

September 15, 2010

Methogram

“The mission of First United Methodist Church of Silsbee is to bring glory to God, to go and share the Gospel with all, and to make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

DAN’S DIVINITIES

The Methogram is a publication of:
First United Methodist Church
670 North 5th Street,
Silsbee, Texas 77656
Phone: (409) 385-5568
Fax: (409) 385-7219

Rev. Dan Darby
Senior Pastor

Rev. Nancy Ratchford
Associate Pastor

Jennifer Suitt
Office Manager
Office@silsbeeumc.com

Come Visit Us At:
www.SilsbeeUMC.com

Faith Weaver Friends has gotten off to a great start this year. The first week we had about 40 kids and this week the total was pushing 50. Last week we fed 40 people at the 5:30 dinner, and this week we fed 60. We had some additional volunteers this week including at least one of our Sr. High youth who is finding it a good way to get her community service hours for the National Honor Society.

Our youth group, UMYF, has an air of excitement about it. A number of new kids are attending the group, and the bonds between the kids and their leaders are growing stronger and stronger. They are having a barbecue luncheon this Sunday, September 19, to raise money so they can all get tickets to the Make a Difference Tour at Ford Park

on October 8. We really need a church van to meet the needs of our growing ministries to children and youth.

October 17 is Laity Sunday, and this year we will be having Youth Sunday. Our youth director, Mike McMullen will be preaching, and the youth will be leading in worship. The new youth band will be playing in the first service, and some of them will be doing special music in the second.

And did I mention food? We have our regular first Sunday Covered Dish Lunch on October 3. On October 17 we are going to have a stack supper at 6:00 p.m., followed by our annual Church Conference at 7:00. At the Church Conference this year, our District Superintendent,

Dr. Richard White, will lead us in a discussion of where we see our church being in mission to our community. After all, our mission is not to ourselves but to our community and to the world. So, in preparation for our Church Conference, be thinking about our mission field. What opportunities are there for service for the Kingdom?

We are having a fall revival this year on Sunday-Wednesday evenings, October 24-27. Rev. Jason Burnham will be our preacher and DeAndre Johnson will be our worship leader. Mark it on your calendar, and I will give you more details later. You will not want to miss a single service.

See you Sunday,

Pastor Dan

Inside this issue:

Presence	2
Upcoming Events	3
Gifts	3
Memorials	4
R.E.A.L. Youth	4
Music Notes	4
Kids Corner	5
AFDS News	5
Bible Puzzle Answers	5
Bible Word Puzzle	6



Last Sunday I began a new sermon series on “Life Skills for Joyful Living.” Part two is this Sunday’s sermon on “Passion, Inti-

macy, and Commitment.”

On September 26, the sermon is entitled, “The Habit of Happiness.”

Folks really seemed to relate to last week’s sermon on “Great Expectations,” and I hope the same will be true for the entire series.



Flu shots will be available on Sunday, September 19 from 11 am to 1 pm in McDonough Hall. This shot will be at no charge for Medicare participants. For all others, it will be \$29.99, and the providers will accept cash or check.

Presence	
Worship	
8/29	178
9/05	123
9/12	171
Sunday School	
8/29	79
9/05	75
9/12	106

New Grief Study Group

A new grief study group is forming, beginning October 7 in Cravens Hall at 10:00 a.m. The group will be studying “Life after Loss: A Practical Guide to Renewing Your Life after Experiencing Major Loss” by Bob Deits. The book is a positive, sensitive approach for successful recovery from painful loss. The group will be for those who have lost a loved one in death.

The group and the resource will teach people what to expect along the road to grief recovery, and will help people find ways to cope with loneliness, anger, depression, and guilt. Tools will be offered on how to set new goals and find ways to deal with times that are especially difficult such as holidays, anniversaries, and family events. Participants will be able to share aspects of their grief journey and find the support of fellow travelers.

Nancy Ratchford will facilitate the group. Please call 409-385-5568 for more information

Girl Scouts®

Sunday, September 26 is Girl Scout Sunday! The Girl Scout troop supported by our church will be here to serve as ushers and to lead us in the Girl Scout promise and the pledge.



Dan and Nancy will be out of the office Monday, September 20 through Wednesday, September 22, as they attend The Gathering, the annual preacher’s conference and retreat. The office will still be open our normal hours.

Upcoming Events

- September 19, 12:00 pm—BBQ Luncheon Fundraiser for Youth
- September 19, 11:00 am—Flu shots available in McDonough Hall
- September 20-22, Dan and Nancy out of office, at “The Gathering” preacher’s retreat.
- September 23, 10:00 am—Final Meeting of current Grief Recovery Group
- September 26, 11:00 am—Girl Scout Sunday
- September 30, 7:00 pm—Trustees Meeting

Gifts

August 29, 2010

\$4,234.50

Sept. 5, 2010

\$10,909.00

Sept. 12, 2010

\$7,009.80

Methodist

Mission Home

\$592.00



Fall F.E.S.T.

Faith Empowered Sisters Together

Count down to Fall F.E.S.T. – only 10 more days!
Reserve your seat SOON! We need your RSVP by 9-22-10
Tickets are NOT sold at the door.



**Saturday
September
25**

Fall FEST!

**Doors open at
9:30 am.**

Cypress United Methodist Church

The morning session begins at 10 am. The afternoon session should be over around 2 pm. Shop til 3 pm.

\$20

includes 2 Seminar Sessions and

Buffet Lunch

Childcare Available for \$5 at the church.

Please join us for a full day to Celebrate Jesus!
Featuring keynote speaker, Kirsten Hart

Morning session • Buffet Lunch • Afternoon session
Praise & Worship • Fellowship • Time for personal Prayer
Shop our Celebration Boutique!

Meet Kirsten Hart:

Our keynote speaker will share her truly remarkable story of discovering accidentally at the age of 41 that she was adopted. She began to search the internet to see if she could locate her birth mother. She found out she was born in New York, and New York is a closed and 'sealed' state when it comes to finding out information about birth parents. *But there's more to her story.* In the Fall of 1965, her birth mother took a trip to Sweden to obtain an abortion. God literally saved her life in the womb. Well... You'll have to hear the rest of her story!



Kirsten's walking out her story on a daily basis. God has given her a story of grace, forgiveness, and surprises!

She'll show us how to share our story, too! We know that

God's grace is abundant, and He is forever speaking to us in new and fresh ways!

Don't miss this opportunity!

REGISTRATION:

Register online at our website :

www.CelebrationMinistries.org

LOCATION:

This year our Fall F.E.S.T. will be held at Cypress United Methodist Church in the (MAC) Ministry Activity Center located at 13403 Cypress N. Houston Rd, Cypress, Texas Just northwest of Houston off of Hwy 290.



Cindy Cain Fredrick

Larry & Pat Cooper
Wilma Ludwig
Martha Bradshaw
Dana Bradshaw

Lois Kiker

Wilma Ludwig

Melba Morrison

Bob & Ann Nell Herbst
Marianne Deadmon
Victory Class
Rayford & Joyce Birdwell
Ed & Sonia Cain
Gus & Johni Ruth Dunbar
Martha Bradshaw
Dana Bradshaw
J. Fuller
Irene Redkey
Mary Grace Bower

Ralph McClung

Bob & Ann Nell Herbst
Marianne Deadmon
Martha Bradshaw
Dana Bradshaw
Gus & Johni Ruth Dunbar
Jerry & Joyce Hanks
Ed & Sonia Cain



interest in joining us, or have questions regarding the choir, please see Julia Owens.

Choir!

Our choir is still looking for more members! If you would like to join us in praising the Lord and leading worship each Sunday, you are more than welcome. We rehearse each Wednesday night at 7pm, and we will soon be setting our focus on the Christmas Cantata preparations. If you have an

Praise Band!

Our praise band practice is now on Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm. Please come join us if you are interested in helping to lead worship for the contemporary service on Sunday mornings! For more information, please contact Julia Owens or Paula Darby.

R.E.A.L. Youth

BBQ Lunch Fundraiser

On Sunday, September 19, the youth group will be serving a BBQ lunch in McDonough Hall after the 11:00 am service. This lunch will serve as a fundraiser so that our youth can attend a youth conference at Ford Arena this fall. There will be good food, live music (from our new, youth band), and fellowship. For ticketing information, please see Mike or Judy McMullen. Monetary donations are also always welcome.

“Spoken By Faith”

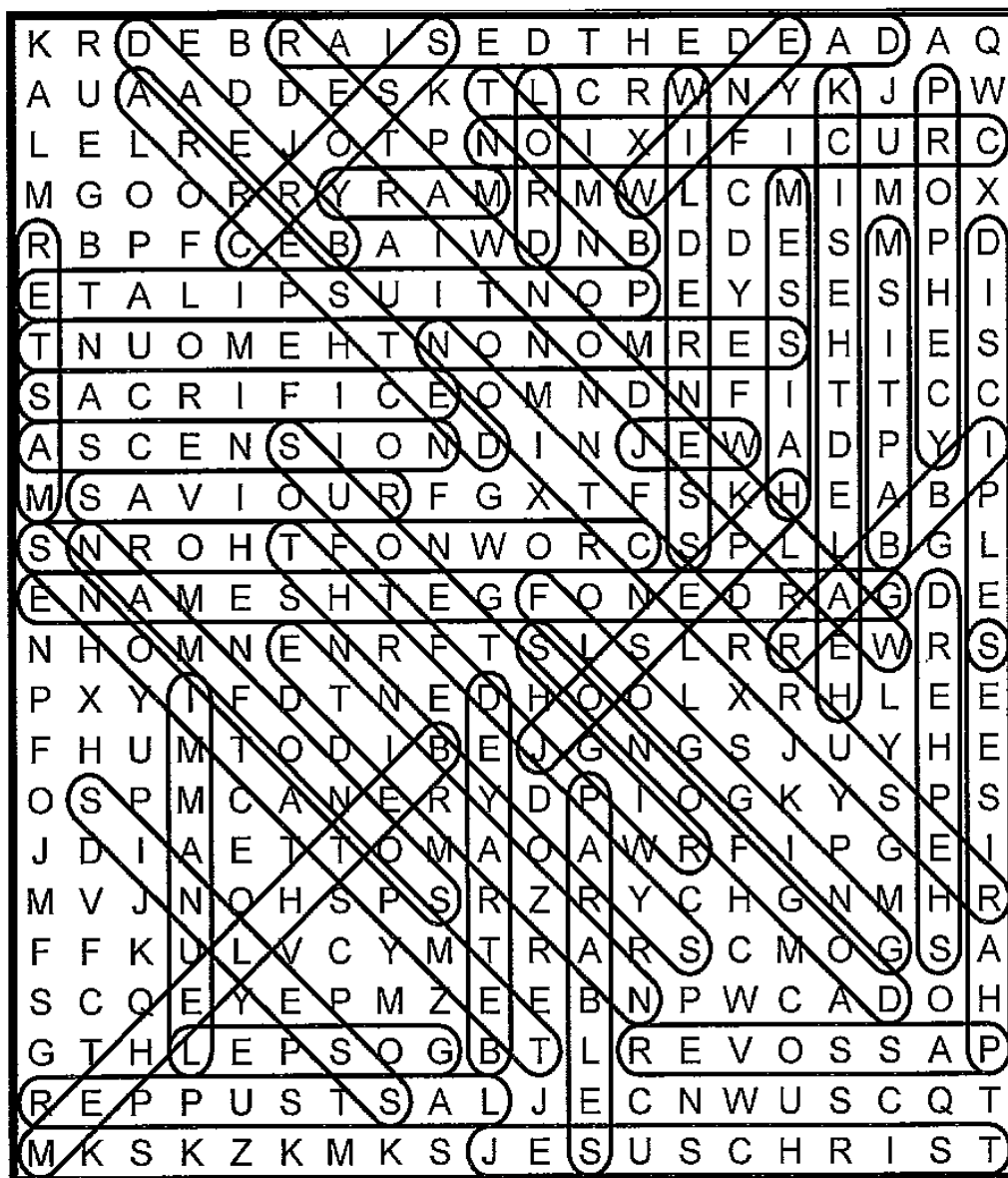
Our new youth band has been named! We have chosen the name Spoken by Faith. We are excited to see the students using their talents to praise the Lord!



Make a Difference Tour

On Friday, October 8, our youth group will be attending the Make a Difference Conference at Ford Arena. This Tour includes music by Michael W. Smith, Third Day, Jason Gray, and Toby Mac, as well as preaching by Max Lucado. This conference is designed to raise awareness about World Vision, and the work that this mission organization is doing around the world. The money raised from our fundraiser on Sunday will make it possible for us to send our youth to this conference free of charge to them.

Answers to August 24, 2010 Methogram Word Puzzle



Faithweaver
Friends Needs
Your Help!

Faithweaver Friends has gotten off to a great start, with approximately 40 kids attending each week. However, we currently are in need of drivers to pick the kids up from school and deliver them to the church. If you are currently picking up your child and can pick up any extra, or even if you aren't picking up, and would like to help us out, please contact Joanna Watters or call the church office!



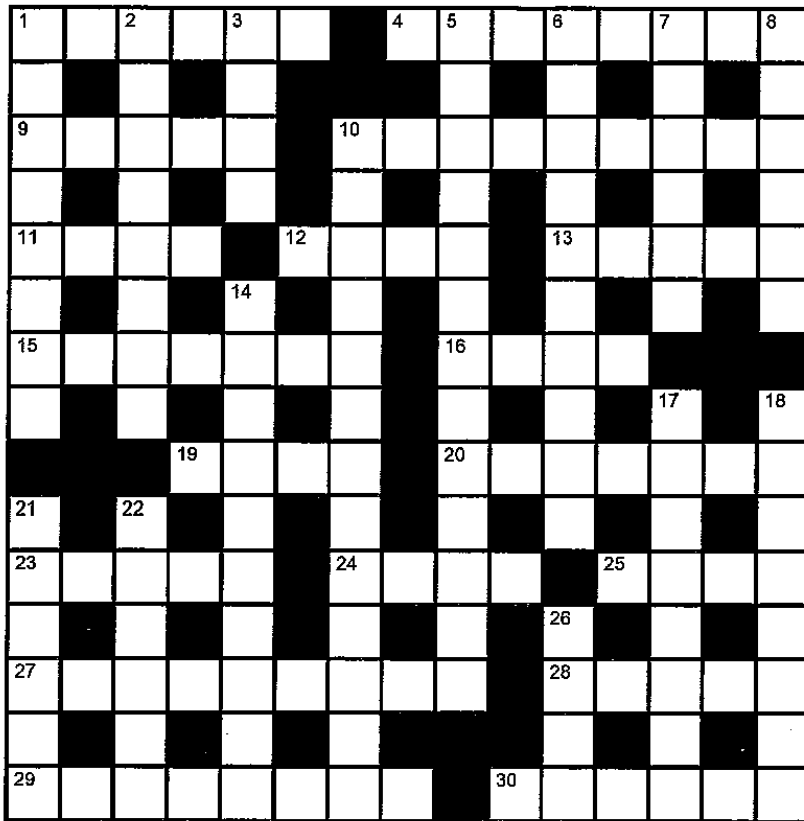
Dear Church Family,



Thank you so much for the outpouring of love you have shown our family during the loss of my mother Melba Morrison. We received calls, cards, food, and many prayers. The lunch served to us after the service was delicious and the flowers and plants were beautiful. Thanks again!

Love,

Tonya Hawkins and family



Answers in the next Methogram or on our website,
www.sislbeeumc.com

Across

- 1 Silenced (6)
- 4 Allocated (8)
- 9 Kingdoms or domains (5)
- 10 Babylonians (9)
- 11 Left behind when Peter and Andrew followed Jesus (4)
- 12 Lame man's entrance to the house where Jesus healed him (4)
- 13 Depart (5)
- 15 Stamens of a crocus (7)
- 16 New thought (4)
- 19 Unhearing (4)
- 20 Absconded (7)
- 23 Enticed (5)
- 24 The coldest of the ten plagues (4)
- 25 Insulted rendering the giver in danger of hell fire (4)
- 27 First visitors to the baby Jesus (9)
- 28 Twinkle (5)
- 29 Sin (8)
- 30 Physical state after absence of food (6)

Down

- 1 Written on the Priest's head-band (8)
- 2 To set apart for sacred use (8)
- 3 Wise men's domain (4)
- 5 Location where Jesus met the disciples for breakfast (3,2,8)
- 6 Greediness (10)
- 7 Cured of leprosy by washing in the River Jordan (6)
- 8 Crockery (6)
- 10 Worn by Jesus on the cross (5,2,6)
- 14 Amity between David and Jonathan (10)
- 17 Against (8)
- 18 Forbidden in the seventh commandment (8)
- 21 A place to pray (6)
- 22 Country visited by Paul (6)
- 26 Hairy Old Testament Hunter (4)

First United Methodist Church
 670 North 5th Street
 Silsbee Texas 77656

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Non-Profit Organization
 U.S. Postage PAID
 Permit No. 29

