksgiving Service-Hillspring Church

Monday, November 20

7:00pm-Boy Scouts-Family Life Center

Tuesday, November 21

9:00am-FLC in use

6:00pm-Cub Scouts-FLC

7:00pm-Praise Team

7:00pm-Al-Anon-Upstairs

Wednesday, November 22

7:30am-Men's Breakfast-Crescent Café

5:45pm-Y4Y

6:30pm-Youth-FLC

7:00pm-Chancel Choir

*FLC-Family Life Center
*-Not sponsored by
SSUMC but welcome*

*For more calendar
information, call the
office at
918-245-5955.*