



# *The Trumpet*

The Monthly Newsletter of Bandera United Methodist Church

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## The Pastor's Corner

I cannot believe that it has already been a year since the Toomire's moved to Bandera! What an amazing adventure it has been. We have been so blessed in so many different ways by our wonderful church and community. In some ways, we still feel new – like we are still trying to figure some things out. In other ways, we feel very connected and at home. I guess life is like that. Some things are always changing and some will probably always stay the same.

Over this past year, many things have happened in our church. We have mourned the loss of what feels like way too many of our beloved family. While this has been tough for us as a church community – we must always remember those among us who still feel that loss deeply every moment of every day. When was the last time that you picked up the phone to call them or just dropped in to see them?

We have also celebrated on many different occasions – from 5th Sundays to AMAZING fundraisers to record-breaking Trunk or Treats and many, many things in between. One thing we have discovered is that Bandera looks for any opportunity for a party! Are there faces that you haven't seen in a while at one of our celebrations? Maybe you could reach out to them and invite them to our next 5th Sunday – July 29th! In honor of our Summer Worship Series – Then Sings My Soul, that 5th Sunday will be a good old fashioned Covered Dish Meal.

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In the coming months, we are hoping to have other activities to celebrate our past as we also look boldly into the future together. Maybe we could have an ice cream social? Or even a Baptism and Bar-B-Que down by the river? Maybe you have some ideas of activities and/or celebrations? If so, please let me know.

It has been a great year for our family and a pretty good year for our church. I am really hopeful that this next year will be even better. Please pray for your church and for its leaders. God has some amazing things in store. Again, I am both honored and humbled to be your pastor.

Thank you and thank God for you!  
Pastor Kyle

## Summer Sermon Series



I am so excited about our Summer Sermon series! "Then Sings My Soul" will be a 6-week series focusing on the hymns of the United Methodist Church, the stories and the Scriptures behind them, and what they are trying to tell us. Some of them are old favorites. Some you may have never head before. All are sacred.

July 22: Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

July 29: I Surrender All

August 5: Blessed Assurance

August 12: Come Thou Fount

August 19: Just As I Am

August 26: I'll Fly Away

Whether you love singing hymns, listening to hymns, or just looking to learn more about why we sing, come on out and join us for our series.

Pastor Kyle

## July Birthdays

**Proverbs 22:17**  
*"A merry heart does  
 good like medicine"*

Now the Lord is  
 Spirit, and where  
 the Spirit of the  
 Lord is, there is  
 freedom.

2 Cor 3:17

3rd	Booker Young	16th	John Kassai
3rd	Onna Shaw	17th	Jordan Edwards
3rd	Anna Freeman	18th	Sarah Espinosa
3rd	William Beal	18th	Kimbel Ward
6th	Kim Bodine	18th	Caitlyn Lewis
8th	Kirk McMullan	19th	Rudy Navarro
9th	Chris Wilson	19th	Kathy Giles
10th	Trina Sandidge	19th	Brenda Beal
10th	John Cook	20th	Michael Walls
10th	Heather Koenig	20th	Leeannah Russo
10th	Kasey Young	20th	Eva Bell
11th	Clint Koenig	21st	Ann Martin
12th	Richard Honea	24th	Cindy Woodland
14th	Phillip Jeffery	25th	Toby Sandidge
14th	Peg Boren	29th	Don Giles
14th	Dale Carman	29th	Andrew Linson
14th	Jess Edwards	31st	Lori Capes
15th	Kayla Chastain	31st	Rick Darling
16th	Amanda D'Spain		

## HELPING HAND

Our golf tournament/fundraiser held on June 22, as the May date was rained out, was a great success. We had 15 teams golfing and it was a great morning of golfing. Thanks golfers.

In May, Helping Hand aided 325 individuals. There were 10 new families needing assistance. Monetary value we gave away through May totals \$60,675: Food \$48,400; Clothes \$7,800; Household items \$1,250; Toiletries \$725 and Furniture \$4,500. Your donations of these items to our Thrift Store help us make this aid to the needy possible.

In July our special food items will be spaghetti, sauce, and all the fixings for spaghetti.

Thanks to all who continue to donate to Helping Hand by donating items and monetary giving enabling Helping Hand to help those in need in Bandera County.

Marianne Sandidge  
 Helping Hand Representative

## MESSAGES

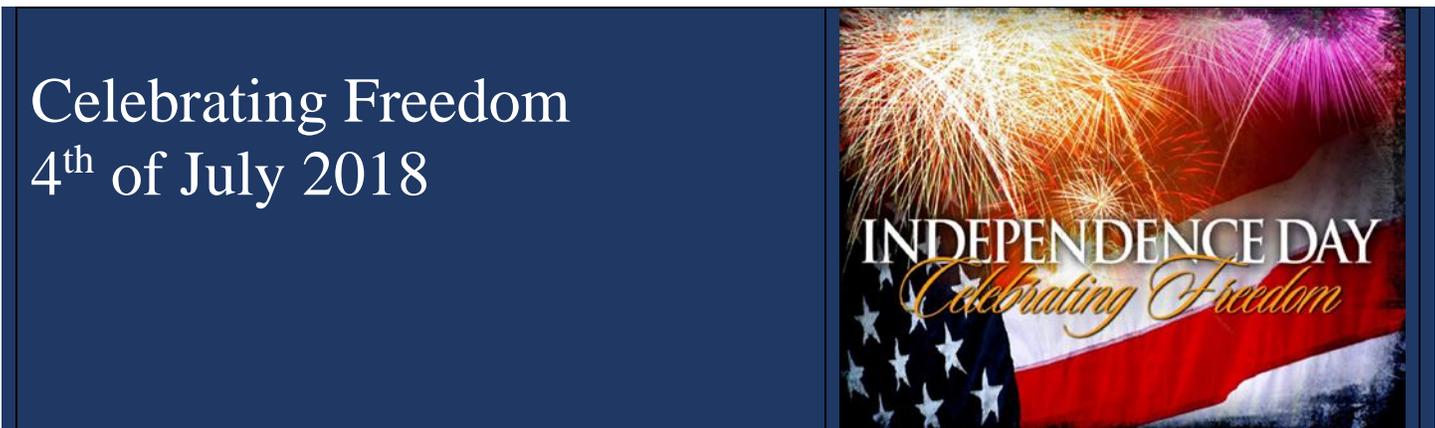
Dear BUMC,  
 Thank you for the 2018 scholarship. It is greatly appreciated and will help me out my first year of college starting in the fall of 2018.

Sincerely,  
 Rayni Sandidge

Thank you prayer warriors for your faithful prayers for our grandson and great grandson in Kansas. Their burns continue to heal and Coen's medical team is astonished at his progress. He was released from KU burn center and was allowed to attend school part time in May. He does return to the burn center for PT and laser surgeries on scar tissue but will not require any plastic surgery which is a true testimony to the power of your prayers to our loving God. His dad, Jeremy, was not as faithful about following his Doctor's instructions thus his hands are still very tender and blister with repetitive use.

We are so blessed that both have passed the critical months of their healing and very thankful to our wonderful church family for your prayers.

Thank you all.  
Guy & Carol Wolf



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Stephen Ministers are delivering communion to those who want communion, and in doing so we extend our communion table to those who are unable to get to church. If you would like to be put on the delivery list, please call the church office and make that request. It can be a one-time event (recovering from surgery) or normally a monthly request. We are happy and privileged to extend our communion table to you.

If you are struggling through a difficult time in life, and are experiencing grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or some other life crisis, let the Stephen Ministers help you through it. You may be unable to leave your home and want communion brought to you or you may just want someone to read the Bible to you. Stephen Ministers can be of assistance. Stephen Ministers are Christian men and women who are trained to provide one-on-one care to people who are experiencing a difficult time in life. They have a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need. The relationship between a care receiver and a Stephen Minister is confidential. When a care receiver's needs exceed what a Stephen Minister can provide, the Stephen Ministry team will make a referral to an appropriate mental health professional or other community resource. To get a Stephen Minister contact Pastor Kyle or Roberta Himebrook.

Some of our Stephen Ministers will be attending a H.E.R.O.E.S. Workshop. H.E.R.O.E.S. Care is a collaborative effort designed to provide complete and proactive support for members of all branches of the military and their families through pre-deployment, deployment, family reintegration and post-deployment. We have members of our congregation who served in the military and we felt this training would help us in serving them. It will also provide us with contact information to add to our resource manual.

## YOUTH

These pictures are from the Middle School Mission Trip - City Life Camp





## FINANCIAL REPORT

The year to date numbers are still good. Giving is still tracking on budget and expenses are well under budget leaving us a year to date surplus of a tick over \$15000.00. As we come into those lazy, hazy days of summer it is important that we don't forget our giving.

## ADELANTE

The adult Adelante Sunday School group continues their journey through the Bible. They are currently in the book of Mark. They find that like any journey this journey through the scriptures is more enjoyable shared with friends. Join them any Sunday in room 103.

Visitors always welcome !



## EMMAUS GROUPS

The Women's Emmaus Reunion groups are not meeting during the summer months but we are continuing to work on our Agape projects for the upcoming Walk in September. We are making needlepoint crosses and bookmarks. If anyone is interested in helping, contact Sharon Anderwald or Lisa Warden.

We are starting scholarships in honor of Arlen Habenicht, Beverly Jo Powell, and Jack McDonald. If you would like to contribute, please contact Sharon or Cheryl in the office.

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