

# SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

## FRIEDENS CHURCH OF WASHINGTON, UCC

"A Country Church with an Open Door"

### Message from the Pastor

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Here comes the Fall; and with it, some exciting events and changes in our church schedule!

First, the Promotion of our Sunday School classes will take place August 26<sup>th</sup> during worship. It is a great time to celebrate our youngsters, and recognize our teachers! It is one of the most important ministries of the church. Offer your prayers and support. Take note of the new **Sunday School time – 9:30** on Sunday mornings (beginning September 9<sup>th</sup>). Class will end by 10:10 so that families can go to worship together. This change will allow Sunday School teachers to attend worship as well!

A Choir is being organized. Flo Mason has agreed to take some of the organizational responsibilities. Anyone interested in singing should 1) make that known to Flora, and 2) try to make the planning meeting following worship on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet in church chancel area to discuss rehearsal times, performance dates, music, and special events. Urge someone with a musical ear to attend!

Confirmation will be starting soon. I'd like to meet with the class and their parents on September 9<sup>th</sup>, following worship, for an orientation. A pizza meal will be provided. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Looks like we will have a large class (at least seven), so it should be a major event in our church life!

Worship is being "enriched" by the presence of video screens. Pictures of church events, words to hymns, and images that enhance the message, are all possible. Your input on what is helpful, and what is not, will be crucial in making this a positive change. Please let Ron Werchen, the Church Council, or me know your thoughts.

Finally, there is another Emmaus Walk opportunity this Fall. The Men's Walk is October 11 through 14. Dottie and I are helping lead the Women's Walk on October 25 through 28. It is a great opportunity to renew your spirit and find your joy! Let me know if you are interested and I'll help you make all the arrangements.

*Pastor Glen*

## In our prayers we remember. . .

Larry Young, Sharon Dobbins, Sue Vieras, G.V. Layton, Mary Lee Lewis, Christina Holloway, Neal Bosse, Alfred Thane, Sheryl Vasek, Carolyn Wellmann, Wayne Bosse, Sue Kiel Schwartz. Jan Anastasiades and LaNell Langford.

## News, Events and Updates. . .

Early Service starting at 8:30 a.m. is scheduled for the first Sunday of each month along with a Late Service at 10:15 a.m. (Please check your calendars).

Sunday School classes will kick-off on September 9th starting at 9:30 a.m. and end by 10:10 a.m.

A **Confirmation class and parents** meeting will be held after worship in the Fellowship hall on September 9th. A pizza meal will be provided at this meeting.

Friedens still has anniversary books, plates, and cookbooks for sale. Please contact LaNell Langford, if you wish to purchase.

Sunday School is having a Halloween / Trick or Treat Hay Ride on October 27<sup>th</sup>. As more information is finalized it will be announced. Thanks, Ashley Wilson.

October 20<sup>th</sup> UCC Texas Association Meeting is scheduled at the United Christian Church in Austin.

The church is planning a fundraiser to assist Charles and Carolyn Wellmann with Cancer treatments. Details coming soon.

## In our prayers we remember the ones we have lost:

Please keep the following families in your prayers:

**Betty Dickschat and Sandra Bosse lost their brother** - Billy Joe Thane, 78, of Angleton, Texas. He passed away on July 23, 2018 at his home surrounded by his family. Visitation was held Wednesday, July 25, 2018 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Palms Funeral Home in Angleton, Texas. Services were held on Thursday, July 26, 2018, at 10:00 am at Christian Tabernacle, Angleton, Texas.

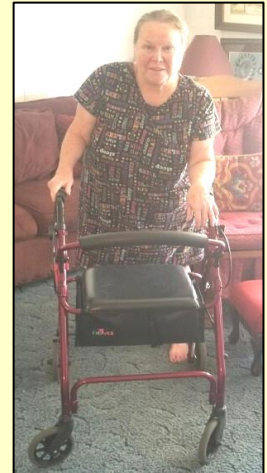
**Effie Wellmann's mother passed away** - Lorraine Elizabeth Chandler, 76, of Hobson, Texas, passed away on Tuesday July 24, 2018 in Karnes City. Visitation was held on Friday, July 27, from 4 – 9 with a rosary at 7 at Eckols Chapel. A burial was held Saturday, July 28, at 10 a.m. at St Cornelius Catholic Church with interment to follow in Karnes City Cemetery.

**Celeste Dickschat's sister passed away** - Felecia Lambert, 58, of Corpus Christi, Texas, passed away on Sunday July 8, 2018. Visitation was held on Friday, July 13, from 5 – 7 pm at Sawyer-George Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 14 at River Hills Baptist Church with burial following at Memory Gardens Cemetery.

## Thank You. . .

### What a blessing!

I was given a walker that includes a place to sit and I received this walker from an anonymous person from our church family and I cannot be more **thankful!** It has allowed Jim and me to even go to the Mall because when I get tired it allows me to sit and rest before moving on again. I do not know who my angel is that gave me this walker, but I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. Per Jim: "You have assured yourself a niche in Heaven". God Bless you, Diane Latham!



Dear Friedens Church Family,

We would like to thank you all so very much for the encouraging words through cards, phone calls and prayer given to us at the loss of our brother, Billy Joe Thane. Made it a lot easier to accept knowing that so many people were thinking of us.

Love and hugs to you all.

Betty Dickschat and Sandra Bosse



Dear Friedens Church Family:

Thanks to all of you that have prayed, sent cards, and called me this summer while I suffered from my heart problems. It is amazing to be among such a wonderful family. Your thoughtfulness and concerns have been "heart" felt.

Love to all,

Dottie Schoeneberg

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## Births. . .

**Channing Grey Kolkhorst** was born on August 20. He is welcomed by parents Don Jr. and Edie Kolkhorst of Houston, Texas and brothers Cruise and Cullen. Grandparent is Don Kolkhourst of Navasota, Tx.



**Bauer Stolz Stewart** was born on August 15, at Medical City Dallas at 2:40 pm. weighing 8 lbs 3 oz. He is welcomed by parents Barclay and Leslie Stolz Stewart and big sister Sloane Emree. Grandparents are Elroy and Denise Stolz of Washington, Tx.



## Monitors in Church

On August 12<sup>th</sup> the church experienced a New Look with the installation of new monitors at the front of the church (one on the left and one on the right side). This allows individuals to read information from the monitors during worship such as song lyrics, prayers, scriptures and see photos.

Thanks to Ron Werchan and Pastor Glen Schoeneberg for installing these monitors in the church.

**Note: The church is looking for volunteers!** If you are interested in assisting with adding the information that will appear on the monitors and/or assisting with scrolling the information during worship, please contact Ron Werchan.



## New Photo Directory

It has been several years since we had a photo directory made, so the time is here. We are planning on printing a new directory this fall. We will be taking portraits of members and families during the last 2 weeks of September (, 9/24, 9/27, 9/28 from 3pm to 7pm). You can sign-up for your sitting in the Narthex before or after worship or call the church office at 936-878-2523 on Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and noon to schedule your sitting.

You will be able to purchase prints and Christmas cards at that time. Proceeds will be used to purchase the directories.

## Food Pantry Volunteer Workers

Sept 6 – Betsy Bosse & Debbie Grimes  
 Sept 13 – Lou Ann Canatella & Jamie Noto  
 Sept 20 – Betty Dickschat & Sally Stolz  
 Sept 27 – Bonnie Mohr & Tammy Leiber  
 Oct 4 – Terry Campbell & Sis Renn  
 Oct 11 – Betsy Bosse & Debbie Grimes

## Food Pantry Items Needed

September – Canned Fruit  
 October – Rice & Pasta  
 November – Corn Bread and Biscuit Mix  
 December – Your choice – Buy early so  
 Pantry can distribute before Christmas.

## Altar Flowers

**Flowers can be placed in church in memory/honor of loved one(s) or special occasions. See signup sheet on the hall bulletin board.**

Sept 2 – open  
 Sept 9 - open  
 Sept 16 - open  
 Sept 23 - open  
 Sept 30 – open  
 October 7 -  
 October 14 – Arthur & Mary Steele's 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
 October 21 – Open  
 October 28 – Keith & Thresia Schlabach's 16<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary



## Worship Leaders

<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Ushers/Greeters</u>
Sept 2 – Becky Barton	Kameron Stolz	Joe & Heather Fuller
Sept 9 – John Walkoviak	Reese Collins	Helbert & Lena Mae Goessler
Sept 16– Shelley Addison	Jace Easley	Derrol & Arlene Herzog
Sept 23 – Jackie Schroeder	Brooklynn Stolz	Doris Hinton & Glenda Maxson
Sept 30 – Ashley Wilson	Kayci Robinson	Ralph & Donna Holle
October 7 – Russell Borgstedte	Kaden Kennedy	Ora Nell James & Shelli James
October 14 – Mary Borgstedte	Kylie Maxson	Dusty & Kasey Kennedy

## Upcoming Events – Mark your calendar!!

**Events will be added here, please check calendar for all other meetings, etc.**

September 2 – Breakfast by Council prior to worship.  
 September 5 – UCC Women 7 pm – Game night bring a \$5.00 prize.  
 September 9 – Sunday School Kick-Off.  
 September 9 – Confirmation class and parents meeting after worship.  
 September 11 – Trustees meeting at 6:30 pm and Council meeting at 7:00 pm.  
 September 14 – 16 – Community Recycle – Washington Park.  
 September 20 – Women's Fellowship meeting 2:15 pm.  
 September 20 – Newsletter deadline – please send any newsletter items to office.  
 September 26 – Fun & Fellowship 2 pm.  
 September 30 – Pot Luck Sunday – Bring a covered dish to share after worship.  
 October 3 – UCC Women's meeting 7:00 pm.  
 October 7 – Breakfast by UCC Women prior to worship.  
 October 9 – Council meeting 7:00 pm.  
 October 27 – Sunday School is having a Halloween / Trick or Treat Hay Ride.

## Church Council Happenings. . .

Sunday, August 5, 2018 was a great day for Friedens Church. The "Back to School – Back to Church" fundraiser was a huge success.

The auditorium was full with over 140 people attending the service. The praise service was great and the children of the church loved having their backpacks blessed.

The council would like to thank everyone that had anything to do with making it a great day. Special thanks to the UCC Women for organizing the silent auction, Women's Fellowship for organizing the bingo and the Sunday School for the water slide. Thanks to the individuals that donated cakes for the auction and to everyone that brought items for the silent auction and bingo.

**We raised over \$7,000 for the repair fund.**

**See images of the Back to School – Back to Church Event on [page 8 and 9](#).**

Thanks again,  
Church Council

### Council Happenings.....

After many years of talk of new lights in the sanctuary we have new LED lights.  
The long term planning committee has been organized.  
The church has approved a new Church Directory.  
The council will be interviewing a pastoral candidate.

The Council is looking for someone to take over the maintenance of the sprinkler system at the church. If interested, please contact a Church Council member. The church council is always looking for volunteers to help around the church. If you are interested, please contact a council member.

### Council Worklist:

9/2	Mark	John
9/9	Kasey	Lindsey
9/16	Jeff	Ron
9/23	Sis	Debbie
9/30	Wesley	Dale
10/7	Mark	John
10/14	Kasey	Lindsey
10/21	Jeff	Ron
10/28	Sis	Debbie

## Promotion Sunday held on August 26, 2018

### Promoted to the Nursery Class: Sloane Stewart

**Promoted to Pre K class:** Teagyn Wilson, Brody Parsons, Brooks Parsons, Brady Becker, Cooper Parsons, Case Finke, Cannon Leiber and Emma Milburn.

**Promoted to Kindergarten class:** Sawyer Young

**Promoted to 1st grade class:** Easton Smith, Quinn Schulze, Tanner Bosse, Casen Leiber, Koisen Groce and Blaze Graham.

**Promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class:** \*Katie Becker, JW Collins, Hailey Gendolfe and Kash Groce.

**Promoted to 3rd grade class:** \*Lila Kennedy, \*Bailee Wilson, William Buff, Ethan Leiber and Madeleine Ragusa.

**Promoted to 4th grade class:** \*Dilan Finke, \*Mica Collins, \*Mitchell Schlabach, \*Brooklyn Stolz, Trevor Bosse, Carley Mock, Paige Jensen and Hudson Hartstack.

**Promoted to 5th grade class:** Shelby Moreno, Cody Gendolfe and Barrett Langford

**Promoted to 6th grade class:** \*Jace Easley, \*Reece Collins, Laura Bodensteiner, Addyson Stolz, Brady Boenker and Macy Mock.

**Promoted to 7th grade class:** Carson Bush, Tyler Bosse and Hailey Herzog.

**Confirmation Class:** Kayci Robinson, Kamerson Stolz, Hunter Schlabach, Kaden Kennedy, Kylie Maxson, Alex Ragusa, Autumn Kelley, Carson Lauter, Quinn Bosse and Emily Moreno.

### Faithful Attendance Adwards:

Mitchell Schlabach received his 2<sup>nd</sup> Faithful attendance.

Hunter Schlabach received his 3<sup>rd</sup> Faithful attendance.

\*Those receiving Bibles today.

**After worship the kids enjoyed a pool party and lunch at Jeff & Amanda Stolz's house.**



## Heart of Texas Association News

All of you are invited to the Heart of Texas Association Fall Meeting to be held on Saturday, October 20th at United Christian Church, 3500 West Parmer Lane, in Austin -- near the intersection of Parmer Lane and the MoPac freeway (TX-1). The meeting will start at 11 am, with registration beginning at 10:30. We will break for lunch then continue, ending between about 1:30 and 2 pm. An ecclesiastical council for Will Nelson, candidate for ordained ministry pending a call, will be held during our gathering. Will is a member of Church of the Savior and graduated from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. His ordination paper will be sent out to our churches and ministers in early October. We encourage all who come to read it, to be enriched in your thinking about faith by it, and to bring questions you may have for Will. At our meeting, we will also worship together, enjoy table fellowship at lunch, have a business meeting, and have an additional program that is still being worked out. Come to enjoy the friendship of those from our churches, to build our caring covenantal relationships among our churches, and to contribute to the important work of the ordained ministry process. United is hosting the meeting on behalf of the Austin area cluster of Association churches, and we anticipate gathering in the South Texas cluster of churches in the spring.

The fall meeting offering will be for Slumber Falls Camp. As many of you know, the camping and retreat ministry at Slumber Falls is an invaluable and irreplaceable blessing to those of us who are in the South Central Conference of the UCC. In an era of constant busyness, time demands, and the push to achieve and compete for so many of our youth, Slumber Falls Camp is a life-giving and Spirit-filled place. It is a place where children and youth are loved for who they are and where caring staff come to help foster faithful Christian lives full of meaning and hope. I can testify personally to the treasure that our UCC church camps are from my own experience while living in Northern California and the enormous impact the UCC camping program there has had over the years on the lives of our three daughters. I know from the witness of so many here that Slumber Falls has had this same kind of impact on the lives of our children and youth. I also know how important this camp is in the lives of adults in our churches as we have been refreshed and renewed there at retreats and as camp counselors and directors. Right now, Slumber Falls has financial need in various ways. The camp has been given a donation of 128 Tempurpedic mattresses, with the only cost being \$7000 for mattress delivery. Some of this money has been raised as I write, but more is needed. And the camp needs our donations for all of its work to ensure that it is sustainable into the future. Our Association offering will go toward the mattresses as needed, with any additional money going to the overall work and program. I encourage our churches and members to be generous, too, with your gifts from church budgets and as Friends of the Camp.

Blessings in Christ, Liz Nash, Association Minister



## Images from “Back to School – Back to Church” Fundraiser



Sunday School singing – Such a blessing!



Blessing of the School Bags



Thanks to the Cooks for Event



Serving Line – Hamburgers were GREAT!



St. John's Praise Team Band

### Cont'd - Images from "Back to School – Back to Church" Fundraiser



Enjoying the event.



Bingo



Silent Auction





Bingo

# September

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<b>28</b> L- Sandra Bosse A- Hunter Schlabach G-Mark & Jane Krause	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

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