



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Newsletter

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Pastoral Perspective

Folks,

Spring is in full bloom, and so are my allergies! When I walked outside after work one day and wondered who replaced by black truck with a green one, I decided to look up where all of this pollen comes from and what the purpose is. That research took me down memory lane to fourth grade science class where we learned all about how flowers and plants reproduce through pollination. They produce those grains that get picked up by bees, insects, animals, and even the wind, and spread to other plants leading to the production of seeds, fruits, and other plants. It's a pretty cool process, and it really got me thinking. For tons of people, especially parents and grandparents, May is an incredibly busy month filled with celebrations, graduations, playoffs, performance exhibitions, special events, recognitions, and trips. Looking at the calendar can almost feel overwhelming! You'll be going to all sorts of new places and interacting with all sorts of new people. But rather than looking at it as a stressful and busy season of just "go, go, go," what if we looked at this busy season as an opportunity for pollination and spreading the faith? God will bring interactions between you and people you've never met. God will bring you to places you've never been. Maybe, just maybe, part of that purpose isn't just for a family vacation or a crawfish boil for your nephew's graduation party, but an opportunity to spread the faith through your own life and example. The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few, so get to spreading, friends!

Grace and Peace,
Greg Morgan



*Worship
& Learn
with Us*

Sunday School
9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship
Service:
10:30 A.M.

*Child care is
available during the
classrooms during
Sunday Service*

Senior Sunday



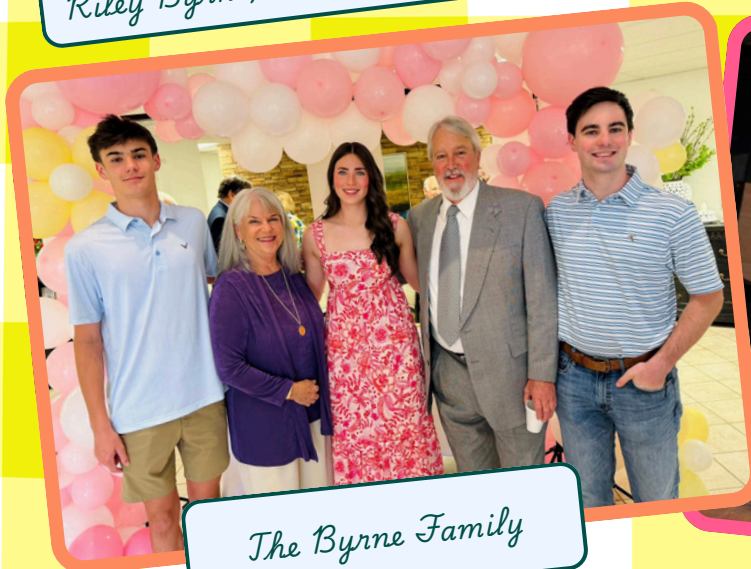
Lizzie Sharp, Hayden Henry, Gavin Escamilla, Riley Byrne, Avery Benich, Bryce Ervin & Pastor Greg Morgan



Riley Byrne, Avery Benich, Bryce Ervin



Lizzie Sharp, Hayden Henry, Gavin Escamilla



The Byrne Family

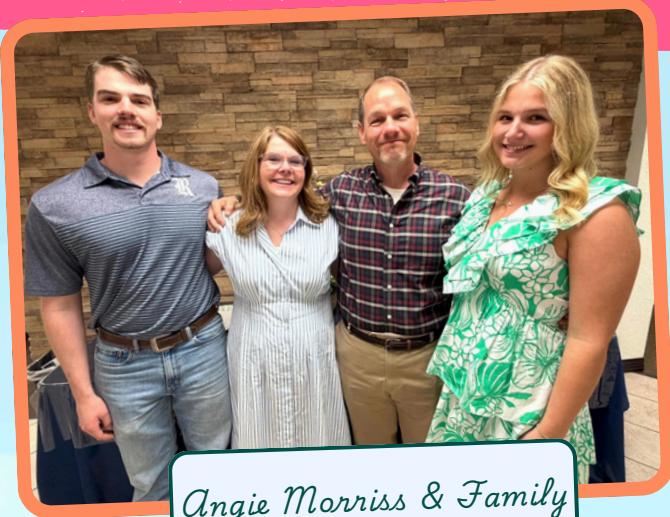




Mother's Day



Leigh Ann Scates & Family



Angie Morriss & Family

Happy Mother's Day



Sharie Bishop & Family



Lauren Sutton & Family



Susan Waldrep & Family

Servant's Heart

Charlie King

Q

What role do you serve in, and how did you get started?

I help in the tech booth at church, mainly assisting with the live stream or doing the slide show. But if need be I have filled in and done any of them. My first day back at church Greg got word that I have been doing theatre at Texas High, and that I mainly worked with the technical aspects, and so he invited me to do the same at the church.



Q

What do you enjoy most about volunteering with our church family?

It makes me feel good that I'm able to contribute and give back to all the amazing people in our community, not to mention how sweet and welcoming everyone is.

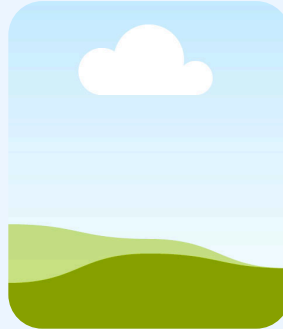
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Who has been an inspiration in your journey of serving others?

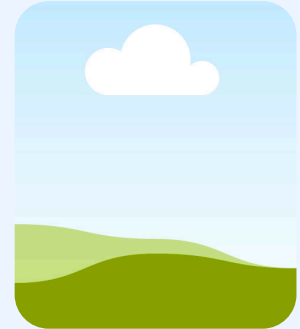
First I would definitely like to mention Pastor Greg, he welcomed me so fast and gave me such an amazing opportunity. I truly am so grateful. I also would like to mention the technical director at Texas High School, Trent Hanna. He doesn't go to our church, but he does the same thing I do at his church, and he has taught me all I know about tech. I wouldn't be where I am without him.

Welcome NEW MEMBERS!

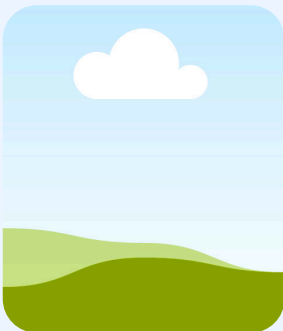
We celebrate the wonderful blessing of the new members who have joined our church family. Thank you for saying "yes" to this journey with us—we can't wait to see the many ways God will work through your gifts, faith, and presence in the days ahead.



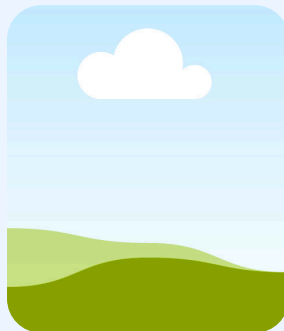
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BLAAUW, Jacob, Sarah & Charlotte



GENTRY, Samson



HUTSON, Brett, Kristen, Shiloh & Worth



KING, Chris & Charlie



MALONE, Mike & Cindy



MARRACINO, Torin, Michaelyn & Brynleigh



MAXEY, John



MAXWELL, Chuck & Terry

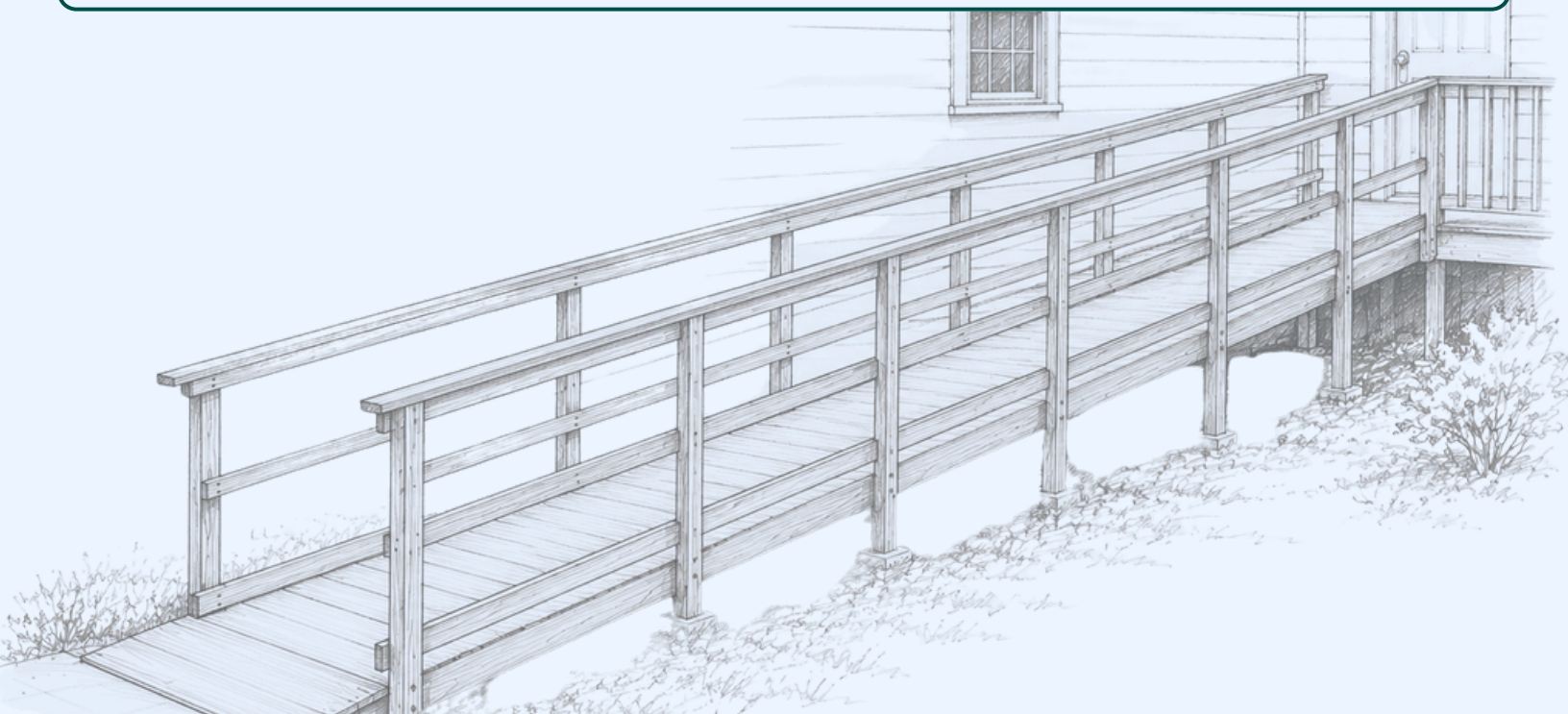


WYRICK, Scott

Wheelchair Ramp Build



Michael White, Paul Quinn, Chris Quinn, Jim McGee, Tommy, Tom Bohun, Daniel, Bill Ainsley, Craig Benich, Richard Page, Dale Vaughn



Family Fun Fest

Michael & Nash Ward
Eric & Emma Casias



The Ramage
Family



Torin & Michaelyn Marracino

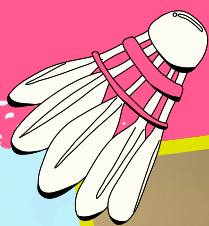


Donna & Tim Nash
Morgan Ward



Shiloh & Kristen Hutson

Family Fun Fest



Brooke, Cathy & Avery Benich,
& Hayden Henry



The Crews Family



The Sandefur
Family



Micah Ramage, Kory Crews, Pastor
Greg Morgan, Eric Casias &



Micah & Jack Henry



The Ward Family

Serving Through Song

Meet the hands behind the hymns, our organist:

Grace Drye



Q

How did you first begin playing the organ, and what drew you to it?

“Church” has been my “home” my entire lifetime. My father had 2 sisters who very aggressively decided I needed to play the piano. I began lessons at about 7 years old. Since we went to church all the time, I naturally gravitated to church music- that was the music I learned. We were at a small church that needed a pianist when I was approximately 10 years old. My aunt told the preacher I would be glad to play. I was too afraid of the consequences to refuse. That's how it began. By the time I was a teenager, I had a love for it. The organ playing came when the church needed someone to play it.

Q

What do you love most about serving as our church organist?

It's evident to me that our church has a spirit of enthusiams! (In my day, we called it “revival”). I love to be part of a congregation of people who excitedly love and serve our Lord and who love to come to church.

Serving Through Song

Q

Is there a particular hymn or piece of music that is especially meaningful to you? Why?

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

That was the “bridal chorus” at our wedding 59 years ago. The cross has been our baseline for living.

Q

How do you prepare for Sunday services or special events?

Lots of PRACTICE & PRAYER! It's hard to tolerate poorly-done music. (Especially by me!)



Q

What is something the congregation might be surprised to learn about you (musical or not)?

Although I am strong and firm in my faith and beliefs, I am most comfortable and happy serving in supportive roles. I don't think I've ever started or led any kind of ministry other than my own family activities.



Member Spotlight

Q

Tell us a little about your family—who's who, and what are some of your favorite things to do together?

John can be found in the AV booth on Sunday mornings, while Jessica wrangles the twins--usually on a sugar high from enjoying donuts! Currently we are teaching the twins how to rollerskate, which has been quite an adventure.



MEET THE BOLTONS!



What are some of your hobbies/what do you guys like to do for fun?

Q

Sonny (girl) is looking forward to horse riding lessons this summer and Boies (boy, pronounced Boyce) is excited about keeping count of how many fish he can catch in our pond over the summer.

Member Spotlight

Q

Does your family have a favorite summertime vacation, tradition, or destination?

We love to go to the lake and the beach during the summer.



Q

How do you guys plug into the church? What are some of your favorite ways to get involved?

We've both been passionate about helping with the youth program. John plays guitar on Wednesday nights and Jessica serves on the Youth committee. Getting to know the young adults our own kids will look up to has brought tremendous joy to our lives. The twins love attending weekly Kids Camp--especially the STEM activities with Ms. DeAnn Crenshaw!

Q

Do you have a favorite bible verse or song to share?

Psalms 127 is a verse that speaks to our family--it is a beautiful reminder that our human efforts are important but should be rooted in faith and trust in Him.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

FMC YOUTH

Summer 2026



OPEN GYM

SUNDAYS AT 6:00 P.M.

Open Gym every Sunday from June 7 through August 9 except June 21.



LUNCH BUNCH

WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Bring your lunch to the Youth Center to hangout and visit!

JUNE	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5	6
7 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	8	9	10 MOVIE NIGHT		11	12	13
14 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	15	16	17 FAMILY GAME NIGHT		18	19	20
21 NO OPEN GYM	22	23	24 OUTDOOR SPORTS NIGHT		25	26	27
28 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	29	30					

WEDNESDAY EVENTS



JUNE 10
MOVIE NIGHT



JUNE 17
FAMILY GAME NIGHT



JUNE 24
OUTDOOR SPORTS NIGHT

JULY	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 FAMILY GAME NIGHT		2	3	4
5 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	6	7	8 BOWLING NIGHT		9	10	11
12 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	13	14	15 FAMILY GAME NIGHT		16	17	18
19 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	20	21	22 WATER FUN NIGHT		23	24	25
26 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	27	28	29 FAMILY GAME NIGHT		30	31	

WEDNESDAY EVENTS



JULY 1
FAMILY GAME NIGHT



JULY 8
BOWLING NIGHT



JULY 15
FAMILY GAME NIGHT



JULY 22
WATER FUN NIGHT



JULY 29
FAMILY GAME NIGHT

AUGUST	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
							1
2 OPEN GYM 6:00 P.M.	3	4	5 PICKLEBALL NIGHT		6	7	8
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WEDNESDAY EVENTS



AUGUST 5
PICKLEBALL NIGHT



AUGUST 12
FAMILY GAME NIGHT

All 6th-12th graders
are welcome! ♥



YOUTH CENTER

GROW IN FAITH. BUILD FRIENDSHIPS.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

WEDNESDAYS

5-6:30

Come join us for LOTS of fun for the whole family!!

**JUNE
10**

MOVIE NIGHT

Popcorn bar & Pizza, Bring your lawn chairs & picnic blankets

SCAVENGER HUNT

Mexican Food, Bring your thinking cap

**JUNE
24**

**JULY
8**

"WHEELIE" FUN NIGHT

Hamburgers & Hotdogs, ice cream. Bring bikes, trikes, scooters, etc.

SPLASH BASH

Chick-fil-A Nuggets, Bring a towel and plan to get wet!

**JULY
22**



FMC

5801 SUMMERHILL RD

Celebrations



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 John Luker Hayes | 17 Tammy Day |
| 2 Aubrey Carter | 19 Deborah McCoy |
| 3 Mark Mittelman | 20 Kyle Page |
| 5 Tristan Carter | 21 Laura LaCroix |
| Randy Sarrett | 22 Caroline Moore |
| 6 Dee Ann Crenshaw | Martha Prieskorn |
| Nancy King | Terrie Maxwell |
| 7 Dixie Druhan | 24 Morgan Ward |
| Joanie Thompson | Lincoln Hedrick |
| David Ward | 25 Glenna Bennett |
| 9 Craig Mueller | Paul Quinn |
| 12 Ben Sandefur | 26 Kathryn Casias |
| 15 Barry Thomas | 27 Clay Robinson |
| Eddy Scates | 30 Daniel Warmack |
| 16 Grace Drye | |

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY