

Christmas Time is Around the Corner



Now is the time for all God's children who are interested in doing the Christmas play which will be performed on Dec. 14th during both services, Practices will begin in the month of Nov. If interested contact Kim Bachman at 779-5117 (830- or Robin Czarnek. God bless us everyone.

An Electrifying Event is Coming to La Vernia Area!!

Team Impact, some of the strongest men on the planet, will be making several public appearances in the La Vernia area soon. With demonstrations of astounding feats of strength—such as shattering five feet of concrete with one blow from their massive arms and snapping baseball bats in half with their bare hands—Team Impact members are sure to capture the attention of both the young and old; all to share an inspiring message of hope. As a group of world-class athletes, Team Impact has taken seriously the task of reaching America's youth with a timely message through their highly acclaimed school assemblies. In addition, Team Impact appears regularly on television programs including their own weekly show where millions of people around the world are able to see their extraordinary demonstrations and hear their inspirational message. You may visit www.team-impact.com to learn more about the efforts of Team Impact.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 8:30 & 11:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS: 9:45 AM

CHILDCARE MINISTRIES: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM MON-THUR

CROSSFIRE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: 6:30 PM WEDNESDAY

BISHOP: James E. Dorff

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Virgilio Vazquez-Garza

SENIOR PASTOR: Harry Kahl

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Jerry Goodridge

PROGRAM COOR: JACK POOL

ADMIN. ASSISTANT: Kathy Balcar

YOUTH MINISTER: Javier Rios

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Sandra Ingle

CHILDCARE DIRECTOR: Kim Bachman

Choir Director: Randy Cobb

CUSTODIAL: Annette Gracy

SCRIPTURE & SERMON

FOR NOVEMBER

November 2, 2008 (Holy Communion)

Sunday: 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 23:1-12

Title: Pledge of Prayers, Presence & Gifts

Preacher: Pastor Harry

November 9, 2008 (Harvest Sunday

Offering)

Sunday: 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13

Preacher: Jack Pool

November 16, 2008

Sunday: 27th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30

Title: Pledge of Gifts, Service & Witness

Preacher: Pastor Harry

November 23, 2008

Sunday: 28th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-45

Preacher: Dr. Austin Frederick

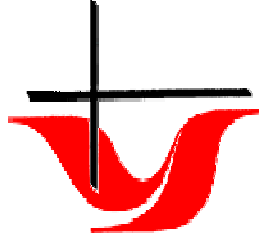
November 30 (United Methodist Student

Sunday)

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent

Scripture: Mark 13:24-37

Preacher: Rev. John Feagins



La Vernia United Methodist Church

November 2008



Meet Our New Wesley Nurse



Our new Wesley Nurse is Cheryl Cardenas, R.N. The Wesley Nurse program is a ministry of Methodist Health Care Ministries (MHM) to promote better health, wholeness and wellness in the least served communities achieving optimal health of body, mind and spirit. Although Cheryl is a staff member of our church, her salary is paid by MHM. We are blessed to have been selected as a Wesley Nurse site and Cheryl's ministry among us is one more way that we are able to reach our community with the love of Jesus.

At present Cheryl is completing her Wesley Nurse orientation program. When that is completed within the next couple of months, she will be available to members of the community and congregation for health education, health screening, exercise programs and other health needs.

Cheryl was raised in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. She graduated from the University of Manitoba Health Sciences Center and moved to Texas at age 21. Cheryl has worked at several city hospitals in the critical care, ER and ICU areas including pediatrics. Cheryl has been married for 13 years to Ricco Cardenas, a City of San Antonio Fire Fighter. They are blessed with 2 wonderful children, Scott and Brennin. They have lived in the La Vernia/Floresville area for 2 1/2 years.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY AND MINISTRY FAIR

Sunday, November 23rd

November is Stewardship Emphasis for which **Consecration Sunday** on November 23rd will be the climax. On that Sunday we are urging as many people as possible to be present to make their Estimate of Giving for 2009. We will send a letter requesting people make reservations for the brunch we will have. While the tithe (10% of income) is the requested goal for each to consider, the suggested process is for each person and/or family to prayerfully consider what they believe God is wanting them to do. The Finance Committee will base its recommended budget for 2009 on the response of our estimate of giving.

During the Sunday School time there will be a brunch and a **Ministry Fair** and after second service there will be a lunch and a **Ministry Fair** for people to consider where God is asking each one to consider sharing their ministry gifts and time in service to God and the people of God. Any and all who want to have a display during the Ministry Fair please contact Don Miller. Those who sign up to participate in the ministry areas should be contacted by the ministry shepherds to be included in that ministry during 2009.

Dr. Austin Frederick Jr. will preach on this special Sunday. He is the Assistant to the Episcopal Office.

La Vernia UMC Church Conference

The annual La Vernia United Methodist Church Conference will be held Sunday November 9th, 2008 with Rev. Virgilio Vazquez-Garza presiding. At 5:30 pm there will be a potluck dinner in which the church will furnish the meat and you are asked to bring the sides and desserts. This will be followed by the C H U R C H CONFERENCE. Please make plans to attend. Church reports will be made and new officers will be elected. **Please have all church reports into the office by Nov. 2nd.**

The Vision Of LVUMC:
To Love God, Self & You

The Mission Of LVUMC:
To Serve, Share and Offer Christ