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## Dan's Divinities

I'm on my way to choir camp as I write this. It's a bit tough driving and typing at the same time. Just kidding, my lovely wife is driving. Speaking of my wife, Paula and I are celebrating 35 years of marriage today. I realize that I am much too young to have been married for so long. Paula took a child groom. It has taken her a long time to raise me, and she is still working on it.

Six of us are attending choir camp this year: Dan and Paula Darby; our music director, Jenny Pachall; and three teenagers: Elizabeth Trainer in the adult camp, Rebecca Darby in the high school camp, and Nicholas Trainer in the middle school camp. We will learn the joy of singing, along with a lot of technical help. Jenny and Paula will go to music reading sessions, which will help them select future anthems for the choir. There are many other workshops offered on things like liturgical movement, worship planning and technology, drama, and much more.

I have some good news for you regarding our McDonough Hall Classroom Renovation project. I don't have the exact totals in front of me, but our gifts and pledges for the McDonough Hall classroom area renovation are at about \$73,000. In addition, the Memorial Committee has designated the balance of the previously undesignated memorials for this fund, so that brings our total to around \$83,000. The Finance Committee has designated \$20,000 of our reserve funds for this project, bringing our total gifts and pledges to around \$103,000. I talked to Mrs. Charlene Dauphin last week who has offered us a matching grant of \$100,000, and she said our \$103,000 would qualify for the matching funds. She will be making her matching donation in the near future, so that will bring our total for gifts and pledges to over \$200,000!

Barring unforeseen difficulties, this

should be enough money to complete the first phase of the project. We will replace all the exterior windows with double pane windows, which will make the building much more energy efficient. One of the classroom bathrooms will be remodeled into a handicap accessible family bathroom, which will make our first worship service, our fellowship dinners and other events that occur in the fellowship hall of McDonough Hall, and all of our children's ministries and scouting programs open to people with disabilities. This is an act of love and caring, and should have been done years ago. Finally, during phase one, we will remodel the west wing of the building, two rooms at a time. We will get started on this soon after Vacation Bible School ends next week.

The \$200,000 mentioned includes pledges not yet given, so our being able to complete this phase requires the continued faithfulness of all of us in supporting this project.

Will we be able to do the second phase of the project? The answer is that we believe that the Lord will provide. If we all work together, giving as generously as we can, we will accomplish the goal fully. But we must all come together, work together, and stay together. If you have not yet pledged or contributed, please consider doing so, and be as generous as you can! If you have already given or pledged, and feel the Lord leading you to do more than you have planned, don't quench the Spirit!

The Darbys will be leaving choir camp a little early to travel to Atlanta, Georgia for my nephew's wedding on Saturday. Nancy will preach for me this Sunday, June 17, and I will be back in time to preach the following Sunday, June 24.

Grace and peace to you!

*Pastor Dan*

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SEE ME, THE BROKEN



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& GUEST SPEAKER  
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First United Methodist Church of Silsbee

670 North 5th St., Silsbee, TX

Saturday, June 30th. Doors at 4 p.m.

Admission: One Non-perishable Food Item

(A food drive benefiting Southeast Texas Food Bank)

If you would like to volunteer to help for this event, please see Jenny Pachall (formerly Acord), our choir director to sign up! We will be selling food from 6 pm to 8 pm (menu still being decided on), and we need people to help out. You can call Jennifer in the church office at 385-5568 for more information. Thanks!





## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

Grab your kids, grandkids, and neighbors and come explore SonRise National Park VBS with us June 18-22, 9am - 12pm. Together we will learn the most important life survival skill, "We can depend on Jesus!"

We need campers (kids 4 yr - 5th grade), park rangers (adults), and trail guides (6th - 12th grade) to get us ready for a week of wilderness thrills. Registration forms are in the office and on the tables in the sanctuary and McDonough Hall. We have a desperate need for teachers and other workers, especially for the elementary age children. If you can help out in any way, please contact Jennifer in the church office at 385-5568. Thanks!

### In Worship



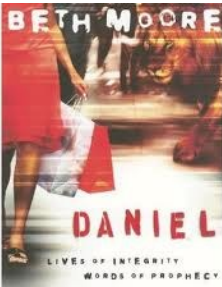
### Worship

Our Acolyte Commissioning Service will be during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on June 24. All new and current acolytes are encouraged to attend. Thank you Dagma Murphy for training our new

acolytes!

The following Sunday, July 1, we will be observing Holy Communion and celebrating Independence Day with a Flag Parade in both services!

### New Beth Moore Bible Study



A new Beth Moore Bible study, on the book of Daniel, will begin this Monday, June 18 at the home of Martha and Dana Bradshaw (103 Carriage Lane, Silsbee). The study will be from 5:30 pm to

7:30 pm each Monday night.

## In Loving Memory

### Verline Adcock

Marianne Deadmon

Freeda Duffle

### Corrinner McWhorter

Barbie Hardy

Freeda Duffle

### Ruth Bradshaw

James and Donna Brown

Irene Redkey

Martha and Dana Bradshaw

Gus and Johni Ruth Dunbar

Presence		Gifts
<b>Worship</b>		<b>06/03/2012</b>
06/03	130	\$6,735.00
06/10	128	
<b>Sunday School</b>		<b>06/10/2012</b>
06/03	88	\$7,377.30
06/10	84	

## Upward Soccer Returns!



It is time once again for soccer registration! Registration brochures are in the process of going out to all elementary schools in the Silsbee, Kountze, Buna, and Evadale school districts, and will be distributed throughout the month of May. We are hoping for an even greater response than we had last year, and in fact, we have already had our first registration form turned in this week!

The early registration cost per child is \$75, and after July 6, the cost is \$85. Deadline for registration is August 3. Registration is open for children between the ages of 3 (they must be 3 before September 1, 2012) and 6th grade (during

the 2012-2013 school year). Registration forms are available at the church office.

If you need more information, brochures, or if you would like to volunteer to coach one of our teams this year, please contact Bill Voigtman (658-8686) or Jennifer Suitt (385-5568).

Please spread the word to friends, neighbors, and family, and help them get in on the fun again this year!



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