



Holy Covenant UMC Newsletter

Seek with God's heart **Grow** in God's word **Serve** all God's people

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Children's Ministry



Kids' Sunday School

9:45-10:45 am every Sunday!

Preschool - Room 103

PreK/Kindergarten - Room 105

1st-5th Grade - Rooms 202 & 206

Youth Ministry

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July 26, 2013

Message from Pastor Carol



Hello Church,

Holy Covenant has much to celebrate! We have a full staff! Our SPRC (Staff Parish Relations Committee) team has been working diligently to put together a professional ministry team so that Holy Covenant United Methodist Church can move forward in new and exciting ways for the sake of the gospel! This team paired with our outstanding lay ministry team makes for a future with limitless possibilities!

I feel so blessed to be part of this church at this time in the life of

Holy Covenant. God has big plans for us over the next few years. I have been attending meetings the past two weeks and I have many more to attend to get to know all of you and for you to get to know me. I am so enjoying learning about your passions for ministry and your hopes and dreams for what God will do through this church.

Our next step together is to identify what God would like for us to be about in ministry for 2014. My hope is that you will be able to attend one of the "Family Meetings" to join the church-wide conversation. We will spend about an hour talking about our strengths and weaknesses in ministry; about how God can and will best use our gifts to reach into the world, and about how each and every one of us can find our vital role in making our dreams a reality.



**For all youth in
7th - 12th Grade**

**UMYF Sunday Nights
6-8 pm**

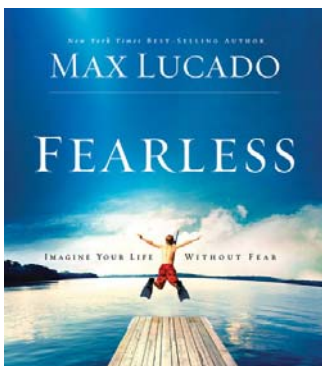
Adult Ministry



**Finding the Light: A
Small Group for Young
Adults
Every other**

Wednesday 7-8 pm

All are invited for study
and fellowship at Café
Brazil in Carrollton!
Next book TBD. Contact
Jana Jones
jjones@hcumc.org to
participate.



**Tuesday Night Small
Group**
Beginning July 30 (for 6

I have learned that good conversation comes when all parties are prepared and knowledgeable. I want to offer the guiding questions for our discussions.

1. What does Holy Covenant do well?
2. What does Holy Covenant not do well?
3. What is the one thing that you would love to see Holy Covenant do in 2014?
4. What would Holy Covenant need to do in order for you to recommend our church to your neighbor?

I have selected the above questions because they are about our church's mission and ministry. My hope is the responses will bring volumes of information that I can accumulate, organize and present with my impressions at the August 19th meeting of our Administrative Council. I encourage everyone to attend and join us in the process of church-wide discernment. In other words, join us to figure out what God wants us to do!

Blessings and I look forward to seeing you Sunday because when you are not here - you are missed!

Blessings,
Pastor Carol

More Volunteers Needed!

Saturday Mornings Through August 10

We need volunteers to pick up food at Metrocrest at 7:45 a.m. and return it to the church. Additional volunteers are needed to sort and fill the bags from 9-10 a.m. and help give out the bags at the church from 10-11 a.m. We also need 4 teams of 2 people to deliver bags to 30 families located in apartments and homes located close to our church.



Can you give even ONE hour of ONE Saturday this summer?

If you can help please contact
Cindy Baucom at baucom.cindy19@gmail.com
or Mary Jane VanHorne at mjj1128@verizon.net.

FREE Karate Camp for Kids



**Saturday, July 27
11 am to 1 pm**

Boys and girls K - 6th
Snack lunch provided
Karate demo, Stranger Danger,
games and instructions provided
by SideKicks Martial Arts.

weeks) - 6:30-8:00 pm
All are invited for our study of *Fearless* by Max Lucado. Contact Jana Jones if you would like to participate.

Music Ministry

Joint Choir Sunday - Youth and Adults - Past and Present Sunday, July 28, 2013

Anthem "Shout Amen"
Arrive at 8:10 on the 28th to sing at 8:30 am service.

Arrive at 10:40 to sing at 11:00 am service.

Sing to the Lord a New Song!

Adult Choir Kick-off,
Wednesday, August 7 at 7:00 PM

Join the adult choir for rehearsals beginning August 7. During the month of August we'll start rehearsal at 7:00 pm. The first hour we'll devote to Sunday anthems and at 8:00 we'll work on "One Hit Wonders" Cabaret music. Be thinking about what you might do in the show. It is scheduled for September 28 at 7:00 pm after *The Well*. There are plans for some exciting music this fall and we need your voice! Come join us! Email dchapman@hcumc.org with questions.

Sunday Worship Schedule

**8:30 and 11:00 am
Worship Services**

**9:45 am
Sunday School for all**



Sign up at www.hcumc.org.

Come to "The Well"

Weekly Saturday Night Worshipping Community 5:00-6:00 pm

Join us in a casual, family-friendly atmosphere and experience contemporary worship led by a rockin' band!

Special programming for kids ages Kindergarten thru 5th Grade.



Family Meetings



The SPPR Committee invites you to meet our new pastor, Rev. Carol Sparks, at a Family Meeting. Family meetings will be held at the homes of church members and at the church July 24 through

September 4. Sign up at

www.hcumc.org for the meeting most convenient for you.

Also, there will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex at worship services.

Fri, Aug 2 - Hosts: Mary and Skip Trimble - 5936 Woodland, Dallas, TX 75225 - 7-9 p.m.

Sun, Aug 4 - Hosts: Susan Blessingame and Jeanne Selby - Holy Covenant UMC - 2-4 p.m.

Tues, Aug 13 - Hosts: Mike and Shannon Johnson - 2424 Jester Place, Carrollton, TX 75006 - 7-9 p.m.

Tues, Aug 20 - Hosts: Dave and Ginger Rathbun - 2722 Spyglass Drive, Carrollton, TX 75007 - 7-9 p.m.

Wed, Sep 4 - Hosts: Jody and Jim Vidrine - 6533 Village Springs Dr, Plano, TX 75024 - 7-9 p.m.

We will have snack food and drinks at each meeting and offer childcare at the church.

Please plan to attend one of these meetings.

Fan Drive

Sponsored by the Advocates for Peace & Justice

What: New or gently used free-standing fans

Benefitting: Clients of Metrocrest Social Services without adequate air conditioning

Dates: Now through **August 4**

Where: Place in the narthex



ages

Staff

Rev. Carol Sparks,
Senior Pastor

Rev. Debbie Chapman,
Associate Pastor, Music
Ministries

Jana Jones,
Lead Pastor of *The Well*
Adult Discipleship
Minister

Jason Redick
Youth Minister

Heather Hinton
Children's Minister

Beth McClure,
ECDP Director

Carol Jones,
Bookkeeper

Elise Webb Odell,
Administrative Assistant

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

The Kiplinger family; the Rudolf family; Bill Henly; Kenny Patterson; Kim Eaves; Sharon Richards; Susan Rardin; Bob Austin; Rachel Millaway; Beverly Randall; Larry Rayes; the Howard family; the Allen family; Lexie Mitcham; Tina Ross; Korbin Crowder; Jenny Martin; Stephen Ministers; Barbara Krueger; Eddie Kaan; the Berks family; Michael Prees; Michael McAnally; John Bator; Carl Robertson; DoReen Burbidge; Sandra Sisk; Bonnie Feltner; Melissa Anderson; Peggy Tatum; Pam Krause; Norma McCormack; JoAnn Wiggins; Bernard Hardy; Kristin Nelson; Joey Crumpley; Jessica and Philip Stallings; Geraine

Jeans Sunday



Sunday, August 4

Wear a pair and bring a pair!

Please bring new and gently used jeans to Holy Covenant. The Missions Committee will take all donations to the Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD Clothes Closet for students in our area.

Collection boxes will be located under the stairs in the Education Building beginning July 21.

Fine Arts Week

August 5-9

9 am to Noon

Music and Art class PLUS the presentation of "Are We There Yet?" a musical about Moses and the Exodus. For children who have finished Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Registration is online at

www.hcumc.org.

The cost is \$20 per child, no more than \$30 per family.

This is payable to Holy Covenant UMC any time prior to the event.

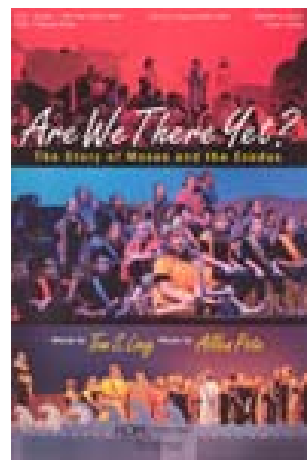
VOLUNTEERS are needed to teach classes and to shepherd the children throughout the week.

Youth (6th grade and up) and adults are needed! Email

ryloba@verizon.net (Ryan Baumgardner) or

dchapman@hcumc.org (Pastor Debbie) if you are interested.

Registration ENDS on Sunday, July 28.



Parents' Night Out



Saturday, August 17

Come and worship, then leave your kids from 6:00-9:00 pm 3rd Saturday of each month.

E-mail Jana Jones

jjones@hcumc.org to make a reservation.

For kids ages Infant-5th Grade - a

snack will be provided.

Cost is \$5/child or FREE if you attend the service and show your bulletin!

Free Haircuts for Kids

Allen; Nita Sharp; Joe Worthington; Virgil Ronning; John Michael; Sheila Anderson; James Ross; Stephanie Flangin; Bill Anderson; DoReen Burbidge; Jak Kinder; Philip Sorrell; Sandy Serifin; Ray Rivera; Donna Crawford; Lily Gosling; the Staab family; the Fisk family; Michele Foust; Mary Robinson; the Mata family; the Serafin family; Martha & Hugo Taylor; Katy Cook; Erin Beavers & family; Kyla Walls; the Pillai family; the Wearden family; Isaac & Karissa Gonzales; Darla and Jonathan Sherry; Mattie Lannerd; Grant Russum and family; John Cloninger & family; Nathan Berry; Jim Hartley; Rachel Herrera; Brooke Johnston; Diane Bullock; Dale Bryan & family; Noel Tardy; Jeannie Deringer; Arthur Alaniz and family; Bill Hill; Jay & Kathy Cash; Rosie Alexander; Kate Bushmann; Jess Beltran; Rick Clement; Lisa Tenore; Vic Anderson; Jon Broom; Barbara Boothe; Chase Gattis; Rob & Jaycinta Kambach; Gusty Pritchard; Eddie Mae Washington; the Rainey family; the Hickman family; the Dooley family; Jackie Franklin and family; Huffman family; the Pifer family; the Bailey family; and the Witcher family.

Our loved ones in the military

August 20

10 am to 2 pm

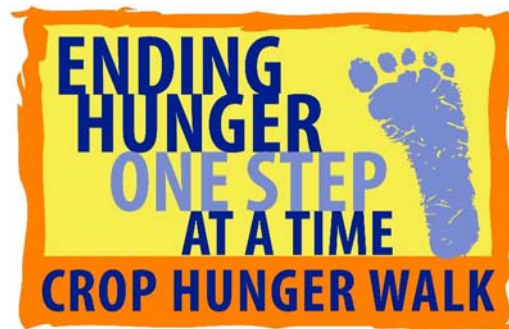
August 21

4 to 6 pm

No appointments necessary. Parent/guardian permission slip required for children under 18. Special thanks to Paul Mitchell Cosmetology Career Center for providing the haircuts.



Metrocrest CROP Hunger Walk



The Interfaith Walk for the Hungry Saturday, September 14th Fourteen local churches will participate in the annual Metrocrest CROP Hunger Walk on Saturday, September 14th. Walkers raise

awareness of hunger in our community and around the world, and raise funds to fight hunger. The CROP Hunger Walk will kick off at Mill Valley Fellowship, 13545 Webb Chapel Rd., Farmers Branch (check-in 8am). Water and other support for comfort and safety will be provided along the 2 mile route. Everyone can participate by either joining in on the Walk or making a donation through one of the Walkers who will be raising funds. 25% of the funds raised are dedicated to the Food Pantry at Metrocrest Social Services with the remaining funds used by Church World Service in their global hunger and poverty fighting programs.

A Pilipino folk dance demonstration will be provided after the Walk this year by Cosmopolitan United Church of Christ, one of the regular Walk participants. Other post Walk activities include face painting, sno cones, popcorn, bounce house to encourage intermingling and communication between the fourteen supporting congregations.

Please contact Nicole Newkham (972-446-2129) or Rick Davis (972-814-5325) if you need more information. The web site www.cwsglobal.org gives information about CROP Hunger Walk, which is a national fund raising effort. Click here for a direct link

to the CWS web page for making donations to the Holy Covenant Team:

http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/site/TR/2013FallCROPHungerWalk/TR-Fall2013?fr_id=17345&pg=teamlist&pr_id=donate

Gabriel Bridges, Chad Davidson, C.J. Davidson, Zach Glass, David Hunt, Jake Oliver, Ashton Rudolf, Logan Vidrine, & Ashley Wert.



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Piano Lessons at Holy Covenant!



Jonathan Kaan is teaching piano lessons at Holy Covenant. You can contact Jonathan at jkaan@dcccd.edu or at 972-505-1833 for more information. Jonathan graduated with honors from Baylor University with a Masters Degree in Piano Pedagogy and Performance.



We are welcoming and open to all people;
black or white, yellow or brown, you are welcome here;
rich or poor, young or old, you are welcome here,
gay or straight, citizen or sojourner, you are welcome here.

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