

**Activities for the Week of  
March 7, 2010**

Mar. 7	9 a.m.	Lenten Bible Study (church, nursery)
Mar. 7	9 a.m.	Sunday morning Men's Bible Study (Admin Bldg)
Mar. 7	11:45 a.m.	Pizza with the Pastor
Mar. 8	7 p.m.	Finance Committee
Mar. 9	10 a.m.	Women's Study Group (church)
Mar. 9	5 p.m.	Prayer Group (church)
Mar. 9	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study (church) <u>A Journey through the Psalms</u>
Mar. 9		Boerne Emmaus Gathering at Boerne First UMC with our band playing
Mar. 10	6:30 p.m.	Youth Bible Study (Fly Home)
Mar. 10	7 p.m.	Bible Study (Murchison Home) <u>The Good and Beautiful God</u>

**Next Week's Activities**

Bible/Book Studies as scheduled

Mar. 14	11:45 a.m.	Trustees Meeting
Mar. 15 - 19		Spring Break
Mar. 15	7 p.m.	Council Meeting
Mar. 17	7 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Emmaus Team Meeting
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

**Looking Ahead**

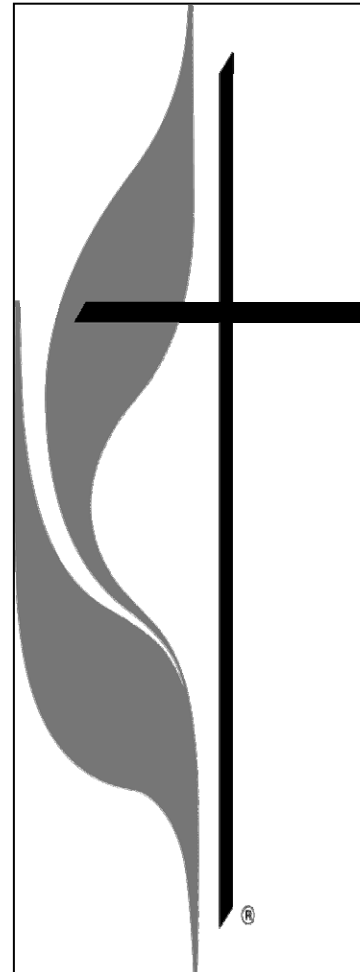
Apr. 3	10 a.m.	Eggs-travaganza
Apr. 9	4 p.m.	DNOW – Youth
Apr. 18	10 a.m.	Youth Bake Sale
Apr. 19	7 p.m.	Charge Conference
May 1		Youth Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure
Jun. 14-18		VBS (Revised Dates)

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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**March 7, 2010**  
 3rd Sunday in Lent

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Songs**

**Time with Young Disciples**

**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Offering**

**Doxology**

**Scripture Passage**

**Luke 13:1-9**

**Message**

**Rev. Stephen Sanders**

**Holy Communion**

**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 or next Sunday. DOJO will resume March 28 at 6 PM.

Guys and Dolls will be returning to the church at 2 PM today.

Wednesday Night Bible Study meets 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. The cost will be \$35 and includes meals, mission supplies and more. Watch for more details on how to register for this exciting event.

**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](http://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](mailto:sunnysha617@yahoo.com).

**VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS--Today after church, please join us for PIZZA WITH THE PASTOR** - Join Pastor Stephen for pizza and discussion. Children are also welcome. No reservations needed.

The Spring Creek Book Club will meet Thursday, March 18th 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. Judy Howen and Judith Umberger will be in the narthex with information. Please consider offering a helping hand.

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

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

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. Also, if you would be interested in helping with the Easter Eggs-travaganza, please contact Mandy Jackson at [mjackson@springcreekumc.org](mailto: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 6<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to participate. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mandy: [mjackson@springcreekumc.org](mailto: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.

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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](mailto:mjackson@springcreekumc.org) to sign up for nursery service or call the church office.

**Our Vision: Growing in Faith, Serving God.**

**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*

**Luke 15:11-32**

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**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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***Attendance  
February 28, 2010***

Congregation .....	135
Music/Video .....	10
Children .....	20
Adult/Helpers .....	5
Nursery Children .....	12
Adult/Helpers .....	3
<b>Total Attendance .....</b>	<b>185</b>

Just a quick note for everyone at Spring Creek. --

Thanks so very much for all the packages and all the great Valentines, Christmas, and 4<sup>th</sup> of July cards. Everyone here has enjoyed everything immensely. In fact most of the folks don't want me to leave as I get so many delicious goodies from family and friends. I can't wait to get home to Tish, Ashley, and Manny as well as the rest of my family and the Spring Creek Family...60 days and counting!

Cheers,  
Tom Allen

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Stephen will be on vacation from March 11 through March 18. If you have a pastoral emergency during that time, please contact either Rev. Becky Hamann (210-764-2271) or Rev. Denise Barker (830-537-5166).

The church **Spring Cleaning Day** for the yard is scheduled for March 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon (max). We will spruce up the yard for Easter so bring whatever yard tools you may have to help do this. We will have coffee and tacos to get the morning started. There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer for volunteers.

Do you seem to be missing one little piece in your life puzzle? Try finding it through the **Mission Ministry!** We meet the first Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm in the Administration Building of the church. Drop in and help us help others! – Bonita Barron

**ATTENTION** – Notices and information for the bulletin and Email Updates should be sent to [volunteer@gvtc.com](mailto:volunteer@gvtc.com) and/or [mkoch@springcreekumc.org](mailto:mkoch@springcreekumc.org) by 10 a.m. each Wednesday. The email updates are brief reminders of upcoming events. In depth information can be obtained in the bulletin and on the web at [www.springcreekumc.org](http://www.springcreekumc.org).

A great big **"THANK YOU"** to Judy Barreras and Weinerschnitzel for providing the yummy hot dogs for the youth last Sunday evening

Be a part of the **Spring Creek Directory of Business Cards**. If you want the people of Spring Creek to know about your business, fill out the information on the envelope in the basket on the table in the foyer. Then, put a \$5 donation and your business card in the envelope. The Directory will be published sometime in March.

#### Joys and Concerns

Please remember the following people in your prayers and let them know you care.

Paul Norton

**Communion this Sunday** – At Spring Creek UMC we strive to make the communion table welcome to all. We serve King's Hawaiian Sweet Bread during communion which contains wheat, milk, eggs, and soy. We also offer communion wafers which are gluten, wheat, dairy, corn and soy free. If you would prefer one of these wafers, please see Pastor Stephen when you go forward for communion. If you have any questions about the communion elements, please contact Michele Segura at 210-698-4604 or [msegura.satx.rr.com](mailto:msegura.satx.rr.com).

A graphic with the words "Happy Birthday!" in a large, stylized, yellow font with a black outline and a drop shadow effect. The text is slanted upwards to the right.

Janelle Gallego	March 1
Danielle Powers	March 1
Elyse Briggs	March 2
Nancy Dockery	March 2
T. Riley Hale	March 2
Tom Harris	March 4
Rhonda Nash	March 6
Reagan Lynch	March 7
Lynn Snyder	March 9
Larry Smith	March 13
Pam Russell	March 14
Judy Barreras	March 16
Sterling McClelland	March 16
Collin Peterson	March 25
Angelika Barreras	March 27
Clint Corbin	March 30
Geri Keller	March 31

Birthday not here? Guess what, we don't have your info. Just drop a note into the offering plate. No need to put the year you were born unless you're under 18.