

The Messenger



Our Vision:

Building Believers in God's Love, Who Seek to Share God's Love



June 2011

Rev Bob Simpson, Pastor

VBS is Back!!!

Don't miss out! Get your children registered quickly. This is tons of fun, and your kids will never forget the fun, good times with friends, and growing closer to Jesus!

Check it out!!!!!!!



Come meet up with Jesus, look up to Jesus, join up with Jesus, open up to Jesus and fire up for Jesus!
July 18th through the 22nd from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.
\$10.00 per a child with a \$30.00 maximum per family.
Register today!

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Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Hall and Church Office!



Jesus Christ Lives!



Get Involved!



²⁵ *The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent's food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain," says the LORD.*

-Isaiah 65:25



¹⁰ *He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him.*

-1 Thessalonians 5:10

Youth Group- Recycling

Our youth group recycles inkjet cartridges, laser cartridges, cell phones, and aluminum cans, to raise funds. The funds raised this year benefits the youth mission trip.



In addition, we are now able to recycle DVD's, Laptops, MP3 Players, Digital Cameras, Portable DVD Players, Video Game Consoles, and GPS Devices.



Don't throw it away! Please recycle. It's good for the environment, and our youth group will earn funds.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

We have a Ministry at this church that creates handmade Prayer Shawls. They can be knitted, crocheted, quilted or sewn. We mostly work on the Shawl's at home, saying prayers to ask God to provide healing of the body, mind and spirit for the person who receives the Shawl. We do have fun meeting together and sharing our crafts and stories. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 10:00am in the upstairs room of the church. We have yarn and some hooks and needles and we can teach you how to crochet or knit. Come experience the gift of giving. For more information, contact:

Marcia Teachout 303-880-5263

msteachout@comcast.net



"For it was you who formed my inward parts, you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well." Psalm 139:13-14 NRSV

Thank you!

I wish I could tell you how much I appreciate the many ways you, my church family, have shown me kindnesses. My sincere thanks for your cards, concerns, telephone calls, and visits while I was at LeMay Rehab Center and after I returned home. The wonderful meals you brought in after I was able to be home were lifesavers.

Tripping on a chair leg was not on my agenda February 23rd, but I did it anyway and paid the price with a partial hip replacement. I am getting stronger, driving again, and trying to be very careful.

I feel blessed to be a part of such group as the members and friends of this church. Again, I thank you.

Georgia Johnson



Pentecost Celebration Brunch

Youth Group Mission Fundraiser

You are invited to join the Youth Group on Sunday, June 12th, after service, to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit with a Pentecost celebration Brunch!

In honor of Pentecost we will serve:



Southwestern Breakfast Casserole



Chicken Tetrazzini Casserole



Twelve Fruits of the Spirit Salad



Breads, Muffins, Rolls



Birthday Cake

Tickets will go on sale Sunday, May 15th
\$10 per single ticket, \$18 per couple
No charge for children under 5

Bob's Reflection

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A man traveling through the mountains suddenly found himself being chased by a ferocious tiger. He ran and ran and ran until he came to the edge of a cliff. In order to escape the jaws of the tiger, the man caught hold of a vine and swung himself over the edge of the cliff. Dangling down, he saw, to his dismay, there were more tigers on the ground hundreds of feet below him. Just then, two little mice, one white and one black scampered out from the cliff side and began gnawing on the vine to which he clung. He knew that at any moment he would fall to certain death. That's when he noticed a wild strawberry growing on the cliff wall. Clutching the vine with one hand, he reached and plucked the strawberry with the other and put it in his mouth. "Yum!" he said, "That's the *best* strawberry I've ever tasted."

What is your first reaction to this little parable? I have to say I am usually not a fan of stories that don't resolve one way or the other. I can imagine a number of ways the story could continue and lead to a "happy" ending. But the point of this story is not how it began or ended— it's about something that happened along the way. If the man in the story had been too preoccupied with the tigers below (the future), or the tiger above (the past), he would have missed the experience of the present— "the best strawberry I've EVER tasted."

Jesus longs for us to have these kinds of "best ever" experiences in our lives. He said, "*I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full*" (John 10:10). Maybe your past, like a tiger, is still chasing you in some way. Maybe you feel threatened by events and uncertainty in your future. Maybe the vine you've been hanging onto is ready to give out. Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ: "*In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world*" (John 16:33). You see, there is a strawberry within reach— even in challenging circumstances. *Now*, in the present, right now in *this* moment, within *our* reach is the best strawberry we've ever tasted: a relationship with the Living God! It comes in the person of the Holy Spirit whom Jesus said, "*will be with you forever.*"

This summer, see if you are willing to make a time and place where each day you will let God hold onto the burdens of your past and the worries of your future— even just for a little while— so you can simply notice, reach out to, and savor the presence of Christ who is always near. It's the best strawberry you've ever tasted.

Have a safe and Spirit Filled summer!

In Christ,

Bob

Quiet space

"Rest is not idleness," said John Lubbock, "and to lie sometimes on the grass on a summer day listening to the murmur of water or watching the clouds float across the sky is hardly a waste of time."

Most of us need more, not less, rest built into our daily routine. Only when we are quiet can we hear God's whisper.

Summer is a great time to find a peaceful, outdoor spot to read, rest and pray — even if only for a few minutes. God is eagerly waiting for us to make space for him.



GREETERS
(10 a.m. Service)

6-5	6-19
Bob Kenney	Gene & Ann Guy
Monte & Karen Savage	Terry & Judy Haduck
6-12	6-26
Bruce & Barbara Hyink	JM & Michele Shafer
Cogburn Family	Charlie Casson & Pat Ferrell

LITURGIST
(10 a.m. Service)

6-5 Vicki Christian
 6-12 Marilyn Bradley
 6-19 JM Shafer
 6-26 Sandy Lee

COMMUNION
6-5

10a Ted & Lois Huckabee
 Rob & Marilyn Bradley
 Susan Jewell-Klema

USHERS
(10 a.m. Service)

6-5 Terry & Judy Haduck	6-19 Gene & Janet Caplinger
6-12 Eric & Jessica Freitag	6-26 Gene Guy & Bob Kenney

FINDING FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP
(9:15 a.m.)

6-5 Lind & Sally Weidlich	6-19 Susan Cook
6-12 Marlene Bronson	6-26 Krista Goddard/Nursery

CLOTHES CLOSET
(9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon Tues & Thu)

2nd Help Needed!	16th Help Needed!
7th Help Needed!	21st Help Needed!
9th Help Needed!	23rd Help Needed!
14th Help Needed!	28th Help Needed!
30th Help Needed!	




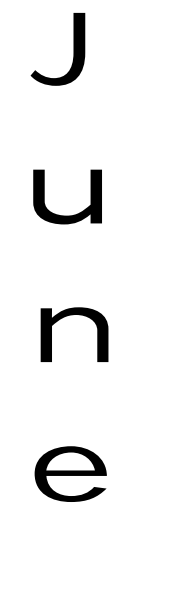

June Wish List!

- Colored 8 1/2 x 14 Paper for Bulletins
- 13 & 33 Gal Trash bags
- Hand Soap Refills
- Windex
- Lemonade Powder
- Pledge Wood Polish
- Tissues
- Dish Soap
- White out Tape
- Clorox Clean-Up w/ Bleach
- Decaf & Regular Coffee
- Batteries: AA & 9 volt
- Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Forever Postage Stamps
- Toilet Paper
- 8oz. Paper Coffee Cups
- 8in. Paper Plates
- Healthy Snacks for Nursery
- Baby Wipes
- Post-it Notes
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Envelopes
- Thank You!



"Dad, can you make dinner for me and my entire Sunday school class?"



		Sunday							Monday	Tuesday	
		May 2011							<p><i>Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.</i></p>		1
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		5 COMMUNION 							6	7	8
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10a Combined Worship									5:45p		
		12 PENTECOST							13	14	15
		7:15a Men's Breakfast							6:30p Adult Missions	9a WCP Children's Pract. 9a Clothes Closet 10a Prayer Shawl Ministry	5:45p
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Celebrating a **BIRTHDAY** June Birthdays

- 1st Quincey Fraker
- 1st Rodney Sanger
- 4th Larry McCarty
- 5th Linda Neville
- 6th Athena Petenes
- 7th Oren Campbell
- 7th Vicki Christian
- 7th Ellen Williamson
- 8th Payten Fraker
- 8th Tomi Simpson
- 8th Matt Zimmerman
- 9th Tanner Rosenthal
- 15th Susan Jewell-Klema
- 16th Mike Ferrell
- 17th Melissa Colgate
- 17th Susan Cook
- 17th Chris Rickford
- 19th Dylan Ackelson
- 19th Aaron Cook
- 19th Brady Sanger
- 19th Kaden Sanger
- 19th Iva Zajicek
- 22nd Casey Johnson
- 23rd R.J. Goddard
- 23rd Mel Klema
- 25th Allison Spirek
- 27th Karen Whipple
- 29th Nick Spirek



June Anniversaries



- 5th Oren & Ruth Ellen Campbell
- 5th Mike & Kim Rais
- 8th Glenn & Darla Altemose
- 10th Dave & Jan Cook
- 12th John & Verna Berens
- 15th Chris & Katy Unitt
- 20th Rodney & Julie Sanger
- 24th Carl & Marlene Bronson
- 25th Kevin & Angie Johnson
- 28th Tracy & Debbie Bates

PUZZLE

The Spirit Comes

ACTS 2 TELLS ABOUT A SPECIAL DAY WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO THE DISCIPLES.

Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.

Across

- natural movement of air
- to say something
- refrain from work
- place where God is
- a combustion or burning that gives light, heat and smoke
- part of mouth that can taste and lick
- the time between sunrise and sunset
- the day the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples

Down

- followers of Christ
- moved apart
- quickly and unexpectedly
- a building where people live
- vibrations that travel through the air

Joke Corner

Q. How does a flower ride a bike?
A. It pushes with its petals

Q. What do you get when you cross a rooster and a dog?
A. A cockapoodledoo

Answers: Across 1. wind, 4. speak, 5. rest, 7. heaven, 8. fire, 9. tongue, 10. day, 12. Pentecost; Down 2. disciples, 3. separated, 6. suddenly, 7. house, 11. sound



From Our Hearts to His...

Holy Father,

I think of you with every day I reside on this beautiful earth. I close my eyes and breathe you in deeply. You are there. Not far away, restoring my soul to that place you take me, above the clouds, in your dwelling place. You have saved a spot for me. I sit at your feet, and kneel before you, for you have given me a new life, a new reason, a new destination. I have walked along many times, looking forward, where the trees end, and the air is thin, but never have I walked alone. You have shown me... you have taught me... that your grace extends forever past where I can see, past any distance I can travel. Your love is there.

Sometimes I look down at my hands, I see time aging them, and my heart cries to find your purpose for me. I have only but the days numbered for me, and I can't help but wonder if every second has been spent taking the path you have led. I want to go nowhere else, but in your arms, where the truth lies, where there is comfort and calm. I can be there forever, existing in your embrace. I can taste the salty tears, as I lift up praises to you in delight. I feel the warmth on my face, as I lift my head upward realizing you are everywhere. I look around, and the world looks different. It feels different. It is not the place I once thought it was. Instead, now my heart is transformed by your love. You are real, and you are within me. This discovery overwhelms me and fills me with this exhilaration of being. If I am on top of a mountain, that is not high enough to reach you. If I jump or climb to the highest place in the world, I can't get high enough. I run, I dance, I sing... the adrenaline rushes within me. How can I release it? How can I truly express my worship with all my might, filled with joy and tears? Can I show you, Father, how I truly feel? I love you! I want to be with You and follow Your path always. Can I keep this moment, this feeling forever?

Thank you, Father, for giving me life. It is worth more than anything, knowing you are there. Every day, I will reach out. Every day I will smile and glorify your name. Every day I will humble myself before you. Thank you for loving me. I will love others. I will share my heart. I will praise your holy spirit. I will do anything, everything I can, the best I can in honor of your name. As I live my days, may they be pleasing to you. May they be filled with thankfulness for all you have done. I live for you. I breathe for you. I wake up for you. I open my eyes for you. And I move forward for you, looking each day for that place you lead me. You are in my soul. You are in my blood. You are. You are God, and I am yours. I live in remembrance of Jesus Christ. And my God, I live for you.

Amen

-Inspired by God, for God,

MKC

All praise goes to our Living God. If you enjoy this writing or any other writing that honors our Father, thank Him. He is the one that gifted us with our words. He gets all the credit. To the most Holy One up high, we thank you, we love you, praise you Father almighty. In His name, we live!!!!!!!

If you are interested in submitting poetry and/or other writings to "From Our Hearts to His" in praise of our Loving Heavenly Father, please send it to

fumcmessenger@gmail.com

Stephen Ministry Corner

The Ministry of Listening

Think of a time when you really felt cared for. Chances are someone focused on what you had to say, was attentive to your needs, and listened to how you felt instead of telling you how you should feel or what you should do.

Listening is one of the most powerful ministry tools at our disposal. It demonstrates that you care about the other person. In Stephen Ministry, a great deal of time is spent in teaching and practicing listening skills because of its importance as a caregiving tool. You too can become a more caring listener by understanding and applying these six listening concepts from Stephen Ministry training:

1. **Listening is active.** It takes energy and commitment to listen really well. Focus your attention on what the other person has to say, instead of thinking of what you'll say next. Look at him or her while you listen, and nod along from time to time so the person knows you're tuned in.
2. **Listening takes patience.** Often you need to build trust before someone will open up to you. Constant, patient listening is a key.
3. **Listening involves more than just words.** Pay attention not only to what is *said*, but to what is not *said*/or to what is said with a smile or a sigh. Pay attention to body language, too. Does it agree with or contradict a person's spoken words?
4. **Good listeners aren't completely silent.** They restate key thoughts or ideas to be sure they understood correctly or ask focused questions to encourage the person to reach a little deeper.
5. **Listening happens over time.** One conversation might build upon an earlier one. As you listen over several conversations, are there any recurring themes or patterns in what the person has said? Are there any contradictions from what was said earlier? These are signs there may be more to explore underneath.
6. **Listening is confidential.** A great way to build that trust and to show the person you really care for him or her is to maintain confidentiality and not to share with others what was told to you in private conversation.

Jesus was the model of a good listener. Much of his ministry was listening to people. By listening to what people had to say he demonstrated how much he really cared about them. Remember the stories of the woman at the well, Nicodemus, or the disciples on the road to Emmaus. All were times when Jesus showed his care and concern by first listening to people and then giving them what they needed.

We all want Windsor UMC to be a caring place, where members and guests truly feel people care about who they are and how they feel. Just as our Stephen Ministers use good listening skills to communicate how much they care, so can you. Follow and practice these listening principles and make a concentrated effort toward becoming a better listener. Listening is a great gift we can give to one another, and one we can all use in order to make this church a more caring place.

Could a Stephen Minister be for you or someone you know? Contact your Stephen Ministry at Windsor FUMC Pastor Bob Simpson 970.686.2368 or your Stephen Leaders Susan Cook 970.674.5022, Tara Overton 970.686.9693 or Ken Iliff 970.674.0134

Announcements and other fun

If you have the name and address of a soldier serving in Iraq or Afghanistan, please contact Lee Cochran 460-0342 or Jaime Cummings 303-596-4206. Please help us connect with soldiers to let them know they are loved and prayed for.

If you know of someone who is pregnant, is sick, has been hospitalized or is going to have surgery, please call Jaime Cummings at 303-596-4206, Ken Iliff at 674-1034 or Krista, church secretary, at 686-2368.

Thank you for helping us reach out.

The next Emmaus gathering is:



When: Saturday, June 11th @ 5:30PM

Where: Table Christian Church- 555 North 11th Avenue,

Brighton

<http://northcoloemmaus.org/>

There are many opportunities available for you to volunteer your time and gifts God has given you in One Hour Ministry. Please contact Jaime Cummings 303-596-4206.

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Who Will Benefit from the Stephen Series?

The Stephen Series, for which Windsor FUMC will soon begin training, benefits many others besides those who receive the care of their Stephen Ministers. The Stephen Ministers grow greatly as they learn about helping others. They learn about themselves. As the hurting members of our congregation grow stronger through this caring ministry, the whole church is built up and made stronger. And, of course, we all can have the confident knowledge that when the pains of life come our way, someone will always be there, ready to care for us, to bring God's love to us in a special, personal way. Perhaps God is calling you to be one of these caring, committed servants who offer his love to those who are hurting. Please pray about your calling as you discern your response to this ministry.

Applications are available on the board in the entry way or you may ask a Stephen Minister for assistance. Please return your completed application to the office by September 9, 2011.

Your Church Leaders

Pastor.....Bob Simpson
 Office Manager..... Krista Goddard
 Youth Coord.....Deb Campbell
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Thank you for being part of our church family. May many prayers flow through you, and may many answers to prayer come to you in God's love.

