



San Saba First United Methodist Church May 2013 Newsletter

San Saba
First United Methodist Church

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Rev. Dan Harrington, Pastor

We bid you welcome
In the name of
Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Pray with us,
Sing with us, rejoice
with us

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.



Ministers:

Entire Congregation

Worship Leader:

Tracey Thomas

Accompanist:

Nettie Oma Carpenter

Choir Director:

Tracey Thomas

Church Secretary:

Debbie Uli

Custodian:

Mario Mendiola

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are looking forward to Vacation Bible School!
This summer, VBS will be June 10th - 14th from 9AM - noon.

Everywhere Fun Fair takes children to a global celebration with the look and feel of a world's fair. Children will make friends with neighbors around the world and discover that God's love can be found everywhere, including their own neighborhoods. Children will be introduced to special places from all over the world and discover that we are all neighbors and all children of God.

Everywhere Fun Fair will feature exciting attractions such as interactive Bible storytelling, global games, rockin' music, super science, cool crafts, and more!

We will need help with decorating and supplies.

VBS wishlist:

small cereal boxes

folktale DVDs (especially from other countries, will be returned)

curling ribbon

surveyors tape

old maps, atlas books

buttons and yarn

scrap material (especially green)

pink tissue paper

small paper or plastic cups (5 oz Dixie size)

yellow or white feather boas

red and white solid or striped plastic tablecloths

There are registration forms in the office, in the sanctuary, or online at <http://2013.cokesburyvbs.com/fumcsansaba>

Pastor Dan



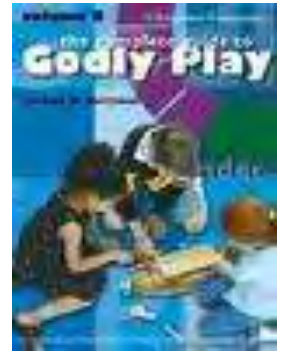
Prayer Concerns

Raymond Barrier
Ronnie Schmidt
Charles Belk
Peter Hald
Debbi Uli
Charles Simon
Travis and Kathy Gage
Noah Richardson
Our Church
Our Town
Our Nation
Our Military Men & Women and families
Godly Play—Children’s Sunday School
Vacation Bible School June 10th-14th



Godly Play

On Saturday April 6th, several Sunday School teachers from FUMC experienced an introduction to Godly Play. The introduction sparked many ideas of what could be possible for our children’s ministry.



their lives. When Christian language is learned by the Godly Play approach, it is learned as a means to know God and to make meaning of our lives. This approach is quite different from the traditional model in which the teacher tells the children what they need to know. Godly Play is not about things that are that simple. It is not just about learning lessons or keeping children entertained. It is about locating each lesson in the whole system of Christian language and involving the creative process to discover the depths of meaning in them. It’s about understanding how each of the stories of God’s people connects with the child’s own experience and relationship with God.

The goal of Godly Play is to show how to be open to the Holy Spirit, The Creator, and the Redeemer all at once and all the time in every place. To achieve this goal is to help children become deeply rooted as Christians and yet at the same time use this powerful language and community to be open and creative. Although it was originally developed as a resource for children, Godly Play is now being used with a wide range of age groups in a diversity of settings.

Our church is currently developing our Godly play classrooms in order to begin in the Fall. We will be asking for crafty folks to “build” lessons, materials, shelves, etc. please visit <http://www.godlyplayfoundation.org> or contact Pastor Dan at 512-777-9678 for more info.

On Thursday April 18, Nelda Weatherby conducted a tour of the Methodist Church for the Comanche Peak Sam’s Tour Group from Granbury, informing them about the history of the church, and also Rogan Field. Our Church building will celebrate its 100th birthday in 2014. Watch for more details about the party as time gets closer.



Wednesday Communion
Service
6:30 a.m
Sanctuary
All Are Welcome!!!!

**Have You Been
To The
1st United Methodist
Church's
Facebook
Page?**

**You can catch the
children's sermon,
Announcements,
Pictures,
Etc.**

Be sure and "Like Us"

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The 1st United Methodist Church's Newsletter is undergoing some changes. Most church newsletters are now being emailed. Some copies are available to be picked up on the first Sunday of the month at the back of the sanctuary. Some are being mailed. Please let Carolyn or Mike McDowell know if you are having trouble getting your newsletter.

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Newsletter Deadline

Last Wednesday of the Month

May 29th

**Covered Dish Luncheon
Honoring
J.T. Mathis**



**San Saba High School Senior
Sunday, May 26th
Immediately Following
Worship Service**

Make Plans to Attend!!!!!!

May Stewardship Report

The following figures do not include the fourth Sunday income or the end of the month payroll. These are the totals on April 23, 2013.

General Fund Income to date for April only	\$9,488
General Fund Income to date for the year	\$46,772
General Fund Expenses to date for April only	\$9,143
General Fund Expenses to date for the year	\$44,605
General Fund Balance on March 22, 2013	\$15,567

Submitted By Millie Burnham

Our Church Family

The closer we get to the end of the school year, the busier the church family gets. Jantzen Bell reported that the San Saba award winning band will be in Dallas Texas this week-end doing a performance at the Myerson Concert Hall. Be sure to check out the San Saba Band website and take a sneak peak of their new uniforms for the 2013 marching band season. Diana Manning has changed jobs at the Scott & White Hospital-Llano. She is checking patients who are on Coumadin. The change allows her better hours for missing the many deer that are on highway 16 in the early morning and late in the evening. It is going to be a fun time for Travis & Kathy Gage. They are headed to the coast with some family members. On the itinerary is checking out the sand castle contest. Sounds like fun, doesn't it? Mike & Tracey Thomas headed to Weatherford last week-end to assist with Tracey's niece's wedding. Of course Tracey made the wedding cake and Mike did the sound for the wedding. It may seem like a long time off but our church building will be celebrating its 100th birthday in 2014. You will be hearing a lot more about it as it gets closer. I am sorry to report that Millie Burnham missed one Sunday. She was having blood pressure problems. We hope that you get the issued resolved, Millie. I bet J.T. Mathis is like most seniors and counting the days till graduation. Our church will honor him with a luncheon on May 26th. J.T. will be leaving later that day for Texas Tech where he will start summer school immediately. He is an architectural engineering major. You are not suppose to share everything, especially germs. Guess Jaycee & J.B. Everett don't know that yet. They shared their stomach bug germs with their dad. Brad didn't enjoy the experience. Netti Oma Carpenter, as grandmother of the groom, is gearing up for several wedding functions. I believe the wedding is in June. Enjoy it, Nettie Oma. Risien Shahan is keeping his family on the road. He is on a Lampasas baseball team which plays area towns. We miss the family when they attend his games every other week-end. Libby Mays is also playing on a t-ball team. Rumor has it that she has gotten some good hits. It is quite possible that you have noticed two men running in San Saba. You may not have recognized them. They are none other than Coach Easterwood and Pastor Dan. You might want to cheer them on. Please put Debbie Uli on your prayer list. Debbie is having some problems with her back. We hope she gets them resolved quickly. Easter Sunday brought several visitors to our church. We are always glad to have visitors. Ronnie Schulze had his mom and daughter Corrie, Shane & Myles Dyson here. Kay Thompson was glad Kelly, was here for Easter week-end. The Everett family filled several pews with Brad's mom and dad, Brad's brother & sister-in-law, Misty's sister and children and Misty's mom. Travis & Kathy Gage had his brother Frank and sister-in-law Pat here with them. Thanks goes out to all the readers who assisted with the Good Friday service and to Jennifer Reeves who sang a beautiful song. It was also nice to have Jennifer's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Matthews, to worship with us. Maria Harrington is on the down hill side of her pregnancy. Her due date is about two weeks off. I believe the boy baby will be named Jesse. Carolyn & Mike McDowell traveled to Scottsdale AZ to see her eighty plus year old cousin. Vickie & C.K. Stevenson enjoyed company from Fort Worth one week-end recently. We will probably be seeing a lot of Melanie Mathis's mom, Michele, the next month or so. After all, it is not every day that her grandson graduates. And of course Casey and Ryan have baseball games too. Hollee Ragsdale, a member of the San Saba High School golf team has had her picture in the San Saba News & Star several times. The team placed second at district and advanced on to the next level of play. Way to go, Hollee!!!!

