

# Ferris Heights

# United Methodist Church, Waxahachie TX

In God's name . . . Build, Belong, Serve. It's Our Legacy!

January 2022

# Information

#### Our Staff

Rev. John Han

Pastor PastorFHUMC @gmail.com

Dawn Davis
Organist

Shannon Goretska

Youth Director

Karen Lawton & Dianna Robertson

Children's Directors

Angie Heck

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> Abby Machuca Custodian

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Church Office

972-937-2344 FHUMC.org

Office Hours

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

#### Sunday School & Worship

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

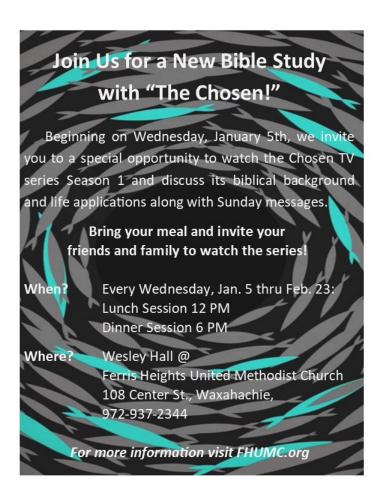
#### Pastor's Column

When I was called in the ordained ministry by God, I wondered why God chose me. I knew there were countless people who were outstanding speakers as well as influential leaders. They were way better than me. So, I had tried to avoid my calling as Moses replied, "O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue" in Exodus 4:10. Soon, I realized that I was chosen not because I had talents in ministries but because God loved me so much. Through my ministries, I learned that skills and talents would come later when I accepted God's calling.

We began to study the Bible with *The CHOSEN* TV series in 2022. I am so excited to offer this opportunity at Ferris Heights. We are chosen by God because God loves us so much even though we do not deserve it. The chosen people in the TV series are like us. They were used to being poor, uneducated, marginalized, ignored, and oppressed. When they were chosen by Jesus, they became his disciples. They became spiritual leaders in the early church who had shined the light to the darkest world at that time.

We still live in the pandemic. New variants keep coming to us. Our society is so polarized in economy, politics, race, and religion. We may live in the darkest world. That is why God has chosen us in the 21st century. I believe that, as the chosen people by God, we have a special calling in 2022 to shine to this dark world. I am looking forward to seeing God's amazing works through us this year.

Your Pastor, Rev. John Han





# **Chair Cleaning**

Our chairs that have been in storage need cleaning. We invite you to come and go during office hours and clean at your own pace. Thank you so much for your help.

#### **Board of Directors Meet in January**

The FHUMC Board of Directors will meet on Monday, January 10, 2022, 6:00 p.m. We will meet about the 2022 Budget and other items.

## Thank you!

The Pastor, Organist, Nursery Workers, Custodian & Secretary of the church want to say a big THANK YOU for the staff appreciation gift on December 24. You are a wonderful congregation!





Sermon Series

1/2/2022 Deuteronomy 7:6-11

The Chosen: Why 'The Chosen'?

1/9/2022 Isaiah 43:1-7

The Chosen: I Have Called You By Name

1/16/2022 Exodus 20:8-11

The Chosen: Shabbat

1/23/2022 Isaiah 63:15-19

The Chosen: Jesus Loves the Little Children

1/30/2022 Isaiah 64:4-9

The Chosen: The Rock on Which It Is Built

#### **UMW**

The UMW will meet on Monday January 17, 6:30 p.m. This will be our annual planning for the year meeting. All ladies are welcome!



#### **Rev. John Han To Visit Families**



Rev. John Han will be visiting families in the church congregation at their home. Plans are to visit 2 families a week and visit families that have not yet had a visit from Rev. Han. If you would like to be placed on the schedule call the church office, during office hours, 972-937-2344.

Rev. John Han asks to visit outside your home in lawn chairs. He will wear a mask and asks that you wear one as well.

#### **Sunday Leaders for January**

## Worship Leaders: Children's Time:

Jan. 2	Sherry Wright	Karen Lawton
Jan. 9	Ruth Shugart	Ruth Shugart
Jan. 16	Open	Shannon Goretska
Jan. 23	Open	Dianna Robertson
Jan. 30	Open	Ruth S. or Karen L.

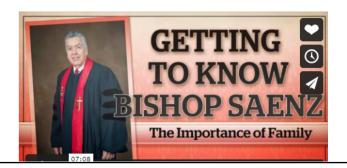
Worship leaders are needed for future months. Worship Leaders will lead the congregation in the Call to Worship, Hymn singing, & read the Scripture for the day. Sign up by writing your name on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the stairs or by contacting Lay Leader, Ruth Shugart.

Lock up for January is the Annie Johnson.

## **New Bishop**

The Central Texas Conference has a new Bishop, his name is Rev. Ruben Saenz. Rev. Mike Lowry retired on 12/31/2021. There are a series of videos on the CTC webpage that you can click on, to "Get to Know Bishop Saenz."

ctcumc.org/bishops-lowry-saenz-conversationsvideo-series



# **Changing Rooms**



#### A Change is coming...

Plans are to change room 100, which is currently the quilt room, into the children's room. This lets the children be in a localized area and it is also better for our leaders and parents on climbing the stairs.

The quilters will move to room 102, which is currently the Fellowship Classroom.

The conference table that is in room 102 will be moved to the parlor. The Fellowship Class will also move to the parlor.

The first step of this move is to prepare the parlor for the conference table.

We ask for volunteers who can move the table and other items. We would like for this project to take place as soon as possible, this month.

Thank you so much!

# HAPPY \*\*\*

#### **January Birthdays**

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Vela Brown	01		
Lexi Baker	04		
Scotty Jenkins	04		
Jordan Lynch	06		
Helen Brock	06		
Kris Alden	09		
Lane Johnson	09		
Erica (Lilly) Ray	10		
Ross Clayton	11		
Vicki Kelsey	12		
Samuel Goretska	16		
Steve Loftis	18		
John Flanagan	18		
Jennifer Lira	28		
Angie Merrell	29		
Chris Campbell	30		
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# Finance 2021

**Connectional Giving** Paid in full for 2021!

#### December 2021



#### February Birthdays

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Joshua Adams	01
Sunny Yu	03
Benita Brown	03
Wyman Harriman	04
MCclain Lynch	04
Landry Taylor	04
Yvonne Odom	07
Samantha Juarez	08
Sue Adams	12
Ginny Campbell	13
Patsy Thompson	13
Deborah Green	14
Scott Green	15
Caitlin James	18
Wylinda Brown	19
Shannon Goretska	22
Charles Adkins	28
Chris Loftis	28
Mia Loftis	28

#### Year to Date thru Dec. 31 AVG Worship Attendance

Sanctuary: 48 Online: 65

# **Monthly FHUMC Activities:**

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Sunday's—Youth 4:30 p.m.

Monday & Wednesday's—Quilting 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday's—"The Chose" Bible Study, noon & 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday's—Wednesday Night Disciples, 6:00 p.m.

First Monday of the Month-Member Care, 6:00 p.m.

Third Monday of the Month—UMW, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 17 UMW Planning Meeting, 6:30

Jan. 30 Potluck Lunch after worship service



Feb. 13 Valentine Lunch after worship service, Youth fundraiser, mark your calendar.





















































**CHRISTMAS 2021**