



Branching Out

A newsletter of Kyle United Methodist Church

May 2011

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

Dear Friends,

As I write this we are just now coming off the high celebration of Easter Sunday! It was a beautiful week of worship! My prayer for you is that as you continue with your life with your high and low moments, may you always know that Resurrection Love and Power given to us through Jesus Christ! Each and every day is a blessing in that we are never alone, that we are loved purely unconditionally, and that we are always forgiven! This is the promise of the cross and the empty grave!

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!

Blessings, *Pastor Barbara*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00am Traditional
Worship in the Sanctuary

10:00am Sunday School
in Individual Classrooms

11:00am Blended
Worship in the
Family Life Center

6-Week Series: "Jesus Lives"

May 1st
Communion Sunday
John 20:19-31

May 8th
Mother's Day
Luke 24:13-35

May 15th
Youth Worship
Graduating Senior
Bryan Cox
preaching at 11am
John 10:1-10

May 22th
Heritage Sunday
John 14:1-14

May 29th
5th Sunday Hymn Sing
John 14:15-21

Easter Services



Over 55
Luncheon



Filling Jars of Joy

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OUR TEACHERS ARE A+!

The KUMC Education Committee would like to recognize our Super Sunday School teachers with a Teacher Appreciation Pot Luck Dinner on **Wednesday, May 11th at 6:00 pm**. Please come out to show our Sunday School teachers just how much we appreciate their time, love and support for our children. Since this is an appreciation pot luck, we would appreciate you bringing extra servings or a dish so that our teachers can enjoy their special evening.

GRADUATING SENIORS POT LUCK LUNCHEON

Sunday, May 15th at 12:15pm, FLC

We need people to bring food and drinks...or to volunteer to set-up and clean-up. Please contact Jodie at 512-787-6711 or jclaes@txstate.edu.

Dear Congregation,

Below you will find that collections and expenses for March of 2011. March was a good month for many reasons. The first being that we were able to cover all expenses and still be able to replace some of the lost savings. Those are the positives. The only negative about March was that we still collected less than our budgeted breakeven point of \$17,600. The budgeted breakeven point is the point of expenses that we would have if we were doing all of the missions that we have planned at Kyle United Methodist Church. However, that is not to take away from the fact that we were able to cover all expenses.

March 2011

Mar 2011 Collections: \$15,506.41
Mar 2011 Expenses: \$10,806.07
Total Income: \$ 4,700.34
YTD Total Income: \$-1,197.12

The replacement of saving in March was great, but its important to remember that it will take many more months like March to replace the money spent out of savings. March was definitely a positive step in the right direction and I thank you all for your continuous support and prayers. Sincerely,

*Merlin Friesenhahn
Finance Committee Chairman*

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UPCOMING FOOD DRIVE



Did you know? Texas ranks #1 in the nation for hunger in children under the age of 18. Between 2005 and 2007, 22% of children in Texas were food insecure.

June is Hunger Awareness Month in Hays County. Join our Youth and Missions team as they help the Hays County Food Bank collect canned food and monetary donations. Be on the lookout for more information on this endeavor!

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS!

We will be having weekly craft get together every Tuesday evening starting at 6pm and going on until we stop! This time will be for those people who wish to work on crafts for the Craft Booths we will be doing throughout the year, and for the Missions works we are doing for Seton Hospital (lap afghans and shawls.) So come by, do some crafts and enjoy some fellowship at the same time!

SAVE THOSE POP CANS!

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, we will be collecting aluminum cans to recycle and raise some "change" for the church. There will be receptacles in the fellowship hall for the cans you have collected. Please empty and rinse out the cans before you deposit them. Crunching them down is optional, but welcomed!

Happy Birthday to...

May 1st...Lisa Hall

May 2nd...

Beverly Wood

May 5th...

Irene Nixon

May 5th...

Alexander Bsaibes

May 5th...Matt Greene

May 7th...Christie Meyer

May 7th...Wyatt Cox

May 11th...Jenny Sandoval

May 14th...Sean Norton

May 20th...Brian Barker

May 20th...Zachary Johnson

May 20th...David Wilson

May 23rd...Andrea Friesenhahn

May 23rd...Carla Hixon

May 24th...Anderson Brown

May 24th...Gilbert Sandoval

May 26th...Tennie Hale

May 27th...LeighAnn Cox

May 28th...Eric Cortez

May 28th...Shirley LaFleur



Happy Anniversary to...

May 10th...

Brian & Lynette Barker

May 23rd...

Larry & Donna Murphree

May 28th...

Dennis & LeighAnn Cox



PRAY BALL

**KICKBALL TOURNAMENT:
SATURDAY, MAY 21ST, TIME TBA**

*Gregg-Clarke Park--
(FM 150 next door to the post office.)*



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2011!

The theme is **Shake it Up Cafe..where kids carry out God's recipe!**

Your kids will explore the Bible as an exciting cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's Word. By celebrating biblical festivals, they will:

- Be ready for God
- Give happily to God
- Believe fully in Jesus
- Remember Jesus often
- Celebrate God forever

VBS will be held on a weekend this year: Friday, June 3rd from 6-8pm and Saturday, June 4th from 9am-3pm.

We could still use 3 helpers, so please contact Lauren Earle to help: laurenkumc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday, June 1st, we will gather at 6pm to eat a light meal and then decorate the Family Life Center for VBS.

These are also some items needed:
100 - Plastic containers with lids
(12 ounce to 24 ounce size such as cottage cheese, yogurt, sour cream, etc.)

100 - Cardboard rectangles, 5"x7"
(cereal box cardboard, heavy boxes, shirt cardboards from packaged shirts, etc.)

100 - wooden spoons

2 yards other fabric, preferably having to do with cooking or food

Ribbons, stickers, trims

White Glue and glue sticks

Aprons

Small inflatable children's swimming rings

Colored packing peanuts

White rope

Styrofoam balls (all sizes)

Shipping tubes

Plastic "food" items

Any café or food themed artwork

Plastic table cloths--red and white checkered, or plain red, plain white

Washable crayons

Washable markers

Glitter glue

Poster board

White Glue and glue sticks

Small chalk board or white boards

Thank you!

**May Bible Study is postponed...
stay tuned for new day & time!**