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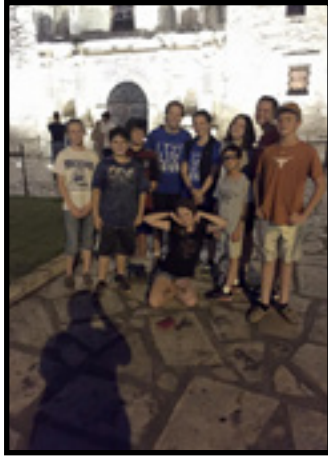
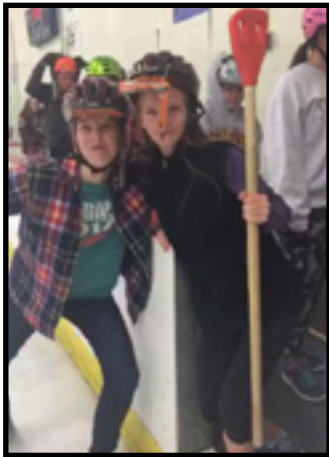
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A SUMMER OF SERVICE AND FUN

The youth of Oak Hill have been playing hard and working even harder to serve the communities around them. Their summer kicked off with Youth Week where they grew in fellowship with one another through activities ranging from Broomball to a day of service for the homeless in the San Antonio area, all while learning about how to live a GREAT story. They also had the opportunity to grow in community with other students from the Rio Texas Conference during a week of worship and diving deeper into God's Word at the Capital and Hill Country District Camp.

The middle school students ended June by teaming with BluePrint Ministries to learn how to be servant leaders and help Ms. Ester Ruiz, an 81-year-old San Antonio resident, restore her home. The senior high youth kick off their mission trip on Sunday, June 12, to help those affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Isaac in Slidell, Louisiana. They will spend a week working with the Epworth Project where they will repair damaged homes for low income and elderly members of Slidell.

Please continue to pray for the youth as they serve their brothers and sisters in Christ!



JOIN US FOR THE FAMILY GATHERING

In response to the recent Supreme Court ruling on same-sex marriage, we are holding a family gathering on Sunday, June 19, at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose of this gathering is not to change anyone's mind but simply to have a conversation. There is no agenda other than to listen to one another. A light lunch will be provided. Please contact Kathy Williamson at office@oakhillumc.org if you are able to attend. RSVPs would be helpful but are not required. If you would like to attend but are in need of child care, please contact Suzanne Steves at educationdir@oakhillumc.org.

Sunday, July 12

8:45 & 11:15 Worship Services

Pastor Jim Roberts
The Fish & Jonah
Jonah 2:1-10



Worship
Schedule

Sunday, July 19

8:45 & 11:15 Worship Services

Pastor Jim Roberts
Goliath & David
1 Samuel 17:20-33

10:00 "Pathways" Service

Pastor Pam Sheffield
The Fish & Jonah
Jonah 2:1-10

10:00 "Pathways" Service

Pastor Katy Fitzhugh
Goliath & David
1 Samuel 17:20-33

Oak Hill UMC Wednesday Night
RECHARGE
POWER UP!
Lay-Led Worship & Communion - 6:15 p.m.

July 15: Speaker: Lydia Polomski

July 22: Speaker: Diana Goodloe

Our Prayers

Carson Fudge
 Sydney Grace Talbert (*new baby of Alison and Alan Talbert*)
 Rick Markowski (*Larry and Nancy Keiser's friend*)
 Mary Erickson (*Steve Erickson's sister-in-law*)
 Kris Gammill
 Adiena Tucker
 Charlotte Bennett
 Cindy Burgess Saenz
 Sheryl Manning
 Austin Gallegos
 Carole Cortez
 Lucy Cornell
 Elliott Smith
 Dena Muenzler
 Kay Nichols
 Margaret Covell
 Mary Blanchard (*Cliff Blanchard's mother*)
 John McDowell
 William Rivas & Rachel McNeil
 Elsie Buxton and Family
 Libby Gibbs and Family
 Jon Nelson and Team (*traveling to Haiti with water filters*)

Is Your
Pledge
 Up to Date?

*Thank you for keeping your pledge
 up-to-date during the busy summer!*



Join the conversation! Find the [Pathways](#) group on Facebook, "Like" the [Oak Hill UMC Facebook](#) page, or follow us on [Twitter](#)!

BOSTON BRASS TICKETS STILL ON SALE!



Mark your calendar! Sunday July 26 at 7 p.m. the Boston Brass will be returning to Oak Hill to present a concert. Our Chancel Choir will be featured on 2 selections. Rick DeJonge, former Oak Hill Music Director, will be joining the ensemble and will conduct one of the selections. Former choir members interested in participating are encouraged to contact Dr. Suzanne Pence for rehearsal information.

Tickets are \$10.00 and are on sale Sundays in the Narthex or directly from a choir member.

YOUTH SUMMER SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS
 10am Worship
 11:15 Sunday School
 5pm Youth Worship

WEEKLY
 Hang out Mon-Thurs
 from 11-3 in the
 lounge for fun and
 fellowship!

JUNE EVENTS
 7 Grad Celebration
 Bridge Ceremony
 Youth Week
 21 District Camp
 28 MS Mission Trip

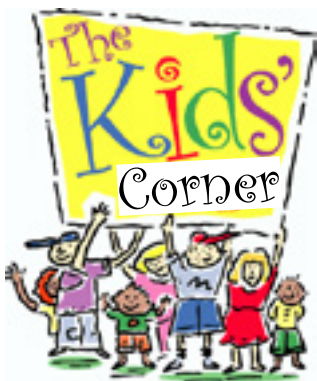
JULY EVENTS
 12 HS Mission Trip
 13 MAD Camp
 20 MAD Camp

AUG EVENTS
 16 Youth Lead Worship!
 23 Back to School Party
 26 Church Fall Kick Off
 30 Youth Parent Meeting

For more information,
 visit us online www.oakhillyouth.com

IN NEED CHILD CARE AT YOUR EVENT?

We are happy to provide child care in a safe and loving environment for any church event, meeting, or activity. No reservations are necessary for Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. If your group or team needs to set up a nursery for an event, please contact Suzanne Steves at least two weeks in advance.



If you are a parent and need to make child care reservations, please contact Ms. Suzanne at least 48 hours in advance at suzanne@oakhillumc.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

We are now recruiting Sunday School teachers for Children's classes during the 2015-16 school year. We have classes at 10:00 a.m. for ages 3-5th grade and a combined elementary class at 11:15 a.m. each week. You can teach once a month, twice a month, or more often. The curriculum is new and exciting and very user friendly. You also get to hang out with the greatest kiddos ever!

For more information or to sign up to help, please contact Rev. Suzanne Steves at suzanne@oakhillumc.org.

CALLING ALL KIDS!

Join us each week for Sunday Summer Camp (Summer Sunday School for children) at 10:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. in the Children's Building. There is a short Bible story plus a camp activity and snack each week through August 16. Don't miss it!



MAD CAMP PERFORMANCES

Join us for "In the Big Inning," this year's Music and Drama Camp performance! When the kids gather at the park near the church for a Saturday of baseball, they are in for a surprising glimpse at the Bible's "Hall of Faith" in Hebrews 11. They'll meet Moses (he got his start in the bush leagues), Noah (that guy can really swing the lumber!), Abraham (with his son Isaac at the plate, it looks like the manager is calling for a sacrifice . . .), and many more. With shades of the iconic "Casey at the Bat," it all leads to the climactic finish of "Jesus at the Cross," and the Good News of the Gospel is driven home with power!

Performances Friday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 26, in the 8:45 and 11:15 a.m. worship services. We'll see you there!



Methodist Federation for Social Action and Reconciling Ministries Network are excited to bring a weekend of community-building, justice-seeking and worship to the Rio Texas Conference. Gather at the River is a four-day conference centered on inclusivity and will be held along the Riverwalk in San Antonio. The event will have many activities ranging from guest speakers to small group discussions that all begin on August 6th and go until August 9th. Speakers and worship leaders include Reverend Frank Schaefer, Dr. Marcia McFee and Bishop Melvin Talbert.

Registration is still open for this wonderful event at \$310 for adults and \$160 for students with scholarships available. Housing is not included in the registration cost but can be found at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel directly next the host church, Travis Park UMC.

If you would like more information, check out www.gather2015.org or contact Pastor Katy Fitzhugh at katy@oakhillumc.org. We hope to see you there!

SENDING LOVE AND CARE TO OUR SOLDIERS



To the friends and relatives of our amazing armed forces

We are trying to gather names and addresses of all of the military members connected with Oak Hill UMC. First, we'd like to know about them so we can add their names to our prayer lists. Second, we'd like to have their mailing addresses so that we can send them mail to thank them for serving our country in this way and to let them know we are proud of them. Please write their info on the back of your attendance card on Sunday morning – name, address and connection to our church family. You can also send the information to Margaret Jones at margaretj@austin.rr.com.

A list will be provided for whoever would like it.



That's in the Bible?!

Join us for a summer sermon series on biblical stories that may surprise you.

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| July 12
The Fish & Jonah
<i>Jonah 2:1-10</i> | July 26
Elisha & the Bear
<i>2 Kings 2:23-24</i> | August 2
Esther & Mordecai
<i>Esther 4:12-17</i> |
| July 19
Goliath & David
<i>1 Samuel 17:20-33</i> | August 9
Belshazzar & the Wall
<i>Daniel 5:1-6</i> | |



Sponsored by Oak Hill United Methodist Women

ALL LADIES WELCOME

Friday, July 31, 2015 Social Time 6:30, Bunco 7 pm

Oak Hill United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite dessert to share.

Tickets are \$5 - Proceeds to mission of winners' choice

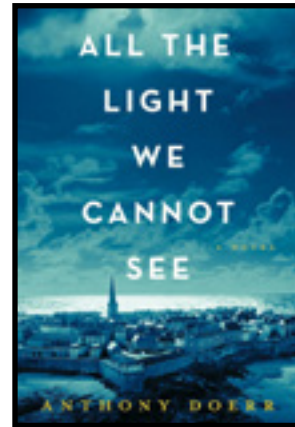
Free Childcare provided with 48 hour notice to educationdir@oakhillumc.org.

Any questions, contact marilyn.cannon18@gmail.com.

Great fun - Great food - Great fellowship

Let the Good Times Roll!

UMW Book Club



Our August UMW Book Club selection is *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. This Pulitzer Prize winner is the story of two teens, a blind French girl and a German boy, whose lives intersect during WWII. Our next meeting will be on Thursday morning, August 27, at 10:00 at Panera Bread on William Cannon. Please contact Diana Goodloe at 512-906-1931 or dianagoodloe@gmail.com if you have questions.

Oak Hill UMC Calendar of Events

For the latest calendar info: www.oakhillumc.org/events.html

Saturday, July 11

9:30AM Reunion Group, A102

Sunday, July 12

8:45 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:00 AM B.A.S.I.C. Sunday School Class, A201
10:00 AM Pathways Worship Service, Sanctuary
Oak Hill 101, Jim's Office
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
11:15 AM Seven Sunday School Class, A102
Oak Hill 101, A204
11:15 AM Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
3:00 PM MaD Camp Auditions, Children's Building
4:00 PM Youth Band Practice, Choir Room
5:00 PM Youth Fellowship and Worship, Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 13

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
6:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, A102
6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary, Choir Room
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #505 Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, July 14

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
9:00 AM Mom2Mom Morning Meeting, A102
5:45 PM Yoga Class, A206
6:00 PM Acolyte Training, Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 15

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
4:30 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, Parlor
5:30 PM Emmaus Group, A204
Music Rehearsal, Choir Room
6:15 PM RECHARGE Worship Service, Sanctuary
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
8:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, July 16

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio
10:00 AM Hugs Project, A203
6:00 PM Worship Team Meeting, Jim's Office

Friday, July 17

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
7:00 AM Emmaus Reunion group, A102
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
10:00 AM Knitting Class, A102

Saturday, July 18

9:30 AM Reunion Group, A102

Sunday, July 19

8:45 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:00 AM B.A.S.I.C. Sunday School Class, A201
10:00 AM Pathways Worship Service, Sanctuary
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
11:15 AM Seven Sunday School Class, A102
11:15 AM Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
1:00 PM Brownie Troop 1822 Meeting, Great Room
4:00 PM Youth Band Practice, Choir Room
5:00 PM Youth Fellowship and Worship, Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 20

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
10:00 AM Dorcas Quilters, A203
6:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, Parlor, A102
6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #505 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, July 21

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
5:45 PM Yoga Class, A206
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting, A102 and A203

Wednesday, July 22

MaD CAMP
7:00 AM YMCA, Youth Rooms 2 and 3
8:30 AM Bits, Bytes, Y Bots, C201 and C202
Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
4:30 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, Parlor
5:30 PM Emmaus Group, A204
Music Rehearsal, Choir Room
6:15 PM RECHARGE Worship Service, Sanctuary
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
8:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

A LOOK BACK:





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A LETTER FROM THE CAPITAL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

A Reflection on Recent Events


Like many throughout the country, I spent last Friday learning about the Supreme Court ruling on same-sex marriage. While many were responding to the news, I spent much of the weekend receiving texts, emails and phone calls from colleagues and laity. The feedback I received in regards to the Supreme Court ruling reflects the great diversity in our denomination. I will be honest and share that the wealth of communication I received left me emotionally drained. Sometime early Sunday evening I stepped onto the back porch of the district parsonage. I sat with my thoughts and journaled and took time (finally!) to pray. In the midst of the whirlwind of commentaries and responses, I found God speaking to me in this space of stillness. I want to share with you what I discovered:

- I realized that many pastors in the Capital District must be experiencing similar challenges when it comes to leading during this time in our denomination's and country's history. We are a diverse group in The UMC and shepherding "the whole flock" faithfully is a challenge at times. Know that I am grateful for you and invite you to join me in staying in respectful relationship with one another. Know that I am available if ever you want to visit and process. Know that I am in prayer for you and the mission fields to which you are appointed. We hold so much these days, so we must hold one another in prayer.

- I remembered love does not insist on its own way. Recently I attended a wedding and I Corinthians 13 was read as it often is at weddings. But we know that St. Paul's original purpose for such words was to provide instruction to the body of believers. In the midst of our varying opinions in regards to GLBTQ concerns, what does it mean for us to practice love that does not insist on our own way? For some among us, things are moving too slow. For others, things are moving too fast. Some yearn for change, others do not. Regardless of our varying convictions and questions, we all have learning and listening to do. I am reminded of the words in James 1:19 which counsel, "Be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to grow angry."

In these days, I am committed to seek Christ in everyone I meet and to love as Jesus calls us to love. Such practices are not easy and many times I fall short. Yet in the midst of our human frailty, I am convinced that God is at work in us and through us and in the world. I am honored to be a part of the Capital District where a great number of vital churches, faithful laity, and effective clergy are making disciples to transform the world.

Be encouraged!
Teresa Welborn
Capital District Superintendent



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The Cornerstone

Issue	Submission Deadline
July 24	July 17
August 7	July 31