



# THE MESSENGER

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### Our Vision

*To make Christ known,  
follow the Word of God,  
serve others,  
and win new disciples.*

Memorial Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)

1001 Andrews Highway Midland, TX 79701

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### Sunday School Classes

Toddlers & Twos .... Room 4  
Ages 3-4 ..... Room 7  
K-Grade 3 ..... Room 7  
JYF (Grades 4-5) ... Room 7  
Fellowship Class .... Room 9  
Discipleship Class.. Room 101  
Roundtable..... Room 102

### Scheduled Leaders for July 4, 2010

**Elders**  
Offering ..... Jerry Jones  
Communion &  
Worship..... Jackie Forsyth

**Deacons**  
Coordinator ..... Bob Williamson  
Betty & Cecil Odom; Jane  
Green; Trinia Rowland; Richard  
Smith; Ray Stailey

**PowerPoint** ..... Gregg Groves

**Psalm** .....

**Scripture** ..... Romans 8:1-5

**Message**  
Freedom Sunday

Office Angels  
for Jul 14  
Elwana Collins,  
Wahnetta Detrixhe,  
Betty Odom,  
& Martha Poss



## Freedom Sunday

July 4, 2010 • 10:00 a.m.

Worship in Courtyard

11:00 a.m. Luncheon

## Organization Work Day! Saturday • July 10 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Education and Programs Ministry Teams entices everyone to come to an Organization Workday. Breakfast will be provided by the Disciples Men! We need to organize the upstairs room and put away the Christmas items since Room 2 (Jungle Room) is needed for VBS. And if you say that you cannot climb stairs, you are welcome to stay "on the ground floor" and organize the closets in Children's Church. All/any help will be greatly appreciated!



**Breakfast—8:30 a.m.  
July 10, 2010**



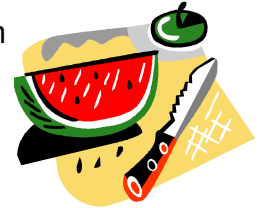
**Peanut Butter Sunday  
July 4**



**No meetings in July  
for  
Elders' Luncheon  
and  
MCC Prayer Time**

## Watermelon Feast July 18, 2010

Let's face it. July is just HOT! But hot summer days remind us of the past when we ate watermelons and drank lemonade to keep cool. So... MCC is having a Watermelon Feast on July 18 at 6:30 p.m. out on the basketball court. There will be watermelon, lemonade, and other cool drinks for your enjoyment. Also, games will be set up for children of all ages. Come and enjoy the fellowship. Note: If you would like to furnish watermelons for the event, then please call the church office or Mike Landrum at 631-7390.



If you have information for "The Messenger" to appear in a newsletter please be attentive to the dates and contact the church office accordingly. Thank you.

July 14  
July 28  
August 11  
August 25  
September 8 – return to  
normal weekly schedule

# T-Dreams

Hello! I thought this time I would offer you some brief vignettes and let you draw your own conclusions as to what they might mean (a) for Memorial Christian Church and (b) for you personally. By now, each of us knows that every individual sees things (understands things) at least initially through the lens of her or his own life and environment. So have at it, friends! Perhaps you will have one or two of what I call "Ah-ha moments" as you ponder the following.

*Number 1*—In the 1940s, the Swiss watch was the most prestigious and best quality watch in the world. 80% of the watches sold in the world were made in Switzerland. In the late 50s, the digital watch was presented to the leaders of Swiss watch companies. The leaders rejected this new idea because they knew they already had the best watch and the best watchmakers. The man who developed this digital watch subsequently sold the idea to Seiko. In 1940, Swiss watch-making companies employed 80,000 people. Today they employ 18,000. Today, 80% of the watches sold in the world are digital.

*Number 2*—Max Depree, a famous American writer, once said, "In the end, it is important to remember that we cannot become what we need to be by remaining what we are."

*Number 3*—There is a story about an Army Sergeant who was put in charge of a plot of grass in front of the post headquarters in an Army camp. He promptly delegated the job to a Private, instructing him to water the grass every day at 5:00 p.m. The Private did this conscientiously. One day, however, there was a terrific thunderstorm and the Sergeant bellowed, "It's 5:00! You're supposed to be out watering the grass!" "But Sergeant," the Private said, looking confused, "it's raining; look at the thunderstorm!" "So what?" yelled the Sergeant. "You've got a rain-coat, haven't you?"

No dreaming today. Just priming the pump, as some say.

*Blessings, Terry*



**No Messenger next week. Scheduled leaders for July 11, 2010 are listed on this page below the Prayer List.**

## ***Please pray for...***

- Apex 2000
- Richard Barr (friend of the Groves)
- Grayson Braziel
- Jane Petree-Bright (friend of Marisa Hutchison)
- Cari Butler (daughter of Jackie Forsyth)
- Rita Cox (friend of Marisa Hutchison)
- Pat Jo Dennis (friend of the Staileys)
- Emily Edwards (daughter of Frances Younger)
- Roger Elliott
- Paul Henderson
- Fran Hendrix (sister of Pat Spaw)
- Dewayne Hendrix (nephew of Pat Spaw)
- Linda Hughes (daughter of Altha Odom)
- Carolyn Kirkes (friend of Gail Caudle)
- Zo Landrum (mother of Michael Landrum)
- Joyce Neal
- Shirley Norris (friend of the Hensesons)
- Peg Spring Nickerson (friend of Jackie Hendricks)
- Doug Smith (brother of Tamara Schulz)
- James Stark (friend of the Staileys)
- Teen Challenge
- the Van Houtens

## **Scheduled Leaders for July 11, 2010**

### **Elders**

Offering ..... Frank Detrixhe  
Communion & Worship ..... Betty Whitmire

### **Deacons**

Coordinator ..... Rebecca Bell  
Wahnetta Detrixhe; Marisa & Tim Hutchison;  
Freda Kinsey; Delnor Poss; Wayne Warren

**PowerPoint** ..... Steve Gandy

**Psalm** ..... 77:6-10

**Scripture** ..... Amos 7:12-17 &  
..... Luke 7:25-29 (30-37)

### **Message**

"The Price of Real Justice"

**Rev. Dani Cartwright**, Southwest Regional Minister, [www.ccsww.org](http://www.ccsww.org)

**Rev. Sharon Watkins**, General Minister & President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)

**Please have articles for the newsletter into the office on Friday afternoon before you wish the article to appear the following Wednesday.**

**Vacation Bible School  
July 31, 2010**



**Albertsons Community  
Partners Program**

It just takes one person to help make a difference. You can help make a difference for us simply by shopping at your favorite Albertsons store and using one of the Community Partners barcodes with every purchase. MCC youth earn 1% of the sale each time our Community Partners barcode is scanned with a grocery purchase.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support and the difference you will make for our youth by using the Partners barcode. In 2009 we received \$134.25 from Albertsons. This month, we received a check in the amount of \$23.33 for supporters' shopping from February thru April 2010.

The Partners barcode tags (which hangs on your keychain) are available at the church.

- Place:** Memorial Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
1001 Andrews Highway, Midland
- Date:** July 31, 2010
- Time:** 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (*Breakfast & Lunch provided*)
- Ages:** 3 years through 6th Grade
- To register:** phone 432.694.5321 or  
e-mail [secretary@mccmidland.org](mailto:secretary@mccmidland.org)

**Thank You**

Our heartfelt thanks for the cards, calls, visits, and especially the prayers during Marshall's latest surgery and hospital stay. You are a special church and special people. We appreciate you. Thank you again, and God Bless!

*Eula & Marshall Huffman*

**Patriotic Trivia**

As we celebrate America's birthday, it's interesting to note that clergymen wrote both the Pledge of Allegiance and the hymn "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Rev Francis Bellamy wrote the pledge in 1892. Rev Samuel Francis Smith wrote the hymn in 1831. Both men were Baptist ministers.

The pledge was first used in public schools in 1892 during Columbus Day observances. "My Country 'Tis of Thee" was used as a national song before "The Star-Spangled Banner" was named America's national anthem in 1931.



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## Weekly Calendar of Events

### Sunday, July 4: Freedom Sunday

9:40 a.m. NO Church School ☺

10:00 a.m. Worship ☺

11:00 a.m. Freedom Sunday Luncheon

### Monday, July 5: Office Closed

### Tuesday, July 6:

8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Truck

### Wednesday, July 7: No Messenger

1:00 p.m. Food Pantry

7:30 p.m. NO Choir rehearsal

### Saturday, July 10:

8:30 a.m. Disciples Men's Breakfast &  
Organization Workday

### Sunday, July 11: JYF & Chi Rho Camps Begin

9:40 a.m. Church School ☺

10:50 a.m. Worship ☺

3:00 p.m. VBS Meeting

### Tuesday, July 13:

8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Truck

### Wednesday, July 14: Messenger

1:00 p.m. Food Pantry

7:30 p.m. NO Choir rehearsal until Aug 25

### Sunday, July 18:

9:40 a.m. Church School ☺

10:50 a.m. Worship ☺

3:00 p.m. VBS Meeting

6:30 p.m. Watermelon Feast

☺ Child Care for 4 years and younger.

### Scheduled Leaders for Children's Church

Date	Leader
July 4 .....	No Children's Church
July 11 .....	open
July 18 .....	open
July 25 .....	open

### Lectionary for Jul 4

2 Kings 5:1-14

Psalm 30

Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

### Lectionary for Jul 11

Amos 7:7-17

Psalm 82

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37