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# he Rockport Beacon



# September 2019 Newsletter

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#### **Head Start**

I was on track to finish reading through the whole Bible on July 30, but I fell behind and finished two weeks behind schedule. But that is ok, in fact it's great! I have never finished a reading plan so close to schedule. I think part of that is because I was reading with a friend online. I could see that Margie was already done for two weeks, while I was lagging behind.

But that's ok, for me the important thing is that I am reading the Bible, learning, and growing. If I end 8 months behind, that is still so much better than if I never get started. Even doing a little more is still improvement. Small gains short of the ultimate goal are well worth taking.

Bible reading is a journey that started for me about 1988. When I first started reading, I was just hoping to get through it once! But as I continued to read the Word daily over the years, I came to the end and started again. On August 10, 2019, I finished reading the whole Bible for the tenth time. Thirty years ago, I never would have imagined this possible.

I have delayed the start to my next plan so that we can make the journey together. Won't you take this 3 year journey of reading the entire Bible with me? I have chosen a study called, "A Chapter A Day: Reading The Bible In 3 Years" I like this plan because it has the ambitious goal of reading every verse in the Bible, but the readings are broken down to just a chapter a day. A goal that anyone can meet in 2-20 min a day. Depending on how carefully you are reading. (I talked about chewing before).

I imagined starting in January as a New Year's resolution, but I know I am not going to stay on schedule. Life happens and I need a head start. I will get behind because I don't usually do my devotional on Sundays, but that's ok. Because we are not just trying to finish a book, we are trying to draw nearer to God and have daily communion in the Bread of Life. Studying this book has helped me grow so much in wisdom, grace and love. Won't you join me on this life changing journey?

You can join the study on our Church website or Facebook page, or you can just start reading a chapter a day starting in Genesis.

# www.fumcrockport.org/bible-study

Grace and Peace, Frank Baik

# Calling All Children and Youth!

## Jesus Needs You!

Sunday, October 13th is Children's Sabbath, and we would like young people to help lead worship!



Children's Worship Service

Kids, would you help usher?

Greet people as they come in? Take up the offering? Would you read scripture or lead another part of the service?

We would love your participation! Please talk to Pastor Frank or Wendy Bryan if you're willing to help. Thank you in advance for your participation!

#### **Upcoming Youth Events:**

- ⇒ Youth Rally September 28th @ Camp Zephyr
- ⇒ Midwinter Retreat January 24-26 @ Camp Zephyr

# Important Dates

- Sept 1—Silent Auction Closes
- Sept 2—Labor Day
- Sept 4—Men's Breakfast
- Sept 4—Christmas Cantata Rehearsals begin
- Sept 4—Mid-Week Reflection
- Sept 8—Financial Peace Univ begins
- Sept 10—Diabetic Support Group
- Sept 11—Mid-Week Reflection
- Sept 12—Caring Cards
- Sept 18—Mid-Week Reflection
- Sept 18—Victim Advocacy Lunch n Learn
- Sept 23—Mobile Clinic
- Sept 23—Newsletter Deadline
- Sept 25—Mid-Week Reflection
- Sept 29—Ministry Fair

For full church calendar, see www.fumcrockport.org/calendar



# **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.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **ADULT CLASSES**

9:15a.m. - New Beginnings.....FH1 The New Beginnings Class uses the Uniform Series Adult Bible Studies as their guide. Leaders rotate, and this winter the focus is on Our Love for God. 9:15a.m. - Cross Talk......Rm 7 The Cross Talk class is known for its discussions of biblical

## **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

material. Adults of all ages are welcome to join in.

Our wonderful childcare staff lovingly cares for little ones ages infant—preschool 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.

## September 1 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost \*\*Benevolent Bucket for Care Portal\*\*

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Heb 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

# September 8 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 18 1-11

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14:25-33

## September 15 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Psalm 14

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

# September 22 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 4

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

#### September 29 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Luke 16:19-31



## **Labor Day**

Monday, September 2nd

In observance of Labor Day, the Church Offices will be closed on Monday, September 2nd. All health ministries including Rx Assistance and the Mobile Clinic will also be closed.

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# Connect & Grow



#### **Methodist Men's Breakfast**

Wednesday, September 4, 7:00am FUMC Fellowship Hall

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.

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## **Crazy Quilters**

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall Rm 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, September 12 1:00 p.m. (Rec Rm)

Creative scrapbookers or anyone who wants to join in making greeting cards is invited to join us. We have a lot of fun! The cards are sent to

people in our church each month for celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries! For information please call Lynne Ruf at 361-816-5912.



#### 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.

#### Online Bible Studies

You are invited to join Pastor Frank and others for online Bible studies using the You Version app (Bible.com). You can join these studies by clicking the links on this page:

## www.fumcrockport.org/bible-study

If you need assistance getting started with the app or if you prefer a printed copy, please call the church office (361-729-1659).



## Mid-Week Reflection with Pastor Frank

Wednesdays at 12:00pm (Banner Room)

Pastor Frank invites you to join him for mid-week study and reflection. It will be a discussion-based Bible Study of the UMC lectionary text. Watch the church bulletins for weekly reflection questions.

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## Come Sing With The Choir!

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm

## Everyone is welcome!

Don't sing like a professional?
Don't read music?
Can't commit to making it every week?
Come anyway!



Join us for fellowship as we learn new music.

For more information, contact Paul Klemm (361) 463-0712 music@fumcrockport.org

# Christmas Cantata

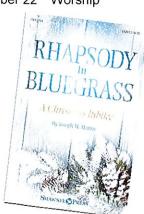
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This Christmas the Chancel Choir will present this wonderful Cantata at the December 22<sup>nd</sup> Worship Service.

If you've wanted to sing with the choir, here's a low commitment way to do it!

Rehearsals will begin Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

There is no commitment to join the choir. Just come out, make some new friends and sing some wonderful new music!



Grow in God's Word

# Called to Pray

#### **Prayer Team**

Mondays @ 10:30 a.m. (Room 4)

Every Monday at 10:30 a.m., a dedicated group comes to the church to pray for prayer requests, church staff, ministries of the church, and the community. They meet in Room 4, otherwise known as the Banner Room. Please come if you would like to join this group in prayer. If you are unable to come in person, you are invited to pray from home or work or any place!



# **Invitation to Pray Daily**

Pastor Frank has also invited everyone to continue this prayer routine throughout the rest of the week. Set an alarm for 10:30 a.m. (or whatever time works best for you), and take a few minutes to pray for the church, the community, your friends, and however else the Holy Spirit moves you.



Please pray for the family of Lewis Ralph Hott, who passed away peacefully on July 28, 2019. Mr. Hott was a beloved long-time member of FUMC Rockport. A Service of Remembrance was held on August 18, 2019 at First United Methodist Church of Rockport. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## From the Welcome Team

Help each other out by wearing a NAME BADGE!

FIRST NAME 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. To get yours with the next order, please submit forms by September 22nd. Forms are available on the Main St. reception desk. The cost is \$8.00 each.

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# Ministry Highlight: **Crazy Quilters**

Did You Know?

A group of ladies gathers each week to sew quilts and other items. They

have made blankets for children, prayer quilts for people facing illness, and so many other wonderful things. They also make the little pocket

crosses that you may have seen around the church! They meet in the Fellowship Hall starting at about 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays. If sewing is your thing, come check them out!



## From the Trustees

Several items are up for auction. The Silent Auction will close on Sunday, September 1st, and proceeds will be used to purchase new furniture and accessories for this area. We are waiting to see the final amount of funds raised that will be used to refurbish the Main Street Foyer. The majority of these items were purchased by donations made by Church Members, but additional monies are still needed to finish this project.

There are also other areas that have been targeted that are in need of attention. The Welcome Team and Altar Guild are eager to commit to these areas. The Live Oak and Kitchen entrances need to be refreshed, and both of the Ladies' Bathrooms and the Church Nursery need to be painted.

If you have any suggestions or would like to be involved in this process, please contact me. There is a Trustee's Bulletin Board across from Pastor Frank's office that has these projects listed on it. Please sign up for one of these

jobs if you are interested in helping to serve.

Thank you for your help and support.

Kathy Daniels, Trustees Chair









As the fall season draws near, we are beginning to prepare for 2020. One essential aspect of this planning is budgeting for the FUMC ministries.

Budget request worksheets were distributed at the Church Council meeting, and copies are available on the reception desk. If you have items that require explanation, please also attach a written narrative.

As guidance to help you develop your budget request:

- 1. Please clarify and explain all anticipated expenditures; refer to past expenses and budget if necessary.
- 2. A year to date expenditure of your ministry area will be provided by the Business Manager.
- 3. Budget requests should specifically meet your ministry goals.
- 4. Provide timing of expenditures if not spread out evenly throughout the year.
- 5. Designated Ministry Funds must also be budgeted to schedule expenditures and plan for cash flow.

Please submit your completed Budget Request form no later than September 4th.

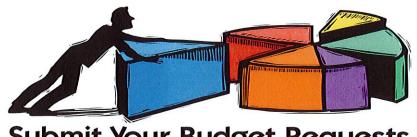
## **Budgeting Timeline:**

7/30/19	Ministry Plan / Budget worksheet forms distributed to ministry leaders & committees
9/4/19	Budget requests due from ministry leaders
9/10- 9/24/19	Proposed budget developed by Budget Task Group (Business Mgr & Finance Committee)
10/8/19	Proposed budget finalized by the Finance Committee
10/22/19	Proposed ministry plan with budget is submitted to Church Council for approval 5:30 p.m.
11/9/19	Annual Charge/Cluster Conference – Grace UMC, CC 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

The Finance Budget Sub-Committee will consider this input in compiling and presenting the 2020 Ministry Year Budget for FUMC at the Church Council/Charge Conference meeting on Tuesday, October 22nd at 5:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall. All approved items will be presented at the Church Cluster Conference on November 9, 2019.

Your prayerful and timely completion of these items is greatly appreciated. We need everyone's input to ensure that the ministry plan and budget is complete and accurate.

> Giving Christ our treasure, Frank Baik, Pastor Gary Stone, Finance Chair



Submit Your Budget Requests

# Health Ministries

SAVE THE DATE!

# **FUMC Ministry Fair &** Potluck Lunch!

Sunday, September 29

The Health Ministry Team is organizing a FUMC Ministry Fair and potluck lunch on Sunday, September 29th immediately following the 10:30 service. Watch Church Alive for further details.

If your group is interested in participating, please contact Kathy Daniels at 361-463-1217 or Kathy Wilson at 361-729-1659 ext 2578.

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# Victim Advocacy **Lunch & Learn**

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall 2&3

Have you been a victim of a crime?

Do you have a friend or family member who has been a victim of a crime?

Join us for an informative session on victim rights Join the Health Ministry Team and Kathy Wilson, Wesley Nurse for an information presentation by Rose Trevino from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Rose is the Regional Victim Services Coordinator for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and will be sharing her knowledge, helpful hints, and how to advocate for yourself or a friend or family member that has been a victim of a crime.

Lunch will be provided by the Health Ministry Team. Signup sheet will be available on the Receptionist Desk. Hope to see you there.

## Walking Classes

Mon / Tues / Fri 8:25-9:00 a.m. 2 mile 9:00-9:30 a.m. - 1 mile



# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Diabetic Support Group

Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. Youth / Rec Room

Come experience this group that includes people with diabetes, pre-diabetes, or caregivers. Learn a new tip, meet a friend, and improve your lifestyle to live well with diabetes. Hope to see you there. Contact Kathy Wilson, Wesley Nurse at 361-729-1659 for any questions.

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#### Help Us Help You!

Help us help you by informing us of upcoming concerns such as hospital stays or surgeries that may require support from your church family. If you would like to be a part of helping your fellow church members, contact Kathy Wilson at 361-729-1659 or Kathy Daniels at 361-463-1217; or sign up on the bulletin board located in the hallway across from Pastor Frank's office.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Mobile Health Clinic

Monday, September 23rd 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-3:30p.m.

If you or someone you know is uninsured / under insured and needs a medical exam, the Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation Mobile Health Center comes to Rockport once Please call 361-814-2001 to schedule an a month. appointment.

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Come see your Wesley Nurse today!

Kathy Wilson, RN, Wesley Nurse 361-729-1659 kwilson@mhm.org www.fumcrockport.org/wesley-nurse







64.1%

of youth with major depression do not receive any mental HEALTH TREATMENT

Mental Health America

1 in 5 teens & young adults lives with a mental HEALTH CONDITION.

National Alliance for Mental Illness

5.13% of youth report having a substance use or ALCOHOL PROBLEM.

Mental Health America

# Why Youth Mental Health First Aid?

Youth 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 adults who work with youth the skills they need to reach out and provide initial support to adolescents (ages 12-18) who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

#### WHO SHOULD TAKE IT

- Teachers
- · School staff
- Coaches
- Camp counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- · People who work with youth

#### WHAT IT COVERS

- Common signs and symptoms of mental illne sses in this age group, including:
  - m Anxiety
  - m Depression
  - m Eating disorders
  - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- Common signs and symptoms of substance use.
- How to interact with an adolescent in crisis.
- How to connect the adolescent with help.

The course will teach you how to apply the ALGEE action plan:

- · Assess for risk of suicide or harm
- Listen nonjudgmentally
- · Give reassurance and information
- · Encourage appropriate professional help
- Encourage self-help and other support strategies

TO FIND A COURSE OR CONTACT AN INSTRUCTOR IN YOUR AREA, VISIT www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org OR EMAIL Info@MentalHealthFirstAid.org

# WANT TO TAKE THE COURSE?

Where:

First Baptist Church, 1515 N. Live Oak Street, Rockport TX 78382

When: September 10, 2019, 8:00AM-4PM
Register Here: Please call 361-790-0103

Please call 361-790-0103 or email megan.glidden@ag.tamu.edu to RSVP







# Children's Ministries

#### Pray for Them

The new school year has begun, and we have sent a new group of children off to further their education. Most of these children have been with us since infancy, and it is always hard to let go. Our comfort comes from knowing that our children have left with a head-start on education and important life skills. The most important component they are leaving with is a love for Jesus Christ. We have prayed everyday with them, taken them to chapel, and read the Bible during lesson time. They have a great foundation.

Please pray over them this school year. Pray over every school for safety, growth, and the love of God to flow through. Good luck this year. You've got this!

God bless,

Madaline Brown, First Learning Tree Director



## **Nursery Volunteers Needed!**

Do you love children?

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Would you be willing to spend some time with the little ones on occasional Sunday mornings?

When? Sunday mornings during worship, as often as you want!

What will I do? Sit with infants, talk to toddlers, and keep an eye on the little ones while staff teach the lesson to older children

What training do I need? 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 <a href="https://riotexas.org/safesteps">https://riotexas.org/safesteps</a>

I want to help! Who do I contact? Please see Sheree in the nursery, leave a note in the childcare mailbox in the front office, or email her at <a href="mailto:shereefumc@yahoo.com">shereefumc@yahoo.com</a>.



5:00—8:00 p.m.

# Growing Families in Christ

#### Feel the Love

Wow! Such love! Did you hear it too? No, you say? What was it, you ask? It was a beautiful voice singing to a 20 month old little boy, giving him undivided attention, and he was absolutely loving it. It brought a



Mrs. Lynn reading to little Calvin

smile to my face immediately while I was next door. This person can be found singing Jesus filled songs to any and all children in the nursery. She has calmed a child needing to rest, and has gotten children to participate in music and movement time. Who is this person you ask? Mrs. Lynn.



Mrs. Patty reading to 3 & 4 yr olds

Let me also tell you about Mrs.
Patty. She excels at getting young children involved in play and activities.
Patty will get on the floor, avoid side conversations, and give that one on one

attention to your children. Another talent is Patty's ability to comfort a child in distress such as when a child is separating from their mother.

Thank you both so much for all you do! If you ever happen to walk close to the nursery, listen for singing to the Lord, and children, as well as watch for the comfort and care these ladies give to your children.

\*Infant to preschool age are invited to the nursery. We would love to have your child join us, and learn about God!

Blessings! Sheree Standefer, Child Care Director



# Is God Calling You to Lead Children?

We are seeking Christian leaders who are passionate about leading children! Please contact Pastor Frank at 361-729-1659.



# Serve & Connect



## **Community Table: Sept 10**

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 Hwv 35

North), different churches rotate hosting these meals.

FUMC is signed up to host Community Table on September 10th. Please sign up to help on the reception desk!

Volunteers are needed to cook, serve, clean tables, make tea and coffee, dishwashing, and clean up. Volunteers truly enjoy the blessing of serving the community together in this wonderful ministry. Please sign up on the Main St. reception desk.

Please note: Food handler permits are now required for ALL volunteers. The link for Food Handler Permit information is available at www.fumcrockport.org/ ministries

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Did you know YOU have the power to make someone feel welcome?

#### **Welcome Team**

The Welcome Team challenges you to sit next to someone you haven't met before, and make a new friend! Invite them for coffee... lunch... fishing?

If you would like to join the Welcome Team in their efforts to focus on the important ministry of welcoming new people to this church, please contact Debbie Chapman at 361-790-4162 or dcchapman52@gmail.com.

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#### Be a Greeter - Mobile Health Clinic

Monday, September 23 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 Prescription them to 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.



## **Prescription Assistance**

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.

J	uly	1	to	July	31.	2019

Clients	14
New Clients	5
New Clients Unable to Help	3
Forms Filed	9
Volunteer Hours	46.0

Estimated Cash Value of Medications Saved for Clients:



1 month supply \$ 3,534.00 X 3 months supply \$10,601.00

#### Volunteer at our Local Food Bank

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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.

## Help Out at Castaways Thrift Shop

The Castaways team of volunteers needs help on Thursdays sacking merchandise, picking up misplaced merchandise, rehanging clothes, boxing hangers and assisting customers. If you can help please call Annette at 790-6217. Any amount of time you can offer would be appreciated.





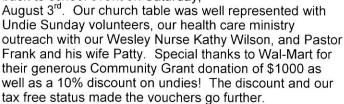
# **Newsletter Deadline:** September 23rd

Do you have something to share in the Church Newsletter?

Please send your ministry information and glory sightings to Stefany Simmons at ssimmons@fumcrockport.org.

# "Undie Sunday" Project Cross Talk Sunday School Class

For the fifth year, our church partnered with the First Baptist Church and their annual Backpacks and Blue Jeans back to school event on Saturday.



Unlike previous years, this year we had to be present for families to redeem their vouchers. We were not sure how exactly that was going to work out but it went really well! Wal-Mart had dedicated Undie Sunday check-out lines for us. To help families determine which lines to use, folks were there in aprons with children's underwear on them. (See the pictures!) Wal-Mart Associates were great with the families and wonderful to work with! We gave out 180 vouchers and purchased right at \$3000 in undies! As you can imagine, moms and dads were very appreciative and thankful for our help. The good news is that the children went back to school with new undies that they got to pick out!!

Thanks to all who donated and volunteered to help!



Rob Coe volunteering for Undie Sunday at Walmart



Jane Doss, Sue Weir, Barbara Klemm, and Jeannie Coe at Backpacks & Blue Jeans



Madaline Brown, Kathy Wilson, and Pastor Frank at Backpacks & Blue Jeans



Sue Weir, Barbara Klemm, and Emmanuel Adeyoju at Walmart volunteering for Undie Sunday

# Glory Sightings



Dan and Brenda Groman Rockport UM Church Columbus Grove, Ohio

Kathy Wilson Pastor Frank Baik

## Special Visitors from another Rockport UMC!

Dan and Brenda Groman are from Rockport UMC in Ohio. They made a donation to our church after Harvey, so in August they came by to see the progress our church has made since the storm. They spent some time visiting with Kathy Wilson and Pastor Frank gave them a tour of the church. To God be the Glory!

# Jesus Needs You!

What passions and gifts has God given YOU?

#### Would you like to help with the ministry of care?

We are recruiting people who would like to serve communion and visit with nursing home patients. This is such a blessing to those who cannot come to church and could not otherwise have communion. It's also a great gift to be remembered, and shown care. It shows them they are valued and loved.

#### Have you been trained in Stephen Ministry?

I would also love to have Stephen Ministers who are trained to minister to those grieving start functioning again. Please let Pastor Frank know if you are trained in Stephen Ministry and would like to start operating again.

#### Do you love books?

We are seeking a Library Crew who would like to unpack boxes and set up a rolling library. Please call Karen at the church office (361-729-1659) if you would like to help!

Thank you!

Pastor Frank

Happy Birthday!

# Special Celebrations this Month



- 1-Sep Becky McChesney
- 2-Sep Sam L Spears
- 2-Sep Mark Bryan
- 2-Sep Mary Huhman
- 3-Sep Valerie Smith
- 5-Sep Gary Gardner
- 7-Sep Jackie Riley
- 7-Sep Virginia Russell
- 10-Sep Audrey St. Peter
- 11-Sep Jeannie Coe
- 13-Sep David Murrah
- 15-Sep Rusty Day
- 17-Sep Amanda Johnson (FLT)
- 18-Sep Kyle Madison
- 19-Sep Betty St. Leger
- 19-Sep Tom Serota
- 20-Sep Lori McCartney (FLT)
- 20-Sep Ashley Longoria (FLT)
- 21-Sep John Gay
- 21-Sep Karl Fisher
- 22-Sep Charles Porter
- 22-Sep Donna Bennett
- 23-Sep Annette Hegen
- 25-Sep Carla Leuschner (FLT)
- 25-Sep Bob Dunlap
- 25-Sep Ginger Gay
- 26-Sep Mary Ware
- 28-Sep Web Halvorsen
- 29-Sep August Smith



1-Sep	David & Mary Rusk
4-Sep	Jon & Mary Rappard
5-Sep	Bill & Patsy Phemister
5-Sep	Danny & Susie Hale
9-Sep	James & Janet Carrick
9-Sep	Tommy & Nancy Miller
10-Sep	Mike & Julie McKain
14-Sep	Drexel & Jackie Riley
16-Sep	Charles & Alice Porter
19-Sep	Tom & Donna Bennett
23-Sep	Clayton & Susie Black
28-Sep	Alan & Paula Barre
30-Sep	Chris & Gail Baker

# Happy Anniversary, Susan!



September 7th is
Susan Jamison's Anniversary
with FUMC Rockport!
We celebrate her
8 years of service
in this place!

Thank you for all that you do, Susan!



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

#### **Mission Statement**

Growing Families in Christ through Nurture, Outreach, and Witness.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Financial Peace University

# Sundays @ 5:00 p.m.

September 8th — November 3rd First United Methodist Church (Youth Room)

\$109 → 9 classes + all materials!

Register Today!

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