

**MAY
2017**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Don't miss the **State Historical Commission Quanah Parker State Traveling Exhibit** Through May 15 at the Irion County Museum.

FUMC will be honoring the Seniors of Irion County High on Wednesday, May 3rd by serving them lunch. Please contact Jennifer Thorp if you would like to assist. All help is greatly appreciated.

The next **Barnhart Community Luncheon** will be Thursday, May 11 at 12 noon. Good Food! Good Neighbors!

United Methodist Men will be serving breakfast on Sunday, May 14th. Let's start the day with a great breakfast.

Don't forget Mom on Sunday, May 14th. It's Mother's Day!!

The next **Mertzon Community Luncheon** will be Tuesday, May 16 at 11:30 p.m. Come visit with your friends and neighbors while enjoying a delicious meal.

Men's Community Prayer Breakfast—This month's Community Prayer Breakfast will be at the First United Methodist Church at 7:00 a.m.





Prayer Shawl Ministry

MADE WITH LOVE AND PRAYER

The First United Methodist Church Prayer Shawl Ministry continues with their knitting and crocheting. The blankets and shawls that are completed are blessed by the congregation on the 1st Sunday of each month. Do you knit or crochet? Please come join these wonderful ladies as they continue with this ministry. Men are welcome too!!

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is being challenge with crocheting plastic mats for the homeless using plastic bags. If you have clean plastic bags please bring them.



Ten Commandments—A new quilting class began February 2nd. This class will meets each Thursday from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Contact Linda Billington for additional information.

Beginning Cross Stitch Class each Sunday at 3:00 p.m. in Class Room 1, The first class will cost \$5.00 which covers supplies. Please contact Laurie Swepston for additional information.



FUMC Youth (Sr./Jr. High, PreK-6th Grade) **meet on Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm.** If you would like to assist in preparing/serving a meal, please place your name on the sign-up sheet. **The Youth will present a play "Case of the Empty Tomb" on April 9th, Palm Sunday.**

The Apostles

Find the name of all the apostles hidden in the puzzle below.

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Andrew
Bartholomew
James
James Alpheus
John
Judas
Matthew
Matthias
Philip
Simon
Simon Peter
Thaddeus
Thomas

This includes the 12 original apostles and the one selected to take Judas' place.



!! THANK YOU !!

As we get busy and days go by we forget to say "thank you" to those who help around our Church. Meals are prepared and served. Dishes are washed and dried. The lawn is mowed and leaves are raked. Bushes are trimmed and trees are planted. Light bulbs are replaced. Floors are swept and mopped. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for making our church beautiful and inviting to all.

FUMC WEEKLY SCHEDULE

United Methodist Women: Monday 9:30 am to 11:00 pm. Starting March 6 and continuing through April 10, "The Easter Experience". Ladies come join this Easter Bible Study.

Noon Bible Study Group: Monday Noon till 1:00 p.m. Currently studying Spiritual Gifts.

Chrysalis: Monday at Noon, Sign-up to furnish a meal

Walking by Faith: 9:00 am Tuesdays, Thursday & Fridays

Bible Study for All: Tuesdays 4 to 5:30 pm

AA/AI-A: Tuesdays & Sundays at 7:00 pm

Prayer: Wednesdays 7:00 am

Prayer Shawls: Wednesdays 1:00 pm

Choir Practice: Wednesdays 5:00 pm

Pre-K thru 12th Grade: Wednesdays 5:30-7:00 pm, Sign-up to bring meals

United Methodist Men: Thursdays 7:00 am

NA: Thursdays 7:00 pm

Women's Emmaus Reunion Group: Fridays 12:00-1:10 pm. Anyone who has attended a walk is welcome to come and participate. As they gather to offer support and prayers for one another in helping each other grow closer to Christ through fellowship and discipleship.

A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord we pray for all
MOTHERS
Beautiful and wonderful
they fill the earth
Gracious in Your call they
carry life
In a bond of love they bring
forth a child.

Happy Mother's Day



We ask You to bless all
MOTHERS today
May they feel the joys of motherhood
everyday
In all their struggles giving us a livelihood
May Your **LOVE** and **COMPASSION**
be with them for good.

May every **MOTHER** feel today
The pride and beauty of a family they bear
Through all pain and sorrow Lord
deliver them
In Your **STRENGTH** and **GRACE**
may they always stay.

AMEN!

Read full Prayer at christianstt.com

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

Trustee's, Finance and Administrative Meetings for the Month of May will be on **Sunday, May 21st**. Trustee's Meeting starts at 5:00 p.m., Finance at 5:30 and Administrative at 6:00.

The **8th Graders of Irion County** will be graduating on May 18th at 2:00 p.m.

ICHS will hold Graduation at 8:00 p.m. at the Stadium. Come out and wish the graduating Class of 2017 the best.

Arbor Terrace—Arbor Terrace is a nursing home in San Angelo that FUMC Mertzon adopted. Please come and join us for a good time as we sing and visit with the residents. The smiles you receive are well worth your time. Thursday, May 18th at 4:30 p.m.

Irion County Food Pantry is Tuesday, May 23rd at the Mertzon Community Center. Food items are gathered and sacked up beginning at 11:00 a.m. then handed out between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. Clothes will be available.

Christians in the Kitchen will be meeting on **Tuesday, May 30th** at 7:00 p.m. Death by Chocolate will be the topic. Come Hungry! For additional information contact John Swepston.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 5th thru the 9th. A list of donated items needed has been placed on the table under the picture of Jesus. **Any help is greatly appreciated.**

Texas Mission of Mercy (TMOM) is coming to San Angelo on **October 13 & 14**. TMOM is a mobile dental clinic that serves uninsured or underinsured Texans with free, pain-relieving dental care in a mission setting. TMOM is a program of the Texas Dental Association Smiles Foundation. The goal for San Angelo TMOM is to treat 700-1,000 patients. About 250 volunteers are needed each day to make this event a success. **To register to volunteer, please visit www.tmomvolunteer.org.** For additional info for treatment or to volunteer, contact the Wesley Nurse-Teresa Whitley, RN at 325 763-3838.