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Blue Springs First United Methodist Church



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Congratulations to our 2012 Scholarship Recipients!

First United Methodist Church Scholarships:

Haley Davis-Blue Springs High School
Joelle Griffiths-Blue Springs South High School
Cara Hartwig-Blue Springs High School
Logan Summers-Blue Springs High School
Kendall Sullivan-Blue Springs High School
Alexa Williams-Penn Valley Community College



United Methodist Men Scholarships:

Blaine Mueller-Blue River Community College
Kendall Sullivan-Blue Springs High School
Logan Summers-Blue Springs High School-Paul Rand Scholarship

Independents' Scholarships:

Alexa Williams-Lee's Summit High School-Patricia Robinson-Founder of the Independents' Scholarship
Amanda Ziegelmann-Penn Valley Community College-Independents' Scholarship
Linda Ziegelmann-Penn Valley Community College-Independents' Scholarship
John J. Komen Memorial Scholarship

We'll be formally recognizing our 2012 scholarship recipients at the 10:45am service on Sunday, May 20.

May 9, 2012

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Hillcrest Walk for the Homeless Saturday, May 19, 10:00am



Hillcrest Walk for the Homeless is an event that raises awareness and funds to support Hillcrest in its mission to transition homeless families to self-sufficiency.

Participating in Walk for the Homeless is an excellent way to show your support for Hillcrest and the families we serve. However, what makes the biggest difference for the Hillcrest families and children are the dollars you collect through pledges. Without the love and support given by the thousands of walkers in past years, Hillcrest could not succeed.

Thousands of community members across the Kansas City Area have participated in Walk for the Homeless for almost 20 years, and we would like to invite you to join them. This year's event promises to be even more exciting and successful for all, so register today!

<http://www.hillcresttransitionalhousing.org/WalkRegister.aspx>

You can also register in the narthex this weekend. See Brooke Roskop to sign up!

If you're interested in carpooling, we'll have a couple of cars leaving from church around 9:15am.





Dear First Friends,

I love this time of year! Graduations remind us of endings and beginnings. Weddings mark an important passage in the life of a couple. Gardens are planted, giving us promise of summer bounty. It is a great time of year to be alive in God's creation.

It is a great time of year in the life of our church. This Saturday night will be a wonderful time to enjoy our Power Praise Kids' musical at 5:30 p.m. These kids have been working extremely hard, and I can't wait to see their musical! You will want to stay at 6:30 p.m. for our **Annual Mission Auction and Meal**. This event is a highlight in the life our church. It's a great evening to have fun and raise money for a good cause. If you've never been to the Mission Auction before, you will want to be there for this great event!

We are continuing our "Adventures with Abraham" sermon series. This week, we will be looking at God's promise to Abraham and Sarah. It is also Mother's Day. (You can do your Mother's Day shopping on Saturday at the Mission Auction.) We will have a special gift for *all women* present. It will be a beautiful day in the life of our church. I hope you will be present.

As the beauty of this season surrounds us, take time to thank God for the gift of this world. I thank God daily for each of you and for the gift of serving this congregation.

Blessings, Sally

Contact me at: shaynes@firststumcbs.org

April 28-29, 2012

<u>Giving:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
One Fund.....	\$10,860	(combined)
YTD One Fund	\$358,831	\$379,357
<u>Worship Attendance:</u>		
Worship.....	459	
Sunday School		
Children.....	52	
Youth.....	13	
Adults.....	107	
Total	172	

Sunday Evening Youth: 18

More detailed financial information is available on the wire kiosk next to the coat closet or in the church office.

May 5-6, 2012

<u>Giving:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
One Fund.....	N/A	(combined)
YTD One Fund	N/A	\$404,654
<u>Worship Attendance:</u>		
Worship.....	495	
Sunday School		
Children.....	58	
Youth.....	10	
Adults.....	110	
Total	178	

Sunday Evening Youth: 12

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FUMC CHILDREN/YOUTH ACTIVITIES



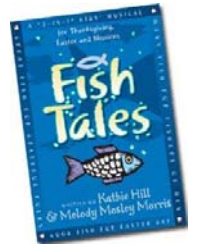
Love. Grow. Serve.

[Weekly Sunday School](#)—Join us every Sunday for Mid. High and Sr. High Sunday School classes at 9:15am.

[Weekly Youth Group](#)—Sunday night from 6:30-8:00pm in the youth room 014 downstairs.

[Trimecca for High School Girls](#)—Trimecca is an experience designed for the heart of the 9th-12th grade girl. This group meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8:00pm in the high school youth room, 014. Discover personal beauty, create personal power, promoting self-acceptance and self-confidence, celebrating individuality and more!

The Power Praise Kids will be performing at the children's musical titled [Fish Tales](#) at the 5:30pm service on **Saturday, May 12.**



Sunday, May 20—Power Praise Kids Pizza Party, 4:00pm, room 116



Yes You Can!

Children and Youth Sunday School teachers have been dedicated to teaching the gospel for the last 9 months.

They have earned a much needed summer vacation.

Please step up to fill in for them this summer for the 9:10am hour.

Please contact Michelle Mueller-Hinton at 229-8108 if you can help.



May

May 13—No Youth Group—Mother's Day

May 20—Regular Youth Meeting at 6:30pm

May 27—No Youth Group—Memorial Day Weekend



HEALTH CONCERNS

Larry Allen Bernie Dietrich Ed Duncan
Jenny Floyd Linda Hinkle Vern Hinkle
Linda Mathewson Dick Moore Bob Swisher
Bob Turner Ann York
Adam Bartlett, Dan and Rachele Bartlett's son
Annie McConnell, Linda Mathewson's niece
Bob Sherrill, Susie Shearer's father
Cathy Doyle, per Marvalee Unrein
Diana Spurgeon, Tom Mardis' niece
Goad Family, per Ronda Brewer
James Brisbin, Kathy Sims father
Joey Butler, per Janet Tabler
Joseph Sorrelli
Lynn Woodruff, Nedra Carruthers' sister-in-law
Nancy Omohundro, Beth Petty's mother-in-law
Paul Pratt
Sandy Bolar, Ed and Judy Jones' sister-in-law
Sheila Stotz, friend of Amy Jobe
Vince Sciara

OTHER CONCERNS

Prayers for all FUMC High School and College Graduates. May God lead them in faith and into the future.
All victims and volunteers dealing with weather disasters.
Prayers for all those dealing with job loss, financial concerns and health issues.

MILITARY

Bryce Banta	Justin Bush	Jimmy Clark
Jennifer Dietrich*	Eli Freeman*	Jacob Freeman
John Gorman	Andrew Goudy*	Richard Hansen
Destini Hamm	Josh Hightower*	Garrett Hoover
Peter Johnson	Brenton Jones	Tanner Kolster
Paul LaDue	Matthew Pool	Matt Poppe
Debra Rose	Trent Sisson	Ryan Soendker
Jason Tisdale	Michael Wagner*	Joe Walsh
Zach Walsh*		

Highlighted names—FUMC members
*deployed overseas

Prayers for all servicemen and women.

JOYS

Congratulations to Cora Marcks on the marriage of her granddaughter, Amber Harris, to Levi Larimore on April 29.
To Sharon McMullin on the birth of a great granddaughter, to Hasselteen Rumbo on a new great great granddaughter and Sherri Rumbo's granddaughter, born on May 2 to Tim and Michelle Winn.
Don and Marion Kuhn were in worship visiting from Virginia.

SYMPATHY

To Sharon McMullin, Sherri Rumbo, and Marsha Sartain and families on the death of Robert McMullin on April 28.
To Jerolyn Norgren and family on the death of her husband, Ed Norgren, on April 29.
To Valerie and Jeff Saye and family on the death of her grandmother, Lydia Kohlstaedt.
To Rebecca and Jeremy Hubbard on the death of their one-year-old son on May 3. The Hubbards are neighbors of Joe and Janet Tabler.
To Gary and Bev Harvey, Cathy Ball, Lisa Harvey, Erica Karwoski and families on the death of Gary's father, Harold Harvey on May 6.

**FUMC Costa Rica Mission Trip
Fundraiser**

When: Tuesday, May 15

Where: BD's Mongolian BBQ
19750 E Valley View Parkway
Independence

Our Mission Team will receive 10% of sales that evening.

Pick up a coupon at the Information Table and turn it in when you eat at BD's that evening. We will then earn 10% on the sale.



Community Services League could use the following items:

- Pork 'n beans
- Cake mixes
- Jelly



Items can be placed in the barrel in the coat-room labeled CSL.

Family in the Military

If you have a family member in the military, please let us know in the church office so we can keep in contact with them and hold them up in prayer.

Please provide their name and address. You can send an email to office@firstumcbs.org or call 229-8108.



FUMC Job Club

The FUMC Job Club meets at 7:00pm on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Contact Randy Williams at randygws@att.net or by phone at 229-9584 for additional information.



**BRIDGES
Potluck/Cookout**

Thursday, June 7
6:00pm on the back patio
Hamburgers, Brats, and Drinks-\$3
Bring a lawn chair
Reservations due by June 3
Call Dee Meek/Norm Runge 373-2580

Ruth Circle Meeting

Ruth Circle will meet on Thursday, May 24, at 10:00am at the home of Ginger Young
629 NE Lake Pointe Drive
Lee's Summit

Widows' Support Group

The Widows' Support group will meet on Wednesday, May 16, at 11:30am
Red Lobster
4328 S. Noland Rd.
Independence
Call Carol Sartain at 229-9753 or Joyce Maggard at 229-1300 for reservations.

**Cancer Survivor Recognition
Weekend is June 2 and 3**

Please make sure to attend services June 2-3 as we celebrate our faith in God and the special part God played in the experience of cancer survivors in our church. If you are a survivor, please wear yellow as a symbol of hope. During this weekend we have many ways to celebrate:

- **Praying for a cure!** Prayer vigil during all services.
- **Educational materials.** Educational materials for the congregation.
- **Refreshments.** Hosting the Hospitality Table.
- **Survivor Recognition.** Prayer time to recognize cancer survivors.
- **Remembrance.** Commemorative ribbons and roses for cancer survivors.
- **Testimony.** Members will share the power of faith during illness.

Date	Time	Place
<u>Sunday, May 13</u>		
<u>Monday, May 14</u>		
Finance Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Office
Church Council Meeting	7:00	103
<u>Tuesday, May 15</u>		
United Methodist Men's Lunch	noon	112
Job Club Meeting	7:00pm	103
<u>Wednesday, May 16</u>		
Fellowship Dinner	5:15pm	103
Glory Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	5:30	154
Spirit Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	6:30	154
Trimecca Study for High School Girls	6:30	014
Worship Team Rehearsal	7:00	Sanctuary
Creative Crafts/Prayer Shawl Group	7:00	103
Rhapsody Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	7:30	154
Chancel Choir Practice	7:30	150
<u>Thursday, May 17</u>		
Pickleball	7:00pm	FLC
Holy Cow Softball Game	8:15	Offsite
<u>Friday, May 18</u>		
Joy Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	9:30am	154
Adult Volleyball	7:00pm	FLC
<u>Saturday, May 19</u>		
Hillcrest Walk for the Homeless	10:00am	Offsite
Worship Service	5:30pm	Sanctuary
<u>Sunday, May 20</u>		
Scholarship Recognition	10:45am	Sanctuary
Men of Praise Rehearsal	noon	150
Power Praise Kids Pizza Party	4:00pm	116
Youth Mission Trip Meeting	5:30	013
Youth Activities—Mid.High and Sr. High	6:30	014
<u>Monday, May 21</u>		
Susannah Circle	2:00pm	103
Gospel Singers Rehearsal	7:00	150
<u>Tuesday, May 22</u>		
Open Gym	7:00pm	FLC
Stephen Ministries	7:00	Office
<u>Wednesday, May 23</u>		
Coffee with the Pastors-Where's Sally?	8:30am	??
Fellowship Dinner	5:15pm	103
Glory Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	5:30	154
Spirit Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	6:30	154
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Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30	150
<u>Thursday, May 24</u>		
Pickleball	7:00pm	FLC
<u>Friday, May 25</u>		
Joy Ringers Handbell Rehearsal	9:30am	154
Adult Volleyball	7:00pm	FLC
<u>Saturday, May 26</u>		
Worship Service	5:30pm	Sanctuary

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

8:00am	Worship Service with Communion	Sanctuary
9:15	Worship Service with Worship Team	Sanctuary
10:45	Worship Service—Traditional	Sanctuary

MONDAY

TUESDAY

8:00am	Morning Prayer Group	100
10:00	Morning Walk Group	FLC

WEDNESDAY

8:00am	Morning Walk Group	FLC
5:30pm	Glory Ringers	154
6:30	Spirit Ringers	154
7:00	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00	Creative Crafts - Prayer Shawls	103
7:30	Rhapsody Ringers	154
7:30	Chancel Choir	150

THURSDAY

9:30am	Back Fence Bible Study	100
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FRIDAY

8:30am	Morning Walk Group	FLC
9:30	Joy Ringers	154

SATURDAY

5:30pm	Worship Service	Sanctuary
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Ministers

All members who have pledged to uphold First UMC with their prayers, presence, service, gifts, and witness.



Pastors

Rev. Sally Haynes

email: shaynes@firstumcbs.org

Rev. Choong-Ho Kwon

email: ckwon@firstumcbs.org

Worship

Saturday, 5:30pm

Sunday, 8:00, 9:15, and 10:45am

Office Hours

8:00am—4:30pm Monday-Friday

Church Office: (816) 229-8108

Church fax: (816) 229-6705

Email: office@firstumcbs.org

Learning Ladder Preschool

(816) 229-9949

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www.firstumcbs.org

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Help Us to Keep 'Changing the World by our Love'

Come to the Auction Saturday to Support All Our Missions Programs

This Saturday is the big day! The 3rd Annual Mission Trips Auction will get underway at 6:30pm

We'll have lots of great items to bid on, and all for reasonable prices. It's a fun way to spend a Saturday evening, enjoying the company of your friends and raising money for our good works.

As we said during the Youthapalooza services this spring, we really are "Changing the World by Our Love." Mission trips and missions programs are at the heart and soul of First Church

We have a thriving missions program with a years-long tradition of giving to others near and far.

With your help this weekend, we'll keep this tradition strong. To date, we have organized more than ten years of youth and adult mission trips. Recently, we helped fund a trip so our Costa Rican friends could come here and return the favor of doing hard and loving work for others. And who can forget last year's adventure in bringing together our mid-high group with those from Eunpyung Methodist Church in Seoul, South Korea? Their interactions with our children and our congregation during their time here opened eyes and hearts and minds and made memories that will last a lifetime.

What's happening this summer? Our Mid. High and Sr. High youth are going to the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma in June. Also in June, older youths and adults will participate in another mission trip to Costa Rica. Plans are in the works for a trip to South Korea in July 2013.

Please join us for an evening of fun. Take home some great gifts. Keep our missions programs strong.

Tickets are \$10 at the door for adults and \$4 for children ages 4-10. Children age 3 and under are free. Babysitting and children's activities are available. Appetizers, beverages and desserts are included, and if you think you need a little more than that to keep you full, the United Methodist Men will be there cooking up Hamburger and Hot Dog Meals for \$5 each. See you there!