



June 2025

# The Messenger

**First United Methodist Church, Quitman, Texas**

*"Come expectantly seeking Jesus. Follow Him boldly. Go witness intentionally."*



Welcome to June and the beginning of the long Summer Months! I pray that everyone will have safe travels during all the vacation's, trips, camps, and just playing with

friends and family in the days that lie ahead of us.

There are three camps in the summer that I want to draw your attention to, first our new children's director Judy Johnson is taking five of our children back to Lakeview Summer camp June 23rd – 27th. This marks the long-awaited return to Lakeview, and we are excited for a new group of kids to experience what all the camp has to offer. That same week Joseph and Pete will be taking 9 of our older kids to Waco, TX for their UM Army mission Trip. Finally, our VBS week will take place at the end of July from the 28th – the 31st. There is a lot for our Children and Youth to get excited about during the upcoming summer months.

Our Summer series is "David a Man after God's own Heart," where we will be taking a look at the life and saga of King David from

the Bible. David's life was filled with great ups and downs and if you have never read David's story in its entirety, there is a lot that you may not know about the one who would go on to be remembered as a man after God's own heart.

Our Wednesday night Bible Study is taking a break over the summer months and will not meet until the fall starts back up towards the end of August. But we will plan to have a Potluck dinner the first Wednesday of each month over the summer in order to come back together in fellowship during the summer.

There is a lot going on in the life of the church these days, I hope that you will join us whenever you are in town and invite someone new to come to church. May God grant you peace and new life in your travels and know that your church home is here for you this summer!

-Rev. Thomas Harper

*Come &  
Worship*



Corey Backer	Mike Narkiewicz
Mickey Barnett	Sandy Narkiewicz
Darlene Blair	Pat Neel
Betty Bozeman	Marilyn Odom
Ann Crawford	Bobby Phipps
Stephen Fulce	Mary Phipps
Teresa Fulce	Steve Rhodes
Lynda Gibson	Martha Scroggins
Diana King	Gary Simpkins
Stella Lundy	Beverly Waddleton-Johnson
Carolyn Manning	Ron Wimp
Sandra Mott	

### THE FUMC BELL CHOIR

Judy Johnson  
 Martha Scroggins  
 Tammy Gilmore  
 Debra Main  
 Carol Denson  
 Joan Swenson  
 Becky McPherson  
 Carol Tackett  
 Bill McPherson

Director: Gail Hall



United  
Women  
in Faith

Starting in June,  
FUMC's newly  
formed **United  
Women in Faith** will

meet at 5:30 pm in the Celebration Classroom on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. A decision on chartering with the national organization of the same name is pending.

For more information, please contact JoAnn Zimmerman.

### \*Mark Your June Calendars

#### Sunday

8:30 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Gathering J.O.Y. Hall
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary

#### Monday

9:00 a.m.	Line Dancing
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#### Wednesday

Noon	Bell Coir Rehearsal (Weekly)
5:00 pm	Pot-Luck Meal in JOY Hall (1st Week of Month Only)
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (6/18 & 6/25)

#### Thursday

9:00 am	Line Dancing
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### Financial Update as of 4/30/25

YTD Income	\$150,281
YTD Expense	\$132,304
YTD Income	\$ 19,977



**June 2025**

**8:30 a.m.**

Keith & JoAnn Zimmerman

**11:00 a.m.**

Brad Floyd  
 Brady Floyd

Pam & Randy Hennington



June 01	Bobby Phipps
June 02	Brady Floyd
June 05	Martha Gould
June 06	Kathy Thurman
June 07	David Simpkins
June 09	Gary Simpkins
June 10	Logan Cherry
June 16	Mandy Hubbard
June 17	Michael Narkiewicz
June 17	Mary Bass
June 20	Charlie Baker
June 22	Benjamin Reid Burroughs
June 23	John Seekins
June 25	Cheryl Baker
June 27	Baylee (Eberhart) Sessions



### **June 2 - June 5**

Volunteers will be working in the Youth Area (The WELL) to make it more functional and to spiffy up the kitchen and other ancillary areas.

If able to assist, please contact Pete O'Neal.

## **FUMC's June Communion Rail Offering**

### **Christmas Sharing (CS) Food Pantry**

Working with others churches, the CS Food Pantry helps people by providing emergency food that they may not otherwise be able to purchase. The wide variety of supplies are available for Quitman Area individuals and families who are struggling financially.

The pantry is located at 603 Cliff Street in Quitman. It is open to those in need from 9:00 am to Noon every Tuesday and Thursday.

### **Communion Preparation**

John & Sally Seekins



**Congratulations FUMC Members who are 2025 graduates of Quitman High School. We are very proud of you. We celebrated our graduating seniors with a potluck lunch in J.O.Y. Hall on May 18th.**



**Zach McFerran**



**Peyton Kruckner**



**Kash Davis**



**James Goodson**



**THE CLASS OF 2025**



## SUMMER 2025 GATHERING AND POTLUCK SCHEDULE

### DATE

### SUNDAY GATHERING HOSTS

June 1

Covenant

June 4

WEDNESDAY POTLUCK—5:00pm in J.O.Y. Hall w/Dr. Mark Young

June 8

Journey

June 15

Life

June 22

Open Door

June 29

Covenant

**A Wonderful Relationship Was Established with the Non-Profit Deseret Dance Troup Over the First Half of 2025.  
We look forward to Continuing this Relationship in the Fall.**





## Church Camp at Lakeview

June 23-27, 2025



The camp is open to 1st graders thru graduated seniors.



Date:  
June 22-28

Location:  
Central Waco

Cost:  
**\$275.00**  
Scholarships and Fundraising  
Opportunities

For additional information, please contact Pete O'Neal. Adult Volunteers are needed.



**VBS**  
**July 28-31**

First United Methodist Church  
Quitman, TX

**9am - 12pm**



CHURCH DIRECTORY

Work continues on a new Church Membership Directory to be published soon. Family portraits are needed. If you have not had an updated family photo taken for the Directory, please call the Church Office to arrange a time.

Portraits can be taken after Sunday worship service or by special appointment.



# Traditional Breakfast for the QHS Class of 2025



## Mrs. Robinson's 2025 Day School Legacy







“Be the church we are called to be!”

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### First United Methodist Church

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Sanctuary Worship 8:30 am  
Gathering 9:30 am J.O.Y. Hall  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m  
Sanctuary Worship 11:00 am  
YouTube Delayed Recording 6:00 pm  
**fumcquitman.org**

### HAVE YOU MOVED, CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL?

If so, please contact the church office.

### DONATIONS MADE EASY

Want to simplify your giving of tithes, memorials, and other offerings? Then consider using the “Make a Donation” link on the Church’s secure web-site, [fumcquitman.org](http://fumcquitman.org). or simply focus on the QR Code on the right.

PayPal is very safe and reliable and will allow you to Add Special Instructions that specify how your offering is to be applied. It will also provide you with an emailed receipt for your bookkeeping and tax records.

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