

# Celebrate *in* Community

# July 2009

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## Worship at First Church

**Sunday, July 5** - During our morning worship we will honor the men, women and families of those involved in the military, past and present. They deserve our thanks and our prayers. A special offering will be received to purchase special devotional books for those in the military. Because of the special nature of this Independence Weekend Sunday, Holy Communion will be celebrated on the first Sunday in August. Let's praise God for the many gifts we enjoy on this Independence Weekend!

Special music will be shared by Bart Terrell.

**Sunday, July 12** – I wonder how David would fare on “Dancing with the Stars” as he danced before the Lord in our Old Testament lesson for the morning, 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19? Perhaps a better question would be: how would we rate as we dance before the Lord?

Our time of preparation at 9:15 a.m. will have a particularly bluegrass feel as guest musicians Jami Lampkins (banjo), Cliff Frederiksen (guitar), Chris Wagoner (fiddle), and John Widdicomb (bass), share their musical gifts.

Brian Cowing will provide special music during the worship.

**Sunday, July 19** – Rev. Tina Lang will lead worship on this special Sunday. Marja Barger will provide special music during worship.

## Summer Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Fellowship, Coffee, Breakfast, and Getting to Know You Displays in Fellowship Hall
- 9:15 a.m. Music and Meditation begins in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary/Children's Sunday School classes (ages 3 - grade 5)
- 10:45 a.m. Casual conversations with clergy in the Sanctuary  
*Harvest of Good Books* Adult Education in the Chapel



## LUNCH TIME LIVE

First Church is proud to sponsor once again the Lucas Cates Band at Downtown Madison, Inc. and Park Bank's Lunch Time Live concert series. **Mark your calendar and join us at noon on the Capitol Square on Tuesday, July 28.** Be sure to check all of the other great concerts at Lunch Time Live.

All concerts take place from 12-1 p.m. on the King Street corner of the Capitol Square and may be canceled in the event of rain.

**Sunday, July 26** – The Gospel of John is rich in literary imaging and metaphor. One of these images is the use of bread as a means to describe the ministry of Jesus. When Jesus says 'I am the bread of life,' what comes to mind? Is there a hunger that only Jesus can satisfy? Pastor Schroerlucke begins a three-part series on the New Testament image of "bread." To prepare for worship on this Sunday, read John 6:1-21.

Pastor Schroerlucke will lead the opening time of preparation (9:15) with an experience in "apophatic prayer." Curious? Come and join in this time of worship. Our Summer Choir will provide special music during worship.

**Sunday, August 2** – Pastor Schroerlucke continues with his series on the "Bread of Life." We will be privileged to have the KAT Trio in worship this Sunday. They will play before worship in our time of preparation (9:15) and during the worship service. We are always delighted to have these talented musicians in our church when they tour the U.S. Holy Communion will be celebrated on this Sunday.

**The Church Office, Food Pantry and Building will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of Independence Day.**

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## Getting to Know You – Sunday Morning Connections in Fellowship Hall

A series of “Getting to Know You” displays will be offered in Fellowship Hall during the breakfast time each Sunday morning this summer. Each week, a different member of our congregation will be highlighted along with representations of his or her artistic endeavors. Come to Fellowship Hall for breakfast or at least stop in for a cup of coffee or tea, meet or get reacquainted with these members, and see some of their work each Sunday during July!

## Get Connected Planning Meeting Sunday, July 12, 11 a.m.

The Getting Connected Lunch on June 14 was enjoyed by all. Another gathering for those interested in occasional fellowship events especially for singles or couples without children will take place July 12. That day, a short planning meeting will be held at church beginning at 11 a.m. After the planning, those who are interested will go together to the Art Fair on the Square. Some may wish to stop at one of the lunch vendors at the Art Fair. Join us July 12! For more information contact the church office (256-9061), Phyllis Anderson (288-8430 or [phyllisandersen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:phyllisandersen@sbcglobal.net)) or Valerie Brown ([brown4868@att.net](mailto:brown4868@att.net) or 286-1315).

## Children Visit “Crocodile Dock” in Summer Sunday School



Summer Sunday School for children age 3 through grade 5 continues this month. Children will enjoy weekly visits at Crocodile Dock as if they're down on the bayou. Bible stories, Swamp Stomp music, Croc crafts and lots of fun will be included each week. Children go to the first few minutes of 9:30 worship and then

come down to the Croc Dock in the lower level of the building. Weekly classes continue through August 30. Parents and other volunteer leaders are always welcome. If you're interested in helping one or more Sundays this summer please contact Tina at [tlang@fumc.org](mailto:tlang@fumc.org) or 256-4646, ext. 15. See you in Summer Sunday School!

## Newcomer Orientation Gathering Sunday, July 19, at 10:45 a.m. in Room 203

Please come to this casual gathering if you are interested in membership or would like to know more about the mission and ministries of First Church.

## Summertime Harvest of Good Books

Join members and friends in the chapel at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday through August 30 for a taste of good books! Pick up a book review brochure in the narthex for more information about each title and each presenter.



- July 5: Iris Petersen reviews *For God and Country: Faith and Patriotism Under Fire* by James Yee.
- July 12: Sherry Caves reviews *1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus* by Charles C. Mann.
- July 19: Donna Veatch reviews *Welcoming the Stranger: Justice, Compassion and Truth in the Immigration Debate* by Matthew Soerens and Jenny Hwang
- July 26: Tom Brown reviews *God's Secretaries* by Adam Nicolson.

## Youth Summer Missions in Full Swing

The middle school mission trip is taking place in St. Louis as we speak. Three adults and fifteen middle schoolers left Madison on June 28<sup>th</sup> and traveled south for an urban mission experience. They arrive home on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Later this month, a group of 49 (14 adults and 35 youth) will travel to Breathitt County, Kentucky for FUMC's 16<sup>th</sup> ASP (Appalachia Service Project) mission trip. Please keep all of these youth and adult leaders in your prayers. We look forward to hearing the stories upon their return!

## Summer Sunday Breakfast Menus (free-will offering)

Fresh Fruit, Milk (including soy), or Juice (\$.50\*)

Muffins, Cereal, Scones, or Yogurt (\$.50\*)

- July 5: Croissant Pudding (\$2\*) - a twist on the standard dessert, croissants and maple syrup for breakfast!
- July 12: Breakfast Pizza (\$2\*) - Hash browns, eggs, cheese and sausage all on a bread dough crust for “Good Morning Pizza!”
- July 19: Cheesy Ham Pie (\$2\*) - Cheddar cheese, eggs and ham on a biscuit crust.
- July 26: Orange Cream Cheese Stuffed French Toast (\$2\*)

\*suggested donation

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