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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

This column was due for our inSpire newsletter just more than a week and a half ago! As the due date approached I was preparing for a Sunday school class conversation and helping a little with preparing and participating for our "Great Is Our God" concert & church family fun day, as well as the sermon for Sunday morning. I didn't know which of the myriad thoughts in my head to choose as a topic for this column. With the news cycles in the following days including UMC Judicial Council decisions and news of such awful tragedies as school shootings, the continued war in the Ukraine, and shootings in other cities across the nation including our fair city of Beaumont, I only had more choices and found so much less to say that I thought might actually be helpful, hopeful, and mobilizing for us as a people

Now, on June 1, 2022, following the meeting of The Texas Annual Conference, I am still full beyond capacity with ideas, thoughts, wonderments, and wanderings — and so few words. I can imagine that you might find it difficult to comprehend "a preacher left nearly wordless" for a newsletter column or a sermon! It may be that I have so much I want to say that I am at a loss for a place to begin. All that said, (to take up space on the page), allow me to begin here:

Thank You! Thank Each & Every One!

Thank you for your commitment to Christ, your faithfulness to our congregation, your willingness to work for God's Kingdom by reaching the "least of these" among God's Children, your sorrow when we celebrate the lives of our saints, your joy with new life and new hope and renewed faith, your partnership to listen for and to follow God's call in our ministry!

Every November for the last several years we have focused on cultivating an attitude of gratitude in our lives so that we may grow in our expression of thankfulness to God and with others. Today, in the midst of the swirling news cycles from each of our homes to and including the great wide world, while I pray and work and hope for a world of peace and justice and safety for all God's children, I am thankful for you.

With my very deepest gratitude, I remain yours...



Rev. Jon Stouffer, Lead Pastor



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep our entire First UMC Beaumont community in your prayers.

If you have a specific request, our prayer team would love to be praying with you.

Email us –

[prayer@fumcbeaumont.org](mailto:prayer@fumcbeaumont.org).

## NOTICE OF A CALLED SESSION OF THE CHARGE CONFERENCE OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS

**On Monday, June 13, 2022, at 6:00 pm**, there will be a Called Session of the Charge Conference of The First United Methodist Church of Beaumont, Texas, for the singular purpose of considering the sale of the Brentwood Parsonage at the recommendation of The Board of Trustees of First United Methodist Church of Beaumont, Texas. The reasoning behind the Trustees recommendation include the following: the financial issues of tenancy and taxes for a 501c3 non-profit religious organization, the present vacancy of the parsonage, and the age and current need of updating of the parsonage. You may remember that our Discipleship Pastor Julius Wardley and our District Superintendent Romonica Malone-Wardley have the District Parsonage as their residence. The listing price will be \$289,000.00.

# Loving the City

## Charlton Pollard Elementary

### School Supply Drive



## EIGHT YEARS OF SERVING CP

**Blessing the Backpacks – July 31**  
**BISD First Day of School – August 10**

For the last eight years, First UMC Beaumont has partnered with Charlton Pollard Elementary. One of the major ways we help students in need at Charlton Pollard Elementary is by providing school supplies. We

encourage you to make financial donations toward our school supply order for Charlton Pollard Elementary! Please contact Phyllis Fernandez for more information. [Phyllisbeaumont@fumcbeaumont.org](mailto:Phyllisbeaumont@fumcbeaumont.org)

**Help us reach our goal of \$2,500 in donations to Charlton Pollard!**



## SECOND SATURDAY FAITH SEMINAR WITH UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – UMW

**Saturday, June 11 | 9 a.m. – Noon | First UMC Parlor**

We will be watching the movie “Hidden Figures” jointly with the United Women in Faith – UMW. This film explores major issues of racism, bullying, power, creativity and imagination, overcoming assumptions. Invite your friends – all are welcome! The movie starts at 9:00 a.m. until noon. Refreshments will be served.

**For more information, contact Neil Early 409-651-0206**



## HUNGRY HATTIE FOOD DRIVE FOR SOP

A UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – UMW MISSION PROJECT

We are collecting dried and canned beans, peas, and rice to help feed Hungry Hattie who is hungry. These donations will be going to Some Other Place. See our donation bins located in the Narthex area.

## TASTING FOR SOP

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16  
BEAUMONT CIVIC CENTER

The 20th Annual TASTING FOR SOME OTHER PLACE is going live and in person. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 16th at the Beaumont Civic Center. Last year more than \$95,000 was raised through SOP's Virtual Tasting to continue SOP's work in the community. But nothing can take the place of gathering together to share good food, fun and fellowship. (And to listen to some great music.) So save the date and join us on August 16th, 2022, for the TASTING FOR SOME OTHER PLACE. Tickets prices will remain at \$10.00. If you are interested in hosting a booth or volunteering at this year's event, please call Susan Legnion, our faithful leader (409-790-0047).



## GREAT IS OUR GOD: CONCERT OF PRAISE & FAMILY FUN

**A huge thank you goes out to everyone who supported our Great is Our God concert! Thank you for setting up, playing games, supporting our vendors, listening to praise music, and showing your appreciation! Also, keep an eye out for an August event!**



## LAKEVIEW SUMMER CAMP IN PALESTINE, TEXAS

**June 20-24, 2022**

**Registration Ends June 6**

**Kids entering 3rd Grade through  
Graduating Seniors can sign up!**

Your goal is gospel-transformation at the heart-level: soul, mind, and body. Lakeview provides the environment for it to happen. Join us at Lakeview Summer Camp for new adventures and experiences, fun activities, fellowship, and worship in a place where distractions are removed and memories are made.

### HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Learn more and register at [lakeviewmcc.org/summer-camp/](http://lakeviewmcc.org/summer-camp/)**
- 2) Sign up for Camp Session 2 – June 20 – 24, 2022.  
Registration Ends June 6th**
- 3) Message our Dir. of Family Ministries, Stephanie Denham, to let her know you will be attending! [Stephanie@fumcbeaumont.org](mailto:Stephanie@fumcbeaumont.org) or 409-239-3308**

## WEEKLY RHYTHMS

### SUNDAYS

#### Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

#### Family Worship Service

11 a.m.

In-Person & Livestream

#### Small Group with Robin & Charlie Snoek

6-7 p.m.

### MONDAYS

#### Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

7-8:30 p.m.

### TUESDAYS

#### Connect Group with Liza Nelson

Noon

### WEDNESDAYS

#### Chancel Choir Practice

6 p.m.

#### Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

7-8:30 p.m.

## DO YOU HAVE UPCOMING EVENTS?

Email event info and pictures to –

[Erika@fumcbeaumont.org](mailto:Erika@fumcbeaumont.org)

**July Spire Deadline for entry – June 20.**

## STAY CONNECTED

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 (409) 920-PRAY

## JUNE DATES TO KNOW

### MONDAY, JUNE 6

#### Registration Ends – Lakeview Summer Camp in Palestine, TX

Kids entering 3rd grade through graduating seniors can sign up!

Sign up for Session 2 – June 20-24

Learn more and register at [lakeviewmcc.org/summer-camp/](http://lakeviewmcc.org/summer-camp/)

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

#### Games Day - Fellowship & Fun

10 a.m. - Noon | Rothwell Hall

Contact Ruby Nelson (409)-781-6798

### SATURDAY, JUNE 11

#### Second Saturday Faith Seminar

9 a.m. – Noon | Parlor

We are inviting everyone to the viewing of “Hidden Figures”.

Refreshments will be served.

#### Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build

8:30 a.m. - noon, 12:30 - 4 p.m.

2950 Milam Street, Bmt., TX

Pre register at [bit.ly/shpvolunteer](http://bit.ly/shpvolunteer)

### MONDAY, JUNE 13

#### Called Session of the Charge Conference of First United Methodist Church of Beaumont, TX

6 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 17

#### Some Other Place - Service Day

8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 18

#### Sleep in Heavenly Peace Delivery Day

9 a.m. | 2950 Milam Street, Bmt., TX

Bring your cordless drill with charged up batteries.

### MONDAY, JUNE 20 – 24

#### Lakeview Summer Camp in Palestine, TX

Kids entering 3rd grade through graduating seniors can sign up!

Contact Stephanie Denham for more information – [Stephanie@fumcbeaumont.org](mailto:Stephanie@fumcbeaumont.org)

### TUESDAY, JUNE 21

#### United Women in Faith – UMW Meeting

6 p.m. | Phyllis Fernandez’s home

Please bring your favorite covered dish to share.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 25

#### Kairos Kitchen

5:30 – 7:30p.m.

### SATURDAY, JULY 9

#### VBS 2022 – Make a Splash for Jesus!

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Register at [fumcbeaumont.org/vbs22](http://fumcbeaumont.org/vbs22)



Loving the city with the Heart of Christ

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BEAUMONT

**UBS**  
**MAKE A**  
**SPLASH**  
*for Jesus!*

JOHN 7:38

Saturday, July 9th • 9 am - 1 pm



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BEAUMONT, TEXAS

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