

# St. Francisville United Methodist Church

## E-News

December 10, 2009

### *Upcoming Events*

- ∴ Children's Christmas Musical
- ∴ Church Christmas Caroling/Soup Potluck
- ∴ Monday Night Huddle
- ∴ ACTS Luncheon

### **Calendar at a Glance**

#### **Thursday, December 10**

6:30 pm Board of Trustees (M)

#### **Saturday, December 12**

4:00 pm Children's Christmas Musical Dress Rehearsal (S)

#### **Sunday, December 13**

8:15 am Worship Service (N)

9:15 am Fellowship (FH)

9:45 am Worship Service (N)

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Children's Christmas Musical Practice (FH)

10:45 am Fellowship (FH)

11:15 am Worship Service (N)

11:15 am Sunday School (RH)

3:00 pm Children's Christmas Musical (S)

4:00 pm Church Christmas Caroling/Soup Potluck Supper (FH)

#### **Monday, December 14**

5:30 pm Finance Committee (M)

6:00 pm Monday Night Huddle (FH/Y)

6:30 pm Church Council (FH)

#### **Tuesday, December 15**

10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (M)

11:30 am ACTS Luncheon (FH)

6:30 pm Folk Choir Practice (S)

7:30 pm A.A. (FH)

#### **Wednesday, December 16**

6:30 pm Evangelism Good News Team (M)



### *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* SFUMC Children's Musical

Sunday, December 13th  
3:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Join us for this stirring, spiritual rendition of an old classic. Families will cherish the enduring story focusing on Jesus' arrival, the best gift of all!



### **Church Ornaments**

\$15.00 Each

Available after worship services, during special events in December and in the church office.

The **Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study** group invite you to join them on Tuesday, **December 15th at 10:00 a.m.** in the Meeting Room of the Robb House to fellowship and watch "**Fresh Advent: The Divine Interruption**", A Christmas DVD Message Based on Luke One by Beth Moore. There is no closed captioning on this DVD. Everyone is welcome.

### **The Huddle on Monday Nights**

For Men and their Sons

**December 14th — Arizona at San Francisco**

**6:00 pm — Meal in the Fellowship Hall!**

**6:30 pm — Devotional in the Youth Room!**

**7:30 pm — Kick off!**



## Operation Shining Star

Please have all gifts to the church by **December 13<sup>th</sup>**! If you have questions, please contact the church office, 635-3763.

## Let's Go Caroling



**Sunday—December 13th**

**4:00 p.m.—Caroling**

**5:30 or 6:00 p.m.—Supper at church**

Come join us for a night of old-fashioned caroling. We will leave around 4:00 p.m. and sing for an hour or two.

We will then return to the fellowship hall for supper. (We are asking you to bring side dishes to go with the soup, i.e., cornbread, rolls, crackers, desserts) Please come join us for a wonderful fellowship time

For more information call: Tammy Aubushon at 635-3763 or Faye Ritchie at 245-1752.



**ACTS**  
**Christmas Dinner**  
**Tuesday**  
**December 15, 2009**  
**11:30 a.m.**  
**Fellowship Hall**

Please come join us  
and bring a friend!

**December 13, 2009**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

**Scripture Lesson: Matthew 1:18-25**

***“The Advent Conspiracy: What if We Dreamed...”***

**Memory Verse: “Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means, “God is with us.”**  
**Matthew 1:23**

**8:15 Acolytes**

Michael & Chandler Sullivan

**8:15 Nursery**

Jill Ferguson

**9:15 Snacks**

Stevens & Lawson Families

**Flowers**

Poinsettias

**8:15 Liturgist**

Abby Temple

**11:15 Liturgist**

Katie Williamson

**11:15 Acolytes**

Zoë & Everitt Williamson

**11:15 Nursery**

Laura Beth Lott

**10:45 Snacks**

Stevens & Lawson Families

**9:45 Liturgist**

Beryl Gene Daniel

### **C.H.A.S.E. Ministries Seeks Assistant Director for the After School Program**

- Experience working with children is preferred. The position is available immediately. Employment applications can be obtained at the C.H.A.S.E. office, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For additional information, contact Ann Andries or Karen Clark at 784-0024.

### **The Advent Conspiracy - Christmas Can (Still) Change the World**

“The story of Christ's birth is a story of promise, hope, and a revolutionary love. So, what happened? What was once a time to celebrate the birth of a savior has somehow turned into a season of stress, traffic jams, and shopping lists. And when it's all over, many of us are left with presents to return, looming debt that will take months to pay off, and this empty feeling of missed purpose. Is this what we really want out of Christmas? What if Christmas became a world-changing event again?” (from the Advent Conspiracy Website: [www.adventconspiracy.org](http://www.adventconspiracy.org))

We are invited to think about and do Christmas a little differently. We are asking people to consider buying **one less gift** this Christmas and give what we would spend to our Advent Conspiracy Missions.

**International Mission** – ***Cambodian School for Children who live in the city dump.*** Curt Bailey, one of our church members, participated in a mission team that went to this impoverished area. \$10 US dollars would help pay for one child to attend a United Methodist school in Cambodia for one month.

**Statewide Mission** – ***The Louisiana Methodist Children's Home*** has been providing care for children who are in need of family for more than 100 years. They are expanding their care by building another facility in the Lake Charles area. We can help them better serve abused and neglected children through supporting their building project.

**West Feliciana Mission** – ***Families In Need of Assistance (F.I.N.A.)*** is a program that is sponsored by the West Feliciana Parish School Board to help families in our parish who are in need of financial assistance for the necessities of life. We will help F.I.N.A. to better serve those in need in our parish through our Christmas giving.

We will be collecting money for the *Advent Conspiracy* through January 6, 2010 (the 12<sup>th</sup> day of Christmas). To give, mark your payment for “Advent Conspiracy” and place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, mail it to the church, or drop it by the Church office.