

Pastor Ponderings

Dear Friends,

Sorry this late getting out, but VBS prep is nearly complete. We will celebrate “Hero Central” next week. There are new requirements for medical & publicity release in registration, so please pre-fill the forms and don’t wait until Monday at 5:30 p.m. VBS is open to children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade.

We are working to align our Safe Sanctuary Policy with the new requirements of the Rio Texas Annual Conference. Anyone who works with Children, Youth or vulnerable adults must complete a 3 step screening and training process as detailed below. Even if you weren’t able to get it done for VBS, we still need all volunteers to take time to complete it for the protection of everyone involved in our ministries.

The children’s mission for VBS will be gifts for the Sinton Food Pantry, so donate your loose change of canned goods. If you will be out of town, please send your pledge in by mail. We are experiencing the normal cash flow crunch of summer. Every penny helps!

As always, I would love to hear your stories of how Christ is working in your life. Blessings and have a safe summer if you are traveling.

In Jesus’ Joy & Justice,

Pastor Beth

Rev. Beth Tatum



JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Men's Bible Study Breakfast 8:30 am	2	3	4  OFFICE CLOSED	5	6	7
8 Covered Dish Luncheon	9 Health Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, FH	10	11 CBDRG Unmet Needs Meeting, 1:30pm, FH	12	13	14
15 Men's Bible Study Breakfast 8:30 am Church Council	16  5:30-8:30 PM	17  5:30-8:30 PM	18 CBDRG Unmet Needs Meeting, 1:30pm, FH  5:30-8:30 PM	19 Worship Committee, 3:30 pm, FH  5:30-8:30 PM	20  5:30-8:30 PM	21
22 Swimming Day 6:30 am-7:00 pm (Leave-come back)	23	24	25 CBDRG Unmet Needs Meeting, 1:30pm, FH	26	27	28
29 5 th Sunday Service	30	31				



Regular Activities

Bible Study: Each Wednesday, 6:30 pm, last day is August 1.

Christian Men's Fellowship: 1st & 3rd Sunday, 8:30 am

Exercise Group: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10:00 am

Health & Wellness Support Group: Monday, 6:15 pm

Health Committee: 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Little Lights Group: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

RX Program: Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 10 am-12 pm

Sunday Worship Service: Every Sunday, 10:00 am

Sunday School for Adults & Children: Every Sunday, 9:00 am

United Methodist Women: 2nd Monday, 2:30 pm (excluding summer months)

United Methodist Youth Group: Every Wednesday, 6:30 pm (Not meeting this Summer)

Walk & Get Fit: Monday-Thursday, 5:30 pm

Wesley Counselor: Thursday, 9 am-5 pm (by appointment)

Wesley Nurse Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, 8 am-6:30, Friday, 9 am-11am

Volunteers Are Needed

We are in need of volunteers to learn and operate the sound system in the sanctuary. If you can help please call the church office.

Money counters are needed for Monday mornings. Please call Sandra Coates at 361-229-1982 if you can help.

Greeters for July: Betty Strain

August: Irma Tamez

Lay Readers: 7/1: Nina DuBose

7/8: Kerry DuBose

7/15: Denise Cluiss

7/22: Sandra Coates

7/29: Justin Marshall

Money Counters for July 2018: Sandra Coates, Bonnie Hartung, Kathy Wheeler & Sherwin Fairly.



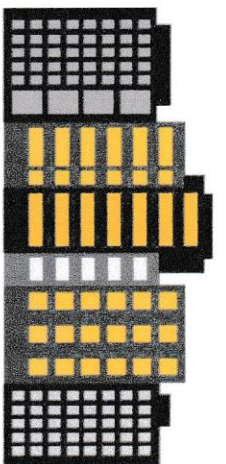
Calling all Superheroes!

VBS **Hero Central** is coming to
Sinton's First United Methodist Church!
2018 Vacation Bible School



- 5:30-6:00....**Opening Assembly** and **Dinner** served in the Fellowship Hall.
- 6:00-8:00....**Rotate Activities:** Bible lessons, games, craft, science and more!
- 8:00.....**Music & Friendship Finale**
- 8:30.....**Parent Pick up**
- (Friday join **Closing Assembly** at 8 pm)

Questions?
Desire to be a **Hero Volunteer?**
Call FUMC 361-364-2031
or Monica Reagan at 361-730-5974!



In this 5 day **Hero Central VBS**, kids go on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God.

Bring your children
(Completed Kindergarten
through 5th grade) to:

First United Methodist Church
(405 W. Sinton St.)
and their evenings will be filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences these little heroes can see, hear, touch, and taste!

And don't worry about dinner for these nights, we've got that covered!

JOIN US FOR OUR
Superhero VBS

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION
FORM TODAY!

Fee: **FREE**

Vacation Bible School

July 16th - July 20th

(Monday-Friday)

Mail Forms to:
First United Methodist Church
PO Box 276
Sinton, Texas 78387

PLEASE PREREGISTER

One Registration Form per Child

Child's name _____
Age : _____ Grade Completed: _____
Parent(s) Name _____
Cell Phone _____
Home Phone _____
Address _____

Emergency Contact Person (other than
Parent listed above) and phone # _____

Persons Authorized to Check
Your Child Out from VBS 2018

New policy requires new forms for
your child's safety.
Please Attach Photo Release &
Medical and Transportation Release
Forms. These will be kept on file for
future church activities, including
Sunday School & Youth fellowship
events.

FISH FRY NEWS!

First United Church of Sinton pulled together on Sunday for the fish fry which was a great success. We sold 375 tickets and \$18 bagged fish and hushpuppies at the end plus some donations so a total of \$3018. 56 people ate inside and 309 took plates to go. Left over fish plates were delivered by Lynn Houser to the EMS, the restitution center and Stripes.

The door prizes were won by the following people:
Karen Vickers- hot/cold container donated by Becky Stalcup
Dawn Ebers - notepads donated by Becky Stalcup
Laurie Lopez- leggings donated by Suzanne Marshall
Alton Luedke- plant donated by Becky Stalcup
Donna Searles-candle donated by Becky Stalcup
Lulu-hot/cold cup donated by Anna Franklin

A big thank you to all that donated the prizes. Thank you to our angels that donated the Cole slaw, tickets, and the new safety cones. **BIG THANK YOU** to Patrick and Holly Houser for cooking the beans, making the tarter sauce and being in charge of cooking the fish and hushpuppies. Thanks to all who worked filling the plates inside, worked outside cooking, runners, and Anna who kept the line moving and answered questions. Also thank you to the City of Sinton for letting us use some of their cones.

Deposit \$3018
Receipts \$871.43
Total made \$2146.57

Again thank you so much for all who helped with the Fish Fry Fundraiser.

Sandra Coates





PRAYER LIST:

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- Thai Cave Rescue of Boys
- Jackie Williams
- Ian McPhail
- Tenley Threadgill
- Karen Urban
- Emma & David Hoffman
- Adam Hoffman
- Nathan Coates
- John Malone
- Robert West
- Richard Lampert
- Ryan Shazer
- Greg Smith
- Joann Pitzer
- Jimmy Mauch
- Eileen Kellett
- Tom Allen

Sympathy:

- The Family of Tracey Medlock
- The Family of Jose Obregon

Law Enforcement

Personnel:

- Sinton Community
- United States

Military:

- Wesley Hartung
- Cameron Collier
- Kevin Campbel
- Jakob Unruh
- Tyler Scotten
- Brianna Monreal
- Chad Hutchins

Joys:

- Carmen Benavidez (latest scans showed no cancer!)
- Laynie Houser (Doing well post transplant!)

If you would like to add a loved one to our prayer list, please, call the church office at 364-2031, or email us at umc@att.net.

Memorials

(Received June 1-30, 2018)

RON GOLDMAN
Mr. & Mrs. Sid Brough



**ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS
JUNE 2018**

JUNE 3:	Worship -35 Sunday School-27 Total Offering: \$2,628.81
JUNE 10:	Worship -40 Sunday School-15 Total Offering: \$5,281.05
JUNE 17:	Worship -18 Sunday School-10 Total Offering: \$1,742.33
JUNE 24:	Worship -31 Sunday School-12 Total Offering: \$4,431.66

**GIVING TO FUNDS
MAY 2018**

APPORTIONMENTS FUND=	\$258.28
BUILDING FUND=	\$100.00
COOKBOOKS=	\$15.00
GENERAL FUND=	\$9,217.07
MEMORIAL=	\$20.00
SPECIAL OFFERING=	\$218.67
VOLUNTEER VILLAGE=	\$375.00

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Average Needed Monthly for Budget - \$ 12,728
2018 Operating Budget - \$164,387
Apportionments YTD - \$3,101.93 (18.15%)

Giving for June to Operating Budget:

6/3:	\$2,440.00
6/10:	\$2,728.05
6/17:	\$1,000.00
6/24:	\$3,341.77
Total:	\$9,509.82

Please remember your church during summer vacations. Pre-give before you leave so we don't experience cash flow difficulties. We want to pay our bills!



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*Blessed is the
Nation whose God
is the Lord.*
Psalms 33:12

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