

# THE VOICE

June 27, 2017



## WELCOMING JAY JACKSON TWO WORSHIP SERVICES, JULY 2

Our new Senior Pastor, Jay Jackson, will start this Sunday, July 2. We will have one Faith Matters service at 8:50 a.m. and one Traditional Service (God and Country Service) at 11 a.m. with a reception at 9:45 a.m. in the Cook Foyer welcoming Rev. Jay Jackson and his wife, LeAnn. We will have a "new age pounding" with gift cards to local restaurants so please bring gift cards. There will be no Sunday school that day.



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## **PATRIOTIC PIONEER PROGRAM JULY 13 TO FEATURE 'BOOGIE THROUGH THE '40S' WITH SHOW TROUPE TRIO**

Get ready to celebrate America as the Ladies Liberty Show Troupe from deep in the Heart of Texas presents our Pioneer program 11 a.m. Thursday, July 13, in the Faith Center. These patriotic performers passionately promote the spirit of American pride through song and dance of yesterday and today.

Chef Debbie will be preparing a delicious meal: beef brisket, black-eyed peas, potato salad, a special red/white/and blue salad, Texas toast and all the trimmings plus peach cobbler for dessert. When making your lunch reservation, please tell us if you need sugar-free apple pie for dessert. Meal is \$5.

Those with July birthdays will be recognized and receive a birthday cake compliments of United Methodist Women.

Bring a friend! Invite your neighbors! Pioneers welcomes anyone, especially those who are retired or of retirement age. Please call the church office (903) 753-4463 to make a reservation for lunch.

## **SAYING HELLO TO REBECCA NEWCOMB, JULY 9**

Our new Associate Pastor, Rebecca (Becca) Newcomb will start July 9. That Sunday, we will have our normal services and a reception at 9:45 a.m. in the Cook Foyer. We will have a "new age pounding" with gift cards to local restaurants so please bring gift cards.

## **A LETTER FROM ROY**

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the wonderful reception we had Sunday. I loved visiting with you and sharing a moment or cup of coffee with you. The worship service was such a blessing. I thank Justin and Amber; Paul, Jay, and the Choir; all the various speakers; Steve Young for his leadership in arranging things, Jennifer Goolsby for her work on the reception; the staff for their coordination; and you the church at large for your graciousness. I loved reading through your notes to Merryl and me. Thank you for your monetary gifts. Your gifts will be a great blessing as we transition into retirement. I am excited about your future with Jay, Becca, and the rest of the staff. If you respond with the strength and faithfulness that we shared the church will rise to greater heights, and people will be transformed by your ministry.

Peace, Roy

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## **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER WILL RESUME WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, AT 5 P.M.**



## **SUMMER AT FUMC**

### **Pastor-Led Combined Adult Sunday School**

Sundays at 9:40, July 9-30  
In Nicholson Chapel

### **Mom to Mom**

July 12-August 9  
Wednesdays from 4-5 p.m.  
In the Heritage Room  
"Trusting in Christ"

### **Adult Bible Study**

July 12-August 9  
Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m.  
In the Heritage Room  
"Trusting in Christ"



## **LONGVIEW FUMC**

### **DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE**

If you had your picture taken for the new church directory, you may pick up a hard copy in the church office during business hours. One copy per family please.

## **LIBRARY BOOK SALE**

The church library book sale will be Saturday, September 9, and Sunday, September 10. If you would like to donate books (any except encyclopedias), DVDs, or CDs for the sale, please take them to the church library workroom (located near the church office) at any time.





## UMCOR HEALTH KITS

The United Methodist Women's project for United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) this year is health kits. We are gathering supplies, and we will assemble the kits at our August 8 meeting. UMCOR kits have been used recently for our neighbors in Van and Canton after the tornados. All help will be appreciated!

Sacks can be found throughout the church to leave your items, or you can leave them in the office. If you prefer to provide funds, the UMW will be glad to purchase the items needed.

The UMW and our neighbors thank you for your participation.

### Health Kit Materials

**Value: \$12 per kit**

- 1 Hand towel
  - 15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches (Please no kitchen, cleaning, or micro fiber towels)
- 1 Washcloth
- 1 Toothbrush
  - Adult size only (Please do not remove from original packaging)
- 6 Adhesive bandages
  - ¾ inch to 1 inch size
  - Common household Band-Aids
- 1 Bath-size soap
  - 3 oz. and larger sizes only
  - No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content (Please do not remove from original packaging)
- 1 Comb
  - Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long (No pocket combs or picks, please)
  - Rat-tail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth
- 1 Metal nail file or nail clippers (No emery boards, please)
- 1 plastic bag—One-gallon size sealable bag only
- \$1 to purchase toothpaste

## ASBURY HOUSE GARAGE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED

The Annual Asbury House Garage Sale will be August 4 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. and August 5 from 8 a.m.–Noon. This garage sale benefits the wonderful children at Asbury House Child Enrichment Center and would not be possible without your support. Please drop off your items at the storage container on the corner of Green St. and Whaley St. (No adult clothing, computers, or old TVs) **every Tuesday & Thursday from 7–8 p.m., and Saturdays 4–5 p.m.**

## ASBURY HOUSE GARAGE SALE EARLY SHOPPING!

Come shop the Asbury House Garage Sale extra early this year! We have a lot of beautiful quality furniture for sale at Collier's Furniture! We would like to thank the Colliers for letting us store this great furniture in their facility. All proceeds benefit Asbury House! The dates and times you may shop are listed below. Please share this wonderful opportunity with all of your friends and family!

- Wednesday, June 28, from 11–1 p.m. and Friday, June 30, from 11–2 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 5, from 11–1 p.m. and Friday, July 7, from 11–1 p.m.

## NEWGATE SUMMER BAGS!

Newgate Mission is making plans to have "Survival Bags" to hand out during the hot summer months. Your help is needed in collecting the items to fill the bags. Items needed:

- Gallon size plastic baggies
- Small cans of tuna or chicken (with pop tops)
- Bags of peanuts/beef jerky or Slim Jims
- Small boxes of raisins, pudding cups, crackers, fruit cups or cookies
- Hardy candy, gum, mints
- Bottled water or small juice boxes
- Socks
- Deodorant
- Handy wipes/small soaps
- Notes of scripture and words of encouragement (Please do not sign your full name or give out any personal information.)

There are a few items NOT to include:

- Chocolate, refrigerated items, fresh fruit, soft drinks, glass items, money
- Cigarettes, mouth wash

Thank you for helping us collect these items so we can hand out the bags this summer to the people! Items can be dropped off at the mission office on Mobberly Ave! Thank you for ALL you do for the people of Newgate. For questions or info, call (903) 757-6146 or email [brenda@newgatemission.org](mailto:brenda@newgatemission.org).

## YOUTH MINISTRY OFFERING PRAYER WRIST BANDS

Students traveling on mission trips this summer need your prayers for mission work as well as spiritual growth. Prayer wrist bands are available at the church office or after services on July 2 and July 16. Our focus in youth ministry is to help students come to know God, others, and themselves through Jesus Christ. Listed below are our trips, dates and brief description. We thank you in advance for your love, prayers, and devotion to all of us in Youth Ministry.



### Thirst Mission—Belize International Trip

A 28 member (7 adults, 21 students) mission team is partnering with Thirst missions, Pastor Jose Babb, and his church, Rios de aqua viva—River of Life Church which is located in Chunox Town in the Corozal District of Belize.

This is the northern part of Belize where the community is approximately 1,100 in population and sugar cane is the predominate crop grown in the area. We will be teaching VBS, hosting a teen fellowship in the area, joining in worship with the church, hosting a Texas theme night, helping paint, and doing some construction for the host church. Mission dates are July 9–15.



### Big House—Middle School Mission

20 students and 6 adults are headed to Cold Spring, TX, to serve one of the oldest Methodist churches in Texas (Built in 1848). This trip gives middle school students the introduction to engage in mission for others away from home. In this

quaint community, we will be helping with yard work for the elderly, painting churches and homes, working in the mission resale shop, and anything else that will come our way. Coldspring UMC is hosting us, and we look forward to learning more about serving others, discovering more about ourselves, and intentionally walking with God in our life. The trip will culminate with worship with the members of Coldspring UMC. The dates are July 20–23.

## BELIZE MISSION TRIP MEETING

Youth Ministry will hold a meeting for parents and team participants this Thursday, June 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the youth room. Please be at the meeting for final details.

## BIBLE CAMP DISCOVERY

### STUDENTS ENTERING KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE

THE BIBLE: GOD'S LOVE LETTER TO THE WORLD

Explore the Bible through the writings of Moses, David, Luke, and Paul.

9 a.m.–Noon, Monday-Wednesday, July 24–26

\$20 registration (scholarships available, [contact Nathan Firmin](#))

Monday and Tuesday are learning days, Wednesday is Play Day.

Sign up today–July 15 by contacting [Rev. Nathan Firmin](#).

## BIBLE EXPLORER CAMP

### STUDENTS ENTERING 2ND & 3RD GRADE

WHERE DID WE GET THE BIBLE?

Discover how the Bible came to be, how it was put together, and who is in it.

9 a.m.–Noon, Monday–Wednesday, July 31–August 2

\$20 registration (scholarships available, [contact Nathan Firmin](#))

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## YOUTH GRILL AND SWIM DIVES IN THIS SUMMER

Youth ministry continues Wednesday nights from 6–8 p.m. for our Grill & Swim Devotionals. This summer, we are focusing on the theme of "WATER." We have great interactive lessons planned, and someone may even get thrown in the pool. We will post the swim location each week. Parents, we need help with food supplies. We will set up a sign up in the coming weeks.

June 28 Grill and Swim will be at the home of the Cook Triplets. Please help bring food items: buns for hot dogs/hamburgers, chips and dessert. The address is 3630 Harley Ridge.