



A&M
United Methodist Church

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Mid-Month News

A Mid-Month e-Newsletter of A&M United Methodist Church

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Holy Week 2010

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Mozart's Requiem

March 28, 2010 - Palm Sunday at 11 am

The choirs of A&M UMC will present Mozart's *Requiem* with a full symphony orchestra.

Maunder Thursday

Thursday, April 1, 2010 at 6:30 pm

Join us for the traditional Jewish Seder Meal with Communion in the Christian Life Center's Great Hall.



Good Friday

Friday, April 2, 2010 at Noon

Worship and Concert in the Sanctuary
A&M UMC Chancel Choir will present Dubois' *The Seven Last Words* with a chamber orchestra.

Easter Sunday - April 4, 2010

6:30 am - "Sonrise" Service in Courtyard

7:30 am - Pancake Breakfast in Fellowship Hall

8:30 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary

9:45 am - Worship Service in Great Hall

11:00 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary



Dates to Remember

March 14	- Spring Break Begins
March 17,18,19	- Church Office Closed - Spring Break
March 26	- Men's College Retreat - Parents' Nite Out
March 28	- Mozart's Requiem - Palm Sunday
March 31	- Men's Prayer Breakfast
April 1	- Maundy Thursday Service
April 2	- "Seven Last Words" - Good Friday
April 3	- Children's Easter Celebration
April 4	- Easter Sunday
April 7	- D.M.A. Luncheon
April 10	- College "Hire-a-Hand"
April 14	- Be Still Bible Study begins
April 16	- Jr. High BreakThru Retreat
April 18	- Family Promise Guests arrive - Church Council
April 23	- Sr. High BreakThru Retreat
April 24	- Pre- marital Workshop
April 28	- Men's Prayer Breakfast
Thursday's @ Noon	Brown Bag Bible Study

Prayer Concerns

Prayers of Healing for: Dan Hanna and Ron Leaman (Twyla Nevitt's brother).

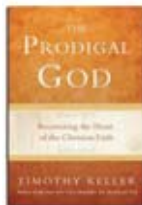
Prayers of Comfort for: Carla Fisher and her family on the passing of her mother, Della Pearson; the family and friends of Susan Van Duyne on her passing; and Nathan Walkup and his family on the passing of his newborn nephew, Benjamin.

Prayers of Joy for: the birth of David Matthew George Castillo, grandson of Dan and Susan Castillo; the birth of Cadence Amanda Allen, daughter of Jonathan and Amanda Allen and granddaughter of John and Cindy Allen.

Ongoing Prayers for: Tex Owens, Ellen Horner, Sara Kothmann (Kathy and Mort Kothmann's daughter), Robert Zinn, Glenna Brundidge, Rev. Kip Gilts' mother, Kathy Giesey, Hazel Owens, Elaine Waggoner, Frances Henry, M. R. Calliham, Nelson and Annie Durst, Pat Sargent, Jean Gresham, Kathleen Pratt (sister of Harry Jones), and Fred Kettleborough.

The Prayer Team thanks you for your prayer requests and asks you, when possible, to call or email prayer request updates which can be shared with the Prayer Team.

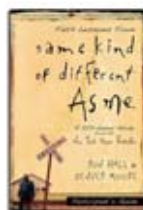
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The Prodigal God

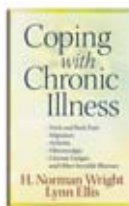
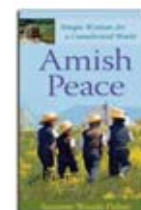
A six-week DVD series on understanding all the Parable of the Prodigal Son has to offer.

Crazy Love - A book about the extravagance of God's love and what that means for those of us who receive it.



Same Kind of Different as Me - The story of a rich man in Fort Worth whose life is changed by his interaction with a homeless man; true story and New York Times Bestseller.

Amish Peace - A book about how the Amish people cultivate peace, gratitude, and faith in ways that allow them to demonstrate remarkable forgiveness.



Coping with Chronic Illness - A book that gives practical steps toward dealing with chronic illnesses and how Christian spirituality plays a role.

Forgotten God: Reversing our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit - A seven-chapter book that reveals the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Christian today.



If one of these books sounds appealing to you individually or for your small group, email Lindsay at Lindsay-Kirkpatrick@am-umc.org.

LENTEN SUPPERS AND SERMONS

Wednesdays of Lent in the Great Hall at 5:30 pm

Theme: Awareness As a Spiritual Discipline

Topics include:

March 24 - Lindsay Kirkpatrick:
"The Theology of Immigration"

March 31 - Clay Horton:
"Homelessness, My Experience with Poverty"

Next Parents' Nite Out is Friday, March 26.

Deadline to register is Tuesday, March 23. Registration forms are available at the Visitor Desks and at www.am-umc.org, just click on *Children*.

College UM ARMY, May 16-22

When: May 16-22
Where: Westbury, UMC Houston, TX
Who: You! College students and adults
Why: Because we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ
Cost: \$215

If you would like to attend please be sure to sign up by emailing Katy-Marie at Katy-Marie@am-umc.org AND by filling out the registration forms. Forms available online at www.am-mc.org/college/announcements-events. UMARMY forms are due by Wednesday, April 14. There will be a mandatory meeting of participants on Tuesday, April 6 in Room C-211 at 6:00 pm. If you need scholarship assistance to attend, please speak with Katy-Marie.



Dates you need to know:

- April 14 - \$215 and registration form due
- April 6 - Mandatory meeting in Room C-211 at 6 pm
- May 15 - Loading tools and stuff
- May 16 - Commissioning at the 11:00 am service and leave following church
- May 16-22 - College UMARMY

Hire-a-Hand

Save the date for Saturday, April 10, for the College Ministry's Hire-a-Hand.

Help support the college ministry missions by "hiring" students to work. All proceeds raised will go towards College Ministry mission trips and outreach. For more information contact Katy-Marie at Katy-Marie@am-umc.org. To sign up, please fill out one of the work forms available in the Welcome Area or at www.am-umc.org/college/announcements-events and return it to the church office.

Ms. Ezerlean Over 40 Years of Service!



With more than 40 years of working in the nursery at A&M UMC, Ms. Ezerlean continues to be one of the most dependable and fun workers on our nursery staff. She has seen many children come through our nursery and grow up in our church. Some of whom are now bringing their children to her to take care of on Sunday mornings. We thank her for being dedicated to our church, but most importantly we thank her for loving our children!

Children's Ministry Announcements . . .

The Children's Easter Celebration

**Saturday, April 3rd,
at 10:30 am**

**Southwood Valley Pavilion
on Rock Prairie Rd.**


We will have inflatables, face painting, Crafts, games and an Easter Egg Hunt. The first hunt will begin at 10:45 with the youngest group and lunch will be served at 12 noon.



P.S. We Need Easter Eggs! Please bring plastic eggs stuffed with individually wrapped candy or small toys for our annual Children's Easter Celebration. There will be a drop box in the Welcome Area in the Sanctuary Building and in the CLC.

Parent Sunday is April 11th!

All parents of preschoolers through 6th graders are invited to come to their child's Sunday School class on Sunday, April 11, at 9:40 am. The kids are really excited to show their moms and dads what they have been learning in Sunday School!



TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF
THE
UNITED METHODIST
**ASTROS BASEBALL
NIGHT**
APRIL 23, 2010

JOIN THOUSANDS OF UNITED METHODISTS ON FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2010, 7:05 P.M. AT MINUTE MAID PARK TO WATCH THE ASTROS PLAY THE PITTSBURGH PIRATES.

BISHOP JANICE RIGGLE HUIE WILL TOSS OUT THE 1ST PITCH. -

COST: \$22 FOR A \$39 FIELD BOX SEAT -

EMAIL OFFICE@AM-UMC.ORG OR CALL THE OFFICE AT 846-8731 - TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.

RESERVATIONS DUE BY MARCH 18, 2010



Men's Prayer Breakfast

Fellowship Hall at 7:00 am
Wednesday, March 31

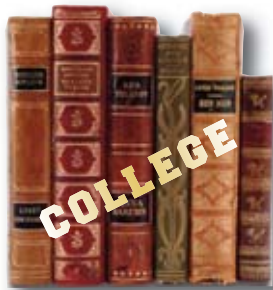
David Brochu is speaking
on the Portable Medical
Clinics



UMM Spring Retreat at Lakeview on April 16, 17, & 18

There will be an election of Conference officers at the Retreat on Saturday morning. All men and all clergy are invited and encouraged to attend. The deadline for mailing or registering on line at www.tcumm.org is **March 27**.

Things College Didn't Teach You! A NEW Study



Join us for a tuition-free 6-week course on topics not covered in college. Whether you have been on your own for some time, still have a few years of college left, or are about to graduate, this class will be a great tool. We will meet from 12-1:30pm on Sundays after church beginning March 28th in the Youth

Commons Room of the CLC. The class will not meet Easter Sunday, and the finish date will be May 9th.

LUNCH IS INCLUDED!

If you need any information, contact Lindsay Kirkpatrick at Lindsay-Kirkpatrick@am-umc.org.



Topics Covered Include:

Vocation 101: Interviewing, Resumes, Networking, Timelines

Finances 101: Budgets, Credit Cards, Debt, Savings, Banking Accounts

Insurance 101: Life, Car, Rental, House, Health, Umbrella

Finances 102: Investing including 401K's, IRA's, CD's, etc, Home Buying, Taxes

Relationships 101: Life Partners, Changing Friendships

Spiritual Growth 101: New Church Homes, Spiritual Practices, and Small Groups

Operation Easter Lily

Easter Lilies will be ordered to decorate for Easter Worship services. Order a lily in honor of or in memory of a dear friend or loved one. Monies collected over the cost of the lilies will be dedicated to the renovation of our Sanctuary organ. This will include:

LCD DISPLAY on the console to monitor functions.

256 LEVELS OF MEMORY for Preset Pistons, Programmable Crescendo and Sforzando

TRANSPOSER (7 steps flat, 7 steps sharp)

FRENCH feature inverts Great and Choir manuals and associated divisional pistons for playing French literature

PEDAL TO GREAT COUPLER

PROGRAMMABLE CRESCENDO AND SFORZANDO

We estimate that this upgrade to the existing 3-manual console will be in the neighborhood of \$35,000.

Deadline to order is Palm Sunday, March 28.

Please make check to A&M UMC with "Easter Lily" written in the memo line.

Operation Easter Lily Order Form

Name: _____

Phone :. _____

Amount Given: \$ _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

(Suggested minimum donation is \$25 - Please make check to A&M UMC with "Easter Lily" written in on the memo line.)