

Announcements

July 25, 2010



“New Voices” Series

It is always a treat to hear fresh voices. Come listen to our members who are in seminary and a retired pastor who will give their take on the Word.

August 1st Eric Nichols August 8th Joan Humphries



Worship Schedule

Sunday, August 22nd

We'll Begin Our New Worship Schedule.

9:00 am	Traditional in the Rotunda Contemporary in the Sanctuary
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Traditional in the Sanctuary Eleven 10 (student service) in the Rotunda (Please note that Eleven 10 service will not begin until September 12 th .)

This Week!

Farewell to Nathan Frank and Maia - Today is Nathan's last Sunday here. He has provided creative and energetic leadership during his four years here and we will miss him. Drop by the reception in Wesley Hall between 9:30 and 10:45 this morning to wish Nathan and Maia well as he begins his doctoral studies, his new job at FUMC Plano and, together, as he and Maia begin the great adventure of marriage.

Oh, The Places You'll Go: Summer Worship Bulletins - As you travel this summer, we hope you will attend worship wherever you are. Please save your worship bulletins from the churches you visit. Write your name on them and bring to Wesley Fellowship Hall and pin on the Dr. Suess board. It will be fun to see where people have traveled and worshipped this summer! Go with God!

A Card Shower for the Wilkinson's New Grandgirls, Violet and Aster will be held on August 1st in Wesley Hall between services. Hosted by the Soul Sisters Bible Study. Please take a minute to write a short note, parenting or sibling tips, or a prayer for Graham, Dawnerin and Zoe (age 13). There will be blank note cards available. You are welcome to bring your own cards. We will send these with Dennis and Linda on the Birth Day.

Career Development Network meets every Monday at 7:00 in the Church Library. A group has been created on [LinkedIn.com](http://www.linkedin.com) called Coppel Career Development Network. If you need immediate assistance please contact Doug Powers (hdpowers@tx.rr.com).

Gluten-Free Communion is available on the far east/piano side of the sanctuary during the contemporary and 11:00 traditional services (it is not available at worship services in the Rotunda).

Dear Church Family - Thank you very much for donating to my Eagle Project renovating the library for Project Transformation's after-school program at the Pleasant Mound United Methodist Church in east Dallas. I truly appreciate your generosity and help in completing my project and achieving my rank of Eagle Scout. *Chris Roberts*

Upcoming Opportunities, Events and Notes

Thinking of becoming a STEPHEN MINISTER? Come to the table in Wesley Hall for more information or contact Rev. Susan Bryan. Training will begin Monday nights on August 30th. **Applications due on July 30th**. Cost is \$25 (includes 5 books).

Heroes is a support group for people caring for aging parents. Those with parents in town or out of town, independent or in assisted living or living with you, mentally with-it or not, mobile or not, are all invited to learn from others on similar journeys. This is a group of people who understand the time demands, responsibilities, and decisions involved with caregiving. Laughter and tears are shared at the meetings. We meet the first Wednesday of each month. Next meeting is August 4th, 7:00 pm in Room 302. For more information contact Marilyn Horton, marhorton@gmail.com, 972-393-1304.

Joy Group - Join us on Saturday, August 7th at 4:30 pm for a recital given by Erin Alcorn. Afterwards we will meet for a meal at Deliman's Grill (605 N. Denton Tap Road, Coppel).

Touched by Suicide (TBS) Support Group meets at Vista Ridge UMC in Lewisville at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Led by Martha Giles. For more information, contact Jerry or Bianca Coker at 972-393-2887.

Invitation to Recital by Erin Alcorn - Everyone is cordially invited to a recital given by Erin Alcorn (soprano) featuring works by Mozart, Schumann, Charles, and Granados. Saturday, August 7th at 4:30 pm in the Rotunda. To learn more, go to www.wix.com/erinalcorn/soprano.

3 B's Donation Drive - Girl Scout Troop 574 is working on their Silver Award project to help George Truett Elementary, DISD school in East Dallas that is overcrowded, underfunded, and in great need of help. They are collecting gently used children's books, new or gently used backpacks, and children's belts. You can drop any donations in the blue container located in Wesley Hall until August 10th. For any questions please contact Theresa Omar at tjomar@verizon.net.



Music Notes

Summer Choir - Have you ever wanted to sing in the choir? The Summer Choir is open to all adults and youth. Through August 22nd we will meet at 10:30 am on Sunday mornings in the choir room and prepare a simplified version of a song or hymn. Come serve the Lord through music and make lasting friendships through Christian Fellowship. This is a great opportunity to try choir.

Big MAC (Music and Arts Camp) starts Monday, August 9th! Come and be a part of a wonderful week of music and fun, which will be held August 9th-12th, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am-noon for kids entering Kindergarten through 6th Grades. There will be a closing program on Thursday, August 12th at 7:00 pm to share what we have learned with our family and friends! Big MAC will include time for singing, doing art projects, playing games, and of course, recreation and refreshments! Participants will be learning the musical, *What's Up, Zak?*. Auditions will be held on Sunday, August 8th at 4:00 in the Rotunda for 3rd-6th Graders who would like a speaking part or solo. Registration forms are available in the church office. The cost is \$20 per child. **Registration ends August 4th**. Sign up today!

Big MAC Youth Volunteer Training Session will be Sunday, August 8th, 3:30-4:00 pm in the Rotunda. Youth volunteers, please plan to attend to receive your volunteer assignment and instructions for the week. We hope to see you there!



Children's Notes

Wonderful Wednesdays - Please join us for one last Wednesday in July with your preschoolers to finish learning about the story of creation. We have had fun learning the story of God's creation - each day of sky, sea, fish, sun, moon and stars, etc. Kids should wear swimsuit and bring a towel and change of clothes. We'll have time for water play, snack, crafts and learning. Please meet us on the playground this Wednesday from 9:30-11:00 am. For more information, or to volunteer, email Erica Bramer at ebramer@alixpartners.com.

Important BACK TO SCHOOL Dates for First UMC Children's Ministry: (Please contact Rev. Jennifer Scott with any questions, jscott@fumccoppell.org)

- **Children's Sunday School Teacher Training for 2010-2011 NEW teachers** - Wednesday, August 11th, 6:30-8:00 pm OR August 18th, 10:00-11:30 am
- **Children's Sunday School Room Cleanup** - Sunday, August 15th from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm (bring your lunch or come whenever you can to get our rooms ready for next year)
- **Acolyte Training for incoming 5th graders** - Sunday, August 15th OR Sunday, August 29th
- **Promotion Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks** - August 22nd (this is when children move up to their 2010 school year age/grade)
- **Kids in Mission** - begins 4:30 pm, Wednesday, September 8th
- **Kids of Hope and Kids of Peace** (Grief and Divorce groups for kids) - September 26th-November 7th (no class October 10th)

We Need All Upcoming 5th Graders!! - We would like for you to assist in worship by serving as an acolyte in our services each week. You should be receiving an informational letter in the mail this week. Please return the form to the church office ASAP. You and one parent will need to attend a training session on Sunday, August 15th or 29th. The first Sunday of new acolytes will be Sunday, September 5th. Acolyte Dedication Sunday will be September 12th. If you would like more information, please call Jennifer Scott, 972-462-0471, ext. 208 (jscott@fumccoppell.org) or Terah Paolini 972-745-3507 (TLPaolini@yahoo.com).

Kids of Hope/Kids of Peace: Pastoral Care for Children in Grief or Divorce - If your child has experienced divorce or the death of a loved one, please plan on enrolling them in our 6-week session beginning in the fall. The sessions will be separate groups, but will both meet on Sunday evenings 5:00-6:30 from September 26th-November 7th (no class October 10th). We ask that the children be able to commit to most of the sessions. Please contact Jennifer Scott at jscott@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 208. These groups will be held at the same time as the adult Grief and Divorce Support groups. For more information on the adult groups, please contact Susan Bryan at sbryan@fumccoppell.org or 972-462-0471, ext. 215. ****Please note that you do not have to be a church member to participate in these ministries. We want to reach out to our community, so please invite your friends to contact us.**



Missions Notes

Our July communion offering is designated to CCA Back to School program to help low income families and their children start the school year with a positive self image and the basic tools they need to learn. Each child will be provided with 2 new sets of clothing, 1 new pair of shoes, 1 new backpack, and appropriate school supplies. You can donate to this case through the month of July by sending a check payable to FUMC Coppell, with the note "CCA" in the memo.

Paper and Prayers - Be sure and come by the table in Wesley Hall to pick up a card or paper bag today then return the filled bag to Wesley Hall by 12:00 pm on August 1st.



Big Fish Notes

Back to School Retreat: September 4th-6th - You won't want to miss this annual retreat at Sky Ranch. Open to all students entering 6th-12th grades (Fall 2010). This year we are bringing in a hired worship band and a guest speaker. Cost is \$175. Deadline is Sunday, August 8th. After August 8th the cost is \$200 if space is still available.

This Week's Activities (Look for more details on these activities in the Summer 2010 Youth Newsletter.)

- **July 25th** - Prayers on the Poolside, 5:00-8:00 pm at the Bauer's home (634 Lake Park Dr).
- **July 28th** - High School "ONE" Event, 7:00-9:00 pm at Andy Brown East.
- **July 29th** - F.L.A.V.R. at 12:30 pm. Meet at Chipotle

August Special Events

- **Tuesday, August 3rd** - Whirly ball, 1:30-4:30 pm (\$15)
- **Wednesday, August 11th** - Texas Rangers Game, 7:00 pm (\$10 in advance).
- **Friday, August 20th-Saturday, August 21st** - End of Summer Lock-In/Austin Street Shelter, beginning at 10:00 pm Friday and ending by 8:00 am Saturday morning.



Volunteer Notes

Big MAC (Music and Arts Camp) adult and youth volunteers needed! We are looking for adults to coordinate several areas and general help shepherding children. Please contact Deanna Goodman at 817-416-9439, dgoodman@fumccoppell.org to volunteer. Give name, phone number, grade (if youth). Thank you for getting involved with this wonderful ministry! It promises to be a fun week of music!

CCA Summer Mission Opportunity - The church is participating in the Kids Eat Free program sponsored by Christian Community Action (CCA) through August 16th. We provide approximately 50 lunches on each Monday to children living at Wellington Place Apartments. Donations of bread, sandwich meat, cheese, baggies as well as volunteers for assembling and delivering the lunches are needed. This is a great service opportunity that will make a meaningful impact to our community. Please contact Jana Alexander at jana.alexander@fluor.com or 469-358-2584 to participate.

Nursery Story Time Readers Needed - If you have a few extra minutes on a Sunday morning and want to share a short Bible story time with nursery kids, email Beverly Gemmell at beverlygemmell@verizon.net.

Information Desk - If you are friendly and enjoy helping people find their way in our church then we are looking for you! We need people to staff our information desk in the narthex (right outside the sanctuary) during one of our 3 worship services. We have opening for 15-20 minutes before and after services. Contact Rachel Korman if you want to know more (rachel@rhkinvestments.com).

The children's choirs are in need of volunteers for the 2010-2011 year. Music background helpful, but not required. We can also use volunteers for crowd control. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:15 pm beginning September 1st. Curriculum and training provided. This vital ministry cannot happen without volunteers. Please consider getting involved today! You will be so richly blessed by enabling our young singers to share their gifts with the Church! Contact Deanna Goodman for more information.

Weekly Calendar

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm, Friday:8:30 am-12:30 pm

Sunday, July 25

9:30 am-10:45 am Farewell Reception for Nathan and Maia
2:00 pm-3:30 pm Knitting Grp-Library
5:00 pm-8:00 pm Prayers on the Poolside-Offsite
8:00 pm-9:00 pm 10:17 Men's Bible Study-Library

Monday, July 26

6:00 am-7:00 am Men's Study Grp-Library
3:00 pm-6:00 pm Fine Arts Lessons
6:00 pm-8:00 pm Texas Creative Arts
7:00 pm-8:00 pm Career Development Network-Library

Tuesday, July 27

10:45 am-12:00 pm Staff Mtg-Library
1:30 pm-3:30 pm Worship Planning Mtg-Library
3:00 pm-5:00 pm Texas Creative Arts
3:00 pm-6:00 pm Fine Arts Lessons
6:00 pm-6:45 pm Boy Scout Troop 840-Library
6:30 pm-9:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 842-Smartt Hall,
Rm 202, 205, 206, 207

Wednesday, July 28

9:30 am-11:00 am Wonderful Wednesdays-Playground,
Rm 113
3:00 pm-5:00 pm Texas Creative Arts
3:00 pm-6:00 pm Fine Arts Lessons
6:30 pm-7:45 pm Adult Summer Study-Library
7:00 pm-9:00 pm High School "ONE" Event-Offsite

Thursday, July 29

12:00 pm-1:00 pm Adult Summer Study-Library
12:30 pm-2:00 pm F.L.A.V.R.-Offsite
1:30 pm-2:30 pm Voices in Prayer-Chapel
3:00 pm-5:00 pm Texas Creative Arts
3:00 pm-6:00 pm Fine Arts Lessons
7:00 pm-8:30 pm Heartfire Band Rehearsal-Sanctuary

Friday, July 30

Saturday, July 31

4:15 am-6:45 am Austin Street Shelter-Offsite
8:00 am-9:00 am Men's Basketball-Smartt Hall



Financial Notes

Pay It Forward - As you are able, please ensure the ministries of the church continue through the summer without a hitch by paying your tithes and offerings before you leave on vacation.

Online Giving - Gifts can be made for our general church budget, capital campaign and other purposes through your checking account, savings account or credit card on-line through our website, www.fumccoppell.org. Go to "Giving", select "Donations" and click on the "Online Offering" symbol.