

NEWSLETTER

Music Camp 2010

June 1-4

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Ages 3 thru those who have completed the 5th grade

Family Night on June 4 at 6:00 PM

One of the most important weeks of the year for our church is quickly approaching, June 1-4. The week I am speaking of is Music Camp. Last year we were blessed to serve 160 children from our community. This ministry continues to amaze me in so many ways. It is wonderful to see the joy children have coming to hear the stories of faith, to sing and dance, and to play crazy games. The number of individuals who volunteer to make this week possible is unbelievable, but we still need more! In the midst of all the excitement is also something that is very hard to watch. Every year as we serve lunch, we come

into contact with children who are truly hungry. The lunch they receive at Music Camp that day may be all they have. What a blessing it is to serve these children. I shared on Sunday that approximately 98% of individuals who make a decision for Christ do it before they are 16. Sharing the story of faith with children is one of the most important things we do as a church. I hope you will make every effort to contribute to this very important ministry of our church. Not only will the kids of our community be changed, your life will be touched as well.

Blessings,
Bryan

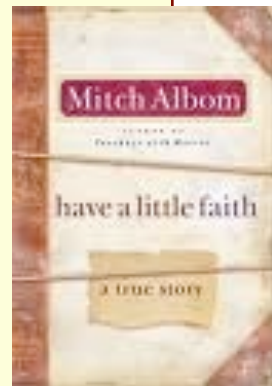
MOTHER'S DAY CHURCH LUNCH



Our youth will be preparing a special Mother's Day Church Lunch on May 9 immediately following our worship service. They will be taking donations to go towards the cost of their summer mission trip and Spirit Wind choir tour. Hope to see you there!

Book Club

Mitch Albom's first nonfiction book since Tuesdays with Morrie, Have A Little Faith begins with an unusual request: an 82-year-old rabbi from Albom's old hometown asks him to deliver his eulogy. Feeling unworthy, Albom insists on understanding the man better, which throws him back into a world of faith he'd left years ago. Meanwhile, closer to his current



home, Albom becomes involved with a Detroit pastor – a reformed drug dealer and convict – who preaches to the poor and homeless in a decaying church with a hole in its roof.

Join us for our time of discussion on Thursday, May 27 at 10:00 AM or 7:00 PM. Books are available for \$15 in the church office.

RELAY FOR LIFE AND AUTISM WALK

The Eastland County Relay for Life will be held on May 7 & 8 at the Eastland High School practice field. Events begin at 6:00 PM and run until 6:00 AM. Our youth will have a tent set up. Stop by and see



The West Texas Autism Walk will be held on May 8 at the Abilene Zoo. Many from our church are part of the Charles in Charge Team in honor of Charles Hughes. Join them at 10:00 AM for the walk.



LABOR DAY MEN'S RETREAT



Bryan is working on a Labor Day fishing trip to Creede, Colorado. Creede offers a variety of opportunities that include fishing, hiking, jeeping, or simply enjoying the beautiful setting. Fishing is not limited to fly fishing. There are mountain streams, the Rio Grande, large reservoirs, and small ponds. This truly is a place that offers something for everyone. We will stay at Cottonwood Cove Lodge. If you are interested please let Bryan know ASAP. Reservations need to be made in the coming weeks.

HOME BOUND MINISTRY TEAM

We are putting together a Home Bound Ministry Team to work with our Older Adult Ministry. On May 11th at 7:00 PM we will meet in the conference room for an organizational meeting. The purpose of this group will be to make monthly visits and occasional phone calls to members who are unable to attend church. If you would be willing to serve in this area by giving a couple of hours a month, please join us.



CHURCH LAWN CARE



In an effort to be more conscious of how we use our financial resources, the recommendation to begin a lawn care rotation was made last year. If you would be willing to help care for the church grounds by mowing

and edging, on a rotating basis, please contact the church office. Once we have a list of names, we will put together a rotation, and you will receive a reminder when it is your turn to mow.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance Committee

Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30 PM



Administrative Council

Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30 PM

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CORNER

- Only a few more Wednesday Night Lives left. The last one will be May 12. It will be crazy game night for the children. You will not want to miss the fun!
- It is time to sign up for Glen Lake Summer Camp in Glen Rose. You can get more information at www.glenlake.org. We also have registration forms in the church office. The church will pay half of the registration cost for anyone who wants to attend.
- Youth, if you have not signed up for mission trip and want to go, talk to Bryan immediately.
- Our youth will be hosting a Middle School dance as a fundraiser on May 22.
- We are hoping to host a district youth event on May 16. More details to come soon.



Concert on
June 10
at 7:00 PM
FUMC Eastland
Sanctuary

MAY BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Cody Gregg
- Makenna Moreno
- Matthew Moreno
- 2 Kasen Conring
- 4 Mary Siebert
- 5 Clay Harrison
- 7 Betty Pryor
- 9 Paul Holleman
- Jan Novak
- 12 Tracey Jones
- Jennifer Tucker
- 15 Jean Darnell
- 17 L.V. Coffee
- Angie Padilla
- Whitney Davidson
- 19 Ana Cunningham
- Troy Jones
- 23 Cameron Jones
- Brandi Wright
- 24 Kim Moreno
- 26 Nancy Hughes
- Wayne Jones
- 27 Frances Bishop
- 28 Roberta Broussard
- Jacob Davidson
- Ruth Smith
- 29 Laura Holleman
- Annie Wooten

Senior Breakfast

We will host our annual Senior Breakfast for the Graduating Class of 2010 on Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 AM. If you would be willing to assist with this great tradition please contact Sue Watkins.



MAY ANNIVERSARIES



- 12 Don & Jacque Greenroy
- 19 Jeff & Shellye Truran
- 26 Bryan & Jennifer Patrick

**FUMC RANGER
Upcoming Events**

**Senior Lunch
May 12**

**Church Council Meeting
May 18**