

**Activities for the Week of
March 14, 2010**

Mar. 14	9 a.m.	Lenten Bible Study (church, nursery)
Mar. 14	9 a.m.	Sunday morning Men's Bible Study (Admin Bldg)
Mar. 15 - 19	Spring Break	
Mar. 15	7 p.m.	Council Meeting
Mar. 16	5 p.m.	Prayer Group (church)
Mar. 16	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study (church) <u>A Journey through the Psalms</u>
Mar. 17	7 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Emmaus Team Meeting
Mar. 17	7 p.m.	Bible Study (Murchison Home) <u>The Good and Beautiful God</u>
Mar. 18	10 a.m.	Ladies' Book Club
Mar. 18	7:30 p.m.	Ladies' Book Club
Mar. 19	6:45 p.m.	Emmaus Gathering at Spring Creek

Next Week's Activities

Bible/Book Studies as scheduled

Mar. 23	10 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study resumes
Mar. 24	6:30 p.m.	Youth Bible Study resumes

Looking Ahead

Apr. 3	10 a.m.	Eggs-travaganza
Apr. 9	4 p.m.	DNOW – Youth
Apr. 18	10 a.m.	Youth Bake Sale
Apr. 19	7 p.m.	Charge Conference
May 1		Youth Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure
Jun. 14-18		VBS (Revised Dates)

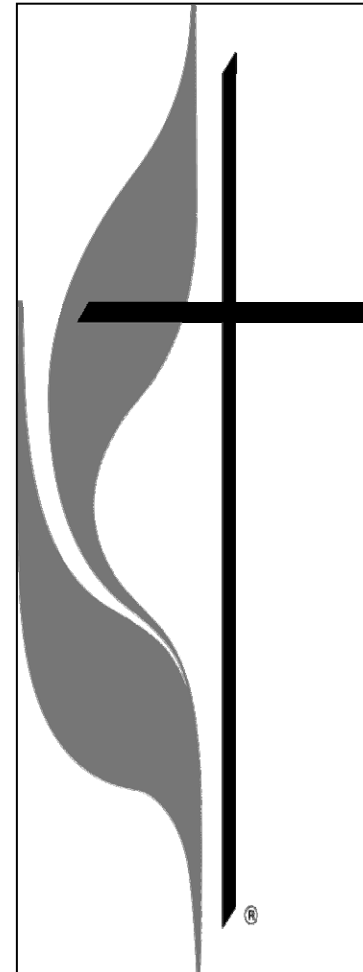
Rev. Stephen Sanders, *Pastor*
 Rev. Denise Barker, *Pastor*
 Rev. Becky Hamann, *Pastor*
 Susan Fly, *Director of Youth Ministries*
 Mandy Jackson, *Director of Children's Ministries*
 Alfredo Segura, Jr., *Director of Music Ministry*
 Michele Koch, *Administrative Assistant*

Spring Creek Office Hours: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. M-F

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Our Vision: Growing in Faith, Serving God.



**March 14, 2010
4th Sunday in Lent**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Songs

Time with Young Disciples

Song

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Doxology

Scripture Passage

Luke 15:11-32

Message

Rev. Denise Barker

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Song

Welcome New Members

Sending Forth

***Our Mission* - "Spring Creek United Methodist Church commits to an ever-deepening relationship with God through worship, meaningful connections with others, intentional spiritual growth and committed service."**

**Youth 411
Grades 6-12**

No DOJO Tonight enjoy Spring Break! DOJO will resume March 28 at 6 PM.

There will not be Wednesday Night Bible Study during Spring Break. We will meet again on March 24 at the Fly's House from 6:30 to 7:30

PM. Hope you can make it.

DNOW (Disciple Now) is coming April 9-11. Spring Creek will team up with FUMC Boerne for a weekend of spiritual growth, service and worship. Youth will rock out to music by No Greater Sky and hear a message by Cody Lain. Registration is \$35 and includes meals, mission supplies and more. The deadline to register is Wednesday, March 31. For more information contact Susan.

EXPERIENCE YOUR PERSONAL WALK TO EMMAUS

Are you interested in meeting Jesus in a new way as He is revealed to you through other believers? You can do this by participating in a Walk to Emmaus, a 72-hour weekend in which to grow your Christian spiritual journey and leadership for the church.

The Emmaus events at Spring Creek are as follows:

- Emmaus Gathering at Spring Creek, Friday, March 19, 6:45 p.m. for visiting, singing, and fellowship.
- Men's Walk to Emmaus led by Frank Ritchie – April 29 -May 2

All of Boerne's Emmaus information is online at www.boerneemmaus.org. Gatherings are at FUMC Boerne on the second Tuesday of each month. Next month Joyful Noise (Spring Creek Band) is playing. For more information contact Brenda Haberman at 210-823-5129 or sunnysha617@yahoo.com.

The Spring Creek Book Club will meet Thursday, March 18 at 10 am. This month's book selection is **THE RED TENT** by Anita Diamant. Though it is fiction, it is a well researched story of an Old Testament woman's life (Dinah). This is a popular read about the strength of women and their important relationships with each other. Won't you join us? Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor. Always a great discussion! For more information call Judy Howen at 210-545-4192.

We are called to minister to the least, the lost and the lonely. Many who are experiencing "growing old gracefully" are lonely. A new **Nursing Home Ministry** is just getting started. Could you read to someone whose sight is failing, give a manicure to a lady who wants to feel pretty, play dominoes for an hour or so? A short meeting will be held following today's service to outline opportunities at a nearby nursing home in Boerne. Judith Umberger and Judy Howen and will be in the narthex with information. Please consider offering a helping hand.

FOOD BANK: This month we collected 106 items plus a \$10 gift card from HEB. The Food Bank is always thankful for Spring Creek's generosity.

**Spring
Creek Kids
Grades K-5th**

Volunteers Needed!! We need one to two volunteers for our PT Cruiser class. If you would like to help on Sundays teaching our wonderful 5th and 6th graders please contact Mandy Jackson at mjackson@springcreekumc.org. Parents this would be a great opportunity to work as a team with some of our kids.

Mark your calendars! The *Easter Eggs-travaganza* is just around the corner on Saturday April 3. We could use donations of eggs filled with wrapped candy. Please drop off eggs, candy, or donations in the Easter Basket in the foyer. Donations are due by Sunday, March 28. Also, if you would be interested in helping with the Easter Eggs-travaganza, please contact Mandy Jackson at mjackson@springcreekumc.org.

Mark your calendars for June 14-18. Get ready to blast off with Spring Creek's Galactic Blast **Vacation Bible School** from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Children age 4 through 6th grade are encouraged to participate. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mandy: mjackson@springcreekumc.org

Children's Sunday School takes place during the worship service. Children are invited to join their families for the beginning of the worship service, and then we welcome our children to the front of the sanctuary for Time with the Young Disciples. Afterwards children grades K-6 are escorted to their Sunday School classes for a developmentally appropriate Bible lesson. Please pick up your children after worship service in the children's portable building.

Children are always welcome to attend the worship service. There are packets in the back of the sanctuary in a basket with books, crayons, and other goodies if you need to keep little fingers busy. Please ask an usher if you need help in finding these.

Nursery care is available for the entire worship service, and we can provide the parents with a pager if interested.

Nursery care is also available for our Bible Studies. Please give at least 72 hours notice so we can make the proper arrangements for a childcare worker to be in the nursery for you. E-mail Mandy Jackson at mjackson@springcreekumc.org to sign up for nursery service or call the church office.

We invite you to make Spring Creek your church home.

You can join Spring Creek in one of the following ways:

BY BAPTISM

If you have not been previously baptized, you can receive the sacrament of baptism and profess your faith in Christ. Speak with the pastor today about scheduling your baptism.

BY TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

If you currently belong to another church of any denomination, you can join today. We will handle the details.

BY PROFESSION OF FAITH

If you have been baptized and do not belong to another church, you can profess Christ as your Lord and Savior today. The pastor will ask you a few questions and invite you to respond.

If you would like to join the Spring Creek family, complete the information below and bring it to the pastor during the final song or talk to the pastor after the service.

Name _____

Address _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Have you been baptized? _____

If you are presently a member of another church, please include the name and address if known.

Next Week's Scripture

John 12:1-8

WHAT IS THE CHURCH COUNCIL?

"The church council has primary responsibility for creating and sustaining the congregation's plan for discipleship."

Your church council has worked hard to develop a vision and mission statement.

Our Vision:

Growing in Faith, Serving God

Our Mission:

Spring Creek United Methodist church commits to an ever-deepening relationship with God through worship, meaningful connections with others, intentional spiritual growth and committed service.

It is now the council's responsibility to ensure that everything Spring Creek does fulfills our vision and mission.

Council meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month and are open. Minutes from those meetings are also available upon request.

A list of the 2010 Council is in the lobby and on the web. Please feel free to contact Council Members if you have any questions or would like to become involved in one of these ministry areas: Worship, Mission, Community Life and Spiritual Growth, or support ministries such as Finance and Trustees.

**Attendance
March 7, 2010**

Youth Retreat.....	21
Congregation	159
Music/Video	10
Children	16
Adult/Helpers.....	10
Nursery Children	6
Adult/Helpers.....	3
Total Attendance.....	225

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