

Ferris Heights

United Methodist Church, Waxahachie TX

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

June 2023

Information

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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

John Wesley is considered the founder of Methodism. He pursued rigidly methodical spiritual disciplines and lived an abstemious life. He studied Scripture diligently and performed his religious duties with dedication, even depriving himself to have alms to give. He began seeking holiness of heart and life, inspiring many other Christians and leading to the Methodist movement. However, when he went to Savannah, Georgia as a missionary, his teachings and practices were completely rejected. Instead, they were used as a means to judge people. Eventually, he had to return to England with deep frustration and disappointment. But that wasn't the end of the story. He experienced a powerful encounter with the Holy Spirit at the Aldersgate meeting on May 24, 1738. From that moment on, the Methodist movement exploded with the power of the Holy Spirit. John Wesley confessed that he was saved by the grace of God. In Ephesians 2:8-9, we read:

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast." (NRSV)

We, the United Methodists, are the grace-filled people of God. We may make mistakes and fail every day, but we acknowledge that we can be saved not by our own efforts, but by God's grace. That is why we seek to welcome everyone in the name of Christ and trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

As we enter the month of June, we find ourselves eagerly anticipating the arrival of summer. Our children and youth have celebrated the end of school and are now on summer break. They will be participating in Vacation Bible School and a mission trip in June. Their actions may not be perfect, but I believe they will be filled with the grace of God through these wonderful opportunities. I hope that you will also have a grace-filled month, allowing you to encounter transformative experiences just as Wesley did.

Your Pastor, Rev. John Han

2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



V.B.S. Information

by Karen Lawton

Welcome to this year's V.B.S., "ChangeMakers Lab," where children learn that everyone can make a difference in the world! The five Bible stories in this curriculum explore examples of people who experienced and brought about change in the world around them. These people provide a model for asking hard questions, working together to solve problems, reaching across differences, caring for all people, and imagining a new world.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 9:00 A.M.

Parents of students can register their children now, at FHUMC.org. Please register online now, (use the QR code at the top of this column.) Registration on the day of please be here at 8:30 a.m.

Volunteers are needed for:

- ♦ Storytelling.
- ♦ Guide the children from area to area.

Please see Karen Lawton to sign up to be a volunteer.

All adults/volunteers (18 and over) are required to have MinistrySafe training and a background check.

Thank you to Karen Lawton for leading the V.B.S. Thank you to the Volunteers for helping with V.B.S.



CTC Annual Conference

This year's Annual Conference will be at the Waco Convention Center, June 4-6, 2023.

Please be in prayer for those attending this year. Those attending from Ferris Heights are Rev. John Han, Chris Buse, Ruth Shugart and Karen Lawton.

"Be STRONG, TAKE HEART, HOPE in the Lord."



Sermon Series

6/4/2023 Ephesians 2:1-10 Grace-Filled People of God: Prevenient Grace

6/11/2023 Romans 4:1-12 Grace-Filled People of God: Justifying Grace

6/18/2023 Philippians 3:12-21 Grace-Filled People of God: Sanctifying Grace

6/25/2023 Guest Speaker Rev. Danielle Kim



Mission Trip Information

by Shannon Goretska & Angie Heck

This year the U.M. Army, Youth Mission Trip will be at FUMC of Azle on June 18-24. Currently we have 7 trippers registered to attend.

Ferris Heights UMC will be with Springtown UMC, Grace UMC, Copperas Cove FUMC, FUMC Waxahachie, St. John UMC Arlington, FUMC Azle & Stonebridge UMC. Shannon Goretska will be the lead cook for this trip and Abby Machuca will be one of the many assistant cooks.

We will commission the Mission Trip attendees during Sunday morning worship service on June 18. Wear your FHUMC or Mission Trip T-shirt.

Look for our donation board Sunday, June 4. We will be needing things such as drink flavoring, pancake syrup, cookies, chips, first aid supplies, Gatorade mix, and many more items. If you would like to purchase an item for our trip, take a yellow sticky note of your choice from the donation board.

We will be planning some summer fun outings for the month of July. Be on the lookout for dates.

The Youth of Ferris Heights say **THANK YOU** to everyone that have made this trip possible.

Sunday Leaders

| - | Worship Leaders: | Children's Time: |
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| June 4 | Karen Lawton | Karen Lawton |
| June 11 | | Ruth Shugart |
| June 18 | | Shannon Goretska |
| June 25 | | Dianna Robertson |
| If 5th Sunday | | Ruth or Karen |

Worship leaders are needed for future months. Worship Leaders will lead the congregation in the Call to Worship, Hymn singing, & reading of 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 schedule in 2023:

June: Carolyn Jenkins, July: Ann Moir August: Carolyn Spillers, September: Mike James

Lord's Day Festival Planning Meeting

Everyone is invited to attend our first planning meeting for the 2023 Lord's Day Festival.

Volunteers are needed everywhere, so we need you! We have plenty of fun, so join us.

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Summer Time Fun

Join us June 17, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for summer time fun. Open to the community, Ferris Heights UMC & Mercy Preparatory Academy.

A Snow cone truck, bbq food truck, Creature Teacher (similar to petting zoo), Face Painter, and DJ will be in the parking lot. We will also have an inflatable basketball goal, gaga pit (a dodge ball type game), and family style games. Canopies will be in various locations with coolers of water.

Mercy Prep will also have the Chamber here for their Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting.

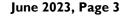
Bring the kids!











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| June | | Griffin Kitchens | 01 |
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| June | | Andrea Loveless | 01 |
| Maci Lyons | 05 | Lea Johnson | 80 |
| Rachel Lynch | 07 | Melanie Marrs | 80 |
| Kenny Johnson | 09 | Donna Adams | 10 |
| Richard Buse | 13 | Roy Almond | 12 |
| Henry Lynch | 13 | Clint Brown | 15 |
| Robert Munoz | 17 | Nicholas Goretska | 16 |
| Cassie Hill | 19 | Abby Campbell | 16 |
| Laura Hugghins | 19 | Doug Merrell | 20 |
| John Mark Goretska | 21 | Bryan Roberts | 21 |
| Jamie Jenkins | 21 | Walter Shugart | 21 |
| Mike James | 23 | Brandy O'Rear | 24 |
| Maccoy Merrell | 23 | Jennifer Taylor | 25 |
| Devin Merrell | 23 | Chris Buse | 28 |
| Sherry Wright | 23 | Louann Teel-Pratt | 29 |

Kevin Almond

May 2023

YTD AVG Worship Attendance

YTD Connectional **Giving Paid** 5/10th

| | Dec. 2022 | Jan. 2023 | Feb 2023 | Mar. 2023 | *Apr. 2023 | **May 2023 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| In Person | 57 | 55 | 56 | 55 | 59 | 61 |
| Online | 58 | 56 | 59 | 59 | 78 | 80 |

\$13,793 Income

Expense \$17,738

Monthly FHUMC Activities:

Youth, 11:00 a.m. Sunday Monday Quilting 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Quilting 10:00 a.m.

Cut out and place on your fridge

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| | Calendar |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| June 4-6 | Annual Conference in Waco. |
| June 7 | Lord's Day Festival Meeting, |
| | 11:00 a.m. |
| June 10 | VBS, 9:00 a.m.—Register now at |
| | FHUMC.org. |
| June 18-24 | Youth Mission Trip to Azle TX. |
| June 17 | Community Event w/ |
| | Mercy Preparatory Academy, |
| | 6:00 p.m. |
| June 18 | Commission those that are going on |
| | Mission Trip during worship |
| | service. |
| June 18 | Father's Day. |
| June 19 | Juneteenth Holiday, office closed. |
| June 19 | UWF, 6:30 p.m. |

^{*}April includes Easter Sunday & Living Lord's Supper. **May includes Mother's Day and Scholarship Awards Day.

Mother's Day 2023











2023 End of School Celebration





Congratulations



Congratulations!

Sunny Yu graduated
University of North Texas
with a Doctorial of Musical
Arts in Organ, May 14, 2023.



Rev. John Han, Asa Condor, Clara Moriarty & Kadin Vire and their families

Ferris Heights United Methodist Church, Sovola Shackelford Scholarship Awards, May 21, 2023

Thank you

I am writing to thank you for your generous Sovola Shackelford Scholarship. I am very appreciative to be selected as a recipient. I am very excited for the fall when I head up to the University of Missouri-Kansas City to pursue my degree in Health Sciences. By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden, which will allow me to focus on school and learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me!

Kadin Vire

Thank you so much for all your prayers and concern for Jennifer and Luke. Jennifer's blood pressure is now back to normal and she has recovered from the emergency c-section. Although Luke arrived 8 weeks early, he is perfect and growing like a weed. We are so blessed.

Thank you also for the wonderful baby shower you gave for Luke. Ferris Heights has always been there for our family in every situation. Your gifts and especially your prayers are deeply appreciated. God bless you all. Love,

Proud grandparents, Gary & Teri Fox

thankyou

Thank you so much for hosting such a great baby shower for Luke! We are so grateful for your presence and for all the gifts for our baby boy.

We're also very appreciative of all your prayers & support while we were in the hospital. We're so happy Luke is home now & can meet his wonderful church family! Thank you,

Ryan & Jennifer

Father's Day—June 18

Sunday, June 18 is Father's Day. Ferris Heights UMC loves our Father's



Juneteenth Holiday

The office will be closed on Monday June 19th in observation of Juneteenth.



United Women in Faith

The U.W.F. will meet June, 19, 6:30 p.m. Ruth Shugart will give the program. All are invited.







"FUN IN THE SUN" COMMUNITY EVENT



FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

Creature Teacher, Face Paint, Inflatables, Games, Food, and more!

Information:



(1) 6-8pm

108 Center Street

Everyone is welcome!





