



Methogram

"The mission of First United Methodist Church of Silsbee is to bring glory to God, to go and share the Gospel with all, and to make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

DAN'S DIVINITIES

This Memorial Day, pause a moment to give thanks for those who have fought for our freedom, our protection, and our way of life. Some of these brave men and women have paid the ultimate price with their lives. Few, if any went onto the battlefield expecting to give their lives, but all knew that they might do so. Some of you had sons, daughters, or other family members offer their lives as a sacrifice for our country. You know the grief and pain associated with the loss. Know, also, of the appreciation of each of us for their service.

Nancy and I will be attending 169th session of the Texas Annual Conference beginning Sunday evening, May 30, and concluding at noon on Wednesday, June 2. The conference will be held this year at The Woodlands UMC, which is a beautiful facility, and perfectly managed for the conference and its associated events.

Your lay delegate this year is Bob Herbst who will represent you. Bob was nominated by our Committee on Lay Leadership and approved last fall by the Charge Conference. Our other elected lay delegate is not able to attend because of recent health issues, and our alternate lay delegate was not able to attend on short notice, so Nancy and I have taken the liberty to recruit Joyce Wallace to be our second delegate

The Conference will start with the Service of Remembrance Sunday evening. As a spouse of a clergy person, Bill Ratchford, will be among those whom are remembered. All worship services and business sessions are open to the public, although only delegates may vote. For a full schedule of worship services, events, and sessions, please visit the Conference Web Site: www.txcumc.org.

Have a great week, and I will look forward to seeing you in church on Sunday.

Pastor Dan Darby

May 26, 2010

Worship

5/16	163
5/23	173

Sunday School

5/16	84
5/23	91

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(Mother of Weldon Waldrep)
(Mother-in-Law of Leigh Waldrep)
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Grief Recovery Workshop

Pastors Dan and Nancy will co-lead and teach a Grief Recovery Workshop beginning on Thursday, June 17, at 10 a.m. in Cravens Hall. It will meet every other week for six sessions. Participants will learn about the grieving process, journaling, the nature of loss, barriers to

healthy grief, stress management, dealing with anger, guilt and denial, and many other issues associated with grief and mourning.

You may register by calling the church office or by registering at the church web site: www.silsbeeumc.com.

Summer Camp for our children and youth is July 19-23. Registration deadline is June 16. Forms are available in the church office and on the church web site, www.silsbeeumc.com.



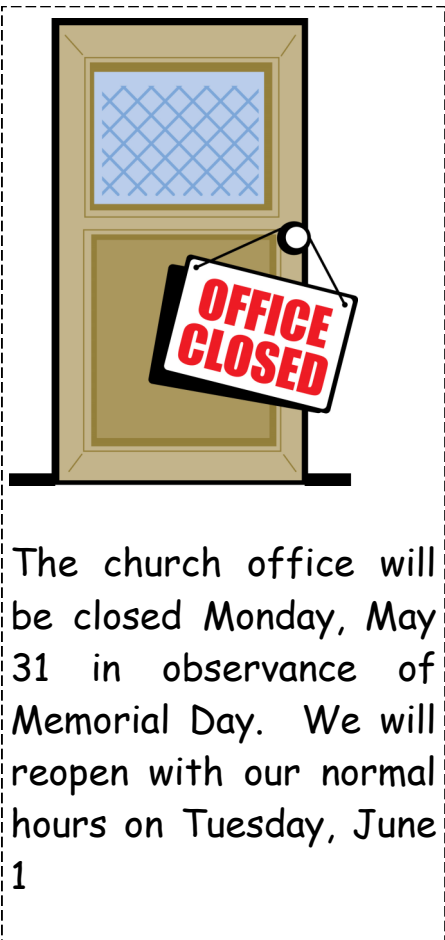
The deadline for registering for Choir Camp is upon us! We must have it to the registrar by June 2, so you must register immediately. Choir Camp is July 5-9 at Lakeview Methodist Conference Center.

PRAYERS

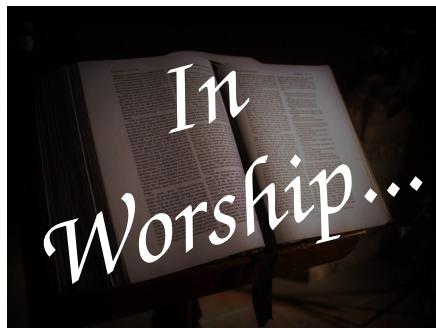
Bud and Dixie Collier
Bill Barclay and Family
Louise Barnes and Family
Nancy Ratchford and Family
Jan Wilson
Tom & Beverly Price
Britt Plunk
Wilma Ludwig
Bertha Gallander

Hot Topics Warm Hearts Cool Heads

Several of our church members have voiced concern over the support of health care reform by the United Methodist Board of Church and Society. The way the church has historically addressed such issues involving controversy is through Christian Conferencing. The summer seems a difficult time to get people together, so your pastors are planning a series of Christian Conferences this fall on the second Sunday evenings of September, October, and November at 5:00 p.m. We will have a meal together, have a presentation and discussion on various hot topics such as the role of the church in influencing society on justice issues in general and on the hot topic of health care in particular. It promises to be a wonderful time of Christian fellowship where we can discuss with cool heads issues upon which we might not all agree. Pastors Dan and Nancy will present information and moderate the discussion. If there are resources in the form of persons with expertise or curriculum to help us, we will take advantage of those. Methodists have always been a people who are tolerant with one another because of our common faith even when there are differences of opinion.



The church office will be closed Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen with our normal hours on Tuesday, June 1



This Sunday, May 30, I will be preaching a sermon entitled "God's Big Plans for Little People." Our scripture readings will be Psalm 8, 2 Peter

1:3 & 4, and Ephesians 1:3-14. We will also have special prayers of thanksgiving for those who have given their lives for our country as we celebrate Memorial Day weekend.

Beginning the first Sunday of June, Nancy and I will begin a five part sermon series on Paul's letter to the Galatians. I'll start with Galatians 1 on June 6. Nancy will fill in for me on June 27.

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