



THE HILLTOP NEWS

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The purpose of Western Hills United Methodist Church is to continue the ministry of Jesus by making disciples through faith, hope and love.

Wednesday—October 3

10:00 a.m., ESL Class
6:30 p.m., Disciples Choir
6:30 p.m., Handbell Choir
7:00 p.m., La Vida Cristo Centrica
7:30 p.m., Chancel Choir

Thursday—October 4

9:00-11:00 a.m., Food Pantry
4:00 p.m., Alzheimer's Support Group

Saturday—October 6

6:00 p.m., Praise

Sunday—October 7

9:30 a.m., Sunday School
10:50 a.m., Worship Service
5:00 p.m., U.M.Y.F.

Tuesday—October 9

9:00-11:00 a.m., Food Pantry
1:30 p.m., Altar Guild

Wednesday—October 10

10:00 a.m., ESL Class
6:30 p.m., Disciples Choir
6:30 p.m., Handbell Choir
7:00 p.m., La Vida Cristo Centrica
7:30 p.m., Chancel Choir

Thursday—October 11

9:00-11:00 a.m., Food Pantry
10:00 a.m., UMW Day Circle
6:00 p.m., WH North Assn. Meeting
7:00 p.m., UMW Night Circle

Sunday—October 14

9:00 a.m., Culto de Adoracion
9:30 a.m., Sunday School
10:30 a.m., Escuela Dominical
10:50 a.m., Worship Service
5:00 p.m., U.M.Y.F.

Monday—October 15

10:00 a.m., ESL Class
2:00 p.m., Stephen Ministries

Tuesday—October 16

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9:00-11:00 a.m., Food Pantry
1:30 p.m., Heavenly Needles

Wednesday—October 17

10:00 a.m., ESL Class
6:30 p.m., Disciples Choir
6:30 p.m., Handbell Choir
7:00 p.m., La Vida Cristo Centrica
7:30 p.m., Chancel Choir

I am always pleasantly surprised when God's grace blesses me with encounters with people who wonderfully express the Christian faith.

Last Sunday, here in our fellowship hall the Chamness family gathered with friends to celebrate our very own Rev. Gene Chamness' ninetieth birthday. It was a blessed day the day that Gene and Mary Chamness came to Western Hills United Methodist Church and made the decision to place Mary's membership and Gene's local church affiliation here at WHUMC.

The Chamness' have championed support for the church in mission. Both Gene and Mary have offered their Christian service through English as a Second Language. Gene accompanies Mary and makes sure that our refugee students are greeted with hospitality. Mary not only taught but also developed a personal relationship with her students. Through this special bond, Mary became aware of some of the necessities that our new neighbors had and Gene and Mary became advocates for them. We have become familiar with Dorica and her unique situation where she was assaulted and almost died. The Chamness' became strong advocates so that our church could respond to their need to survive as a family during their most difficult times. Then there was the time when the family needed a child carriage. Gene and Mary were assisted in this endeavor by their children so that the carriage was a two seater so that it would accommodate the two-year old and the baby that was on the way. The Chamness' have always supported UMCOR, United Methodist Committee on Relief. It is because of this continued support that this relief church agency continues to support missions throughout the world. I will never forget when the educational building needed a new water fountain or the fellowship hall needed round tables. The Chamness' were quick to respond and provide.

Yes, God has blessed Gene Chamness with ninety years of life, and God has blessed our church community with the blessings that only a dedicated and devoted life can give, love.

I am feeling better and hope to resume home visits to our church members and a continued presence to our homebound members.

Supporting My Church

Current Prayer Concerns:

Tamera Austin; Dollie Bedwell; Robert Burgess, cousin of David Clay; Troy Holder; Mary Hughes, daughter-in-law of Margaret Hughes; Pam King, sister of Julia Moore; Shelley Taylor, co-worker of Tiger Higginbotham

(Current prayer concerns will be posted for one month unless a request is received for the name to continue on the prayer list)

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Joan Brown, Renee Brown, Dorothy Burton, Katherine Busby, Penny Comparini, Beverly Contakos, Kaylan Covan, Mike Dobbs, Dorica, Dale Ford, Jessica Gray, Jann Green, Mike & Carolyn Grimes, Pete Gutierrez, Mel Henderson, Aaron Jennings, Mike Magee, Doug & Jean McGlaun, Ethel Meads, Jennifer Meister, Spencer Powell, Camille Redden,

Our Military:

Sam Brooks, Jason Busby, Garret Comparini, Sarah Davis, Dan Fagan, Sarah Harris, Angela Herrington, Trinity Herrington, Christopher Moore, Thomas Morton, Robert Newman, Richard Ray Owens, Jr., Nicholas Perez, Jacob Rangel, Chris Sotello, Blake Strack, Johnny Waldrop, Melvin Williams, Brandon Wilson

The deadline for the next newsletter is

Monday, October 15, 2018 by 12:00 p.m.



With Presence

Sunday School Attendance:

September 23rd	65
September 30th	72

Spanish Worship Service

September 23rd	15
September 30th	

Worship Attendance:

September 23rd	110
September 30th	111

Gifts of Money Needed for General Budget each week: \$5,000.00

September 23rd

General Budget	\$2,410.00
Heifer Fund	9.00
ESL	119.00
Food Pantry	100.00
Fall Festival	100.00
LVT Love	20.00

September 30th

General Budget	\$6,817.02
Heifer Fund	19.00
ESL	90.00
Royalties	200.91





SECURITY TEAMS/ LOCK UP TEAMS

October 7th
Security: Brenda Bearden
Lock Up:

October 14th
Security: Jeff Shahan
Lock Up:

If you are unable to work on your assigned day, please make arrangements for a substitute.

Greetings to you in the name of the Lord Jesus and His Father, the Great Physician,

I have now completed my training to be able to go forth with this exciting new ministry that will allow Western Hills United Methodist Church to be able to provide Faith Community Health support with professional, educational, and developmental means to our congregation. When the all-day training was completed, each one of the attendees was called to the front to have his/her hands anointed with Frankincense oil, blessed and prayed over by the chaplain. We were each given a certificate of completion for the course. The Holy Spirit was present during our time of training. It was a very emotional time for not only the attendees, but also our trainers. When I left, I felt an expectancy and excitement of what we might be able to accomplish in the future.

In order to accurately determine what you would like to see done within our church, I ask that you complete this survey while at church. This survey is from the Texas Health Resources and is a part of the Health Promotions program that we are now in covenant with since I was commissioned in September. The survey is anonymous, although it does contain a blank to fill in your zip code, if you desire. The survey will be used to assess the needs of our own congregation to determine what kinds of needs there are that you would like to see presented in our church. The more surveys that are turned in, the better the results of being able to meet our own congregation's needs. Our goal is to inform you of ways to be healthier. God gave us these bodies, and expects us to take care of them. This program is designed to do just that.

I will be handing out and accepting the surveys at church until Fall Festival, at which I will have a table set up outside the food pantry. This will be the designated location for the free flu clinic. The clinic will be conducted by Texas Health Resources volunteers. It will be done in a confidential manner abiding by HIPPA regulations. I think this is a great way to start off our relationship of being in covenant with Texas Health Resources.

As things are being organized, I will keep you informed through our newsletter, announcements in church, church website and other means of written and verbal communication. I appreciate all of you.

With your love and support, I will be able to go forth on this mission that I feel that God has put in my hands. Thank you.

May God bless all of you,
Linda Eden

BAKE SALE PROCEEDS HELP FUND ESL CLASSES

As a way of showing their appreciation for our ESL classes, students are making plans for a bake sale. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO OUR CHURCH'S ESL PROGRAM.

These are their plans:

1. The students will bring tamales and baked goods to our church on Sunday, October 7.
2. The students will join us for morning worship.
3. Members of our church may choose tamales or baked goods after worship and leave a donation for ESL.

Stephen Barr Memorial Concert
Texas Wesleyan's Martin Hall
1309 Wesleyan Street
October 26th - 7:30 p.m.

This annual concert features up and coming young musicians, This year the featured musicians are Mark and Keji Sanchez on violin and piano. Mark has been a frequent guest soloist here at WHUMC.

Family and friends are invited to this complimentary performance and reception.
Parking is free.

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING
YOUR TRUNK OR TREAT
CANDY TO THE CHURCH
OFFICE.**



IT'S STRANGE——

- ◆ It's strange how twenty dollars seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but such a small amount when you go shopping.
- ◆ It's strange how 2 hours seems so long when you're at church, and how short they seem when you're watching a good movie.
- ◆ It's strange that you can't find words to say when you're praying, but you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend.
- ◆ It's strange how difficult it is to read one chapter of the Bible, but how easy it is to read a popular novel.
- ◆ It's strange how everyone wants front-row-tickets to concerts, but they want to sit in the last row at Church.
- ◆ It's strange how we need to know about an event for church 2-3 weeks before the day so we can include it in our agenda, but we can adjust it for other events in the last minute?
- ◆ It's strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about God and share it with others, but it's easy to repeat gossip.
- ◆ It's strange how we believe everything that magazines and newspapers say, but we question the words in the Bible?

I want you to start praying about taking the time for our Advent study which will be starting the week of December 2nd. It is an Advent journey with a video by the storyteller James W. Moore, and he will be exploring the spirit of Christmas. As we light the candles of our Advent wreath, we can reflect on the unbreakable gifts that God has given us: hope, love, joy, and peace. It will be a wonderful 5 week study to help us remember God's greatest gift, who comes to us as a baby and leads us through all the days of our lives.

Anyone interested in joining our Advent journey, please make a choice below:

Terry

My choice of when I would attend the Advent study:

Please make a choice and return this portion of page to office.

Mon_____ Tues_____ Wed_____ Thu_____ Fri_____ Sat_____ Sun_____

Day_____ or Night_____