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**Sunday Worship Schedule**  
 8:30 AM Casual Blended Service  
 9:30 AM Sunday School  
 10:45 AM Traditional Service



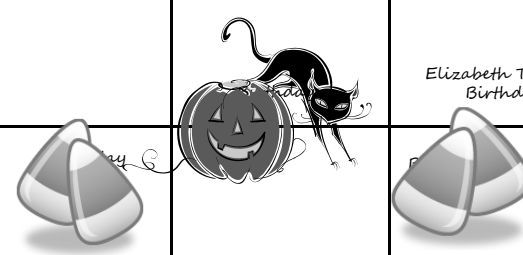
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# The Methodist Message

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Bridal Shower for Amy Poteet 2-4pm Chancel Choir 4pm Christmas Choir 5pm Ladies Bible Study 5:30pm / Youth 6pm Disciple 1 Meeting 7:30pm  Kathy Hudson's Birthday	3   Donna Hughlett's Birthday	4 Ladies' Bible Study 10am @ the Parsonage  4-F Club @ Raymond's 11am  Worship Committee 6pm Ad Council 7pm	5 K.L.I.C.K 6:30pm Youth 7pm  Harvest Fest Meeting 6pm  Nikki Campbell's Birthday	6 Emmaus Gathering @ Robinson UMC 6:30pm	7   Aaron Byrd's Birthday	8 Kathy Woodruff's Birthday  Taylor Peterson & Thelma Ramsey's Birthdays  Choir Retreat 4-5:30pm (Mini Retreat 3:00pm)
9 UMW Meeting 12pm Chancel Choir 4pm Christmas Choir 5pm Ladies Bible Study 5:30pm Youth 6pm Disciple 1 Bible Study 6pm	10   Bobby Safley's Birthday	11 Ladies' Bible Study 10am @ the Parsonage	12 K.L.I.C.K 6:30pm Youth 7pm  Harvest Fest Meeting 6pm	13	14	15 Harvest Festival 2011  Grant Ferderer's Birthday
16 Marzie Hughlett, Clint Lavendar & Adera Cassidy's Birthdays Chancel Choir 4pm Christmas Choir 5pm Ladies Bible Study 5:30pm Youth 6pm Disciple 1 Bible Study 6pm	17   Pam Cooper & Lee Pennington's Birthdays	18 Ladies' Bible Study 10am @ the Parsonage	19 NOW Committee 6pm K.L.I.C.K 6:30pm Youth 7pm	20   Braylin Pavlas' Birthday	21	22 CSCM Team Planning Meeting 8am-4pm
23 Chancel Choir 4pm Christmas Choir 5pm Ladies Bible Study 5:30pm Youth 6pm Disciple 1 Bible Study 6pm  Tori Batt's Birthday	24 Emmaus Reunion Group 6:30pm	25 Ladies' Bible Study 10am @ the Parsonage	26 Food Pantry 5-7pm K.L.I.C.K 6:30pm Youth 7pm  Lea McKnight's Birthday	27	28	29   Elizabeth Taylor's Birthday
30 Chancel Choir 4pm Christmas Choir 4:45pm No Bible Studies or Youth  TRUNK OR TREAT! 6pm	31 			 <b>October 2011</b>		

## Ron's Reflections

### Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

On Sunday, October 2, we will begin a worship emphasis called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Over the next few weeks, we will look at some of the financial challenges facing us as a nation and examine our own spending, saving, and giving habits. In addition to exploring biblical principles of financial management, we will learn ways to assess our financial situation and develop a financial plan that will allow us to experience the true joy that comes through simplicity and generosity. At the end of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of giving for the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments on Sunday, October 30th. Please be in study and prayer that each of us will be encouraged to seek new lifestyles of simplicity and generosity to the glory of Christ.

### Disciple Bible Study Organizing Meeting

"This is the most fantastic Bible Study I have ever taken," is what several people have told me over the years. Join me and others this Sunday, Oct. 2 at 7:30 p.m. for a brief meeting to share information, answer questions about Disciple Bible Study, and order your manuals. The cost is \$40 per person or less, depending on shipping cost. It is possible but not recommended for a couple

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Choir Retreat**  
 Saturday October 1st 4-5:30 pm  
 Mini Retreat @ 3:30 for everyone!

**PUMPKIN PATCH**  
 Open 10am-7pm daily throughout the month of October. Work Schedule sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway

**HARVEST FESTIVAL**  
 Saturday, October 15th  
 See inside for details

**Trunk or Treat!**  
 Sunday, October 30th @6pm  
 Come park your car and bring candy to give out to the children of our community!  
 (Candy donations can be made to office by noon that Sunday)

to share a manual. If the cost is a problem for anyone it is possible to borrow one. Our first class will be next Sunday, Oct. 9 at 6:00 p.m. for an introduction, to hand out manuals and give instructions. Please e-mail me if you are interested or plan to take the course with us. [pastor@lorenaumc.org](mailto:pastor@lorenaumc.org).

There is a minimum number required for the class to make so don't wait until the last minute or you may miss the Bible discovery of a lifetime.

Yours in Jesus' love,

*-Pastor Ron*

## Fall is in the Air

Fall is in the air at Lorena United Methodist Church. It may be not be by the temperature, but by our church Harvest Festival. Pumpkins are scheduled to be here September 29<sup>th</sup> and the Harvest Fest is scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>. For those not familiar with Harvest Fest, it is an event that seeks to raise money for the church's ministry and mission related projects. As an example, at least 10% of the proceeds from this year's event will be distributed to local community organizations. The remaining will be used to fund the church's ministry in missions, such as the various summer mission projects by the youth.

The success of Harvest Festival comes from donations from merchants and the churches congregation for the auctions & garage sale. We would like to see each church family either find a merchant to donate something or to donate an item themselves for the auctions. (live or silent) If you know of a merchant who might donate a gift certificate or an item to one of the auctions, a letter is attached for you to give them that tells about the Harvest Fest.

There will be a Bake Sale and Garage sale as well. Suggested items for the garage sale are: tools, kitchen ware, linens, bathroom décor, decorative pieces, pictures, toys (in good shape), dishes, books, dvd's, tv's, radios/stereos, lamps or lighting fixtures, gardening items, small furniture items and miscellaneous knick knacks, /& coats to donate, not to sell.

There is a form attached for the items you wish to donate. (auction, garage sale or bake sale) Please have all auction and garage sale items turned in no later than Wednesday October 12th. Bake sale items should be brought to the church Friday evening, October 14th or by 7:45am Saturday the 15th.

Soda donations (12-pack & any variety) and cookies (packaged 2 per baggie) are needed for the Harvest Fest BBQ. These can be brought to the Church at anytime. Also needed are Styrofoam cups or your old coffee mugs to be given away with the purchase of coffee or bake sale item. Cups can be placed in the box next to the Church Office/Pastor's Office.

Without the many volunteers, we would be unable to do all the things that are planned. Volunteers are still needed so if you would like to help out, come to one of the Harvest Fest meetings planned for Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and October 12th @ 6:00pm.

See you at the next meeting!

Harvest Fest 2011



### PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR TITHES!

To Date: 10/1/11	Need Weekly:	Should have:	Still Need: 10-1-11
\$139,304.20	\$5154.20	\$194,785.20	\$55,481.20


### 4F NEWS



The 4F club will meet Tuesday, October 4th at 11:00am. We will be eating at Raymond's in Lorena.

Contact Thelma Ramsey for more info. 857-4189

Come join us for Fun, Food, Fellowship & Forgetfulness!



**Lorena UMC Emmaus News**

On October 6th the Emmaus Gathering is at Robinson UMC in Waco. The Agape Feast is at 6:30 with Worship at 7:00. The next Gathering is on at Robinson UMC.

The Lorena UMC Emmaus Reunion will meet in the Betties House on Monday, October 24th at 6:30 P.M. Bring your brown bag dinner.

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### WE SING TO YOU, O GOD

'We sing to you, O God, as we think about our Great 130 Celebration and the joy and spirit that we have at Lorena UMC. We sing to you, O God, as we prepare for Harvest Fest and the Pumpkins and 'Trunk or Treat'. We sing to you, O God, as we prepare for the Choir Retreat and Christmas Music and the Mini Retreat.

LUMC Chancel Choir will begin regular Christmas Choir rehearsals on Sunday, October 2, at 5:00 P.M. The retreat was on October 1 and Chancel Choir began practicing Christmas Music at that time. Yes, it is that time of year! You do not have to be a regular member of Chancel Choir to participate in Christmas Choir.

Wasn't it great to have an almost full choir loft on 130 year Celebration Sunday! Could we do that again in November? On November 20, there will be one service with lunch following, It would be great to fill the Choir Loft on that Sunday as we give thanks to our Lord and sing praises to Him.

Bell choir will begin rehearsal toward the end of October.



### Thank You:

Dear LUMC Family,

A special thank you for the continued cards that you keep sending. Each one lifts our spirits!

Thelma & Andy Ramsey

### October Greeters & Ushers:

8:30 Service		10:45 Service	
10/2:	(Communion) Pam Cooper Tom Stott	10/2:	(Communion) Tori Batt Paul Batt
10/9:	Gary McCully	10/9:	
10/16:	Gary McCully	10/16:	Lee Pennington
10/23:	Gary McCully Steve Barrett	10/23:	Lee Pennington
10/30:	Gary McCully	10/30:	

Look for updates in the weekly E-newsletter and the bulletin. We will try to schedule choir chimes also if children in grades 3-6 are interested in learning to play.

If your special talent is in music, we can find a place for you at Lorena UMC. Isn't it great that we can praise and worship our Lord in the church of our choice? Worship God also as you sing, as you pray, as you go through each day. Remember He is with you always.

Singing praises to God with joy in my heart  
~Doris Ann

### CHOIR REHEARSAL TIMES FOR OCTOBER 2011

#### CHANCEL CHOIR

- Sunday, Oct 2 - 4:00pm / Christmas choir - 5:00pm
- Sunday, Oct 9 - 4:00pm / Christmas choir - 5:00pm.
- Sunday, Oct 16 - 4:00pm / Christmas choir - 5:00pm
- Sunday, Oct 23 - 4:00pm / Christmas choir - 5:00pm
- Sunday, Oct 30 - 4:00pm / Christmas choir - 4:45pm  
\*due to Trunk or Treat