



## Entry Fobs

So, what are these things called “FOB’s”? Our key fob is a small plastic square 1” by 1 ½” that fits on your key ring and is used with an electronic key pad to enter our facility. It will work on all entry doors during normal hours of operation 6:00 am to 10:00 pm seven days a week and will eliminate the need for codes for our congregants.

There is a cost associated with this change, so the Administrative Board has approved charging a \$5.00 deposit for each fob issued. This deposit is refundable if after using the system you find you would rather enter at doors designated as main entry doors during hours posted. The Security Work Group suggests that all congregants apply for a fob. Congregants are those individuals who are older than 17 years and are members, regularly attending non-members, and those who are involved in groups within our Faith Family.

We will start taking applications immediately either at Connecting Central in the lower atrium or at the church office. Once an application is received and the deposit paid a fob will be issued (normally a week later).

If it were not for the changes that have taken place in our society with active shooting, theft, and more we could leave the doors open at all times but alas this cannot be. For any questions concerning this new program and changes to locking and security systems coming in the future, please contact Ken Leemon, Glenn Cary, or Harold Williams.



**VBS Save the Date!** Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School (VBS). VBS will be held on July 28<sup>th</sup> through the 31<sup>st</sup>. Stay tuned for more details...

## 2019 Taste Tour!

**Save the Date**

**April 27, 2019**

**11AM - 2 PM**

Come join us as we enjoy the mouthwatering tastes from around the globe in our Internationally themed Taste Tour benefiting the sustainability of the Community Caring Center!

*Culinary Delights  
Beautiful Homes  
Locally Famous Chefs  
Food Demonstrations  
Live & Silent Auctions*



# March 2019 MESSENGER

## Serving Ministries

Ken Leemon



It seems like only yesterday we joined with the City of Azle, other churches, local businesses, and over 400 volunteers to assist 5 homeowners in our Azle community to bring their homes up to current building codes. Servolution Network, through their Good Neighbors Program, coordinates this effort twice a year in several communities. Currently, they have helped over 70 homeowners with 38 of them right here in Azle. The next Good Neighbors Blitz will be Friday and Saturday, April 5th and 6th. Please consider prayerfully volunteering some of your weekend to this project. Servolution Network is currently looking for volunteers as well as donations of materials and money to fund these projects; all repairs are at no cost to the homeowner. Contact Ken Leemon or Darryl and Deanna Keen for more information.

## Children's Ministry

Rita Parker



**First Kidz** is having a blast learning about Christ and His unconditional love for each and every one of us. The children have been learning Bible stories, memory verses, books of the Bible, and sharing in prayer time with each other. We are having the best time!

February 17th was our annual **Bake Sale Fundraiser**. First Kidz Camp Fundraiser Bake Sale was a great success, thanks to the generosity of this congregation. This year's bake sale raised over **\$4,000!** That will mean that we can afford to give 20 partial

scholarships as well as some full scholarships to those who would not otherwise be able to attend.

**UpWard Basketball** is coming to a close. We would love it if the church would come to our closing ceremonies on March 2nd. 173 players, 23 cheerleaders, and 33 volunteers participated in this year's season. Plus, numerous family members that came to cheer on the teams. That means that more than 300 people each Saturday were welcomed into our church, were prayed over, and heard scripture readings. What a fantastic and impactful ministry this program is to our community.



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March 22nd & 23rd will be the **Confirmation Class retreat** that will also be attended by their mentors as well as some youth mentors.

March 31<sup>st</sup> – We are looking forward to our **First Kidz in Missions** serving the Community Caring Center.

## Music Ministry

*Margaret Bolding*

Join us during the month of March as we journey through the season of Lent.

“Lent, the period of 40 days before Easter (excluding Sundays), begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Saturday, the evening before Easter. During Lent, we enter into a season of preparation, self-reflection and repentance when we seek to literally “turn around” and realign our lives and focus toward God. It is a time to give up things as well as take on new life-giving practices, helping us rid ourselves of distractions and our own selfish desires. By doing so, we seek to live and love as more faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.” – UMC.org



All are welcome to attend our Ash Wednesday Service on March 6th at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. As the sign of the cross is made on hands or foreheads, there is an opportunity to reflect on our own mortality and at the same time remember and be grateful for God's Grace.

## FEBRUARY MUSIC AND WORSHIP EVENTS

1. Grateful Hearts Worship Service: Members of the community and our church worshipped together. Information was presented about the God-centered work

that the Eagle Mountain Pregnancy Help Center does. Generous donations of money, gift cards, diapers, and supplies were given to the center.

2. CHILDREN singing in Worship! A Love Round and Jesus Loves Me.



3. YOUTHCUE BAYLOR FESTIVAL: An inspiring time of Worship as a nearly 300-voice youth choir from many faith communities throughout Texas and neighboring states sang together anthems of scripture and inspiration. Our church was well represented by our Youth Choir members who sang in the Honor Choir, who prepared and memorized music and did an exceptional job as singers. They were a delight!



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Margaret Bolding  
Director of Music and Worship  
margaret@fumcazle.org

## Wednesday Dinner Menu

### March 6, 2019

- Turkey Tetrazzini
- Seasoned Green Beans
- Tossed Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Dessert

### March 13, 2019

Spring Break! No Wednesday night dinner

### March 20, 2019

- Lasagna
- Seasoned Green Beans
- Tossed Salad Garlic Bread
- Dessert

### March 27, 2019

- Oven Baked Chicken
- Seasoned Green Beans
- Tossed Salad
- Rolls
- Dessert

## Thank You's!

### **On Behalf of OCC Fort Worth North Area Team:**

We would like to take a moment to express our tremendous gratitude to everyone who helped make OCC 2018 Shoebox Collection a great success!

The numbers are in for the 2018 Collection Season...so join us in praising God for 8,801,607 shoeboxes packed in the US. That's 8.8 million + gospel opportunities that are making their way around the world thanks to you!

The Texas/Louisiana Region alone packed more than 770,000 shoeboxes.

We are praising God for your generosity and sacrificial giving of your resources and time. Please continue to pray for each child receiving these gifts, that they will feel God's love and experience the Good News of Jesus Christ. Please also pray for the local volunteers and Ministry Partners in more than 100 countries who have or will be delivering the shoebox gifts and facilitate our follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey.

With sincere gratitude,  
Pam Howell  
Area Coordinator for Fort Worth North

### ***From Eagle Mountain Pregnancy Center***

Excerpt from a Thank You Letter

Dear Worship Committee;

What an awesome God filled service at your church. We made good connections with people in the community. We had many share with us their own experiences.

Gifts to our organization totaled:

Checks: \$1,150.00  
Gift cards: \$290.00  
Wipes: 1,008  
Diapers: 3,122

Thank you for your support, prayers, and commitment to Eagle Mountain Pregnancy Help Center.

*Judith Ross*

Judith Ross  
Executive Director



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## Assimilation and Discipleship

**Save the Date:** JOY Group March Meeting is the 26th from 11am-1pm in the HUB. Join the group for yummy food, and fun activities. Call Monica Goth for more information.

Adult Education, aka Sunday School Classes, meet Sunday Morning at 9:45 am. Plan to visit these dedicated teachers and fellow Church members as they learn more about God and His love for us. The Upper Room class featured here meets in room 113 in the education wing and several of the members rotate leading the discussions.



## **Welcome New Members!**

Kaitlyn Forte joined our Church family by profession of faith in February, and Jackson Forte was baptized and added to our preparatory list. John Forte is already a member of our family. Pictured below is the Forte family: John, Kaitlyn and Jackson.

Welcome Kaitlyn and Jackson!!



**Home Small Group.** There is still time for you to join a home Study Group. For more information call Monica Goth at 817-789-9224.

## Financial Update

February Contributions to date: \$50,404  
February Budget Needed: \$62,447

YTD Contributions thru 2/26: \$110,479  
YTD Budget Needed: \$124,894  
2019 Annual Budget: \$749,366

## March Birthdays

Send someone a birthday card! The Birthday list is taken from REALM. If you know of someone not listed, please send an email to [church@fumcazle.org](mailto:church@fumcazle.org).

Gary Lacy 1, Bill Propp 1, Taylor Anderson 2, Ken Mills 2, Tom Berry 2, Margaret Maggard 2, Megan Stewart 2, John LaMorte 3, Karen Buss 5, B.J. Collins 5, Tyler Flynn 5, Linda Biron 7, Paul Clark 11, Adria Weaver 11, Chris Redmon 12, Lauren Solorzano 12, Gil Biron 13, John Riley 13, Tanya Anderson 15, Stacy Boenisch 16, Scott Cassidy 16, Jack Stevens 17, Sharon Goble 18, Tamara Piland 19, Ken Haas 21, Ty Tadlock 22, Rod Miller 22, Ryan Louquet 22, Heidi Smith 24, Dave Ashlock 25, Derrell Helm 26, Sally McMinn 26, Talana Weir 26, Lori Gomas 26, Phyllis Gordon 28, Ricki Gooch 29, Jennifer Naylor 29, Betty Ralls 30, Sylvia Harp 30, Julie Clark 30, Ernest Ryder 30, Jerry Lewandowski 30, John Potts 31, Lynn Collins 31, Judy Burton 31.