



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*of Rockport*

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### Membership Classes



Membership Class will be offered on Thursdays, March 12, 19, and 26 at 11:00am.

Everyone who attends worship is welcome at our church. But for many people, just warming the pew is not enough! You want to help build the

church and see the Kingdom of God grow. The membership class will teach you, (and me) more about our church. We will explore your gifts and talents, and the church's needs and possibilities for new ministries. We will ground you in Church history and remember what God has done in the past. And we will look at what it means to be a member of the local church, the Methodist Church, and the Church universal. By the end of the class you should have a good idea if you should join this church. And where you might serve the Lord.

If you missed a class on the last round, you can also make up classes. And, if you are a member and just want to know more, you are also welcome to take the course.

We will have three classes, on Thursdays at 11am.:

- March 12 – Christian History, Methodism, and facility tour
- March 19 – FUMC Rockport History & Ministries, Gifts Inventory
- March 26 – Membership privileges & expectations, Vows & Ceremony walk-through

Please sign up, and learn what it really means to be a member of FUMC Rockport.

Thanks and Blessings!

Frank

### Lenten Lunches

The Rockport Ministerial Alliance will host Lenten Lunches at 12 pm during the season of Lent. The lunches will consist of a simple meal, as well as a Lenten meditation. We will need assistance in the kitchen and with hosting on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Hope you can make it!

March 11th	St. Peter Episcopal
March 18th	Holy Cross Lutheran
March 25th	First Presbyterian
April 1st	First United Methodist

### Lenten Bible Study



Got plans for Lent? Let's study the life of Jesus through the Gospels. This is a 40 day study starting on Ash Wed, Feb 26. We will read about two chapters a day, with a breaks on Sundays, and will have read all 4 Gospels by Easter! You can just read two chapters a day starting with Matthew. But I would love it if you would join us at

[www.fumcrockport.org/bible-study](http://www.fumcrockport.org/bible-study)

We can see each other's comments and reflections.

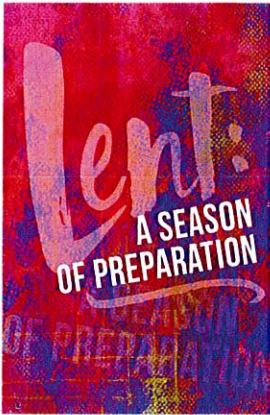


### Important Dates

- Mar 4: Men's Breakfast @ 7 AM
- Mar 8: Daylight Savings Time Begins
- Mar 9: Coastal Bend Mobile Health Unit
- Mar 10: Diabetic Support Group
- Mar 10: Community Table
- Mar 12: Caring Cards
- Mar 12: Membership Class #1
- Mar 17: Diabetic Education Class
- Mar 19: Membership Class #2
- Mar 22: Children's Sabbath
- Mar 23: Coastal Bend Mobile Health Unit
- Mar 24: Community Table
- Mar 26: Membership Class #3

For full church calendar, see [www.fumcrockport.org/calendar](http://www.fumcrockport.org/calendar)

# FUMC Rockport—March 2020



## 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

**6:00 p.m. Saturday Contemporary Worship**

Children are always welcome in worship here! Children's bulletins and other activities are available, and children's sermon is during the 10:30 a.m. service

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## ADULT CLASSES

**9:15a.m. - New Beginnings.....FH1**  
The New Beginning class is currently studying with the focus on Hope and using Scripture to back this up. Teachers rotate. All are invited to attend this class.

**9:15a.m. - Cross Talk.....Rm 14, Educ Wing**  
The Cross Talk Class enjoys lively discussions on topics selected and led by our members. The class is well known for hearty exchanges of ideas and comments. There's always room for one more!

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Nursery.....Nursery**  
Our childcare staff lovingly cares for little ones ages infant to preschool while parents attend worship services and Sunday School.

**9:15a.m. - Mrs. Ellie's Class.....Rm 5**  
Beginning March 1: Children ages 4-10

**9:15a.m. - Mrs. Stefany's Class.....Rm6, Rec Rm**  
Beginning March 1: Youth ages 11-18

FH = Fellowship Hall

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## 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.

### March 1, 2020—1st Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7      Psalm 32  
Romans 5:12-19      Matthew 4:1-11

### March 8, 2020—2nd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a      Psalm 121  
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17      John 3:1-17

### March 15, 2020—3rd Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7      Psalm 95  
Romans 5:1-11      John 4:5-42

### March 22, 2020—4th Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13      Psalm 23  
Ephesians 5:8-14      John 9:1-41

### March 29, 2020 - 5th Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14      Psalm 130  
Romans 8:6-11      John 11:1-45



Please pray for the family and friends of :

**Mary Martha "Scotty" Kautz**, who passed away on February 3, 2020

**Jeanie Prophet Lofgren**, who passed away on February 9, 2020.

**Corbin Schleede**, who passed away on February 19, 2020

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# Get Connected

# Giving for His Glory



## Methodist Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, March 4  
7:00 a.m.  
FUMC Fellowship Hall

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.

## Prayer Team

Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (Rm 4)

This dedicated group comes to the church to pray for prayer requests, church staff, ministries of the church, the community, and the world. Please come if you would like to join this group in prayer.



## Prayer with Pastor Frank

Monday—Friday  
8:30 a.m.  
in the Sanctuary



## Mid-Week Reflection with Pastor Frank

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.  
Conference Room

Pastor Frank invites you to join him for mid-week study and reflection. This is a discussion-based Bible Study of the UMC lectionary text. Reflections questions are shared each week in the church bulletins.

## 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.

## Good Ol' Stories and Brown Bag

Bring a lunch and join us on Mondays @ 11 AM in the Rec Room for fresh looks at well known Bible stories. For more information contact John Gay at [johnandgingergay@gmail.com](mailto:johnandgingergay@gmail.com) or 361-729-2521.

## Moving Mountains Bible Study

Jan 15th—March 25th

Wednesdays @ 5:30 p.m., Conference Room  
When we discover that prayer is not just asking God to do something—prayer is *partnership* with God—new possibilities open before us.

## JANUARY 2020 CHURCH GIVING

**Giving:	\$26,379.51
Castaway's:	\$ 8,000.00
Market St Apartment Income	\$ 3,641.00
Total Income:	\$38,020.51
Expenses:	\$34,580.77
DEC 2019 Net Income:	\$ 3,439.74

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

Year-end net income is \$3,439.74. The ministries of FUMC Rockport are supported by the generosity of members, constituents and visitors alike. Another large portion of support is by our Castaways Volunteer Team who serve at Castaways. We ask you to 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](http://www.fumcrockport.org). Blessings, Susan Jamison, Business Manager

## THANK YOU! Castaways Volunteers

Their works contribute to almost one quarter of our church budget and in addition also give abundantly to our Capital Reserve fund. This fund helps us to prepare for and fund major repairs like replacing air conditioners and the such. Last year, on top of the \$96,000 contributed to our budget, an additional \$42,969.82 was applied to our Capital Reserve fund. A blessing to be sure!!

## 2020 Benevolent Bucket Offerings

January	Methodist Children's Home	\$122.00
February	UMARMY	\$23.00

## March Benevolent Bucket

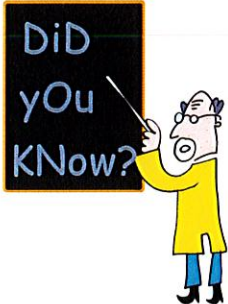
Sunday, March 1st

Benevolent Bucket is a special offering taken up on the first Sundays of each month. **March Benevolent Bucket** will benefit Abundant Life Global Ministries. Abundant Life Global Ministries will be here as a guest speaker on Sunday, March 1st to share the story of their ministry created to serve the people of Malawi in Africa.



## Ministry Leaders

***From the Trustees: Did You Know...***, Submitted by Jeannie Coe



Did you know that in addition to our “church building”, we also have:

- First Learning Tree,
- the Education Wing classrooms,
- a garage for the church and Castaways storage,
- five apartments across from Mac’s BBQ,
- a vacant lot next to FLT (with plans for future use),
- a fully-stocked tool trailer for mission work, and
- a Parsonage (including a storage shed) in the Country Club?

That is a LOT of real estate! And a LOT of AC units, toilets, drains, water heaters, furniture and equipment to maintain. Plus a LOT of landscaping to maintain!

Your Trustees—Kathy Daniels (Chair), Joe Wilson, and Danny Hale—along with Ray Saenz, Jeannie Coe, Susan Jamison, and a WHOLE LOT of willing volunteers are at work behind (and in front of) the scenes to keep things running smoothly.

Over the past year, your church has completed the following projects:

- Parsonage Restoration: interior and exterior paint, installed carpet, install new appliances, landscape front flower beds, removed two dead trees, weather stripping installed, repair garage door frame, windows washed;
- Church Main Street entry painted, furnishing updated (ongoing project);
- Ladies bathroom in the Fellowship Hall painted, furnishings updated;
- North and East exterior of Church power washed and painted;
- Sanctuary Stained glass windows installed;
- Main Street entry steps and breezeway sidewalk painted;
- Fellowship Hall walls and various other areas touched up with paint;
- Sliding/folding doors in the Fellowship hall repaired;
- Motorized/handicap doors installed at Live Oak and Breezeway entries;
- Fencing and artificial grass installed in Social Area;
- Wesley Nurse’s Office updated with new cabinets;
- Closet in Adm Asst Office was painted;
- White picket gate on the Education Wing removed (ongoing project);
- Breezeway “ceiling” installed and painted;
- Drainage pipe installed along wall in flowerbed to prevent water entry into building;
- Atrium doors repaired;
- Roof over the Nursery repaired;
- Mold removed, new HVAC units installed, insulation installed and roof repaired in Education Wing rooms;
- HVAC units installed that service the Hallway and ladies/mens bathroom in fellowship hall;
- Ceiling tiles painted in various rooms in the Fellowship Hall.



Just like a house (and this is actually the equivalent to a whole neighborhood of houses), there is ALWAYS something that needs to be done!

Special thanks to our custodian ALFREDO GONZALES who keeps our church so clean and our floors sparkling!! And thanks as well to SUSAN JAMISON, our Business Manager, who manages all the work and contractors and bills.

Want to help? Please let us know if you see an issue so we can address it as a minor problem before it becomes a MAJOR PROBLEM.

Better yet, volunteer to help out! Our work teams are typically well fed and have a good time getting the job accomplished! In addition to keeping everything running, we always have a list of things we would like to do to help make our church a better, safer, more welcome place!

# Family Ministries

February was a full month at FUMC Rockport! Sunday, February 9th, we held a Safe Gatherings Training. Nine adults are now ready to serve in ministry with children, youth, and vulnerable adults! Also, three youth are trained and ready to assist in the Nursery! If you missed it, don't worry, you can still complete this training at [www.safegatherings.com](http://www.safegatherings.com).

Our Valentine's Date Night was a great success (see pictures in the "Glory Sightings" page). On March 1st, we will have new Sunday School classes starting up for children and youth (9:15-10:15am)! Mrs. Ellie Saenz will be teaching children ages 4-10 in the Education Wing, and I will be leading the youth ages 11-18 in the Youth/ Rec Room.

**As you go through this season of Lent, would you consider trying something different?**

I would like to challenge you during this Lenten season to ask God where he would like you to serve in the church, and to listen for His gentle voice. There are so many ways that each of us can serve the body of Christ, and all of your gifts are needed! Pastor Frank has been challenging us to volunteer in the Nursery, but there are many other ways too. The more people who are willing to step out in faith and be used by God, the more people we will be able to reach with the love of Christ.

*"...be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you."*  
1 Samuel 12:24

Blessings Always,  
Stefany Simmons

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## Marriage Enrichment Opportunities

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage is the "marriage seminar for people who hate marriage seminars." For those who might be interested, we will soon be offering a time for couples to come watch the remaining sessions of the seminar.

Last month I shared that I would like to begin a marriage Bible study this month. However, the "Moving Mountains" Bible study is extended through March, and I am helping my husband lead this class. I will plan to begin the study on Adam Hamilton's Love to Stay: Sex, Grace, and Commitment in April. Keep an eye out for more info!



## Youth Gathering

On Saturday, February 15th, we had a small youth gathering at the church. We met at 4:30 p.m. and enjoyed fun, fellowship, and pizza! At 6:00 p.m. we went to the contemporary service and worshiped together.

**Next gathering: March 21st!**



**Upcoming Dates:**

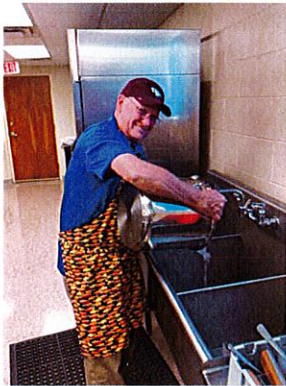
- ⇒ **March 1st**—Sunday School classes for children and youth start back up!
- ⇒ **March 21st**—4:30-7:00 p.m. Youth Gathering
- ⇒ **March 22nd**—10:30 a.m. Children's Worship Service—children and youth lead, serve, and sing!
- ⇒ **April 1st**— 5:30 p.m. "Love to Stay" 6-week marriage Bible study

# Glory Sightings



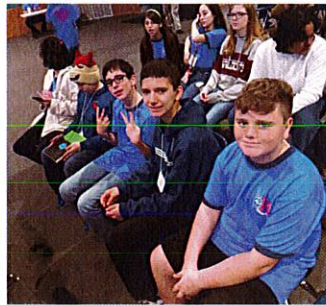
## Valentine's Date Night!

On Friday, February 14th, we had 17 couples join us for a fun Valentine's Dinner. The United Methodist Men's group provided a delicious spaghetti dinner with salad, garlic bread, and cheesecake for dessert! We enjoyed a lot of laughs watching the first session of Mark Gungor's "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage" seminar. Many thanks to everyone who came, and especially to the men who provided the wonderful meal!



## Youth Midwinter Retreat

January 24-26 we had seven youth and three adults attend the district-wide midwinter retreat, and it was AWESOME! Thank you to everyone who prayed for this retreat, and for those who helped with financial contributions. It was



# Children's Ministries

## From the Nursery...

We, the Childcare Staff, are helping your child *Always Grow in Christ* by providing your child with empathy, love, and Biblical teaching in a safe environment.



Room and Environment Management for All Ages training led by Mrs. Ellie.

## Spanish Class for Ages 4-9

**Wednesday nights**

6:30-7:30 p.m.

in Mrs. Ellie's room located in the Annex

On Wednesday nights during adult choir practice, the children have so much fun learning Spanish and about Spanish culture. Children sing songs in Spanish, learn numbers and colors, and do exciting crafts and projects!



Mrs. Ellie's Spanish class learning about "Familia"

Please help us in the nursery, if you can! "Be the Change!"

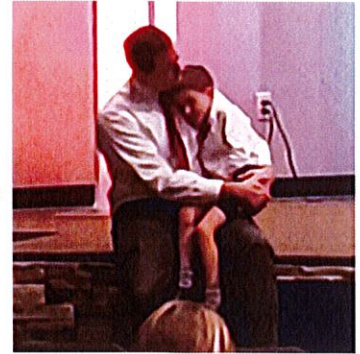


# Growing in Christ

## From the Director of First Learning Tree

### Prayer In the Family

Every Sunday morning at church service, we have "Pre-Service Prayer". During this time, we pray for our service and requests of others. Someone took this picture, and sent it to my husband with the words "a father praying with his son... priceless".



It is so important to pray with your children. This is something they need to establish for the rest of their life. They can learn this by observing their parents' actions. Not only is our child participating in prayer with the congregation, but also he is witnessing his father on an intimate level with Jesus Christ. A son looks up to his father just as we look up to our Father in heaven. As our child sees his father act, he will do the same in his life and pass this on to his son. We are so blessed to share this with our son, and he is blessed to witness this from us.



God bless,

Madaline Brown, First Learning Tree Director

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## Wednesday Nights

**\*\*Please Note: These Wednesday night activities will be cancelled March 11th, (the week of Spring Break) Except Adult Choir Practice**

- ⇒ 5:30-6:30 p.m. Martial Arts Class with Sensei Frank—ages 6 and up in the Fellowship Hall
- ⇒ 5:30-6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study—*Moving Mountains: Praying with Passion, Confidence, and Authority* by John Eldredge, in the Conference Room. (through March 25th)
- ⇒ 6:30-7:30 p.m. Children's Spanish Class with Mrs. Ellie—ages 4-9 yrs
- ⇒ 7:00-8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Practice in the Choir Room
- ⇒ Child Care available for children ages 0-3 in the nursery

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# Nursery Volunteers

**THANK YOU to our Nursery Volunteers!**

A Big Thank You to Nursery Volunteers: Abbi Busack, Alan Barre, Annette and Ed Hegan, Debbie Chapman, Kathy Daniels, Linda Jenkins, "Anonymous", Patty Baik, and Carolyn Neal.

Thank you for helping in the nursery these past two weeks. The kids and Nursery staff were so appreciative of the extra help.

The Lord bless you and your service richly! Through Christ our Lord, Amen. – Frank

PS - If you would like to love on kids in your nursery regularly, there are openings!





# Health Ministries

## Mobile Health Clinic

Monday, March 9th and 23rd  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

If you or someone you know is uninsured or under insured and needs a primary care provider, the Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation Mobile Health Clinic comes to Rockport the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Please call 361-814-2001 to schedule an appointment.

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## Indoor Walking Classes

Mon / Tues / Fri

8:25-9:00 a.m. – 2 mile

9:00-9:25 a.m. – 1 mile

Mondays only at 9:25 a.m.–

Gentle Sitting Tai Chi

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## Diabetic Support Group

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

Hope you can join us!

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.

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## Less of You to Love

Wednesdays @ 12:06 PM

Are you tired of the whole DIET thing? Are you fed up (pun intended ☺) and frustrated? Are you beating yourself up because it seems you just can't lose weight... or even worse, beating yourself up because you have actually gained weight?? Have you just given up?

Here is an opportunity to get off the weight loss merry go around once and for all! We'll look at what the Bible says about healthy living and move on from there!

Get ready and remember, there will be **Less of You to LOVE!!**

# Take Care of You



## BEETS

Despite their striking colors—ruby red, golden yellow, and even candy-striped—beets aren't exactly the most popular vegetable on the block. But what if you make them sound more enticing? It turns out that people may eat more “dynamite chili and tangy lime-seasoned beets” than plain old “beets”.

In a study done at Stanford University cafeteria, researchers found that people ate about 25% more vegetables if the selections were described in indulgent terms rather than basic or healthy terms (such as “lighter-choice beets with not added sugar”) even though all the dishes were prepared exactly the same way.

Other examples of indulgently named veggie dishes included “zesty ginger-turmeric sweet potatoes” and “sweet sizzlin’ green beans and crispy shallots”. So if you're hoping to entice friends or family to try beets (or other vegetables), add some appealing adjectives to the description.

**Nutritional info:** Beets are a good source of the B vitamin folate and the mineral manganese. Beets also contain naturally high levels of nitrates, which your digestive system converts into nitric oxide. This compound relaxes and widens blood vessels, which, in turn, lowers blood pressure.

**East Recipes:** Peel beets, then grate or slice into thin rounds. Toss with lime juice and a pinch of chili powder (or more to taste). You can also roast beets (wrap in foil and bake at 400 degrees F until tender) or pickle them.

Vegetable of the month. (2018, February 1). *Harvard Heart Letter*, 28(6), 7–7.

# 11th Annual (Almost) Chili Cook Off!

WOW! We had **33 pots of chili** in the 11th Annual (Almost) Chili Cook Off! Special thanks to all who brought chili, helped set up, helped clean up, who dressed in their Western duds, as well as all of you who came and had a good time! We had over 140 people!!

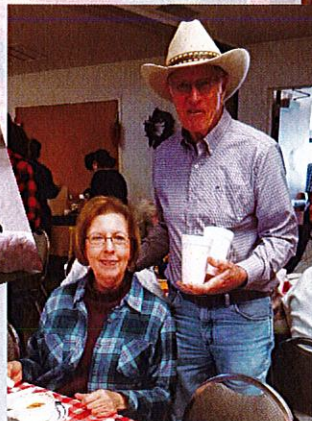
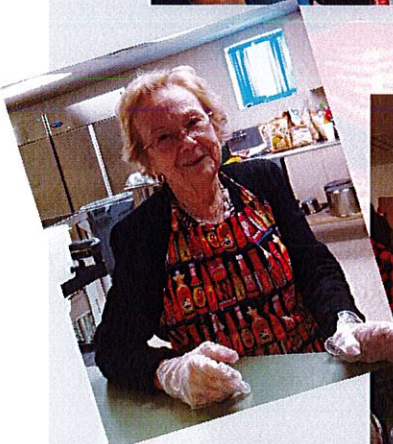
The Roping Demonstration was a big hit and helped us get the judging completed before serving! Kudos to our judges—Bob Dunlap, Kay Wilson, and Judge Bianchi. Braggin' Rights to our **OVER-ALL BEST CHILI WINNER—Bill Neal** (who, by the way, happens to be a Winter Texan!)

The Challenge is on for 2021! In 2021, we will plan on having **TWO** sets of judges, and we are working on having some live Cowboy music as well!

Thank you to Jeannie and Rob Coe for organizing the Chili Cook Off! Such a great event that we look forward to every year.



From Left to Right: Jeannie Coe, Jackson Yglesias, Josh Yglesias, Kathy Abbott, Doris Motsinger, Bill Neal, Mason White, Rob Coe



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# 11th Annual (Almost) Chili Cook Off!





## Church Library Coming Soon!

Who Wants to Help?

If you would like to help, please contact David Murrah at 361-205-3930 (phone or text) or at [davidmurrah@sbcglobal.net](mailto:davidmurrah@sbcglobal.net).

## Church Library News

The church library will soon have a new home.! Hurricane Harvey rudely disrupted the Library Committee's work to arrange and make books available, and we lost our space. But a new room has been designated for us, and we will be resuming work on the collection in the next few weeks.

## Kitchen Update

What a huge blessing to have a real Chef, Steven Reed, in charge of Wednesday Night Dinners! Under his guidance our kitchen has been cleaned and reorganized to comply with Health Department regulations. PLUS, the dinners have been fantastic!



To work in the kitchen, you need to have a Food Handler's certificate—there is a folder on the bulletin board in the kitchen where you can put a copy of your certificate.

You can also help by not putting food in the kitchen refrigerator. Instead, you can use the kitchen in the youth room. Just FYI, any food in the kitchen refrigerator that is not labeled will be disposed of.



## FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES



*"The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is one of the most effective movements in this nation for the presentation of the Gospel to young people."*

— Dr. Billy Graham

A group of believers met February 10th to learn about the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. We want to revitalize FCA in our community and help it impact more young people. We didn't know that the national organization has been working on placing an area representative in Rockport! God put FCA on our hearts in His perfect timing. Our representative will need volunteers who are committed to growing our local FCA. Prayerfully consider how you can get involved. We don't have all the needs mapped out at this time, but we know FCA needs your prayers for the coaches and young people in our community.

For basic information about FCA, contact Tommy Miller ([coachcopano@gmail.com](mailto:coachcopano@gmail.com)) or Nancy Miller ([grandsons3000@yahoo.com](mailto:grandsons3000@yahoo.com)).



# Music News



## COME JOIN US!

We are already beginning to say goodbye to some of our winter family. Not only will we miss each and every one of them as they migrate back North, but we will definitely miss their voices.

This is a great opportunity to join the choir! You don't have to be able to read music.

You don't have to have any experience. Here's a secret, in case you didn't know: *It is MUCH easier to sing in a larger choir.* All you need is an open mind and a willingness to have fun! Feel free to drop in on a rehearsal, or come speak to any of the choir members for more information.

## CONCERT SERIES

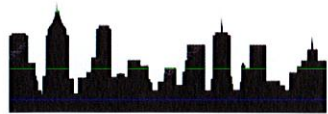
So far we have had two Sunday afternoon concerts. Both have been a lot of fun. Special thanks to Lyle Matthews and Bill DeFries for a great concert on February 16<sup>th</sup>!

Our next concert is scheduled for Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. This concert will feature the Coastal Bend Flute Club. The Flute club will come with quite a few of their members who will be playing a variety of flute. You'll see Piccolos, Flutes, Alto Flutes and Bass Flutes. They will play a variety of music ranging from Classical to Ragtime. Their program will even include a piece (Fly Away Medley) arranged for Flute Ensemble by Paul Klemm. Come on out, this one will be a lot of fun!

## NEW YORK CITY

In case you haven't heard, the Chancel Choir is traveling to New York City in May. We have received an invitation to

sing at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in a premiere of Pepper Choplin's newest Cantata.



## **NEW YORK CITY**

Would you like to come along with us? We have room for a couple more that might want to sing with us. If

you would like to come, and not sing, you're more than welcome as well. Please see Paul Klemm (361-463-0712) for more details. More than one of you have mentioned that you'd like to come along on the trip. **We have deadlines coming up in March, so even if you have mentioned traveling with us to Paul in the past, PLEASE, double check that you're on our list.**

## FUNDRAISER INFO

Thank you to everyone that bid on items for our silent auction. It was a great success. I hope you had as much fun with it as we did. If you haven't picked up your auction items already, please see Paul Klemm as soon as possible.

***Now it's time for our next fundraiser, and it's a fun one!***

Since we're in the middle of winter and have had quite a few gray days, the choir has decided to add some color to yards throughout Aransas County!

We have a "Flock" of approximately 90 Flamingos. If you know of a yard that could use some extra color, a choir member will lead a flock to that yard to "roost" for 24 hours. The Host will receive a letter, letting them know who nominated them for the "flocking." This will provide the "Flock-ee" with an opportunity to nominate someone as well (or to seek revenge?). The next afternoon the birds will "Migrate" to another yard. Flamingos always roost in flocks of 10 and will cost just \$1.00 per bird.



If you DO NOT want your yard to be flocked, and you think someone may nominate you, we are offering "Flocking Insurance." For only \$25 you can be insured against having a flock of Flamingos roost in your yard.

We will have signup sheets in the Narthex following each service. If you have any questions feel free to talk to Rachel Klemm (361-633-3023), or any choir member.

### **Come Sing With The Choir!**

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm

If you've been thinking about joining the choir, now is a great time! Join us in New York! The Choir meets on Wednesday nights from 7:00 to 8:00 in the Music Room. Just show up, we'll be sure to have a chair for you.

**Everyone is welcome!**

For more information, contact Paul Klemm at (361) 463-0712 or [music@fumcrockport.org](mailto:music@fumcrockport.org).

# Serve the Lord with Gladness

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## 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.



### January 1 to January 31, 2020

Clients	16
New Clients	7
New Clients Unable to Help	6
Forms Filed	10
Volunteer Hours	64.25

Estimated Cash Value of Medications Saved for Clients:

1 month supply	\$ 3,875.00
X 3 months supply	\$11,625.00

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## Castaways Thrift Shop

*Support the ministries of FUMC Rockport by donating items to Castaways!*

Please drop off your gently used clothing, furniture, toys, books, jewelry, household items or anything else that someone could use. Be sure to let them know you would like your donations to benefit the Methodist Church!

If you would like to help with sacking merchandise, picking up misplaced merchandise, rehangng clothes, boxing hangers and assisting customers, please call Annette at 361-790-6217. Any amount of time you can offer would be appreciated.



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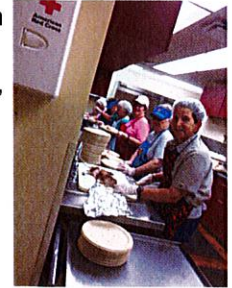
## Community Table

2nd and 4th Tuesdays @ 4:30-6:00pm  
First Presbyterian, 301 Hwy 35 North

Churches rotate hosting this community meal. All are invited to come and eat! Community Table dates for February are Feb 11th and Feb 25th.

Volunteers are needed to cook, serve, clean tables, make tea and coffee, dishwashing, and clean up. Sign-up sheet will be available on the reception desk.

For questions, please contact Kris at 210-268-6855 or [maxineroger2@yahoo.com](mailto:maxineroger2@yahoo.com) or Joyce at (512) 716-9973 or [drjoycempalmer@gmail.com](mailto:drjoycempalmer@gmail.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](http://www.aransascounty.org/envirohealth/foodsafety.php)

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## Volunteers Needed!

### 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*.

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### APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

**March 23rd**

Please send ministry information and glory sightings to Karen Snyder at [ksnyder@fumcrockport.org](mailto:ksnyder@fumcrockport.org).



# MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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|-------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| 03/03 | Manning Chapman         | 03/14 | Marcus Phillips   |
| 03/03 | Abigail ("Abbi") Busack | 03/15 | Mike Pfister      |
| 03/04 | Jane Lechlitner         | 03/17 | Patty Torres      |
| 03/04 | Jennifer Day            | 03/19 | Taeko Zeidler     |
| 03/04 | Rosemary Vieux          | 03/20 | Evelyn Jamison    |
| 03/06 | Judy Rainey             | 03/23 | Meaghan Greenway  |
| 03/07 | Adeline Dunlap          | 03/26 | Teenie Bailey     |
| 03/09 | Ashley Armstrong        | 03/28 | Mary Jane Willard |
| 03/09 | Virginia Crockett       | 03/29 | Janet Carrick     |
| 03/10 | Derrick Jamison         | 03/30 | Jo Durham         |
| 03/12 | Kathy Maloy             | 03/30 | Laura Amerine     |
| 03/14 | Steve Johnson           |       |                   |



# MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/18 Dale and Deloris Motsinger
- 3/24 Ty and Peggy Brigill
- 3/25 Kent and Marsha Baker



### 80 Cards for Jane's 80<sup>th</sup>!!!

Jane Rossman Garrett used to be very involved at FUMC Rockport. She taught Sunday School, was a youth leader, and was active in many things in the church and community. Jane is turning 80 this year and her daughters are campaigning to get 80 birthday cards to surprise her. If you'd like to be a part of the 'party', please send your greetings to:

*Jane Garrett c/o Penny Espinosa  
3708 Indian Wells Drive  
Arlington, TX 76017*

They would like to have them by **April 12, 2020**, but will accept greetings all year long. If you have questions or would like to send Jane a video message, please feel free to contact Penny at 817.480.9910. Even though Jane is unable to write or speak very loudly, she is doing well and sends her hugs to her Rockport FUMC family!

Blessings from the Rossman Girls! (Penny, Ginger and DeeAine)



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## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS



*Sunday, March 8th*  
*Remember to set your*  
*clocks*  
*ahead 1 hour*

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