

Zapata United Methodist Church



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Service at 9:30 A.M.



NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2008



From the desk of Pastor Campbell...

A MESSAGE FOR TROUBLED TIMES

Joshua, at the death of Moses, became the new leader of Israel – The Jewish People. What a task lay before him. In the Book of Joshua, Chapter 1, God gave him a review of the past; all that Moses had done with God's help and also a renewal of God's Promise for the future.

One of the most important things that Joshua was to do was to put God first in his life – God's Word. Verse 9 "...Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid for the Lord thy God is with thee wherever you go."

In these troubled days we are facing, this is good advice for us.

Joshua 24:15 Choose you this day who you will serve, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Preacher Bill

ADCO – OCTOBER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



We have reached 100% of our apportionments.

Plate Offerings for September: \$ 1,647.31 (includes mail-in offerings)

ADCO is going forward with the plans to improve the curb appeal of the church. The committee is looking for the best prices for sod for the front of the church. The ADCO will aid UMW to implement their plans for giving a facelift to the Fellowship Hall before Christmas by advancing the money for improvements until the UWM CD matures in February. After removing the carpet, tile will be laid and new white tables and chairs will be purchased.

The Annual Conference was a great success. The church survey showed that we have improved in many fields including attendance and communication. One area for improvement includes finding a way to serve young people in our community. It was suggested that we organize a tutorial outreach in cooperation with the Zapata CISD. Be thinking about helping with this project.

For memorials contact Barbara Bridgeman, Memorial Chairman, at P.O. Box 5218, Zapata, TX 78076.

The minutes of the meeting and the financial report are on file in the Church office.



Attendance

Average Attendance for September – 25
 October 5 — 33 October 12 — 45
 October 19 — 48 October 26 — 48
 Average Attendance for October – 44

Memorials in September

RUTH CREW

THANKS TO OTHERS SERVING OUR CHURCH

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| November Ushers | <i>Connie and Gene Creek</i> | Worship Coordinator | <i>Sylvia Cope</i> |
| Greeters | <i>Pat Saunders and Betty McClure</i> | Media Coordinator | <i>Andra Stevens</i> |
| Acolyte | <i>Terry Roundy</i> | Pianist | <i>Wanda Campbell</i> |
| Membership Chairman | <i>Dean Flowers</i> | | <i>Elaine Bruns</i> |
| Memorial Chairman | <i>Barbara Bridgeman</i> | Treasurer | <i>Barbara Bridgeman</i> |

ANNOUNCEMENTS for NOVEMBER

2 – Communion
 End Daylight Savings Time (Fall back)
 3 – UMW Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
 4 – Election Day
 9—ADCO
 11—Veterans Day
 16 – POW/MIA CEREMONY
 15th District Drill Team
 Potluck
 28—Hanging of the Greens
 30—First Sunday of Advent
 The CD's of the Sunday services are great. Contact Bill if you would like to hear his message and music.



United Methodist Women NEWS

Please join us for this month's meeting which will be held on Monday, November 3, at 9:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

The UMW will get ready for the annual Christmas visit to the Zapata Nursing Home.

The facelift for the Fellowship Hall is almost complete. Thanks to those UMW women who have planned and worked to get it all put it all together. Dean Flowers and Marian Roundy met with the tile people and transported the tables and chairs from Laredo.

In October UMW resumed the study of Women of the Bible beginning with a presentation of ESTHER by Kay Beck. At the November meeting Marian Roundy will lead a discussion of RAHAB.

DIRECTORY UPDATES...

Many of our members and winter Texans will be having their mailing addresses changed this year in addition to usual changes. If your address is changing, please pick up a card, fill it out with the changes, and give it to Andra Stevens or Dawn Gruver. Changes will be listed in the December newsletter so that you can make changes to your directory.



A Special THANKS to...

Marian and Terry Roundy, who are members that we all count on to help out with church projects and freely give their personal time to those who need help. Marian and Terry are members of the church Administrative Council, and Marian is also president of the United Methodist Women. Terry gathers the information and prints the bulletins for us each week and has faithfully served as acolyte.

RECENTLY ADDED PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Joyce Riley

Carol Vera

Sylvia Cope

Dave Williamson

Tanya Baker

Erica Blake

Leigh Ann Williams

Dean Flowers

CONTINUING PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Clyde Anderson

Linda Holden

Mary Rapp

Ralph Strauss

Beth Beck

Nellie Long

Joyce Riley

Dalia Vela

Ester and Ralph Brown

David Magers

Mildred Sands

Betty Lou Venable

Gladys Brownell

Kimberly Manny

Gloria Scheomherr

Cindy Lee Vanerstine

Linda Colonna

Jean Meyers

Mary Lou Sheldon

Frank Weibe

Bob Dannebohm

Nonne Morgan

Monroe Sheldon

Nursing Home

Pauline Dickerson

Joyce Ness

Keith Siler

Jail Ministry

John Frank

Dario Olivares

Melvin Starns

Our Troups

Lisa Garret

Mary Rapp

Scott Starnes

Our Country

Phillip Gilliam

Joyce Riley

Debra Strauss

Zapata

JOYS

Joyce Riley has felt well enough to return to church. It is a pleasure to see her.

Many of our treasured winter Texan members and friends have returned to Zapata in October including Gene and Connie Creek, John and Elloise McVickers, Don and Marianne Miller, Ken and Donna Tebben, Raymond and Charlene Treider, and Dexter and Orma Cotter. It was also good to see Bob and Bonnie Ramstadt when they came back for a visit.

The water in the lake has been steadily increasing and is almost to conservation level. What a blessing to see the lake at its finest!

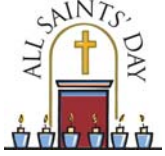







You are invited to visit the website of the McAllen District often. It has a wealth of information for all of us to use in the business of the church including the current apportionments of each church in the district. This newsletter as well as others in our district may be accessed online at www.umcmcdistrict.com

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 COMMUNION End Daylight Savings Time  | 3 9:00 A.M. – UMW Study: Women of the Bible "RAHAB" | 4 Election Day | 5 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY  | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9  ADCO MEETING | 10 | 11  VETERANS DAY | 12 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 POW/MIA CEREMONY  POTLUCK DINNER | 17 | 18 | 19 5:00-7:00 Pot Roast Dinner American Legion 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY | 27  Thanksgiving WORSHIP SERVICE | 28 HANGING OF THE GREENS | 29 |
| 30  First Sunday of Advent | | | | | | |

B – Birthday

A -- Anniversary

Please let us know your birthday or anniversary so that it can be included on our calendar.