

This week, I read a story about a horse-pull competition in Canada. One horse pulled 9,000 pounds, another 8,000. Together you would expect them to pull 18,000 pounds. Not so. When they are teamed together, they pulled 30,000 pounds. The principle is called synergism. It is defined as, “the simultaneous action of separate agents working together has a greater total effect than the sum of their individual efforts.” More can be done in a team effort than can be accomplished solo. In order for the principle of synergism to work like it should, there has to be teamwork.

This story reminds me of the church. We are more successful as we work together, applying all our energy and focus to the same concern. Throughout the New Testament we find scriptures that encourage us as Jesus’ disciples to work together and to love one another; in other words, to practice teamwork.

As you look through this month’s newsletter you will see that there are lots of things going on in the life of our church. I believe that each one of the ministries of our church is vital and important. And together, through our participation, support and prayers for each of these ministries, we are ensuring their success. Even more, we are helping to fulfill the Gospel call to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Let me invite you to be a part of our team for Fall Festival. This is one of the most important events in the life of our church. Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000 which would pay our first year’s mortgage in our new facility and allow us to purchase some of the chairs we will need for our new worship space. There are countless ways for you to help with the Festival this year – buy some lunch tickets to share with friends, help set up or clean up the garage sale, participate in the live and silent auctions, work in the kitchen, donate an item for the auction, help with the children’s area, invite a friend or provide a bake sale item. Find a way to be a part of the team. Let’s show our community what the church can accomplish when we all work together.

When we joined the church we all answered the same question, “Will you be loyal to the church and support it with your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness?” Please support Fall Festival with all of these things. I look forward to seeing you on October 8th!

In His Grip,
Kissa



The mission of Troy United Methodist Church is to be a Bible based community church where people are transformed by the Spirit of God into deeply committed followers of Jesus Christ.

OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO...

ASSISTED LIVING/NURSING HOMES

Brooksie Curlee ~ *Meridian, Temple*
 Betty Havard
 Vi Howell ~ *Garden Estates, Temple*
 Johnnie Krumnow ~ *Temple Living Center, Temple*
 Wil Long ~ *Park Place, Belton*
 Margaret Maedgen ~ *Park Place, Belton*
 Henry Olejnik ~ *Wm. Courtney Home, Temple*
 Laverne Reinhardt
 Alma Smith ~ *Temple*
 Ruth Taylor ~ *Weston Inn, Temple*
 Louis Zaleski ~ *TLC Western Hills, Temple*

HOME/CONTINUING CARE

Grace Allison	Donette Collier
Wanda Dorsey	Lois Fellows
Laurie Herring	Janet Klement
Don & Minnie Knepp	Kenny Knepp
Rowan Sebek	Jamie Thomason

IN LOVING MEMORY

Marie Gover
 Bryan Harmon

We appreciate updates on those on our prayer list.

FRIENDS OF TROY UMC

Randi Allen	Jesse Alford
David Barta	Jerry Beene
Roger Boone	Patti Branscum
Dylan Brown	Maudie Bulls
Earl Butts	Corbin Burke
Shawn Cambell	Jacque Collier
Jim Collins	Charlie Dupree
Sabrina Eaton	Kathy Edmundson
Alma Rose Ellis	Jack Flinn
Gabe Frampton	Gene Fricke
Elly Gill	Bobby Johnson
Bobby Jones	Cameron Jordan
Shirley Kelly	Judith Koke
Sandy Lansford	Jeannie Lynn
Weldon Mahan	Barbara Massey
Mary McGuire	Lori Meyer
Ed & Francis Miller	Kim Morris
Deborah Muller	Leona Murrah
Kay Neumann	Mrs. Henry Olejnik
Sayleigh Olveda	Annette Ortiz
Freddie Parker	Marsha Perry
Michelle Price	Sharon Richards
Sarrah Fawn Romero	Al Ruppert
Adam Russell	Connie Salsiccia
Nancy Snead	Eugene Tedford
Ed Tsyitee Family	Jeff White
Marsha White	Perry White
Betty Zook	



Sunday, October 30
Fun, food, fellowship and trunk or treating for the kiddos!!!

OUR SERVICES

Sunday Worship
Services

8:30 am (Contemporary)
 11:00 am (Traditional)

Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

United Methodist

Youth Fellowship

Jr. High 5:00 ~ 6:15 p.m.
 Sr. High 5:45-7:00 p.m.

They share a light meal from 5:45-6:15.



Coffee and doughnuts are served before Sunday School each week. Join us!!





IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Marie Gover

{August 27, 2011}

Lou & Janet Klement
Richard & Betty Hester
Troy United Methodist Church
Troy UMC Quilters

Tooter & Susan Creech
Katherine Maedgen
Barbara Thompson



Dr. Clovis Gault

Marlene Rogers and family



Jo Prince

Tooter & Susan Creech



Irene Blasingame

Lou & Janet Klement



Phil Dunham

Marlene Rogers



Here Everything's Better.™

HEB Grocery is offering an instant 11 cents savings per gallon of gasoline when you purchase it with an HEB gift card. This offer is good through October 31, 2011. Please consider purchasing that gift card through our SCRIP program!!



COLUMBUS DAY

Church offices will be closed on Monday, October 10 to observe Columbus Day



*Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hester
request the pleasure of your
company at the marriage of
their daughter,*

Kacy LeAnn

to

Matthew Wayne Jarma

son of

Mr. & Mrs. Dick Jarma

and

Mr. & Mrs. Tim Mahler

*Saturday, October fifteenth
at four o'clock in the afternoon*

First Baptist Church

20 Church Ave.

Troy, Texas

*Dinner and dance to follow
Flag Hall, Cyclone, Texas*

RSVP via wedding website:

<http://mattandkacy.ourwedding.com>

or to kacy98@sbcglobal.net

or 254-780-7788



Dear Friends,

Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated. Thank you so much for the wonderful meal that you all provided.

The Family of Marie Gover



Birthdays in October

- 2 Glenda Cvikel
- 3 Becky Mendoza
- 4 David Roush
- 9 Oneta Taylor, Kay Tyler
- 11 Caitlyn Hensley
- 17 Lindsey Hester, Russell Coufal
- 18 Brandon Mast
- 19 Cohen Ketcham
- 23 Brooke Parcus
- 28 Preston Roberts, Kelli Tedrow
- 29 Charles Gover
- 30 Tim Kirkscey
- 31 Nancy Mercer, Kirby Bush,
David McKinney

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Don & Jackie Lewis
- Marcus & Alyssa Ketcham
- 7 Rodney & Tracie Tedrow



When you purchase your candy for trick or treaters, please consider picking up an extra bag or two for the church. College Street is the busiest street in Troy that night, so we will set up next to the Reinhardt's home to pass out candy and pencils to the children of the community. Please be generous and let's do all we can to make this a safe Halloween for the children.



Trunk or Treat

Decorate your car trunks and bring some candy to our annual Harvest Fun Night on Sunday, October 30! Beginning at 6:00 we will share a hot dog meal (feel free to bring foods that go with this—chili, crackers, corn chips, cheese, condiments and/or dessert!), have a cake walk, decorate pumpkins and other children's activities. Then we will head out for the children to go from car to car collecting candy!. Kiddos, please wear your non-scary Halloween costumes!! See you there!

Steve has started practicing the Christmas cantata with the chancel choir. We would love for you to join the choir, even if it's just for this season!! This is a wonderful way to serve your Lord by sharing the word in song.



For the next few weeks, practice will be at 6:30 on Wednesday evenings. Closer to performance date (Dec. 18) there will probably be more practice times set.



The Children's Team is already gearing up for Christmas, too. We're preparing a float for the Troy Christmas parade and we need your creative ideas and talents to pull it off. Please see ShaShawna Bush or Christin Ivey to share your thoughts. Our theme is "The Gift"...we can't wait for you to share your gift with the community.

Sunday, November 6 we will have a service of remembering those we love who have gone before us. If you have lost a family member whom you would like to be remembered by the calling of his/her name and the lighting of a candle, please let the church office know as soon as possible.





BOOK STUDY

*It is fall and time for our annual book study. This year we will focus our attention on **Not a Fan: Becoming a Completely Committed Follower of Jesus** by Kyle Idleman. Beginning Tuesday, October 25– November 29 we will meet weekly to discuss the book. You can come at 10:00 am or 6:00 pm. Copies of the book can be purchased online or from a local Christian bookstore. Below is a description of the book.*

If Jesus were to sit down with you right now and have a DTR (Define the Relationship) conversation, how would you respond? Are you truly his follower or just a fan--or perhaps someone who doesn't even care about the difference? Not a

Fan invites you to make Jesus not merely the object of your admiration, but the very center of your life. Are you a follower of Jesus? Don't answer too quickly.

In fact, you may want to read this book before you answer at all. Consider it a "Define the Relationship" conversation to determine exactly where you stand. You may indeed be a passionate, fully devoted follower of Jesus. Or, you may be just a fan who admires Jesus but isn't ready to let him cramp your style. In any case, don't take the question, "Are you a follower of Jesus?" lightly.

Not a Fan calls you to consider the demands and rewards of being a true disciple. With frankness sprinkled with humor, Idleman invites you to live the way Jesus lived, love the way he loved, pray the way he prayed, and never give up living for the One who gave his all for you.



Garage Sale -- Friday & Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Sugar Shack, Bake Sale & General Store will open at 8:00 a.m.

Activities for Children from 9:00-Noon

Grilled Chicken Breast Lunch (cooked by Tooter Creech and Co.) will be served 11:00 a .m. until 2:00 p.m.

Silent Auction from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

including a special area for children

Live Auction in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. -- Eddy Lange, Auctioneer



**Reunion
Worship
Service**

Sunday, October 30 we will reunite as one congregation at 10:00 for worship service. There will be both praise and traditional music and a very special message. Mark your calendars for this day when both services come together for a time of worship and fellowship.

There will be no Sunday School that day!!



GREETERS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER GREETERS

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
2	Russell Reinhardt	Kay Nan Ledger Karen Machalek
9	Jamie Thomason	Matt Jarma Bill Tyler
16	BJ Finch	Becky Baker Norman Baker
23	Don Valenta	Kay Nan Ledger Karen Machalek
30	10:00 service Matt Jarma and Bill Tyler	

OCTOBER USHERS

2	Darin Crawford Tommy Valle	Barrett Ledger Bill Ledger
9	Don Havard Jamie Thomason	Matt Jarma Bill Tyler
16	Don Valenta Sherri Valenta	Norman Baker Gaylon Ivey
23	Lou Klement Russell Reinhardt	Barrett Ledger Bill Ledger
30	10:00 service Gary Doughty and Matt Jarma	

OCTOBER LITURGISTS








2	Linda Robinson
9	Bill Ledger
16	Larry Stewart
23	Doug Vaughn
30	N/A

OCTOBER YOUTH MEAL PROVIDERS

2	Gary & Lori Roessler
9	Buddy & Elaine Roberts
16	Bret & Brigitte Allen
23	Mark & Susan Maedgen
30	Harvest Fun Night-no youth



October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP... <i>Contemporary Worship: 8:30</i> <i>Sunday School for ALL ages: 9:45</i> <i>Tradition Worship: 11:00</i></p>		<p>Jr. & Sr. High YOUTH meet 5-7:00 each Sunday. They are provided a meal by different families in the church.</p>				<p>1  <i>Sanders-Beechem wedding</i></p>
<p>2 <i>World Communion Sunday</i></p>	<p>3 <i>Emmaus Reunion Group 9:00</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts 6 & 7:00</i></p>	<p>4 <i>Staff-Parish Relations Mtg. 6:00</i> <i>Lay Leadership Mtg. 7:00</i></p>	<p>5 <i>Quilters 10-2:00</i> <i>Choir Practice 6:00</i> <i>Cantata Practice 6:30</i> <i>Praise Team Practice 7:00</i></p>	<p>6 <i>Men's Fellowship 5:15</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts 6 & 7:00</i></p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 </p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10 Church offices closed Columbus Day <i>Emmaus Group</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>11 </p>	<p>12 <i>Quilters</i> <i>Choir/Cantata Practice</i> <i>Praise Team Practice</i> <i>United Methodist Women</i></p>	<p>13 <i>Men's Fellowship</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>14 <i>Facility reserved 5:00 pm</i></p>	<p>15  <i>Hester-Jarma wedding</i></p>
<p>16</p>	<p>17 <i>Emmaus Group</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 <i>Quilters</i> <i>Choir/Cantata Practice</i> <i>Praise Team Practice</i> <i>Church Council Mtg. 7:00</i></p>	<p>20 <i>Men's Fellowship</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23 </p>	<p>24 <i>Emmaus Group</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>25 <i>"Not a Fan" book study 10:00 and 6:00</i></p>	<p>26 <i>Quilters</i> <i>Choir/Cantata Practice</i> <i>Praise Team Practice</i></p>	<p>27 <i>Men's Fellowship</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 </p>
<p>30 <i>Harvest Fun Night and Trunk or Treating 6:00</i></p>	<p>31 <i>Emmaus Group</i> <i>Cub & Boy Scouts</i></p>					