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SCAMP 2017 Begins Monday

FPC's third SCAMP (Summer Creative Art & Music Camp) is here! As of now, approximately 25 students will join receive art, instrument, choir, movement, and drama instruction from an experienced staff when SCAMP kicks off at FPC on Monday, July 17. By the time it concludes on Friday, July 21, young participants in grades 1-6 will have learned a lot that will hopefully encourage them to continue their artistic dreams.



Since SCAMP's limit is 40, there is still room for last minute sign-ups. Just come by the church at 1216 Monroe Street on Monday (July 17) at 8:30 a.m. to fill out forms to register your child.

SCAMP will open its doors at 8:30, as parents and/or guardians drop off their students. The instruction begins at 9 a.m. and SCAMP ends at 12:30 (after lunch).

The registration fee of \$20 includes a t-shirt and lunch each day. Some scholarships are available.

Scamp Training and Orientation: All of SCAMP's staff is requested to attend a training and orientation session this Sunday (July 16) at FPC, beginning at 5 p.m. At that session, there will be a review of the church's child protection policy and time for setting up rooms, moving furniture, have last minute questions answered, and make final preparations.

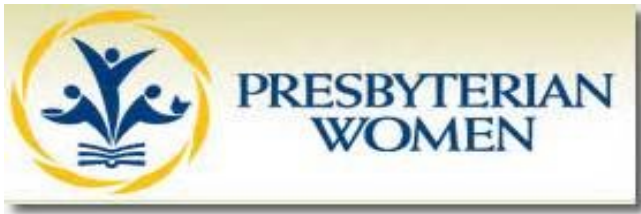
"This important meeting will be our last opportunity to get all our ducks in a row, coordinate our group effort and avoid complications on our first, very busy, day," explained SCAMP Director **Walt Davis**.

Bettina Says Thanks

Bettina Zvanut, who is heading up Hunt County United Way's Summer Lunch Program at FPC, has issued a thank-you to those people who have helped make the program run smoothly.

I would like to thank **Brenda Estes, Susan Reeves, Jane Cox, Dean Calvert, Eddie and Janet Fuller, and Danny Duncan**. They all came in and served lunches to the neighborhood children who walked in over the last four weeks. I really appreciate it. We have had good attendance and a great time getting to know parents and children who are taking part in the United Way Summer Lunch Program. Thank you!

The Summer Lunch Program continues through Aug. 3.



Spotlighting Presbyterian Women

Below is one of a series of paired posters, part of a campaign to publicize the many things that Presbyterian Women do. Look for more of these posters in upcoming editions of *The Good News*.

Think You Know Presbyterian Women? You Ought to Take a Closer Look!



**Presbyterian Women?
Don't they raise money
for mission?**

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Yes, Presbyterian Women give generously to fund mission around the world. They also meet the needs of a hurting world by building local, national and international mission partnerships that transform lives.

**Think you know Presbyterian Women?
Think again and prepare to be amazed!**

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Don't Forget Food Pantry Items

Remember to help out the food pantry with a donation of food each Sunday.

1st Sunday—Peanut butter

2nd Sunday—Bag of pinto beans and/or rice

3rd Sunday—Can of chili or beef stew

4th Sunday—Can of tuna, spam, chicken

5th Sunday—Can of fruit: peaches, fruit cocktail



In Our Prayers at First Presbyterian

Our Troops	Gordon Hunter	Bruce Campbell	Sara Grace Pullen
Melba Blount	Amy Lopez	Billy Marshall	Joe Yeakley
Grace Byrd	Gayle Shumate	Gladys Gray	Pat Skauge
Mildred Miller	Gaye Furry	Preston Helton	Loretta Kibler
Donald R. Smith	Catherine King Robertson	Bennie Neve	Ron Davis
Janice Sigur	Aaron Senne	Jan Burns	Kristen Rueb
Walt Davis	Jordan Moore	Kathryn Miller	Joyce McCord
Deryl McKenzie	Janice Hale	Dub Holcomb	The family of Bob Lube

Upcoming Bible Readings

This Sunday (July 16) Is the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost.

It is also Laity Sunday. Lily Selvaggi will lead worship and give the sermon.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 4:32-38 *Moses Commands Obedience*

Psalter: Psalm 71:1-14 *Prayer for Lifelong Protection and Help*

Epistle: Romans 5:1-11 *Results of Justification*

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13:1-3, 8-13 *The Give of Love*

Next Sunday (July 23) Is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament: Exodus 17:1-7 *Water from the Rock*

Psalter: Psalm 42 *Longing for God and His Help in Distress*

New Testament: Revelation 22:1-5 *The River of Life*

Gospel: John 7:37-39 *Rivers of Living Water*



Last Sunday of July (July 30) Is the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

We will have a guest preacher. Bible readings are not yet available. **Joanna Kim** is Grace Presbytery's Director of Cross Cultural Mission and Ministry. Prior to her current position, she served Grace Presbytery as the executive assistant to the Associate General Presbyter.

Assisting with Worship

This Sunday (July 16):

Monty Howard, Head Usher;

Susan Reeves, Liturgist

Next Sunday (July 23):

Bob Johnson, Head Usher

Neal Stewart, Liturgist

Sunday, July 30

Russ Garmon, Head usher

Barbara Tucker, Liturgist

Note: Even though they may not be listed, we will have candle lighters. They just won't be designated henceforth, allowing us to use whoever is available. Please remember to let all our worship leaders (including our candle lighters) know how much you appreciate them.

The Good News for August will go out around August 3. If you have news, pictures, or a story to share, the deadline is Aug. 1.

**Happy
Birthday,
Ronda!**

We missed
a name in
our birthday
list for July.



Ronda Vaughn's birthday is July 25.

Community Events



Canning & Freezing



Free Food Classes Offered

C-CAP, AgriLife Extension Service, and the Commerce Community Garden Project of the First United Methodist Church of Commerce are jointly offering two free food classes, one in July and the other in August, at FUMC.

A "Canning and Freezing" class will be taught on July 22. To insure this class will be held, at least 10 people will have to be signed up for it by July 14. A "Cooking and Meal Preparation" class will be presented on Aug. 5.

Both of these offerings are hands-on classes that will be taught in the FUMC kitchen. Times for each class will be from 9 a.m. to noon.

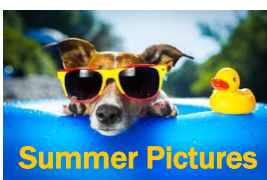
All materials will be provided. Sign-up sheets are on the FPC bulletin boards in the hall next to the kitchen. You can also register by calling the FUMC office at 903-886-3220.

Traveling Museum Arriving Here July 27

The Commerce Public Library is hosting a visit from TAME's (Texas Alliance for Minorities in Engineering) 40-foot exhibit trailer on Thursday, July 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The traveling trailer is the only interactive science and engineering museum-on-wheels in Texas. It offers

a variety of engineering and science exhibits in areas such as general science, energy, biotechnology, aerodynamics, and weather.

The exhibits are targeted for students in grades 3-8 and are free. The Trailblazer visit is being sponsored by the Tocker Foundation, which focuses on helping small, rural Texas libraries serving populations of 12,000 or less to meet their community's needs.

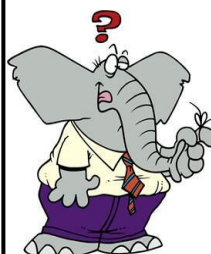


If you have a trip or a yard or anything summer you'd like to brag about, send us some pictures!

WANTED

The church is in need of a fireproof, waterproof cabinet. If you have one you would like to donate, please contact Rev. Rasco.

Did We Forget Something?



Maybe we forgot an event you are organizing for FPC or a committee report you wanted to get in The Good News. Whatever it is, let us know. If you forgot, remember to remember next time!