

# First United Methodist Church

## Commerce, Texas



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### Mission of the Month—

### UMCOR-

### United Methodist Committee on Relief



#### How does UMCOR help?

UMCOR was originally founded in 1940 in response to displaced and vulnerable populations in the wake of World War II.

UMCOR provides relief assistance both nationally and internationally. I was surprised to learn all the ways UMCOR provides assistance in the world. I naively thought they were pretty much restricted to the familiar hurricane/flood clean-up buckets. Their relief efforts go FAR beyond that. UMCOR and its partners are responding to disasters across the globe every day.

Closer to home, UMCOR is supporting local relief efforts for the communities affected by the March tornadoes in Michigan. UMCOR is there!

Hunger, poverty, global health, water and sanitation, disaster response and recovery, migration, sustainable development, specific health needs for women and children—whatever is called for, UMCOR's US and International Response Teams provide it. They are literally the hands and feet of Jesus doing God's work throughout the world.

#### ***How can I help?***

Please prayerfully consider generously giving to this very worthy effort that is our May mission. There's no better way to show God's love and to be the hands and feet of Jesus when you yourself can't be there. Please either designate a separate offering by writing "Mission of the Month" in the memo line of your check or when giving online from [fumcccommerce.org](http://fumcccommerce.org) choose Mission of the Month to give to UMCOR.

Matthew 24:40 "...just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

# Palm Sunday



# The Big Event



We had a great work day with the help of a few ET students participating in the Big Event. Thank you to Church members Dennis, Jeff and Brenda. And not pictured Jim, Dick, Greg, Jon and Al.

Have you noticed the clean windows? We also arranged the container storage to allow for more room, re-stacked the loose brick by the containers, cleaned up and removed all the debris around the outside HVAC units and cleaned the flower beds.

Thank you!

# Prayer List 04/26/26

### Recent Concerns:

- ◆ Our world, country and leaders
- ◆ Richard Norton
- ◆ Chris Wilcoxon, Son in law of Dale and Sue Massey
- ◆ Carter McLeroy (received a heart transplant), Grandson of Julie and Bob McLeroy
- ◆ Priscilla McFarland
- ◆ Donald & Marcia Hakala
- ◆ Mark & Donna Streetman
- ◆ Becca Rowe
- ◆ Patricia Mulkey, Jim Patton's sister
- ◆ Debbie Dunham

### Continued Prayers (long term):

- ◆ Bill Heitholt
- ◆ Richard Young, Lee Riddle's grandson
- ◆ Georgia Gholston
- ◆ Melanie and Judy Corteaal
- ◆ Robert Seay

### Those serving in our military:

- ◆ Chandler Teague (US Navy)  
great-grandson of Lee Riddle
- ◆ Captain Cameron Lehr
- ◆ Lt. Dan Barton
- ◆ Daniel Chamberlain
- ◆ Sgt. Stephen Smith & Denise Smith



If you are interested in giving

flowers for the altar,

please contact Luann Huffman at

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### Upcoming Important Dates

- May 3—Celebrating Mother's Sunday Service, Children's Choir Performance , & Luncheon 10AM
- May 5- Women's Study Group 3PM
- May 6— Children's Choir visits Country Home Estates
- May 7—Serve Team Meeting 10:30AM
- May 11—Prayer Shawl Meeting 9:30AM
- May 12— Trustees 6:30PM
- May 13—Children's Choir end of Semester Party
- May 16— East District Conference 3-5PM
- May 19—Women's Study Group 3PM
- May 21—Prayer Shawl Crafting 9:30AM
- May 25— Memorial Day: Office & Little Ark Closed
- May 28--Little Ark Pre-K Graduation & Open House  
- 8:30AM  
- —Prayer Shawl Crafting 9:30AM

### Ongoing Activities

Men's Breakfast ( Omega's): Wednesdays 8AM

Country Home Estates: Wednesdays at 2:00PM

Youth: Wednesdays at 5:30PM

Pastor's Bible Study: Wednesdays at 5:30PM

## Service Time is Changing

Mark your calendars!

Starting June 7th Service will begin  
at 11AM

### Financial Report

	<u>Current</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget Income:	\$22,879	\$57,250
Budget Expense:	\$20,791	\$59,197
<u>Difference:</u>	+2,088	-\$1,784

# Fun at Little Ark



## Save the Date

May 22nd 8:30AM:  
Pre-K Graduation in the Sanctuary  
followed by an Open House in the  
Pre-K classroom

June 5th 7:30-8:30AM: Donuts  
with Grownups please RSVP with  
Jennifer by June 4th



**For emergency  
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