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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
1028 S BELT LINE RD  
MESQUITE TX 75149

Return Service Requested

### SERVING THIS SUNDAY

July 20, 2008

#### Ushers

8:45

Sheila Hammer- Head Usher  
Jerry Patterson Joanne Boudreaux  
Don Black

11:00

Brenda Evans - Head Usher  
Kathy Brown Linda Washeck  
Andy Leake Angela Washeck

#### Parking Lot Greeters

Denise Bennett Gayle Rumbeck

#### **Please remember in prayer . . . .**

Betty Aubert  
Barger family, friends of the Kusewitts  
Gary and Nancy Black  
Esther Boatman, Kathy Uzzle's mom  
Jim Brewster  
Jennie Childress, friend of Paula Kusewitt  
Pam Combs, friend of Sheila Hammer  
Lynette Copeland, friend of Julia Walker  
Lois Dandridge, friend of Susan Mathews  
Karen Dixon  
Margaret Green, friend of Susan Mathews  
Adam Fort, son of Doug and Jan Fort  
Frances Hair, mother of Phil Johnson  
Billy Harp, friend of Ken Johnson  
Debbie Justice, friend of the Leakes and Hoffmans  
Virginia Ledbetter, friend of Hope Sheppard  
Cheryl Martin  
Jerry McBain  
Ron & Wanda McDougle, parents of Ronda Scott  
Linda Miller, mother of Jan Fort  
The family of Leroy Moore, friends of the Rumbecks  
Michelle Nall, sister of Karen Carboni  
Syble Roberts, sister-in-law of Grace Roberts  
Dave Rumbeck  
The Sheppard family  
Clay Smith, son of Bob and Beth Smith  
Justin Taylor, nephew of Jerry & Harriet Jones  
Steve Tyler, friend of Bob & Maurine Robinson  
Laura Virgil  
Garret Whitaker, grandson of friend of Melba Jeffus



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## *From the Pastor . . .*

We are pleased that in a called meeting of the Session last Sunday, the Session approved a recommendation from the DCE Search Committee that Tim Smith be our new Director of Christian Education. Tim recently graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary, one of the outstanding seminaries of the Presbyterian Church, but his interest is in Christian education and youth work rather than being an ordained minister. He grew up in Ft. Worth and attended St. Paul Presbyterian Church in North Richland Hills. Tim and his wife Amy have a two year old son, Connor.

Tim and his family will be moving from Princeton, New Jersey, in early August and he will begin his work with us before Rally Day. All of the committee was impressed with Tim's Christian commitment. He is a fine young man with a good sense of humor. He has particular strengths in youth ministry, and we are looking forward to having him as part of our church. Some of our youth got to meet Tim when he was here one evening during Vacation Bible School. He is enthused about being with us, and I know the church will give him and his family a warm welcome.

*Tom Wilbanks*

## **This Sunday**

This Sunday the Chancel Ensemble will sing at 8:45, and the Chancel Choir will sing at 11:00. Dr. Wilbanks will give the sermon "God's Amazing Ways" based on Genesis 45:4-15.

## **Lemonade on the Lawn**

Our second "Lemonade on the Lawn" was held on June 29, following the 11:00 worship service, and as you can see in the pictures below, it was a great time of refreshment and fellowship. Our thanks to the Christian Fellowship Class for providing this enjoyable event for us.



Susan Farmer, Morgan Garver, and Paula Kusewitt



Patrick Garver, Richard and Elaine Hoffman

## Welcome New Member!



We were happy to welcome TERRY TURNER as a member of our church family on June 29.

## It's Time to Order Your Mission Yearbooks

We are taking orders now for the *2009 Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study* (\$5.25), and the *Children's Mission Yearbook* (\$6.50) written for elementary age children. Both books are designed as personal devotional guides, and are indispensable resources for learning about the mission work of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) around the world. Call the church office at 972-285-5602 to place your order.

## Membership Anniversaries

We want to recognize the faithful members of our church who are listed below, and the number of years they have been here.

Wanda Moon	79
Marjorie Bays	66
Maurine Robinson	66
Martha Whitehurst	61
Jeff Cromeens	59
Duane Moon	55
Aileen Tucker	52
Betty Aubert	48
Bob Robinson	46
Norma Frank	46
Joanne Moon	43
Doris Hicks	42
Frances Derrick	41
Nickie Wilbanks	41
Robbie Robinson	41
Dennis Hunt	40
Karen Hunt	40
Jan Hull	40
Kay Allen	40
Pete Allen	40

## Our Church Family . . .

KAREN DIXON was able to come home from Presbyterian Hospital last Friday but her condition continues to be very serious. JIM SHEPPARD is home from Baylor Hospital and recovering well from knee replacement surgery. BRENT CRELIA underwent a brain biopsy on July 2. WANDA MOON was at Richardson Regional Medical Center for several days last week and is now back home. BILLIE STONE is also home after undergoing a medical procedure to reduce severe back pain.

MARJORIE BAYS was honored June 24 by the Exchange Club of Mesquite and presented with their Book of Golden Deeds Award. During the presentation, Dr. Wilbanks was invited to tell about her contributions to our church, and he mentioned that among other things she was the editor for the book which records our church's first one-hundred years. Marjorie has served our community as a public school teacher, as Genealogy Specialist for the Mesquite Public Library, and she was a member of the Mesquite Historical Committee which published *A Stake In The Prairie*, which is a history of the city of Mesquite.

During our 11:00 o'clock worship service last Sunday, a commissioning service was held for the seven youth and two adults from our church who left Monday morning, July 14, for Synod Youth Workshop being held on the campus of our Presbyterian-related University of Tulsa. The youth attending are Josh and J.P. Marshall, Heather Mayfield, Spencer Nystrom, Rachel Petty, Emily Ramsey, and Blake Sexton. The adults attending are Paula Kusewitt and Howard Saucier. They will be part of 400 who will live for the week in small groups, and with their small group sponsors will leave the campus to do a variety of service projects throughout the city of Tulsa.

During Vacation Bible School, our middle and high school youth planted flowers on the north side of the church sanctuary, and we appreciate this added beautification of our church.

*Just as you trusted Christ to save you, trust him, too, for each day's problems; live in vital union with him. Let your roots grow down into him and draw up nourishment from him. Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving for all he has done.*

Colossians 2:6-7 (LB)

## Sharing Life Community Outreach Back to School Faire

Sharing Life Community Outreach will hold their annual Back to School Faire on Saturday, August 23, at Lakepointe Church-Town East. They are once again asking for our help with funds and supplies to help them pack backpacks for needy children for the 2008-09 school year. It is expected that they will serve about 1,100 children this year. Below is the list of needed supplies. There will be containers available in both buildings if you would like to make a donation.

- Map pencils
- Manilla paper
- Construction paper—assorted colors
- Glue
- Index cards—3 x 5 ruled cards
- Markers—broad tip, classic colors
- Picket folders with and without brads
- Notebook paper—wide and college ruled
- Pencil box
- Rulers
- Scissors—pointed and blunt
- Spiral notebooks—wide and college ruled
- Pink pearl erasers
- Kleenex

## Recycling News



The youth of our church appreciate the income they receive for their activities here at the church because of your paper recycling efforts. We receive between \$150 and \$200 per month for paper that you recycle in the retrievers on our north parking lot.

There have been some changes however, in the type of paper that can be recycled. They will no longer accept cardboard or telephone directories. The youth have placed signs on the retrievers to remind you of these new restrictions. Other than that, please keep it coming, and thanks for taking the time to bring your paper to the church for recycling.

## Men's Breakfast



There will not be a church newsletter next week so we want to remind the men of the Men's Breakfast to be held Sunday, July 27, at 7:30 a.m.

## Goldenaires Meeting Thursday, July 24

The Goldenaires will meet at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 24, for an interesting program featuring a 30 minute DVD presentation entitled "The Beginnings of the Gospel Traditions." Join our church's senior group for study, discussion fellowship, and light refreshments. Newcomers are always welcome! Don't miss it.