

The  
Newsletter  
of the  
Saline  
United  
Methodist  
Church



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Traditional Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:10 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship 11:15 a.m.

Summer Worship Hours:

Right Start 8:04 a.m.  
Summer Worship 9:30 a.m.

# STEEPLE NEWS

June 11, 2006

“Ringing Forth the Good News”

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## “Getting Ready for Summer”

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> is the wrap-up for many of our spring activities around First UMC. It’s the last day for the spring term of Sunday School, which following the summer break will resume with the Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. R.O.C.K. in Logos and Lil’ SAINTS Preschool completed their spring sessions two weeks ago. Most of our administrative committees and task forces will meet less frequently over the summer months. Some of the study, service and support groups are now into their summer break and will resume in the fall. The choirs, orchestra and hand bell members are anticipating a much deserved break from their weekly practice schedule.

While things do slow down a bit during June, July and August, the ministry in no way comes to a stop around here. It merely takes on a new face or shape during the summer. This is particularly true of our Sunday worship. Though there are a few of our folk that we won’t see until fall, most of our congregation continues to faithfully join in worship with their church family on the Sundays that they are in town. That is why we again will be offering two distinct worship services but on a different schedule than during the school year. Beginning Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> (Father’s Day) through Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> (Labor Day Sunday) come at either the 8:04 a.m. for the *Right Start Service* or come at 9:30 a.m. for our *Summer Sanctuary Worship*.

- **Right Start Worship (8:04 a.m.)** – An early morning gathering designed for those who are heading out of town for the day or who simply want to get their day off to a “right start.” For this worship gathering, about sixty of us meet in the Christler Hall for a light breakfast (continental style) followed by a more abbreviated worship service. Come dressed casually and share in breakfast and worship with your church family.
- **Summer Sanctuary Worship (9:30 a.m.)** – Each summer we intentionally format worship that includes elements of both our traditional and our contemporary (Crossroads) services and is designed in a relaxed style. We will be singing a combination of classical hymns, gospel songs, as well as praise and worship choruses. The hour is planned intentionally as a blended style of worship. For those who normally attend either at the 9:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. service, Summer Sanctuary Worship offers the opportunity to experience the worship style of the other members of our congregation and also to meet some people with whom you do not normally worship. It is a great opportunity for us to get to know each other better. That’s why “*Lemonade in the Shade*” directly following the worship hour is such a hit. Also, again this year, some of the men of our congregation will be launching the summer worship services with “*Hot Dog Sunday*” on *Father’s Day* – Sunday, June 18, 2006.

The summer sermon series – “*Praying the Psalms*” will, each Sunday, highlight one of the biblical Psalms – Psalm 32, Psalm 130, Psalm 4, Psalm 5, Psalm 42-43, Psalm 7, Psalm 84, Psalm 137, Psalm 139, and Psalm 46. The richness of this ancient biblical poetry remarkably connects with the prayer of our soul today. I hope that you will make every attempt to be here in worship on Sundays whenever you are here in town. – Pastor Jim

## DEADLINES

The next Steeple News deadline is *June 19<sup>th</sup>* at noon. Volunteers are needed to assemble the newsletter *Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>* in Room F at 9:00 a.m. The weekly deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday at noon.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS

Month	Year	Month	Year	Month	Year	Month	Year	Month	Year

The Community Vacation Bible School will be Monday, June 19 through Friday, June 23 at Assembly of God Church. This year's theme is "Fiesta". Visit [www.salineVBS.org](http://www.salineVBS.org)

to register or for more information call Mary Cameron (944-2904). Registration forms are available in the Narthex.

## HELP NEEDED

Special needs adult would like a recliner chair, so that he can get out of his wheel chair. Also family of this person needs a wheelchair van with tie down and lift to transport him. If you are able to help, please contact Marilyn Setzer 429-7342.



## SUMMER CAMP & SPONSORS



We already have 17 students going to camp this year. Dakarai and Tyrel Bredernitz, Max Kowalczyk, Allison Loughner, Cameron Lytle, Steven Miller, Eric and Rebecca Speiran, Andrew Townley, Nathan Yaklin, Kelly and Marcus Barbret, Jimmy and George Lancaster, Charlotte Thorpe, Kim Setzer, Amy Acree, Angela Hamman, Devin Dailey-Curry and Alexis Edmunds. There's still time if your child would like to go to camp. See [umccamps.org](http://umccamps.org) for fun camp choices. Questions? Email Debra Lytle: [dmllytle@comcast.net](mailto:dmllytle@comcast.net) Want to Sponsor a Camper? Please email Anne Kowalczyk: [akowal@comcast.net](mailto:akowal@comcast.net)

**A BIG SPECIAL THANK YOU to the United Methodist Women, John & Patti Latson, Laura & Ross Speiran, and Bonnie and John Riggs for their generous sponsorships. We have been able to send several people to camp this year that wouldn't have been able to go. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**

## GOT A HEART FOR THE HUNGRY?

Perhaps you're a busy person who might like to head up one project, but not a long-standing commitment. FUMC is looking for next October's CROP Walk organizer. Call Margo Perry if interested (734) 223-4216.

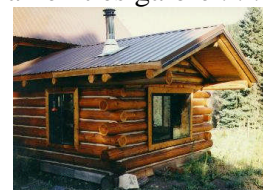


## FUMC WEEKEND CAMPING

**AUG. 4TH-5TH**

(Reserve your spot now!)

Myers Lake United Methodist Campground is just 45 minutes north of Saline & boasts amenities galore . . . bike, rowboat, kayak, inner tube & paddle boat rentals. There will be a Saturday night concert, and a Sunday worship. FUMC has reserved 15 campsites together, one tent or RV (20 amp electric) per site. As Methodists, we have been given a 10% discount ---\$22.50 per site per night. Cabins (\$54) also available, but are not pre-reserved. Visitors may day-visit 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Learn more at their website [www.myerslake.com](http://www.myerslake.com). To reserve one of our group campsites, sign the manila folder, and take a reservation form, from the folder at the Opportunity Wall. Send form & fee to Myers Lake by July 4th. Questions – call Margo Perry 223-4216.



## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Carr Memorial Scholarship, which honors the memory of Hollis B. Carr, was awarded for 2006. The recipients are Kyle Edington and Chelsea Tatchin. The two graduating seniors received their scholarship at the Senior Awards Night at Saline High School on May 30<sup>th</sup> and were recognized at the worship service on June 4<sup>th</sup>. We are proud of their accomplishments and wish them much success in their educational endeavors.



## OFFICE CUBICLE AVAILABLE

Nice office cubicle (8' x 8') available with walls, workspace, and file drawers. If you need added work space at your office or would like to set up a home office, this quality furniture could be just the thing you're looking for. This cubicle was donated to the church and can be yours for a donation. Contact Lisa Marshall in the office at 429-4730 if interested.

## HOMELESS SHELTER COLLECTION

We are collecting **deodorant and soap** during **June** for the Homeless Shelter. These items can be placed in the "blue house" in the Narthex.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### FOR FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

The United Methodist Women coordinate funeral luncheons at the request of bereaved families. A favorite feature of these luncheons is homemade salads and desserts provided by church members. Additional volunteers are needed to provide these items on a rotating basis. Food can be dropped off either the evening before or morning of a funeral. Also, we need more people to work in the kitchen and/or dining room during the luncheons. If you would consider helping in any way, please sign up at the Opportunity Wall. You will not be called every time! Calls are made on a rotating basis and if you are not able to help, we will call the next person on the list. For further information, please contact Carolyn Beal at 429-7279. **Reminder:** Dishes left from potlucks/funerals can be picked up from the wheeled cabinet in the Fellowship Hall (not the dividers). When bringing dishes to church events, please remember to put your name on them. Thank you.



## LIL' SAINTS PRESCHOOL

Open enrollment is still going on for the fall. Register now to guarantee a spot! Please contact Rachel Wislocki, Center Director, at 734-709-9932 or Leanne Rinnac, Director of Children's Ministry, at 734-429-4730. The Board of Directors for Lil' SAINTS Preschool have been meeting and discussing the new play area for the church. If you would like to help in this project in any way, please contact Rachel or Leanne. Watch for details as they develop!

### RASCAL SCOOTER FOR SALE



The Sundlings bought a Rascal Scooter on May 3, 2005 for \$4,554.82. It has never been used. Grace has no need for the scooter and would like to sell it for \$3,500. This price includes a lift for the trunk of a car (or the back-end of a hatch-back). Grace also is giving away a treadmill. If you are interested, please give her a call at 429-5720. (Information about the scooter is in the Church office, if you should have any questions concerning its specifics.)

### RE-IGNITE THE MISSION CAMPAIGN

If you haven't indicated your pledge yet for the Re-ignite the Mission Campaign, pledge cards are available in the Narthex. This pledge will extend from July 2006 through June 2008 and will help to decrease our current mortgage and enable us to move forward with the next building phase. Questions can be directed to Pastor Tuttle or Lisa Marshall in the church office.

## UMW NEWS

### UMW Dinner

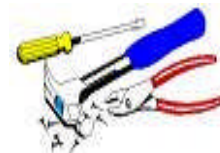
The UMW will gather at Brecon Village on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for a fellowship dinner. Several of the children from FUMC will provide musical entertainment by performing piano solos. Cost of the meal is \$7.00 per person. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall or call Kay Richmond at 944-6234. Please join us for a delightful evening!

### Upcoming UMW Events

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| July 18 <sup>th</sup>                      | UMW Picnic on Kay Richmond's Deck, 6:00 p.m.<br><i>(Reading reports due to Shirley Padding on this date or before.)</i> |
| August 10 <sup>th</sup>                    | Children's Mission Day, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.  |
| August 15 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> | UMW Outing to new IKEA Store in Canton  |

### TOOLS FOR 2006 YOUTH MISSION TRIP

The Senior High Youth will be traveling to Tennessee July 15-23 to serve on mission through Mountain T.O.P., Tennessee Outreach Project. You have been wonderful supporting our fundraising projects throughout the year, but along with our financial requirements to participate in this program, we must also bring many tools and other items to be used at the worksites. We are asking our church family to sign-up to loan us the things we don't already own. They will be required from about July 9-24. We label the tools by color for our church, we ask you to put your name in permanent marker on all of your tools. The tools are carefully inventoried and cared for, but of course there is always a risk involved. If needed, we will fix or replace any lost or damaged tools. We ask for tools to be in good condition and sharpened, if appropriate. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall if you can help. Items such as drill bits, work gloves, roller covers, drop cloths, wasp spray, rags... will not be returned. If you have questions, please contact Pam Heffelbower at 429-4536. You will be contacted by phone about exactly when and where to drop off your tools. *Please join us on mission.*



**Thank you for your continued support!**



### FUMC BLOOD DRIVE

The FUMC Blood Drive will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall or call Pam Ziesemer at 996-4957. Our goal is “50” donors. Volunteers are also needed to help out on the day of the drive.

### W.I.S.E. BIBLE STUDY SUMMER SESSION

**W**omen in Study and Encouragement (WISE) will be celebrating the start of summer with a potluck on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be starting a new study entitled “Becoming a Woman Who Loves” by Cynthia Heald. Because so many people are in and out during the summer months, we design each week’s study to be self-contained. If you’ve ever considered joining the WISE Bible Study, this would be a wonderful time to drop in and check us out. New faces are always welcome, as well as friends we haven’t seen in awhile. Please join us as we begin our study on how to cultivate God’s greatest gift of all—*LOVE*. For further information, please contact Gail Karaman at 429-0651.

### INFUSION YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

#### Junior High

Don’t forget to pick up your Junior High Infusion Calendar – We WILL be meeting throughout the summer-Get Infused, Stay Infused, Invite others to Infusion!

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> – Summer is here! We will be celebrating with some **putt-putting** and **ice cream!** Meet at the church at 6:30 – 9:30 p.m., bring \$7 and Extra \$\$ for ice cream and a friend to join the fun.

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – No Youth Group – Spend the day with DAD!

Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – Join us from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for a **Make your Own PIZZA night!** We’ll have all the toppings you could want-Come Hungry, Be Creative!

#### Senior High

Don’t forget to pick up your Senior High Infusion Calendar – We WILL be meeting throughout the summer – Get Infused, Stay Infused, Invite others to Infusion!

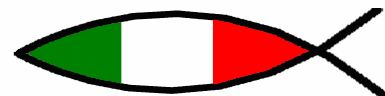
ALIVE Goers – **All final payments are due to Emily now!** Pick up your Survive Alive Packet with everything you need to be ready for Alive, including your Medical Release form that must be returned before attending.

W.O.W. – **Wild Outreach Wednesdays** are starting this month! The first WOW is on Wednesday, June 21st. Join us at the church from 8:00-10:00 p.m. for some **Lazer Tag and Pizza**. Bring \$15 and all your friends.

Mountain T.O.P. Training – **Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-10:00 p.m. at Pam & Steve Heffelbower’s home** – It is necessary for all Mountain T.O.P.ers to join us for some group learning, bonding, and eating! All Mountain T.O.P. forms are due the day of training, if you have not received your packet talk to Emily ASAP.

#### J.O.Y. Fellowship

Please note that there will be no J.O.Y. Fellowship in the month of June. Stay tuned for announcements regarding our third Thursday luncheon in July on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 12 noon. See you there!



### MEXICO MISSION THE SUMMER 2006 TEAM

Please remember to keep the following team members in prayer. They are participating in a special summer project with Tapestries of Life Ministries. The team will be in Mexico working on the orphanage, *Casa de los Gemas*, from June 17-24.



Kelsey Griebel  
Darcy Griebel  
Dylan Griebel  
David Coxton  
Joni Coxton  
Ian Beil

The TLM website has been updated with new photos. You can visit them at: [www.tapestriesoflife.com](http://www.tapestriesoflife.com).

## LAURA SPEIRAN AT SCHOOL

Laura Speiran, our Director of Congregational Care, who is attending school to become an ordained Deacon in the United Methodist Church, will be leaving again for Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. She will be gone for five weeks, which includes two different classes, as well as a week of vacation. If you or someone you know would like a home or hospital visit during that time, please call the church office. There are volunteers who will be sent out, or Pastor Tuttle, if needed. Thank you for your support and understanding while Laura is away.

Please remember that the church is NOT notified by the hospital when a person is admitted. The only way we know is when a friend or family member calls to tell us. We would rather get five phone calls about the same person than none at all! It is important to us to extend the support of our church family when any of our congregation is in the hospital.



## NEW VISITOR WELCOMES

If you or someone you know is brand new to our church family, we would invite you to attend our "New Visitor Welcomes," which are scheduled once a month during the summer on the following Sundays: June 11<sup>th</sup>, July 9<sup>th</sup>, and August 13<sup>th</sup>. These will be held after the first worship service on June 11<sup>th</sup>, and after the 9:30 service in July and August. There will be refreshments served and a small gift available for people who attend, as well as current members who can answer your questions. We are happy to welcome new people into our congregation and hope you will allow us to greet you!

## SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

Our summer service hours begin June 18<sup>th</sup> with our Right Start service at 8:04 a.m. and our Summer Worship at 9:30 a.m. June 18<sup>th</sup> is also Hot Dog Sunday. Our Men's Group will be grilling and serving hot dogs at 10:30 a.m. and our Membership/Evangelism Committee will be serving lemonade, so please join us under the portico for food and fellowship.

## GETTING RIGHT START STARTED

"Right Start" is our summer, early Sunday morning worship service that begins June 18<sup>th</sup> for folks who like to get an early start on the day. Right Start is a contemporary, casual dress service held from 8:04 to 8:44 am in the Fellowship Hall. A light breakfast is provided along with a mid-service 'coffee break'. If you are an 'early person', please make plans to join us and give it a try.



We also need volunteers to provide set-up and clean up for the breakfast. It is a simple and easy assignment with instructions provided. If your family or small group is interested in helping in this way, please call the church office or sign up on the poster in the Narthex. Thank You!

## LEMONADE IN THE SHADE



The warmer weather reminds us that we will soon transition to our summer worship schedule. We also look forward to the opportunity to chat and share a cold drink together after the worship service. We need folks to volunteer to prepare and serve beverages for each Sunday during the summer. This is an enjoyable ministry to the congregation that can easily be provided by a family or small team of 2 or 3 people. If you are willing to serve there are several dates available, please sign up on the poster in the Narthex. All supplies and instructions are provided. Thanks!

Summer office hours for the church begin June 12<sup>th</sup> through Labor Day. The office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



## MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET



We have had more donations to our medical loan closet. The following items were recently donated: bathtub chair, bed-side commode, walker with wheels, metal adjustable cane, wheel chair cushion, and seat cushion. If you need anyone of these items or are looking for other items, please contact the church office.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH

Will be the last day of Sunday School and KIDS Church 1 and 2 for the season. On June 18 we will be transitioning into the Right Start Service at 8:04 a.m. and a worship service at 9:30 a.m. for the summer. We will still have childcare for ages birth through 3 years old and WEE WORSHIP for the 9:30 a.m. service only.



Thank you, thank you, thank you again for the wonderful prayer quilt. It is being used every evening as I sit and read. I will say one more thank you so that no one is forgotten.

- In Everlasting Love, Jim Beal

Dear Pastor Jim, Lisa, Cheryl, Laura, David, Dick, Tammy, Linda, U.M.W., and Everyone,

Words can't express the depth of our gratitude for all the things each and every one of you did for and surrounding the funeral service of my husband, Fred. It was indeed heartwarming to see up close and first hand my church family handle all the details large and small with such professionalism. You folks both individually and as a team are truly a thing of beauty and Christian love to behold. Our extended family raved about the service for Fred and, rest assured, that now even more folks in this community have experienced first hand how totally awesome F.U.M.C. of Saline is. Thank you all!

- Love in Christ, Bobbe Hinsman & Family

Dear Church Members and Friends,

As the head coach for Saline Area Athletes with Disabilities, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for the support you have given to us. Special thanks go to Margo Perry for the wonderful evening of fun at the talent show and her encouragement to support our group of terrific athletes. I have had the opportunity to watch these young people grow over the last seven years and they really are a gift. They are a blessing to each and every life they touch. With my sincere thanks to you for your financial support,

Jacquelyn Macy, Head Coach

Saline Area Athletes with Disabilities

THANK YOU! The plant sale for our Liberia partner church raised approximately \$1,500. We hope you are enjoying your blossoms. Your generosity will help repair their worn torn worship facility.

## DID YOU MISS THE TALENT SHOW?

DVD'S are available to check out in Lisa's office. Also, a small number are available for purchase for a \$2 donation.



**PRAYER CONCERNS** ~ Sandra Hesper; Gary Knisley; Harold Lytle; Sarah Strong; the Katke family; Angela Rathbun; Darlene Wetzel; Daniel Walker; Todd Sheldon; Ruth Strolle; Florence Busch; Noah Cox; Betty Charles' friend's son, Steve; Beth Hinsman-Myrick; Wendy Webster-Fischer; Anna Reese; Rita Gall's

brother, Bud; Ronda Hawkins; Dorothy Vedder; Corbin Grabb; Sally Hanifi; Paulette Suchy; Peggy Klapper; Dean Klepaczyk; Eric Lison; Brian Setzer; Caitlin Furbush; Mary Alice Dooley; Dorothy Glasspoole's six children; the earthquake victims in Indonesia.

**PRAISE/CELEBRATIONS** ~ the birth of Colin Thomas Bull, grandson of Gene & Oneta Bull; Nathan Held's recent promotion to Captain in the U.S. Air Force; Addie Calvitt is cancer free; Lynn & Jack Shaw's daughter's wedding; Adam & Chelsea Ford's new nephew Ryder Dean Ford; for those who have served in our Armed Forces as well as those continuing to serve today; for the wonderful volunteers working on the church landscaping.

## **Military personnel and families to keep in our prayers**

~ Billy Kirkland, son of Kathy & Bill Kirkland; J.T. St. Denis, nephew of Kathy & Bill Kirkland; Robert Rodriguez, grandson of Florence Belt; Bennett Phipps, brother of Rachel Wislocki; Bill Paul, nephew of Bonnie & Tom Riggs; Roman Kisz, grandson of Lil Vaughan & nephew of Karen Sipos; Timothy Frisbee, grandson of Florence & Ernie Busch; Nick Gilveli, grandson of Martha Gilveli; Kevin Raymond, son of Susan Raymond; Abby Suchy, daughter of Paulette & Mike Suchy; Bobby Singh, Abby Suchy's fiancé. Tim Jones, son of Penny & Doug Jones; Dan Erlwein, friend of Dave & Susan Hares; Sam Spicer, grandson of Lois Royal; Erik Maddock, son of Don & Andrea Maddock; Doug W. Beard, son of Doug & Wanda Beard; Mark & Brad Nadig, sons of Carroll & Sandy Nadig; Nathaniel Held, son of Keith & Patsy Held.

**OUR SYMPATHIES TO** ~ Bobbe Hinsman & family on the passing of her husband, Fred; Frank & Shirley Riggs on the passing of his brother, Robert; Jan Turosky & family on the passing of her husband, Ivan; the family of Marguerite Culliton on her passing.

## Calendar for June 11- June 24, 2006

<b>11 Sunday</b> 9:00a – Traditional Service 10:10a – New Visitor Welcome 10:10a – Sunday School 10:10a – Cancer Support Group 11:15a – Contemporary Service 6:30p – Jr. High Youth	<b>12 Monday</b> 10:00a – Shawl Ministry 6:00p – Fair Kitchen 7:00p – Susanna Circle 7:00p – Trustees	<b>13 Tuesday</b> 9:30a – WISE 4:37p – Golf League	<b>14 Wednesday</b> 9:30a – Bible Study 12:30p – Quilting 6:30p – Music Rehearsal 8:00p – WWW	<b>15 Thursday</b> 11:00a – Prayer Ministry	<b>16 Friday</b> 6:00p – Wedding Rehearsal	<b>17 Saturday</b> 4:00p – Wedding
<b>18 Sunday</b> 8:04a – Right Start Service 9:30a – Worship 10:30a – Cancer Support Group 10:30a – Hot Dog Sunday	<b>19 Monday</b> 10:00a – Shawl Ministry 6:00p – Adult Ministries 7:00p – Community Care 7:00p – Finance	<b>20 Tuesday</b> 9:30a – WISE 4:37p – Golf League 6:00p – UMW Dinner at Brecon	<b>21 Wednesday</b> 9:30a – Bible Study 12:30p – Quilting 6:30p – Music Rehearsal 8:00p – WWW	<b>22 Thursday</b> 10:00a – Brecon Service 11:00a – Prayer Ministry	<b>23 Friday</b>	<b>24 Saturday</b>

**June Greeters:**

Senior High Youth  
 David & Karen Medley  
 Carl & Sue Snow

**June Welcome Center Hosts:**

Sue Jackson  
 Joy Baker & Tim Mulrath

**June Head Ushers:**

Charlie Bender, Carlos Melendez  
 Darlene Heffelbower, Patti Hogue

**Worship Attendance:**

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