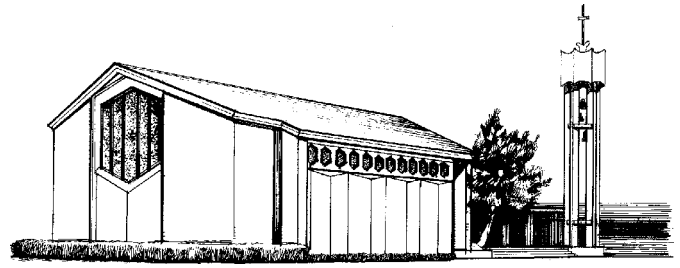


Behold!



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Guatemala mission trip volunteers need rides

This year's response to the Guatemala mission trip was large enough to accommodate two groups, with several missionaries staying the full two weeks. Week one is July 22-30, and drivers are needed to transport 17 people on Saturday, July 22, and to pick up fourteen people on the return trip Sunday, July 30. On week 2, 12 people will need transportation to DFW on Saturday, July 29, and 15 people will be returning on August 6.

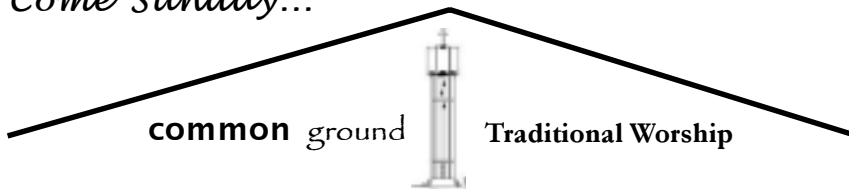
Once again, we need to be at the airport bright and early (5:30am) on July 22 and July 29. Each missionary will have one or two large suitcases plus carry-on baggage. Return time for both trips is 6:45pm.

If you can help, please sign up in your Sunday School class or call Carol and Terry Baughn, 972.680.2434 or email at cabaughn@yahoo.com or t-baughn@raytheon.com.

Summer--a time for fun and safety

Summer is a time of relaxation and fun, a time to "kick back." However, we are urged by the Dallas Police Department, and other safety experts, not to "kick back" when it comes to the well being of the members of our church and those in the surrounding community with whom we are in ministry. Lock your car doors. Be aware of your surroundings, particularly in large parking lots. Do not hesitate to call for help if necessary. Most importantly, report any unusual behavior to the authorities or call 911. Faithful ministry means loving and looking out for one another. Please be vigilant in this happy time of summer.

Come Sunday...



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, July 9

Psalm 131

Faces of Grace: A mother's prayer

Heath Williams

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Dr. Paul L. Escamilla

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, July 16

Genesis 33

Faces of Grace: Jacob meets Esau

Dr. Anna Hosemann-Butler

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Faces of Grace: Jacob meets Esau

Dr. Paul L. Escamilla

Sermon reference from June 25

The psalm verse to which Rev. Escamilla referred in his sermon on June 25 is as follows:

You, Lord, are all I have. You give me all I need. My life is in your hands.

Psalm 16:5, Today's English Version

Calling all "seniors"...

We're having a *Bingo Extravaganza!* It will be on Thursday, July 13, at 11am. Bring your sack lunch and join us in Wesley Hall for a chance to win some fun Bingo prizes and have great fun with each other. Call your friends and invite them, too! See you there.

AARP to offer driver safety program

An AARP driver safety program for older motorists is scheduled from 8:30am to 12:30pm Wednesday and Thursday, July 12-13, at First United Methodist Church in Richardson, 503 N. Central Expressway.

This two-day program is open to everyone, although it is directed toward those 50 and older. To register, call 972-235-2971.

July 9 is NETWORK Sunday

We can all be successful fisher-people by bringing non-perishable food to church and placing our "catch" in the boxes placed in hallways for NETWORK of Community Ministries. Food needs for the pantry are:

Tuna ~ canned meats ~ dry beans ~ rice ~ peanut butter & jelly ~ powdered milk ~ macaroni & cheese ~ canned fruit ~ canned vegetables ~ pasta & pasta sauces ~ Similac with/without iron ~ diapers ~ pull-ups ~ laundry soap ~ bath soap ~ shampoo ~ toothpaste ~ toilet paper ~ paper towels ~ Kleenex ~ paper grocery sacks

For details about NETWORK of Community Ministries, Inc., call Georgia Goodrum, 972-235-9855, or visit their web site, www.thenetwork.org.





What's up for YOUth...

July 7-16 - ASP

July 9 - UMYF downstairs from 6-7:30pm.

July 12 - Swim 'N Scripture! same time, same place.

July 16 - UMYF downstairs from 6-7:30pm.

July 17-21 - VBS! Come help with VBS! If you did not sign up in Sunday School last week, let me know if you want to help.

July 19 - Swim 'N Scripture! same time, same place.

July 23 - UMYF downstairs from 6 - 7:30pm.

July 26 - Swim 'N Scripture! same time, same place.

JULY 28!! - LOCK-IN!!!! downstairs. Details TBA.

Ok, I'll leave you all with that. I'm now instructed to go home and go to bed.

See you all when we get back!! Love, Kelly

Starry Starry Night is July 29

Starry Starry Night is a great opportunity for the Community to support NETWORK. The members of Spring Valley are invited to attend *Starry Starry Night*, an enjoyable evening of friendship, dining, dancing, entertainment, and of course shopping!

In the spirit of making this event a success, you are most welcome to spread the word about *Starry Starry Night* through your friends and family.

The gala is a lot of fun and it seems everyone always sees someone they know at the event. And, there are always many items (from as low as \$25 on up) to bid on in support of Network. Other ways to support the gala include auction item donations and sponsorships.

The gala will be held on Saturday, July 29, \$50 per person, at the Richardson Radisson Hotel, 75 Central at Campbell Road. Time is from 6pm to midnight and includes dinner, dancing, and silent auction. Inquiries on reservations, donations or sponsorships can be directed to Bobbi Klein at 972-907-1048. Thanks in advance if you can help out. For more information on The NETWORK of Community Ministries, please visit their website at www.thenetwork.org.

Friends, fun and fellowship – attention all young professionals

FRIENDS is the young professionals fellowship of Spring Valley United Methodist Church...not simply a Sunday School class. We meet in Room 206.

July 9 - "The Top 10 List for Christians," we'll start this engaging study written by James W. Moore. "Number 10 - Love is the Greatest!"

July 15 - Free Jazz concert, John Adams Quintet, in Addison Circle's Esplanade Park...picnic and cooler!

July 16 - "Number Nine - Hope is Still Alive" from The Top 10 List for Christians.

August 12 - Free concert by Dallas Wind Symphony, Addison Circle's Esplanade Park, picnic and coolers!

We'll also do a hands-on mission project, TBD. Join us for a fun and fellowship-filled summer! Call Betsy and David Willis, willisbf@yahoo.com, or Cynthia Pharr Lee at 214-529-5555.

Join us for Sunday school

An updated list of all Sunday school classes is available at the Visitors desk.

Aldersgate Class

July 9 - Paul Escamilla will cover Church/State relationships: How religious institutions and political/civic institutions relate to one another in a free society. Issues discussed are prayer in schools, religious language & vision in political speeches, 10 commandments on courthouse wall, etc.

July 16 - Join us to honor the 2006 SVUMC Guatemala Mission Teams, in a Sunday "Hallway Brunch" upstairs, outside Room 206-08. The Teams will be commissioned at the 11am traditional Worship Service.

Beacon Class

New series dealing with the first century of the Church, "When the Church Was Young."

July 9 - Lifted by Love

July 16 - Driven by Dreams

Christian Parenting - Room 210

We are studying how to parent a willful child.

Fellowship Bible Class

We are reading *The Passionate Church*, by Mike Breen & Walt Kallestad. Call Lou & Bill Wilkin, 972-392-1486, maestrak1234@yahoo.com.

S.P.O.T. - Spiritual Parents of Teens,

We are reading *Parenting Teens with Love and Logic*.

Quest Class - Room 204

We are studying the Parables of Jesus and how they relate to us. Please join us.

Craft ladies need your help

Please come and join the Arts and Crafts ladies each Monday morning at 9:30. We are making things for the annual Harvest Bazaar which will be in the Fall in



November. If you have any ideas that you would like to share with us, please bring your sack lunch and enjoy a fun time with all the ladies.

Vacation Bible School

July 17-21, 9am-Noon, Ages 3-completed 5th grade

Come join the *Adventure of the Treasure Seekers* as we explore God's promises. Want to volunteer to be a part of sharing God's word and love with 150 children? Call Jan Hudgins today to explore how you can help.



Can VBS borrow your "Indiana Jones" items?

In preparation for a great Treasure Seekers Vacation Bible School this year, July 17-21, we will be transforming SVUMC into an archaeological dig sites. You can help by lending us the following items:

Rope	Fake plastic boulders
Tiki torches	Fake campfires
Galvanized buckets, 10 quart size	Shovels and pick axes
Bags of sand	Wheelbarrows
Hiking boots	Open tents or cabanas
Fishing vests	Large cardboard boxes, for props
Indiana Jones hats	Sandbox or kiddie swimming pool
Black or brown backpacks	Canvas tarps
Large floor-size "treasure chests"	Lanterns (without fuel)

...and anything that looks like "Indiana Jones" to you! Label items to be returned with your name and bring them to Room 176 anytime between now and Wednesday, July 12. You can retrieve your items beginning Friday afternoon, July 21. Call Linda West, 972-866-9046, or linda.west@eds.com. Thank you!

Want to help with VBS but work weekday mornings?

Don't think you can't help with VBS because it happens while you're at work. There are still ways to get involved! We need helpers to decorate the church before VBS starts and also to show teacher appreciation through notes and gifts during VBS week. If you can participate on either of these teams, please contact Linda West at 972-866-9046 or linda.west@eds.com.

Recycled craft items needed for Vacation Bible School!

Please save your small plastic lids from butter, sour cream, or cottage cheese containers for VBS. You may leave them in Jan's mailbox in the workroom. Thanks for your help!

Childcare workers needed

The Children's Ministry department is seeking additional paid nursery caregivers for Sunday mornings. If you or someone you know would be interested helping to make our nursery a welcoming and nurturing place for children, we want to talk to you! Please contact Jan Hudgins at 972-233-7671, ext. 20, or jhudgins@svumc.org for more information.



Neighborhood Home Bible Study

We are studying *Psalms*. We have a 12-week study book selected costing \$7. Call Elizabeth Escamilla to get a copy. The Bible Study is open to everyone. We start at 7pm and finish at 8:30pm at the Wilkin home, 972-392-1486.

Upcoming Music

July 9

8:30, Aldersgate Sunday School Class
11:00, Chancel Choir, *Be Thou My Vision*



July 16

8:30, Beacon Sunday School Class
Are Ye Able
8:30 and 11:00, Peggy West and Max Taylor, Duet
Love Divine, All Love Excelling
11:00, Chancel Choir, *He Leadeth Me*

July 23

8:30 Seeker's Sunday School Class
11:00 Chancel Choir, *When We Are Living*
& *Alleluia, Sing Praise*

July 30

8:30 & 11:00, Young Adult Choir
O Bless the Lord, & For the Beauty of the Earth
11:00, Chancel Choir, *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*

Opportunities for teaching and study

St. Andrew UMC is offering support meetings for victims of domestic abuse on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:30, Room 131. For information, contact the Pastoral Care office, 972-380-8001, or Dr. Anna Hosemann-Butler.

Talents and Gifts Surveys are here...

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

Please give the surveys your prayerful thought and consideration, and return all completed surveys to the church office to Paula Huffaker's attention. You may also go online to the church website – www.svumc.org – to complete your survey.

Thank you. *Paula Huffaker*

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Joys and concerns Call Alice Cromwell, 972-239-7332, or email her at dallasal@swbell.net for any prayer concerns. These concerns will stay on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

Hospital

Bronson Balzac

SVUMC Church Family

Carmen Copeland

Gerry Broome

Susan Kasten

Norma Booth

Marlene Nascimento

Edna Dorman

Ann Michele King

Freda Clark

Joyce Covey

David Armstrong

Dorothy Wilhite

Bob & Charlotte Muskopf

Steve Harper

James Rea

Ed Pierce

Betty Carter

Betty Lou Noble

Luiz Santos

Randy Smith

Bill Darnall

Homebound members

Extended Church Family

Virginia Kassel's daughter

Jan Hudgins' grandmother, Beth Mayberry

Adam Wood's father

Steve Cronenberg's father, Jim Cronenberg

Tommi Ezell's friend, Alice Byrd

Denyse Tabu Ngandi-Manzanza's relative,

Fulvia Ngandi, and also peace in the Congo

Joyce Covey's son's father-in-law, Milton Kelley

Paul Escamilla's cousin, Rachel Escamilla

Lola Copeland's father, Norm Hinman

SVUMC missionaries, the Savutos

Slany United Methodist Church

All persons serving in the military

Those with ongoing concerns

Congratulations to:

Jim and Rachel Edwards in the birth of a grandson, Noah Stephen Edwards