

The Rockport Beacon

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August 2018 Newsletter

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Let's Keep 'Stepping'

As we near a complete year after Hurricane Harvey, I'm amazed at how far we have come and how far we still need to go. In our community, we are no longer protected by news cycles that focus on disaster or tragedy and then move on leaving such events out of sight, out of mind. The disaster aftermath is still present, hopefully lesser. For those who are still walking the path of long-term recovery from natural disaster, the reality of the 'marathon' is settling in. I don't presume to know all the details of what your daily marathon entails, only that we are running alongside of one another, together.

It strikes me that any thought of actually running a marathon has never crossed my mind. Oh, I am impressed, inspired, and in awe of those who enjoy running and take on the discipline of training for such events. For me, the imagery has to be translated into the kind of discipline required for regular daily life with God. The practices of prayer, worship, service, and sharing story is what keeps these feet moving forward as I acknowledge the full reality of each painful or light step. This is the 'marathon event' for which I signed up. My willing participation is a response to the gift of life given by God and it represents obedience to God's heart desire.

God desires for us to bring everything to him and lay it at his feet. God delights in being in relationship with us. This is for what believers are training. God wants to hold our hopes, our failures, our guilt, our shame, our surrender, our enthusiasm, our thanks and praise, our everything. Giving our life to God helps free us from dwelling in the past, enables joy for the day, and empowers the steps toward the future. This is the nature of our story within God's story.

So, August will be a time of recalling our past year but more importantly to celebrate the mighty presence of

Christ who carries us, makes us **STRONG**, and holds a future brimming with blessings. Our future is a crown that never dies; it is eternal relationship with Holy God. Next to the Eternal, a marathon is just a warm-up exercise.

"So run to win. Everyone who competes practices self-discipline in everything."

1 Corinthians 9: 24b-25a

No matter what the circumstance, being in relationship with God and others is key to resiliency training. May the love of God strengthen us for each leg of our race. May the Spirit guide us to appropriate rest stops to heal our sore muscles. And may Christ coach us every step of the way. Amen.



Grace and Peace,

Pastor Laura





Our Condolences

Danny Adams, Sr., a long-time member of FUMC Rockport, has passed away. We grieve this deep loss alongside his beloved family.

Your WORD is a LAMP to my feet and a LIGHT to my path.
 Psalm 119:105

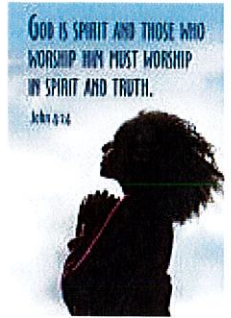
Lectionary Readings

Our worship life is organized around the Revised Common Lectionary—a system of reading through the entire Bible in a 3-year cycle. You are invited and encouraged to use these scripture passages in your devotional time.

Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:00 a.m. Worship
 Weekly Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Worship
 Monthly Holy Communion
 First Sunday



Children are always welcome in worship here!
 Children's bulletins and other activities are available in the Family Area, located inside the Live Oak entrance.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:15a.m. - New Beginnings FH1
 9:15a.m. - We Can Get Through Anything..... Rm 5
 9:15a.m. - Cross Talk..... Rm 7

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Nursery (0-4 yrs).....Nursery
 9:15 a.m. Children up to 5th gradeNursery
 12:00 p.m. Youth Group Rec. Room

FH = Fellowship Hall

Office Angels



Office Angels serve God by answering phones and assisting the church staff with administrative tasks. Subs are also needed to fill in when regular Angels are unable to make it. Please call the church office at 361-729-1659 if you are available and willing to serve God in this way.

August 5 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*Benevolent Bucket to Benefit Undie Sunday

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a
 Psalm 51:1-12 (UMH 785)
 Ephesians 4:1-16
 John 6:24-35

August 12 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
 Psalm 130 (UMH 848)
 Ephesians 4:25-5:2
 John 6:35, 41-51

August 19 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14
 Psalm 111 (UMH 832)
 Ephesians 5:15-20
 John 6:51-58

August 26 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43
 Psalm 84 (UMH 804)
 Ephesians 6:10-20
 John 6:56-69



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"First United Methodist Church
 Rockport, TX "



Methodist Men

Wednesday, Aug 1, 7:00am
Rosita's Taco Shop

Methodist Men will meet at Rosita's Taco Shop (402 E Market St) on Wednesday, August 1st at 7:00am. We will gather at the large table in the back. All men are invited to us for breakfast and fellowship. Please call or text Ed Hegen at 361-813-9298 with questions regarding this ministry.

UNDIE SUNDAY IS BACK!!

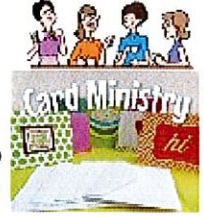
Sunday, August 5th is Undie Sunday!



The Cross Talk class is bringing back Undie Sunday! The Benevolent Bucket will be for the Undie Sunday Project and Cross Talk will also have Undie Sunday Bistro!! Plan now to attend, have some great goodies, coffee, and Italian Crème Sodas, spend time with church friends/make new ones, and Support Undie Sunday!! Bistro will be held between services. Undie Sunday donations go toward providing Wal-Mart vouchers for new Back to School underwear for at risk children in Aransas County. We are partnering with the First Baptist Church who is doing Backpacks and Blue Jeans on Saturday morning, August 11. If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Jeannie Coe at 210-601-6132 or jbryancoe@mindspring.com.

CARING CARDS

Evening Social with a Purpose
Thursday, August 16, 6:00 p.m.
Room 5



Calling all "scrapbookers" or anyone who would enjoy making greeting cards. Please join us for snacks, fellowship, and crafting. You don't need to bring any materials. Please sign up on the reception desk or call Lynne Ruf at 361-816-5912.

Governing Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 28 at 5:30pm



The Church's Governing Council will meet on Tuesday, August 28, at 5:30 p.m. Council meetings are open to all. If you are interested in learning more about the leadership of the Church and seeing how God might call you to participate, please come!

Prayer Guide Updates

We are working on updating our military and nursing home prayer needs. You may submit these by emailing them to ssimmons@fumcrokport.org, calling 361-729-1659, or writing them on the back of your friendship card on Sunday morning. On September 2, we will start fresh with the new list and any names that have not been re-submitted will be removed. Thank you!



A time to celebrate! Finally!

Retirement Celebration

honoring Kathy Daniels

Sunday, August 26th at 11:45am

Potluck Luncheon ~ FUMC Fellowship Hall



Please join us as we honor Kathy Daniels retirement as director of First Learning Tree. Sunday, August 26, we will share a pot luck luncheon immediately following the 10:30 service. Kathy retired as director of First Learning Tree last September, 2017. We were making plans for a celebration and commemoration of her time as director when there was a major interruption – Harvey. Well, we're delayed some but still moving strong. Please join us with the dish of your choice and let's celebrate!

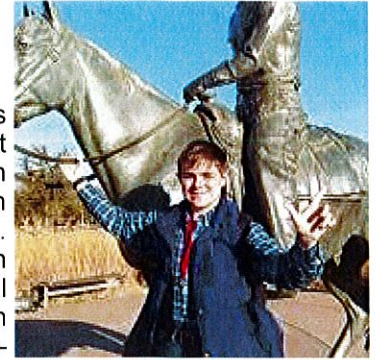
Birthdays



08/01	Karen Lee	Rystad			
08/02	Virginia	Felts			
08/03	Cathy	McLaughlin			
08/04	Judith	Goodner			
08/06	Julie	McKain			
08/07	Chester	Barre			
08/07	Summer	Barre	08/21	Gail	Baker
08/09	Ramona	Day	08/22	Lois	Ilse
08/12	Richard	Butler	08/26	Jaby	Tarkington
08/12	Diego	Alvear	08/27	Jason	Brou
08/13	Josie	Tucker	08/27	Marguerite	Naiser
08/13	Herb	Sutter	08/28	Steve	Dyke
08/14	Stash	Taylor	08/29	Judy	Brown
08/15	Donette	Street	08/29	Joe	Wilson
08/16	DeAnna	Laughlin	08/30	Dan	Daniels
08/18	Evan	Hamilton	08/31	Bob	Ruf
08/18	Barbara	Klemm	08/31	Sue	Weir
08/18	Dorothy	Langton	08/31	Boden	Klanica

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

FUMC Foundation Board is pleased to announce that Spencer Carruth has been awarded the Foundation Scholarship for 2018. Spencer is the son of Kevin and Shawn Carruth and will be attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.



Congratulations, Spencer!



We're Hiring!

FUMC is seeking to fill the following positions:

Administrative Assistant

FUMC Rockport is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant with office skills and interpersonal competency. Salary is based on experience. Applications are currently accepted. Please contact Rev. Laura Becker at 361-729-1659 or pastor@fumcrockport.org and place *Administrative Assistant Job* in the subject line. Application is online at www.fumcrockport.org.

Director of Music Ministry

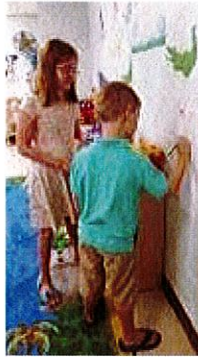
FUMC Rockport is seeking a part-time Director of Music Ministry with responsibility for leading choir and worship music. Experience is preferred in music teaching and/or church music director. Salary range is commensurate with experience and academic preparation; Bachelor's degree in Music, Music Education, Religious Music or equivalent degree. The qualified candidate will work closely with existing staff throughout the week in planning services. Skills in piano, choral conducting and music leadership are required. The candidate should have a personal devotion to Jesus Christ, be positive, flexible and have an overarching view of the role of music in church worship. Employment Applications and mailing addresses can be found on our website www.fumcrockport.org. Send resume and application to Rev. Laura Becker at pastor@fumcrockport.org please put MUSIC DIR in subject line.



Anniversaries

08/02	Chuck & Marguerite	Naiser
08/03	Jason & Christine	Brou
08/08	Brian & Christine	Degner
08/11	Web & Marion	Halvorsen
08/13	Kevin & Susan	Jamison
08/17	Ken & Judy	Goodner
08/17	John & Judy	Rainey
08/18	Kevin & Shawn	Carruth
08/24	Mike & Lauren	Nowotny
08/25	Clyde & Georgia	Townsend
08/26	Art & Valerie	Smith
08/30	Jay & Jana	Tarkington





News from the Nursery!

Our amazing Nursery Staff is now teaching Children's Sunday School class at 9:15am on Sunday mornings, for children up to 5th grade! We are so grateful for their love of our children here at FUMC!



**Kids' Zone
Family Event**

KIDS' ZONE @ Harvey Anniversary Weekend
Saturday, August 25th, 9:00am-11:00am
Rockport Festival Grounds

The Chamber of Commerce is coordinating a series of events during the Harvey Anniversary Weekend, August 24-26. The Children's Coalition of Aransas County is organizing the "Kids Zone" - a free, fun, family event where there will be lots of booths with games, activities, crafts, and giveaways hosted by local churches, businesses and organizations.



"Seek and you will find."
- Matthew 7:7, NIV

Just for KIDS

"A Special Fitness Plan"

Read the words in 1 Corinthians 9:24-27. It talks about being in shape to "run the race" - to be a Christian. Below is a fitness plan to help.

Match the words from the list below into the shaped boxes to complete the sentences.

- ① your .
- ② about God's .
- ③ every .
- ④ Pray .
- ⑤ at day.
- ⑥ to God in you do.

Do	someone	each	Try	Bible	words
for	everything	one	Read	Think	others
day	please	thing	Pray	least	loving

Answer: 1. Read your Bible. 2. Think about God's words. 3. Pray every day. 4. Pray for others. 5. Do at least one loving thing for someone each day. 6. Try to please God in everything you do.

Summer at FLT 2018...

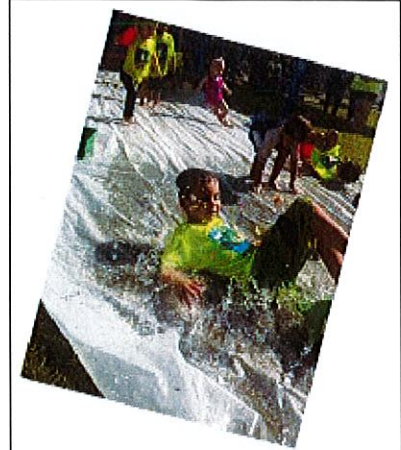
What did I learn this summer?



Always Communicate with Loved Ones
Proverbs 12:25

“Anxiety in a man’s heart weighs him down, but a good word makes him glad.”

Even if you are talking to rabbits.... The children at FLT learn to communicate with their friends and family. We provide them the opportunity to experience new adventures and communicate about them. This teaches them how to communicate to others as they grow up. It will help them express their selves and handle what the world has for them. We teach them to encourage each other and find answers to their questions.



Always Make a Splash
Matthew 5:16

“...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Through our FLT program this summer we have let the children experience God’s goodness. We have taught them that as we take on the world, we should allow the love of Christ to shine through us. We do this through engaging in activities that bring joy. Sharing our love with our neighbors. Refusing to be fearful of the unknown. And, telling others about the good news of Christ.

Always Share
Romans 12:13

“When God’s people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.”

Sharing is caring! Through our summer activities, we have been able to teach children about sharing and taking care of each other. It is important that children experience looking out for their neighbor. Offering them food, water, or simply information teaches cooperation and the spirit of God.



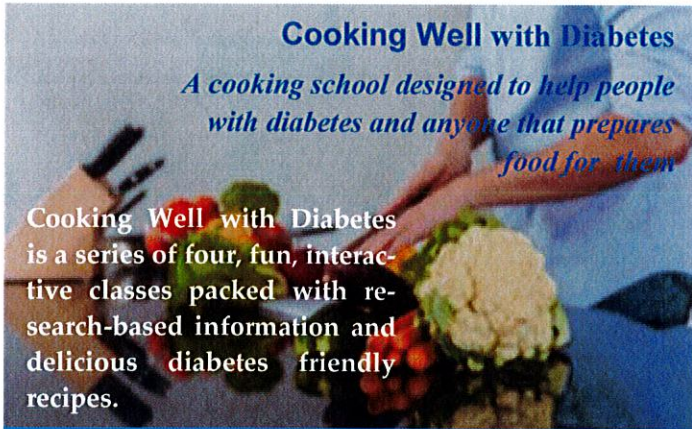
Always Gather
Matthew 18:10

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them.”

When we gather with our flock we learn how to get along. We learn how to work out problems. We learn how to complete tasks together. We learn that we are stronger together than apart. We teach the children at FLT how to gather safely. That gathering is a joy of life and should be strived for. That isolation is a step toward failure. That while gathered in The Lord’s name, He is with us.



Kimberly Head
Center Director
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Cooking Well with Diabetes

A cooking school designed to help people with diabetes and anyone that prepares food for them

Cooking Well with Diabetes is a series of four, fun, interactive classes packed with research-based information and delicious diabetes friendly recipes.

Sessions Include...

July 30- Carbohydrate Foods

Recognizing carbohydrate in recipes and using sweeteners effectively

August 6- Make Recipes with Fat Better for You
Healthy fats & fat substitutions

August 13- Double Pleasure Side Dishes
Reducing sodium and increasing fiber

August 20- Celebrating Sensibly
Special event recipes that are healthy and delicious



10:30 AM-Noon

First United Methodist Church-Rockport

Kathy Wilson, RN-Wesley Nurse

801 E. Main St.

Rockport, Texas

361-729-1659

For more information on classes, please contact

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-Aransas County

Bethany Hammond-County Extension Agent, FCH

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361-790-0103

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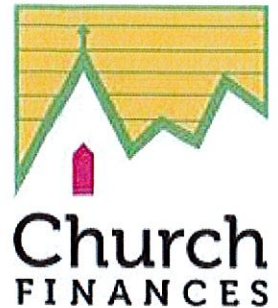
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'Discipleship is a faith response governing our lives; Stewardship is a life response governing our actions'....



Financially Faithful!

June's income** was \$18,568.39 with Castaway's income donation of \$8,000.00 for a total of \$26,568.39. Our expenses for June were \$35,400.63 for a net income of -\$8,832.24. Year to date net ordinary income is -\$15,574.45. We are well within our expected expenses for the year and hope to continue to make up the current deficit as we maintain our faithful stewardship. Summer always proves to be challenging in this area of our ministry but as always we will continue to keep an eye on expenses to maintain fiscal responsibility.

I will be sending out the semi-annual contribution statements this week. It has taken a bit longer to get them out but there is so much happening right now that I had to make some shifts in processing the statements...I share my mantra for this whole post-hurricane experience...'This is a marathon...not a sprint!'

Please keep your church and your church staff in your prayers and consider how you can answer God's call to stewardship of your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. Our church and community are blessed by all you have to offer. If you are traveling, you can go to our church website www.fumcrockport.org and give online.

In His Service,

Susan Jamison

Business Manager

fumc@fumcrockport.org

****Income** consists of Identified giving, Sunday School offerings and unidentified giving (cash received when we pass the offering plates)

Nurses Notes August 2018



Summer Hours:

Wesley Nurse: Monday - Thursday
7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Summer Walking Classes:

Avoid the heat and walk in the comfort of A/C!



Monday/Thursday

8:25-9:00 a.m. 2 mile walk
9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. – 1 mile walk

Tuesday/Thursday

11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. – 1 mile walk

Health Screenings:

Wesley Nurse will be available at Good Samaritans on Wednesdays from 1-3 p.m. for health screenings and education.

Blessings and good health to all,
Kathy Wilson, RN
Wesley Nurse

Diabetic Support Group:

Tuesday August 14th, 10:00am

Do you or someone you care for have diabetes? Did you know that the risk of vision problems increase if you have diabetes? Join the Diabetic Support Group on Tuesday August 14th at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall Room 3.



Prescription Assistance

Monthly Report

June 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018

Clients	20
New Clients	4
New Clients Unable to Help	3
Forms Filed	14
Volunteer Hours	43.50

Estimated Cash Value of Medications

Saved for Clients:	
1 month supply	\$ 4,172.00
3 month supply	\$ 12,516.00



Rockport Alzheimer's Support Group

August 16th, 10:30 - 11:30am
3rd Thursdays of the Month

AIM Hospice Conference Room
703 E Concho
Rockport, TX
361-729-0507
aimhospicecoastal.org

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Presented by: Alzheimer's Association of San Antonio & South Texas. Visit www.alz.org/sanantonio to learn more about caregiver programs and resources.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



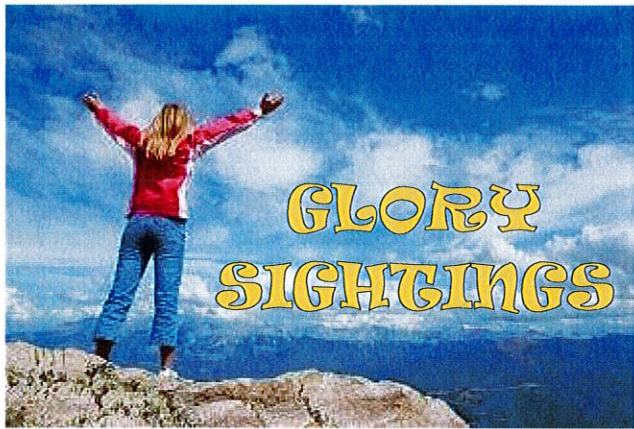
Mobile Health Clinic

If you are interested in being a part of this outreach ministry, we are asking for volunteers to be greeters for the patients of the mobile health clinic. You are needed to welcome those coming to the mobile clinic, get them a cup of coffee or water, or direct them to Prescription Assistance. Please contact Kathy Wilson, Wesley Nurse, if you would like to help out in this way. There will also be a sign-up sheet at the receptionist's desk. Thank you for your support of this important outreach ministry.

Rockport-Fulton Good Samaritans

507 S Ann St, Rockport, TX

Good Samaritans is currently open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and is in need of volunteers, especially to help at the reception desk. Please call (361) 790-9828 if you are able to help. Good Samaritans is an organization established by volunteers, built by volunteers, and manned by volunteers. It has no employees. It exists to help citizens of *Aransas County*. Volunteers include long-time residents, retirees, "Winter Texans", local church members, and others. Although from different backgrounds, all volunteers have a single goal: to lend a hand to those in need.



GLORY SIGHTINGS!

VBS Mission Project Supports Local Food Bank

Our Vacation Bible School Mission Project was to collect non-perishable food items for Good Samaritans food pantry. When Stefany Simmons delivered the items, there were two ladies waiting for assistance who made it a point to tell her "Thank you so much for doing this!" **THANK YOU** to all of the children and families who donated!



FUMC Provides Space for Youth Mission Work

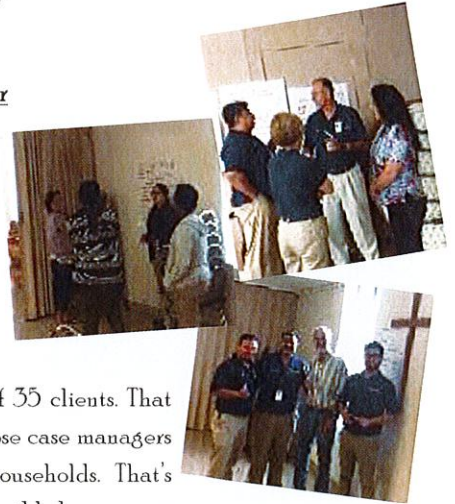
Julie and Dale Regennitter's son, Jay Regennitter, brought this wonderful group of young people from First UMC of Robinson, IL to do mission work in Rockport during the week of July 23-27, and they used our Youth / Recreation Room as a gathering place to eat lunch each day. We are so grateful for their work in our community!



FUMC Provides Space for Disaster Relief Training

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) trained 23 disaster case managers July 24-26 in the FUMC Rockport Fellowship Hall. Each case manager has a caseload of 35 clients. That means at the very least those case managers will partner with 805 households. That's pretty amazing!! And it's possible because we are able to use your space.

~Liz McDevitt, UMCOR Consultant



FUMC Youth Do Mission Work in Brackettville, TX

Pastor Laura, Monica Hudgins, LeRoy Burke, Mason White, Cole Hudgins, Michael Becker, and Nathan Freund went to UMARMY in Brackettville, TX the week of July 22.



Where have you seen God working?

Submit your GLORY SIGHTINGS to Stefany Simmons at ssimmons@fumcrockport.org

August

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday/Saturday					
29	<p>8:00 AM Worship (Holy Communion)</p> <p>9:00 AM Crosstalk Adult Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM Reception Celebrating Ouida & Wendy</p> <p>9:15 AM New Beginnings Adult Sunday School Class</p> <p>9:15 AM We Can Get Through Anything Adult Sunday School Class</p> <p>10:30 AM Morning Worship</p>	30	<p>8:25 AM 2-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>9:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>10:30 AM Cooking Well With Diabetes</p> <p>10:30 AM Prayer Team (Room 4)</p> <p>11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Conf.Room)</p> <p>1:00 PM RX Assistance (Conf.Room)</p>	31	<p>11:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p>	1	<p>7:00 AM Men's Breakfast (Rosita's)</p> <p>8:30 AM Castaways Day</p> <p>9:30 AM Crazy Quilters</p>	2	<p>8:25 AM 2-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>8:30 AM Castaways Day</p> <p>9:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>11:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>7:00 PM Living Water Bible Study (in Spanish)</p>	3		4	
5	<p>BENEVOLENT BUCKET - Undie Sunday/School Needs for Children</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship (Holy Communion)</p> <p>9:00 AM Coffee Bistro in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>9:00 AM Crosstalk Adult Bible Study</p> <p>9:15 AM New Beginnings Adult Sunday School Class</p> <p>9:15 AM We Can Get Through Anything Adult Sunday School Class</p> <p>10:30 AM Morning Worship (Holy Communion)</p>	6	<p>8:25 AM 2-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>9:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>9:00 AM Coastal Bend Mobile Health Center</p> <p>10:30 AM Cooking Well With Diabetes</p> <p>10:30 AM Prayer Team (Room 4)</p> <p>11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Conf.Room)</p> <p>1:00 PM Coastal Bend Mobile Health Center</p> <p>1:00 PM RX Assistance (Conf.Room)</p>	7	<p>11:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p>	8	<p>8:30 AM Castaways Day</p> <p>9:30 AM Crazy Quilters</p>	9	<p>8:25 AM 2-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>8:30 AM Castaways Day</p> <p>9:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>11:00 AM 1-Mile Walking Class (FH2)</p> <p>7:00 PM Living Water Bible Study (in Spanish)</p>	10		11	<p>9:00 AM Eagle Scout Court of Honor</p>
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Rolling River Rampage VBS 2018 Rockport FUMC

“Thank you” is not enough for all the volunteer hours from adults and youth, many of whom took on several roles throughout the planning, preparations, and VBS week.

It was not my intention to be solo Director, as well as registrar, assembly leader, storyteller and music leader, and I certainly don't advise it for anyone in the future. But, as we've said so often, “Harvey changed everything.” As helpers volunteered and were assigned tasks, schedules and availability changed, tasks were reassigned, while some people had to wait and see if they could help. Many of the church folk we count on to “do stuff” had already made plans for VBS week – rebuilding, vacations, doctor's and lawyer's appointments, family commitments, etc. And many of our helpers from previous years are no longer here. We were short-staffed from the outset. The good news is that the people who did fill key positions were amazing! Not to discount in any way the wonderful work of all who volunteered, four people stepped in to lead sessions and organize their teams:

- † Laura Becker: Recreation,
- † Linda Hamilton: Arts & Crafts,
- † Ed Hegen: Science,
- † Sue Weir: Kitchen/ Snack/
Guide/ Recruitment

Their intuition, expertise, leadership, and commitment to sharing the love of God with children are absolutely invaluable!



Advisors and Supporters

Susan Jamison
Ginger Gay
Linda Hamilton
Dennis Richardson

Set-up & Décor

Led by Wendy Bryan & Pastor
Laura
30+ workers here Sun, June 24
Thanks to Ingleside UMC
for decoration donation and loan

Kitchen and Snack

Sue Weir - coordinator
Mary John Hoffman
Shawn Carruth
Kaitlyn Carruth (youth)
Spencer Carruth (youth)
Judy Goodner
Jane Doss
Numerous donors

Arts & Crafts

Linda Hamilton
Rachel Klemm
Angela Freund (youth)

Recreation

Laura Becker
Leroy Burke (youth)
Cole Hudgins (youth)
Christin 'Kate' Becker (youth)

Science

Ed Hegen
Tom Serota
Mason White (youth)

Mission-Ripples of Kindness

Karen Lee Rystad
Mason White (youth)

Storytime

Steve Johnson

Mission Coordinator
Stefany Simmons

Floaters / All-Purpose

Mike Peters
Dennis Richardson
Stefany Simmons

Photographers

Ginger & John Gay
Audio/Visual
Dustin Barre
Michael Becker (youth)

Guides

Sue Weir
Christine Degner
Victoria Neuhauser
Kaitlyn Carruth (youth)
Caitlin Pruiett – FLT
Felisia Brummett – FLT
Christina DeRay – FLT
Morgan Hedgcoth – FLT (for Kyla)
Madaline Brown – FLT
Danielle Davis – FLT
Daisy Fowler – FLT (youth)

Nursery

Lynn Simpson
Sheree Standefer
Veronica Fowler

Registration

Beth Foster
Joyce Palmer

Average Daily Attendance:

All – 126
Youth & Adults – 33
VBS Children – 88
(FLT– 52, Church/Community – 36)
Nursery – 5 children
High (Tuesday) = 138
Low (Friday) = 114





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Back to School Blessing
Sunday, August 19
during 10:30am worship service

Aransas County ISD will start school on Wednesday, August 22nd. As we enter into a new school year, we invite all students, parents, and teachers to join us in worship for a special Back to School Blessing.



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