

WHEATLAND'S WIT & WISDOM
APRIL 2017

WELCOME TO WHEATLAND
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Happy

Spring!

PASTOR MINOR'S MUSINGS
APRIL 2017



With cup of tea (ginger tea, I might add), in hand I am headed toward my favorite place to record thoughts and reflections on our Wheatland journey thus far. It is spring, and as the landscape is beginning to burst forth with plants and creatures that have lain dormant for the winter season, so is Wheatland. There is renewed vigor and vitality as trees are being trimmed, flower gardens are being cleaned out, and the irises are blooming all over the place.

The Lenten season started with Ash Wednesday and we bravely faced our own mortality and penitence in remembrance of Almighty God who has given us everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. We prepare now for Palm Sunday and will enter the sanctuary waving our palm branches and remembering Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

😊 Along with our Christian traditions, we will let the children engage in an Easter egg hunt after they are carefully coached in knowing that there was no great chocolate bunny running around laying eggs the night before.

Since last we communicated, we have lost another sister in the faith – GiGi Nolan. Also, Earl Nichols, who was known to many members of the Wheatland family, went home to be with the Lord. We continue to be in prayer for these family and friends.

The Health Team has made some home visits to several of our sick and shut-ins. They now have cards that they will be able to leave for family that promote the ministry and its service to the congregation.

With help from Marji Bishir-Hill, Wheatland has been recommended to several churches and organizations as a place to hold their meetings and other events. People have driven by and have seen our church and wondered who we were. Now they are being invited to get to know us as we seek to share in ministry.

First United Methodist Church of Coppell will be doing an Amigos Days project on our grounds in the days to come. Be sure to stop by and say thank you for their willingness to help us accomplish some of the projects. The Lord is answering our prayers in many different ways so keep looking up to the mountain from whence our help comes; it comes from the Lord.

The Bible study classes are going great. All are invited to share with us in the study of Exodus on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. On Wednesday night we gather with the Wheatlandettes as they engage in a study of the Book of Revelation.

REMEMBER TO DO A "KIDS ROUND UP" IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND AMONG YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES FOR THE EASTER EGG HUNT.

BRING CANDY TO STUFF THE EGGS

Individually wrapped

Small enough to fit into a plastic egg

No chocolate (it melts and makes a big mess)

We will receive money if you can't make it to the store.

Blessings to you all.

Pastor Sandi

Living the gospel by loving the people.

2017 HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM

God brings us April showers.

WUMC can help bring our shut ins card showers in April. It will show them that we care and aren't forgotten. Please send to everybody on this list in April a big shower of love.

Gene Hudson 207 Tucson Drive, Duncanville, Texas 75116

Pat Gurson 550 Ann Arbor Dallas, Texas 75216

Chick and Marie Libby 5206 Ranchero Lane Dallas, Texas 75236

Al and Sara Gaston, Brookdale Senior Living, 2250 Brown St. Apt. 224,
Waxahachie, TX 75232



HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM NEWS - A VISIT WITH CHICK & MARIE LIBBY

John Watts went and saw Chick and Marie Libby on Feb. 28, 2017. Marie's birthday was on January 20th & Chick's was on March 10th 2017. On July 29th Chick and Marie Libby will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Both Chick and Marie are doing well. We have been so blessed to see them back in Church a few Sundays recently, with Chick picking up as offering collector right where he left off!

APRIL IS:*

Alcohol Awareness Month
Irritable Bowel Syndrome Awareness Month
National Autism Awareness Month
National Child Abuse Prevention Month
National Distracted Driving Awareness Month
National Donate Life Month
National Facial Protection Month
National Interprofessional Health Care Month
National Minority Health Month
Occupational Therapy Month
Oral Cancer awareness month
Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month
Sexual Assault Awareness Month of Action
Sports Eye Safety Awareness Month
ATI Awareness Month
Women's Eye Health and Safety Month
2-8 National Youth Violence Prevention Week
3-9 National Public Health Week
5 Sexual Assault Awareness Day
7 National Alcohol Screening Day
7 National Health Day
10 National Youth HIV and AIDS Awareness Day
21-28 Every Kid Healthy Week
23-39 National Infertility Awareness Week
23-29 World Immunization Week
24 World Meningitis Day
26-May 3 National Infant Immunization Week

ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE



You can make donations to Wheatland's Capital Campaign online. It's simple. Just go to our website at www.wheatlandumc.org and click on the "Donate" button. You can make a one-time donation or set up recurring donations. Take advantage of this simple way to donate and support our Capital Campaign.

UMW FEBRUARY MEETING - GUEST SPEAKER ASHLEE HUESTON FROM "THE STEW POT"

Ashlee shared with us all the wonderful things about the Stew Pot in Dallas:

First started in 1975 – 1st meal 16 people (serving lunch only in the beginning)– 2016 - 7MM meals – now serving 3 meals a day – with 45 volunteers per day (1500 volunteers per month) & 11 paid staff members – cooks – are paid a wage & receive benefits. 65% men served at meals. Now has a case management staff, help provide housing, help with managing social security benefits, etc. "The Dallas Street Choir" – homeless choir – will be performing at Carnegie Hall! Also – children & youth program, family stabilization program, Women's Wednesday – for women only.

We were all truly blessed by Ashlee and the UMW hopes to do some volunteering at the Stew Pot sometime in the future.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN LEADERSHIP AND MEETINGS FOR 2017

United Methodist Women Monthly Meeting

Saturday, April 8 at 10:30 am

Glen Oaks UMC Fellowship Hall

Program: Methodist Hospital Auxiliary

Brunch provided, all women welcome

Upcoming UMW meeting dates and locations:

April 8 at Glen Oaks UMC

May 13 Spring Tea at Wheatland UMC

June, July and August no scheduled meetings

September 9 at Glen Oaks UMC

October 14 at Wheatland UMC

November 11 at Glen Oaks UMC

December 9 Christmas Party at Wheatland UMC



Time for the Easter Bunny to hide eggs on Palm Sunday! The Wheatlandettes will assist the Easter Bunny by stuffing the eggs (we have plenty). But we need candy! Please bring candy that will fit into the small plastic eggs. And just a reminder, chocolate melts in plastic eggs in the sunshine. We will have a wonderful Palm Sunday of waving palms, having Fellowship Lunch (covered dish dinner) and the Easter egg hunt. So bring out the grand kids and great grand kids! This will be a wonderful day of fun, fellowship, food and Easter eggs!

The Wheatlandettes

A SPECIAL SUNDAY: APRIL 2

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Sunday is our opportunity to do things when it's needed, without having a committee or having a group to decide. This is our arm. This is our organization that does beautiful ministry on behalf of all of us. Your gift offers people everywhere help and hope.

"A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water." --
Proverbs 11:25, NRSV

UMCOR programs help restore lives. Reaching people in more than 80 countries, including the United States, UMCOR provides humanitarian relief in the event of war, conflict or natural disaster. Gifts to UMCOR Sunday underwrite UMCOR's costs of serving local churches in times of disaster.

More than 10 years ago, Hurricane Katrina made landfall on the coasts of Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, displacing thousands of families and killing more than 1,800 loved ones. UMCOR was on the ground and operational within 24 hours of Hurricane Katrina's devastating arrival. According to the Rev. John C. Moore, who was on the ground helping, "because of the UMCOR Sunday offering, UMCOR was able to get us funds to measure the damage." UMCOR came alongside people like Moore and everyone else in the annual conferences to guide the response effort. From cleanup to rebuilding efforts, UMCOR was there. Plus, they set up a cadre of counselors for the youth who had survived the trauma.

Today, UMCOR is still serving there. The legacy of UMCOR's efforts in the communities is unmistakable. A decade later, people are still moved by UMCOR's compassionate response. UMCOR does incredible work and does not receive apportioned funds. Your gift on UMCOR Sunday covers many of the operating costs for UMCOR. This means that any donations that come in during disaster relief can be 100% contributed to the disaster.

UMCOR Sunday is April 2 at Wheatland UMC. **Your gift matters.**

Wheatland United
Methodist Church

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Methodist Church – the
country church in the city
– strives to be a
welcoming congregation
worshipping God
together; increasing in
faith and discipleship
through prayer, Bible
study and fellowship;
caring for one another;
and reaching out to the
community and the
world.*

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 UMM Meeting 9:30 am
2 Adult Bible Study 9:00 Fellowship Hall Worship 10:30 Admin Council 11:30	3	4	5 Sunshine Fellowship 10:00 Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm Route 66 7:00 pm Prayer meting 6:00 PM	6 Luther and Sandra Cruz-Berry's Wedding Anniv.	7	8 "Send Out Women" Ministry 11:00 – 3:00 Sanctuary UMW Meeting 10:30 AM
9 PALM SUNDAY Adult Bible Study 9:00 Fellowship Hall Worship 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt and Fellowship Lunch 11:45 am	10	11 Pablo and Kathryn Estrada's Wedding Annv.	12 Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm Route 66 7:00 pm Prayer meting 6:00 PM	13 Maundy Thursday	14 Good Friday Tenebrae Service 7:00 PM James Minor's Birthday	15 Mary Anne Skrabanek's Birthday
16 EASTER SUNDAY Sunrise Service and Breakfast 6:30 – 9:00 AM Adult Bible Study 9:00 Fellowship Hall Worship 10:30	17	18	19 Wheatlandettes 6:45 PM Route 66 7:00 pm Prayer meting 6:00 PM	20	21 Vijan Barnabas' Birthday	22
23 Adult Bible Study 9:00 Fellowship Hall Worship 10:30 30 Laity Preaches 5 th Sunday Hymn Sing 6:00 pm	24 Newsletter Deadline	25 Health Ministry Meeting at Millie Scales 7:00 RSVP by April 23	26 Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm Route 66 7:00 pm Prayer meting 6:00 PM	27 Alberta Jackson's Birthday	28 Jacob Berry's Birthday	29