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May 5, 2010

From Our Pastor, Rev. Tom Stephenson

What's Your Resurrection Potential?

It's funny to me how certain beliefs and attitudes in the church develop. Take the belief about resurrection. Probably the best teaching on what we Christians believe about resurrection comes from the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 15—***12Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; 14and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. 17If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. 19If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.***

20But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Paul's teaching is very sound and a good foundation to begin understanding resurrection in our lives. And of course, resurrection of our bodies and souls begins with the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter. Yet for most of us, our belief and understanding about resurrection centers around those who have died; our loved ones in heaven and someday, me and you. And that's a good place to start our understanding of resurrection, but it should not be where it stops.

Because Jesus was raised from the dead, all the rules get tossed out the window. You know the ones I'm talking about: the rules that say your life can never change for the better. The rules that say your relationships can never grow and you can never grow beyond who you are right now. Those rules are gone! Jesus has opened a new window for our souls, and ultimately for our bodies one day, and we don't have to wait for death to experience new life and to be raised from the dead. My friend Rev. Lamar Massengill writes, "Resurrection is not a 'someday' thing. Resurrection is as real for us as the lunch we will eat today." So, what's your resurrection potential? If you believe that Christ was raised from the dead, and place your faith in him, your resurrection potential is pretty high. New life awaits those who believe right now.

Blessings,

Rev. Tom Stephenson

Our Faithfulness

Our Gifts

Giving Report April 2010

Our monthly needs:
\$65,500.00

Receipts as of April 30:
\$63,418 .00

Our Attendance

Sunday Worship	April 18
8:15 a.m.	47
8:55 a.m.	83
11:00 a.m.	110

Sunday Worship	April 25
10:30 a.m.	34
8:55 a.m.	97
11:00 a.m.	139

Thank you for supporting the Lord's work with your tithes and offerings.

Stewardship is what a man does after he says "I believe".

Members Serving in Worship

May 9, 2010

6th Sunday of Easter

Ushers: Team #2- 8:15 – Dr. Rollie Allen, Archie & Laqueta McLellan, Rock Rothrock

11:00 – Bill Bailey, Brown Claybar, Daniel Grooms, Richard Estes, Ken Hillsten, O'Neal Waldrop

Altar Guild: Not Yet Available

Greeters: 8:55– Trisha & Bobby Anderson 11:00– Judy & Gerald Taylor

Parking Lot Greeters: 8:55 - Jeannie & Errol Waguespack
11:00– Bill Bailey

Lay Reader: 8:15 – Duane Anthony 8:55 – Davie Thompson
11:00 – Jim Armstrong

Acolytes: Emily Lafley/David Graham

May 16, 2010

7th Sunday of Easter

Ushers: Team #5- 8:15 – Dick & Marilyn Powell, Rock Rothrock
11:00 – Howard Nelson, Don Reasonover, Kathy McKenzie, Don & Joellen Grooms, Joyce Kleinknecht

Altar Guild: Not Yet Available

Greeters: 8:55– Julie & Richard Allensworth
11:00– Wilda Hart & Jim Finklea

Parking Lot Greeters: 8:55– Leighia & Richard Barron
11:00– Jim & James Armstrong

Lay Reader: 8:15 – Walter Riedel 8:55 – Dal Moreau
11:00 – Theresa Beauchamp

Acolytes: J.T. Graham/Chris Graham

Memorials

In memory of Sandy Sanford by:

Richard Hunter

In memory of Mildred Barclay by:

Dan & Kathy Barclay

Kim & Dan Martin

Mary Louise McKee

In memory of Bill Bryant by:

John & Beverly Hanes

In memory of Vernon Pennington by:

John & Beverly Hanes

In memory of Dan Domas by:

Judy McClelland

UMW Meetings

Board Meeting

Thursday, May 6th at 9:30 am

UMW Time Apart

Thursday, May 13th at 10:00 am

Births



It's a Boy!

Jadon Wayne Singer

Born: April 7, 2010

8lbs and 6 oz

Proud parents: Jessica & Jason Singer of Orange

Proud Grandfather: Alan Powell

Proud Great-Grandparents: Dick & Marilyn Powell

It's a Boy!

Robert Grayson Neff

Born: April 22, 2010

6lbs and 2oz - 19in.

Proud parents: Jay & Leslie Neff

Men's Dinner

The United Methodist Women are hosting a **Men's Dinner on Friday, May 14, 2010**. It will be at 6:30pm in the Praise Center. We will have a wonderful meal, good fellowship and an exciting guest speaker. Come and let the women wait on you as we express our appreciation for all you do for us! The evening will have a western theme so come in your boots and jeans. Tickets are \$10. If you have any questions, please call Wendy Stephenson at 883-3727.

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 9, 2010
Holy Communion
NO Evening Activities

Special Offering:
Methodist Children's Home

Visitors

Arnulfo Arciva
Devin Seth
Angel Force
Barbara Hayes
Mary Sue Carter
Andrew Borel
Nichole Phillips
Spencer Johns
John Gray
Paul Burd
Kevin & Annette Malcolm
Karry Crause
Walter & Christie Graham
Addie Wallace
Gayle Peveto
Bob LaChance
Michelle Adkins
Lannie Coon
Heather Rogers
Mack & Vonn Toler
Robert Hoke

Caring Meals

Caring Meals Ministry now has a stock of frozen casseroles, soups, spaghetti sauce, veggie casseroles in our freezer located in Tow Inn. This stock is for use by the congregation when a quick meal is needed for members after a lengthy hospital stay, illness, death in their family not a member of the church, etc.

Please, when you know of a need, take items from the stock yourself, or call a member of the team so a meal may be provided. A colorful binder on top of the freezer has a list of items available. When taking items, please complete the info needed in the binder.

Many thanks to those who have provided funds, casseroles, work to get this ministry started. Your help is needed in providing information on those in need of this service. Call Beverly Blalack - 886-4832, Regina Pattillo - 746-2435, Malissie Bailey - 886-0047, Angelia Abshire -670-1751, Davie Thompson - 882-9936.

Save Your Water Bottles

Please save plastic water bottles and lids for Beth Tatum. She is collecting them to make noisemakers for worship at Annual Conference and needs 1000 by mid-May! You may bring them to her office at the church. Extra thanks if you rinse them and remove labels 1st!

Kroger Barcode

THE NEW KROGER BARCODES ARE IN FOR THE NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR PROGRAM.

To enroll in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor plan have the cashier scan this barcode before scanning your Kroger Plus Card. Once the barcode is scanned the first time it will remain active for one year, and every time you use your Kroger Plus Card, a percentage of your purchase will go to the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation fund.



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Calling Our Veterans

If you are a member of FUMC Orange and a Veteran, we'd like to honor you by featuring you on our website. Please submit a photograph of you in uniform then (and now if you have a current photo to include) and information of the branch in which you served and when, and one of your favorite memories during your service. You may provide this information the church office by stopping by or emailing Kristen.Huckaby@fumcorange.org. We're currently designing the Veterans page to be included on the website and we'd like to include those who have served our country to help preserve our freedom. We thank you!

FUMC Orange Photos

We'd like to ask those of you who enjoy taking photos or are a photographer to bring your camera with you to the various church activities and take some candid shots, posed shots, and fun shots of our church members and visitors and church activities. If you have some great photos you'd like to include on the church website, please email them to Kristen at Kristen.Huckaby@fumcorange.org. Please be sure to label who's in the photo and from what activity the photo is referencing. Not all photos will necessarily be posted, but we'll take the best of the best from each activity or event and show our community what a great church family we have, what great facilities we have been blessed with and what great fun we have together.

Memorial Day

Monday, May 31st
OFFICE CLOSED

NO evening activities on Sunday, May 30, 2010



Men's Breakfast

United Methodist Men's Breakfast
Saturday, May 8, 2010
8:00am in the Praise Center

New FUMC Website

The new FUMC website is now live and may be accessed at the same address www.fumcorange.org. New features include: Weekly News Updates, Activities Calendar, Posted Newsletters, online audio of sermons and a Search field to help you find current and archived items.

The website is continually being updated and we're still working through some of the kinks so please be patient with us. Any comments or feedback is encouraged; just submit it via the Contact Us: form on the Home Page.

The Youth page is undergoing its final touches and will be ready to launch very soon. We are also currently working on a Member's Page that will allow for online Nametag Requests, an online directory of our members (password protected), information on UMW and UMM and a page featuring our Veterans. Look for that new Member's page to launch soon.

For those who need a little assistance in navigating through the new site, we will be offering a basic one hour website training session following the 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service on May 16. The session will guide the users through the site helping first time users or those who aren't very tech savvy become comfortable with the site. Lunch will be provided for a love offering to cover the cost. RSVP will be requested and reminders will be posted in the bulletin in May.

We thank all those from the FUMC members, staff and our designer Greg Petersen who have contributed to the new website. In an effort to keep the site as current as possible, we ask for everyone's involvement. Please provide updated information to Kristen about your committee, activities, photos, schedules and other church-related information. The Contact Us form is on the Home Page of the website or you may email her directly. We also encourage general positive and negative feedback to help us improve the site.

Logo Decals

If you haven't received your Logo Decal to place on your vehicle rear window, they are available in the office along with application instructions. Pick one up



6TH-12TH GRADE
Sundays
at 5:00-7:00p.m.
in the Praise Center

Senior Graduation Breakfast



Sunday, May 16, 2010
10:00-10:45am
In the Praise Center

Upcoming Events

◆ NO Youth

Sunday, May 9—Mother's Day
Sunday, May 30—Memorial Weekend

◆ Senior Breakfast

Sunday, May 16th
10:00am in the Praise Center

◆ District Youth Meeting

Sunday, May 16th
1:30pm

◆ Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, May 23rd
Followed by a reception

◆ Conference Youth Lock-in

Sunday, May 30th - Monday, May 31st
At Christ UMC in the Woodlands

Children's Ministry



Sunday School Rotation NOT YET AVAILABLE
Please Contact Jay Neff (779-9566 (or)
jay.neff@fumcorange.org) for Sunday School Rotation info



1st Methodist Kids
Party in the Courtyard
Sunday, May 16th
5:00-7:00pm

Mark your calendars for:

VBS – Galactic Blast
July 5th – 9th
First Christian Church



If you would like to volunteer, please
speak with Leighia Barron, Susan Lafley,
or Wendy Stephenson. THANKS!!



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**Traditional Service
in Chapel
8:15 a.m.**

**Celebration Service
in Praise Center
8:55 a.m.**

**Sunday School
9:50 a.m.**

**Traditional Service
In the Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.**

**Office Hours
M-Th 8:30-4:30
Fri 8:30-Noon**

Men's Dinner

Friday, May 14, 2010
6:30pm in the Praise Center
Western Theme
meal, fellowship and an exciting guest speaker
Tickets—\$10.00

Calendar of Events

Thursday, May 6
9:30am

UMW Board Meeting

Saturday, May 8
8:00am

UMM Breakfast

Sunday, May 9
8:15am
8:55am
9:50am
11:00am

Mother's Day/Communion
Traditional Service in Chapel
Celebration Service
Sunday School
Traditional Service in Sanctuary
NO Evening Activities

Monday, May 10
10:00am
10:00am
3:00-6:00pm
6:30pm

Intercessory Prayer
Caring Ministry
Youth Outreach
Evangelism Meeting

Tuesday, May 11
5:00pm
6:00pm

Missions
Finance

Wednesday, May 12
11:30am
4:00pm
5:00pm
6:00pm
7:00pm

Lunch with the Lord
Confirmation Last Day
WNL
Bells
Choir
Last Day of Disciple

Thursday, May 13
10:00am
5:00pm

UMW Time Apart
Last Blast Committee

Friday, May 14
9:30am-12:30pm
6:30pm

Malloy Foundation
Men's Dinner

Sunday, May 16
8:15am
8:55am
9:50am
10:00am
11:00am
11:00-2:00pm
3:30pm
5:00pm
5:00pm

Disciple Recognition
Traditional Service in Chapel
Celebration Service
Sunday School
Senior Breakfast
Traditional Service in Sanctuary
Website Training
Praise Team
Youth/1st Kids
Jesus in the Gospel
College UM Army Leaves
(May 16th-22nd)

Monday, May 17
10:00am
3:00-6:00pm
6:00pm

Intercessory Prayer
Youth Outreach
Worship Meeting

Tuesday, May 18
6:00pm

Admin. Council

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors