



San Saba First United Methodist Church February 2018 Newsletter

**Covered Dish Sunday
A Valentine Dinner
February 11
Immediately after the**



**FUMC
204 W. Brown San Saba TX
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Pastor: John Saint**



You Are Invited to
A
Ash Wednesday
Service
Wednesday, Feb. 14
5:30 p. m.

The Trustees have purchased a new Oreck vacuum for the cleaning crew to use each week when they vacuum. Our church is certainly looking very clean these days. All the **ladies' hard work is paying off.** The other Oreck vacuum is being repaired and the plan calls for there to be a vacuum on each floor to make it easier for the crew to get the job done. Ceila Bell, Libby Mays and Emily Mays are shown here with the new vacuum and a year's supply of bags. Celia made the purchase while she was in Austin.



***When You Joined FUMC you pledged to
support it with your attendance, your prayers, your time and your money.***

Prayer Concerns

Mindy Cantu (surgery)
 Allison Millican
 Peter Hald
 Jayme Renfro & unborn baby (Trish Warren's family)
 David & Barbara Gilger
 Mike & Pat Johnson
 Amanda Jackson (Pecan Valley Nursing Home & Rehab)
 Brad Reeves, Josh Thomas, Travis Murdock (Kelly Murray's brother) & Mark Owns (safety)
 Lisa Wise (cancer)
 Bettye McLaughlin
 Stan & Millie Burnham
 Our church

From the Pastor's Desk.....

Listening to God

And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:18

But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?"

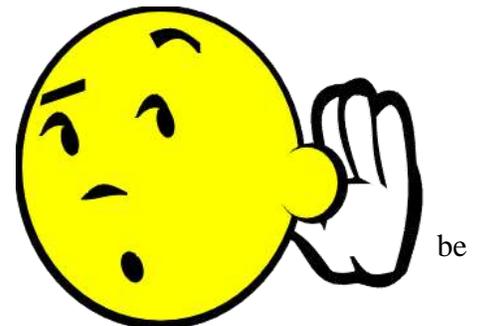
Hebrews 2:6

I wonder what the voice of God sounds like.

Matthew 17:1-8 suggests that when we listen to Jesus, we hear the voice of God. It is not all that difficult to read the words of Jesus. In some bibles, they are even printed in red to make them easier to find. Reading them is one thing; listening to and obeying them is a little more demanding.

As Christians we believe that God can be heard, understood, and obeyed. This is spelled out in scripture and confirmed by tradition, reason, and our experience of God and his creation. We hear the voice of God deep in our souls. Over time, faithful listeners have discovered ways we can sharpen our ability to hear God's voice. Spiritual disciplines increase our desire and ability to hear and understand the voice of God. John Wesley called these practices special means of grace; conduits of God's love, will, presence, and power unlike any others. Grace comes to us through both special and ordinary means. A complete list of the ways God's grace is extended to us probably includes all things. A God for whom all things are possible can reach us in any way imaginable. And yet those special means of grace keep calling us. When we pray faithfully and fervently, when we worship, when we bear witness of God's love to others, and when we serve humankind our connection to God grows stronger.

Do you want to hear God speak to you? Polish up your practices of prayer, worship, witness, and service, and you will be amazed by what you hear.



One of FUMC's Servants

Kelly Murray serves as the church's financial secretary. In other words, she makes the deposits and keeps the records on how much

each person or family's has given. Her pickup is often seen at the church while she is working on

New Address For Pat & Mike Johnson

Cornerstone Acute Care Hospital
 4207 Burnet Road Room 314
 Austin TX 78756
 512-706-1900

I am sure they would enjoy hearing from you.

You Are Invited To
 Fellowship of Christian Women
 Thursday, February 22
 1st Presbyterian Church
 11:30 a. m.
 Covered Dish Meal & Speaker



The Godly Play Sunday School Class meets each Sunday at 10:00 o'clock in room ? upstairs. It is under the direction of Celia Bell, Lesa Schulze and Mindy Cantu. Cindy Hawkins is currently teaching the class for the 2nd-5th grade. It also meets

Financial Report

Deposits **\$10,522.50**

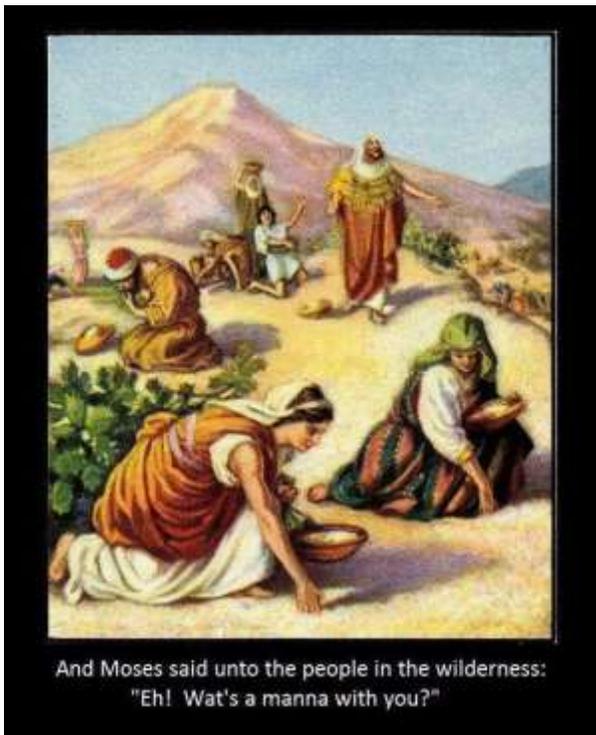
Expense **\$7,305.41**



We had several larger than average GIFTS from church family members.

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Game Night

Wednesday, February 28th

5:30 p.m.

Menu: Chili/Frito Pie

Bring Your Favorite Game

Our Church Family

Seems like that are all kinds of bugs going around. Our church family is had our fair share of people down for a couple of days or more.

Kathy Gage's welcome home gift was the bug. Travis took to the doctor on the way home from a Caribbean cruise. Doesn't that sound like fun? Needless to say they need not go by and visit some friends in Houston.

Margaret Kidd has also been on the sick list and has missed several Sunday's. Hope you are feeling better, Margaret.

Tracey Thomas missed three days of school and spent a week-end at home before she got over her bug.

Mindy Cantu is also on the sick list with a different kind of health problem. Friday, February 2nd, she had surgery on her shoulder. She will get lots of tender loving care from her mom and dad, Ronnie & Lesa Schulze. Her mom was taking her to Fredericksburg for her surgery. Get well, Mindy!

Lisa Wise, daughter-in-law of Holly & Mike Wise and sister-in-law of Mark & Stacy Wise, completed her second treatment of chemo. Sure hope the second treatment went better than the first as the first one was really rough. Please keep her on your prayer list. She has been fighting her cancer for over a year.

Peter Hald is also not feeling well and has missed several Sunday's which is unusual for him.

Mike Johnson has moved to a new location, the Cornerstone Acute Care on Burnet Road. He is gaining some strength back and physical therapy is really work-



The Mays sisters of Libby and Molly are shown here helping to fill the grub sacks during Service Sunday. St. Luke's Episcopal Church is now donating \$200 per month to help with the expenses. Thanks to Millie Burnham for helping to secure the donation.

Wahnee Stallings has stayed very warm this winter as her brother mailed her a gift of a heated mattress pad to go on her bed.

Vickie & C.K. Stevenson traveled to Fort Worth to see Vickie's son Dutch. He was coming in from Arizona to attend a funeral and they enjoyed a quick visit with him.

Jantzen Bell is back in school at the University of Houston-Victoria as is Ian Saint at San Angelo's Angelo State. Ian is having a great freshman year and is really enjoying shooting for the Rams Clay Target Team. Read Saint, his brother, is having a busy senior year and is on the San Saba High School Power Lifting Team. We are certainly seeing his name in the San Saba newspaper as he places at his meets.

Rachel Derrington has been under the weather

Visitors In January

Coach & Melanie
Mathis, Ryan &
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Risien Shahan
Al Sisco
Jess McDowell



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