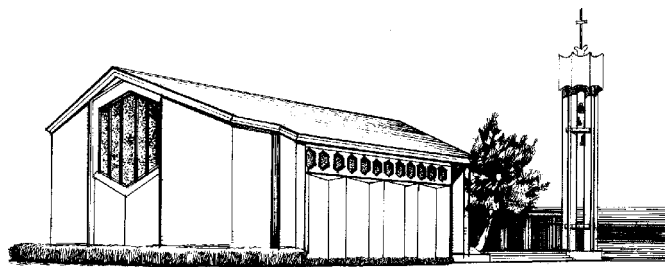


# Behold!

Spring Valley United Methodist Church / Dallas, Texas



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## **Congratulations to the 2004 Confirmation Class!**

New confirmands are: Paul Armstrong, Charlotte Carroll, Caleb Hudgins, Allison Kelley, Stephen Leask, Nick Nidositko, Michael Simonsen, Carson Tucker, Clay Tucker, and Caroline Watson. They are pictured with their mentors, pastors, and their teachers, Dorothy and Richard Milner.

The confirmands and their families enjoyed a wonderful banquet following the service, coordinated by Carol Nicholas.

## **Teaching and Learning in Children's Ministries**

We are currently seeking workshop leaders for the upcoming two units in our exciting rotation model Sunday school, beginning June 13 and August 1.

~Do you enjoy gardening? Then you might enjoy spending three weeks in our new Nature workshop teaching and learning about God's wondrously balanced ecosystem. Each child will create a mini terrarium in this workshop.

~Do you have an interest in Science? You might enjoy spending three weeks in our Science workshop teaching and learning about how God's creation is a work in progress. The children will do an experiment demonstrating how Jesus offers us the opportunity to become a new creation.

Why teaching and learning? Because it is how we all learn best! You'll be surprised at how much you learn while teaching, and you'll show the children of Spring Valley how much you care about their faith journey. Come visit the display on Sunday morning and see how you can match your talents with the needs of Children's Ministries. For more information call, Jan Hudgins, Director of Children and Family Ministries, at 214-233-7671 ext. 20.

Children's ministry needs clean, clear, two-liter plastic bottles for a Sunday School project in June. Please wash and save your bottles for us.

We are continuing with our Joseph unit for the next three weeks. Workshops for the next round are Computer, Cooking, and Bible Knowledge. Boys and girls, come and learn how God was always with Joseph, even when bad things happened, and that God is always with you, too! Bring your friends and earn extra "Bible Bucks."

## **SVUMC street fair is coming!**

**10am-12:30pm, Saturday, June 5**

We're having SVUMC's 1st Annual Street Fair in the parking lot (rain will move it inside), and we want you to be there! It's an opportunity for our church to get together for fun and fellowship, and also educate each other and the community about the various programs, ministries and missions at SVUMC.

We encourage all groups in the church to bring a card table and staff a booth. Bring flyers explaining who you are, what you do, and why people should join your group. Have a list of your group's upcoming activities and invite people to check you out! Activities and entertainment for all ages will be provided. There's a rumor there may even be a dunking booth, and John Tarver will offer a "fastest feet" organ piece.

Contact Lola Copeland, 972-716-4004, Paula Tarver, 972-316-1092, or Judi Hitch, 972-661-8716. We want everyone involved; so if you don't call us, we'll call you! See you there!

## Blood drive to be held on June 6

On June 6, 9am- 2pm, in Asbury Hall, the Mission Core Group is hosting our semi-annual blood drive through Carter BloodCare. The need for all blood types is urgent, so you are encouraged to donate if you qualify. Our church receives "credit" for each pint donated. These credits can then be used by church members who receive blood. Recently a new mother received blood and took advantage of our blood credits. Another member needed blood and also received credit against hospital blood charges.

Next Sunday come by the sign-up table, located close to the church office, to reserve a time best suited to your schedule. The entire process takes about 45-60 minutes.

Volunteers are also needed to assist during the collection time. If you can help, please call Pat Hill at 972-669-3915. Questions about our church account with Carter Bloodcare can also be directed to Pat.



## We would like to borrow your wedding pictures!

We would like to display your wedding pictures in our Spring Valley Foundation cabinet. Pictures should be no larger than 8 X 10 and in a stand-up frame. Please put your names, date of marriage, and phone numbers with the pictures. We need them no later than the first week of June because the display will be set up for June 6.

You may leave pictures with Brian Emslie in the business office. Any questions, call Gloria Smith at 972-234-6483.



## Visiting choir needs host homes, Saturday, June 5

The Campbell UMC Youth Choir from Springfield, MO will give a concert at 7:30pm in our sanctuary on June 5. We need host families to offer them a place to stay the night of their concert. They need to be back at the church by 7:45am the next morning to sing at the 8:30am service. Please contact the church office, 972-233-7671, if you would like to offer your home.

## Exploring for a cure, May 22, 5pm-9pm

The Lupus Foundation of America, Inc., is hosting an evening of family fun at the Dallas Zoo. There will be magicians, face painters, a silent auction, and a raffle. Your admission price includes park entrance and a dinner of trail-blazing BBQ. Adults are \$25 and children, age 3-11, are \$15. Children under 3 are free. Payment can be cash, check, or credit cards. For more information, call 972-345-4824, or [www.lupus-northtexas.org](http://www.lupus-northtexas.org). All proceeds benefit the Lupus Foundation of America, Inc., North Texas Chapter.



## Noteworthy news

May 23

8:30 and 11:00 Youth group, "Risen" *Come Now Is the Time to Worship, Let the River Flow, and Your Love Is Amazing*  
11:00 Ch. Choir, *Cast Thy Burdens Upon the Lord*



May 30

8:30 & 11:00, Danielle Williams, solo  
11:00 Chancel Choir, *O Lord Most Holy*  
Peggy West, soloist

## Music events on the horizon

June 19, 20, 21, 7:30pm

Youth Singers' Homecoming Concerts, \$10

*Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*

June 22, Organ Concert, John Tarver, 7pm

August 2-6, Music Arts and Drama Camp  
(MAD Camp!) 9am-12noon

*100% Chance of Rain*

December, Christmas cantata, *Gloria* by  
John Rutter

Jan. 6-8, 7:30, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*  
by Gian Carlo Menotti

## Sunday School news...

### Aldersgate Class

May 23 - Why was "Aldersgate" critical to John Wesley? What was the "Aldersgate Experience?" Join us to hear the answers as Dr. Scott Somers leads our class.

May 30 - Pat Christley will cover "A Good Attitude"--the third lesson on Philippians in the *Joy Under Pressure* study series book, by Tim Stafford.

### Beacon Class

May 23 - "Faith: Form or Force"

May 30 - "Great Religion and a New Pentecost"

### Seekers Class

May 23 - TBA

May 29 - Carlos Nascimento,  
*Updating Hispanic Ministry*

### Wesleyan Class

May 23 - Tom Christian

May 23-30 - Gene Harrell: Jesus, The New Way  
~Startling Surprises ~Longing for a King

June 6 - 27 - Don Bowen

## What's up for YOUTH...

Sunday, May 23

9:45am Sunday School

11am Worship

5:30pm \$3 Snack Supper

6-7:30pm UMYF -

**Be sure to attend Sunday School this week.** It's awesome! It's tremendous! It's breathtaking! Lots of singing, lots of fun fellowship, lots of good study. It's worth getting up in the morning for!

**Thanks to everybody** who participated in our very successful collection for Genesis Women's Shelter. On Saturday, May 15, we delivered over five-hundred pounds of toys, clothes, swimwear, and shoes. The children and women at the shelter were delighted to receive these gifts from Spring Valley UMC. It was a wonderful day. Thanks to all who helped collect, deliver, and donate.

**On Sunday, June 6, from 5-8pm,** we will hold our annual event to welcome the new seventh graders and their families into the youth program. It's our "Spring into Summer/Spring into Youth" night at the home of Pam & George Reese. All youth and all youth family members are invited. (This is also a great way for our existing youth parents to welcome the new youth parents into youth ministry!)

**Congrats to:** Ashley Wilson, who made 1st team All-District soccer

**Our seniors of 2004:** Stephanie Chapman, Anna Haney, Kay Holstien, Travis Hughes, Kim Sumner, and Danielle Williams

**Best wishes to:** Ann Michele King, as she continues to recover from surgery; Elaine Hutton, who continues to recover from car accident injuries.

### Mark Your Calendars:

May 30 UMYF at Traildust Steakhouse!!

June 5 Spring Valley Street Fair

June 6 "Spring into Summer/Spring into Youth"

June 11-18 Youth Singers Tour

June 19, 20, 21 Homecoming Performances

June 28-July 3 Youth Activities Week

July 9-18 Appalachia Service Project; we are now filling the wait-list.

July 31-Aug 6 Colorado Easter Seals Trip; registration form is on line.

## Spring Valley Travelers trips planned in 2004

July 11 **Trains across Colorado**, \$1,649 per person, double occupancy

Sept. 4-12 **Wyoming Trails Tour**, \$2,180 per person, double occupancy

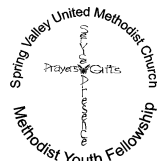
Sept. 27-Oct. 1 **Memphis and Tunica**, \$309 per person, double occupancy

Nov. 11 **Hawaii Cruise**, "Legends of the Seas" 10 nights

Balcony, \$2,099, Ocean View, \$1,499, Interior, \$1,299 (including airfare) Please call Chris Parton for details, 972-239-3369.

## Used book sale on Saturday, May 22

King of Glory Lutheran Church, located at 6224 LBJ Freeway, north side of the freeway between Hillcrest and Preston, will have a used book sale from 9am to 3pm. Nothing is over \$2. Payment is by cash or credit cards only.



## "Thank you" to the set builders!



Charles McManus and John Hutchins



Charles McManus



## Youth Singers rehearsing for Joseph

We are blessed to have set designers and builders in our midst! Jon Andersen envisioned the original design for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," and Jon Woodard formulated it in Autocad. Enter Charlie McManus and his team, Howard Ellis, Chuck Apthorp, Jack Brown, John Goodrum, John Hutchins, Joe Lees, Bill Boyer, Scott Boyer and Nippy McManus, who put the plans into reality.

## **Joys and concerns**

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

### **Hospital**

Ed Buchtel

### **Discharged from Hospital**

Dillon Tucker

Jerry Rainey

### **SVUMC Church Family**

Don Barnes

Jon Andersen

Darlene Twiss

Ann Michele King

Keith Kakacek

Elaine Shook

Joe Lees

Lou Ellen Wood

Catharine Gebhardt

Tommi Ezell

Bryan Purcell

Homebound members

### **Extended Church Family**

Cindy Stamps' grandson, Justin Davis

Frank and Jan Andersen's friend, Ellen

Sandy Bell's friend, Dawn Weiss

Lori Johnson's fiance, Rueben Joswiak

Ray Hennigh

Alan Moore's friend, Malcolm Miller

All service persons serving in

Afghanistan and Iraq

Our Missionaries, the Savutos

Slany United Methodist Church

Those with ongoing concerns

### **Congratulations to:**

Kim and Mark Smith on the baptism of their daughter, Shay Meryl, on May 9; grandparents are Margaret and Randy Smith; great-grandparents were SVUMC charter members, Dorothy and Cecil Carr.

### **Many Thanks!**

This congregation has lifted Ann Michele and our family up in amazing support! The prayers have truly blessed us. We enter a time after the successful surgery and subsequent recovery when she will take chemotherapy. We ask for continued prayers during this upcoming process. As overwhelming as this situation has been in our lives, the love of God that is shown through your love to us has been so much more overwhelming! Thanks for all the prayers, the cards, the meals, the flowers, the gifts and the love you have shared with us.

Rusty, Stephanie, Ann Michele & Emily

### **Deepest sympathy to:**

J. Mundy and family in the death of her beloved husband, Gene, on Sunday, May 16