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Hi Church,

I am looking forward to meeting you very soon. But at the same time, I don't want to leave things a mess in Schulenburg. June 23, 2019 will be my last Sunday at SFUMC, and I think it's going to be an emotional one. Please pray for me, and this church that is both grieving, and celebrating. I will also call SFUMC to pray for you and our future together.

Meanwhile Patricia and to a lesser extent, I have been working on, "the project house." We are about to put grout on tile and then the showers will be complete, and the house will become livable. We are so ready to be finished with the remodeling business. Our intention is to sell, and be free. Once it is on the market, we will have permission to get excited about moving, but we still have quite a bit to wrap up here.

In early to mid-July, you can expect a phone call. I intend to introduce myself to everyone with a personal call. And I would love to visit with you in your homes. I want to know who you are, what is important to you, and your hopes for the church. And I would like to share my heart for people, the church, and our mission as well. Jesus spent time with his disciples. I expect that I should as well, and not just in worship.

Finally, to get us started thinking about building the church, I invite you to a seven day Bible Study starting on Sunday, July 7, 2019. (If you want to start a little earlier or later, that is ok too). I have been using the You Version Bible app. (Bible.com) And one of the great things it offers are Bible Study plans. I have been reading Digging Deeper Daily, a one year Bible reading plan, and will finish on July 30, (if I can stay on track).

I looked over some plans that would be appropriate to a new start at church, and found one might get us talking. Would you join me? Use this link to join the study.

www.fumcrockport.org/biblestudy

You can read on your own, but when you comment, the whole group can see what you wrote, and respond. I hope you will participate. And pray that you would be blessed with wisdom, growth, and new energy through the

study and interaction with God's word.

Through Christ Jesus, our Lord, Amen

Frank Baik

Church Events

- July 3—Men's Breakfast
- July 7— A Coastal Welcome: Potluck Lunch for Pastor Frank
- July 7-13—U.M. ARMY at FUMC
- July 11—Caring Cards
- July 16—Diabetic Education Class
- July 16—Mental Health First Aid (619 N. Live Oak)
- July 22-Mobile Clinic
- July 23—Church Council Mtg

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Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:00 a.m. Worship Weekly Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

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.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Nursery

Our wonderful childcare staff lovingly cares for little ones ages 0-4 years while parents attend worship services and Sunday School.

FH = Fellowship Hall



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.

<u>July 7 - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</u> **Benevolent Bucket for Access Counseling**

2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30
Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 14 - Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82
Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

July 21 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

July 28 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85 Colossians 2:6-19 Luke 11:1-13

MAY 2019 CHURCH GIVING

**Giving:	\$15,646.92
Castaway's:	\$ 8,000.00
Market St Apartment Income	\$ 3,090.00
Total Income:	\$26,736.92
Expenses: (including quarterly note pmt)	\$46,296.68
MAY Net Income:	-\$ 19,599.76

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

Year to date net income is -\$21,726.70. We continue to watch expenses as we head into the summer months.

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 to give online at www.fumcrockport.org.

Blessings.

Susan Jamison, Business Manager fumc@fumcrockport.org

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Opportunities to Connect



Methodist Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, July 3, 7:00am Rosita's Taqueria & Cafe

Come join us for fellowship and an inspirational message. All men are

encouraged to come spend an hour with your brothers in Christ. Bring a friend. For information call Kevin Jamison at 361-229-9535.



Crazy Quilters

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall Room 1

Join us for fellowship and making projects. All experience levels welcome. Many projects are made in

service to others (i.e. nursing homes, military, children at Camp Aranzazu).



Caring Cards

Thursday, July 11 1:00 p.m. (Rec Rm)

Creative scrapbookers or anyone who wants to join in making greeting cards is invited to join us.

13-Jul

Janet Gillis

We have a lot of fun! For information please call Lynne Ruf at 361-816-5912. ******************

Help each other out by wearing a NAME BADGE!

Last Name We now have Name Tag style choices! You may continue to wear the current clip-on style or you may order a new, heavy duty magnetic style badge. The choice is yours. Either may be taken home with you each week or stored in our new name tag holders located in the Main Street foyer. To order a magnetic name badge, please turn your order form and payment in to the church office. Forms are available on the Main St. reception desk. The cost is \$8.00 each.

Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 23, 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall 1

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!



FIRST NAME

Living Water Bible Study (Spanish)

Sundays at 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall



Alfredo Gonzales leads a time of Bible Study and worship on Sunday evenings in Spanish.



11-Jul

C		13-Jul	Paula Barre
2-Jul	Marcel Poirrier, Jr.	13-Jul	Barbara Serota
4-Jul	Megan Knostman (FLT)	15-Jul	Mary Ann Swartz
5-Jul	Honey Shepherd	15-Jul	Christin Becker
5-Jul	Samuel Spears	15-Jul	Tami Webb
6-Jul	Mary Rusk	21-Jul	Diana Herzog (FLT)
7-Jul	Alexandra Brown	23-Jul	Terry Gardner
9-Jul	Jane Doss Briggs	23-Jul	Brian Degner
9-Jul	Gloria McCurdy	24-Jul	Randy Degner
9-Jul	Don Dye	25-Jul	Bronson Hamilton
9-Jul	Jama Brandon	27-Jul	Steve Huhman
10-Jul	Gail Hanson	27-Jul	Caitlan Frazier (FLT)
10-Jul	Kathy Waggoner (FLT)	28-Jul	Gene Springs
11-Jul	Carita Gould	31-Jul	Noah Dominguez



1-Jul	Rusty & Jennifer Day
4-Jul	Max & Paulette Kluge
6-Jul	Mike & Betsy Pfister
12-Jul	Kaitlyn & Nick Jamison
13-Jul	Gary & Kay Stone
17-Jul	Dona & Michael Popp
18-Jul	Herb & Jan Sutter
19-Jul	Richard & Carol Pifer
26-Jul	Ann & Jim Schick
30-Jul	Steve & Beverly Johnson

Noah Dominguez

Featured Ministry Moment

Part of the ministry of the church and the Wesley Nurse is assisting families and individuals with housing when all other resources have been exhausted. This month, a family with multiple medical needs came to see if the church would be able to assist with housing. They lost the home they had been renting prior to Hurricane Harvey and have been attempting to re-establish a place to live. Through hurricane relief funding at the church and the assistance of Salvation Army, we were able to provide financial assistance with temporary housing and the rent deposit at an apartment complex in Corpus Christi. This family will now have a permanent place to live that is in proximity to the medical care they need. What a blessing to be able to assist a family in establishing a new home.



Mental Health First Aid Class

Tuesday, July 16th 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. ACISD Administration Building 619 N. Live Oak, Rockport

Mental Health First Aid Class is being offered on July 16th at the ACISD Administration Building. Thanks to a grant, this class is FREE (and even includes lunch!)

Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use

disorders. This 8-hour training gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to appropriate care.

Limited to 30 participants. **Registration is required and closes on July 10th.** The link to register is located on www.fumcrockport.org/wesley-nurse.

Kathy Wilson, RN, Wesley Nurse 361-729-1659 kwilson@mhm.org

www.fumcrockport.org/wesley-nurse

Health Ministries

Walkers:

Mon / Tues / Thurs*
8:25-9:00 a.m. 2 mile
9:00-9:30 a.m. – 1 mile
*New Summer Schedule!
Walking class on Thursday mornings
instead of Friday mornings



Tuesday/Thursday
11:00-11:30 a.m. – 1 mile

Diabetic Education

Tuesday, July 16, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall 2&3

The Coastal Bend Health Education Center at Texas A&M Corpus Christi will be holding their all-day Diabetic Education Class on Tues, July 16. Call Kathy Wilson, Wesley Nurse at 361-729-1659 or the Health Education Center at 866-524-1408 to enroll.

Due to U.M. Army staying at the church, Diabetic Support Group will not meet this month. Please watch the August newsletter for upcoming date and time.

Monday, August, 26, 2019

On Monday, August 26th, Stroke Scan screenings will be available at the church for a small fee. Please watch the Church Alive and August newsletter for details.



Help Us Help You!

The <u>Health Ministries Team</u> is in place to provide encouragement and support for our parishioners. *Inform us of upcoming concerns such as hospital stays or surgeries that may require support from our church family.* Requests can be submitted online at www.fumcrockport.org/wesley-nurse, or paper copies are available on the Main St. reception desk and can be turned in to Kathy Wilson.

Children's Ministries

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Nursery Ministry: Can you help??

The nursery is in need of volunteers for Sunday services. You can volunteer weekly, twice a month, or even once a month. Whatever would work for you would help out greatly. Volunteers are needed to sit with infants, talk to toddlers, and just keep an eye on the little ones so we can teach the Sunday school lesson to the children who can participate. Please see me in the nursery, leave a Childcare Staff Training Day! note for me in the childcare box in the front

office, or contact me via email shereefumc@yahoo.com to volunteer on Sunday mornings.

As a childcare volunteer, you will play an impactful role in the children's church experience. You become their role model and encourage them to attend church in their future, because they will remember the great experience they had while they were younger. Your commitment and dedication will help the children to be successful in learning God's word by helping us create a minimally distracting environment, where the children can have fun. and feel God within them. We won't ask a lot. We just need a few volunteers to help show attention to the younger children while we provide a Godly, impactful lesson to those that are able to participate. Background Check and Safe Gatherings training is required for all volunteers who work with children at FUMC Rockport. To complete these required steps, please visit https:// riotexas.org/safesteps

Thank You! Sheree Standefer, Childcare Director



Nursery Childcare Job Opening

FUMC Rockport is seeking Childcare ministry workers. Childcare positions: 4-6 hours/week evening hours and Sunday mornings, hourly position/compensation, working with infants to 10 years.

Background Check and training required. Worker must exhibit skills in supervision of children, communication with parents and respectful nurture of a child in development. Apply online at www.fumcrockport.org/ children.

Growing Families in Christ

From the Director of First Learning Tree

As Independence Day approaches, one word comes to mind: FREEDOM. In our wonderful country we have numerous rights and privileges that allow us to live a better life. When thinking about July 4th, most children think of another word: FIREWORKS. Children associate this holiday with their personal experiences rather than the meaning behind it. How do you explain freedom to young children so they can understand? Do you start with our founding fathers, and how they fought for our country? Do we talk about our veterans and current soldiers fighting to uphold our rights? Do we talk about the process involved in making our Constitution and declaring our independence?

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16.

This is when Jesus died on the cross, and gave us the ultimate freedom. This is the freedom our country has fought for and defended for centuries. By illustrating the love of God, and the freedom He has given us, we can show children how blessed we are. They understand Jesus. We must always remember to teach and remind them of our right to worship and serve. They may not understand it entirely, but they can observe it by watching their parents pray, attend church, and show the love of Jesus Christ. Celebrate this Independence Day with fireworks, food, family, friends, and faith. Happy July 4th!

God bless,

Madaline Brown, First Learning Tree Director



Opportunities to Serve

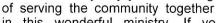
Serve at Community Table

Community Table serves a free meal on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays to anyone in our community who desires to come eat and fellowship together. Held at the First Presbyterian Church (301 Hwy 35 North), different churches rotate hosting these meals.

FUMC is signed up to host Community Table on:

- ♦ September 10th
- ♦ November 19th (Thanksgiving)
- ♦ December 17th (Christmas)

Volunteers are needed to cook, serve, clean tables, make tea and coffee, dishwashing, and clean up. Volunteers truly enjoy the blessing



in this wonderful ministry. If you are interested in Community Table, please contact Kris Stumpf at 210-268-6855 or maxineroger2@yahoo.com.

Please note: Food handler permits are now required for ALL volunteers.

If you need a permit you can go to:

www.aransascounty.org/envirohealth/foodsafety.php

Volunteer our Local Food Bank

Rockport-Fulton Good Samaritans 507 S Ann St, Rockport, TX Mon-Wed-Fri 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Good Samaritans is 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*.

Volunteer at Castaways Thrift Shop

Kids being entertained at castaways by one of our quality TVs

The Castaways team is looking for a few new members for our team. Pricing merchandise clothing on Wednesday mornings is fun and a chance to visit with each other. There are duties throughout the store all day on Thursday. Please consider helping us out. Call Annette at 790-6217 or just show up! You will get a beautiful blue shirt to wear and enjoy interacting with our team and the customers.

NEW! Welcome Team

Would you like an active role in welcoming visitors and guests to our church? Sending a note, text or call to extend a welcoming word to them? Helping make and keep our church



foyers, our first impression, warm and hospitable? Then you should join us in the Welcome Team, as we do just that! We feel it's important to make a concerted effort to welcome guests, share information about our church and answer any questions they may have. For more information, please contact Debbie Chapman at 361-790-4162 or dcchapman52@gmail.com.

The Prescription Assistance Program is open on Monday afternoons from 1:00—4:00 p.m. Volunteers give their time to work with individuals who need assistance with affording their medications. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please come by one Monday afternoon or call the church office at 361-729-1659.

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New Clients3New Clients Unable to Help1Forms Filed5Volunteer Hours53.00

Estimated Cash Value of Medications Saved for Clients:



Clients

1 month supply \$ 1,957.00 X 3 months supply \$ 5,871.00

Be a Greeter for Mobile Health Clinic

Monday, July 22nd 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-3:30p.m.

Volunteers are needed to be greeters for the patients of the mobile health clinic.

Morning and afternoon shifts available. Welcome those visiting

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. Thank you for your support of this important outreach ministry.



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From the Trustees

Thank you, Thank you, Thank You to all the volunteers who helped paint, wash windows. scrub floors, clean bathrooms, polish fixtures, clean fans, baseboards, closets, cabinets, scrub kitchen appliances. and work in the yard and climb those ladders so many times! It was a tremendous task to undertake in just 3 days, and I am extremely grateful to Jeannie and Rob Coe for being "Team Captain." Together the "Team" accomplished our goal ... to provide a beautiful home for our new Pastor and his family.

Kathy Daniels, Trustees







Fresh Paint!

Have you noticed things are looking a little brighter around here? The outside of the church building has been getting a new coat of fresh paint! Also, in June the staff worked on freshening up the pastor's office by painting it with the lovely color "Divine White."

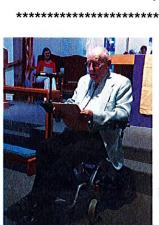




Glory Sightings

Helping Hygiene Kits

Thank you to everyone who has been donating hygiene items for this ministry! Virginia Russell creates hygiene kits and gives them to Good Samaritans who distributes them to people in need. Virginia is seeking donations of the following items: travel size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, small soaps, toothbrushes, toothpaste, small combs, razors, and wash cloths. You are welcome to continue bringing items. Items may be placed in the basket located in the Main St. foyer.



On June 26, 2019, Mr. Lewis Hott celebrated his 100th Birthday with his family at a rehab facility in Corpus Christi. Happy Birthday, Mr. Hott! You are in our thoughts and

prayers!



Martha Peterson passed away on June 16, 2019 in Victoria, Texas. Services were held on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at First United Methodist Church of Rockport.

Mary Hazard passed away on Sunday, June 16, 2019. Memorial Service plans are pending.

Melva Turner passed on June 25, 2019, in Missouri City. Texas under hospice care. Memorial Service plans are pending.



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U.M. ARMY Updates



U.M. ARMY - Rio TX

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Another U.M. ARMY Group Coming to FUMC Rockport!

July 7-13, 2019

The week of July 7th-13th, we will have another (much larger than the group in May!) U.M. ARMY group stationed at FUMC Rockport. During that week, the church will be unable to accommodate any other activities or meetings.

May 22, 2019

Rockport FUMC,

Please excuse my tardiness on getting this letter of gratitude out to you. What a blessing it was to receive your alter rail offering earlier this year. It means so much to us that you have taken the time to let your congregation know who we are and what we do, and the financial support received is a gift that keeps on giving.

I also want to thank you Rockport FUMC for your gracious hosting of our mission weeks over the years and the amazing support that you give through your student and adult volunteers. I do not know what we would do without your support!

Here is a quick look at our impact since U.M. ARMY Rio Texas first started offering mission opportunities in 2003:

Total Camps = 110

Total Participants = 7292

Residential and non-profit sites = 1528

Communities in Central/South/West Texas Served = 85

I am amazed that so many have given an entire week in service to our Lord by helping our neighbors

I ask for your continued prayers and support as we serve the following communities this summer: Rockport, Llano, Port Isabel, Brackettville, Del Rio, Harlingen, Boerne, and San Angelo

Thank you Rockport FUMC! Jenny Monahan

Providing Christ centered quality youth missions that serve people in need and promote spiritual growth and leadership development in youth and young adults.

Learn more about U.M. Army and how you can support their mission by visiting their website at www.umarmy.org.



About U.M. Army

"U.M. ARMY is an acronym which stands for United Methodist Action Reach-Out Mission by Youth. U.M. ARMY's mission is: 'To provide Christ-centered missions that serve people in need and promote spiritual growth and leadership development in youth and young adults.'

U.M. ARMY mission programs are an opportunity for youth, young adults and adult leaders to experience Christian growth through mission, worship and fellowship. Individual participants and church groups combine their strengths with those of other groups to meet home repair and maintenance needs of those unable to help themselves."



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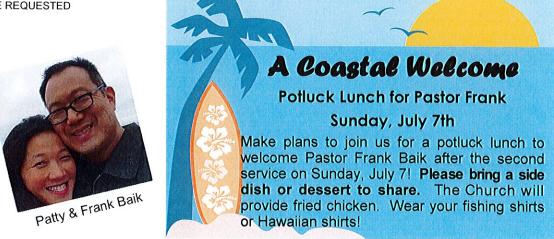
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"Let Your Light So Shine ... " Matthew 5:16

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