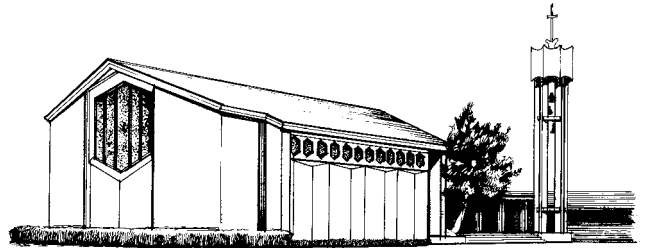


Behold!

Spring Valley United Methodist Church / Dallas, Texas



January 23, 2008

Mardi Gras Madness is HERE!

Don't Miss IT!

Saturday, January 26, 2008 5 - 9pm
(Early viewing at 4:30pm)
Dinner at 6:00pm

Dinner, Parade, Silent & Live Auctions,
Drawing for 42" Plasma TV,
Entertainment - \$12.



First Friday Film

AMAZING GRACE

Friday, February 1

6:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm Film/Discussion

5-Week Lenten Study *Longing for Enough in a Culture of More*

Led by Rev. Paul Escamilla

Beginning each Wednesday,
February 13 through March 12.
In Wesley Hall

Light supper at 5:30 pm
Book discussion at 6:30 pm

A sign-up table for the Lenten Study and an opportunity to purchase the book for \$12 will be in the connecting hallway each Sunday.

*First United Methodist of Richardson has been invited to join us.



Worship Opportunities

Sunday, January 27

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Traditional Services:

8:30 and 11:00 am in the sanctuary

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon: *The Called Out*

Rev. Dr. Paul Escamilla

Common Ground Contemporary Service:

11:00 am in Wesley Hall

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon: *The Calling of the Spirit*

Rev. Dr. Anna Hosemann-Butler



Nueva Vida Services - Spanish

Prayer Meeting - Wednesday 7:30 PM

Worship - Sunday 5:00 PM

Rev. Carlos Nascimento

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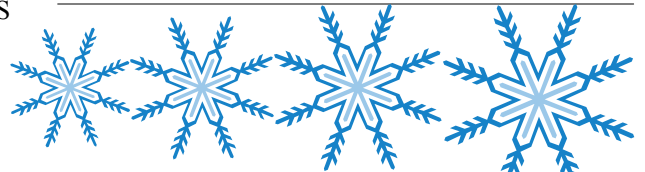
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Church Attendance

January 20

WORSHIP SERVICES:		SUNDAY SCHOOL:	
8:30 Traditional Service	74	Children	53
11:00 Traditional Service	223	Youth	30
11:00 Contemporary Service	141	Adult	216
TOTAL	438	TOTAL	299
First time visitors	6		
Repeat visitors	38		
Evangelism contacts	32		



January Calendar . . .

26 Mardi Gras Madness, 5 pm

February Calendar . . .

- 6 Ash Wednesday
- 10 Network Food Drop off
- 10 Scouting Dedication
- 13 Lenten Series
- 17 Dimes a Day
- 19 Parkland Outreach
- 20 Lenten Series



Christian Parenting Sunday School Class

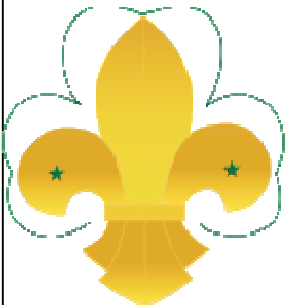
Being Good Stewards of Financial Resources
Every Sunday, January 20 – February 24

Priceless financial planning guidance and insight will be offered by Ken Link, CFA, CFP at 9:45 a.m. in Room 216 in the East Wing. Participants will learn how to set their own priorities and develop a plan to achieve them, to establish their own philosophy of building and managing wealth and risk management.

All are welcome! Contact Cynthia@pharrpr.com for information.



HONORING ALL SCOUTS



SVUMC will honor all Scouting ministries during the announcement/gathering times in worship on Sunday, February 10th. If you have been or are presently involved with Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, please feel free to wear your uniform that day. For more information, contact Anna Hosemann-Butler, ext. 19.

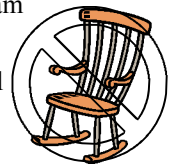


Prime Timers to the Kimbell Art Museum

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE FOR THIS TRIP.

Prime Timers will be touring the “Early Christian Art” exhibit at the Kimbell Art Museum. Reservations are being made NOW for the charter bus to Fort Worth on Tuesday, February 26. The cost is \$10 and does not include lunch. We will gather at 9 am for a 9:30 am departure and return to SVUMC by 4 pm.

Sign-up sheets are at the volunteer desk or call Dr. Anna Hosemann-Butler, ext. 19.



Austin Street Centre – Thank you!



Thank you to all of those who donated food and clothing, as well as those who served at the Austin Street Centre last Sunday morning! It was a very chilly morning and the Centre sheltered about 350 persons that night. Spring Valley members’ generosity not only allowed all to be served a nutritious meal, but also for many to return for “seconds.” We are proud of Spring Valley’s longstanding and heart-felt support of Austin Street’s ministry. If you would like to participate, our next meal will be served on Sunday, April 20th. Thank you for putting Spring Valley’s faith into action!

~Steve and Dana Taylor, Austin Street Coordinators

ARTS AND CRAFTS LADIES NEED YOU!



If you can knit, crochet, sew, embroider, paint, glue, cut, paste and have a need for some good Christian Fellowship, we invite you to come each Monday morning from 10:00 to 2:00 P.M. and bring a sack lunch. We meet in Room 182. We will begin working on things for an Easter Mini Bazaar which will be on Sunday, March 9th. I am sure we can find something for you to do and if you have any neat ideas, please bring them with you or if you prefer to work at home and donate something to us, we would welcome that also. Hope to see you there. -Betty Hopper



Week of Sunday, January 20

MUSICAL OFFERINGS

8:30 Children's Choir
Singing and Orff
11:00 Chancel Choir
Ain't That Good News

HYMNS

No. 185 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*
No. 2129 *I Have Decided*
No. 344 *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*



REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 27
7:45 Children's Choirs
10:00 Praise Band
10:00 SVUMC Orchestra
10:30 Chancel Choir
3:00 Youth Ringers
4:30 Youth Singers
6:00 Carillon Ringers

Monday, January 28
6:00 Risen

Wednesday, January 30
6:30 SVUMC Orchestra
6:45 Taize rehearsal
7:30 Chancel Choir

Youth Ringers Rehearse 30 Minutes Earlier

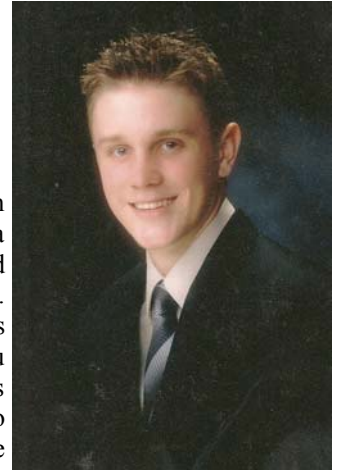
On Sunday afternoon, January 27, the Youth Ringers will be rehearsing from 3:00 until 4:30 to prepare for the Handbell Concert, April 20, at noon. The piece is "Phantom of the Opera". They are preparing to attend Festival on February 2 and plan to play "Phantom" as a solo piece at the festival.

Youth Singers Tuesday Rehearsals Postponed Until March 4

The first "Godspell" rehearsal for 2008 will be March 4 from 6:30 until 8:30. During this time, there will be dance rehearsal, blocking rehearsal, and a music rehearsal. No meal will be served.

Where are they now! Johnathon Dickerson

Our very own Johnathon Dickerson has received a Scholarship from Texas United Methodist College Association. Johnathon is a student at Texas Wesleyan University. Did you know that our congregation pays an apportionment to TUMCA, so in reality these funds have come from us.



TUMCA gathers apportioned funds from congregations across Texas and disburses these funds to Texas United Methodist schools. Funds for scholarships are distributed to Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, McMurry University in Abilene, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Southwestern University in Georgetown, and Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth. None of the funds go toward administration or bricks and mortar. Our TUMCA apportionment is bearing the fruit of education in a faith-forming environment - something that makes a difference in a life and for a lifetime.

Johnathon is currently a junior at TWC and is majoring in Business. He is on the the golf team and will begin his season with the team in early February. He has been working as a caddy at the Dallas National Golf Club. After graduation, his plan is to continue his education at graduate school.

Prayers of concern, encouragement, hope and love



Hospital

- Dave Booth
- Chuck Robinson

Our Church Family

Margory Eckert	John Lonneke
Rich Milner	Lois Murphy
Olga Smith	Eduardo Nascimento
Randy Smith	Danielle Williams
Mary Ellen Wilmot	Billie Wolf

- Our care receivers of the Stephen Ministers
 - Members of our congregation serving in the armed forces
 - Homebound members
 - College kids

Our Extended Church Family

- David Armstrong's dad, Paul
- Gerry Broom's mother, Beulah Gordon
- Pat Chadsey's daughter-in-law, Beth Chadsey
- John Clark's mom, Mary

Our Extended Church Family, cont'd

- Rachel and Jim Edwards' grandson, Max Edwards
- Gene Harrell's sister, Audrey Ingram
- Terri Hawkins' friend, Shannon Moore
- Pat Hill's father, Herman Hill
- Roger Horn's friend Cindy Hensel
- Jan Hudgins' grandmother, Beth Mayberry
- Jan Hudgins' request prayers for the family of Paul Hedgecock
- Mark Jacobson's mother Dixie
- Martha and Mark Jacobson's son, Ian
- Heather Mills
- Gail and Layton Pettigrew's great grandson, Julian Sumner
- Pam Reese's dad, Don Webb
- Harold and Jan Robertson's friends, Dorothy and Jim Laird
- Molly Schrader's friend, David Paulson
- Joanna Shampine's daughter-in-law, Kristen Jacobson
- Kathy Watson's sister, Maribeth Bates
- Pat Williams' father, Robert Grosh
- Bill and Jeri Savuto and Wes Magruder, Missionaries in Africa

Sympathy

- Former Children's Minister, Suzanne Kerley, in the death of her mother, Lucille.
- Chris Martinez' in the death of his grandmother
- Flo Pierce in the death of her son, David
- J and Donna Alexander in the death of their brother-in-law, John Thorpe

Joys and Concerns: Call Alice Cromwell, 972-239-7332, or e-mail her at dallasal@swbell.net.

Lay Leadership 2008

Craig Kesler	Administrative Board Chairperson
Marci Armstrong	Administrative Board Vice-Chairperson
Steve Shedd	Administrative Board Secretary
John Clark	Finance Committee Chair
Betty Reichel	Church Treasurer
Paul Ledbetter	Lay Leader
Cara Sheroke	Lay Leader to Annual Conference, Representing Staff Parish Relations

Committees:

Elizabeth Gross	Spring Valley Foundation Chairperson
Debbie McGuire	Staff Parish Relations Chairperson
Greg Harris	Trustees Chairperson
Beverly Curtis	Children's Council Chairperson
Cy Watson	Youth Ministries Chairperson
Rhonda Huser	Adult Ministries Chairperson
Dana Wood	Congregational Life Chairperson
Pat Christley	Missions Committee Chair
Debbie McEnaney	Welcome Committee Chairperson
Pat Currin	United Methodist Women President
Alice McElroy	Library Coordinator
Alice Cromwell	Prayer Ministry Coordinator
Myrna Ridings	Stephen Ministry Leader
Lou Wilkin	Stephen Ministry Leader
Pam Reese	Stewardship Committee Chairperson
Sheri Hodde	Common Ground Worship Committee Chairperson
Greg Nicholas	Legacy Committee Chairperson
Dave Clegg	Music Committee Chairperson
Susan Hanchey	Nueva Vida Board Chairperson
Paul Curbo	Preschool Board Chairperson
Kate Watson	Shepherding Committee Chairperson
Gail Pettigrew	Sanctuary Worship Committee Chairperson
Tom Purcell	Ushers Leader

Conference Dates:

April 23-30, 2008
General Conference of the United Methodist Churches

June 8-11, 2008
Jurisdictional Conference

More details soon!



**Mark your Calendars
for
The Trustees Annual
Spring Church Clean-up
Saturday, March 8th**



Nueva Vida

A REAL LIFE MISSION MOMENT

Now that Christmas is over, there's time to tell you about my visit to the local car wash a few days before Christmas.

I pulled in to the first check point and stopped. The young man standing there scrutinized me for a moment and then asked, "Didn't I see you at the church?"

Putting two and two together, I said, "In the ESL class?" and he said yes, that was it.

I asked his name. It was Francisco. "I have a question. I want to tell the customers: "Espere aquí hasta que aquellos completan el aspirar." I told him to say "Please wait here until the persons ahead have finished vacuuming."

I told him his English was good, then drove ahead to turn the car over to the vacuuming crew. I went inside. When I saw the car emerge from the washing tunnel, I walked out to the patio where people wait for the men to finish drying the car. I noticed that the man drying my car was looking closely at me. In a moment he came over and asked, "Weren't you at the church?"

I replied, "Yes...in the ESL class." He told me that he was one of the students. I asked his name. It was Alberto.

In a moment, here came a third man, also one of the "dryers." He said he was in the ESL class also. In addition, he had been over at the store the previous Saturday, and I had given him a leaflet. "How is my English?" he asked. He told me his name, but I can't remember it. He had a sort of dark birthmark on his right cheek, I believe.

I could tell that the men really appreciated their ESL instruction, and it made me feel good to know it. Thought you would like to know as well.

Oliver Axtell, ESL Volunteer

2008 Guatemala Mission Trip

Jesus said to his followers, "Go everywhere in the world and tell the Good News to everyone". And you too have the opportunity to make the Great Commission your commission by joining the 2008 Guatemala Mission trip. The first organizational meeting will be **Sunday, February 3rd** in Asbury Hall immediately after church. The dates for the trip are **July 19th to July 27th**. We again travel to Cunen where we will do construction on the clinic and support the medical team. There is plenty for all to do. We invite all to challenge you "comfort zone" and join us on the 3rd. If you plan to attend please notify Elizabeth/Robert Gross at robt144@swbell.net or 214-341-1822 as a light lunch will be served.



26th Annual RISD Council of PTAs

**RISD
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FAIR**

100% Genuine Recycled Books

February 7-9, 2008
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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and the RISD Council of PTAs

PTA FIRST BANK VALLEY VIEW

Do you have books that need a new home? The RISD book fair would love to adopt them. Drop off your donated books in the box by the parlor. Need new books? Plan on shopping at the book fair (see above ad for location and times).

Invitation to all classes to join Aldersgate on February 3rd

Rachael Barnett, Mission Support Liaison for the General Board of Global Ministries will be in Aldersgate on February 3. She is based in New York and will be in the area to speak at the NTC Mission Forum on Saturday. She will be speaking to us on exploring how supporting a missionary through a new or existing Covenant Relationship can make a significant impact on your congregation and around the world.

Rachael would like as large an audience as possible. She has said, "I am interested in knowing my audience!" If you or your class can join Aldersgate on February 3, please contact the church office so that we can have some idea of numbers.



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Join Us for Sunday School

Aldersgate Class

January 27 - Suellen Turner, UMCOR
Report

February 3 - Rachael Barnett, Mission
Support Liaison for the General Board of
Global Ministries



Seekers Class

January 27 - Cheryl Murphy - Living
Together in the Holy Land.

Beacon Class

January 27, February 3 and 10
Anna Hosemann-Butler
Book of Hebrews

Bible Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

SPOT Class

January - The book of Matthew
Study material based on the following:
[www.bisbanejuniortheatre.com/smt/
Godspell](http://www.bisbanejuniortheatre.com/smt/Godspell) and [www.papermill.org/
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