



The Flame

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SACHSE

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR FRANK

I know we have all heard the common lament that in the United States, our churches are aging. We have heard neighbors, friends, and relatives worry that their church is an “aging church.” And, we have noticed that many churches, including ours, are taking bold steps to make their church “younger.”

I noticed a poster on Facebook the other day that spoke volumes to me, and I hope it will for you, too. Yes, like many other churches, our church is aging. HOWEVER, this is not a problem. It’s an opportunity. How blessed we are as a church to have among us many people with a vast richness of life experience from which to draw and to learn.

There’s a difference between
an aging church
and
an age-friendly church

We are going to take intentional steps to be sure that our congregation is “Age Friendly,” starting with two approaches.

- (1) Celebrate and include the seniors we already know and love and are already a part of our church.
 - a. to be sure they feel included and invited, and
 - b. that they know their voice is heard.
- (2) Outreach to our senior neighbors who do not currently have a church home
 - a. To offer them a place of worship, Sunday school, Bible study, missions, etc.
 - b. To offer them help, assistance, comfort, company.

Most of this, I confess, is just some brainstorming from your pastor’s desk, and if it were left up to me alone, it would be a mess. I invite all of us to a time of prayer to consider how we might be a part of this ministry. If this is something in which you would like to be involved, please call me. Our program and pastoral staff are already working on some exciting new ideas for this fall. Maybe you have some exciting ideas too! If so, bring them to me or any of our staff. Your idea might just be the one that changes somebody’s life!

See you Sunday!
Frank

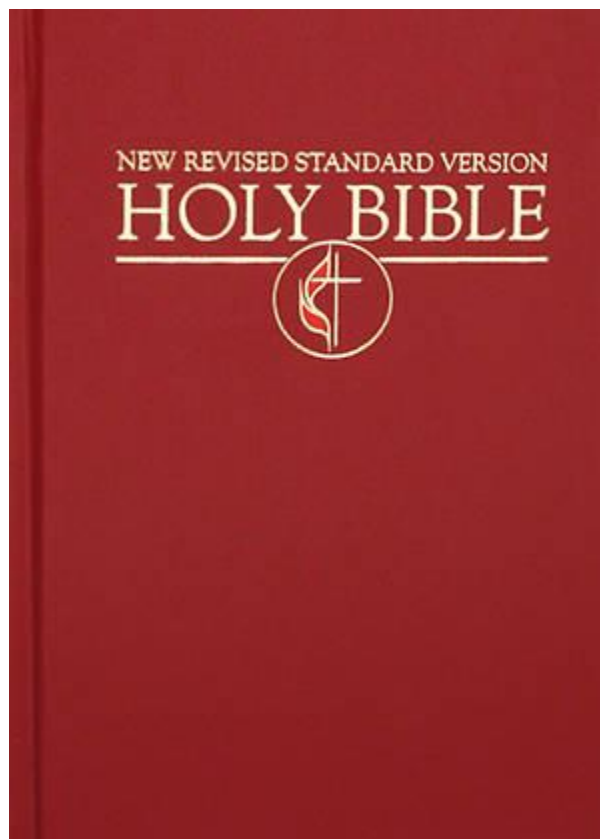


5th Sunday Worship Rescheduled

While September 30th is a fifth Sunday, we will not have our customary 5th Sunday Potluck Luncheon that day because that is the same weekend as our Women's Retreat. However, this gives us an opportunity to move the Potluck luncheon to the following Sunday, October 7th, which is also World Communion Sunday.

Pew Bibles

There is an opportunity to remember or honor a loved one. Purchase a pew bible for use in our sanctuary for only \$20. Forms are available in the Welcome Center.





Sachse Fallfest

The 33rd Annual Sachse Fallfest will be Saturday, October 27 from 10 AM to 5 PM at Heritage Park in Sachse. Sachse Fallfest features over 100 arts and crafts, business and non-profit vendor booths as well as food booths/trucks and live music from the entertainment stage, a bounce town, bungee jump, petting zoo, Kids' Craft Corner, a classic car show, and more! We, as FUMC Sachse, will have our own booth and we need volunteers to host. Sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/SachseFallFestFUMCBooth now.





Trunk or Treat

Join us for Trunk-or-Treat on October 28 from 5-7 PM! Candy donations and volunteers are both needed! Please place individually-wrapped nut-free candies in the buckets in Welcome Center starting 10/1. Adult & Youth volunteers are also needed to provide decorated trunks, and/or to facilitate games and hand out candy. Contact Jennifer at jennifer@sachsefirst.net or Matt at youth@sachsefirst.net for more info!





FUMC YOUTH



YOUTH HAYRIDE

OCTOBER 21 5-7 PM

campfire, hayride, pumpkin carving, glow sticks & more

YOUTH MIDWINTER RETREAT!

JANUARY 25 - 27

• Sky Ranch •

REGISTRATION IS \$125 AND IS DUE DECEMBER 1.
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE.

Sign up now at
<http://bit.ly/FUMCSMidWinter>

FUMC YOUTH CONT'D



Sunday Night Dinners

Changes are coming for our UMYF Sunday Night Dinners. Instead of asking our youth to bring \$2 every week, we're asking each parent to sign up for at least one dinner night. (You can also donate money instead of cooking.) Please contact Marcia Snider & Lynn Scott for more information, or sign up here: bit.ly/Dinner18-19



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for Wednesday Hang Time, Sunday Night UMYF and during Sunday School amongst a few other things. If you can help out (even once!) we'd appreciate it. Sign up is here (Volunteer Schedule Tab): bit.ly/Events18-19



Weekly Events

UMYF with Snack Supper: Sundays from 5-7 PM
Hang Time: Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30



Save the Dates

October 21: Hayride
Friday, March 29: Lock-In
July 7-12, 2019: Youth Mission Trip

FUMC YOUTH CONT'D

KEEP IN TOUCH



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facebook.com/groups/SachseYouth



Twitter
[@FUMCsachseyouth](https://twitter.com/FUMCsachseyouth)



Instagram
[@FUMCsachseyouth](https://www.instagram.com/FUMCsachseyouth)



Remind (For Parents)
Text @a67he7 to phone number
81010 or join here:
remind.com/join/a67he7



**Youth Event Schedule &
Volunteer Sign Up**
bit.ly/Events18-19

Youth Dinner Schedule
bit.ly/Dinner18-19



Remind (For Youth)
Text @323fbh to phone
number 81010 or join here:
remind.com/join/323fbh



Email Matt
youth@sachsefirst.net



Say Something Form
bit.ly/SaySomethingFUMC

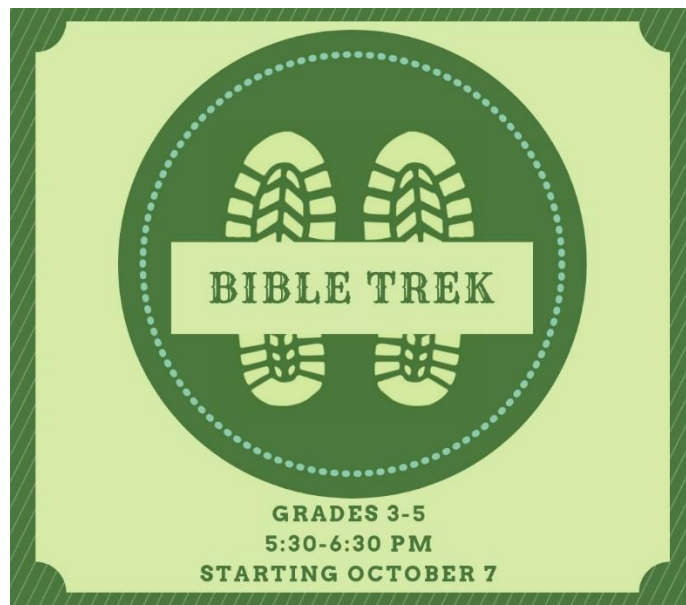


Call Matt
972-365-2361



Bible Trek 2018

Come discover the Bible in a whole new way! All 3-5th graders are invited. October 7 & 21, November 11 & 25 & December 9 from 5:30-6:30 PM.



SAVE THE DATES



Children's Sabbath

October 14

8:30 & 10:45 Worship Services



Advent Workshop

December 2

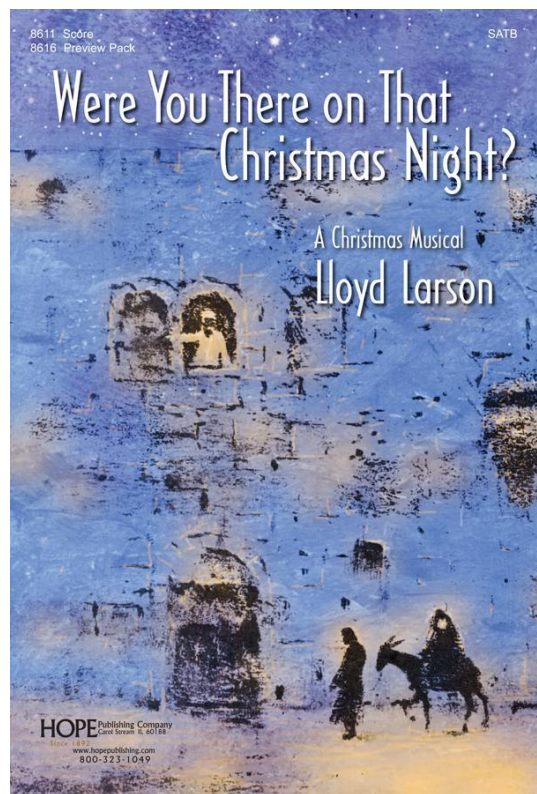
Family Life Center



What a blessing it is to serve God through music. You are invited to join the Chancel Choir on Wednesday nights. 7:15 to 7:45 pm will be devoted to anthems for Sunday mornings. 7:45 to 8:30 pm will be devoted to our Christmas Cantata. We will present “Were You There On that Christmas Night?” by Lloyd Larson on December 16 at both services. It is not too late to join us. You can pick up a book and part-predominate CD from the music office to begin learning.

October is a busy month for the Music Ministry.

- October 7 is World Communion but also a one service day. On October 7 our Crossfire Band and Chancel Choir will lead our music.
- October 14 is Children’s Sabbath and our children’s choir will sing.
- October 21 is Laity Sunday. Our handbell choir will play on the 21st. Also on October 21, our Truth Be Told Youth Band will perform.
- October 30 is a Tuesday night and handbells, 6:30 pm and the chancel choir 7:15 pm will rehearse. Rehearsal is canceled on Wednesday, October 31, Halloween!



All of our groups are open to new members. Debbie is also open to starting another handbell choir if there is an interest. Debbie will teach you what you need to know.

Blessings,
Debbie Chapman
music@sachsefirst.net



Ministry Safe Party

Please join us for a Ministry Safe party immediately following the 10:45 worship October 21. Any adult who might possibly spend time with kids or youth during the next two years is highly encouraged to attend, even if you're not currently in ministry with kids or youth. If there's even a slight chance you might want to go on mission trip, would possibly be willing to fill in when another adult is needed for Sunday school or a special event, this party is for you! We'll have pizza, watch a video about keeping children safe, answer questions, and show you how to take the online quiz. If you can fill out a background check form in advance, you could be certified by the time you leave the party. Background check forms available in the welcome center. Please turn them in to the church office by October 17.



Help Wanted! Difference Makers

Shelly is asking for people to help start Difference Makers at FUMC Sachse. We need adults who are available after school to work with children, sharing God's love with them while also empowering them to do hands-on mission work. Even if you aren't available after school, we need your creativity, knowledge of the community's needs, and whatever your God-given talents are. If you are willing to make phone calls, solicit donations, do woodworking, prepare snacks, shop, make crafts, help prepare supplies, distribute fliers -- anything! -- God can use you in this ministry.

Please join Shelly for brainstorming and to find out more at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Starbuck's, 4280 Lavon Dr., Garland, or at 5:30 Wednesday, Oct. 3, at the church. If

you are interested or just curious but can't make either of these get-togethers, contact Shelly at 214-763-0332 or outreach@sachsefirst.net.




Upward Basketball and Cheer

Upward Basketball and Cheer is open to all children in grades Kindergarten through 4th grade. Registration and volunteer sign-up is now open! bit.ly/SachseUpward2019

Key dates include:

- Registration starts October 1: <http://bit.ly/FUMCSUpward>
- Volunteer application can be found here: <http://bit.ly/FUMCSUpwardVolunteer>
- Evaluations are:
 - October 18 from 6-8 PM
 - November 1 from 6-8 PM
 - November 10 from 9 AM- 12 PM
- Practices begin the week of November 25, 2018
- Games will begin 1/12/19 and last 8 weeks
- Final celebration will be in the sanctuary on March 3, 2019

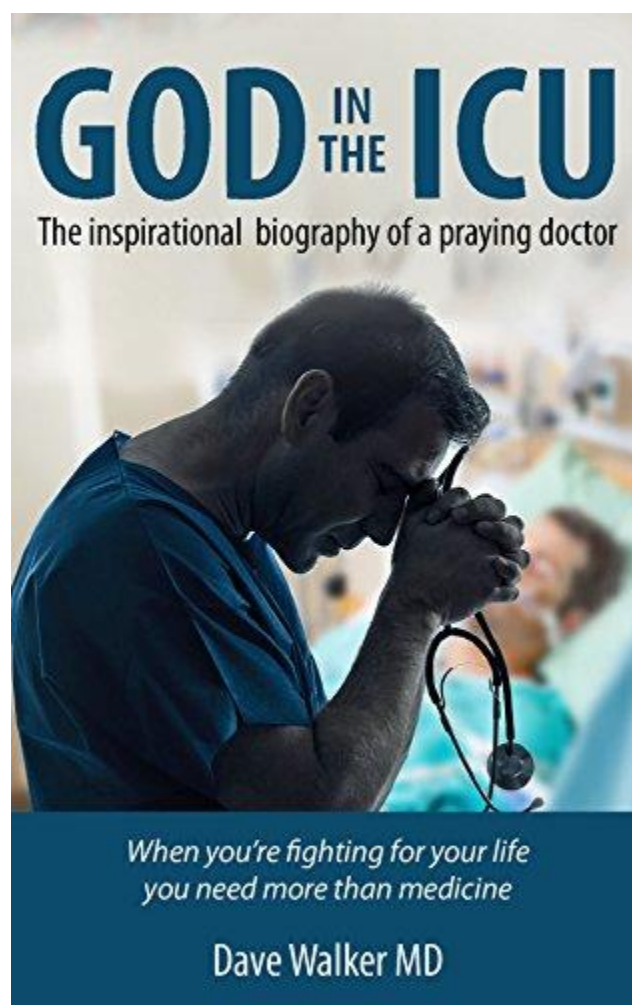




ADULT EDUCATION

Nick At Nite Sunday Evening Adult Study: Revelations

Join Pastor Nick for "Nick at Nite," an evening class for adults @ 6PM Sunday. Starting July 8th, Nick at Nite will focus on the beliefs and practices of Wesleyan Christianity utilizing material from Bishop Jones' book, "The Wesleyan Way". Remember there is no preparation nor homework required -- just show up and join the conversation! Childcare is available; please call the office for more information.



Pastor's Book Study

You are invited to join Pastor Frank for book study starting Wednesday, October 3, at 10:30 a.m. Sessions will continue on Wednesdays and last approximately one hour. The first book will be "God in the ICU" by David Walker. It's available at smile.amazon.com. To prepare for the first session, please read the first four chapters of the book. The chapters are short and it's an easy read.

Advent Study Starting November 29

We are not that different from Joseph because like him, we encounter circumstances that we'd never choose for ourselves. Join us as we examine Christmas through the eyes of Joseph and learn to accept and glorify God's will even when our situation makes it difficult to do so. Our study of *Faithful: Christmas through the Eyes of Joseph* by Adam Hamilton will be on Thursday evenings from 7-8 PM starting November 29.



Scripture Readers Needed

Each Sunday, a member of the congregation reads the Scripture during service. If you would like to contribute in this way, please sign up on the clipboard in the Welcome Center. All ages welcome!

Upcoming Scripture selections include:

October 7	Elijah and The Whisperer 1 Kings 19:1-13
October 14	Children's Sabbath Mark 10:17-31
October 21	Laity Sunday TBD
October 28	Elijah & Elisha 2 Kings 2:1-15

Prayer Chain Ministry

If you would like to be part of this ministry please email Crystal Hostetter at hostettercrystal@gmail.com. Please email Crystal with any prayer requests as well.

Givelify

Make your tithes and offerings with Givelify from wherever you are. whenever you want. We recommend you download the Givelify app for your smartphone or you can access it via desktop using the link on our website.

Amazon Smile

Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. When you login to smile.amazon.com (with all of your usual Amazon login info) select First United Methodist Church Sachse as the organization you are supporting & a portion of your purchase is given to the church!

Support Youth Ministries

Church member Kriss Cothran invites you to try his auto-detailing services, which are professionally done for reasonable prices. Kriss will donate a portion of proceeds to FUMC Sachse youth ministries. You may contact him at 214-934-3847, or email: DCAUTODETAILSERVICES@gmail.com

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT'D



OCTOBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS
MISSIONS | OCTOBER 3
WORSHIP | OCTOBER 8
FINANCE | OCTOBER 9
NOMINATIONS | OCTOBER 11
TRUSTEES | OCTOBER 16
ADULT EDUCATION | OCTOBER 17
ADMIN COUNCIL | OCTOBER 22
MEMBER CARE | OCTOBER 24
LONG RANGE VISION | OCTOBER 29

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ALL MEETINGS START AT 7 PM

Kairos Cookies

Support our Kairos Ministry! We need 20 dozen cookies by October 16. Please note that cookies cannot contain nuts or coconut but can include smooth peanut butter. Favorite flavors are chocolate chip, cinnamon chip and others. Please deliver to the church freezer on/before October 16. To ensure that we have enough, sign-up is requested on the clipboards in the welcome center.



UMW Dining Out: October 6th

Join the UMW at Into My Garden Tearoom in Plano (1726 Avenue K) for brunch on Saturday, October 6 at 10 AM. Sign up is available online at bit.ly/OctDiningOut, on the clipboard located in the Welcome Center or call Joyce 214-202-6033 or Benita 469-964-5453 to RSVP.



UMW CONTINUED

United Methodist Women's Fall Flower Fundraiser

Fresh from the grower! Orders will be accepted through October 7 and will need to be picked up on Saturday, October 13. Forms are available in the Welcome Center by the UMW Bulletin Board.



UMW CONTINUED

United Methodist Women Community Marketplace

The UMW Community Marketplace will be October 20 and registration is here! Booths are 10 x 10' indoor booth space with 2 chairs; electricity is available for some booths (outdoor space is also available). Pricing is \$55 for indoor and \$45 for outdoor booths. All proceeds of your booth sales are yours.





Every Monday Morning, 10 AM: United Methodist Men Breakfast

As always, you are invited to share breakfast with us each Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. at Ballard Street Café in downtown Wylie.

Every Wednesday Morning, 6:30 AM: United Methodist Men Coffee and Bible Study

Please join the UMM for coffee and bible study on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am at Starbucks in Firewheel.

Saturday, October 13: United Methodist Men Monthly Breakfast

The October monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, October 13 at 9 AM at Woodbridge Golf Club. Don't miss a meeting! All remaining meetings for 2018 will be at 9 AM at Woodbridge Golf Club.

- NO November meeting due to Men's Retreat
- Saturday, December 15



UMM CONTINUED

Saturday, October 6 and Saturday, October 27: Wheelchair Ramp Builds

Mark your calendars to join the UMM for our next two wheelchair ramp builds on Saturday, October 6 and October 27. All persons 16+ are invited to participate. Meet to leave by 8 AM in FUMC Sachse Parking Lot.



UMM Fall Retreat: Prothro Retreat Center November 2-4

Save the date for our upcoming Men's Retreat. More details coming soon!

