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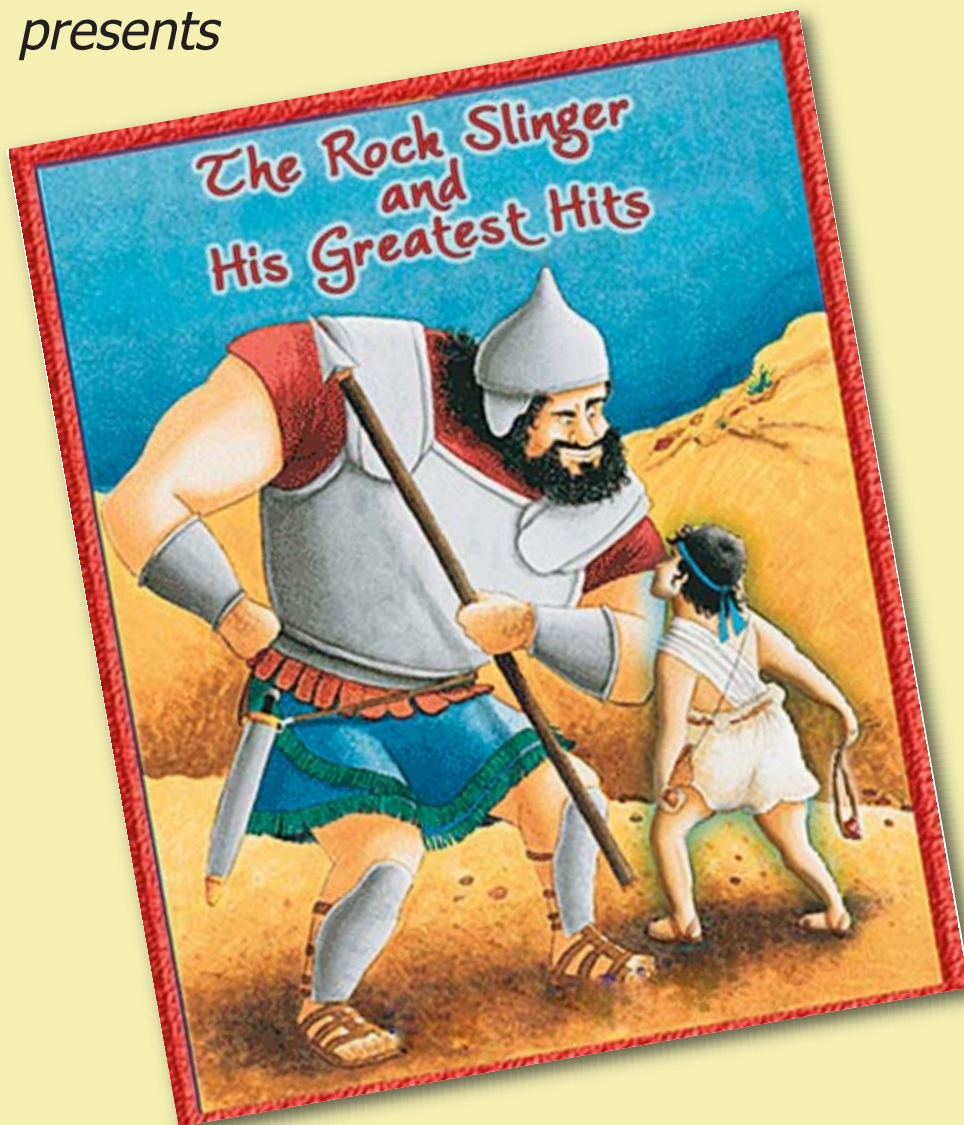
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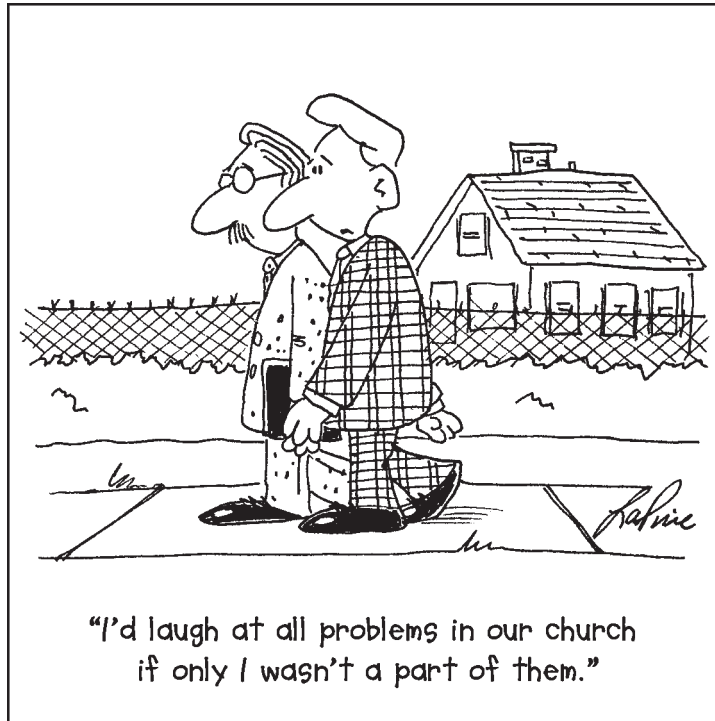
MusicMakers 2008

presents



This Sunday, July 13
10:50 a.m. in the Great Hall

Join us for our regular worship services at 8:30 a.m.
in the Sanctuary and the Ekklesia Service at 9:45 a.m.
in the Annex Sanctuary.



 **Family Promise**
 of Bryan-College Station

We anticipate that A&M UMC will begin housing families in September. They will be our overnight guests for one week. We still need supplies and will need many volunteers to help make the families feel welcome. Visit the display in the Welcome Area this Sunday to see how you can help.

Below is a list of items needed. Please bring small items to the church office, and call Linda Marr at 777-4936 to make arrangements for delivery of large items such as baby cribs.

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| 20 Pillows | 5 Clocks |
| 28 Pillow cases | 5 Lamps |
| 24 Plastic pillow protectors | 5 Flashlights for tables |
| 28 Flat sheets (twin size) | 5 Waste baskets |
| 28 Fitted bottom sheets (twin size) | 1 Diaper Genie |
| 18 Twin mattress covers | 6 Bath towels |
| 28 Blankets | 14 Face towels |
| 2 Baby cribs | 5 Boxes of tissue (i.e. Kleenex, Puffs, etc.) |
| 6 Fitted crib sheets | 4 Extension cords |
| 6 Fitted crib pads | 1 High chair |
| 6 Baby blankets | 5 Wet Wipes |
| | 4 Rubber glove sets |

JumpStart begins this Sunday, July 13, at 9:45 a.m. in Room 111.



JumpStart is a Sunday school class designed to assist new members in becoming more familiar with the ministries and mission of A&M United Methodist Church, and to help long-term members refresh their commitment to, and knowledge of, their home church.

Every member of A&M United Methodist Church, whether a six-week member or a sixty-year member, can greatly benefit from the information in this class and the strong focus on forming new relationships.

Dr. Mike Workman is the class facilitator, with different leaders each week. If you would like more information, please contact Laurinda Kwiatkowski at laurinda@am-umc.org or 846-8731.

Shop On-Line and Help the Youth

Go to www.Goodsearch.com to help the youth group raise money. Simply select "A&M United Methodist Church" as your charity of choice and then use goodsearch as a normal search engine. You don't have to pay anything and you'll help us by simply searching the internet.

While you are on the Goodsearch webpage, check out the GoodShop link. Anything you purchase through one of the listed vendors benefits our youth group!

Why Do You Serve?

Spotlight on Linda Marr



How long have you been a member of A&M UMC? *I have been a member for 17 years.*

What first attracted you to this church? *We were members of First Church in Bryan and when we moved to College Station we knew we wanted our kids to attend a church where their friends were more likely to be. When we first started going to AMUMC we went to the Open Door Sunday School Class and found a group of people at the*

same stage of life as us. We liked the Bible based lessons and from there became more involved with other areas of the church.

When did you first start becoming active? *We didn't become really active until our children started attending MYF. Laurinda asked Bill and I to be Youth Coordinators and we thoroughly enjoyed helping with the youth. There were many times when we felt that we received far more than we gave which I have found is often the case when you serve.*

Why do you serve in the church? *When you read the gospels and see how Jesus lived his life it's hard to deny his command to "feed my sheep." I believe very strongly that we can better carry out this command as a body of believers than as individuals.*

How do you serve in the church? *I am currently the Invest Team Leader. I feel privileged to work with a group of committed individuals who have such a passion for missions.*

What was it that made you want to become an active member? *I think it starts with first being asked to do something and finding that it feels good to be a part of helping others whether it be baking a dessert or helping with VBS. I think Ephesians 2:10 says it best - **For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.** God made us to serve.*

What to you, is the greatest part of our church? *The people! There are so many awesome people at A&M UMC.*

Editor's Note: Linda Marr is one of 35 laity and clergy who have been chosen as ambassadors to Cote d'Ivoire. The team was commissioned at Annual Conference last month by Bishop Huie of the Texas Annual Conference and Bishop Benjamin Boni of Cote d'Ivoire.

The Cote d'Ivoire team is made up of clergy and laity selected from the nine districts across the conference. They will travel to Cote d'Ivoire in November to deliver and distribute chemically treated mosquito nets used to combat malaria in West Africa.

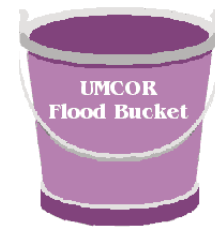
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Prayer Corner

Prayers of Healing for Jean Johnson, Yvalee Jones, and Benton Storey.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Lee and Jean Baker, M. R. Calliham, Bob Cochran, Bud Geiger, Jennifer Gutierrez, Tom Gilbreath, Jean Gresham, Charles Horner, Millie Jones, Connie Kelly, Bonnie Springer, and Joe Wallace.

Please, always keep our troops around the world and their families in your prayers, and also remember victims of flooding in the Midwest.



Flood Relief for the Midwest

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) has requested churches help seven states recover from flooding caused by swollen rivers. Needed are flood buckets and donations to help begin clean up.

Our communion rail offering last Sunday was dedicated toward this effort. You can also bring items to put in flood buckets to the church. A complete listing of items needed for a flood bucket may be found on our website: www.am-umc.org.

Finances

July 6, 2008

Contributions

Offering	\$19,379.21
July Bank Drafts	\$19,635.00
MTD	\$39,014.21
YTD	\$624,697.67
2007 Carryunder	(885.86)

Expenses

MTD	\$27,948.72
YTD	\$717,573.98

Communion Offering for UMCOR

\$1,001.00

Attendance

8:30 a.m.	304
9:45 a.m.	88
10:50 a.m.	189
TOTAL	581



Activities at A&M United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 13, 2008

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. **Sunday School for all ages
- 9:45 a.m. **Ekklesia Service, Annex
- 10:50 a.m. **MusicMakers "The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit", *C-Great Hall**
- 4:00 p.m. College Women's Bible Study, *C-Coffee House
- 4:30 p.m. Weekday School Board, *C-Room 211
- 7:30 p.m. AA and Al-Anon, Rooms 209 & 204

Monday, July 14, 2008

- 5:15 p.m. First Place, Room 114
- 6:00 p.m. Coffee House open
- 6:00 p.m. Canterbury Bells, Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 802, Third Floor

Wednesday, July 15, 2008

- 12:00 p.m. AA, Room 209
- 5:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Prayer Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Coffee House open
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, July 16, 2008

- 12:15 p.m. Emmaus Reunion Group, Jane Pulley's home
- 6:00 p.m. Coffee House open
- 6:10 p.m. Summer Mosaic, *C-Great Hall
- 6:30 p.m. UK Bells Rehearsal, Choir Room

Sunday, July 20, 2008

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. **Sunday School for all ages
- 9:40 a.m. **College Sunday School, College Room
- 9:45 a.m. **Ekklesia Service, Annex Sanctuary
- 10:50 a.m. **Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:50 a.m. **College Sunday School, Annex Fellowship Hall

- 3:30 p.m. Core Leadership Team, *C-Room 211
- 4:00 p.m. College Women's Bible Study, *C-Coffee House
- 5:00 p.m. Finance, Room 113
- 7:30 p.m. AA and Al-Anon, Rooms 209 & 204

Monday, July 21, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Fellowship Hall
- 5:15 p.m. First Place, Room 114
- 6:00 p.m. Canterbury Bells, Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 802, Third Floor

Tuesday, July 22, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 23, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. AA, Room 209
- 5:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Prayer Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Movie Night, *C-Great Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, July 24, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Fellowship Hall
- 12:15 p.m. Emmaus Reunion Group, Jane Pulley's home
- 6:10 p.m. Summer Mosaic, *C-Great Hall
- 6:30 p.m. UK Bells, Choir Room

Friday, July 25, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, July 26, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. Piano Games, Sanctuary

*Room is in the Christian Life Center

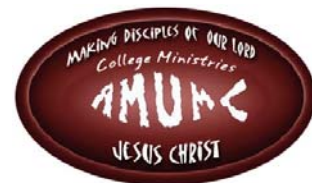
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Financial Peace University To Be Offered Beginning August 31

Did you know there are over 800 scriptures in the Bible regarding personal finance?

Financial Peace University is a 13-week program that teaches you how to make the right decisions with your money. You will be empowered with the practical skills and confidence needed to achieve your financial goals and experience true financial peace.

FPU will meet on Sundays from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. beginning August 31. For more information or questions, please contact Sandie Bennett at sandie@tamu.edu. The cost is \$99.



Adopt-an-Aggie

Are you interested in adopting an Aggie? The College Ministry will be reviving the Adopt-an-Aggie program this coming fall. This is where families "adopt" an Aggie into their family and love and nurture them as they begin or continue their journey through college.

If you are interested in getting more information on this program, please contact Katy-Marie Lyles at katy-marie@am-umc.org.