



Fain Presbyterian
Church

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Sunday Services:

9:30 A.M.

Sunday School for All
Ages

10:30 A.M.

Fellowship

Chancel Choir

Rehearsal

10:45 A.M.

Worship Service

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

5:30 P.M.

Wednesday Night

Suppers

Followed by

Activities for children
and adults

The Grapevine

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“ I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I
in him, he will bear much fruit.” John 15:5 NIV

REV. RHODES STIPP,
INTERIM PASTOR

AUGUST 2010

“ A Word from Rhodes”

My Dear Friends,

A retired pastor I know who is working in a New Church Development has recently listed for “revelations” that God has given him. I share them with you because I agree that they are all important! I think we would all benefit by carefully thinking about these “revelations.”

1. This pastor has been learning how many people there are who like to think, as the saying goes, “You don’t have to go to church to be a Christian.” Of course, in a technical sense, that’s true. Salvation comes through an individual decision of faith. Jesus did not say in John 3:16, that “Whoever believes in me and goes to church shall not perish but have eternal life.” The believing thief on the cross never went to church, but did go to heaven. Nevertheless, once we become Christians, if we don’t have a church in which we are worshipping, learning, and serving with other Christians, we are disobeying Jesus — and in that sense we do have to go to church to obey Jesus. Moreover, we just never grow as Christians unless we are a part of a Christian fellowship (Ephesians4). There are all kinds of Christians running around today who are not part of a church and therefore are forever little baby Christians. They don’t know how to pray; the Bible is not a treasure to them; they don’t know how Christians handle suffering and say “Why me?” when they suffer; they don’t have Christian joy, meaning, and purpose. Those things only come through growth. And growth only comes through “going to” (being and active part of) a church fellowship.
2. This pastor has been learning how right Jesus was when he said “Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” (Matthew 6:21) The context doesn’t allow us to spiritualize away what Jesus is talking about here. He’s talking about money. When we gladly give a tithe, or significantly more, we receive a tremendous joy and sense of fulfillment!
3. This pastor has been learning that you can’t grow as a Christian unless you work hard at it. (Philippians 2:12-13) Christian growth, after all, involves changing lifelong habits! And habits of thinking, activity, and outlook die hard.

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4. This pastor has been learning that Christian education is stabilization. When we help others learn and grow, we are helping them find stability in their Christian faith. It's like helping a baby walk, or a child ride a bicycle. Without stability people crash easily. Christian learning is not just acquiring interesting and pleasant information. It's crucial that young Christians grow quickly — otherwise they crash.

Peace and love,

Rhodes

AUGUST MENU FOR FAIN CAFÉ




NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS OR ACTIVITIES IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST!

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL!!

The Party Girls (aka Fellowship Ministry Team) are planning an Ice Cream Social, Sunday, August 29 at 6:00 p.m. Bring your favorite churned (or bought) ice cream or favorite cakes, pies or cookies! No reservations needed.



Deadline for the September newsletter is Monday, August 30!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2010

July 4	-	10:45 a.m. service	-	73
July 11	-	10:45 a.m. service	-	80
July 18	-	10:45 a.m. service	-	68
July 25	-	10:45 a.m. service	-	66

"MISSION KIDS" SUNDAY

AUGUST 8, 2010

ITEMS NEEDED AT IMI:

Soup, crackers, macaroni & cheese, cereal

Canned meat, tuna, toilet paper, paper towels

Household cleaning supplies



CAN YOU HELP? VOLUNTEER (S) NEEDED!!

Summer is nearly over and you know what that means! School will be starting again soon! The Outreach Ministry Team will be participating in the PowerPaks for Kids program again, and we need one or two volunteers to take over Diane Felix's job. This person (s) will be a liaison between Ben Franklin school (counselor) and the Food Bank. Also, this person will need to keep the food supply stocked and deliver bags weekly to the school. This is not a hard job and two people can easily divide the work. It's an important job!! Are you our volunteer???



Power Paks for Kids

OPEN MIC NIGHT

Our very first Open Mic Night at Fain Presbyterian Church was a success!! We had 2 local bands perform (Sinking Down Roots and the Bugscuffle Praise Band), our very own Charlotte Echols, Ricky Limato and Heather Hughes, Helen Moore and Melissa Ward, as well as others. Thanks to Charlotte for organizing this event...and to the Outreach Ministry Team members for their help. A good time was had by all who came to hear these musicians praise the Lord!

FAIN RECYCLE

Recycle program is going very well. We will take: newspaper, magazines, clean paper, cardboard, clean glass containers, tin cans & metal lids, aluminum cans, clean foil, plastic containers with [1] or [2] on the bottom. Lately I have had to dump the bags out on the ground and separate all the misplaced containers — glass in the aluminum container, aluminum in the tin container, and unwanted trash. We do not recycle styrofoam of any kind.

Thanks for the help, Charles Pelsue

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

CHARLES PELSUE AND THE B.E.A.M. MINISTRIES

This month's Mission Spotlight is shining on our very own Charles Pelsue. A Fain Presbyterian Church member since 1968 or '69, Charles was ordained as a non-denominational minister in 1997, and has spread the word of Christ through 40 mission trips. He has co-founded B.E.A.M. International Ministries (Bashkortostan Evangelistic American Missions) with Tommy Hickey and serves as it's president and pastor. At one point, Charles and Tommy would take three mission trips a year. Countries that Charles has visited are Russia, Ukraine, Romania, Austria, Senegal, and Mexico. Charles can speak phrases (enough usually to get by) in Spanish, Russian, French, German and Italian, but uses a translator. Most recently, Fain Presbyterian Church supported Charles Pelsue on his trip to Ukraine this past May. During this trip, he preached for all three Sundays while there (two different churches each Sunday) and at a church on a Saturday. The teen shelter was visited as well, which was supported financially by Fain Church and Charles (\$500 donated by Charles, \$500 matched privately by Fain members). While Charles finds it harder to travel these days (due to health reasons, this trip may have been his last), he enthusiastically reveals the best part of his experience: that a man he had ministered to for his last 6-8 trips to Ukraine had finally given his heart to Jesus on his deathbed at his wife's urging. "I plowed the ground, planted the seed, and poured water on it", Charles said, "but his wife got to harvest!" And that's what mission work is all about!

Dear People from church,

Ya'll are so awesome! I love you guys for sponsoring Vikki, Alex, Kevin and me for going to Buffalo Gap. I loved it this year to a point...there were 2 windows broken, 1 broom smashed against a cabin, and someone went through a counselors car and said there was something in there, and someone broke a fire alarm, so...yeah it was hectic!!

THANKS A BAJILLION!

Sincerely,

Quinton — P.S. Thanks

United Methodist Action Reach-out Mission by Youth

Dear Friends,

The U.M. Army Leadership Team from Wichita Falls 2010 Camp would like to take this opportunity to thank you for providing our work teams a delicious dinner on Monday, June 28th. Your generosity provided us the luxury of redirecting the funds we had budgeted for meals toward materials needed to repair the home of the Wichita Falls residents we had the pleasure of serving.



It is evident that Wichita Falls is a strong community that cares about people. Our experience in your city has been one of meeting generous organizations as well as friendly and helpful individuals.

Again, thank you so much. We sincerely appreciate your generosity.

Sincerely,

Tiffin Wilsford, Camp Director

*"Happy
August
Birthday"*



- 1 - Christopher Echols
- 2 - Alecia Lindsey
- 8 - Earl Singleton
- 10 - Jack Robertson
- 11 - Bob Madera
- 12 - Joe Saxon
- 13 - Thomas Gray
- 16 - Perry White
- 20 - Joe Johnson
- 21 - Vicki Waun
- 26 - Carolyn Story
- 28 - James Estes
- 29 - Karen Smith

In Memory of Phyllis Minyard

By: Robin Gohlke Peterson

In Memory of James Story

By: Robin Gohlke Peterson



**JUST A REMINDER!
SCHOOL WILL
BE BACK IN
SESSION
ON AUGUST 23!
PLEASE WATCH
FOR CHILDREN
CROSSING THE
STREETS!**



Dear Presbyterian Friends,

Please know how dearly I appreciate your loyal, loving prayers during the past fourteen months as I struggled with Multiple Myeloma, leg surgery, intensive chemotherapy, Stem Cell Transplant, and abdominal reconstructive surgery. Although there is no cure for bone marrow cancer, I have now been listed as "in remission" and that means that the damage being done to my bones has stopped.

Our Lord and Savior has blessed me with many friends who have held my needs up in their prayers, and these prayers have been answered. Based on the research program at Baylor Hospital, Dallas, I now have an 89% chance of living two or more years in remission. With the help of new drugs, many patients are now entering their 5th year, so there is hope.

Know that I could feel your prayers, deep in my soul. Many days during the Stem Cell Transplant procedure, I was too weak to open my eyelids, yet there was never any doubt in my mind that the Holy Spirit was right there with me, and will continue to be in the struggles ahead. Your prayers gave me a marvelous, comforting feeling. I cannot thank you enough for your compassion and faithfulness.

Most sincerely,

Debbie Middleton



All Musicians annual dinner will be held Friday, August 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The meat and drinks will be provided but we are asking for side dishes, such as vegetables, salads or desserts.

Please contact either Carolyn Kouri at (723-7857) or Georgia at the church office (767-2527) to indicate the number attending and what dish you will be bringing. Richard has planned the entertainment to round out the evening of fun, food and fellowship!

Pauline's Lemon Fruit Freeze Dessert

Many of you have asked for this recipe:

1 can Eagle Brand milk

1/2 cup Real Lemon juice

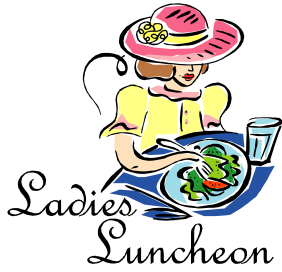
1 (21 oz) can lemon pie filling

1 (17 oz) can fruit cocktail, drained

2 cups frozen whipped topping

Make a thick graham cracker crust and pat into a 9 X 13" dish and bake for 10 minutes. Reserve 1/3 cup crumbs for garnish. Mix Eagle Brand and Real Lemon juice in mixing bowl. Stir in pie filling and fruit cocktail. Pour over cooled pie crust. Top with whipped topping and sprinkle reserved crumbs on top. Freeze for at least 4 hours or overnight before cutting.

SUMMER SALAD SOCIAL



All women of the church are invited to a Summer Salad Social immediately after church on Sunday, August 15th in the Fellowship Hall. The luncheon is sponsored by Presbyterian Women. This is a perfect opportunity for women to gather for food, fellowship, and fun. We especially would like to encourage working women or others who are unable to come to PW events on Monday mornings to join us. Friends are also welcome. Bring a salad to share (you can put it in the refrigerator before church) and we'll provide drinks and dessert. If you would like to be a table hostess (provide decorations, etc. for one table) please call Janet Rainey (235-8227) or Sandy Glawe (691-1445). Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling the church office.

Blessings, Janet & Sandy

Imagine
WOMEN OF FAITH

Escape from the everyday at a Women of Faith weekend and be refreshed, encouraged and inspired. Because the God who loves you can do far more than you can ever *Imagine*.

Dallas, TX
August 20-21, 2010
American Airlines Center

Women of Faith Conference!

I was looking for spiritual renewal. I found it at a Women of Faith Conference. This is a great time to get together have fun, sing and get in touch with God without the demands of work and home. I enjoyed it so much that I thought the women of Faith would like to go too. You'll be hearing more about it but I would like to know who might be interested. Let Georgia or myself know if you'd be interested in going.

Speakers include:

Lisa Harper Luci Swindoll Marcus Buckingham
Karen James Sheila Walsh Natalie Grant
and Mary Mary will be performing

For more information you can go to the website:
<http://www.womenoffaith.com/dallas/>

Come join me for a weekend at the Women of Faith Conference!

Charlotte Echols 781-2148 (cell)

August calendar

SUNDAY, AUG. 1

COMMUNION

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 6:00 p.m. Faith Mission
 7:00 p.m. Kinship

MONDAY, AUG. 2

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
 Ministry
 10:00 a.m. Men's Coffee

TUESDAY, AUG. 3

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 Group

THURSDAY, AUG. 5

6:00 p.m. PNC

SUNDAY, AUG. 8

MISSION KIDS

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 7:00 p.m. Kinship

MONDAY, AUG. 9

10:00 a.m. Men's Coffee
 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian
 Women
 Ministry Team Meetings

6:00 p.m.
 Worship/Music
 Outreach

6:30 p.m.
 Bldg. & Grounds
 Fellowship

7:00 p.m. Christian Ed.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 Group

NO FINANCE MEETING

6:00 p.m. Faith Mission

THURSDAY, AUG. 12

6:00 p.m. PNC

SUNDAY, AUG. 15

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 12:00 p.m.

Presbyterian Women's
 Salad Social

7:00 p.m. Kinship

MONDAY, AUG. 16

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
 Ministry

10:00 a.m. Men's Coffee

TUESDAY, AUG. 17

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 Group

THURSDAY, AUG. 19

6:00 p.m. PNC

SUNDAY, AUG. 22

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 7:00 p.m. Kinship

MONDAY, AUG. 23

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
 Ministry

10:00 a.m. Men's Coffee

7:00 p.m. Session

TUESDAY, AUG. 24

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 Group

THURSDAY, AUG. 26

6:00 p.m. PNC

FRIDAY, AUG. 27

6:00 p.m. All Musicians
 Dinner

SUNDAY, AUG. 29

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship
 6:00 p.m. Ice Cream
 Social
 7:00 p.m. Kinship

MONDAY, AUG. 30

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
 Ministry

10:00 a.m. Men's Coffee

TUESDAY, AUG. 31

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
 Group



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