

SPECIAL DATES FOR JUNE 2012

Happy Birthday

To:

06/01 Clydene Webb
06/07 Lacy Pankey
06/10 Pake Smith
06/11 Dottie Johnson
06/15 John Hackley
06/19 Peggy Sue Cline
06/21 Hallie Hackley
06/23 Rod Hammond
06/28 Lanna Moxley
06/29 Ryan Hammond
06/29 Robert McClure

Happy Anniversary

To:

06/05 Tom & Pat Loftin
06/26 Bob & Roxanna
Maddox
6/28 Norman & Corky Pickett

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Jacksboro Parish

JUNE 2012

Sunday Events by Date and Location

Jacksboro Parish extends
our welcome to you to join us
every Sunday for a shared
ministry of the Memorial
Christian and the First
Presbyterian Church.



9:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Sunday Worship
Rev. Ana Wilson

Trinity Sunday June 6th

Life in the Parish

BOOK CLUB: Coming this summer we start a Summer Book Club for all those who like reading. Our first meeting is June 10th at 6pm...if you'd like to start reading, please do. Our book list for this summer includes:

JUNE 10th – If God is Love: Rediscovering Grace in an Ungracious World by Philip Gulley and James Mulholland.

JULY 8th – The Shack by William P. Young

AUGUST 12th – Heaven is for Real by Todd Burpo

For this book club, we ask if you plan on participating, please purchase your own book and have it completely read by the time we come together for each of the monthly discussion groups. If you do not have the funds, please let Ana know...we don't want finances to keep you from these studies. We can continue these studies if there is an interest and we welcome your ideas of other books.

CHILDCARE PROVIDED!!!

Weekly Calendar Events and Meetings for June

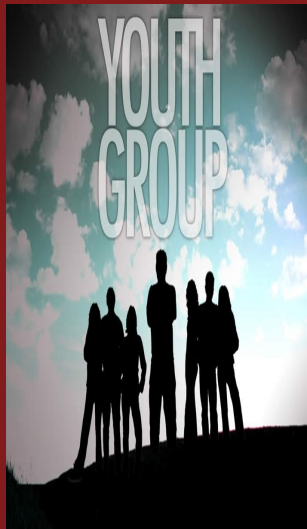
June 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Wild Wonderful Wednesdays, Summer Fun Days and all Youth Activities are listed on (page 3) Youth Calendar Events.

Mother's Day Out every Wednesday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

- 06/10 Book Club @ 6:00 P.M.**
- 06/12 Men's Group @ 6:30 A.M.**
- 06/12 Worship Committee @ 6:30 P.M.**
- 06/13 MCC Board @ 6:30 P.M.**
- 06/17 Happy Father's Day**
- 06/19 Mission & Stewardship @ 6:30 P.M.**
- 06/20 Parish Council @ 6:30 P.M.**



T.J. York
Youth Director

They will soar on the
wings like eagles,

They will run and not
grow weary,

They will walk and not
be faint.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR EVENTS

Every Wednesday the Jr. High and High School Youth Groups meet

@ 321 North Knox Street, Jacksboro, Texas

6:00-7:15 p.m. - Jr. High Youth Group

7:15-8:30 p.m. - High School Group

June Summer Plans

We have a LOT going on in June. And you don't want to miss out on the fun. This summer is going to be crazy fun! Like Girls and Guys Night, the last three Tuesdays are for guys and Thursday for girls in June—swimming, pizza, and small group Bible Study from 6:30-8:30.

June 15 -Bowling

June 22 - Skating

June 29 - Movie Night

We are also getting together for lunch, trips to sonic, volleyball at the lake and a little work (on the new building). Like I said summer is going to be CRAZY FUN!!

Summer Fun Days and Wild Wonderful Wednesdays

Summer Fun Days and Wild Wonderful Wednesday are filing up fast. Between the two programs we will be working with 26 kids each week during June, WOW!

Between skating, the zoo, cooking school, the water park and much more this summer will be one that the children will remember and take home great memories.

Stephanie and I are overseeing the program part of things, Sydney Storm and Kim Prachin will be working with the kids each week, along with some amazing volunteers. The good news is it is not too late to be a part of this ministry. If you would like to volunteer for a Wednesday during June, let the church office know ASAP.

Wild Wonderful Wednesdays

Incoming 1st, 2nd & 3rd Graders

Wednesdays in June, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Cost \$20.00 a day

June 6th—Skating at the Plex and Jump for Joy

June 13th—Forth Worth Zoo

June 20th— Cooking School with 4H and Bowling in Graham

June 27th—Lego Land in Grapevine.

Summer Fun Days

Incoming 4th, 5th and 6th Graders

Wednesdays in June, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Cost \$20.00 a day

June 6th—Cooking with 4H

June 13th— Forth Worth Zoo

June 20th— Cast Away Cove

June 27th—Lego Land in Grapevine

Mission Trip Fund Raiser

Sunday June 10th the youth will be hosting a church luncheon to raise funds for the mission trips. If you would like to make a donation to help with the lunch, please let me know A.S.A.P. Also if you would like to help offset the cost, you can contact the church office for more information.

Middle School Mission Trip

Jr. High Week of Hope

July 22-27

Austin, TX

Week of Hope is a mission trip where we will be serving the needs of people in Austin, TX through local ministries and non-profit organizations. Throughout the week, we will be continually serving others: both people in the local community, and one another.

During the week we will serve elderly, disabled and disadvantaged residents in need and back at camp we will build closer relationships while serving one another through cooking, cleaning and maintaining the camp. And each evening we will come together for music, sharing, prayers and laughs. It will be a week-long atmosphere of service, unity and fun!



High School Mission Trip

High School Taking the High Road

July 1-7

Northwest Arkansas

We will take the high road, literally, that leads to the cooler climates of northwest Arkansas from July 1-7, including work in Joplin, MO. We will be doing home remodels, nursing home assistance, soup kitchen serving and much more. We are planning on working hard and playing harder. We will be surrounded by rivers to floats, trails to tread, and—of-course—mountains to climb.

Message from T.J.

Adult Summer Small Group Gathering

One of the things I'm most excited about this summer has nothing to do with the Youth Ministry. The last three weeks in June and the last three weeks of July, I'll be hosting a small group gathering for people interested and asking tough questions about faith. We will be watching a short video series designed to help people find hope in the midst of disaster. We'll be gathering from 7:00 to 8:30 on Monday nights at my house, (the barn next to Tina and Jerry's) If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office, otherwise be looking for more information in the days and weeks to come.

A word from T.J.

It has been a crazy past few weeks in the world of Youth ministry. We hosted our end of the year swim party and we had 93 kids show up, that's right, 93! (It may be time to start thinking about getting a bigger bus). May has been one of the highest attended youth group months we've had all year. We have started doing something new, which I think is really cool, it is a small-group time every Wednesday night. During this time the kids are given the chance to talk about things they're experiencing and ask questions regarding the challenges of life.

It doesn't look like things are going to slow down much during June. And I'm okay with that, because I believe that God is at work and we as a church are blessed to be a part of God's work.

So, I have a few request for the church. The biggest thing I can ask for is prayer. Now that summer is here, pray for all of the volunteers and me, pray for the students, and pray for the church; pray that God gives us the heart to know where he's leading us in the exciting world of youth ministry. Lastly, pray for yourself; ask God where is it He has you playing a role in our youth ministry.

Peace,



Brother T.

Children Ministries

MOTHER'S DAY OUT



Have you walked down the hallway of MDO lately? If you have you might have seen a big tree on the supply room door! This is our "Wishing Tree" for MDO. On the tree attached are apples and on each apple is an item that would be helpful to us and items needed. If you are in a giving mood, please pick an apple, you may return items donated to the Church office. Be sure to attach your name so we can properly acknowledge your donation.

MDO Xtreme

A new beginning to a new year, Preschool and MDO will be combined to make up MDO Xtreme starting September 1, 2012. Our new hours will be Tuesday's and Thursday's 9:00am -3:00pm. We will offer a structured environment which will include a Christian based curriculum. Teachers are excited about next year as well as many parents.

It is so rewarding to better the educational learning of our children and still provide a fun and playful environment. The staff is looking forward to the new changes and the chance to teach the children about our Lord and Savior. This is an exciting stepping stone in the future of our children. Registration for the new year starts May 1, 2012. Application may be picked up from the office.

Parish Preschool

The Parish Preschool cookbooks are in!!! They are being sold for \$15.00 each. Family members, church members and the children contributed to the cookbook. Please help support the children of the future and enjoy new yummy recipes. You may stop by the church office to purchase a cookbook.



Parish Preschool will be closed during the summer vacation break and will begin again in September.

Monday Movies and Munchies!!!!

Kids, do you want something to do at least once a week during the summer? Well, come watch a movie with your friends @ Jacksboro Parish! We meet in the Activity/Student Center 6:00 P.m. Bring your friends, watch a movie and eat some snacks! We need volunteers for this ministry, please...Contact Ana if you would like to help. Due to Vacation Bible School the week of June 25th, there will be no movie night that Monday.

Ana

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS THIS MONTH



Bible Babes @ The Bistro *Starting again in the Fall*

Women's Group

Jacksboro Parish Women's Group meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at one of the Ladies house for fellowship, food, fun and study. **We will break for the summer and meet again in the Fall.**

Ana

Adult Summer Small Group Gathering with T.J.

The last three Mondays in June and the last three Mondays in July @ 7:00-8:30 there will be a gathering of faith study. We will be discussing tough questions and watching a video series about finding hope in the midst of disaster. We will be meeting @ T.J's (the barn by Jerry & Tina). Please call the office for more information.



Men's Group



The Jacksboro Parish's Men's group meets monthly at the Parish for food, fun, fellowship and hands on mission opportunities. Please join the group the **SE-COND Tuesday** of every month at 6:00 a.m. and not to worry, everyone is on their way to work by 8:00 a.m.

Pastor's Prattling



Dear Church Family,

In the past few months, I've been engaged in multiple discussions on various issues surrounding our churches and country today. These discussions happened on Facebook, in the office, via email, out in public and more. All denominations are facing changes and re-examining their beliefs or are determined not to change and clinging tightly to the theology and faith that they hold dear. Yet, I believe both of these views and everything in between are all being very faithful in who Christ called us to be.

However, I have to say, my heart breaks as I see more divisions come among Christians and our country. As the Presbyterian Church (USA) took a bold step in their new Book of Order for 2012, there are churches in that denomination asking to leave PCUSA. They no longer want to be affiliated with that faith. Next year at General Assembly for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), there will be votes that also could split our denomination. The Vatican currently is reprimanding the nuns of this country for their lack of taking a stand on issues because the nuns choose to love their neighbors. As we look at politics this year, I see more division and more "right/wrong" mentality that forces people to choose sides and "draw their weapons" of words, hatred, thoughts, scriptures and so forth.

I'm deeply troubled by these divisions. I'm saddened that people who joined together years ago are so adamant in their beliefs that they are willing to leave the table today. I'm in deep remorse for the loss of unity in Christ and I wonder if I feel this way, how would God/Christ feel? Have we all become so righteous in our various views that we are not willing to love one another, to come to the table and be united in Christ?

The other day on Facebook, one minister said about their denomination verses other denominations, "There are harlots and daughters of harlots, aren't we thankful to not be from that line." Is this really where we are? Calling names and treating people as "others" not worthy of Christ's love and compassion?

Church, I pray that no matter our differences--beliefs, practices, theologies, politics--that we can always come to the table of Christ, that we can love one another and show compassion to ALL of God's children. I pray we can truly live out Luke 10:27 in our church, our community and beyond. Even when we disagree, may we always join at the table and welcome more of God's children to that table.

Joining you at the table with my love and devotion,
Pastor Ana

Thanks for all you do!!



Dear Church,

I just felt an overwhelming urge to send out a thank you to all those who work so hard for our church. There are things that get done around here that many of us do not even realize. I like to call these people church mice...they don't do what they do for accolades; they do it because it needs to get done. So please join me in thanking all of our church mice that we may not even know what they do, but we do know that without them, this church would not run as smoothly.

In the past month the following things were fixed or replaced: candles filled with oil for services, minor fixes on property, major fixes on property (new ac units for sanctuary, lights in fellowship hall, new ovens in the kitchen, carpet replaced in offices/preschool), gardening around the grounds and so many other things. Plus we have our wonderful musicians who give of their time and talents and another church mouse is making our communion bread!

Every week we have Sunday School teachers loving our kids, committees who plan--worship, our education opportunities, stewardship/mission teaching and events, and nurture/evangelism who work to love and care for the people of this church.

Things cannot get done if everyone does not participate. So, THANK YOU to all who serve our church in ways that may never be seen or acknowledged. You all make this church a wonderful place to be! God be praised for your service. Lots of love, Ana

P.S

Thank you to the one who anonymously placed a gift on my desk this past Graduation Sunday. You truly touched my heart. I think you for thinking about me and my family and caring for us. My family is very blessed at Jacksboro Parish and we praise God for all your kindness. Love and Prayers, Ana



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Ministries and Outreaches

Wednesday—Mother's Day Out

Lord's Acre

Youth Programs

Christian Women's Fellowship

Christian Men's Fellowship

Ministerial Alliance

Alcoholics Anonymous

A Shared Ministry of Memorial Christian
And First Presbyterian Churches.



NOTES IN THE NEWS

Positions Opened...Tell your friends!

Our baby room for MDO is without workers as of this week. MDO is a vital ministry to Jacksboro and we desperately need to keep this program going. If you know of someone who wants to work with children, please contact Stephanie here at the office.

With a very sad heart, I have to say Amelia gave her resignation and her last day is June 1st. Please wish Amelia well as she moves on to her next adventure. That being said, we will be looking to fill her position. The Administrative Assistant will be responsible for finances, create bulletins/newsletters, help with programming, organizing and MUCH more. This is a multi-task position and needs an individual who can work with multiple distractions, work closely with the Senior Minister, get along with many different personalities, be professional and courteous at all times. Please call Ana if you have questions.

Dear Ana and members,

I want to thank all of you for the opportunity to serve with you for this past year. I have enjoyed our relationship and have come to think of you as family, it is with regret that I am leaving my position here to have more time with my family at home. I wish the best for you and the church and will look fondly on my time here as a positive experience.

Sincerely,

Amelia Pack